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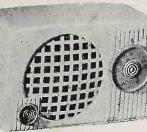
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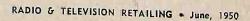
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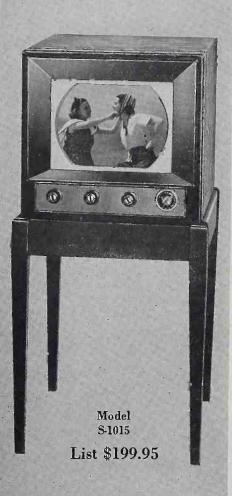
- Styled to harmonize with the newest cars—designed to fit in All cars, old and new.
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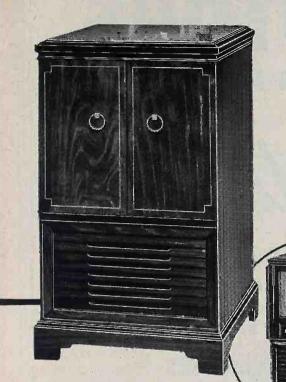
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### Values that Prove the ol' Summer Season ain't necessarily <u>Slow!</u>



Here is quality that will stand out in any company —a masterpiece in performance and styling. With its 16" rectangular black tube, Bendix engineered AM, FM radio and 3-speed 3-size precision record player, this magnificent concert console will add real luster to your floor displays.



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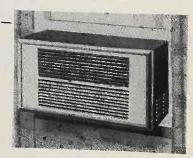
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#### DEALERS:

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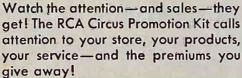


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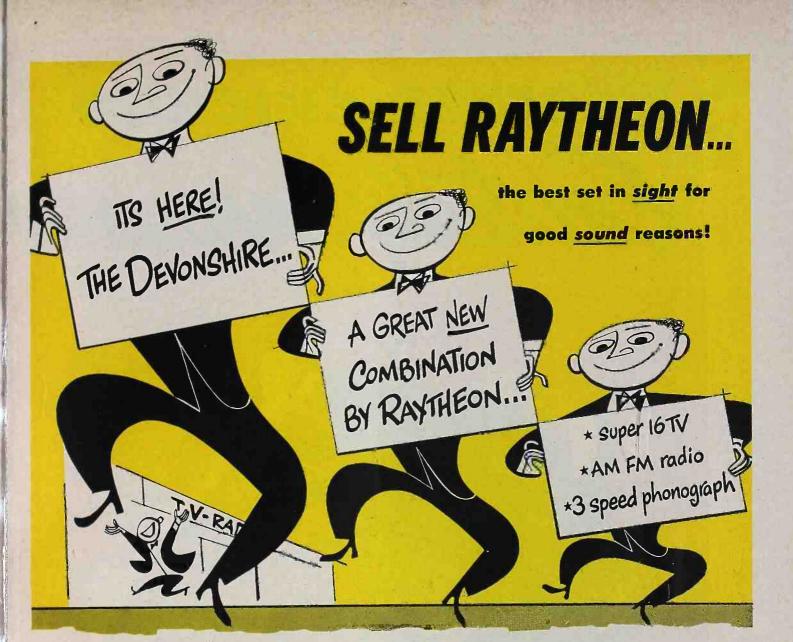
The Record: Tough assignment? Not too tough for Admiral planners, designers, engineers, production men! Lights shone far into the night for many nights but by 1950 the trade was rocking with the news. Admiral had succeeded in bringing out a Dual-Temp that was better than ever before—with all the "'most wanted" conveniences and then some—but featuring 50% more space at no additional cost! The world's finest refrigerator now provides 10.6 cu. ft. of storage for only \$399.95! Admiral Corporation, 3800 W. Cortland St., Chicago.



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Console Response New construction of the sound chamber gives lifelike, faithful sound reproduction. You've got to hear the new "288" to appreciate this glorious new richness of tone. Here is a wire recorder that you can tell your customers to compare with *any* magnetic recorder at any price for true quality.

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For further information about these items write to

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### "Creed" Adopted for TV, **Appliance Wholesalers**

A "creed" for distributors of appliances, radio and television and a special market development approach to step up sales of dishwashers, disposers, freezers, clothes dryers and air conditioning units are featured in a new Appliance Division program developed recently at meetings of three appliance committees of the National Association of Electrical Distributors. The committees were Major Appliances, Radio, Television and Tubes, and Electric Housewares, headed, respectively, by K. G. Gillespie, Benjamin Gross and C. A. D'Elia.

The "creed" was adopted in the form of a statement of basic objectives toward which the activities of various committees in NAED's Appliance Division could be constructively directed. It reads: "1. We believe: That more goods for more people at lower cost is the proper objective for manufacturers, wholesale distributors, retailers and consumers. That each of the business agencies in this chain of production must prosper in order to meet the needs of consumers of their products. The practices which defeat the prosperity of one or more of the links of this chain eventually will defeat or produce an unnecessary burden for all of them.

"2. Therefore, we, as wholesale distributors of appliances, radio and television, after careful deliberation, propose to focus from time to time the attention of our associated business agencies to practices, good and bad, which enhance or defeat our joint purposes. Wherever our own shortcomings are exposed by us or others, we also intend to seek correction.

"3. Of immediate concern are several problems to which attention should be focused if wholesale distributors are to prosper or, in some cases, merely to survive. These are not necessarily chargeable to any single partner in the enterprise, but they do deserve the attention of top managements of manufacturers, distributors and retailers."

The report of a special committee for market development of new appliances indicated that all of the products mentioned in the first paragraph had reached approximately the same stage of development, with limited public acceptance, somewhat analogous to refrigerators in the early '30's. It pointed out that these products were now entering the "rapid growth" period in which "specialty selling" would prove an indispensable business builder. Specialty selling, it was stated. is costly. In order to do their part of the job of market development, distributors must undertake additional functions inherent in specialty selling. It should be recognized that the products involved have not by any means reached that point of public acceptance where they could be considered "demand merchandise." Similarly, dealers must also undertake a stepped-up promotion program.



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Summer's outdoor, away-from-home, on-the-go activities call for Zenith\* Portable Radios—and promise you your biggest selling season. So cash in by tieing-in with Zenith's big Portable promotion. Talk, show, demonstrate and *sell* Zenith Portables!

### The Sensational ZENITH UNIVERSAL\*...

Owners rave about the Universal's ability to perform with clarity and volume even in remote locations where many portables fail. Has an extra-powerful circuit with Tuned R. F. amplification, a more sensitive Alnico "5" Speaker, the exclusive Wavemagnet\*, AC-DC or battery operation. Smartly styled Buffalo-Grained case in Black or Brown.

Less Batteries

### The TRANS-OCEANIC is always a best seller

Outperforms any portable, anywhere. The one set to sell when customers want long-range reception. Gets standard, plus International Short Wave on 5 separate bands. Humidity-Proofed against loss of sensitivity. For AC-DC or batless botteries



#### Tops for Turnover TIP-TOP HOLIDAY\*

Giant "Tip-Top" Dial with builtin Wavemagnet swings up above the set for tuning ease, doubles the sensitivity of reception. For AC/ DC or battery. Cabinet of Ebony or two \$3995† tone Blue-Grey plastic. less batteries





#### Powerful and Popular ZENITH ZENETTE\*

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Hardly bigger than your hand, yet plays with big-set volume and tone! Open lid, set's on—close lid, set's off. Weighs but 5½ lbs. Battery or AC/DC operation. In Burgundy, Ebony or White plastic. †Suggested retail price. West Coast and far South prices slightly higher. Prices subject to change without notice.



ZENITH RADIO CORPORATION 6001 DICKENS AVENUE • CHICAGO 39, ILLINOIS

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### TV -- the "Add-On" Punch in American Selling!

The stream of interest in Television has developed into a veritable torrent, sweeping TV receivers into first place as the country's Number One sales and want product.

Everybody's talking Television. It's being publicized at every hand. It's become the top topic in cartoon art, where every gag's a boost. Television is being plugged on the radio, in the newspapers, in the movies; on the stage and in the stock market. TV programming is attracting the best there is in talent. "TV or not TV?" is no longer a question with any performer. They all want IN!

The dealer is at the focal point of all this exciting business.

Because he's the man who puts the sets in the home and keeps them operating, he's in a position to make a lot of *add-on* sales. With his magic TV key he can sell each customer *more than a TV set*. He can sell 'em TV-FM-AM combinations to play the 3-speeds, and more phonograph records. He can sell portables and electrical appliances. He can sell phono conversion and replacement jobs. From here on, he'll be getting TV replacement business, too—selling larger-picture sets. The dealer is geared up to handle all the new things on the way, including color television.

Since the current torrent of interest in TV is not of a flash-flood sort but is a consistently growing development still in its infancy, merchants should plan to ride the crest for all it's worth, using TV to make those add-on sales.

### What's Ahead!—in Radio,

LAST-MINUTE DEALER OPINION ON TV SALES slow-up. They say it's due to: 1. People beginning to budget their money for outdoor activities. 2. Increased supply of sets, resulting in more widely scattered sales. 3. "Saturation" in homes of many baseball fans who bought slews of receivers ahead of season's opening. Over whole picture, sales are still very good, though below those of first 4 months of 1950.

NO 10 PER CENT EXCISE TAX ON TV sets. The House Ways and Means Committee has refused to approve the proposed tax of 10% on television receivers. Many segments of the industry voiced disapproval; pointed out that consumers would have to pay more, and that the entire TV enterprise would be slowed up.

INVENTORIES IN HANDS of manufacturers, jobbers and retailers much lower at the end of May 1950 than same period last year. This goes for TV, radio, large and small appliances and phono records.

BIG EVENT COMING TO CLEVELAND is the Radio Parts Distributors Convention to be held August 27 to September 1, at the Auditorium. It's sponsored by the National Electronic Distributors Association. (NEDA).

"THE MARKET FOR VACUUM CLEANERS IS ONLY about 50% saturated, far below the saturation obtained by other major appliances, such as refrigerators and washers." — Alex M. Lewyt, president, Lewyt Corporation.

"THE ENTIRE RECORD PRODUCING and phonograph industry bogged down for a couple of years while the record companies fought over which speed was going to take over—and the customers bogged down with them," W. S. Hartford, general sales manager, Webster-Chicago Corporation, points out. "The 'speed war' is over now. The market is wide open. People want records but the records they want are the 45 and 33¼ RPM speed records. Over 15,000,000 of these people have phonographs that will play only 78 or 33⅓ RPM records."

OUR SINCERE THANKS TO THE MANY DEAL-ERS who filled out and returned those TV costs of doing business questionnaires, and for the interesting comments numbers of respondents made on business conditions. The editors of this magazine wish they could thank each and every one of you personally.

TELEVISION STATIONS ON THE AIR as of June 1 number 106, with three more stations still building (in Nashville, Jacksonville and Atlanta). No new stations are expected to come on during June. Sets in use have reached 6 million. Thirteen cities now have over 100,000 sets in use. These are:

Baltimore	Cincinnati	Los Angeles	Philadelphia
Boston	Cleveland	3 5 1 2	Pittsburgh
Chicago	Detroit	37 77 -	St. Louis
	Washin	gton, D.C.	

BIG TV MANUFACTURERS ARE REALLY FAC-ING A PROBLEM right now in trying to gauge production for the summer months. The trick is to make all the market will readily absorb; no more. They don't want to under-produce as they did last year. (It's taken them about eight months to catch up with the demand.) Last summer some of the smaller outfits kept on rolling sets off their lines, thus creating a few new millionaires.

NOW THEY SAY, "SELL ME THE TV SET RIGHT AWAY!" Just a short time ago when color video seemed a lot farther away than it does now, dealers reported that many were "waiting." Today, with color rumored to be right around the corner, numbers of merchants report no appreciable effect at retail level. This shows a terrific new increase in desire to own, plus confidence in the industry's ability to "convert" receivers in consumers' homes.



THOUSANDS WILL ATTEND THE MUSIC SHOW at Chicago's Palmer House, July 10-13. Numbers of new radio and TV models will be shown along with combinations, players, recorders, phono records and musical instruments. Special editorial features on the Show will appear in the July issue of this magazine. The big Chicago event is operated by the National Association of Music Merchants.

VIGOROUS MOVES AGAINST WIDE-OPEN FLOUTING of fair trade laws, initiated by manufacturers in the electric housewares field are seen by the Bureau of Education on Fair Trade as "a healthy sign of increasing recognition that effective and continuing enforcement is a major factor in preserving Fair Trade."

BIG RECENT SPURT NOTED IN DEALER co-op advertising in many of the big cities, with TV and major appliances leading other products.

BRISK ACTIVITY IN TV TRADE-INS reported by many dealers who wrote in to comment on the "Profitable TV Trade-Ins" article in a recent issue. Some examples of trade-in allowances made by those writing in are: \$150. for a one-year old \$400. set; \$150. for a two-year old \$450. set; \$250. for a one-year old \$550. set; and \$150. for a one-year old \$300. set. Some dealers commented that, although they thought the suggested allowances arrived at with our formula were good, they found customers had a much more inflated idea of the value of a used receiver.

### **Appliances, Records and Television**

PRESENT SALES SLOW-UP IN TV described as being "more psychological than actual" by several merchandisers, who assert that too many people in the industry prepare for a seasonal decline by "slowing down their sales efforts." It is a fact that last year at this time the pipelines were filled, and running over. Now, they're about three-quarters full, having started out in January, 1950, empty as Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

BIG EXPANSION PROGRAM BY International Resistance Company, Philadelphia, to the tune of about \$1,500,000, will make available many more  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1 and 2-watt resistors. Says Harry A. Ehle, IRC vice-president: "Our decision to take on an expansion of this magnitude is, of course, based on our complete confidence in the future of television . . ."

THE BIG DRIVES NOW UNDER WAY TO GET 3-speed record players into millions of homes is going to hop up the record business to new sales levels. Look for the dollar sales of platters to break all records in 1951.

TO DOUBLE PRODUCTION OVER LAST YEAR, Motorola, Inc., will produce 2,500,000 TV sets, home radios and car radios in 1950, estimates Walter H. Stellner, vice-president.

WITH THE FLOOD OF NEW, SPECIALLY DE-SIGNED ANTENNAS, towers and boosters on the market, the "fringe" grows farther and farther beyond that one-time "horizon" and line-of-sight area, opening up much new business for retail merchants and their service departments.

TO DEALERS WHO ARE STILL HOLDING those TV costs of doing business questionnaires: Please fill out and mail at your earliest convenience. (You have an addressed, prepaid envelope.) The survey on TV costs is being jointly sponsored by RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING and the Retailing Division of City College. (College of the City of New York.)

THERE'S A DEFINITE TREND AWAY FROM buying on time for the sole reason of "insuring" service. Consumers today are expressing the highest degree of confidence in advertised, established brands. TV PICTURE TUBE BREAKDOWN RATE remarkably low, and this is a boon to users who have no contracts, as well as being profitable to manufacturers and service firms guaranteeing free replacement. The failure rate has been estimated at less than 1/2 of 1% for tubes under 90 days old and 5% for tubes under 1 year old.

HALLICRAFTERS COMPANY expects to produce about 250,000 TV units in 1950, with total company volume (including communications) of about \$40,-000,000, reports William J. Halligan, president.

ENERGETIC DRIVE AGAINST TV PRICE-CUT-TING being made by Chicago's Television Installation Service Association, Frank J. Moch, president. In a recent bulletin urging cooperative action, the TV industry is described as a "giant" who "is sick." "The cancer of price cutting is eating away its very life," writes the head of the organization, whose membership includes a number of prominent Chicago dealers.



WHY CUT PRICES ON TV, AMERICA'S top demand item? One dealer writes to us pointing out that when cars were scarce auto dealers made customers pay premiums; buy a lot of gimmicked up extras. When TV was scarce, says this merchant, a bunch of wildeyed merchants cut prices, and threw in such "extras" as antennas, installations, tables and what-have-you.

HERE'S A TIP ON GETTING MORE WOMEN customers. An Eastern dealer says that his sewing machine department, rendering service, selling new machines and supplies, really brings them in. Says he can trace many TV, radio and appliance sales directly to his sewing machine set-up.

#### FUTURE EVENTS OF INTEREST TO READERS

- JUNE 5-8: RMA 26th Annual Convention, Hotel Stevens, Chicago.
- JUNE 12-16: National Association Electrical Distributors, Convention Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.
- JUNE 18: Father's Day
- JULY 10-13: National Assn. of Music Merchants (NAMM), Music Industry Trade Show & Convention, Palmer House, Chicago.
- AUG. 7-19: U. S. International Trade Fair Chicago Coliseum, International

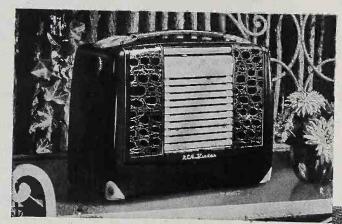
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Amphitheater and Navy Pier, Chicago.

- AUG. 27-SEPT. 1: Radio Parts Distributors' Convention (NEDA), Cleveland Auditorium, Cleveland, O.
- SEPT. 13-15: Pacific Electronic Exhibit, Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, Cal.
- SEPT. 23-30: First Consumer National Television and Electronics Exposition, 69th Armory, New York, N. Y.
- SEPT. 25-27: 2nd Annual Radio and Television Service Convention and Exhibition, Broadwood Hotel, Phila., Pa.
- SEPT. 30-OCT. 8: Third Annual National Television & Electrical Living Show, Chicago Coliseum, Chicago.
- OCT. 11-OCT. 14: 15th Annual Conference of the North Central Electrical Industries, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston.



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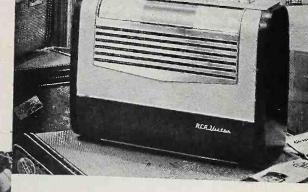


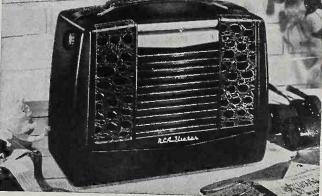
### **RCA VICTOR BX57**

Here's the perfect set for customers who want peak performance, stunning beauty, unmatched convenience—all wrapped in one. Three-way powered, "Golden Throat" tone system.

### **RCA VICTOR BX6**

A striking new version of the famous 3-way "Globe Trotter." Weatherized lightweight aluminum case. "Golden Throat" tone system.





### And your price leader— RCA VICTOR BX55

Your lowest priced postwar RCA Victor 3-way portable. The tone of the "Golden Throat" will sell the set for you.

RCA VICTOR-World Leader in Radio ... First in Recorded Music ... First in Television

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#### **POWER-PACKED MAGAZINE ADS**

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Your chance to fill the Summer sales gap ... push RCA Victor, the Pick of the Portables. Now you can team up with hard-hitting RCA Victor magazine advertising—put it to work *for you!* It's a nationwide drive that is flooding your own area.

Look at the heavy ad schedule that'll be sending portable customers your way:

LIFE-May 29	Featuring BX55
	Featuring BX6
EBONY-June	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57
EXTENSION-June	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57
	OST-June 3. Featuring BX55
LIFE-June 26	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57
CORONET-July	Featuring BX55
EBONY-July	Featuring BX55
SATURDAY EVENING P	
	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57
LOOK-July 4	Featuring BX55
ARMED FORCE-July 3	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57
EBONY-August	Featuring BX55, BX6, BX57

#### YOUR OWN NEWSPAPER CAMPAIGN

Tie in with RCA Victor magazine ads ... make the most of RCA Victor window and counter displays. Ask your distributor for brand-new RCA Victor newspaper ad mats. He has a whole set of them. These co-op ads are specially designed to generate portable sales for you! They're your ads. Start 'em running in your newspapers now—start customers running your way, too!

#### A NATURAL PROFIT LINE

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This year's RCA Victor line is designed for biggest sell-up profits—fits the bill for all your portable prospects. Customers will clamor for the smart functional styling . . . smooth "big set" tone and volume ... lightweight construction that makes RCA Victor portables a treat to take anywhere. Cash in on portables this Summer! Stock and push RCA Victor.





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For satisfied customers push RCA long-life batteries

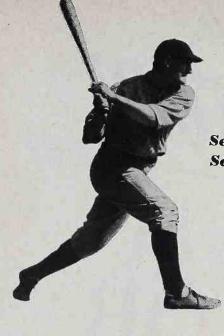
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ONLY RCA VICTOR HAS THE "GOLDEN THROAT"

Only RCA Victor Makes the "Victrola"

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#### • From a "hole-in-the-wall" radio repair shop 25 years ago, Mast's, Inc., has grown to one of the leading television and appliance retailers in the highly competitive downtown shopping area of Seattle, Wash.

The scale of Mast's present operation can be indicated by the fact that the firm now has approximately 12,000 square feet of floor space in display of appliances, radios, and television sets. Four salesmen and four service employes work under the supervision of founder and president Fred R. Mast, in this department. Assisting Colonel Mast in the sales and promotional end of the business is his son, Ralph K. Mast. Very instrumental in the success of the firm, Col. Mast emphasizes, has been the effort and business sense of his wife, who has worked with him most of his 25 years in business, and who managed the firm single-handed during five war years when her husband and her son were in the service.

Progressive merchandising and service policies, plus adaptability to changing economic conditions, are the principal reasons for Mast's steady and consistent growth. The firm was one of the first to merchandise television ag-

### **Hard-Hitting Sales**

### Seattle Dealer Expands TV, Appliance Volume via Progressive Servicing and Selling Policies; Explains Video Warranty Plan

gressively in the Seattle area. More recently, it inaugurated its unique Television Owners Agreement which is finding acceptance with other Seattle television dealers as well. This agreement, which will be described in detail in this article, is accomplishing the dual purpose of stabilizing service costs and improving dealer-customer relationships.

Mast's started as a small radio and repair shop in an outlying Seattle business district. In its early years of growth, the firm moved several times to larger quarters in that district. Refrigerators and other appliances were added during this period. Within a few years Mast moved into the downtown area and later added sporting goods to his other lines of merchandise. Shortly after the beginning of the war, the firm moved to its present modern and attractive quarters. Mast's began merchandising television aggressively as soon as the first TV station opened in the Seattle area. Knowing that people were reluctant to buy at first, they nevertheless invested a good proportion of their newspaper advertising budget in promotion of TV sets. Their reasoning on this was that if they kept hammering away on the television theme, people would come to associate Mast's with the new medium. It has worked out exactly that way, Ralph Mast reports.

Sales of television sets, accordingly, have amply justified the considerable advertising investment. There remained, however, one problem which they shared with most other television dealers. That was the service problem.

The sticker here, Ralph Mast explains, is the fact that more owners of TV sets do not anticipate the service



Long, attractive store front (above), of Mast's. Below, a mass display of washers, dryers and small appliances, clearly visible through backless front windows, gets much attention.

Part of the service room at Mast's, where complete facilities for repairs are provided.





### **Promotions Pay**

expenses which they may have to assume. With a radio, the dealer has customarily given a 90-day tree repair service, which he could readily assume with radio's fairly liberal mark-ups. With the lower mark-up which the dealer obtains with television sets, he can no longer afford free 90-day service.

The result is that the customer who is accustomed to this 90-day service guarantee, resents having to pay a service charge on his new television set. In some cases, he may refuse pointblank to pay it. For a variety of reasons, the dealer is hardly in a position to insist, and hence takes a loss in his service department. In addition, there is a residue of bad feeling which remains.

To remedy this condition, Col. Mast evolved his Television Owner's Agreement. This consists of a certificate which is signed by dealer and customer, setting forth the terms of an unconditional service warranty for which the customer pays a stated price. These terms include installation and initial adjustment, instruction in operation and care of the equipment, and assumption of all costs of labor and parts as needed for proper maintenance.

This warranty is sold to the buyer of a TV set for \$40 for the first year's duration. For combination sets, the cost to the customer is \$50. The warranty, of course, is sold only to buyers of new sets and for the first year's operation.

#### Service Coupons

In addition to the certificate, the customer receives a sheet of five service coupons. For each service call which is made, the customer gives one coupon to the service representative. If more than five calls are made within the year, he still receives free service. If less calls are made, however, the coupons are redeemable at the rate of \$5 apiece, at expiration of the agreement. The customer who has had no service calls, therefore, has paid out only \$15 for service insurance. In this way, the buyer who is lucky enough to receive a completely trouble-free set does not have to pay a high cost premium. This makes the service much more attractive to set buyers who might otherwise be inclined to gamble.

For customers who don't want to buy the full year service warranty, Mast's issues a 90-day certificate. This guarantees the customer the same service for the first 90 days, at a cost of \$20 for television sets, and \$25 for television combinations. Three service coupons are issued with this certificate, also redeemable for \$5 at the termination of the agreement. Purchasers of

Service contract and one of the redeemable service coupons sold to customers by Mast's, Inc., Seattle, Wash.

this warranty, further, are given a flat rate of \$5.75 for all service calls during the remaining 9 months of the first year period.

SERVICE COUPON

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With either arrangement, the cost of the warranty is included in the conditional sales contract. Customers do not have to make an additional cash payment.

Customer acceptance of the arrangement has been almost unanimous, Col. Mast reports. The warranty was first offered by Mast's on February 1 of this year. During the first two month period, over 90 per cent of TV buyers accepted the service policy with their contracts.

From the firm's point of view, the results have been entirely beneficial. Though it is not a money-making idea, it keeps them from losing money on their service department. Equally important, it eliminates customer-dealer friction over service charges, thereby building future sales of TV sets.

TELEVISION OWNED AGREEMENT 

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Masts, Inc., are further interested in promoting their idea with competing television retailers. They have, in fact, explained the plan in detail to other dealers, a number of whom have already adopted it. Their reasoning on this is that general participation will hasten consumer acceptance of television, thereby benefiting all retailers, including Mast's, Inc.

Their methods of television retailing explain only partially the Masts' success with radio, television and appliances. Other factors are attractive, attentiongetting displays, and advertising.

The upstairs appliance section, for example, is impressive with its massed displays of refrigerators, washers, and (Continued on page 87)

A part of the TV-Radio showroom. Well placed lighting fixtures and sound absorbing ceiling poneling help to put customers in a buying frame of mind.



Nation's Merchant

THEATRICAL NEW METHODS OF DISPLAYING Admiral television receivers and major appliances were unveiled at the reopening of Dynamic Stores' Broadway and 65 St., New York City.

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The interior of the store has been redesigned to create the effect of three stages, all open and visible from the sidewalk. The entire front of the store, where 3,000 square feet have been added to the previous sales space of 12,000 feet, is covered with stainless steel and allglass door will replace the conventional ones. A similar modernization program has been put into effect in Dynamic's other five stores in the metropolitan area, according to Jack M. Winer, president. All stores will eliminate conventional show-windows and will provide visibility directly from the street into the showroom proper. The front of the Broadway and 65th Street store presents an expanse of 75 feet of glass and stainless steel. topped by one of the largest and most dramatic neon signs ever built. It features Dynamic and Admiral television and refrigerators, is 75 feet long and nine feet high, and has 14 animated effects. It draws some 50,000 watts.

"WE SERVICE ALL WE SELL" is the motto of M. L. Coffin Co., 725 Broadway, Bangor, Maine. The firm uses advertising space in the Bangor Daily News to plug Coolerator.

"ENJOY IT TODAY! 2 YEARS TO PAY! is the slogan Teletronix, Inc., uses in ads on Westinghouse refrigerators.



ATTENTION-GETTING SMALL AD (above) used by Associated Stores in the St. Petersburg, (Fla.) Times.

DEALER ADVERTISING THROUGHOUT COUNTRY. Cal's, 22 Hammond St., Bangor, Maine, uses big-space ads to promote sales of Hotpoint products . . . . Tyree's, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida, advertising GE appliances, features "plenty of parking space" in its newspaper copy . . . . . Attractive ad layouts by Strong, Inc., Greenboro, N. C. on Admiral refrigerators . . . In the Chattanooga, Tenn., area 33 dealers signing those big Westinghouse refrigerator ads.

The Billings Electric Supply Co., below, of Billings, Montana, which found a new market in electrical appliances. Large windows, give an unrestricted view of the entire store.



A NEW, WINDOW-DESIGNING TECHNIQUE which stopped traffic at each of the three Loop-located Hudson-Ross stores was introduced by Richard Hirsch, president of Hudson-Ross, one of the outstanding radio-television dealers in Chicago. Each store window featured exclusively Zenith's FM-AM radios and Zenith's "Presidential Line" of TV receivers in combination with rare orchids and other floral displays from the Pacific.

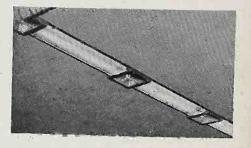
Hirsch said that the use of floral pieces with merchandise was one of the most effective window-displays ever used by Hudson-Ross. He pointed out that each store drew crowds which stood three or four deep in front of the windows. Traffic in store aisles was tremendous.

DISPLAY, BIG SALES FACTOR. Originally incorporated as an individual and residential installation and wiring firm, The Billings Electric Supply Company of Billings, Montana (see cuts below) found a new market in appliances.

The new products, added during the building restrictions of the late war, soon forced them to larger quarters.

Among the novel arrangements in the new store are the spotlights throughout

Section of the set-in ceiling lights and spotlights at the Billings Electric Co. The spotlights are focused on individual displays, most of them visible from the street.



the ceiling. Inasmuch as the entire front is given to plate glass windows, all items on the 50' x 65' sales floor are readily visible from the street. Units of various types, such as GE laundry equipment, or kitchen items, to name a few, are grouped to simulate actual placement in the home. One or more of the ceiling spotlights are then focused on these displays and, with the aid of manufacturer's display material, give the passerby ideas.

Another business builder is the radio repair department. A study of sets brought in gives them knowledge of prospects in this line and also opens the



way for demonstrations on other items. While electrical housewares are handled, the emphasis is placed on the heavier appliances, especially those to be installed in new homes.

Which all adds up to proving that repair and installation work, coupled with sales aids furnished by the manufacturer can also bring in orders for appliances.

#### **KEEPS PROFITS UP**

About the best protection the appliance retailer can have against over-ambitious trade-in allowances, or other profit-losing moves, is through training every saleman to estimate the trade-in value of an old product accurately against its resale price, according to Pincus Feinberg, head of Southern Electric Company, large Tallahassee, Florida dealership.

Despite a \$200,000 plus volume per year, Southern Electric Company has been forced to deal with only a minimum number of trade-ins, actually amounting to only 10% of unit sales. The reason, according to Feinberg, is the fact that every salesman on the staff is able to estimate accurately the resale price of a used refrigerator, the cast of reconditioning it, and all other factors which enter into the allowance.

"We do not use a blue book of any kind." Feinberg said. "Instead, we prefer to trade in used refrigerators on the basis of what it is worth on resale, plus haulage cost, reconditioning cost, etc. While our allowances are generally good, from \$25 to \$60, they are rationed out sparingly—and through good estimation, we have never taken in a box which proved valueless or so expensive to recondition that we lost money on it."

The system by which new appliance salesmen of the store are trained to estimate accurately is simple-consisting of requiring each new salesman on the force of the big store to operate the used refrigerator department for a long enough period to become thoroughly familiarized with value. Thus, a new salesman entering the staff is assigned first to the trade-in department. Here, Southern Electric Company accumulates used refrigerators until enough are on hand to stage a special sale. Inasmuch as the salesman gets experience in dealing with customers on used appliances, he soon finds "what the market will bear," and being furnished with figures on the allowance, reconditioning cost involved in each refrigerator, etc., he is bound to be more careful in taking trade-ins.

#### **REFRIGERATOR TRADE-INS PROFITABLE**

Both advantages of keeping trade-in refrigerators at a minimum, and showing a full profit on every trade-in resold, are accomplished by a novel "case history" system worked out by Earl Nichols, sales manager for Halle's, large dealership, at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Since the end of the war, Halle's has insisted on making a profit on trade-ins. and has found, through good management, a well-equipped repair shop, and most important, urging trade-in owners to "sell themselves", that this can be constantly possible. "We average a markup of 30% to 35% on every trade-in," Nichols said. "Primarily because we accept only first-class boxes, which are in demand, and which we can sell to a rather discriminating market. We refuse to accept any trade-in which costs us an over-large allowance, which involves any element of risk, or for which we do not already have a prospect on list. while following this system may cost up a few new refrigerator sales, we feel that in the long run, freedom from headaches and trade-in loss, make it worthwhile."

In this way, less than 20% of total new refrigerator sales involve a trade-in. The No. 1 reason is a novel policy of keeping "case histories" on the success of former customers in selling their own refrigerators via want ads, according to Nichols. Under the plan he urges each prospect who has an old box to trade, to advertise it in the classified section of local newspapers, pointing out that he will receive at least one-third, and maybe twice as much return by doing so.

In order to prove the soundness of the system, Halle's calls back a few days following release of such ads, to contact the former refrigerator owner, to determine "how he came out" on the offer. Invariably, the customer enthusiastically replies that he has sold the old box for \$50, \$75, etc. These facts are assembled, typed up on a sheet, and form a "case history of a trade-in" which is always handy in encouraging still another prospect to do the same thing. "A lot of homeowners do not want to be bothered with the necessity of selling their own box, and merely shop among new appliance dealers for the largest allowance," Nichols said. "However, when we use the black-and-white figures to indicate a return of \$25 higher on the old box, invariably the customer will take us up."

Where such prospects do not follow this system, however, Halle's is careful to limit allowances to an amount which will permit a fair profit, even after complete reconditioning of the refrigerator. Allowances are usually comparatively small—and if the customer will not accept them, this dealer simply foregoes the sale.

All reconditioning of trade-ins is done in the rear of Halle's modern Colonialatmosphere building. With 5 mechanics on duty in the shop, the company can do such an excellent overhaul job that it will guarantee refrigerators from 90 days up to one year. "Due to this selectivity program, we have very few rerefrigerators which cannot be put in firstclass shape." Nichols said.

Halle's can handle complete cabinet refinishing by means of a paint spray booth, built in the right-rear corner of the store. Equipped with a huge sliding door, which moves up and down in guillotine fashion, the paint room is divided into two sections for sanding, acid-bath cleaning, spray painting and drying. Powerful exhaust fans purge the paint fumes, and the cabinet can be painted at minimum expense.

In this way, with the low allowance, it is possible to charge each reconditioning operation directly against sale of the box, and still maintain a 30% to 35% profit. With Colorado Springs population increased 20,000 in the past few years, there is a fine market for first-class, thoroughly reconditioned ' refrigerators, which has thus simplified this "headache" for the Colorado firm.



### **Costs of Doing TV Business**

#### Actual Operating Statement of a Store Doing 64% TV Business

• "What does it cost to sell television?" The editors of RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING are in the process of working out the answer to this question from the results of a recent survey. While this compilation is being done, an interim answer is provided by the operating statement reprinted on this page. This is an actual, detailed breakdown of the operations of a radio-appliance-TV retailer, 64% of whose sales volume was provided by television. The name and geographical location of this dealer, of course, cannot be revealed.

This statement is presented as an example of current experience in our field. It is not published as a *typical* example, for it is difficult to say at this stage just what is typical. It will, however, present a basis of comparison for readers to measure their own operations. The editors welcome any comment from readers concerning how their own ratios and percentages compare with these (and if possible, why).

The store whose statement is presented did a gross volume in 1949 of \$331,911.50, \$215,004.51 of which was accounted for by TV; the balance was done in major and traffic appliances. Income from installation and service (not included in the sales figure) came entirely from TV, although a small portion of the expense in this department was attributed to free (in guarantee) service of radios. Considering the store's operation as a whole, the maintained mark-up was 28.4%. The gross margin (adjusted for a small gain due to cash discounts and a small loss on service) came to 28.5%. The net profit for the whole store was 2.7%.

Taking TV separately (the apportionment of expenses due to TV was in some cases estimated by the owner), the maintained markup was 25.7%. The gross margin (adjusted for a small gain due to cash discounts) came to 26%. The net profit on TV was 1.7%.

On appliances, the maintained markup was 33.5%. The gross margin was 33.7% and the net profit came to 4.7%.

It might appear from this analysis that TV pulled down the profit of this store severely. It must be considered, however, that TV added over \$200,000 to the gross sales, and almost \$40,000 to the gross profit, so that (regardless of the percentages) this retailer made more money.

The dealer further feels that the lessons learned in 1949, which was his first big TV year, can be turned to good advantage to earn him larger profits in 1950.

Advertising and delivery expenses are rather large due to the fact that this dealer is not located in the heart of a big shopping center, and consequently must advertise to attract customers, and deliver to reach them.

Sales:	TOTAL STORE	TELEVISION ONLY
1. Total gross sales of mdse.		
(includes resale of trade-ins)	\$331 910 50	\$215,004.51
2. Less customer returns and allowances	nono	none
3. Net sales of mdse.	331,910.50	215,004.51
Cost of Sales:		
5. Cost of inventory beginning of year	27 101 01	0.670.00
o. Cost of mase, purchased	749 402 16	9,650.00
7. Transportation baid	2 000 00	171,753.33
o. Total muse, handled (lines ) and 6 plus line /)	297 505 27	182,653.33
Z. LESS COST OF INVENTORY AND AT YASK	FO 310 97	22,950.00
10. Cost of mdse. sold (line 8 minus line 9)	237,377.00	159,703.33
Margin		
11. Maintained markup (line 3 minus line 10)	04 522 50	
12. Flus cash discounts on purchases	010 10	55,301.18
13. Gross income from installation & service	20.040.00	600.00 30,940.00
14. Less installation & service costs	21 400 00	30,940.00
15. INET Income or loss from inst & service	FF0.00 //	50,540.00
16. Gross margin (line 11 plus line 12 plus line 15)	94,832.96	55,901.18
Expenses		
17. Salary of proprietor	3,925.00	
IO. WARES OF COMMISSIONS OF CALADADIA	11.001.00	2,943.75
19. Other wages 20. Rent paid (includes heat, light, power) 21. Advertising	7,055.81	8,984.00
20. Kent paid (includes heat, light, power)	15,500.00	4,516.72
an Advertising	. 14,280.08	10,535.06
22. Delivery 23. Supplies		9,560.74
24. Interest paid	11,010.72	7,046.86
4.3. All other expenses	6.000.00	566.30
26. Total expenses	6,000.00	3,350.00
Profit	.15	52,153.43
27. Operating profit (line 16 minus line 26) 28. Other income	9,256.83	3,747.75
29. Net profit		
	9,256.83	3,747.75



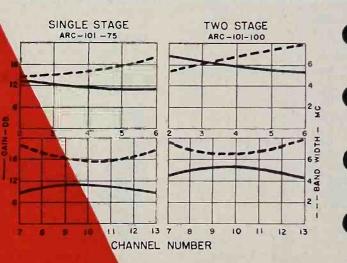
### ANCHOR'S NEW 2-STAGE BOOSTER NOW Enlarges Your TV Market for Sales to Thousands of New Suburban and Fringe Area Residents

In 1949 the ANCHOR Single Stage BOOSTER improved television reception for 1 out of every 4 TV Set Owners. Thousands of apartment dwellers, suburban and fringe area residents the nation over demonstrated their preference by making ANCHOR the Number One BOOSTER in sets sold. ANCHOR developed this recognition only through its own top-notch performance by being able to deliver sharp snow-free pictures in most difficult conditions. Now ANCHOR has added the new Two Stage BOOSTER to their line to bring television, and the finest television reception, to everyone. The New ANCHOR Pre-Amplifier Will Out-perform Any Two Stage BOOSTER on the market.

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CHOR'S formance res have er been illenged, disputed oratory prove that ANCHOR & Stage OSTER reases the pinal TV tail strength IMES.



Single Knob Construction allows switching and tuning with a flick of the wrist.

Radically new switching of tube and circuit components.

Modernly styled with streamlined plastic escutcheon. Soft mahogany leatherette finish.

Most stable non-regenerative unit available. The unit that is not returned.

> NCHOR ADIO

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2215 SOUTH ST. LOUIS AVENUE

### If You Can't Up Sales in This Market - - -

## There's SOMETHING WRONG with

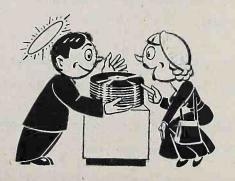
The Dealer Who Finds Out Where He's Falling Down - and

•The old country crossroads "general store" got away with murder. Handling a wide variety of products running the gamut from codfish, rubber boots and patent medicine to sulky plows, it could "specialize" in being "fresh out" of almost anything customers really wanted, and get away with it

wanted, and get away with it. There were several reasons why the crossroads store could exist and sometimes make a profit in spite of its "feather-merchant" operation. First and foremost reason was the fact that the store was usually miles and miles away from the nearest competitor. Folk just had to patronize Dealer Jones or waste a lot of time traveling. Then too, the crossroads dealer had slews of customers in his clutches because they owed him money which they paid back in dribs and drabs. In other words, people bought from him because they had no alternative.

Today, the phono record shopper has an alternative he can use in the case of the merchant whose disc department is run along "crossroad store" lines. A customer will not be forever satisfied with "fresh-out-of" tactics, unsatisfactory relations with clerks posing as salespeople, cracker-barrel displays and slip-shod methods in general. One fine day such customers will use the alternative, which is simply the shifting of his patronage to another store or stores.

Almost every record department in the country has competitors virtually right around the corner, so none can hope to hold customers if it fails to stock the right selection of platters, and sell 'em the right way. Dealers who continue to employ poor selling and display methods are doing a disservice to themselves and to the industry as well, because they make buying so difficult that some customers will lose interest in record-playing.



Be a record "salesman"—not a "cierk"

#### 10 STEPS TO MORE DISC SALES (At the Salesman's Level)

- 1. Sell discs to combo and player buyers
- 2. Offer substitutes or prompt ordering on out-of-stock items
- 3. Know your stock. Don't give negative answers to customers' requests
- 4. Be sure to offer suggestions for additional purchases-not just "what else?"
- 5. Learn to operate demonstration units with facility; keep in good working order
- 6. Wait on customers promptly, but approach them courteously, without eager-beaverism
- 7. Don't be an "order-taker"; be a salesperson, and you'll find you're selling much more
- 8. Find out what customers own now. Offer new equipment or modernization of units now owned
- 9. Tell shoppers about the 3-speeds, and the advantages of having equipment to play them all
- 10. Offer customers needles and other accessories. You'll increase your volume and their listening pleasure



Prompt filling of out-of-stock orders keeps customers happy; loyal to store.

"Shopping" tours by a staff member of this magazine reveal a number of sales-killing practices in record departments of all sizes. Some of the conditions prevail as a result of negligence at the administration level; others can be laid at the door of the salespeople themselves.

#### "Starved" Inventories

At the administration level, failure to provide an adequate supply of bigdemand numbers seems to be an outstanding fault. One dealer interviewed intimated that he was buying from hand to mouth because he wanted to liquidate his old stock "first." He admitted that his walk-out rate was very high as a result. He said he realizes that he will lose a number of steady customers as a result. Such a dealer, and others in his position, face a very real problem in trying to get their money out of the old stock, but in under-buying of hot numbers they discourage not only their salespeople but their customers as well. Buying the right records and the right quantity is today's Number One chore. However, he does it, the dealer must stock a fair supply of current selling platters if he wants to stay in business.

#### The "Wear-'Em-Down" Method

Also to be blamed on those at the administration level is the slow processing of orders for customers who've asked for out-of-stock platters, or worse, the failure on the part of the merchant to do anything at all about such orders. Though most good record departments make every effort to fill requests, too many of them fall into the habit of letting the orders pile up, and even after they've sent for the discs, a great many dealers fail to put the heat on the supplier. Too many stores and record departments maintain sketchy methods of notifying the customer by mail or by phone when the wanted platters arrive.

One very successful merchant, who is also trying to get rid of a big stock



To keep record volume high, sell records when you sell a combo. Qualify customers to find out what kind of equipment they now own sell them 3-speed players.

## your PHONO RECORD SET-UP

### Does Something About It, Can Make More Dollars in Discs

#### 10 STEPS TO MORE DISC SALES (At the Management Level)

- 1. Provide adequate selection
- 2. Speed delivery of "out-of-stock" platters
- 3. Make salespeople of clerks-hold sales meetings
- 4. Keep displays attractive and clean; designed to sell
- 5. Advertise effectively and consistently-in papers; by mail
- 6. Maintain peak-performing demonstration units for good reception
- 7. Don't permit store to be cluttered up. Keep aisles clear for customers
- 8. Learn local preferences so that you can buy the kind of records they'll buy
- 9. Keep easy-to-operate records on records; simplify bookkeeping so you'll know stock
- 10. At sales meetings, discuss problems with sales personnel-they know customer demands



Negative answers turn would-be buyers into stay-aways. Know your stock.

of slow-movers, says that he is able to work successfully with a fairly small inventory of best-sellers because he is able to move fast in ordering, and delivering. He points out that he can keep the same customers coming back even though out of some numbers on frequent occasions because such people know that he will get the wanted discs to them in a hurry. "A customer will soon get tired of dealing with the man who keeps breaking his promise," he says. "They'll drop in a few times, call you on the phone once or twice, and then they'll just quit cold. If they've made a deposit, they will come in and take it back-and give it to someone else." This dealer has a come-up file on customer back-orders; phones patrons promptly when the discs come in.

#### **Clerks or Salespeople**

Some (and too few at that) of the finest record departments in the country employ salesmen and saleswomen to sell records. These firms not only call their employes salespeople but train them to act like salespeople, selling customers instead of merely waiting on them. As one noted merchandiser points out, it doesn't cost the dealer a penny

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more to change his clerks into salespeople! He recommends holding a brief sales meeting each morning, as well as the staging of contests among salespeople at frequent intervals.

It is recommended that dealers who sell records read the dictionary definition of "clerk" wherein such individual is described, except for a single colloquial meaning, as being about everything the merchant doesn't want in the selling end of his business. "Salesman," on the other hand, is termed "a man who sells, goods, stock,"etc.

#### Who Buys for the Store?

In the overall picture, very few salespeople or clerks buy records from the jobber or manufacturer. In nearly all instances, the bossman, be he owner or manager, orders the stock, though sales personnel do make recommendations. Because of this situation, the need for sales meetings is apparent.

In one store where one of our staff members watched a procession of customers walk out with their needs unfilled, the saleswoman shrugged her shoulders, and said, "I send list after list to the boss, but he won't order the records. He says, 'Let's sell what we have.'"

Unfamiliarity with local preferences



Slip-shod control of records makes for chaotic merchandising; results in high breakage.

is another fairly common fault at the administration level. Knowledge of one's territory is a must.

Some other sales slower-uppers permitted by management include the maintenance of sloppy, dirty showwindow and in-store displays, the failure to keep demonstration players at peak performance, cluttered aisles, disorderly arrangement of stock, and insufficient advertising.

#### **Point-of-Sale Pitfalls**

Poor salesmanship is encountered in many stores and record departments today. Unfamiliarity with the stock is an outstanding example. This is bad enough in itself, but is worsened when the salesperson gives such a discouraging and negative answer to a customer's request, as "I don't think we have it."

The real salesperson knows the stock, and is usually able to give an immediate answer to a request. Also, he knows how to take care of the "freshout-of" angle, suggesting a substitute record, or promising to get the wanted number promptly.

In record departments where instruments are sold, salesmen frequently neglect to sell a selection of discs to the person who buys a player or a combination, and a great many men (Continued on page 82)



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## Sell 'Em Equipment to Play the Three Speeds

• The stabilization of the record industry at the present three speeds has brought the opportunity for considerable *plus business* to dealers in all sections of the country, in TV and non-TV areas alike.

The consumer; feeling the impact of the terrific ad campaigns launched to promote sales of the new discs and new equipment, is taking great interest in phono record playing. The demand is growing as more and more families realize that they're missing something in not having modern record playing equipment. The dealer can cash in on this brand-new and exciting trend if he will make *buyers* out of the *wanters*, and work hard to make prospects out of everyone.

#### RMA IS BOOSTING SALES

The Radio Manufacturers Association is making an extensive drive to increase sales of TV-radiophono combinations, is urging TV makers to install phono jacks in sets, and is active in promoting phono modernization and replacement business.

As suggested in the article on selling up to combinations in last month's issue of this magazine, there's a remarkable opportunity to increase profits by pushing sales of TV-phonographs. For a few extra dollars, the customer gets a home entertainment unit that's complete and modern. In non-TV areas, the dealer can make real

money selling AM-FM combinations.

In all territories, retailers have large potential business in combinations, complete phono units, plug-in jobs, and in conversion and replacement service. Though numbers of families now own threespeed playing equipment, the sales surface has hardly been scratched, and even those who do own a 3-speed changer are prospects for extra players or for

Steps to take to Up Sales of TV Combinations, AM - FM Combinations, Complete Phono Units, "Attachment" Record Players, "Modernization" Services.

**Tell** each and every customer about the desirability of owning 3-speed changers.

**Qualify** every store visitor, every customer as to equipment they presently own.

Make every endeavor to sell instrument buyers up to combinations.

**Solicit** sales through phone canvass, newspaper ads, direct-mail, radio spot announcements.

Set up show-window dis plays to sell combos, and to boost conversion and replacement sales,

**Think** of all people as prospects: Those looking at TV or radio sets; those owning old players or combos; those who do not own any record playing equipment.

Demonstrate combo players or "straight" phonos to every man, woman and child who comes to your store. Be sure to stress that the changers you handle play all three speeds. Prove that the customer who owns a 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> player is getting but a third of the enjoyment presently available to him. modernization service to fine instruments they own.

All people are prospects for combinations or players. Those having old record playing units are certainly A.1. prospects, and in all communities there are lots and lots of homes without phono players of any kind.

The dealer who really wants to make money in this re-born record industry needs to do an out-and-out missionary job. He needs to forget the distant past and the recent past because the whole picture has changed. He should look at the present set-up as a brand-new business, and at his customers as folk who are *interested*, but who need advice, stimulation and explanation.

#### **Simple Presentation**

As previously stated, the big ad campaigns have had a telling effect on the consumer, but it's up to the dealer to complete the missionary work, presenting the 3-speed situation clearly and simply to his customers. In a drive for this business, the salesman should try to demonstrate combinations and players to every person who visits the store. He should explain the threespeed discs, and their features so that the customer will understand what it's all about. It is risky to assume that any person has all the information down pat in his mind. Take nothing for granted.

In addition to advertising combinations, players and conversion services, the merchant should make it a hardand-fast rule to qualify every store visitor. This can be done by simply asking what phono playing equipment they now own. This technique leads right into a demonstration.

One of our staff members recently saw an incident occure in a store which

points up the necessity for definite qualifications. A customer bought an album of 78 RPM records. "I'd like to show you a phonograph that plays all records," said the salesman. The woman said, "I have a phonograph that plays all of them, both the large and the small." In a few minutes of further questioning, the salesman found out that the woman meant 10 and 12- inch 78 RPM discs when she said "all of them." (Continued

on page 80)

## MR. DEALER! SELL"MODERNIZATION" FOR 33/3 LP PROFITS

### STEP UP RECORD CHANGER SALES

Persuade your customers to modernize present radios and radio-phonographs to enjoy 33½ LP convenience and lasting listening pleasure. Increase your service department profits. Sell more LP Records -both "pop" and classical.

### STEP UP COLUMBIA 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> LP PLAYER ATTACHMENT SALES

Inexpensive Model 103 quickly converts radios, radio-phonographs and television sets to combination instruments. It plays all makes of LP Records – all sizes, too – 7-, 10-, 12-inch.

### STEP UP ACCEPTANCE FOR THE ONE SPEED SYSTEM

Sell complete home entertainment in one unit! Demonstrate the advantages of the wonderful new combination sets that include the 33½ LP changer, provide hours of uninterrupted recorded music. STEP UP NEW RADIO-TV-PHONOGRAPH COMBINATION SALES

Prove to your customers: "One Speed Is All You Need." Show them how Columbia 7-, 10- and 12-inch records offer *everything* in recorded entertainment from 3-minute "pop" hits to 50 minute symphonies!

Today's moneymaking opportunities in Columbia 33½ LP affect every part of your business. Put 'em to work!

COLUMBIA (Lp) RECORDS

Originator of 331/2 LP Records-One speed-One system-One Record for Every Type of Recorded Music

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Reviews of Current Platters, and News of the Industry NEW RECORDS for Summer Selling

MGM RECORDS' second release of 45 RPM records will be on sale beginning June 9. The release, which contains nine single records, includes Kathyrn Grayson's "Jealousy," Lennie Hayton's "Slaughter on Tenth Avenue," Kate Smith's "God Bless America," Hank William's "Lovesick Blues," Billy Eckstine's "Bewildered," Blue Barron's "Cruising Down the River," and Art Mooney's "Four Leaf Clover." Two current MGM bestsellers are also included: Ivory Joe Hunter's "I Almost Lost My Mind," and David Rose's "Bewitched."



REMINGTON RECORDS has slashed the price on its entire popular and semi-classical catalog of long-playing 33½ RPM recordings, which heretofore sold for \$2.85 each, to 99 cents each. Price cuts have also been announced on an entire classical series covering over 50 symphonies, opera, chamber music, concerti, lieder, etc., with 10-inch recordings selling for \$1.49 as against a previous price of \$3.85, and 12-inch records at \$1.99, whereas they formerly sold for \$4.85. Donald H. Gabor, president of Remington, sees this cut as a continuation of a trend toward lower prices for recorded music over the years, pointing out that in 1905 a cylinder record of a single aria sold for \$5.00.



COLUMBIA RECORDS, which helped to launch a "Back to Dixieland" musical trend with its Jimmy Dorsey recording of "Johnson Rag" and "Dixie by Dorsey" album, has released another two sets in the classic two-beat tempo. "Dixieland Express," recorded this year, features Phil Zito and his five International City Dixielanders in a collection of standards and originals. This set is on both 10-inch LP and four conventional 10-inch shellac records. Re-issued on a 10-inch LP is an earlier Columbia jazz release, "Come Jazz," with Bud Freeman and his Famous Chicagoans, including Jack Teagarden, Pee Wee Russell, Dave Tough, Max Kaminsky, Eddie Condon, Dave Bowman, Morton Stulmaker.

A new recording of one of the greatest scores in the ballet repertoire, Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake" music, played by Andre Kostelanetz and his orchestra, has been released by **COLUMBIA RECORDS.** This album consists of selections from all four acts of the ballet, including a section which has never been recorded before, and is available both on a 12-inch LP and in an album of five 12-inch conventional shellac records.

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As a result of the outstanding success of its new "Here Come the Dance Bands Again" albums designed for dancing, RCA VICTOR is issuing two new additions to this series. These include "Gene Krupa Plays 'Fats' Waller" and "Frankie Carle Plays Frank Loesser." RCA plans to make this series, which already includes fifteen dance band albums by top bandleaders, a continually expanding collection of top music recorded by the leading popular musicians on its roster.

RCA VICTOR's "Little Nipper" album version of Walt Disney's "Cinderella" has been one of the biggest selling kiddie sets in its history. A helpful push was given by extensive nationwide promotion via tie-ins with the movie showings, and also radio shows and contest. RCA disc distributors around the country have spark-plugged the drive, which included free theatre tickets. "Cinderella" art coloring contest tie-in, etc.



Ray Anthony and his orchestra have cut two sides for CAPITOL RECORDS from the hit musical, "Annie Get Your Gun," now running as a movie with Betty Hutton. Ronnie Deauville does the vocals on "The Girl That I Marry" and "They Say Its Wonderful." Ray and his band open June 1 for a 3-weeks engagement at Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook in Cedar Grove, N. J. For three weeks following, from June 21 through the 4th of July, they'll be featured on the stage of the Paramount Theatre in New York City.

CAPITOL's recording star, Gordon MacRae, has a double-barreled hit on his release of "Stars and Stripes Forever" (with lyrics) backed up by the catchy novelty "Hongi Tongi Hoki Poki."



DECCA has recorded the Arthur Miller Pulitzer prize play "Death of a Salesman" with the leading stage and screen star Thomas Mitchell starring as Willy Loman and the members of the original New York Company in all other roles. This is believed to be the first recording ever made of a modern American stage classic. Playing time for "Death of a Salesman" is 90 minutes. Every scene of the play is included on the album, available on both 78 RPM and 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> long play.



**CORAL RECORDS**, subsidiary of Decca, has signed a number of new recording artists, including: Artie Wayne, West Coast singing star, formerly with Freddy Martin and other top-name bandleaders; Freddie Hall, New England vocalist; The Bill Bickel Trio, vocal and instrumental group with strong reputation in the Pittsburgh area; George Cates, former arranger for Russ Morgan, debuting with his orchestra on Coral with the novelty "Chug-a-Lug"; Don and Lou Robertson, a Mr. and Mrs. team, Lou being one of the original Dinning Sisters; and Rosa Shaw, outstanding gospel singer.



Continuing an association which began 33 years ago, **RCA VICTOR** signed a new contract with the Boston Symphony orchestra and the Boston Pops orchestra. The latter, under the direction of Arthur Fiedler, is being recorded during the 7th and 8th weeks of the annual Esplanade Series of concerts, which close July 1. Recording (Continued on page 76)

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Here comes a fast moving model—with a complete merchandising program. It's the Du Mont Hanover...the perfect combination of fine quality and attractive price.

### Dealers who handle the Hanover have salespoints galore including:

The New Du Mont Lifetone\* picture circuit for the most life-like telepicture ever achieved.

2 The New Du Mont Sensituner\* for hairline focusing, sharp definition, high selectivity.

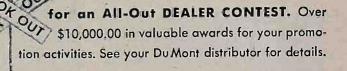
3 The New Du Mont Steadibeam\* automatic signal compensator for uniform picture contrast.

The New Du Mont Signalock \* that positively "locks" in the picture, filters out interference.

5 Plus a great list of DuMont improvements too lengthy to list here...improvements that keep DuMont the hall mark of television excellence.

**DUMON** \*Trade Mark First with the finest in Television Dealers who handle the Hanover are selling the very finest television circuit ever designed. The Hanover is the product of Du Mont's most advanced electronic thinking. Brilliant Du Mont developments make it television's greatest achievement.

That is why Du Mont has planned for you an all-out advertising and promotion program, together with a dealer promotional contest, to bring this remarkable set to the attention of your prospects. Your Du Mont distributor will tell you how you can tie in.



IE FINEST TELESET\* EVER BUILT. BIG 19-INCH LIFE-SIZE PICTU right, 1950, Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., Television Receiver Division, East Paterson, N. J. and the Du Mont Television Network, 515 Madison Avenue, New York 22

## Latest Television

This and following pages describing manufacturers' new merchandise are compiled by our editors. This information

#### Trans-Vue CLEARVIEW TV

A new 16-inch model with rectangular screen has been announced. Called the "Sweet 16" (shown), it is part of the Aristocrat line. Cabinet is 24 inches wide x 22 inches deep x 40 inches high, and is



available in mahogany, blonde mahogany and limed oak. List price is \$299.95. Trans-Vue Corp., 1139 Wabash Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

#### Pilot 16-INCH TV

A 16-inch console, model TV-J66, shown here, has been added to the line. It includes FM radio, phono-jack, and full-length doors equipped with a lock. List price is



\$399.50. Pilot Radio Corp., 37-06 36 St., L. I. C. 6, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

#### Meck TV SETS

Six new TV models have been announced. A table model in mahogany cabinet, with 10-inch screen, listing at \$99.90 starts off the new sets. Another table model with 12½-inch tube, listing at \$149.90 and a console (12½-inch) for \$189.90 were also among the new models. Two 16-inch models, a table model and a console, list at \$199.90 and \$229.90, respectively. One 19-inch console was also announced. Its list price is \$349.90 in mahogany cabinet. John Meck Ind., Inc., Liberty St., Plymouth, Ind.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### SELL MORE TV COMBINATIONS!

With the record industry stabilized at 3-speeds, the dealer has a real opportunity to make more profits selling customers "up" to television combinations. When properly presented, the TV-Phonograph has plenty of sales appeal, and it will give your customers a **complete** home entertainment unit. The May number of this magazine carried all the how-to-sellup information, and there's more in this issue. In cases where you can't sell the combination, sell a 3-way player or a modernization service. More volume, greater profit and more customer satisfaction will result from getting 3-way playing equipment into the homes in your community. See article on "modernization" of old players elsewhere in this issue.

#### **Tele-King COMBINATION**

A 6-way console combination, including 3-speed Webster phono, 9-tube AM-FM radio, and 150 sq. in. TV, has been added



to the line. Known as model 416, it measures 41" high, 38" wide, 21" deep, and weighs 255 lbs. List price, in mahogany veneer cabinet, is \$499.95. Tele-King Corp., 601 W. 26 St., N. Y. 1, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Magnavox TV MODELS

The Contemporary, available in two models, features a 16-inch TV tube. As model MV36C, it has a 28 tube chassis and lists for \$449.50. As model MV34C, it has a 24-tube chassis and lists for \$399.50.



Another new model, the Boulevard, shown here, is a 12½-inch TV set listing at \$239.50. Magnavox Co., 2131 Beuter Rd., Fort Wayne 4, Ind.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### **DuMont WINSLOW**

The Winslow, shown here, is one of five new models announced. It has a 19-inch picture tube, FM radio and a phono-jack for player attachment. List price is \$495. Two other 19-inch models are the Sherbrooke, with AM-FM radio and 3-speed changer, listing at \$695., and the Hanover, with FM radio and phono-jack, for \$565. Both of the latter are with doors. The other two models are 12½-inch sets: the Guilford,



console with FM radio and phono-jack, for \$329,50; and the Putnam, table model with FM radio and phono-jack, for \$269,50, Du-Mont Labs., Inc., 515 Madison Ave., N. Y. 22, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAIL-ING.

#### Stromberg-Carlson HEPPLEWHITE

The new Hepplewhite, model 16 RPM, is an FM-AM, 3-speed phono, TV combination featuring a 16-inch rectangular, black glass picture tube. This new model lists for \$625., eastern zone, plus excise tax. Stromberg-Carlson Co., Rochester 3, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Hallicrafters NEW TV SET

Model 747, a 16-inch rectangular "black" tube table model has been introduced. Cabinet is covered in leatherette. Available in dark mahogany at \$249,95 and a blond color for \$259.95. The Hallicrafters Co., 4401 W. Fifth Ave., Chicago 24, Ill.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

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#### Emerson NEW MODELS

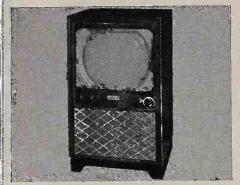
Three portable radios and two TV sets have been added to the line The portables are model 646, at \$24.95; model 656 (shown), at \$39.95; and model 657, at



\$44.95. The TV sets are the model 655, 12½-inch table model, at \$159.95, and the model 658, 16-inch console, at \$259.95. Emerson Radio & Phonogsaph Corp., 191 8th Ave., N. Y. 91, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Video 19 INCH TV

A new model, the 992, (shown), has been added to the line. It is an open face 19"



consolette. List price in mahogany is \$329.95. It is also available in limed oak at slightly extra cost. Video Corp. of America, 229 W. 28 St., N. Y. 1, N. Y.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### **Philtain PORTABLE**

The "Trans-America" is the first Philtain portable radio to be offered. Called the PR-104, it is available in two models, 3way and battery only. Slide rule type dial folds into a recess in the cabinet. Has 5 tubes, including rectifier. Priced at \$19.95 less battery. Philtain Electric Corp., 2131 S. Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne 6, Ind.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Sylvania RADIOS

A new line of small radio sets, bearing the Sylvania name, has been introduced. In conventional table model, plastic cabinets, they are available in three colors: \$16.95 in black, \$17.95 in walnut, and \$19.95 in ivory. Colonial Radio Div., Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 1280 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Magnavox RADIOS

Two new radio-phonos have been announced. The Regency model, console FM-AM, 3-speed changer, lists for \$398.50. The Chippendale, a chairside model, also with FM-AM radio and 3-speed changer, lists for \$249.50. Magnavox Co., 2131 Beuter Rd., Fort Wayne 4, Ind.—RADIO & TELEVISION REVALING.

#### RCA RADIO-PHONO

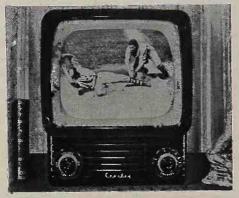
Model A-55, modern styled radio-phono console, (shown here), features two record players, one for the 45 RPM system, the



other for 78 and 33 1/3 records. Available in mahogany or walnut for \$159.95, or in limed oak for \$069.95. RCA Div., Radio Corp. of Amer., Front & Cooper Sts., Camden, N. J.--RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

#### Crosley 14" TV SET

Model 10-428, shown here, is a plastic cabinet table model set featuring a 14-inch rectangular tube. It retains the "Family



Theatre" design. Cabinet has a polished mahogany finish. List price is \$199.95. Crosley Div., Avco Míg. Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio.—RANDIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Sightmaster 19" TV

A new 19-inch TV consolette, called the "Imperial," has been added to the line. Includes FM radio and the Patented Sightmirror. List price is \$399. Sightmaster Corp., 20 E. 35 St., N. Y. 16, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### DeWald 14-INCM TV

Two new 14-inch rectangular tube TV sets one console and one table model, have been added to the line. Both sets feature black faced tubes. Model ET-140, table model, lists for \$209.95; model ET-141, console, lists for \$269.95. Both have mahogany veneer cabinets. DeWald Radio Mig. Corp., 35-05 37th Ave., L. I. C. 1, N. Y.-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### International 16" TV CONSOLETTE

Called model D-16-019S, this new model retails for \$279.95. Features a 16-inch black picture tube and a 12-inch RCA speaker. Cabinet is mahogany veneer. International Television Corp., 238 William St., N. Y. 7, N. Y.-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Sentinel PORTABLES

Two new models are announced for the 1950 season: the model 312, available in green or brown, and the model 335, shown here, available in white, brown, green or red. Both are equipped with dynamic



speakers, inon core IF transformers and built-in loop antennas. The 312 lists for \$39.95; the 335 is priced at \$29.95. Sentinel Radio Corp., Evanston, Ill.—RADIO & TEL-EVISION RETAILING.

#### GE PORTABLE RADIOS

Three new portables have been announced. Leading the new line is model 600, battery set in maroon cabinet at \$19.95. Model 601 is a 3-way set, also in maroon, for \$29.95. Model 650, deluxe 3-way set, is priced at \$39.95. General Electric Co., Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Apex RADIO-PHONO

A portable model radio phonograph, recently added to the line, features a twotone carrying case, 5-tube superhet, and 3-speed record player. Known as model P. C. 25, it fists for \$49.95. Another model, in leather bound case, with automatic 3speed changer, (model P. C. 26Å), lists for \$84.95. Apex Electronic Distributing Co., 225 W: 17 St., N. Y. 14, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.



**Today's Market** 

Merchants Want More Margin; Cite Trade Evils in Highly Competitive Areas. Price-Cutting Still Number One Gripe. Present Sales Decline Seen as Seasonal

• The nation's TV dealers continue to complain about the low discounts, but, significantly enough, most of those interviewed agree that if price-cutting were to be curbed they would be able to operate profitably with the present small spread. Those merchants who have no desire to use low price as a business lure admit that they have their tongues in their cheeks when they clamor for more margin, because, as they explain, larger discounts would simply give the price-cutter more money to "play with."

"We're forced into price-cutting competition," is the way one Brooklyn, New York, retailer puts it. "The dealer gets stuck with superseded models, which he must sell, and sell at reduced prices, whether he wants to or not." He suggests price protection as the remedy, and points out that when the TV business was in the doldrums last year, the manufacturers hastened to offer them such protection.

Dealers agree that it's utterly ridiculous to slash prices of TV receivers in view of the fact that the television set is America's Number One demand item. They agree, too, that by and large, the consumer who doesn't own a receiver now, does not have a very good idea of prices. One very successful merchandiser says that the customer feels that any set, regardless of price, is a major investment, but that with today's economic situation in such good shape, a ten-dollar differential in price doesn't mean a thing to him.

"It's the old radio business all over again," says another retailer we interviewed. "Even when sets were scarce as hen's teeth, the chiselers continued their something off tactics. Late last Fall I heard that a certain dealer was buying sets from other dealers, paying a premium over the retail list, then reselling them at list. Claimed he made a profit on the installation, and kept his customers. We're all crazy, I guess."

Quite recently there has been a slowup in TV sales in many sections of the country. Seasonal decline and poor salesmanship is blamed by many for this situation. When sets are scarce, explains a dealer, salesmen are busy taking orders, and making money. When all stores are well stocked, and customers are wont to shop around, salesmen become discouraged. "Too many have been spoiled skimming off the cream," says this merchant.

Asked how business was, one retailer in a prosperous suburb, said, "Well, it's lousy, I guess." Pinned down for more details, he said that to a great extent his feeling about business was "psychological." "I always feel jittery when I have a big inventory on hand," he declared.

In spite of the gripes heard at every hand many dealers are making real money with TV, and will continue to do so for a long time. Set sales will increase rapidly, and from here on, service revenue will climb to dizzy heights.

That many dealers are finding the going rough, though, is seen in some of the statements by retailers throughout the country who answered a recent questionnaire mailed to thousands by this magazine. The following selected comments were received from merchants in highly competitive areas:

From an Ohio merchant: "Television merchandising has remarkable possibilities but there are many obstacles the small business man like myself has to meet. These I list as follows: 1. Low discounts—23% to 27%. 2. Short supply, due to partiality by distributors and tie-in deals. 3. Chiseling and pricecutting on the part of retailers. 4. Declining prices after obtaining stock at higher market values. 5. Dealers who finance on no money down plans. 6. Taking of worthless trade-ins, and offering free antenna installations, etc. 7. Back-door selling by some distributors. 8. The number of consumers who can buy at wholesale."

Says a Maryland dealer: "Discounts should be about 12% higher on TV to cover the rapid change of models and also to give an adequate profit to the retailer."

"Home demonstrations eat up the profits on TV," writes a Utah dealer.

"Give the dealer 40% on TV," suggests a Southern merchant, who has six outside salesmen. He pays salesmen 10% commission on all appliances except refrigerators (8% on them) and he pays 6% on TV.

A Missouri dealer advises that he is able to make an average net profit of 6% on TV sales under present discount schedules.

Says a California dealer: "The selling of television sets here in \_\_\_\_\_, is a very weighty and tough problem due to the chiseling that's going on. Dealers try to outdo each other in give-aways with each sale. This is anything but sound merchandising in view of the current low discounts. However, if discounts were to be increased, the pricecutters would simply have more to play with. I'm for larger discounts for the small dealer who has the toughest time selling."

"What difference does the amount of discount mean so long as dealers sell sets on a \$10 profit?" asks a New York retailer. "If dealer discounts were raised even to 50%, the price-cutters would sell at 40 to 45 off. Strict enforcement of fair trade laws is what's needed, along with a clamp-down on misleading advertising. A dealer, in my opinion, must make a gross profit of 25% to cover expenses and show a fair net profit."

A dealer in the South says that "the manufacturers have taken the position that television sales must equal or sur-(Continued on page 85)

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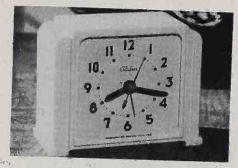


## New Electrical

This and following pages describing manufacturers' new merchandise are compiled by our editors. This information

#### **Telechron CLOCKS**

Three new electric clocks have been added to the line. The Advisor, kitchen clock in white plastic case, sells for \$5.95. The Telebell, shown here, has an ivory plastic case and sweep second hand. It lists for \$4.95. The Guest, a wide angle vision elec-



tric alarm clock, lists for \$4.50. The Nocturne, priced at \$6.95, formerly available in ivory, is now offered in brown. Telechron, Inc., 75 Homer Ave., Ashland, Mass.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### G.E. NEW APPLIANCES

A new line of small appliances and fans has been announced. Two irons and two fans are new; other fans, the steam iron and mixer have been improved. The irons are the F-26 (2¾ lbs.) at \$9.95 and the F-32 (4½ lbs.) at \$8.95. The new fans include a 10-inch, single speed model for \$12.95 and a 12-inch, two speed model for \$29.95.

Improvement on the steam iron was made by locating the steam control on top of the handle. When filled, the iron weighs 4½ lbs. List price is still \$17.95. The redesigned mixer has a new selector band and juicer attachment; is still priced at \$34.95. Five other fan models have been improved and new prices on them are from one to six dollars less than previously. General Electric Co., Bridgeport 2, Conn.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Stewart VENTILATOR

A new fan ventilator is offered which mounts outside the building, leaving a 6-inch grille plate showing in the kitchen. Operates from a wall switch; has an automatic damper. Motor runs on 110 V., 60 cycle A.C.; special motors are available. Stewart Mfr. Co., 3205 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### G-M WINDOW FAN

A new portable window fan, the SURF SW-20, 23 x 23½ x 11¾ inches, has been added to the line. Features a 3-speed switch and 20-inch fan. List price is \$54.95. G-M Laboratories, Inc., 4300 N. Knox Ave., Chicago 41, III.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Philco REFRIGERATOR

A new 9.2 cu. ft. refrigerator, the model 903, has been added to the line. It includes a freezer compartment with space for 40 pounds of frozen foods. Overall size is the same as earlier 7-ft. models. List price on the 903 is \$249.50. Philco Corp., Tioga & C Sts., Phila., Pa.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

#### **Ilg FAN LINE**

A complete line of portable cooling fans for home, business and industry has been announced. They range from the Ilgdualaire, bracket base double purpose unit, to the pedestal base Ilgwind fans. Ilg Electric Ventilating Co., 2850 N. Crawford Ave., Chicago 41, Ilk-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Westinghouse LAUNDROMAT

A new laundromat, the model L-5, has been announced. It features a built-in scale for weighing the correct amount of clothes for each load. List price is \$269.95.

Also announced were two automatic clothes dryers: model D-3A (110 volt) and model D-3 (220 volt). Both use an air flow system of drying, and both list for \$199.95. Westinghouse Electric Corp., 306 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh 30, Pa.—RADIO & TELE-VISION RETAILING.

#### FASCO VENTILATOR

10-inch "Ceil-n-Wall" kitchen ventilator, model 1020, primarily designed for kitchen use. Ventilator can be installed for either single or three-speed operation. Balanced louvre in blade housing is double protection against drafts or cold. Outside wall hood, made from aluminum, is rust proof. Fasco Industries, Inc., Rochester 2, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Display King TIMER

A variable timer is offered which will give 240 different on-off combinations. Can be set anywhere from 15 sec. ON, 1 sec. OFF to 15 sec. OFF, 1 sec. ON. Operates on 110 volts AC, and handles a load up to 400 watts. Gale Dorothea Mechanisms, Jackson Heights, L. I., N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### Kool-Sleep AIR CONDITIONER

A self-contained window fan cooler has been announced, available with or without coin operating mechanism. Designed for hotels, tourist courts, etc., the unit requires no water or drain connections. Has 3-speed ventilating switch and separate cooling switch. Operating cost, about ½c per hour. Unit sells well under \$80.00 in most sections of the country. Kool-Sleep, Inc., Cambridge, Ohio.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Palmer 3-WAY FAN

The new window fan has 20-inch fan diameter. Has a 3-speed switch and expandable window fill-ins; fits windows 28 to 36 inches wide. Ivory baked enamel finish cabinet, 734 inches front-to-back. Palmer Mfr. Corp., Phoenix, Arizona.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Zim RECORD BRUSH

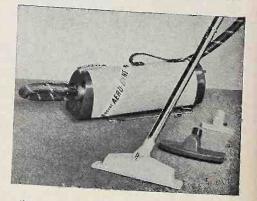
A small brush which clips on to any phono pickup and cleans records as they play is now being offered. List price for the brush is \$1.00. Much dealer display material has been prepared for this item. Zim Products, 6722 Devonshire, St. Louis, Mo.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Westinghouse FANS

A new line of giant fans has been announced. Available in 16 and 20 inch models, the fans also have an air jet vane accessory available, which increases the penetration power. Called the Whirlaire fans, the 16-inch models sell for \$69.95 and \$79.95; the 20-inch models for \$104.95 and \$114.95. The vane is \$9.95 for the 16-inch fan and \$13.95 for the 20-inch fan. Appliance Div., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Mansfield, Ohio.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### Hoover AERO-DYNE 41

A new medium priced Aero-Dyne tank cleaner, shown here, featuring a disposable paper bag, has been announced. Called the model 41, complete with cleaning tools, it



will retail for \$59.95 plus a trade-in model, or \$64.95 without a trade-in. Has gray enamel body, steel ends and plastic handles. The Hoover Co., North Canton, Ohio. —RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Emerson CONSOLE FAN

Now offered is a Chippendale designed, 16-inch variable-speed console-window fan. Mahogany finished cabinet, with front and back protective guards. Approximately 60 speeds from which to select. Emerson-Electric Mfr. Co., St. Louis 21, Mo.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

## **Appliance Products**

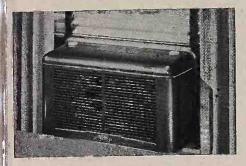
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#### GE CLOCK-RADIO

A porcelain white clock-radio is offered, the model 509. Designed especially for the kitchen, it will automatically operate various appliances up to 1100 wait total capacity. Eastern list price is \$35.95. General Electric Co., Syracuse, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Mitchell AIR CONDITIONER

Available in two models, a new air-condifioner has been announced. Uses "Freen-12" refrigerant. Designed to cool, dehumidify, falter, circulate and ventilate, the unit



is available in two models, M-120 (½ H.P.) and M-340 (¾ M.P.) Mitchen Mír. Co., Chicago 14, III.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

#### Palmer COOLER FAN

The Sno-Breze is a deluxe self-contained window fan cooler. It can be installed permanently or temporarily. Provides water cooled, filtered air. Automatic water filling assembly is available. Palmer Manufacturing Corp., Phoenix, Arizona.—RADKO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### **Triple-O CORD SHORTENER**

Newly announced item is a cord shortener, a small plastic plate with a slot 'in each end. Line cord on any appliance may be shortened by running the wire through the slot at one end, winding around the plastic plate, and through the slot at the other end. Cords can be shortened to any desired length to keep them off the floor. Cord Shortener retails for 19c. The Triple-O Co., P.O. Box 635, Omaha 2, Nebr.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

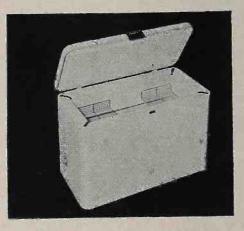
#### Wiese KLIP-LITE

A new music stand light is offered, Available in three models, designed to clip onto different types of music stands, it is priced at \$3.65, \$3.75 and \$3.85. Lightweight construction of cast alloy. Uses standard 10 or 15 watt bulb. Wiese Manufacturing Co., P.O. Box 72, Davenport, Iowa—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

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#### **Coolerator FREEZER**

A new 10.3 cu. ft. freezer has been announced, the model FB-102 (shown), featuring a counterbaranced kid, built in lock and



temperature adjustments from 0° F. to -10° F. Wolding up to 360 pounds of frozen foods, the FB-102 lists for \$211.95. Whe Coolerator Co., Duluth, Minn.—RADIO & TEMPVISION RETAILING.

#### Philips LADIES' RAZOR

The Lady Norelco, an electric razor designed for women, operates on AC or DC. M's designed to fit the palm of the hand. Made of ivory plastic, it comes in a satin lined, zippered suede-like case. List price is \$22.50. North American Philips Co., Inc., 100 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y.--RADIO & TLEVISION RETAILING.

#### Philco AIR CONDITIONERS

Ten new air conditioning units are offered. The 50-F-1 and 50-FL-1, ½ M.P., models, list for \$289.50. Models 75-F-1 and 75-FL-1, ¾ H.P. models, list for \$359.50. These last two models available for operation on 230 volts at \$10 extra. Model 75-FC, console model, at \$539.50; and model 100-FC-10, 1 H.P. console model, at \$589.50. Two water cooled models, the 150-FCW, 1½ M.P., 230 volt unit, at \$819.50; and the 200-FCW, 2 H.P. 230 volt unit, at \$869.50. All models feature a hermetically sealed power unit and all are covered by a 5-year warranty. Philco Corp., C and Tioga Sts., Phila., Pa.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Huffman LAWNMOWER

A lightweight electric mower, the Huffy-Mower, has been announced. It weighs less than 45 pounds and can get within one half inch of buildings, posts, etc. Wheel positioning adjustment permits cutting grass from one to three inches long. The GM-Delco motor has a constant speed of 1725 RPM. The Huffman Mfg. Co., Dayton, Ohio.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Speed Queen DRYER

A new automatic clothes dryer is offered. Dial control permits drying clothes to any degree of dryness. Features a vacuum drying system which draws heated air through the clothes. Speed Queen Corp., Ripon, Wis. —RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### **Cory SHARPENER**

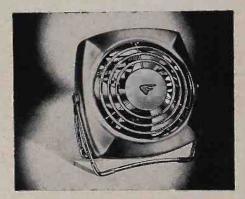
A new model electric knife sharpener has been introduced. The unit features a newly designed guide clip. Called the DKS-2, it will completely replace the previous model DKS. List price is \$11.95. Cory Corp., 221 N. La Salle St., Chicago 1, Ill.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### **Carrier HUMIDRY**

A low-cost 1/2 H.P. dehumidifying unit has been announced, a semi-portable unit in grey metal cabinet measuring 131/4" wide, 171/4" long and 221/2" high. It weighs 60 pounds, lists at \$149.50. Carrier Corp., 302 S. Geddes St., Syracuse, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

#### Fresh'nd Aire FANS

A three purpose window fan has been offered which can be used either as an intake or exhaust fan in the window, or as a spot cooling fan anywhere in the room. Designated as the Model W 800, it combines a standard Fanette (plastic) with an adjustable steel window bracket. List price is \$16.50. Also offered is the combination heater and fan shown here.



This is a 1320 watt heater unit and fan, Model 1320, priced at \$14.95. Also, a special bracket has been announced by the company for use in mounting any of its fams on ceiling or wall. It is available in two sizes, model UCM-20 (20-inch tube) at \$15.00 and model UCM-48 (48-inch tube) at \$18.50. Fresh'nd Aire Co., 221 N. LaSalle St., Chicago I, Ill.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

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## Push Portables for Summer Profits



## Peak Year for Carry-About Sets Anticipated-

### New Ideas to Increase Sales

• The notion that portables are a summer novelty for use on the beach and at picnics has been replaced by the idea that they are an extra radio for the home which can also be used away from home. Nevertheless, the carryabout feature of these sets is no doubt their most dramatic sales feature, and we can expect that the peak sales of portables will be during the summer even though they may be used all year 'round. Thus the dealer has two sales angles to work on to move this type of merchandise and keep sales of radios up during the hot weather months.

First, there are the many uses of a portable as such, where a radio can't be socket-powered: at the beach, on trains and airplanes, on picnics, at sports events, etc. Then, if the customer demurs at buying a radio for parttime use, or simply needs more selling to clinch the sale, a 3-way unit can be suggested which is an all-year radio for any type of use, including portable.

The variety of merchanding portable. for sale in this line at present is a larger and more complete crop than has been offered by manufacturers in several seasons. As revealed by the "Portable Radio Specifications" which appeared in the April issue of Radio & Television Retailing, 32 manufacturers included 68 models in their 1950 lines. It is significant that over 4/5 of these models are "3-way" portables, the balance being straight - battery

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units; over 60% have plastic cabinets, 30% are leatherette and the balance are metal. These two facts (that the larger percentage are plastic cabinets, 3-way sets) is indicative of the trend to more versatile receivers which may be used in the home as well as for portable occasions. The average price for all the portables offered was \$38.95, with some 3-way sets as low as \$19.95, and straight battery sets for even less.

As in the past, many of the new models will receive short wave, and a few will tune in the marine (long wave) band.

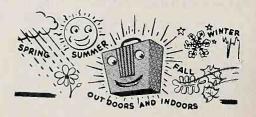
During the warm weather, every radio customer is a prospective sell-up to a portable. The obvious extra uses of the 3-way jobs more than outweigh the extra cost. As a matter of fact, it can be pointed out that many of the portables represent a better value, dollar-wise, than a comparable-sized radio.

Display of portables in windows and on counters is an obvious must during the "outdoor" season, if possible tied in with a poster or display showing a beach, picnic or other outdoor scene.

Tie-in promotions with other types of retail outlets are very useful in merchandising portables. These include women's specialty shops, men's furnishing shops and sporting goods stores. Travel bureaus, railroad stations and bus terminals are also likely spots for these promotions. Arrangements may be made to display a portable radio with your imprint at the point where bathing suits, sporting goods, travel tickets and the like are sold, catching the consumer at a time when he or she is in a vacation frame of mind. Such tie-in displays would merely call attention to the need for and pleasure in having portables on such occasions, and pointing out where they may be purchased.

An additional type of promotion which attracts attention to portables is to have someone walk around town carrying a portable radio, preferably in operation, of course. The dealer's imprint may be on the case of the portable, or the "carrier" may hand out cards. An interesting variation of this technique is to run a contest in which the "carrier" will be unidentified and consumers must find him or her and ask or answer some questions.

Newspaper and spot radio advertising can be utilized to highlight either of these types of promotions (tie-in or carrier). In addition, "testimonial" type copy is effective, along the lines of: "Used my portable for six months without replacing batteries;" "Receive 12 stations clearly on my 'X' portable at our camp at Blue Water Lake;" "Carry my 3-way portable from room



to room while house-cleaning," etc. In suggesting ad copy for this type of merchandise, it might be more effective to call these sets "3-way radios" than to call them "portables," since this wording plays up the versatility of the sets. "A radio in every room" idea can also be conveniently tied in with promotion of portables.

Needless to say, promotion of the sale of new portables should carry some sort of footnote to the effect that the dealer has a full stock of fresh batteries for all types of portables, and also has a skilled service staff capable of putting portables in tip-top condition for summer use. Those people who already have sets may need reminding to dust them off for warm-weather carrying about, and will bring important extra revenue to the store in so doing.



With its new high frequency driver ... new high frequency horn ..., new low frequency unit ... plus the new Jensen Acoustic Lens all skillfully engineered into a coordinated unit, the H-510 gives you reproduction unsurpassed by any integral two-way system regardless of price!

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## 10 Ideas to Sell More AIR CONDITIONERS

After You've Sold'em !

These "before-and-after" pictures tell a story. In the above photo, the living room is "unlivable," and the family fagged out and irritable. In the "after" picture at the right, the scene is reversed. Cool comfort makes the family gathering place a living room in every sense of the word—thanks to a room air conditioner. And remember, every visitor to such a home is a prospect for one of these modern, health-bringing units.

• The compressor-type room air conditioner can make money for dealers just as it can make many a user a happy customer—a customer who will furnish leads, and even demonstrate the appliance to all and sundry visitors to the home or office where the room cooler is doing its job.

Prime prospects for room coolers are in the homes, and in the professional, commercial and municipal offices and shops in the community. A step-bystep sales plan is presented here for the alert merchant who wants to increase his volume and his profits.

Idea 1. Set up a "cool" demonstration room or section in the store where the

There are many professional and commercial people who can be sold room air conditioners. These appliances provide comfort for patients, clients and customers since they maintain satisfactory temperatures; shut out noise and dust.



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salesman can take the sweltering customer. Show them how the air conditioner works. (If your store is airconditioned, use its obvious comfort to sell room air conditioners to every visitor.)

Idea 2. Display room coolers in your show-windows now. Urge early buying. Be sure to keep descriptive material near the units. Use manufacturer-supplied display pieces or cards you make up.

Idea 3. Advertise room coolers in the local newspapers. Be sure to point out in copy that (1) these units are not electric fans, but are smaller versions of the systems used in theaters and other places of entertainment, and (2) that they are not expensive. Also advertise other features such as "soundproofing" and "dust-and-pollen" exclusion.

Idea 4. Demonstrate a room cooler to every store visitor, stressing the features outlined in Idea 3. Call your

### Sell ROOM COOLERS in-

Homes in your community Professional offices

(doctors, dentists, etc.) Law offices, business offices Mortuaries (Many are now air-con-

ditioned—sell those that are not.) Small restaurants and cafes; beauty parlors, photo studios

Small non-competitive shops, private sanitariums, municipal offices regular customers on the phone, and suggest sending them a room air conditioner to try. Send direct-mail pieces to your customer and prospect list.

Idea 5. If you travel outside men, be sure to have them plug room coolers. If you haven't any outside salesmen, offer your servicemen a commission arrangement on leads furnished by them, and closed by you.

Idea 6. Choosing a scorching day, take a couple of room coolers in your truck or car and make some calls on residents, professional and commercial people. The hotter the day the lower the prospect's sales resistance.

Idea 7. (You may want to do this.) "Lend" a room cooler to a small beauty parlor, a "yarn shop" or similar place where women congregate. In exchange for the use of the unit, you will expect permission to advertise the air conditioner via signs, prominently displaying the store's name and address.

Idea 8. Install a room cooler in your own home. Helps sell neighbors and friends, and helps to sell you.

Idea 9. (You may want to try this.) Offer to rent room coolers at so-much a week, rental fees paid to apply to purchase. Some dealers use the "renting" technique quite successfully on appliances and TV, batting high salesclosing averages.

idea 10. Make immediate follow-up calls on purchasers to obtain leads.

Photographs accompanying this article are from a Philco Corporation sales training film.

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### The TAPE RECORDER with

### Portable ... Smart Appearance ... Excellent Tone Quality... Simple to Operate

It's a Beauty.

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The NEW EKOTAPE Pla-mate promises to be outstanding as a sales leader, for it has features and performance that are hard to beat. Priced right ... with smart appearance and quality performance, it has real sales appeal.

The response of this new Ekotape exceeds 4000 cycles and provides accurate tone quality superior to the finest AM radio. It is easy to operate: One central control selects tape speed and direction . . . fast forward, standard forward for recording and playback, and fast rewind. A separate control is provided for record-playback to eliminate any possibility of accidentally erasing a recording. The EKOTAPE Pla-mate is inexpensive to operate as the  $3\frac{3}{4}$ " per second tape speed and "twin-brack" recording give two hours of playing time with a seven-inch reel, or one hour of playing time with a five-inch reel of tape. The light weight and portable features make it easy to handle.

Be one of the first in your trade area to sell the EKOTAPE Pla-mate.

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### FEATURES

#### V TONE QUALITY:

The EKCTAPE Pla-mate has better tone quality than the finest AM Radio, with frequency up to 4000 cycles.

V PORTABILITY:

Complete with microphone, cords and extra reels of tape, its light weight and small size make it easy to handle.

ICONOMY OF OPERATIONS

The 3%'' per second tape speed and "twin-track" recording give two-hour playing time with a seven-inch reel of tape, one hour with a five-inch reel of tape.

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The Ekotape Pla-mate is designed and manufactured to the same high standards of quality that have made larger Ekotape models first choice of processional users.

SIMPLICITY OF OPERATION.

One central control selects tape speed and direction fast forward . . . standard forward for recording and play-back, or fast rewind. A separate record-playback control eliminates any possibility of accidentally ensing a recordina.

#### APPEARANCE:

It's a beauty. The two-tone, acoustically correct cabinet is as smart as a piece of fine luggage. The harmonizing con-trol panel with accents in satin finish aluminum makes the Ekotape Pla-mate as fine in appearance as in performance.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

The Ekotape Pla-mate is furnished completely equipped with a microphone and cord; cord for connecting the recorder to external speaker, radio tuner or record player, and one tive-inch rekt of tape.

## Are You KERPING Your TV Installation PROFITS

## ... Or paying them back in "FREE" Service Calls?

**IT'S expensive**...following up nuisance calls and "complaints" during guarantee periods...wasteful in truck operation, traveling time and labor. You can reduce your costs to a new low — with the high quality, allaround ruggedness and dependable performance of Federal lead-in cables!

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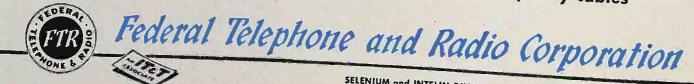
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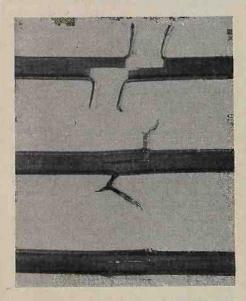
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## **Shop Shortcuts Speed Servicing**

Readers Contribute Ideas to Save Time and Labor, Improve Efficiency

#### **Twin-Lead** Splices

From Arthur Davis, New York City: The best rule for splices in TV lead-ins is not to make any. as they invariably result in a trouble point, due either to a poor impedance match (causing line reflections) or a rusted, intermittent or open connection (resulting in signal losses, noise and flashes, or lack of signal). If you must make them, however, try to preserve the wire spacing (so as to maintain the impedance) and make a good, clean, secure connection. I use a staggered splice to achieve this result, as shown in the picture. The stag-



ger is cut into one end, and then matched (in reverse) on the other piece. Then the leads are twisted together. At this point, the twin-lead is back in its original shape again. I then trim off the excess. As shown in the third view, the twisted leads were soldered, and the hot iron used on the plastic to melt it over the exposed leads. If you don't have the time or facilities to use an

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iron (as for instance, outdoors), you can spray the connections with a plastic spray such as Krylon, or tape with one of the plastic electrical tapes. When I use tape, I try to keep it down to a minimum, as I believe too much tape affects the signal.

#### **Soldering Tip**

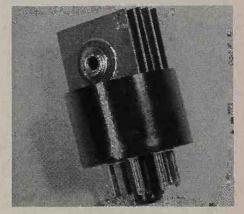
From R. Whitman, Greenwich, Conn.: When soldering leads on RCA phono jacks, speaker plugs, Amphenol plugs and the like, most people hold the tip upside down and try to melt solder down into it. This gets a lot of solder on the outside of the pin, but very little inside where it is needed. I have found the following method very easy, secure and neat: Put the tip down on the iron



and heat it a bit. Then tip it slightly so that the opening in the bottom is slightly exposed, and put the solder on the iron at this point. The hot tip will draw the solder up, with none on the outside. The jig I use to do this (as shown in the photo) is simply an alligator clip to hold the lead down in place. You can also set the iron in a stand and hold the lead down on it (hold it with a long nose unless your hands are pretty tough).

#### **Selenium Rectifiers**

From R. Samaritano, Chicago, Ill.: I usually replace burned out rectifiers with seleniums because it cuts down recalls, and also pleases customers because of shorter warm-up time. This is especially true of 3-way portables. I found that this substitution is simpler, both due to wiring and mounting, if the selenium is soldered into an old



tube base and plugged into the rectifier tube socket. I just put #18 solid wire pigtails on the rectifier (for stiffness), push through the proper pins in the tube socket, and solder in place. If an extra series resistor or other circuit component needs to be added, (Continued on page 89)

## How to Shoot Intermittent

### Use Logical Methods to Ferret Them Out of Their Hiding Places

• Radio servicemen will readily agree that "intermittents" are the most difficult of all receiver faults to locate. They present thorny problems because: 1-The trouble may not appear when the serviceman is ready to work on the set. 2-If the trouble does appear, it may not last long enough to be tracked down. 3-Difficulty may be experienced in determining whether the disappearance of symptoms is due to the bridging or replacement of suspect components, or the jarring of the set incidental to this procedure. Unnecessary replacements are not infrequently made by servicemen who assume that because symptoms disappeared when a certain component was changed, the original component was defective.

Before we review the causes and treatment of intermittents, we should, perhaps, define the word. By *intermittent* we mean any defect that causes a normally operating set to *suddenly* stop operating in its normal manner, and start to distort, or hum, or play low, etc.

The first point that must be cleared up in dealing with intermittent defects is: Does the trouble lie within the receiver proper, or in the latter's aerial or ground system?

The aerial or ground system should generally fall under suspicion only when the customer complains of sudden fluctuations in volume. Normal reception will usually be noisy and full of static when aerial or ground wiring is the source of the intermittent. The noises will increase, and a loss in vol-

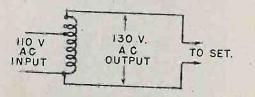


Fig. 1-Connecting auto-transformer to set.

ume may occur, when the defective wire is moved about. These accompanying characteristics should serve as clues to the source of trouble. If the temporary connection of a new and better ground, or the substitution of a long length of wire for the antenna, eliminates the static noises and fluctuations in volume, the trouble has definitely been localized. Visual inspection of the antenna and ground wiring will often

#### By Solomon Heller

locate the defect. Look for partial breaks and poor connections in window leadins, intermittent shorts in lightning arrestors, paint or rust on pipe sections to which the ground wire connects, etc.

When trouble in the receiver proper is indicated, problem No. 2 must generally be faced: How can an intermittent condition be coerced out of its normal, and into its abnormal phase? A variety of methods have been used to

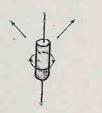


Fig. 2—Checking for an intermittent condenser. The unit is moved at right angles to its axis, as indicated by the 2 arrows at top; it is also rotated slightly about its axis, as indicated by the circular arrows. Don't use too much movement, or an innocent component may be damaged.

smoke the trouble into the open. They consist, in brief, of the application of excessive heat, excessive voltage, or mechanical force, to the various components of the receiver under test.

Advocates of the heat treatment cover the set with a wooden box or the equivalent, and allow it to stew, or else let the rays of an electric heater play on the components. The theory behind this is, that the guilty unit will collapse under the excessive heat. It is rumored that innocent components will sometimes lie down beside the corpse of the guilty one when this method is employed. Users of the method claim, however, that only the unfit units, or those that would have broken down at some future time anyway, give up the ghost; and that this is all to the good. Be that as it may, it is certainly not a method to be used on an old set, since a good many parts already on their last legs might be pushed into eternity; replacement of said parts edging the serviceman's profit toward the question mark.

When excessive voltage is to be used to make the intermittent component cry Uncle, some form of auto-transformer is employed (see Fig. 1). A line voltage of say 110 v. is boosted as high as 130 v. by this means. Intermittent components in plate or screen circuits may break down in consequence, due to the higher voltages created in these circuits by the line voltage increase.

A disadvantage of this method, it has been pointed out, is that the increased d-c voltages in the plate and screen circuits may damage non-intermittent components. This objection (like the objection to the heat treatment) has been countered by the claim that any components broken down were potentially defective anyway. It should be noted that the method just outlined is useless when the intermittent component lies in a control grid or similar circuit, where d-c voltages are very low or absent.

An allied method is turning the set off and on rapidly. This procedure is sometimes quite effective in bringing the intermittent out of its hiding place. Sometimes the method is more effective if the set is turned off and on after it has heated up for a while; in other cases, it will succeed only when the set has been off for some time.

The "mechanical force" technique of bringing on intermittents consists of tapping, pulling, or otherwise moving suspect parts in such a way that the defect is made to occur. Condensers are wiggled back and forth at right angles to their axis, or else rotated slightly in a small circular arc about their axis (see Fig. 2). Coil leads are gently tugged. Tubes and volume controls are tapped, etc.

#### Localizing Trouble

Now that the chief general procedures for forcing the intermittent into the open have been outlined, let's get down to some specific trouble-shooting pointers. The serviceman will be considerably aided in locating the intermittent if he can narrow down the area of search. The following hints may prove of some value in making such a localization. (It is assumed that the intermittent defect has occurred, or been made to occur, and the resultant reception noted):

If all the stations are received, but reception is impaired, the chances are that the trouble is not in an r-f amplifier converter in the statement of the st

fier, converter, mixer or oscillator stage. If the audio signal has become distorted, and no other symptoms are present, the trouble probably lies in an audio amplifier or power amplifier stage. When no recention is the

When no reception is present, but the set sounds "alive"—i.e., background

## **Troubles in Radio Receivers**

noises are heard, and the set sounds as if it were tuned to a dead spot between stations—a defect in the oscillator stage is almost certainly present. The same holds true if only one station, of a frequency near 550 kc, is received. (550 kc, or the low end of the broadcast band, is close to the intermediate frequency commonly employed in broadcast sets (456 or 465 kc.) A signal at or near this frequency will therefore ride through the i-f amplifiers very often, and be detected and heard, even when the osciWator is inoperative.

#### Intermittent Tube Sockets

The following pointers on checking components may prove helpful, whether or not the serviceman has been successful in localizing the intermittent to a particular section of the receiver:

To check for intermittent tubes, tap each tube gently from various angles. If the intermittent can be made to occur when only one tube is tapped, but not when the others are struck, the defective tube has been located. (It should be noted that sometimes the socket, or a component associated with the tube, is to blame, rather than the

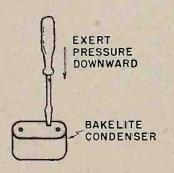


Fig. 3—Checking a bakelite condenser for an intermittent. Farce a screwdriver vertically against the condenser as indicated, pressing down fairly hard. Also tap condenser.

#### tube itself.)

Socket contacts are very apt to become loose and cause intermittents. Wiggle tubes back and forth in their sockets, trying to produce the intermittent at will, to check for this condition. Another way to check for a defective socket contact is to measure voltages at the *tube prongs*, rather than at the socket contacts, when the defect in reception appears. If a socket contact is defective, voltage will be present at the contact, but not at the tube prong which it embraces.

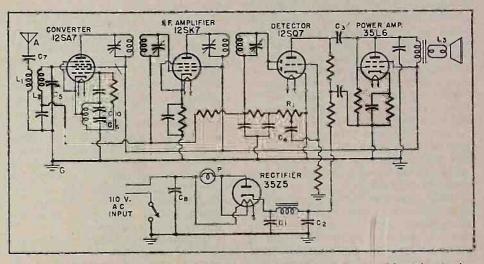


Fig: 4—Common hiding places of intermittents. Components apt to be the source of intermittent noise: C1, C2, C8, R1, C5, C6, C10, A, G, P, power amplifier tube, detector tube. Intermittent low volume: C3, C4, C7, detector tube. Intermittent inoperation: L5, converter tube, i-f amplifier tube. Intermittent distortion: C3, power amplifier tube. Intermittent hum: power amplifier tube, L2, C8, R1.

When checking for intermittents in a set using bakelite condensers—the Philco 620, for example—test the condensers by holding a screwdriver in a vertical position against each of them and pressing down hard (see Fig. 3). The pressure is apt to produce the intermittent, if it is present in the condenser.

Band switches may be checked for possible intermittents by rotating them, and listening for noise during the rotation. Noisy switch contacts are very apt to cause intermittents. Ditto for push-button contacts. Clean all noiseproducing switch or push-button contacts with carbon tet before continuing the troubleshooting.

A noisy volume control is apt to produce fading and intermittent operation. Clean or replace the control, before going on with receiver checks.

Another pointer—check prongs of all tubes for possible wax or other deposits that may be preventing good contact with the socket.

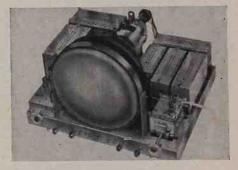
#### **Check Filaments First**

A final caution: Don't forget to check filament voltages, even when the filament circuits do not seem to be affected. A usually competent serviceman I know never thought of checking for filament voltage when an intermittent had been localized to the oscillator stage. Since the 35Z5 and 50L6 lit up adequately, he assumed that the other (metal) tubes were doing so too. The trouble was, however, an intermittently shorting 12SA7 heater. He ultimately located it, but not before wasting several valuable hours in making unnecessary replacements.

Common nesting places of intermittent defects are indicated in Fig. 4. Good hunting on that next intermittent!

#### **Unit-ized TV Chassis**

New TV sets manufactured by Setchell-Carlson, Inc., of New Brighton, Minnesota, feature an entire chassis organized into 8 plug-in units. The unitized construction was developed to permit individual testing, repair and/or replacement of each section. While one unit is being repaired, for instance,



another can be substituted. The 8 units are: Front end, IF strip with detector, audio amplifier, video amplifier with AGC and sync separator, vertical sweep amplifier, horizontal sweep and high voltage, low voltage power supply, and AM radio tuner. The unitized construction also facilitates the incorporations of future new developments without changing the entire set.

## **Getting the MOST**

### Factors to Be Considered in Obtaining High S/N, Low Losses,

• There is a certain area around TV transmitters where a simple dipole antenna on a 6-foot mast will bring in strong, contrasty pictures, free of "snow," ignition noise and all forms of interference. This area (which we won't attempt to define in miles) is known as the "normal range" of TV. When you reach that distance where this so-called "normal installation" will no longer produce satisfactory results, you are entering the land of guy wires and stacks, known as the "fringe area." As far as we know, there are no outer limits to "the fringe."

Many installers have found fringe area reception within sight of a TV transmitter, which is one reason we won't attempt to define the limits of normal range. The principal difference between normal range and fringe area is not their location, but in the type of signals which are received, and in the techniques which must be used to get results for which customers are willing to pay.

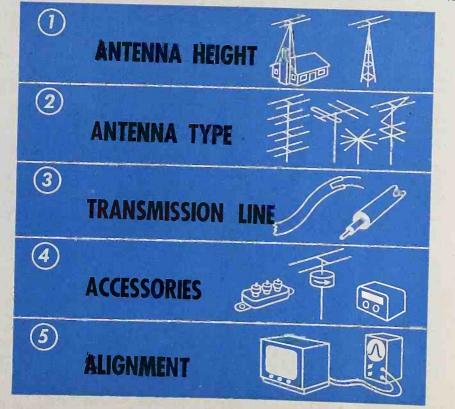
Sets are operating satisfactorily in normal range areas with rusted and bent antennas (with possibly a dipole or a reflector missing); with twin-lead cracked and brittle, spliced, and flapping in the breeze due to insufficient number of standoffs, or standoffs pulled out by the wind; with antenna improperly matched to the transmission line and/or the set; and with the set operating at low efficiency due to worn out tubes or poor alignment.

As most fringe area installers have already discovered, conditions such as those cannot be tolerated where the signal is weak. Everything counts, and any minute detail which is properly attended to may improve the results.

Practically 100% of the components and techniques which are important in getting a good fringe area picture come ahead of the converter tube in the set: the antenna, the lead-in, and the RF stage are the principal elements which are important to getting a high signal to noise ratio, which is essentially the only factor to be considered in this connection.

In some areas, where the signal is so weak most of the time that all you can see is frame lines floating by, many TV technicians have realigned sets for a peak-type response curve instead of a flat-top, broad-band response. Although picture degradation may be the result (when compared with a normal range, full frequency response picture), the customer may see a satisfactory picture where none was obtainable before. The subject of alignment will be covered more fully in a separate article in a forthcoming issue, however. In this article we shall confine ourselves to the elements up to the grid of the RF stage.

The first factor to be considered is



financial: a fringe area installation will naturally be more expensive than a normal one, and there is a limit to what the customer will spend. If money were no object, the problem would be somewhat simplified. But since this is rarely the case, the dealer will have to weigh every factor.

Conservative practice, with an eye toward safety as well as durability, would recommend the use of guy wires with masts over 12 feet high (above the point of support). The use of a selfsupporting tower 25-feet high might be cheaper than a guyed mast of the same height considering the additional labor involved. On the other hand, the use of a 4-stacker on a 25-foot tower might produce as good results as putting a 2-stacker on a 50-foot guyed tower (and might be cheaper). These are some of the factors that the dealer must weigh in considering the techniques which are discussed in the following paragraphs.

#### **Refraction of UHF Waves**

Although fringe area TV dealers have by now disposed of the earlier theory that TV transmission is line of sight and is limited to the horizon seen by the transmitting antenna, nevertheless they also know that height is important. The closer they can bring the antenna up to a line of sight, the better the results are apt to be. There are some exceptions to this rule, but first of all, let us consider an example:

Town "X" is 95 miles from Station "A," which has a transmitting antenna 500 feet high. Assuming no obstructions along the way (such as mountains), the transmitter would have a line-of-sight to the horizon of 291/2 miles, and the receiver in town "X," being 651/2 miles beyond that, would need a tower over 3000 feet high to get on a line of sight with the transmitter. Naturally, such a tower is not necessary to get reception; but in theory, reception will improve as the antenna is raised up to that height. Higher than line-of-sight in any particular location is not apt to improve the situation any, however, which is one of the exceptions to which we referred earlier.

The reason why it is possible to get reception at 95 miles without a 3000 foot antenna is due largely to the refraction of the VHF waves. This might be likened to the way light is refracted (bent) in a medium denser than air, which phenomenon accounts for a stick of wood appearing bent in a glass of water. VHF waves are bent down around the curvature of the earth by the atmosphere. And one reason why

## **Out of FRINGE TV**

#### and Maximum Energy Transfer in Weak Signal Areas

reception conditions vary in an extreme fringe area is because this bending varies with the temperature and humidity of the atmosphere. Fairly acceptable reception is often possible (at least at night) 95 miles from the transmitter with receiving antenna heights of about 50 feet instead of 3000, for-



tunately, due to this refraction.

The second exception to the rule, the "more height, more signal" is that the exact height may be critical. That is, 37 feet may give better results than 40, to cite an hypothetical example. This is said to be due to the fact that the height of the antenna bears some relation to the wave-length being received; and that a certain portion of the signal is reflected from the ground up to the antenna; and that, therefore, these reflected signals will tend to either reinforce or cancel the signal at the antenna. This cannot be stated as a rule, however, that reinforcement will occur at a certain number of quarter or half wavelengths, due to the varying contour and conductivity of the earth. the angle at which the signal arrives from the transmitter, and the frequency of the channel being received.

Furthermore, this tendency is limited by two other factors. First, above a certain height (varying again according to the contour and conductivity of the earth) we are said to be in "free space," where reflection from the ground is negligible. This is generally (but approximately) taken to be above 120 feet on channel 2, and 32 feet on channel 13. The second limiting factor is the antenna: antennas which are stacked vertically, and conical type antennas are said to cancel vertical pickup. This is useful not only in preventing cancellation due to ground reflection, but also in limiting pickup of signals which come from the ground, such as ignition interference.

Notwithstanding these two limitations, however, it is wise, where possible, to check signal strength while the antenna is being (experimentally) elevated, rather than to go ahead slapdash and put it up as high as possible.

After height, the next consideration is the form of the antenna itself. To increase signal pickup, the antenna may either be stacked vertically, or extended horizontally by means of parasitic elements. An antenna with two (verti= cal) bays and reflectors is a combination of both techniques. Stacked Yagis would, of course, be the extreme of combining both forms.

We can only generalize about the results of the various types, since actual results vary (sometimes irrationally) according to the exact construc-



Perfectly horizontal may not be as good as**SLIGHTLY CANTED**, Due to ground reflections.

tion of the antenna, the height, the channel being received, the terrain, etc. (By construction of the antenna we refer to the exact element length, diameter and spacing, according to manufacturer.) Generalizing, however, we may say that a dipole with a reflector will produce about as much gain over a simple dipole as will two dipoles stacked (but without reflectors). A Yagi with one director will (again, in theory) produce less gain than two dipoles stacked with reflectors, but a Yagi with two directors should produce more gain (slightly) than such a combination.

These considerations, however, are influenced, not only by the construction of the antenna, but by the physical weight and impedance factors, as well as the sharpness of directivity and the narrowness of bandwidth. The ef-

fect of adding elements to form a Yagi, as well as the effect of using different diameters for the elements, on impedance, gain, directivity and bandwith were discussed in a previous article ("Impedance Consideration in TV Antenna Design," February, 1950 issue RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING) and so will not be repeated here. Suffice it to say that, generally speaking, the impedance of an antenna consisting of two stacked dipoles with reflectors is higher than that of a Yagi, while the fre-quency response is broader. Therefore, this type of antenna lends itself better to reception of several channels, whereas the Yagi is more apt to be used where there is only one channel. If several channels are to be received in different directions, several Yagis might be used (one for each channel) providing the weight could easily be supported.

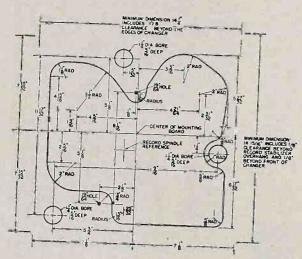
#### Lead-in Techniques

Coming from the antenna to the set, maximum results will, of course, be obtained when the antenna, transmission line, and receiver input terminals are properly matched impedance-wise. Noise pickup on the way down may be minimized by the use of shielded line or by twisting the twin-lead. Maximum transmission of energy and minimum line reflections will be obtained when there are no splices in the line. Maximum transfer of energy will be obtained when all connections (such as



line to antenna, line to set, line to arrester, etc.) are made in such a way as to maintain the impedance at its proper value. Spreading out the conductors of a transmission line will raise the impedance (spreading twinlead to 1-inch between conductors will make the impedance between 400 and 500 ohms); where a perfect match is desired, this practice should be avoid-(Continued on page 77)

## How to Make Phono Conversions



PIG. 1. PIO PANEL CUT-OUT DIMENSIONS

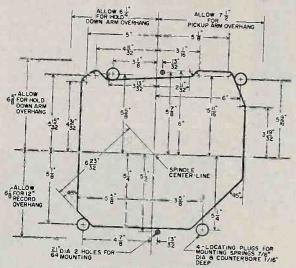
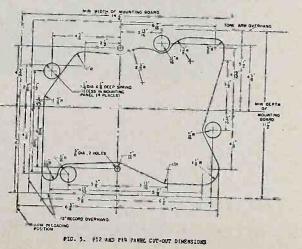


FIG. 2. P13 AND P15 PANEL CUT-OUT DIMENSIONS



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#### Modernization of Old Players and Changers to Accommodate the New Speeds

• As pointed out in last month's article "Cash in on Conversion to Three Speeds," there is tremendous service business potential in bringing over 12 million home phonographs up to date.

Where a two or three speed changer is to be installed in an instrument which now has a 78 RPM player or changer, a new motor board will probably be necessary.

The accompanying templates have been distributed by the General Electric Company in "Radio Service Bulletin RSM-3, No. 46," and refer to panel cut-outs for GE changers. Service technicians familiar with these instruments, however, will find them to have an even wider application, since the same (or very similar) changers appear in many sets.

The top drawer is for use with the GE P-10 changer. This is a 2-speed changer comparable to the Webster 256 (with two plug-in GE variable reluctance heads). The center drawing is for use with GE P-13 and P-15 changers. These are Milwaukee changers, the first being a 2-speed job with two plug-in heads, the latter a 3-speed unit with the GE "triple-play" head. The RCA 960282-1 two-speed changer is essentially the same unit with a different tone arm. The bottom drawing is for GE P12 and P14 changers. These are VM type changers, the first being two-speed and the latter three-speed. The RCA 960285-1 is essentially the same unit (2-speed) with a different tone arm. The RCA changers both have turnover cartridges.

There are many other units using similar changers so that this data can have wide application. For instance, the Zenith S14022, S14024, S14025 and S14027 changers (three speed) are virtually the same as the GE P12 and P14 and the RCA 960285-1 with the exception of the tone arm, which in the Zenith is a Zenith "Cobra" arm.

The top illustration (for the P10) is supplemented by the following information: (1) Minimum height of phono compartment from surface of changer mounting board should be 834 inches to allow  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch clearance to top record of ten 12-inch records stacked on spindle. (2) A minimum dimension of  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches beneath top surface of changer mounting board will provide  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch clearance to bottom of changer mechanism and phono motor. (3) Dimensions 1 and 2 added together (11 inches) are the minimum vertical space in the cabinet opening for the record changer drawer. (4) The three  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch bores for seating changer mounting springs are flat-bottomed approximately  $\frac{1}{6}$  inch deep. This depth gives  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch stock for support, with mounting board of  $\frac{9}{6}$  inch thickness. With boards of less thickness, the bore depth should be reduced to maintain  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch supporting stock in the bottom of the bore.

The center illustration (for P13 and P15 changers) is supplemented by the following: Allow 5¾ inches clearance above the mounting panel for clearance of the hold-down arm when it is in the vertical position. Allow 3¼ inches below the top surface of the panel mounting board for clearance of the motor. Minimum dimensions to allow for 12-inch record overhang, pickup arm overhang, and hold-down arm overhang should be 13¾ inches wide by 12¾ inches deep.

The bottom illustration (for P12 and P14 changers) carries the following additional information: Allow clearance of 6½6 inches above the mounting panel for clearance of the hold-down arm. Allow 2% ance of the motor.

For Milwaukee changers using GE variable reluctance pickups (similar to the GE P6, P11 and P13), GE has a replacement tone arm incorporating the "triple play" head RPX-050. With this cartridge, either of the two styli may be placed in playing position with a twist of the positioning knob accessible at the top of the tone arm. The substitute tone arm is GE stock No. RPA-013. This tone arm is used and is illustrated in the P15 record changer service note.



## **Television Technician**

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#### Thompson-Ruby TV TOWER

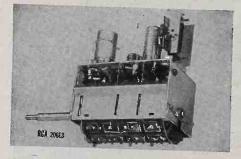
The new all-aluminum home antenna tower for TV features riveted tower sections shipped completely cartoned, ready for the installer to easily join together.



The tower is said to be adaptable to any type mounting due to its light weight and swivel base. Thompson and Ruby, Inc., Brownstown, Ind.

#### RCA TV TUNER

Model 206E3 is a new 12-channel TV front end employing printed circuit coils, rotary turret switching, and improved performance. It is designed for use with



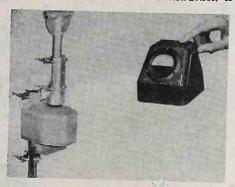
stagger-tuning IF system at 25.75 MC, as in the 630TS type receiver. The tuner is said to provide a voltage gain of between 28.7 and 34.9 DB for all channels. Tube Dept., RCA, Harrison, N. J.

#### RMS TV PRODUCTS

<sup>4</sup> Four new products have been ane nounced: "Super Nail" SN-3 can be hammered into masonry to support lead-in or guy wires; mast clamp SN125 is a self-gripping mast standoff which will support either twin-lead or coax; "Spana-Clamp" SC is designed to stop breakage, noise and vibration on conical antennas, and snaps into dipoles by means of spring clips. The new booster SP-5 with one-knob tuning is said to feature peak tuning and close impedance match with wide bandwidth and greater S/N. Complete details on these products may be had by writing Radio Merchandise Sales Co., Inc., 1165 Southern Blvd., New York S9, N. Y.

#### Koenig TV ROTATOR

The "Tele-Beamer" TV antenna rotator features a direction indicator on the remote control unit which shows the antenna bearing at all times. Masts from 3/4" to 2" dia. can be accomodated. Construction is



said to be completely rustproof and weatherproof. Electrical stops turn off the motor when Tele-Beamer reaches one full turn. Also available without direction indicator. Koenig Engineering Co., 735 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City 3, Kansas.

#### Krylon PLASTIC SPRAY

Krylon is à new aerosol "bomb" which makes a transparent acrylic plastic available in the form of a spray, depositing a clear, protective coating on the object sprayed. Among the many protective uses for this product are: TV antennas may be sprayed to protect them from rust and corrosion; TV Thigh voltage wiring and



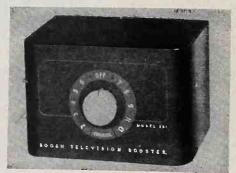
components may be coated to prevent corona and breakdown; Auto ignition wires, battery cables and terminals may be protected against moisture and corrosion, etc. In addition, the spray will preserve glossy finishes on chrome, brass, silver, etc. The Krylon plastic spray is manufactured by Foster and Kester Co., Inc., 2601 North Broad Street, Philadelphia 32, Penna.

### Circle "X" TV ANTENNA

The construction of the Circle "X" antenna has been changed to provide for "Quick-Rig" assembly. The "Tee" connectors have been eliminated and the circular sections are now manufactured in such a manner as to permit the ends of these sections to telescope together. The change in construction is also said to have increased the gain of the antenna. Circle "X" Antenna Corp., 500 Market St., Perth Amboy, N. J.

#### **Bogen TV BOOSTER**

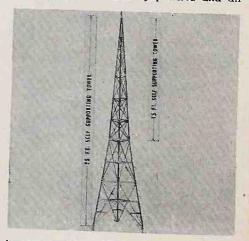
New all-channel TV preamp utilizes two 6J6's and selenium rectifier, and features a single tuning control plus automatic power switch: the booster turns on



automatically when TV set is turned on, and off when TV set is off. Model BB-1 has metal cabinet, BB-2 has mahoganyfinished wood cabinet. David Bogen Co. Inc., 663 Broadway, New York 12, N. Y.

#### Parris-Dunn TOWERS

Both self-supporting and guyed towers are available in heights up to 85 feet. The guyed TV towers are complete with mast adapters, angles, guy wires and all



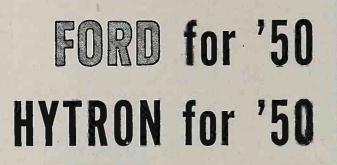
hardware. The self-supporting towers are furnished with a ladder, and are also complete with mast adaptors and all hardware. The 25 ft. self-supporting tower shown weighs about 400 lbs. Parris-Dunn, Clarinda, Iowa.

### DuMont RECTANGULAR TUBE

The new type 16TP4 features the Dumont bent-gun design and gray filter faceplate. Picture 14-7%" wide is provided in more compact cabinet than 16" round tubes. Overall length is 181%". Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.

#### GE PICTURE TUBE

Type 14CP4 is a new 14-inch rectangular picture tube with useful screen area of 99 square inches (comparable to 12-inch tubes) and a neutral density face-plate. Electron gun is designed for use with an ion trap. General Electric Co., Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y.



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#### **Clarostat CONTROLS**

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#### Pyramid TRANSFORMERS

A new "Amprobe" current transformer, model A-5-1 is a pocket-size volt-ammeter for electricians, maintenance men, etc. Seven ranges are provided: 6.5/13/26-



/65/130 amperes and 150/600 volts. The split-core transformer will handle conductors up to 1-1/8 inch diameter. Pyramid Instrument Co., 49 Howard St., N. Y. 13, N. Y.-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING

#### **Televac VTVM**

The new VTVM is a combined RF and DC instrument with ranges extending from 0-1 MV (full scale) to 1 KV for DC; the RF ranges extend from 0-10 MV (full scale) to 10KV. With accessory probe these ranges extend to 30KV for DC and RF. Response is said to be flat within 10% up to 300MC. Millevac Instruments, 111 Weaver St. Schenectady, N. Y. RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING

#### Electro POWER SUPPLY

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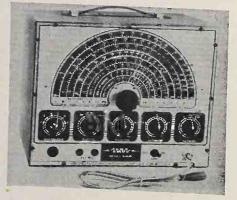
to 12½ amps, 6 volts, continuous duty, with intermittent rating up to 25 amps. Supplies 3 to 9 volts at other ratings. Electro Products Laboratories, Inc., 4501 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING

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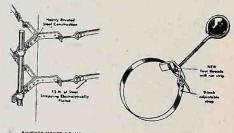
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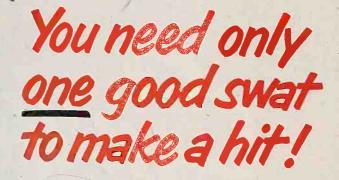


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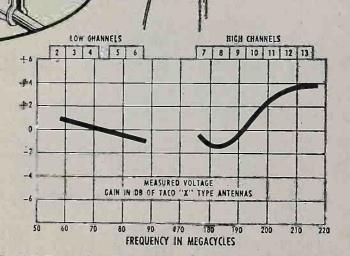
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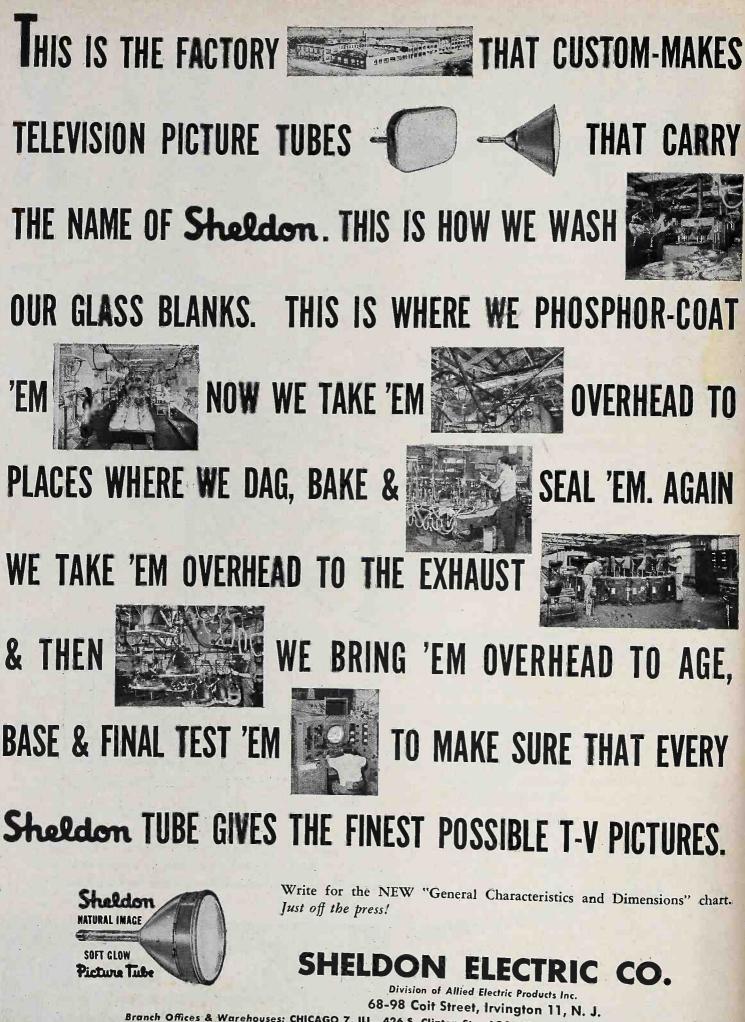
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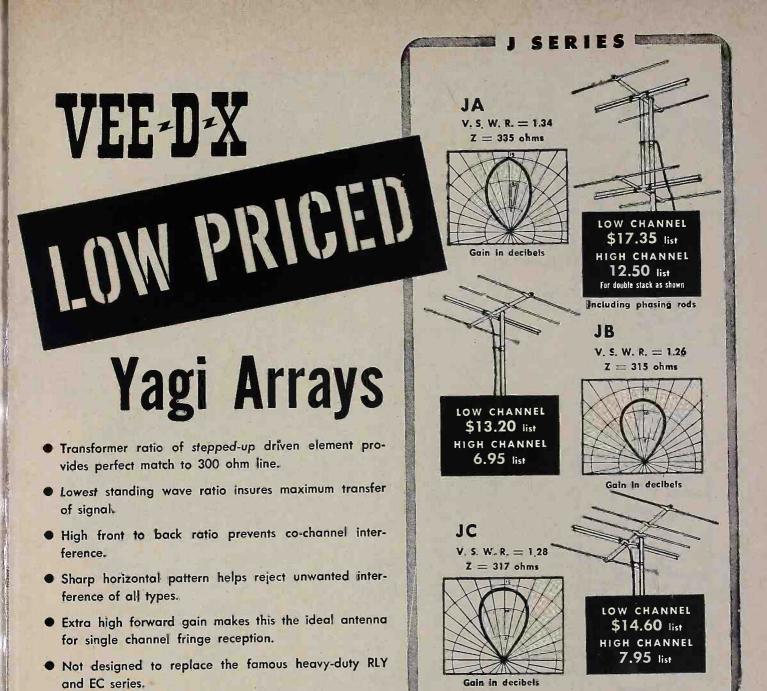
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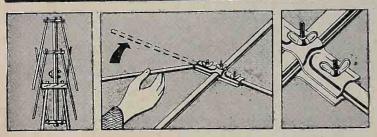
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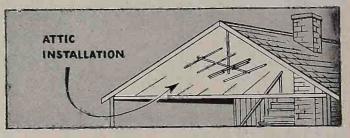


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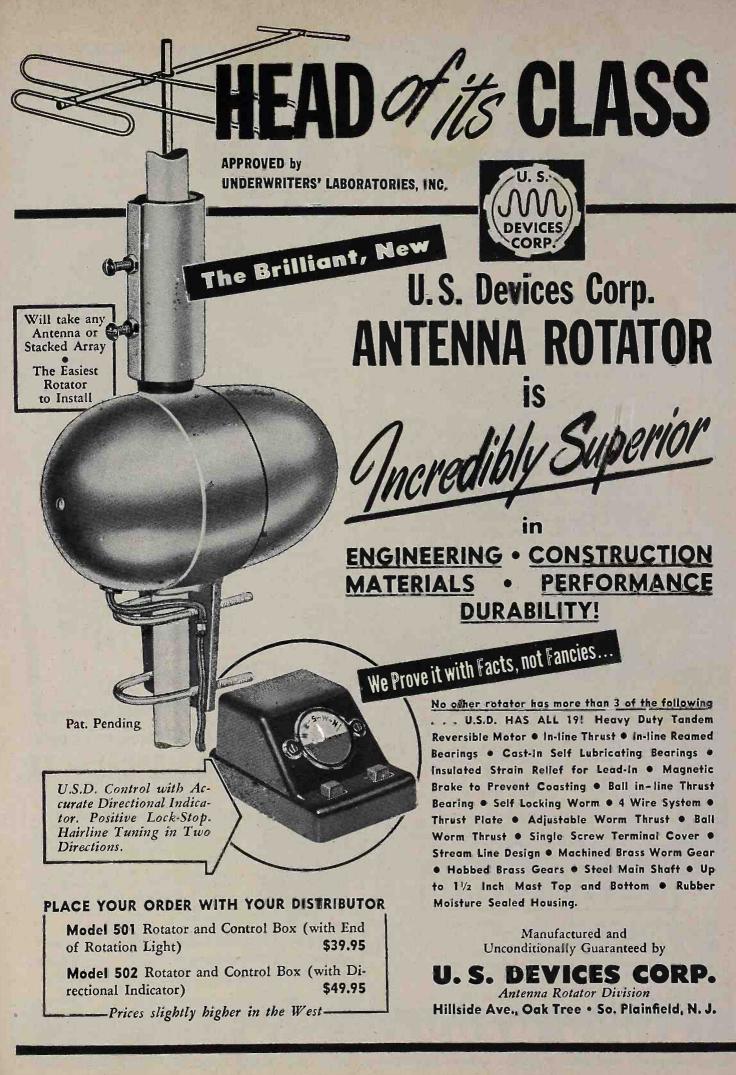
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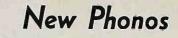
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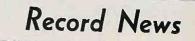
A complete new line of portable phonos has been announced. Single speed manual portables in the line are priced from \$12.95 to \$34.95. Three-speed manuals are priced at \$24.95, \$29.95, \$34.95 and \$49.95 and the 3-speed automatic for \$79.95. Steelman Phonograph and Radio Co., Inc., 742 E. Tremont Ave., Bronx 57, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### **Rek-o-kut RECITALIST**

A new portable, 3-speed, phonograph has been announced. Called the "Recital-ist," it plays records up to 16 inch. Includes microphone input and permits mixing of live music or voice simultaneously with recording being played. Price is \$179.95. Rek-O-Kut Co., Inc., 38-13 Queens Blvd., L. I. C., N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

### Scott RADIO-PHONOS

Two new combinations have been announced, both with two unit chassis, 14 tubes, including rectifiers, and provision for connecting TV or other unit to the sound system. Automatic 3-speed changers are included. The Kenilworth, in dark mahogany, with full-length doors, priced at \$395. The Sheffield, in blond modern cabinet, is priced at \$425. Also announced were two chassis for custom installations. Model 800-B, 24tube set with push-button selector, lists at \$695; model 510, 14-tube set, lists for \$225. Both include 3-speed record changers. Scott Radio Labs., Inc., 4541 Ravenswood, Chicago 40, III.-RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.



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sessions with the Boston Symphony under Dr. Koussevitsky will be conducted at the conclusion of the Berkshire Music Festival, which this year runs from July 8 to August 13. The new RCA long-play 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> RPM records feature several Boston Symphony recordings, including Beethoven's Seventh (with Charles Munch conducting), Schubert's Unfinished, the Beethoven Fifth, the Tchaikovsky Fourth and the Brahm's Third symphony (all with Koussevitsky). New recordings with Munch will be made upon his return in the fall from Europe to begin his second season as permanent conductor of the Boston Symphony.

Lauritz Melchoir, star of the Metropolitan opera and one of the greatest heroic tenors in musical history, has been signed by DECCA RECORDS to star in the recording of an album of Sigmund Romberg's famous operetta, "The Student Prince." The album will also feature Jane Wilson, Lee Sweetland and Gloria Lane, with the chorus and orchestra under the direction of Victor Young.

(More Record News elsewhere in this issue.)

Fringe TV

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ed. Transmission lines should be strongly secured, and protected against abrasion. Long horizontal runs should be avoided where possible. Re-routing to avoid local sources of interference may be necessary (such as door-bells, motors, etc.). Lightning arrester, if used, should have tight, clean connections; if outdoors, they should be protected from the weather where possible, and from strain on the conductors. A plastic compound over the terminals will help to protect them from rusting.

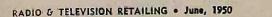
Arriving at the receiver, we find that the exact length of transmission line may be critical. Therefore, careful installers usually bring the slack line to the set and test operation before cutting and tacking it in. Shorting out the conductors (of twin-fead) with diagonal cutters (gently, so as not to pierce the leads) for a foot or two from the receiver back will usually reveal "bright spots," at which points maximum transfer of energy is obtained. The line is then cut at one of these points, and terminated there. The spacing of these points will vary according to the frequency tuned in, and therefore the weakest channel is tuned, or else a compromise is obtained.

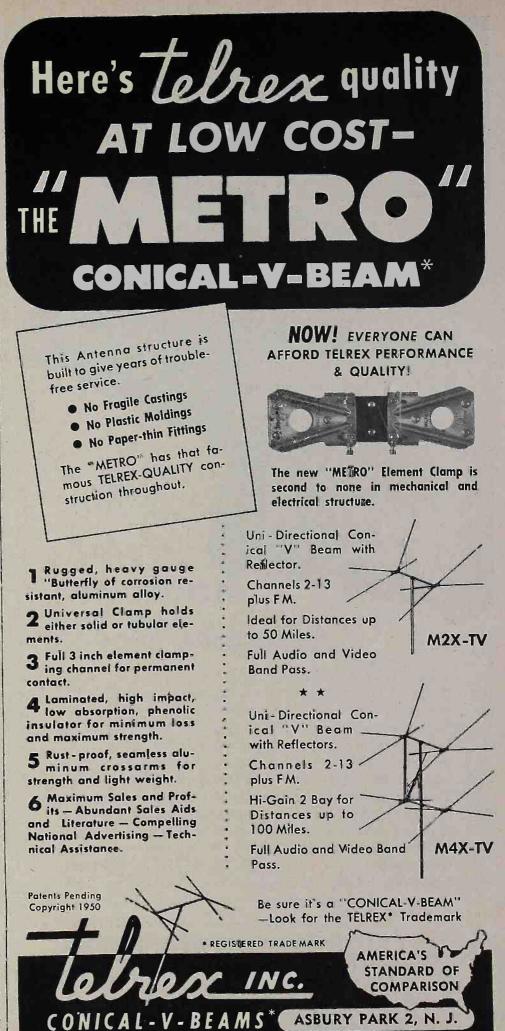
Probably the final elements which may be considered in this antennastoreceiver path is a booster. Most fringe area dealers have found that boosters improve the results. As pointed out in a previous article on that subject in this magazine, boosters may do two other things besides boost: they may add additional selectivity (which means possibly increased rejection of interference as well as sharper, higher gain response curve), and they may improve the impedance match between antenna and set (by tuning). The consideration of length of transmission line which was discussed above is equally (if not more) important with regards to the length of line between the booster and the set. Here again, cut for the weakest channel or a compromise, if more than one channel is to be boosted.

A final consideration, which perhaps should have been mentioned earlier, is the possible use of an antenna rotator. When an antenna is obtained which is considered satisfactory as to gain on all the necessary channels, but these channels are in different directions, a rotator may save the weight of additional (fixed) antennas. The rotator also makes orientation at installation unnecessary.

### **Majestic Service Notes**

Majestic Radio & Television, Inc., of 70 Washington St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y., has released Preliminary Service Instructions on their new #94 and #97 series of TV chassis for use by service organizations. The new instructions cover models 12T2, 12C4, 16T2, 16C4, 1672, 1674, 19C6 and 1974. Copies can be obtained from local Majestic distributors.







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the powerful booster with four tubes, and such exclusive features as dual tuning and variable gain control, the latter permitting pinpoint tuning for exact amount of boost required for best picture and sound. The Astatic AT-1 Booster not only outperforms any other on the market, but it looks the part --- in handsome, furniture-finish mahogany or blond cabinet to complement the finest receivers and other costly furnishings. These are typical advantages which have made the Astatic Model AT-1 Television Booster the undisputed leader today. Why not write for

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### Aerovox MINIATURE CONDENSERS

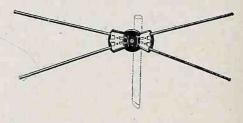
Aerolite "micro-miniature" capacitors, Type P83Z, measure  $\frac{3}{16}$ " in diameter and  $\frac{5}{16}$ " long. Construction is molded plastic with metallized dialectric. Available in 400 VDC (.0005-.003 mfd.) and 200 VDC (.005 and .01 mfd.). Aerovox Corp., New Bedford, Mass.

### Trio TV ANTENNA

The new "controlled pattern" antenna system consists of two double dipole Yagis phased by the tunable "Phasitron" to provide addition of voltages from the desired direction and cancellation of un-desired voltages. Uses two 300-ohm lines. Separate antenna systems available for each of 12 channels, though considerable gain is achieved on adjacent channels. Trio Mfg. Co., Griggsville, IM.

### Snyder TV ANTENNA

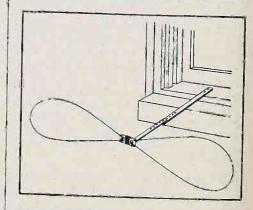
The "Hot-X" TV antenna, code number XA-1 is a conical type in the Snyder Head-Line economy-built series. Kit in-



cludes array and universal mast clamp with four %" aluminum alloy elements. Snyder Mfg. Co., 22nd and Ontario Sts., Philadelphia 40, Penna.

### Telrex WINDOW ANTENNA

The new, closed loop, conical TV window antenna, known as the "Superex" features an extremely low price. The "Superex", while especially designed for window mounting in private and multiple dwell-ings, is also suited for concealed indoor



use, as in closets, behind furniture, etc. Tremendous reception advantages over con-ventional indoor and "built-in antennas" are claimed. Each antenna is complete with a mounting bracket which simplifies window installation and permits orientation for maximum signals and for reduction of "ghosts". Telrex, Inc., Neptune Highway, Atlantic City, N. J.

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### **New Tel-o-Tube Address**

The executive and sales offices of Tel-o-Tube Sales Corporation are now located in new and enlarged quarters at 580 Fifth Ave., New York 18, N.Y.

### Radion Produces Its Millionth Antenna

The production of its millionth indoor portable television antenna was reported recently by The Radion Corporation, a Chicago firm with plant at 1137 Milwaukee Avenue.

When the epochal unit rolled off the assembly line, President Ralph Leonard announced plans for the production of an outside TV antenna similar in design, construction and engineering principle to the indoor product. It will be ready for the market at once, he said.

Both units are the invention of Leonard, who until 1948 was unknown in the electronics world. He sparked the idea of creating an inside antenna of simple design for television that would yield under general conditions the same or more efficiency than the expensive



Ralph Leonard, president of Radion Corp., Chicago, presents a gold Radion TV antenna, the onemillionth, to L. L. Kelsey (left) and Larry O'Brien (right).

outside aerial with its costly installation. He said he worked out his invention on the kitchen table in his apartment. "Just a salesman puttering around," he said. "I took a model of my creation to a

"I took a model of my creation to a convention of radio-television technicians at a Chicago hotel in May, 1948," Leonard explained. "The experts encouraged me to go into production, and in September that year I was underway in a store front machine shop. Radion managed to produce 100,000 antennas by the first of the year. A backlog of orders forced us to expand. We built 750,000 units in 1949, and now have stepped up production to 25,000 a week. We are working double shifts, and have set our goal at 2,000,000 units by 1951."

The Radion, as known to the trade, is a dipole type antenna, and retails at \$6.95. Its tubes extend and telescope from a base which resembles a regulation pool ball. The outside antenna, soon ready for the market, will list at \$9.95. It does not involve an installation problem, according to Leonard.

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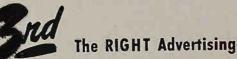


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# Sell 3-Speeds

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inch 78 RPM discs when she said "all of them."

Don't take anything for granted. Describe the three speeds briefly. Outline the various features, and be sure to advise customers that their old units can be modernized.

In demonstrating equipment, always start at the top of the line. Show the customer the best combination you have in stock, and insist that your salesmen do the same. Don't let them "size up" customers. The person who can't afford the highest priced set you stock will be flattered nonetheless for having it demonstrated to him. The desire to own the best is an inherent human trait.

In merchandising quality instru-ments for playing records, it is im-portant to "sell" records as well, and we mean this both literally and psychologically. Literally, it means that a selection of discs should be sold with the unit, and it also means that the features of the new discs should be stressed as the reason for buying a three-way player. In addition to vastly improved tonal qualities, the new records have great sales appeal storagewise.

Finally, a few points on selling: 1. Don't call playing equipment "changers." Call them automatic phonographs. 2. Don't say that the unit 'plays all records"; say, instead, that "it plays all the new records automatically." 3. Up sales of combos through suggesting time-payment plans in cases where outlay of cash seems too large to customer. 4. And most important: Remember that you have something to sell in playing equipment to every person in your community.

**New Recoton Packages** 



The Recoton Corp. has redesigned and repackaged its Superosmium (\$1.00) and Nylon (\$1.50) phono needles. Each needle is encased in a new, attractive, lucite jewel container that has many other uses. The containers come in 3-color self-selling display cards. With each needle customers receive a free record brush.

### **New TV Service Firm**

A new television service organization has been formed with 32 cooperating service centers covering the entire Metropolitan New York and New Jersey area. The Main Office is centrally located at 1860 Broadway, New York City.

This new organization is called Transvision Television Service, but their operation includes all makes of television sets. The service is under the management of Bernard Sterler, who has had many years of experience in the television field.

### **U. S. Devices Corp. Reps**

U. S. Devices Corporation, South Plainfield, N.J., manufacturer of the new U.S.D. antenna rotator, which is now being offered to the trade on a nation-wide scale, has announced appointment of the following representatives: Perlmuth-Colman & Associates, 1335 South Flower St., Los Angeles; Henry Lavin Associates, P.O. Box 196, Meriden, Conn.; LeRoy Schenck, 9 West Park St., Newark 2, N.J.; L. D. Lowery, 1343 Arch, Philadelphia 7, Pa.; Forrest C. Valentine, 912 Ft. Wayne Bank Bldg., Fort Wayne 2, Ind.; Fred B. Hill, 256 First Ave., No., Minneapo-lis 1, Minn.; Ralph M. Hill & Gordon E. Gray, 1 North Crawford Ave., Chicago 24; Hames H. Podolny, 5844 Beacon St., Pittsburgh 17, Pa.; John M. Maynard, 4707 Shenandoah, Dallas, Texas; H. A. Roes & Co., 1805 Grand Ave., Kansas City 8, Mo.; Wolfe-Marsey Sales Co., 74 Park Ave., Rochester, N.Y.; Norman W. Kathrinus, 1218 Olive St., St. Louis 3, Mo.; Murphy & Cota, 5 Ivy St., North, Atlanta 3, Ga.; R. C. Nordstrom & Co., 15840 Second Blvd., Detroit 3; Earl S. Dietrich, 320 Hanna Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio; Jas. J. Backer Co., 2321 Second Ave., Seattle 1, Wash.; and Ronald G. Bowen, 852 Broadway, Denver 3, Colo.

### **Telrex Testing Labs**

Telrex, Inc., Asbury Park, N. J., designers and manufacturers of the Conical-V-Beams, has acquired, as part of its over-all expansion program, a new testing site on which it is constructing a fully equipped laboratory. The new laboratory, which will supplement existing facilities will be devoted largely to antenna design and development work. The 3 acre tract, second highest point on the East Coast, is located in Belmar, N. J., just a stone's throw from the former site of Marconi's historic transatlantic radio transmitter.

### **Recoton Representative**

The appointment of William M. Faulkner as sales representative for the Recoton Corporation has been announced by Jack Karns, sales manager of the firm. Mr. Faulkner will cover the New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Washington, D. C. and Delaware territory.



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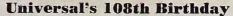
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### **Meck Wholesalers**

Leader Television & Radio, Inc. of Huntington, Ind. has been named distributor for the television and radiophonograph-television line of John Meck Industries, Inc., John S. Meck, president has announced.

The firm is headed by Eben Lesh and is located at 65 W. State in Huntington.

Meck added that the appointment of the Leader firm is part of his program for expending the Meck distributor system to keep pace with increased production, scheduled to produce 250,000 television receivers in 1950.





Chàrles A. Lynch, pres., Joseph Woodwell Co., Pittsburgh; Marion McKevitt, regional director, Laboratory for Modern Living, Landers, Frary & Clark, Chicago; and Wallace Russell, sales manager, Joseph Woodwell Co.; celebrated Universal's 108th Anniversary at the recent Cleveland "Stroke-Sar-r" iron meeting attended by Ohio, Pennsylvania and Michigan distributors.



## Phono Record Set-up

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and women on salesfloors today fail to qualify customers as to the recordplaying equipment they presently own. It is needless to point out how important it is to obtain such information in these days when there are three disc speeds. If all salesmen and saleswomen would consistently qualify all shoppers, a tremendous increase in sales of platters and players would result.

Failure to suggest additional purchases of records, needles and other accessories to record-minded customers in the store is another sales weakness encountered in many establishments. In a number of instances, the salesperson would ask whether there was "anything else" the customer wanted, or some other such question which begs a "no." The disc salesman should have a number of suggestions to offer, since he can tell by the purchases made, a great deal about the particular customer's preferences in records.

Failure to wait on customers promptly is another example of poor salesmanship found in many stores. The successful merchant insists that his salespeople approach shoppers at once with offers to help them make selections, even in cases where self-service facilities exist. If properly done, the prompt greeting of customers does not discourage "browsing," which is effective in inducing customers to "sell themselves."

With the phono record industry stabilized at three speeds, and with slews of record-minded customers with folding money, the merchant who does away with crossroads store methods, and who makes salespeople of his clerks, can increase his volume in platters, and can make a neat profit in so doing. Making a drive for more business means getting playing equipment to handle the three speeds into more homes, and, consequently selling more discs. To accomplish this, we must upgrade salesmanship, and maintain a management that's keenly aware of the need for better merchandising.

### **Magnavox TV Show**



Frank Freimann (right), executive vice-president of the Magnavox Company, Fort Wayne, Ind., joins with his advertising agent, L. J. Sholty (left), and the star of the company's newly-sponsored TV program, Sid Caesar, to celebrate the beginning of the series.

### Larger Duotone Offices

The Duotone Co., Inc., formerly of 799 Broadway, N. Y. C., have moved their office to larger quarters at Locust St., Keyport, N. J.

### Gross Tells Dealers How to Up Summer TV Sales

Today's outstanding technical advancement in television should point the way to firm summer sales this year, according to S. W. Gross, president of Tele-tone Radio Corporation.

The manufacturing executive told a meeting of his sales staff recently that electronic improvements and research in TV now enable the average set to pick up programming at greatly increased distances from the source of the broadcast. He urged an optimistic view of the warm weather sales picture which, he said, was now showing signs of holding a solid position among the other seasonal sales periods of the year.

Much higher sensitivity in video receivers, Mr. Gross pointed out, has been achieved through the improvement of tuners and general circuit changes which have been incorporated in current TV units as a result of intensive testing and field experience in the past year and a half. Dealers, he stressed, should now launch advertising and promoting campaigns to inform the public more adequately of the power of TV reception today-and prove to them that television program enjoyment will continue throughout the summer. In most areas, TV fans can take their sets with them if they go out of town, since they will be able to receive many shows clearly away from home.

The Tele-tone president added that video programs would be plentiful during the vacation months as most of the big entertainment features were being continued during that time. Baseball, boxing, wrestling, auto and horse racing, and even roller derbys, Mr. Gross pointed out, would carry right on through the warm weather to provide interesting viewing for the sportsminded in the TV audience.

"The amazing ultra-sensitivity of reception in receivers available to the public today will bring in their favorite programs in any reasonable location the year "round," declared the Tele-tone president. "Wide-awake dealers should strongly emphasize the fact that these vastly superior sets are being sold now at the same, or lower prices than the earlier, less sensitive and smaller screen models."

An additional incentive for buying, he added, is the fact that the sudden and tremendous demand for video receivers which occurs every fall would render it impossible for many people to buy the set they want after July and August, The dealer should advise his customers of this inevitable fall shortage of sets, and urge as many as possible to do their purchasing in the summer when they have their choice of models, cabinet style and picture tube size without a long waiting period for delivery. Shortages, Mr. Gross warned, usually lead to higher prices and therefore many television sets can be purchased, at lower cost during the summer.

### Vee-D-X TV ANTENNAS

The "J" series is a new low-price line of Yagi antennas featuring high gain and pin-point directivity for fringe area reception. Model JA is a 2-bay 3-element an-



tenna, JB is a 4-element unit and JC is a 4-element unit. The pre-assembled antennas unfold and clamp in place quickly Construction of the driven element is said to provide a match for 300-ohm line. La Pointe-Plascomold Corp., Unionville, Conn.

### **TV** Consumer Show

Leading TV manufacturers will participate in the industry's consumer show at the National Television and Electronics Exposition to be held in New York, Sept. 23 to 30. The show, to be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, will give consumers an opportunity to see the latest development in television by various manufacturers under one roof. The 8-day exposition will feature on-the-spot telecasts and broadcasts of leading network shows, with sustained entertainment furnished by radio and television stars. A complete advertising program has been mapped out for the exposition and "aimed at" attendance, being handled by a public relations firm, is set at 150,000.



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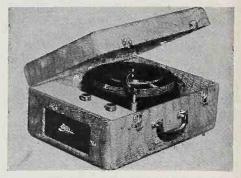


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New Phonos

### Symphonic PHONOS

Two portable 3-speed phonographs have been added to the line. Model 533, featuring a solid wood, leatherette covered case,



lists at \$34.95. Model 559 (shown), offers the same features as the 533, plus an automatic changer, and lists for \$69.95. Symphonic Radio & Television Corp., 292 Main St., Cambridge 42, Mass.—RADIO & TELE-VISION RETAILING.

### **Duosonic PHONOGRAPHS**

Eight new models have been added to the line. They include four single speed portables and four 3-speed portables. The single speed sets are: model 31, \$18.95; model 41, \$23.95; model 44, \$28.95; model 34, \$23.95; model 47, \$32.95; model 48, \$25.95; model 79, \$38.95; and model 97, \$79.95. The latter four are 3-speed models. Sonic Ind., Inc., 221 W. 17th St., N. Y., N. Y.-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### **Music Master PHONOS**

Four new long playing portable phonos have been announced. Two are single speed, the models 131 and 144, listing at \$17.95 and \$27.95 respectively. Two are 3-speed sets. The model 148, priced at \$27.95 and model 177, priced at \$37.95. Tone Products Corp., 225 W. 17 St., N. Y., N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

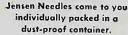
### Webster CHANGERS

A new replacement 3-speed record changer has been announced. It features a feeler mechanism which regulates the swing of the tone arm to the size of the record. Complete portable unit, model 62, added to the line, incorporates these same



features. The model 62 lists at \$79.95. Also announced is the model 357 (shown), and the model 551, plug-in changers for TV sets. Webster-Chicago Corp., 5610 W. Bloomingdale Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.







TV Market

(Continued from page 44) pass the sales of cigarettes, and consequently, have been taking on dealers who have no earthly business in the television field. In \_\_\_\_\_, one manufacturer has 92 dealers, where, before the war, he had but 30. We need more discounts and less outlets."

"The people in the TV retail business must be crazy to cut prices on a great demand item like the television receiver. When automobiles were scarce, did the car dealer give anything off? No, his customers paid a premium. Discounts at present are all right. Selling methods are all wrong."-From a Midwest merchant.

Another Midwest dealer states that "there is not enough profit margin in television, and no 2% discount. Too many wholesalers are insisting on tie-in deals, and the manufacturers change models and prices too often. We've had no trouble selling sets, but have had trouble getting them."

What he thinks is wrong with the TV business is explained as follows by a Pacific Coast retailer: "1. Dumping of discontinued models. 2. Damaged and inoperative sets on which distributor refuses to make adjustment. 3. Price changes without price protection. 4. Spiffs to salesmen to get them to sell dogs. 5. Expenses of demonstrating sets in homes under present low discounts."

"The television discounts are rather on the low side but one could make a fair profit if he didn't have the competition of the cut-pricers," says a New York merchant.

Comments of a Pennsylvania retailer: "Television is the only business which has been ruined in its infancy by pricecutting. The blame seems to lie with the manufacturers and distributors being too much interested in putting out sets regardless of prices. Now that the damage has been done, the only way to make it profitable for the dealer is to give him a larger mark-up so that he can make out, even if he competes with price-cutting."

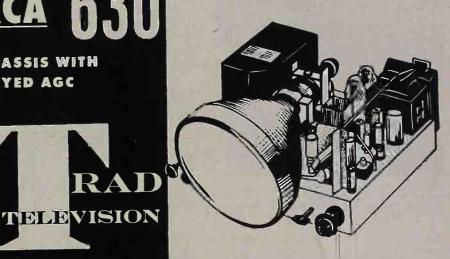
"TV is experiencing growing pains," says a Florida dealer. "Most sets in our area being sold at a discount. There are 10 times too many retail outlets for the population. Many TV sets being built to a price, with quality secondary."

From a Wisconsin retailer: "The profit margin on TV is too small to meet most of the headaches connected with service. Manufacturers have come out on top of the heap by continually lowering prices without giving rebates. They have accomplished this by changing models."

### **Electro-Voice Manager**

Electro-Voice, Inc., Buchanan, Mich., has announced the appointment of Howard T. Souther to the position of manager of its new Speaker Division. Mr. Souther was formerly vice-president of the Stephens Mfg. Co.

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### **Executives Promoted by** Admiral Corporation

The board of directors of Admiral Corp., television and appliance manufacturer, has elected Clarence S. Tay, former general manager of the corporation's four distributing divisions, to be president and board chairman of these divisions, Ross D. Siragusa, Admiral's president and board has announced.

### **Admiral Executive**



Clarence S. Tay, who has been elected president and board chairman of Admiral Corporation's distributing divisions. He was formerly divisional general manager.

At the same time, Siragusa said, the present branch managers of these divisions, located in Chicago, New York, Milwaukee and Boston, have been elected vice-presidents and directors of their branches. Lynn C. Park, Admiral treasurer, has been elected a director and secretary-treasurer of each branch and similarly George Driscoll, Admiral secretary, has been named assistant secretary of three branches and a director as well of the New York division.

Others promoted by the board and their new offices are as follows: Appliance Distributors, Inc., Chicago, T. C. Carey, vice-president and director; Admiral Corporation New York Distributing Division, Inc., T. J. Hodgens, vice-president, general manager and director; E. R. Glauber, vice-president and director; Admiral Corporation, Milwaukee Distributing Division, Inc., R. O. Habenstreit, vice-president and director, and Admiral Corporation Boston Distributing Division, Inc., E. M. Perkins, vice-president and director.

### Sylvania Appoints Boyd



Howard M. Boyd, above, has been appointed sales manager for the parts division of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., according to an announcement by Arthur L. Chapman, manager of the parts division and the Colonial Radio and Television Division.

### **Heads Continental El. Co.**

H. A. McIlvaine has acquired control and been elected president of Continental Electric Co., Geneva, Ill.—a company he founded 20 years ago.

"We expect to set up facilities for the manufacture of TV picture tubes of all sizes for the television industry," explains Mr. McIlvaine, who was identified with some of the earliest cathoderay experimentation and supervised embryonic engineering developments of this tube at Purdue University many years ago.

"Continental Electric Co. is today the recognized leader in the field of phototube manufacture," added Mr. Mc-Ilvaine, "and at present, under the trade name of Cetron, we supply over 91% of the projector manufacturers."

"In addition, Continental will continue to expand its present line of thyratrons, rectifiers, and other tubes, together with new products for the home."

W. S. Sims is executive vice-president in charge of production, and Edward C. Hanson is remaining as sales and advertising manager.

### **Turner** Appointment

R. P. Evans, president of The Turner Company, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, recently announced the promotion of Benno Von Mayrhauser to the position of chief production engineer for The Turner Company.



## Sales Promotions

### (Continued from page 31)

related major and traffic appliances. Windows are the low sill, backless variety so that the room's interior is easily visible from the sidewalk. Window displays are devised which will attract the interest of pedestrians but will not interfere with a view of the room. The display room is brightly illuminated.

The stairway to the basement is placed between the women's wear and the appliance section. One entire room here is devoted exclusively to display of television sets, with a smaller display area for radios. The exceptionally well equipped radio and television service room is also located in the basement.

Mast's advertising is aimed directly at the customer of moderate means in other words, the "mass market." Ads are full page in size, or nearly so, and are hard-hitting with bold, black lettering. Value and price are prominently featured, along with installment buying facilities. Col. Mast and Ralph



Col. Mast and son, Ralph, working over an ad layout.

make up the ad layouts, and have had good success with their efforts.

An example of the pulling power of their ads was observed in the case of a special radio promotion in the summer of 1948 (before television in Seattle). In one month's time, Mast's sold over 300 console radios, through promotion and good values. Over 500 consoles were sold that summer.

Mast's feel that unless an ad is big, it is partially wasted. The same amount of money spent on a series of small ads, they have found, brings fewer sales than if spent on a single large one. Their advertising program, accordingly, calls for one full-page ad per week in one of the two Seattle newspapers.

### **Steele Joins Akeroyd**

Arthur E. Akeroyd, manufacturer's representative for the New England area, with offices at 419 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, announces that Donald E. Steele has joined his organization. Mr. Steele has been associated with the electronic industry for the past twenty years in sales and engineering. He recently resigned from the Engineering Specifications Department of Raytheon Manufacturing Co.

### **Raytheon Tube Guarantee**

Raytheon has announced a new guarantee policy on television pictures tubes. All Raytheon cathode ray tubes are now guaranteed for a full one year period. F. E. Anderson, Raytheon replacement tube sales manager, in announcing this new policy to distributors also expressed Raytheon's desire to process necessary adjustments with an absolute minimum of red tape, when he said, "Along with our new one year guarantee policy on Raytheon television picture tube it is our earnest expectation that we will be able to give customers the easiest and quickest adjustment service through our new return tube control system."





This novel display case, which tells and sells the features of the Philco model 631 portable radio, is demonstrated here by Albert J. Rosenbraugh, radio sales manager of Philco Corp. The display case contains order blanks as well as a sales story.





MERIT TV "REPL" GUIDE

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COMMAND PERFORMANCE



# Service Shortcuts

(Continued from page 53) I solder one lead of the selenium to an unused pin and use it for a tie point. When the rectifier is pushed down in the tube socket, and the leads pulled tight prior to soldering, it is held in place quite securely. If you think that the leads in the bottom of the tube socket may short out to one of the other pins, a little spaghetti will take care of it.

### Skinner & Pelton "SILAVOX"

New item offered is an earphone attachment for television sets. Three position switch provides: 1. Silavox only; 2. TV Audio only; 3. Both (for deaf Listeners). In-



stalled in a few minutes, it includes two sets of earphones and additional jacks for two more sets. List price is \$17.95. Skinner & Pelton, Inc., 100 N. LaSalle St., Chicago,, III.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### **Starrett Policy Change**



Mitchell Fein, above, Vice-president of Starrett Television, New York, has announced a major change in the company's sales and distribution policies. A changeover has been made from its direct-to-dealer distribution and its products will now be sold exclusively through wholesale distributors. Starrett's present dealers have been informed of the change. They will continue to be serviced directly by the factory until distributors are set up in their own area, after which, the changeover will be made gradually. There are no changes in list prices or dealer discounts.

### **Universal Distributors**

R. M. Oliver, general merchandise manager, Electric housewares Division of Landers, Frary & Clark announces the appointment of the Leidy Electric Co. of Phillipsburg, N. J.; Roskin, Inc., of Middletown, N. Y.; and Rutkin Electric Co. of Asbury Park, N. J.; as distributors of the universal line of electric housewares.

### **Dual Motor Rotor**

C & G Tool Manufacturers, Inc., 39 Main Street, E. Orange, N. J., announced that after many months of research in their engineering department, they are now ready to show to the trade their new and unique 1950 model of their dual electric motor antenna rotor. This rotor has two motors, one for forward and one for reverse rotation. According to Louis Simpson, sales manager of C & G, this dual motor will give double the life of any single motor rotor and will be the lowest priced electric antenna rotator on the market today, The torque of the rotor is great enough to carry any stacked array up to 150 pounds, according to Mr. Simpson.

All production facilities at the 30,000 sq. ft. plant are now working full shift to supply advance orders from distributors. C & G is also manufacturing a complete line of chimney and wall mounts for antennas.

### **G-E Dishwasher Display**

A background display and display service for the General Electric dishwasher is now available to GE retailers through their distributors. The background serves as a permanent display unit for the dishwasher and is serviced with one standard and four seasonal display pieces. Cost is \$30.50.

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"The Jones's Are Getting Television!

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**Universal Shows Range** 



Universal's Select-a-Range, with the "Convenience Level," at the showing of the range at the housewares show of J. L. Hudson Co., Detroit, Michigan.

### Name V. K. Ulrich to NU Tube Sales Position

Appointment of Vinton K. Ulrich as manager of the renewal tubes sales division has been announced by Kenneth C. Meinken, president, National Union Radio Corporation of Orange, New Jersey.

Vin Ulrich has been closely associated with the radio trade since 1935, first with Caldwell-Clements, Inc., publishers of Radio Today, where he held the position of managing editor, and secondly with Hytron where he directed sales of transmitting, special purpose, and renewal tubes. During the war, he assumed engineering assignments and was appointed a Consultant of the Office of Scientific Research and Development. Following the war, Vin managed Hytron's commercial engineering department.

### **Zenith Vice-President**

Leonard C. Truesdell has been elected vice-president in charge of household radio by Zenith Radio Corp., it was announced by H. C. Bonfig, vicepresident and director of sales. Truesdell joined the company in 1949 as sales manager of household radio and television, a new office necessitated by expanding production.

### **New Meck Jobbers**

John Meck Industries, Inc. has expanded its distribution set-up with the appointment of four new distributors, John Meck, president of the firm has announced.

Mayflower Industries, Inc., New York, N. Y., headed by Morris Segal, will handle distribution of the television and radio-television sets in the metropolitan area.

In Minneapolis, Minn., Harry W. Olson, 406 Marquette Ave., was named distributor. Frankel Electric Co., 2532 Fifth Avenue, Rock Island, Ill., was named distributor for that area. The Frankel firm is headed by Larry Frankel. In Des Moines, Ia., distribution is being handled by C & H Home Service, 230 E. Third Ave.

### **Admiral Distributor**

The newly formed State Distributing Co. of Jacksonville, Florida, has been named a distributor for Admiral Corp., Wallace C. Johnson, vice-president in charge of sales has announced.





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### **Lewyt Premium**

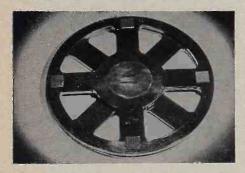


To take advantage of the summer buying, Lewyt Corp. offers this 11-piece Family Picnic Set as its summer answer to the trade-in problem. This kit has a \$14.95 value; dealers may obtain it for considerably less than half-price from their distributors—thus making the trade-in a more profitable one. It consists of 4 plates and cups, two hot-cold Thermic bottles and a large blue steel carrying case.

New Products

### Turn-Vue TV TURNTABLE

A television turntable is offered which fits all table model sets. Provides easy turning of TV set to attain direct view from



any angle. List price is \$4.95. Turn-Vue Corp., 501 Fifth Ave., N. Y. 17, N. Y.— RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### Ferrar BABY SITTER

A new one-way intercom, which will broadcast over an unoccupied radio frequency for a distance of 300 feet, is being



promoted as a baby sitter. Needs no installation or wires. List price: \$19.95. Ferrar Radio & Television Corp., 55 W. 26th St., N. Y. 10, N. Y.--RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.



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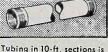
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### **Atwater Distributors**

Atwater Television Co., Brooklyn, N.Y.. manufacturers of quality TV receivers, appointed 6 new distributors, it was announced by I. R. Ross, director of sales. The distributors are: Chambers Electronic Supply Co., 1667 Central Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio; Elgee Electric Co., 418 No. High St., Columbus, Ohio; Link & Company, 173 Ellicott St., Buffalo, N.Y.; Milmore Distributing Co., 16241 Manning, Detroit, Mich.; Sun Lumber Co., 743 No. Main St., Woonsocket, L. I.; and Baerco, 3167 E. Main St., Columbus, Ohio.

### Walter with Norge

H. T. Walters, service manager for the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company's appliance and radio divisions since 1945, has announced his resignation, to accept a position with the Norge Division of Borg-Worner.

### **Joins Raytheon**



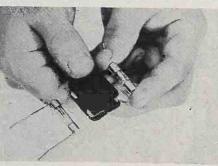
Captain David R. Hull, USN (Ret.), above, has joined Raytheon Mfr. Co., Waltham, Mass., as assistant to Wallace L. Gifford, vice-president in charge of Equipment Divisions.

### **Tele King Sales Reps**

Harvey L. Pokrass, president of Tele King Television Corporation, New York, announces the appointment of the Blackman Sales Company of 8373 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, as the Tele King sales representative for the 11 Western states and Hawaii.

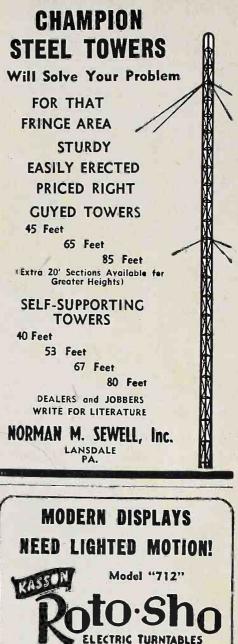
### Littelfuse FUSE HOLDER

The "Snap-On TV Fuse Holder" snaps onto the blown pigtail fuse within the set. This eliminates time and trouble usually encountered in replacing soldered-in pigtail



fuses. The Snap-On fuse holder fits onto the existing fuse and becomes a permanent part of the set. Each time a new fuse is needed it can be slipped into the holder. The device sells for 15¢. Littlefluse Inc., 4757 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill.—RADIO & TELE-VISION RETAILING.

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# News of the Reps

Wolverine Chapter: Gerald Wilson, 403 Second Avenue, Jackson, Michigan, elected to full senior membership.

California Chapter: Harold L. Newnan, 420 Market St., San Francisco, elected to full senior membership.

The Mid-Lantic Chapter: Andrew J. Foley, Jr., 640 Federal St., Camden, N. J., elected associate member.

Mississippi Valley Chapter: Theodore B. Lowell, P.O. Box 21, Normandy, Mo., elected to senior membership.

Southwestern Chapter: J. Earl Smith, 505 N. Ervay St. Dallas, Tex., elected president.

Jack Yount, 1423 Pleasant Grove Drive, Dallas, Tex., elected vicepresident.

- Hal F. Corry, 3522 Gillon Ave., Dallas, Tex., re-elected secretarytreasurer.
- Buckeye Chapter: John R. Covert, 600 Grant St., Pittsburgh 19, Pa., elected to associate membership.
- Empire State Chapter: Maury Farber, 157 Hartwell Rd., Buffalo, N. Y., elected to senior membership.
- Los Angeles Chapter: Appointed a new inter-industry committee with Herry Hill as chairman: George David, Carl A. Stone, Dave Marshank and Harry Lasure.
- New York Chapter: Paul Nichols and Robert E. Sargent, 1819 Broadway, N. Y., elected to full senior membership.

### Sylvania Protects Price

J. K. McDonough, director of sales of the Colonial Radio and Television Division of Sylvania Electric Products. Inc., has announced the establishment of a price protection policy on all current Sylvania Television models.

In a memo to Sylvania distributors, McDonough stated in part: "In the event of a price change, dealers will promptly report to you their inventory of completely new and unused sets by model and serial number. You will be responsible for reimbursement of price differentials to dealers, reporting them to the factory together with a claim based upon your own inventory. Immediately upon receipt of your claim for price adjustment, the factory will credit your account with the amount to which you are entitled."

### **Crosley's Dealer Accounting System**

A complete accounting system, that incorporates up-to-date business and management techniques, has been devised by the Crosley Div. of Avco Mfg. Corp. for the use of its franchised major appliance dealers. The system is contained in a manual that outlines only the necessary accounting functions to provide the dealer with complete control of his business activities.

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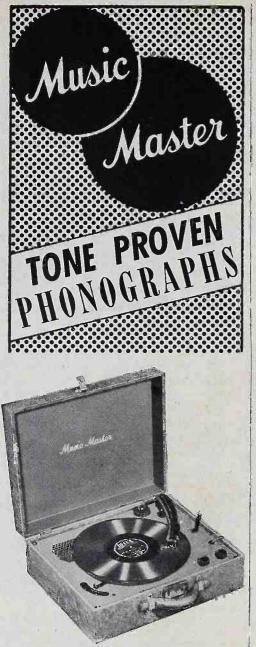
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Dr. W. R. G. Baker, GE vice-president, said the company plans limited production by fall.

### **Phoenix Adds Space**

Phoenix Electronics, Inc., manufacturers of Speed-Tennas, Speed-Mounts and accessories, has added 3000 square feet of manufacturing area to its plant in Lawrence, Mass.

### **Mitchell Names Russell**

The appointment of Lewis M. Russell as advertising and sales promotion manager of the Mitchell Manufacturing Company, Chicago, is announced by Bernard A. Mitchell, president. Mr. Russell will handle the promotion of Mitchell's lighting fixture, room air conditioner and radio specialty divisions as well as their new television line. Formerly advertising manager of the Culligan Zeolite Company, Northbrook, Ill., Mr. Russell spent many years as director of advertising and sales promotion for Hotpoint's refrigerator and home laundry equipment divisions.

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# New TV Models

### Starrett SUMMER LINE

A new line of TV sets, to be merchandised for the summer only, has been announced. The sets all feature a 19-tube chassis. They are: model 101, 12½-inch table model, luggage finish, for \$129.95; model 150, 12½-inch table model, mahogany, for \$139.95; model 175, 12½-inch open consolette, for \$179.95; model 201, 16-inch table model, mahogany, for \$189.95; and model 250, 16-inch consolette, mahogany, for \$219.95. Starrett Television Corp., 601 W. 26th St., New York 1, N. Y.-RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### Tele-Tone 16-INCH TV

A new 16-inch TV set has been announced. Called the model TV #317, it is available in walnut for \$229.95, and in mahogany, at a slightly higher cost. Tele-Tone Radio Corp., 540 W. 58th St., New York 19, N. Y.—RADIO & TELEVISION RE-TAILING.

### **Conrac NEW LINE**

A new line of TV receivers has been announced. Including only 16- and 19-inch models, the new line features the RCA short picture tube. Also featured are black filter glass faces, and jacks for phono attachment. All are 24 tube circuits. Retail prices start at \$389.95. Conrac, Inc., 649 W. Foothill Blvd., Glendora, Call.—RADIO & TELEVISION RETAILING.

### Westinghouse Manager

A. Earle Fisher, has been appointed merchandise manager of the Westinghouse TV-Radio Division in Sunbury, Pa., Joseph F. Walsh, sales manager announced recently. Mr. Fisher, formerly southeastern district manager for the division, will aid in distribution organization, development promotions in new TV markets and will assist district managers on special projects in the field.

### **Arvin Affirms Name**

Change of the corporate name from Noblitt-Sparks Industries, Inc., to Arvin Industries, Inc., has been proposed, and, according to the plan of the board of directors, will become effective on Monday, July 3rd. Q. G. Noblitt, board chairman and co-founder of the firm, initiated the action with the backing of Dr. Frank H. Sparks, president of Wabash College, who with Mr. Noblitt launched the firm in 1919. The company's policies, products and operations will be unaffected by the name change.

### **New Sylvania Offices**

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., has announced the consolidation of its New York offices in a new headquarters at 140 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. All of its principal departments are now located here.

# New Catalogs

Ray-Dyne Mfg. Corp., White Rock, South Carolina: A new 12-page catalog shows the latest line of Ray-Dine Phonographs, which includes kiddie phonographs with acoustical tone-arms, children's console combinations, electric amplified portables in single and 3-speed models, and 3-speed portable combinations. Kiddie consoles are available in straight phono, radio-phono and desktype combinations.

Phoenix Electronics, Inc., Lawrence, Mass.: The latest catalog makes available to dealers and jobbers complete information about the entire line of TV Speed-Tennas, Speed-Mounts, and accessories. Included are illustrations and technical data on folded dipoles; conical antennas; chimney, wall, ventpipe, roof and universal mounts; standoffs and a wide array of hardware and installation equipment, The catalog is free.

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