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NEWS in BRIEF

Dates for the Western Associatn of Broadcasters' annual meetin have been set for September 21nd 3 at Minaki Lodge. Psident Bert Cairns has expresse the hope that by holding this yır's western meeting in Ontario, t) Association will attract many Ctario agency men to the meetirs. It is also planned to hold a wstern regional meeting of the nadian Association of Broadcasat the same time and place.

FPL, London, is promoting its Surday Night All-Request prom, from 11.45 to 1 a.m., Sun-, by printing request coupons the London Free Press. Readers ofthe paper fill in the name of hr request and sign the form, nding it to the station.

ollowing the recent resignation Varcisse Thivierge, CHRC, Que-City, has announced the folappointments: General ager, Henri LePage; commer-manager, Aurele Pelletier; ram director, Magella Alain; secretary-treasurer, Leon De-

ckfield Brown & Co., Toronare handling spot announcets for the Canadian National bibition, Toronto, on Canadian American stations. The Exhin is being held August 22 to ember 6.

IEF, Granby, P.Q., previously pating on 1200kcs., has been asd to 1450 kcs. permanently.

Ector Chevigny, author of Eq. Too, Are Synaesthetic," on Par 5 of this issue, appeared on week's "We, the People" redcast. As his blindness is of ent origin, he has not learned o and Braille and hesitated over isibility to memorize the interfle. The problem was solved by lang him wear earphones with s secretary prompting him hrugh a special microphone set Pff stage.

CCL, Truro, N.S., under the langement of J. A. Manning, has oid the Canadian Association f roadcasters. The new station, sened to 1400 kcs. with 250 as, is expected to be on the air at in August.

le Board of Governors of the addian Broadcasting Corporawill hold its next meeting in a ary, Alta., on September 8, ad 10. It is understood that the oal will meet in private and that heCommittee's recommendation ^{Dr}open meetings will be dis-



Photo by W. D. Crampton

An average of 20,000 victims of Toronto's Sabbath turn out Sunday evenings to hear Peoples' Credit Jewellers' Community Sing-Song broadcast from Sunnyside Park over CFRB, Toronto, CHML, Hamilton, and CKCO, Ottawa, Sunday evenings, 8.30 to 9.00 Art Hallman's orchestra is the feature attraction, with Vancouver's Terry Dale as singing charmer, CFRB's Michael FitzGerald as announcer and All Bestall, a newcomer to Toronto from Calgary, as emcee. Production is by Maurice Rapkin with MacLaren Advertising Agency in charge.

NOW YOU SEE IT—NOW YOU DON'T

Howe Admits Radio Act Outmoded!

Considerable influence may have been brought to bear in the radio committee's flat turndown of the proposed independent regulatory board by that part of an unsigned brief presented on Department of Transport stationery which read as follows:

'The Canadian Association of Broadcasters' brief represents the Radio Act to be out of date, having been originally devised as a Mariners' aid, intended to govern ship communications. This is entirely ridiculous. The Radio Act was passed in 1938 subsequent to the Cairo Conference. It repealed the original Radio Telegraph Act of 1912, whose provisions did include the control of ship radio communications....

This statement was read to the Radio Committee on Thursday, June 26, 1947.

Twelve days later, on July 8, 1947, Hansard quotes the following discussion on the floor of the House between the Right Honorable C. D. Howe, Minister of Reconstruction, and Donald M. Fleming (P.C., Toronto-Eglinton).

(It is worthy of note that Mr. Howe, as Minister of Transport, later as Minister of Munitions and Supply, and currently as Minister of Reconstruction, has been the Minister responsible for radio for many vears)

"Mr. Howe: I have been over the ground before in the Radio Committee in other years, and in the House. First, the Radio Act; the honorable member speaks about 1938. The Radio Act is about as old as Confed-

"Mr. Fleming: The Radio Act was passed in 1938.

"Mr. Howe: Amendments to the Radio Act.

"Mr. Fleming: The present act is the Radio Act 1938.

"Mr. Howe: The Radio Act was passed in 1902. If my honorable friend will go back into the records of the Department

of Marine, one of the predecessors of the Department of Transport, he will find the Radio Act very much as it is today ...

"Mr. Fleming: If the Minister will permit me; if he will look up the statutes of 1938, he will find that it is not very much different....

"Mr. Howe: If my honorable friend will read the act of 1902, he will find that it is not very much different."

It was contended by the Canadian Association of Broadcasters, both in their brief to the Parliamentary Committee and in the series of advertisements run by its member stations across Canada that radio legislation is outmoded.

STICKS AND STONES

Indiscriminate use of the word "Communism" in relation to people who disagree with our political thinking is dangerous and in no way helpful to the cause of freedom unless such charges are supported by definite evidence.

Such unsubstantiated charges were laid by Norman Jaques, Social Credit member for Wetaskiwin, in the House of Commons, July 13.

Men named by Jaques as being Communists were commentators Elmore Philpott and Matthew Halton, whom he charged with doing "their level best to wean away the loyalty of the Canadian people." Richard Stanton Lambert, of the CBC, he alleged "Always supported lifting the ban on the Communist party". Raymond Arthur Davies to whom, he stated, the CBC refers as "Canadian Correspondent in the Soviet Union and CBC Correspondent", is prominent in Communist activities in Canada as "popular leader of the Young Communist League."

Having laid these charges, it is incumbent on Mr. Jaques to back them up with evidence. If they are false, it is to be assumed that the men in question will hasten

to deny them publicly.

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ICCENTUATE the NEGATIVE

Few writers, possessed of pride f craft, would permit a manucriptt to be committed to paper, 1 print, in the same condition as goes regularly on the air.

This is a broad statement which rill probably burn the ears of lany accomplished radio writers, ut in my view it is more a charge gainst radio and advertising as a hole than the writing craft, beause radio places more stress on ie delivery of its words than on s choice of them.

This charge is not aimed so uch at writers of dramas as it is the run-of-the-mill hacking that pes into every spot announcement nd every recorded program. cross the country, millions of iese words must be written and boken every day, and all too often would appear that they are frown together by whoever hapens to be handy, relying on the bility of the announcer or naritor to make the best of them, hen the mike is open. Yet is it at a fact that no "speaker" can er rise above the quality of the ords he is called upon to deliver? Obviously the spot-light of pubity falls on the speaker of the ords, because it is he or she who Als in its rays, but recognition nd encouragement of writers is leded, if the words that are oken are to earn continued atntion, whether it is listeners for program or "results"

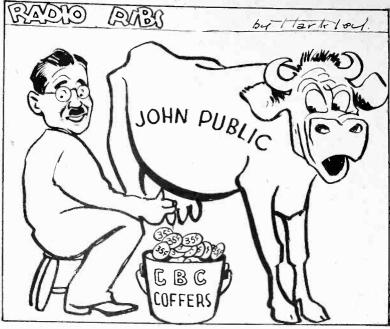
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May I suggest that what the riting department needs — in tencies and radio stations — is ore room at the top?

In the course of a year, more an a hundred young men come to this office to get advice on w they may "get into radio." A nited number of these - and I mit that the number is limited-

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MILKING TIME!

show definite signs of commercial writing ability, which could be brought out, given proper training and supervision. But where?

Many of today's top newspaper writers had their first taste of ink as copy boys. When they showed the right inclination, they started doing minor assignments, and thence up the ladder. They did not emerge as writers of deathless prose and immortal sonnets. Neither, though, did they labor under the delusion, all too common in radio and its adjunctive activities, that the way to write copy is to bang the be-Jackson out of it, a hundred and fifty a minute, and then pretty it up with an overdose of superlatives.

Radio, it will be said, does not call for polished writing. For success it requires a spontaneous effect which will give it a conversational tone. Agreed. The best example of a man who was able to carry this spontaneity to the microphone was the late President Roosevelt. Will anyone suggest that his "Fireside Talks" were not written and rewritten until they reached the listeners with that natural quality literally polished into them?

It might pay to study carefully the phrasing of a spot announcement, especially if it happens to be in dialogue. See if the words used could possibly emerge from a real life character similar to the one who is speaking. If they do, then they are well-written.

My comparison of radio writing with newspaper writing should not be taken to literally. The technique is quite different. But both have one thing in common. They are supposed to be good.

NO MEDDLING

Control of Canadian radio came under discussion at a recent Timmins, Ont., municipal council meeting. J. P. Bartleman moved a resolution condemning the Canadian Association of Broadcasters' campaign for revision of radio control laws. The motion brought forth the remark from Leo Del Villano that "Councils are formed to run the town—we should not meddle into private fights." Remaining councillors insisted putting the resolution to a vote. It was defeated.

Ozzie Et Harriet

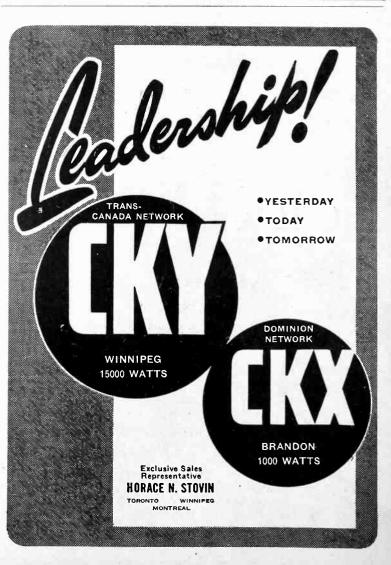
"The Adventures of Ozzie and ${\it Harriet"}$ are to be heard in a literal translation, played by French-Canadian actors, on the French network. Information received states that permission has been asked and received to do this French version of the popular Sunday serial from Young and Rubicam, Inc., New York, agency for International Silver, who sponsor the English



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Radio has been praised and blamed for much. I'd like to praise it for one accomplishment, for which, I'm sure, no one in radio has dreamed of claiming credit. It has answered one of science's oldest questions, "In just what way do the blind sense the world around them?"

It's disconcerting to learn that what we've always thought of as difficult or mysterious we do practically every day as a matter of thoughtless habit. Hearing that we daily do the equivalent of tight-rope walking or swallowing swords would be a case in point. However, every time we derive dramatic satisfaction from a radio play we duplicate the mental process of a blind individual.

Philosophers and psychologists have speculated on the apparently superacute perceptions of some blind individuals, since Diderot first wrote on the question in 1747. Explanations for the supposed "sixth sense" of the blind have ranged from that of the noted churchman who asserted positively that the blind receive a special divine grace which permits them to perceive as much as anyone else, to the scientist who hazarded the theory that, in the skin, there are little vestigial nerve endings which, in the blind, develop into little "eyes."

Synaesthesia is the name of the mental process denoting the tendency of all sense impressions to coalesce into visual imagery. If, on pressing your thumb along a keen knife blade you have a sensation of "seeing" the edge, you are synaesthetic. Similarly, all sounds, all auditory impressions, coalesce into visual terms.

People whose voices I have heard during the day, impressions of scenes through which I have passed, as transmitted by sound and smell are recalled in my dreams not as sounds, touches or smells, but as formed, recognizable visual dream images.

PLEADS FOR PROGRAM

The following letter, reprinted from the "Montreal Star" for June 19, speaks for itself.

"Sir,—Have you enjoyed and been helped by the little program, "Light at Eventide", that has been on the air each night at nine forty-five? Are we to lose it? I am a shut-in. It has come to mean so much to me. I pray God may open the way for us still to have its comfort and blessing. If everyone who likes it would write to CJAD station, it might help. Please write at once.

"One who needs light at eventide.

E. P."

When, about 20 years ago, we radio script writers were trying to write radio drama, we felt keenly the lack of setting and backdrop, and tried to compensate for it by the device of the narrator, who practically pointed out the position of each actor in every scene. It was felt that the audience would never be able to follow, or at least would never have an adequate picture, if this weren't done. Gradually, in radio, we learned how little description is necessary.

Today the well-written radio play seldom needs a narrator after its beginning. Scene follows scene, with only music to indicate transitions or timelapses, and with only the sketchiest sounds, such as running automobiles, clinking glasses or distant foghorns, to indicate time, place and social atmosphere. And when the "voice stereotypes" are well chosen - when, in short, the casting is expertly done to convey characterization, the illusion of reality is so complete that anything more would be a definite intrusion.

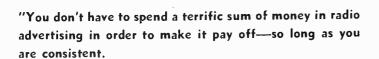
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By HECTOR CHEVIGNY Blind NBC Script Writer

Radio has been praised and blamed for much. I'd like to praise it for one accomplishment, for which, I'm sure, no one in radio has dreamed of claiming credit. It has answered one of science's oldest questions, "In just what way do the blind sense the world around them?"

It's disconcerting to learn that what we've always thought of as difficult or mysterious we do practically every day as a matter of thoughtless habit. Hearing that we daily do the equivalent of tight-rope walking or swallowing swords would be a case in point. However, every time we derive dramatic satisfaction from a radio play we duplicate the mental process of a blind individual.

Philosophers and psychologists have speculated on the apparently superacute perceptions of some blind individuals, since Diderot first wrote on the question in 1747. Explanations for the supposed "sixth sense" of the blind have ranged from that of the noted churchman who asserted positively that the blind receive a special divine grace which permits them to perceive as much as anyone else, to the scientist who hazarded the theory that, in the skin, there are little vestigial nerve endings which, in the blind, develop into little "eyes."

Synaesthesia is the name of the mental process denoting the tendency of all sense impressions to coalesce into visual imagery. If, on pressing your thumb along a keen knife blade you have a sensation of "seeing" the edge, you are synaesthetic. Similarly, all sounds, all auditory impressions, coalesce into visual terms.

People whose voices I have heard during the day, impressions of scenes through which I have passed, as transmitted by sound and smell are recalled in my dreams not as sounds, touches or smells, but as formed, recognizable visual dream images.

PLEADS FOR PROGRAM

The following letter, reprinted from the "MONTREAL STAR" for June 19, speaks for itself.

"Sir,—Have you enjoyed and been helped by the little program, "Light at Eventide", that has been on the air each night at nine forty-five? Are we to lose it? I am a shut-in. It has come to mean so much to me. I pray God may open the way for us still to have its comfort and blessing. If everyone who likes it would write to CJAD station, it might help. Please write at once.

"One who needs light at eventide.

E. P."

When, about 20 years ago, we radio script writers were trying to write radio drama, we felt keenly the lack of setting and backdrop, and tried to compensate for it by the device of the narrator, who practically pointed out the position of each actor in every scene. It was felt that the audience would never be able to follow, or at least would never have an adequate picture, if this weren't done. Gradually, in radio, we learned how little description is necessary.

Today the well-written radio play seldom needs a narrator after its beginning. Scene follows scene, with only music to indicate transitions or timelapses, and with only the sketchiest sounds, such as running automobiles, clinking glasses or distant foghorns, to indicate time, place and social atmosphere. And when the "voice stereotypes" are well chosen - when, in short, the casting is expertly done to convey characterization, the illusion of reality is so complete that anything more would be a definite intrusion.

For you, as you listen to the radio play, the synaesthetic imagery called up by the sounds and the voices is entirely valid. Similarly, to the blind individual, the sound and voices he hears form concepts which, for him, are entirely valid.

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Oppose Regulatory Board Now

Committee Proposes Extended License Term But Tighter Scrutiny

Broadcasters experienced mild but pleasant surprise at several of the recommendations of the Radio Committee tabled in the House of Commons Tuesday, July 8.

While the plea for an independent regulatory body to replace the Regulations Department of the CBC was definitely denied, it is felt that the phrasing of the denial in the committee's report left the door open for future appeals. Also three recommendations were made which were along the lines of what was sought in the CAB brief. These were: CBC board meetings to be held in public when dealing with regulations and licenses; raising of the 5 kw. power ceiling under certain circumstances; and extension of the licensing period of the stations from one to three years, with, however, closer scrutiny by the CBC of applicants' merits before renewals are granted. The committee also recommended a modification of the present multiple-ownership regulation.

On the other side of the ledger, the committee recommended that the Department of Transport consider increasing license fees now paid to that department by broadcasters; it urged the CBC governors to give consideration to "measures and recommendations" encouraging the use of Canadian talent instead of recordings. It also proposed that the Radio Committee be made a standing committee to sit annually, and examine the operation of the CBC

Hardest to take was the open threat expressed in the report, by the recommendation that the CBC and the Department of Transport should take into consideration the refusal of some stations to supply information required in "promise of performance" questionnaires when considering license renewals.

The committee also recommended that newspapers be treated the same as other applicants for broadcasting licenses.

Give CBC Collection Costs

In an interim report, tabled Friday, July 4, the committee recommended that the CBC be given full revenue from the \$2.50 annual license fee. The CBC, which told the committee it needed more revenue to carry on its existing services, now pays collection and administration costs and nets about \$2.15 a license. (The estimated gain to the CBC is an annual revenue of around \$550,000).

Refuse New Body

Referring to the CAB and CDNA requests for a new body independent from the CBC to license and regulate radio in Canada, the report stated: "vour committee has given very careful consideration to the proposals for a separate regulating board, and has also received numerous arguments from other bodies, such as trade unions, agricultural organizations, co-operative societies, and the like, in opposition to those proposals, to which also the committee has given careful consideration.

"The committee recalls that it stated in its report to Parliament last year that the functions of the two types of radio service are different; one, the private stations, being designed to serve community interests and the other, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, designed to serve the whole of Canada by chain broadcasting and that these two types of radio service should be complementary to each other. The area of competition is small and your committee believes that private stations are not in danger from Canadian Broad casting Corporation regulation

".... your committee is no prepared at the present time to suggest any fundamenta change in radio regulation. The national broadcasting system is still in the transitional and development stage, and the principles underlying its institution have the same force today a when the decision to establisit was made. Notwithstandin arguments advanced, we do no feel justified under all the circumstances in recommending fundamental change now."

Board Meetings in Public

Presenting its recommend tion that the CBC board c governors hold public session when hearing representation on matters of licenses or regu lations, the brief continued t outline that: "among other ac vantages, the procedure shoul make more clear to the publi and to private stations the respective functions of the boar of governors and the manage ment of the CBC. Such pro cedure would necessarily in volve the publishing of CB recommendations to the licer sing authority on licensin matters.

"Your committee also be lieves that after hearing sucrepresentations, the board of governors should give statements of its decisions and threasons for them."

Would Up Broadcasters' Licenses

The committee advocated the Licensing Authority (Der of Transport) that "consider tion be given to a revision the fees presently being charted", because "private broacasters may not be paying large enough fee for the part a monopoly in broadcastin which is granted to them.

"From a revenue point view", read the brief, "the provate stations would seem to line a not unhappy condition. On the whole, your committee impressed with the fact the radio broadcasting is in more



cases a quite lucrative form of private business. Some stations may not have made a profit, but in the main, the private stations have substantial surpluses."

Extend License Term

The committee viewed sympathetically the old plaint of he private stations that their icenses are only granted for periods of one year. "Your committee believes that there is nuch to be said in favor of a onger license period," the report said, "and believes it would be better to grant licenes for say three years".

A rider was put on this conession by the statement that it should be understood that he committee is not recomnending, in case a greater seurity of tenure is given, that u ch longer license period ould in any way prevent the evocation of a license for use.

Renewal of licenses should made, said the report, only ter the Transport Department and the CBC have examined most carefully, and certainly fore carefully than hitherto, the manner in which the licend broadcaster has been servtig the public over the air chanel which had been granted in to use."

Threats of Suspension

The report supported the tion of the CBC board of govnors in warning some indeendent stations that their resal to supply information reuired in "promise of performice" questionnaires would be ken into consideration when newal of licenses is being scussed.

"Your committee", the report Ided, "is of the opinion that, considering the activities of ivate stations in carrying out eir duties as trustees of radio equencies, particular attention would be paid to the amount of oadcasting devoted to commity activities; to talks and scussions of public affairs; to rovision for the expression of afferent viewpoints, to the use local talent; and to the ouses of over-commercialism.

"Your committee is of the oinion that many local stations ould and could do more than bey are doing to foster the delopment and maintenance of anadian talent.

"Your committee believes ere has been an increasing

tendency for private stations to rely too greatly on imported recordings and transcriptions. It believes that the board of governors should give more consideration than it has been giving to measures and recommendations encouraging the use of Canadian talent by private stations."

Newspaper and Multiple Ownership

In saying that newspapers should be treated as other applicants for broadcasting licenses, the committee said it was not in favor of any "absolute prohibition of the ownership by one person of more than one broadcasting station."

"The committee is appreciative of the desire to prevent a too great concentration of control of radio broadcasting into the hands of one or of a few people", the report continued. "Nevertheless, the committee would not advise going so far as to prohibit what is called multiple-ownership.

"It recommends that when applications for radio licenses are made, that if there are satisfactory applicants who are not already licensees, a preference should be given to such applicants over the applicant who is already the owner of one or more other licenses."

Encourage Experimentation

The committee supported the view of the CBC that public monies should not be spent on experimental television work here pending further developments in other countries.

"Your committee favors every opportunity being given to private experiments provided always that the interests of the listening and 'viewing' public are carefully kept in mind', said the report.

"People should not be allowed to obtain television or any broadcasting rights merely with a view to holding them against the time when it may become profitable to put them to use", it added.

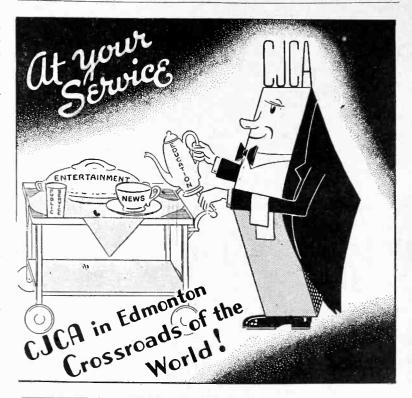
Report Not Unanimous

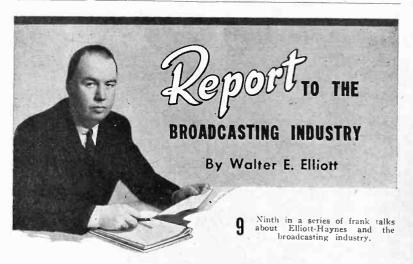
When the final report was tabled in the House of Commons last week, Donald Fleming (P.C., Toronto-Eglinton) rose on a question of privilege and said that he wanted to state that the report was not unanimous. It was a majority report and no Progressive-Conservative member of the committee had voted for it. Thomas Reid (L., New Westminster) said he had not voted for it either.

High Cost Of TV

One of the reasons why broadcasting television programs is more costly than airing AM programs was pointed out by Paul Mowrey, TV director of ABC, at a recent television meeting in Washington.

To produce AM programs, the basic requirements are a staff of four: an engineer, a producer, a director, and a sound effects man. The identical program produced for television would require 34: a producer, director, floor manager, six camera men, five audio engineers, sound effects man, art director, scenic director, six stage hands, control room supervisor, switcher, shader, technical director, maintenance engineer, lighting director, two telecine directors, animation director and two film camera men.





The Sets-In-Use Index

THE Sets-In-Use Index represents that percentage of the radio homes of a given area whose sets are tuned to any and all radio programs at a given time.

Thus, in an area wherein there are 10,000 radio homes, if the Sets-In-Use Index at a particular interval is 31.5, it can be presumed that, within the limits of statistical variation, 3,150 of these 10,000 radio homes have their sets on.



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CBC MAY LOSE 540 KCS

Corporation, which is currently taking over frequencies occupied by CFCN, Calgary; CKY, Winnipeg; and CFRB, Toronto; may itself be forced to give up the 540 kcs, channel occupied by CBK, Watrous, Saskatchewan.

This possibility loomed at last week's meeting of the International Telecommunications Conference at Atlantic City when delegates agreed to widen the broadcast band to include 540 kcs. for broadcast purposes. England, India and France proposed widening the band to include 530 kcs., while France suggested that 520 kcs. be used only at interior locations. The U.S. delegates believed that the use of 530 kcs. may interfere with the International Distress Frequency of 500 kcs. It was finally agreed that European countries and India would use 530 kcs. while France would also be permitted to employ 520 kcs. where it would cause no interference.

Use of the 540 kcs. channel may be discussed at the North American Regional Engineering meeting to be held in Havana in November, while a definite ruling will be reached early

The Canadian Broadcasting in 1948. The agreement in force, covering CBK's operation, provides that "when, as and if a substitute broadcast channel acceptable to the Canadian Government is made available for this station, Canada agrees to discontinue the use of 540 kcs. for this purpose." Proposals have been presented to use 540 kcs. for a group of lowpowered stations.

Cowboy Contest Winner Aired on **Moncton Station**

Vic Dovine, of Moncton, recently won \$50 on an amateur contest for western-type singers, conducted by CKCW, Moncton. Backed by a four-piece instrumental group, Dovine is now featured on a daily sustaining program of his own on the station. The group, known as "Vic Dovine and His Rhythm Boys," also makes personal appearances in the Moncton area.

CKCW, Moncton's "Westmoreland Singers," a 15-girl choral group directed by Margaret Crosby, Moneton contralto and music teacher, are now sponsored by the King-Wood Lumber Sales. contract is for 13 weeks with renewal option.

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Mobile Telephone Is Here

The Bell Telephone Company has announced mobile telephone service is now available in Montreal and Toronto. To date, only business firms, such as newspapers, radio stations and a manufacturing firm, have made application for the service.

Minimum charge for two-way service is \$7 monthly, permitting subscribers to make 20 three-minute local calls, with additional calls at 30 cents each. A despatching and signalling service is available at lower rates. The despatching service provides two-way communication between one or more designated vehicles and one office, ail operated by the same subscriber, but does not permit calls to The signalling other numbers. service gives one-way communication between an office and one or more vehicles operated by the subscriber. This will be used by tirms to convey instructions to drivers who are not required to

Mobile telephone service within Montreal or Toronto is considered as local service, while calls to outlying areas beyond the city excnanges and long distance bookings increase the charges.

Radio Referee

Art Henderson, CHAB, Moose Jaw's sports and special events announcer, recently received a long distance call from Colgate, Saskatchewan, for a ruling on a problem which had arisen during the town's sports day ball tournament. An argument arose when one of the team captains strongly disagreed with a decision of the umpire. No settlement could be reached and the play was held up. Henderson's decision was taken as final and the game continued.

Radio Want Ads

After only ten announcements had been aired on CFRN, Edmonton, last month, the sponsors, National Employment Service, cancelled the remainder of the schedule. The announcements were appeals for female farm workers to assist in British Columbia's berry crop fields and canneries. More than the required number of workers responded to the appeals on Alberta stations, 445 of them being hired.

Station Serves Swappers and Airmen

Two new programs have recently been inaugurated on CJBQ, Belleville. The station has a half-hour "Operation Air Force" each Friday night, directed at personnel of the Trenton Air Force station Aired at 8.30 p.m., the program is composed of musical selections requested by the airmen, interspersed with news of the RCAF Depot.

The Goodyear Rubber Co.'s "Goodyear Radio Market," a halfhour Monday and Thursday evening presentation, originally designed for rural listeners' advertising of articles they wish to buy swap or sell, has been extended to include urban listeners. Plans are being made to lengthen the program to one hour because of the increased number of requests for this form of advertising.

Sunspots Lengthen FM Range

Sunspot activity is the reason given by the U.S. Bureau o Standards for the unusually long range FM reception which has been reported from various parts de Canada and the United States.

One of these reports has it the U.S. FM broadcast stations have been heard as far away as Austra lia. The Bureau explains that the eruptions of the sun cause heav ionization of the upper reaches d the earth's atmosphere, causin FM signals, which ordinarily woul penetrate through the ionospher into outer space, to be confined the earth. The sun's outbursts of cur in regular 11-year cycles. Th current one, it is claimed, will con tune until November, decreasing until it reaches minimum activit in 1954. The maximum activit was recorded on May 25, 1947.

Eagle Eye

Now functioning on its new assigned power of 5 kws, CJCI Halifax, has been placed on the dial just 40 kcs. from its Halifa competitor, CHNS, frequencies b ing 920 and 960.

Bob Bowman, of CJCH, and a r cent visitor at the Broadcaster of fice, says that the advantage this arrangement is that each st tion is enabled to keep an eye





Different people enjoy different rograms for different reasons. the average man seems to insist n newscasts with sporting events hrown in for good measure. His rife, if in the matron class, may njoy symphonic orchestra or, as ne says, "the better music." If ne belongs to a younger set, her ong suit may be soap operas uantities of them. Maybe h Maybe her aughter thrills to jive and peraps listens like crazy for Sinatra. er brother, slightly older, disisses her whole idea as nonsense, igerly awaiting any good murer or adventure story.

That takes care of that family id of a good many shows as well. nother family may enjoy shows a quite different type. There is sure way of telling just who say be listening or what the retion may be. Personally, a show which I have become quite atched is "Manoir Gisele." What's all about? In short, it offers exaordinary entertainment by arts who are very skilled.

The versatile Gisele La Fleche primarily a vocalist with a terc range and a very rich voice. accompaniments are by an chestra conducted by Geoffrey combination addington. The ans success. On top of that, sele features a guest artist. On least two occasions her guests ve been the "Deep River Boys." ey can sing for me any time. mouncers to date have been John y and Elwood Glover who carry a gay repartee with the star-All this is cleverly put to-ther and produced by Jackie te. Give a listen to Trans-Canada lursday nights and see if your ste in entertainment agrees with

Discussing talent reminds me of the very definite boost given to chadian artists on Danforth Radis "Radio Show" each noonthe on CJBC. This quarter-hour futures Don Gordon at the organized piano with an announcer interviewing some guest artist. This logram is entertaining and certally commendable to my thinkit. It strikes me that Gordon is artist at the eighty-eight and be show succeeds in publicizing fuch brilliant talent.

Compositions don't just happened arrangements are not accients either. One of Percy Faith's Stres, broadcast on "Contented bur," has long remained in my amory as one of the very best. It is special arrangement of eyond the Blue Horizon." The Ger day I heard that number layed by Frank Black on Intertional Harvester's "Harvest of Strs." Canadians should feel very bud of this young conductor, arcy Faith, whose arrangements a definitely in the top class.

wouldn't go out on a limb and so that Don Haskett is the very

best male vocalist on our air today, but I will say CFRR's "Don Haskett Sings" is very entertaining and pleasing to the ear. An organ and a piano are his accompaniment and they all contribute to a thoroughly enjoyable Sunday evening by your radio.

'Bye now,

Joins US Station

W. L. (Len) Smith has resigned as Toronto national sales representative for CHML, Hamilton, to assume direction of sales for KGIL, Sherman Oaks, San Fernando Valley, California. He leaves Toronto on July 19. Before joining the Ken Soble organization, Len spent 2½ years on the sales staff of CKEY, Toronto.

Radio Fire Alarm

A dance planned for the evening of July 4, to wind up the annual sports day of Sturgis, Saskatchewan, was cancelled when the town's power plant exploded, starting a fire which burned the entire plant and equipment. The CJGX mobile unit in Sturgis covering the sports events, phoned the station in Yorkton when the fire broke out and volunteer fire brigades of Stenen and Preeceville. near Sturgis, heeding broadcast appeals, arrived in the town in time to prevent the flames from spreading to other buildings.





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July 19, 1947

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Stau Chapman

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TRADE WINDS

Edited by Art Benson

Ken Marsden at CFRB, Toronto, tells us that Campbell Soups is piping in "Club 15" featuring Bob Crosby from Columbia. The 15-minute 5 a week series starts July 21, and is placed through the Ward Wheelock Agency, New York.

Cockfield Brown's Toronto office reports that Nestle's Milk Products (Nescafe) has a series of spots and flashes going throughout the summer over 29 coast-to-coast stations.

CJOB, Winnipeg, tells us that the Vick Chemical Company is starting a daily newscast campaign in September.

Vickers & Benson's Toronto office reports that Grove Laboratories is starting an extensive spot campaign in October going to a number of coast-to-coast stations advertising cold tablets. Same agency reveals that Blue Coal is returning "The Shadow" over a group of Ontario stations last week of September.

The commercial department at CKSB, St. Boniface, say that Robin Hood Flour Mills has contracted for a three-month series of newscasts while Swift Canadian is taking spots for three months.

Come To The Fair

A \$900 local package which multiplied the net receipts of the Danforth (Toronto) Lions Club annual fair by five is reported by Toronto's dawn-to-dusk station, CHUM.

For the three days preceding the fair, and the three days of the fair, CHUM'S FM mobile unit did six daily interviews with 60 merchants in the community shopping area, bringing to the microphone the merchant himself, members of his staff, and customers who happened to be in the store at the time. Interviews took the line of promoting the area as a shopping district.

This fair has been an annual event for a good many years, but this is the first time radio has been used so CHUM management feels the project was responsible for the large increase.

Consumer Survey

Consumers show a considerable lack of understanding of the structure and functions of the distribution system, but they have definite attitudes toward marketing institutions and practices, according to a recent survey conducted by the Committee on Consumer Relations, New York.

Buying by brands and as a result of experience are considered satisfactory buying aids, the survey reveals, but there is some difference of opinion as to whether the consumer gains more in purchasing a private or distributor's brand or a nationally advertised brand.

Copies of the survey are obtainable for \$10 from Committee Headquarters, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York 17.

Station Promotion

Radio stations in the United States allocate one - third of their selling expenses to advertising, promotion and publicity according to the NAB.

The study, conducted jointly by the Research Departmen and Sales Managers' Subcommittee on Promotion reveal that the stations' total selling expense is 10.6% of net revenue. Salaries, wages and commissions account for 5.8%; advertising, promotion and publicity 3.6%; and other selling expense, 1.2%.

A breakdown of the variou data indicates:

- 1. In general, radio station tend to spend about one-thir of their advertising appropriations in efforts to bring them selves to the attention of time buyers. The remaining two thirds is spent in attracting an holding their audience.
- 2. The practice of spendi a large proportion of advertiing funds on time-buyer promtion is relatively more common in large stations than in regio al or local stations.
- 3. Small stations are relatively more inclined to sperlarge portions of their adverting money on audience promation than are the regional large stations.
- 4. There seems to be no sinificant or consistent treation 1945 to 1946 in the allocations of advertising functions of advertising functions of stations are offset equally small decreases others.
- 5. Although the number no-network and part-time stions reporting was small, the seemed to be little effect these two factors on the about rends. What effect there is seems to be in the direction increasing the proportion of the advertising appropriation on forts to promote the stations time-buyers.

CHNO Opening

CHNO, Sudbury, new biling 1 kw station on 1440 kcs., was ficially opened on June 24 inaugurai broadcast at 8 p.m. vimade from the ballroom of Nickel Range Hotel, conducted Senator J. R. Hurtubise, CHNS president. The major address vice delivered by Senator Gustave casse, of Windsor. J. L. Gauth M.P. for Nippissing, and W. Mason, president of CKSO, Sudburalso spoke.

CHNO has been RCA-equip throughout. The transmitter is cated on the Burwash Road, n CKSO's transmitter site.

CHNO, under the managem of A. J. "Alex" Robinson, is repsented nationally by James L. exander.

Manitoba Round-Up

by Dave Adams

Four thousand members all growing . . . broadcasts totalwell over 400. That's the recof CJOB's "1340 Club," a daily tz program specially designed to ech the ear of Winnipeg's teen-se sect. This popular program is eceed by Ed Farey. According to R. club members send approxitely 75 letters to him each day. I asks and receives suggestions criticisms in these letters. ich day the club features a conit in which a question is asked aut popular music or musicians. Te club was recently polled on its pference in the male and female ral field. The kids voted Perry no as their favorite male singer, h Frank Sinatra close behind. ah Shore took honors in the male class.

'o keep up interest in the club, pular discs and theatre passes a given out on each program. pite this apparent success, Eds ar from satisfied. He'd like to be special theatre nights for the di. "Then our membership passevould be of some use to us," he also encourages requests lub members for personal apparances in Winnipeg of the two princes of Jazzland. He airs requests, and hopes that I promoters take heed.

hen St. Boniface unveiled a orial to its former citizens died in World War II, the mony was broadcast over the ach station CKSB. Announcers out a description over the air th French and English. Speakincluded Mayor George C. Lean, of St. Boniface, Hon. C les Smith, minister of Labour, spoke on behalf of the provof Manitoba, Judge L. P. Roy the citizens of St. Boniface, Mayor A. M. Pratt, president the Norwood - St. Boniface h of the Canadian Legion, esentative of veterans of both

SB is filling a large gap in community life of St. Boniface. oved that when it got behind eve sponsored by the St. Boni-Recreational Association to playground facilities enlarg-Provencher Park, and to competent instructors supertheir use. CKSB threw its full rces open for three weeks durthe drive. Its part of the camto raise money took on a twist. Special programs put on the air each day fearg children of various ages. youngsters put on plays, ing up the dangers of juvenelinquency, and how it could ie at the community, and also speeches asking the support # parents. In other words, the on's campaign was directed at its through their children. It off handsomely. The drive soversubscribed, and the new ment is now in use in the

ven the recreational associarheld a monster sports day, 8 kept its name to the foreon The station donated a trophy

Announcers Note

Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, who will be in the news continuously due to his engagement to Princess Elizabeth, is getting his rank kicked around. He is a Lieutenant in the British Navy. This is neither pronounced Leftenant (Army) nor Looienant (US Services). The correct pronounciation of a Naval Lieutenant is L'tenant.

The word for "intended", whether male or female, is pronounced fee-ahnss-ay. (Submitted respectfully and without charge.)

which is to be competed for annually.

CKRC is scheduling ear-catching programs these days to keep up listener interest during the summer. Two of these are "Drama for Today," and "Hollywood Open House." The drama show, broadcast each Tuesday and Thursday morning, is sponsored by the Dalglish Chemical Company. Running for 15 minutes, it features plays based on LIBERTY MAGAZINE short stories.

"Hollywood Open House" is carried for half an hour every Friday night. Featured on the variety show are top Hollywood personalities. Jim Ameche is Emcee. Sponsor is Leonard-McLaughlin Motors Ltd.

When the "Burns Chuckwagon" program hit town on its western tour, the half-hour broadcast was carried by CKRC. The "Chuckwagon" gang put on a full two-hour show in the Civic Auditorium before a packed house.

The Radio Broadcasters' Club here has been bitten badly by the golf bug. Members hie themselves off to the links at every opportunity, and tournaments are run off on an assembly line basis. A recent winner was Norm Lucas, of the CBC.

Stork Notes: Doug Moon, of CKY's technical staff has stepped into the proud father role. Latest addition to the Moon family is Valerie Irene.

Two members of the local radio fraternity have forsaken their single status. Now attached to the "I Do" club are Jack Coupar, CKRC newsman, and Gordon Thompson, of CKY's technical staff.

WINDING IT UP: Poor health has forced Claude Snider to leave his post of equipment supervisor at CKX. Claude expects to locate himself in British Columbia.

CKX's chief announcer, Ron Deacon, has foresaken broadcasting to become a travelling salesman.

Cliff Gardiner has joined the Brandon station's announcing staff.

Latest CKRC acquisition is Ken Ellis, who has taken up announcing duties.

Dick Schouten, librarian, and Ralph Haywood, engineer, have also joined CKRC.

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OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

— A Review –

If John Adaskin's "Opportunity Knocks" maintains the standard set in the initial broadcast (July 2), Dominion Network listeners are in for an entertaining series (Wednesdays, 8.30 p.m. E.D.T.), and unfound talent is going to emerge from the woodwork, and be given an opportunity on the network. Johnny is to be congratulated on the novel presentation of an old idea, though I hope he will develop a little more basso in his profundo as the series runs, and the CBC is to be commended for beating the sponsors to the punch by carrying it on the network for an initial 13-weeks run. The first program was definitely listenable, and - all too rare in major network shows-it performs a function of usefulness which is not limited to those who get paid to appear on it.

In this country, which we are frequently informed is devoid of talent, Johnny was able to dig up one Bernard Johnson, 26-year-old veteran of the army, who is looking for a job, but took time out to do a rendition of "Figaro" (with "The Dusty Road" as an encore) in truly professional network style. 10vear-old Patsy Parr not only demonstrated her perfect pitch by naming every note and combination of notes played on the piano by Lou Snider, as well as playing a difficult Viennese Waltz. She also played a composition of her own (she did it when she was 8) called "The Brownies' Welcome", Quiz programs got a just going-over by Rodney Coneybeare, a comedian of many voices, who distinguished himself for these ear-drums by being funny without trotting out a single one of the well-worn gags without which no "orthodox" comedian seems to be able to speak for three minutes on end. Watch this kid. He writes his own stuff. The program was opened with a popular number by Shirley Lernar, which must have

appealed to the large number listeners who just live to mo "Across the Alley from the Alamo", which quite candidly don't.

Talent appearing on this pr gram gets paid union rate Each week listeners select performer for a \$50 prize. the close of the 13-weeks ru the grand prize winner of entire series wins a contract the network for his or her of show.

An added feature is the : pearance on each program an amateur announcer whe talents are assessed by annot cers Lorne Greene, Herb M Byng Whitteker and Alan A Fee. The one tallying the his est score in the series get substantial cash prize, besit regular ACRA rates.—: R. G.

5th Season For Safety Club

The Crone Safety Club of Air, one of the oldest public s ice radio shows on the west co has completed its fifth inc season over CKWX, Vancou and begins its annual tour of playgrounds.

Sponsored by the Crone S age Company, and aimed at tertainment and education in fic safety of school age youngs the show has been going February, 1942.

Sergeant Jack Dunn, veteral the city police traffic departn is the organizer of the club, has seen thousands of children part in its activities.

Through the winter toom tember to June, the club mee the CKWX Playhouse for S.A. broadcasts, with Dunn, proc Ken Hughes and Announcer V Garrett.

During the summer the tours city playgrounds, in pla staging the weekly broadcasts children are instructed on the in traffic control and safety r ures.

The final broadcast in Ju carried from the auditorium school with the best safety re-The Crone Safety Club Cup to the school's Safety Patro each member receives a 1 from the Police Benevolent



Dog days are always right on shedule in the radio industry, not thing after the longest day othe year. All that surplus day-day around the end of June enaes people to see what they've be noting through the winter, and it more than some of them can sind, all at once.

to the trend is to relax and let the momentum carry you through wil the first snowfall, or alternively until somebody spawns aroriginal idea.

rearest to getting into that catery since we last reported was a emark over CJOR in a voice och sounded like Vince Dugges. "This," he informed the dd, "is CJOR, Vancouver, one of sndependent stations saving Canglan radio."

westminster are forming a perative committee to handle nations at the Pacific Nation-whibition this fall. Avoiding pitfalls of dog-in-the-manger etition, the five are planning nedule that will cover the fair some station almost every of the day and give steady ers to any one station an what goes on.

inager Tiny Elphicke and Engineer Jack Gordon took irl at showing the non-techblokes at CKWX what made iew 5000 watt transmitter do it does. The two ran a series nducted tours of the Lulu Isplant for the studio staff, forg them first with lunch on ouse.

hur Helps, moderator of in Meeting in Canada" which ates Saturday night over is getting set to greet George enny, of America's "Town of the Air." Their July reting at Vancouver is schedus part of International Deccy Week.

the sixth year, J. W. B. Due, managing director of Kelowna, awarded school orships of \$75 apiece to three agan students, Robert Walfof Armstrong, Alexa Grace mon, of Kelowna, and Beveriffeste Cumming, of Penticton.

Dominion heard an interpapproach to its history and lople in a broadcast of "Be-Two Furious Oceans," a soem from a recently public collection by Dick Diest, of CJOR. With the authoring, Vancouver actors took hin speaking roles and Jack directed the orchestra.

ef no fortune as the person buld get you a hotel room, it his job as national sales ar himself.

Susan Fletcher, Vancouver actress, returned from Hollywood and has a piece on the Dominion network from CJOR on Monday nights. Its a review of show business doings, plus a discussion of movies opening locally.

John Fisher, Canada's national story teller, put down his grips at CKOV, Kelowna, for a few days recently while he collected some data on the Okanagan industry with its \$25 million fruit and vegetable industry.

Dick Diespecker, whose drama series have been a feature of CJOR for some years now, has a new one under his belt for the fall. So far he's been typing with his back to the wall, but he allows that it's something new in the radio drama field.

Air True Flood Story

CJGX, Yorkton, this month cooperated with the Town Council of Dauphin, Manitoba, in a campaign to arrest exaggerated rumors of damage caused by recent heavy rain.

The rain had covered thousands of acres of crop land and destroyed the town's water supply system, but rumors of greater havoc tended to turn trade away from the Dauphin area when the town's facilities were actually capable of handling it.

The CJGX mobile unit, equipped with portable recorders, was one of the first automobiles to enter the town. Jack Shortreed, of the Yorkton Station, interviewed William Bullmore, Dauphin's mayor; William Cruise, Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Dauphin; and other community leaders, who spoke of conditions.

CJGX broadcast daily bulletins during the emergency, urging resi-

dents to sterilize water; warnings as to the advance of the flood; and surveys of roads in the district. The broadcasts also appealed to nearby towns for equipment and material with which to stem the flood.





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Caution and compromise were the keynotes of the Parliamentary Radio Committee's 1947 report. This very fact represents a substantial gain in the position of the independent broadcasters, for it indicates death of the day when the radio committee could, and did, dismiss independent station representations along with the "also-heards."

The independent stations failed to obtain the impartial licensing and regulatory body for which they had asked the Committee. Nevertheless, this request was turned down in the most carefullyphrased legal wording: "In the result, your Committee is not prepared at the present time to suggest any fundamental change in radio regulation. The national broadcasting system is still in the transitional and development stage and the principles underlying its institution have the same force today as when the decision to establish it was made. Notwithstanding arguments advanced we do not feel justified under all the circumstances in recommending a fundamental change now.'

The wording is extremely cautious, and certainly leaves the door wide open, as witness the phrases: "at the present time," and "... do not feel justified ... now."

Other recommendations of the Radio Committee represent substantial gains for the independent broadcasters, although some of these are of a nature that may cause a little suspicion as to their real intent. Still other recommendations will have the effect of making the ultimate goal of the indies — a completely impartial regulatory body — a little more difficult of achievement.

The Committee recommended, for instance, public hearings of CBC's Board of Governors when matters of licenses and regulations are bing heard. This is, to a very large extent, a public advantage and a long step forward for the independents. It may be, of course, that this move is designed to be a "sop" to the independent group, prevent further action on their part for a regulatory body. It will also make difficult certain aspects of the struggle for such a body, removing the ammunition hitherto provided by secret meetings and decisions.

Move certain to be favored by majority if not all of the independents is recommendation that "... the CBC give consideration to the raising of the 5 killowatt ceiling for private stations particularly where some future potential coverage by Canadian stations might be affected."

Hearty approval is bound to come from the industry of the recommendation that the license period should be three years instead of the present one. The Radio Committee's only proviso in this case: "... renewals... after such a period... upon the character of the service given by the licensee?

Department of Transport and CBC should examine most carefully and certainly more carefully that hitherto, the manner in which the licensed broadcaster has been serving the public over the also channel . . . such longer licens period would in no way preventhe revocation of a license for cause." Few will find any point c disagreement there. But power to cancel (and without compensation) remains.

The Committee's report ind cated that experimental license for TV and other new phases obroadcasting should be granted independents; and that FM licenses should be granted to "qualfied applicants."

Position of independent broa casters also improved slightly regard to "performance" form Though recommending continution of these, the report sai "Your committee fully undestands that circumstances vary different areas and for different areas and for different areas and believes that the variations should be taken into a count by the Board of Governors.

Though admitting at one pothat "The Canadian Daily Nev papers Association, (comprist 110 members, 39 of whom own rastations), supported the Canadian Association of Broadcasters in advocacy of a board such as scribed," the Committee reptreated the submission of a cofor impartial regulatory by pretty well as a CAB recommentation, and dealt with it on the basis.

With the Committee's report published a statement show 'surplus" figures of groups of tions. No individual figures given. One of the most consist arguments used against any gestion of any nature made by dependent radio has always b that stations made large pro These statements were always ficult to disprove; the publis statements will permit such re tal for the first time. Figures g show substantially less than mates made from time to 1 when the matter was under cussion, in print and in private

The Committee recomment that the "licensing authority" is specified) consider revising ward independent station lies fees. This move comes to most erators as no surprise.

The Committee also said " we do not think newspapers sh be treated in any different 1 ner than other applicants for dio broadcasting licens s."
probably has more in it thar pears on the surface. It is that CDNA representations can a surprise to the Committee, carried a tremendous amour weight. The power of the being what it still is, the r carefully divorced the turnon regulatory body from CDNA entations. It may be the hope recommending no discrimin against newspapers in granti radio licenses wil drive in the old wedge between radio newspapers; prevent any f agreement. One private MP, is not in agreement with the jority of the Committee, of turndown of the regulatory

ld this reporter that such a body ould never come until the press ske up to the fact that freedom expression cannot continue halfave, half-free; that so long as idio remained chained, encroachents upon the press will slowly ow. Some sections of the press e already aware of this; others wking; some still live in the past. Extremely surprising is the satence "Nevertheless, the Comrttee would not advise going so fr as to prohibit what is called altiple ownership." This is a complete and totally unexpected rersal of all previous stands on to issue. Long-range effect of this rommendation is difficult indeed t foresee; it is difficult even to the reasons that led up to the rommendation being made. Certaly no public representations to t end were made beore the mmittee.

Towever, the Committee's rept does not change fundamentals irany way. It attempts to impree present practice, but that is afar as it goes.

'he report itself will put variauthorities in a nice spot (usthe word in its correct or emical sense). The report may may not be concurred in by diament. No previous radio mittee report has been coned in since 1932; and they not, therefore, according to constitutional authorities, any dity or standing at all. In spite hat, recommondations made in n were accepted and enforced various authorities concerned. precedent now confronts in relation to three year liclifting of power freeze, and r important points.

wo factors do not show at all he report. One: the biggest made by the independent dcasters; two, what is probthe real reason for rejection teir request for an independent latory board.

le biggest gain made this year independents was the wide-ad interest in radio aroused ngst press, public, and Parliathere is a larger body of med and interested opinion ever before.

was obvious that some memof the Committee still had the e profit" fear in the back of minds. The figures given by sport should have dispelled of this; but obviously a spering campaign" of years ling, and no secret in Ottawa, leaves its effect. The arguthat because stations made y, they shouldn't get any aton to any request they make, curious one. Yet it is the funintal argument usually aded by two or three newspaper linists (whose papers are plable and vigorous supporters rivate enterprise') and by others who have a curious a about radio; not always tig in only independent radio. Fin with this was a peculiar Ithat a new regulatory body permit United States chains sin control of Canadian radio. car as the connection is, one nittee member told this reflatly and clearly, the reawas voting against an imrtl regulatory body was that quest formed merely a front plot to traffic in licenses,

with the ultimate goal for selling these out to a large United States concern. He did not say where, or from whom, he had obtained this "information."

Committee Chairman Ralph Maybank tabled the final report at seven o'clock the night of Tuesday, July 8. He did not move concurrence. Immediately the report was tabled, one member of the Committee (D. M. Fleming, Progressive-Conservative, Toronto-Eglinton) said: "I should like to say that this is a majority report. No Progressive-Conservative member of the Committee voted for it." He was at once followed by Tom Reid, (Liberal, New Westminster) who said simply "I did not vote for it."

Later the same evening, estimates of the Department of Transport were under consideration. This permitted some discussion of radio, participated in, amongst others, by Mr. Fleming, Mr. E. G. Hansell (Social Credit, McLeold) and Reconstruction Minister C. D. Howe. This discussion indicated that should concurrence of the radio committee report be moved, the debate will be hot, in spite of the lateness of the day. If Parliament is to approve the recommendation (previously made by the Committee) that CBC get the full \$2.50 license fee, this will also open up debate. It seems certain at this moment that the recommendation will be approved; but the whole proceedings of the Committee will be rehashed by Parliament in the process.

Sounding Board

Sir: Has Canadian talent so low an estimate of its own value, that it wants to be protected by a tariff wall on recorded programs, and stand-in orchestras, paid to do nothing, while Canadian stations carry a few American programs?

This seems to me to be the tenor of the requests made to the Parliamentary Committee by the Editor of the radio fan-magazine "RADIO WORLD."

It is inconceivable to me that anyone engaged in any branch of the entertainment field could see anything but the degradation of the talent it is designed to protect, if such a plan were put into execution.

Admittedly top-ranking American talent gains great audience acceptance in Canada than less skilled Canadian offerings. But does this mean that people are to be deprived of the pleasure they gain listening to the Metropolitan Opera, Tommy Dorsey or Orsom Welles because this "top" entertainment originates in the States.

It would be better, I think, to concentrate on developing our own talent to the point where our own people want to hear it, than to put into effect a "protection" scheme which would only serve to rob an artistically-starved Canadian public of the entertainment of its choice.

-Jouce Tedman

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Radio Church Services

First in a Series of Articles on Church Broadcasting by the Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Toronto, Whose Services Are Heard Regularly Over CFRB

By CANON J. E. WARD (Condensed from "Canadian Churchman")

Increasingly the Church is being drawn into the radio field. Her ministers are being asked to do various studio duties and the Services of the Church itself are finding their way onto the air. This worship by radio is of two kinds—the broadcasting of Services from the Church

with a congregation worshipping at the same time, and of Services from a studio with only the broadcasting choir and minister present. Let us consider the first of these,-

At the outset of the broadcasting of Sunday worship we must face the fact that our Services were never intended to be broadcast. They are too long for the time allowed. They contain a considerable amount of matter which will not go over the air acceptably. Often they are too narrowly circumscribed by denominational interests.

In any broadcast, by far the largest area of influence is among those who are from the radio congregation. Even on the smallest station the listening audience will be many times greater than the church attendance. In a broadcast service, one would appeal at the outset for a recognition of broadcasting considerations as having first place. This should be both in the arrangement of the service and in the matter of its message. The greatest time allowed is usually an hour. The hour should contain a completely rounded broadcast. It should end on a note of completion, with no feeling in the minds of the listeners that they have been cut off before their time. It should be a balanced hour, with a fair division of time be-

tween music and speech.

The Flying Minutes

In this question of time consideration we must clearly realize that every minute is valuable and that the inclusion or exclusion of a verse in a hymn or two or three verses of scripture may make or mar a gracefully finished service at the end of the hour. It may mean, for example, that the Benediction is broadcast or lost to a great body of listeners who are waiting for it.

It is not often possible for an ordinary service to be properly timed as any studio broadcast is timed, minute by minute, through the hour. It is wise, however, to know how the end of the service is coming out. It is helpful to time back from the end, through the closing hymn, Benediction, prayers, etc., say from the end of the sermon on and any necessary adjustment should be made by curtailment before these last closing minutes come. Nothing gives a worse impression than hearing a minister speed up through prayers and a benediction in order to avoid being cut off.

The Communion Service

The Communion Service is not suitable for broadcasting and, for the most part, opinion is against its use in this way. There is something to be said for an occasional broadcast of the Communion Service for folk

who have loved the service and are now house-bound, but the nature of the service is such that it jars the mind of it coming out, mixed up, say with add vertising matter in a city restaurant, or indeed under many home conditions. Also, there are very few priests who car celebrate Holy Communio. with a right approach while they have to consider a near by microphone and the time ele ment demanded of a broadcas program.

However, in taking her place along with other denomination in a series of broadcasts, it not always possible to avoi dates that fall on the first Su day in a month or on some oth Communion Sunday.

Attitudes

Whatever is done, let i study the people we are tryii to reach. A radio audience always a complete cross section of the general public. We a develop in it one of two at tudes of mind. Either it is ing to be a public that is liste ing in or a small group who quite satisfied with themselv in their own little coterie worship or it will be a w throng made up of indicidu or little groups in some the sands of households who made to feel that they have part in the worship and bele within the circle of its sco Obviously it should be our sire to make them feel this wa they will not feel it unless pay attention to certain nec sary considerations of t broadcasting element in midst.

Religious Program

Religious groups applying air time at CJCA, Edmonton, divided into two categories Catholic and non-Catholic.

The station provides 30 min free each Sunday for Cath broadcasts and 70 minutes various protestant churches. other religious broadcasts per ted are ones which can be descu as strictly non-denominational

In this third group, the Edul ton station has set aside, also the 9 to 9.30 a.m. period Sun for the "Christian Faith" br casts, and has also arranged the Edmonton General Minist Association for daily broad (Monday through Friday 4.15 p.m.) entitled "Daily Devol Both these series are non-den national, and urge listeners t tend their own churches.







DOMINION NETWORK

hades of NOUNT ROYAL by WALTER DALES

activities of the special enmittee on radio broadcasting a, of course, the subject of all cfee counter debates hereabouts. Lone such debate I heard an intiesting statement: "There is absately no such thing as a sustring program on independent stions." The argument was that bause private stations have no scree of revenue except advertisin, such monies actually sponsor al the programs on the station. counter-argument, of course, that the station is not spendthe advertisers' money but er the station's own profit. Wertheless, any such profit so spit ceases to be a profit, and it codes from the same pocket any-

any event, the Montreal indedents are presenting a higherth-average type of sustaining
grams these days. CJAD must
spending plenty of dough in
the nightly dramatic series, and
make good use of the time
station promotion. CFCF must
pending fairly heavy money on
the live talent spots in the mornand CKAC continues to give
ainers just as keen attention
they give to the more profitable
amercial periods.

ost station operators here are hing closely the performance lemes C. Petrillo before the Sub-Committee of the se of Representatives. Perhaps his time next year, stations no longer be able to use either dings or transcriptions on the basis. It is unlikely that the of M. will sign contracts at hing near the same rate as obtained. And if the anti-trust leave any loopholes which dallow the unions to go into ecording business themselves, step can be expected. Next is likely to be a hectic one for eprogram departments on all dendents who lean heavily on grand material.

Ad to the long list of books in paint unpleasant pictures moral advertising men, one if "The Side of the Angels," in by Robert McLaughlin, doublished by Knopf. Clark is the newest "huckster" cter. It's a well-written story, adds considerable weight to rowing mass of public opinion ped to advertising in general darticularly the men and womho handle advertising as a wission.

In the proper in the prolon Square Building, stamp-round of Montreal ad men. It other night an overheated of in the main lobby caught and poured smoke through the building. All main entrances deen locked up for the weekly, and firemen had to enter the line through the upper storey may. Damage was estimated by ween two and three grand.

The Coward Show

Although the "character of the same name" considers himself best suited to selling luxury cars, any time now we're liable to have. Noel Coward coming to us on open end transcriptions, through the courtesy of Slingsby's Auto Wash.

The 47-year-old one-time song and dance man, who has invaded every phase of show-business except radio, including stage and screen acting, play-writing and composing, directing and producing has finally succumbed, because a 26-year-old English producer named Harry Allen Towers has been able to offer him an undisclosed but large sum — larger by far than the performing fees paid by the BBC.

Programs, recorded open-end style for local sponsorship, will consist of songs Coward has written during the past 25 years, and will be aimed at the middle-agers who, Coward hopes, "will enjoy them . . . even remember them."

Canadian Sales Agent is John Adaskin, Toronto.

Invent Static-Free AM Radio

Two invalid brothers from Baltimore, who have been repairing radios for a living, say they have perfected a receiving set which eliminates the biggest bug of modern broadcasting—static.

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If their set can do all the brothers claim, it might conceivably revolutionize the radio markets.

Their receiver is for amplitude modulation broadcasts, the prevailing type at present. If

RIDIN' THE RANGE



Announcer Dave Hill, of CJOR, Vancouver, who is on tour of the prairies during July with Burns "CHUCKWAGON", acts as announcer and master of ceremonies for the show, which stops at Calgary, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Brandon, Yorkton, Saskatoon, Prince Albert and Edmonton. The "CHUCKWAGON" opened its tour with a one-night stand at Chilliwack, near Vancouver, before heading for the prairies.

practicable, it would match the principal advantage of the developing frequency modulation system — absence of static — while retaining long-range reception.

The Storys claim their set can be produced for less than those now on the market.

TV IS HERE

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DAYTIME			EVENING		
English Ma Perkins Big Sister Tucy Linton Road of Life Pepper Young Life Can Be Beautiful Laura Limited Right To Happiness	15.1 15.1 14.1 14.0 13.8 13.5 12.5 9.4	1.8 1.5 1.7 2.1 1.6 1.6 1.7 1.4	English Lux Radio Theatre Fibber McGee & Molly Alec Templeton Ozzie & Harriet Fred Allen Corliss Archer Alb. of Familiar Music Big Town Take It or Leave It Bob Hope	31.5 28.2 25.0 24.5 24.5 17.0 15.6 15.5 15.4	-4.0 -4.5 new -2.6 -2.4 -1.8 -2.6 -1.0 -1.0 -4.5
French Rue Principale Jeunesse Doree Tante Lucie Quelles Nouvelles Le Quart d'heure Grande Soeur Courrier Confidences Madeleine et Pierre The Platter Corner	26.7 26.4 19.6 19.3 17.1 16.3 13.1 11.1 7.4	8 -1.8 -1.3 -1.6 +1.7 +2.0 + .8 -1.09	French Un Homme et Son Peche Radio Carabins Cafe Concert Metropole Oui Suis-je? La Mine d'Or La Butte Aux Moineaux Ceux qu'on aime Nazaire et Barnabe On chant dans mon quartier	36.2 27.9 27.4 27.4 25.0 24.5 23.9 22.2 21.2	9.2 9.4 9 9.6 5 +1.0 4.4 2.3 6.9

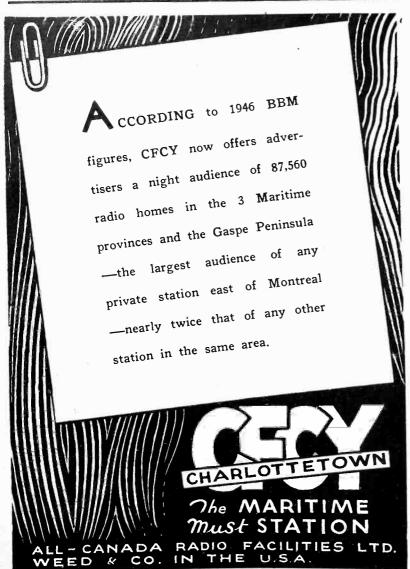
Marconi Memorial

A memorial to Guglielmo Marconi was unveiled and dedicated this week on Signal Hill, near St. John's, Nfld., by the Canadian Marconi Company. The site of the nine-foot monument is where Marconi received the first trans-Atlantic wireless signal, flashed from Poldhu, England, on December 12, 1901.

Sir Gordon MacDonald, K.C.-M.G., Governor, officially accepted the cairn from the Marconi Company.

Dedication services, which include the voice of S. M. Finlayson, Marconi's general manager, who spoke of Marconi's pioneering spirit, were recorded by the CBC.

ARE YOU READING THE BROADCASTER OVER OUR SHOULDER?



Dilworth To IBS



Ira Dilworth, whose move from CBR, Vancouver, to supervisor of the CBC's International Service in Montreal was announced in Toronto, has long been a leader in cultural activities in the west, particularly in B.C.

He joined the CBC in 1938 after a teaching career at Victoria High School and the University of B.C. Previously he had studied at McGill and Harvard.

Widely known as a musician, he led the Vancouver Bach choir from 1934 to 1940 and is an authority on modern and classical art and poetry. Last year he was made head of the Vancouver Community Arts Council, an organization designed to bring together the city's various cultural groups.

During Mr. Dilworth's nine years at CBR, 1,700 young musicians have been auditioned at the station. The development of potential Canadian talent has been one of his keenest interests.

Heads French Net

Marcel Ouimet, formerly CBC's director of talks and public affairs, has been appointed director of the CBC French-language network. He will locate in Montreal. Ouimet, former CBC overseas war correspondent, succeeds Jean-Marie Beaudet, who becomes CBC's regional director in Vancouver.



Representatives: Toronto: James L. Alexander U.S.A.: Joseph Hershey McGillyra Anc.



OUR FEATHERED FRIENDS

Fred Cannon informs us th his favorite Broadcaster ed torials are Grey Harkley's ca toons.

SAFETY FIRST

Parliament's treatment of t Radio Committee's repuleads us to reflect that t best insurance against erris doing nothing.

OFF THE RECORD

If the CBC board decides reverse its policy of conduing its meetings in secret, will no longer be possible say of its conclaves that "no action was taken and word spoken in order complete sercrecy might maintained."

FREE OFFERING

The Radio Committee's ommendation that the "m ple-ownership ban" be lift leads one to wonder whe the best way to gain a consion is to refrain from quest it.

ALIBI WANTED

With the CBC's income about to be increased \$600,000 a year in the for the license fee collection thow will it justify its tinued invasion of the broadcasting field?

STRICTLY FILLER

No one has yet blamed Breakfast Broadcasters jockeying those flying d

PROFIT AND LOSS

The efficiency of gov operation of business is onstrated by Dr. Frigon mission to the House Cottee that CBC bought 1,0 match books to promote and thereby secured \$ worth of business for the tion at a cost of only \$20

PERPETUAL COMMOTION

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