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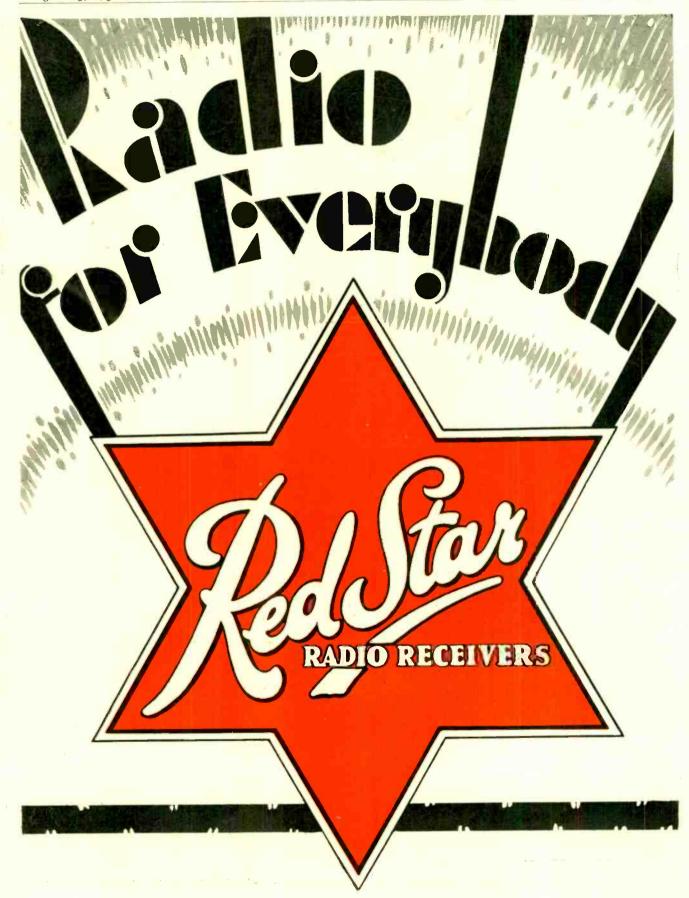
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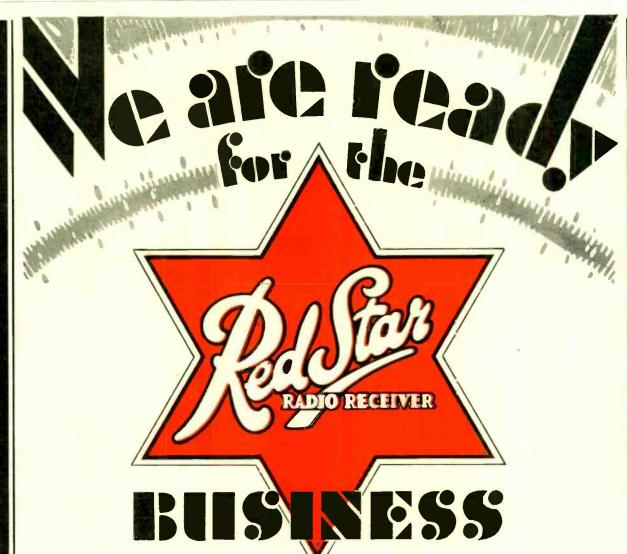
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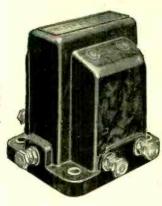
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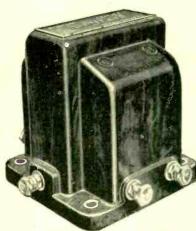


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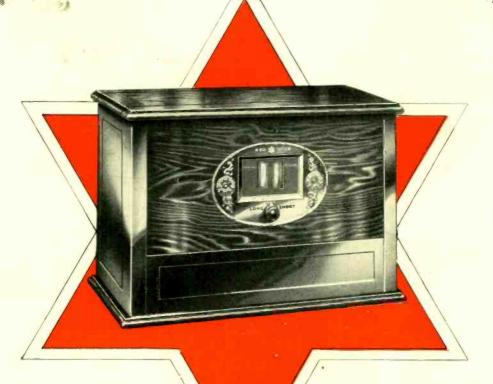
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#### **WE GIVE**

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- 2 Appointment as Selector Agent.
- 3 Maintenance of Prices.
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- 5 Sales Letters.
- 6 Deferred Payments.

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- 9 Indemnity against Price Reduction.
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- 11 A New Model at a Popular Price.

#### YOU GAIN

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- 3 Protection.
- 4 More Sales.
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The Selector "22" model maintains in every way the highest standard of Selector quality.

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- Equal efficiency guaranteed on both wave length bands.

- Change of wave length is effected by an external switch and the set need not therefore be opened.
- 5 Maximum case in tuning with a single knob controlling triple gang condenser.
- 6 Assembly is the essence of simplicity.
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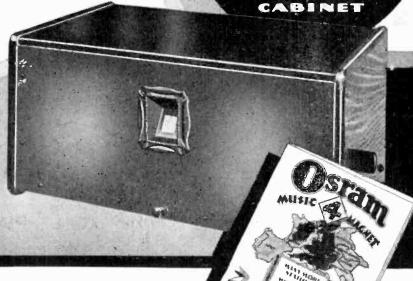
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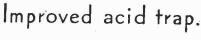


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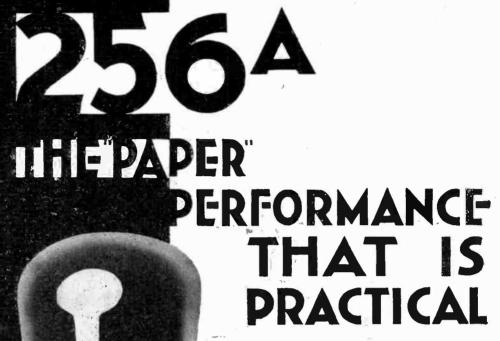
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PRICES

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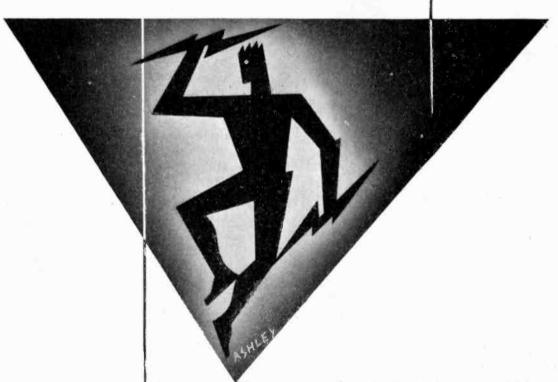
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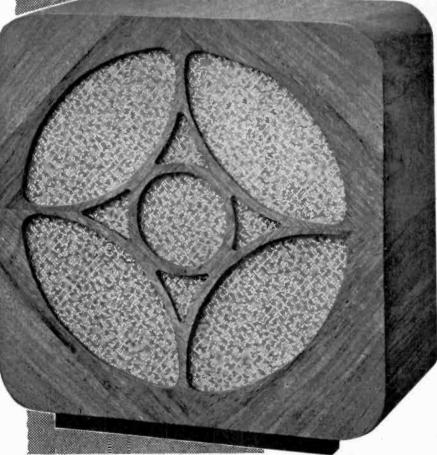
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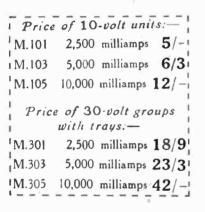


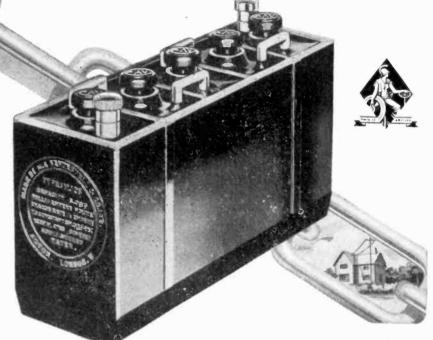
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Max. H.T. volts -					150
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Stocks are now available. Be prepared to meet the BIG DEMAND

# (The AMAZING

# Demonstrate Demonstrate In their homes and gardens

Slack time is demonstration timedemonstrate the "Madrigal" Transportable Receiver, and it is sold. No other set will get home and stay home so surely.

The "Madrigal" has individuality because it is built by craftsmen. No mass produced Receiver can give the effect of realism that is such a striking feature of the "Madrigal." Many who have heard the "Madrigal" believe they were listening to the actual orchestra. The illusion is pardonable

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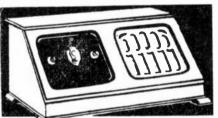
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BROWNIE DOMINION 3. An amazing

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#### BROWNIE 2. VALVER (illustrated above). The low-price set with

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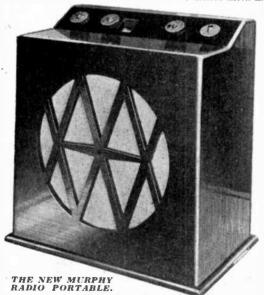
And now we want you to know we are building Murphy Radio as a solid concern, making consistent and dependable products.

We appreciate that this may be a slower road than others, but we propose to take it for the simple reason that we believe it is the only road that pays in the end.

If this is also your philosophy of business we shall be glad to have your coupon.

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#### 4-VALVE SCREENED GRID RECEIVER

SINGLE TUNING CONTROL.—
Completely Ganged Circuits CALIBRATED IN WAVELENGTHS. Fitted in beautiful Walnut Cabinet; weight 32 lbs.
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Excellent loudspeaker reproduction, giving very enjoyable music and particularly clear speech.

Range and selectivity equal to, if not better than, any other portable

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W.T. Aug. 23rd

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M.C. 114.

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we dig furiously and reveal the corner of an old chest. Angus is down on his knees scraping at the earth with his bare hands. Jim gets the corner of his spade under the lid. There is a rending crash as the hinges give way. We throw away our spades and strain and struggle till the lid is off. Guineas! Thousands and thousands of golden guineas. We plunge our hands into the glittering mass, running the coins through our fingers, shouting in our excitement."

Your Pye Portable has made the adventure so realistic that you can almost feel the guineas trickling through your own fingers. though you have no share of the fortune, you feel amply consoled at being able to listen to entertainment which becomes so vividly alive, thanks to your Pye Portable.

Another of the fine series of "Pye" advertisements which have done so much towards maintaining sales right through the summer. Pye Portable Sales are unaffected by

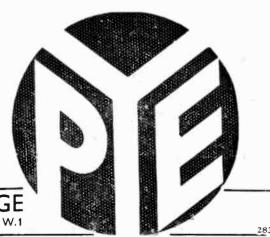
Seasons or weather. It is more than a Portable—it sells on performance, tone, reliability and appearance, with its port-

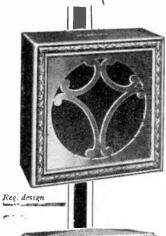
ability as an added attraction.

Concentrate on "Pye." It is the only
Portable you need stock. It is the
one receiver you can be sure of selling all the year round. ing all the year round.

Delivered on the first of 12 monthly payments of 35/- (or £19:19:0 cash) absolutely complete.

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Reg. design



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D.10. The finest loudspeaker procurable at the price, having great sensitivity—and ability to handle real volume, giving clear and natural response. Size, 12"×12"×51".

Price:

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D.50. A recently developed loudspeaker incorporating features enabling frequencies as low as 50 to be reproduced at moving-coil quality. Heautifully designed cabinet harmonising with any furniture scheme. Various resistences can be Various resistances can be made for different outputs. Standard model having approx. resistance of 750 ohms.

Prices :

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D.12. A loudspeaker of remarkable qualities featuring outstanding sensitivity, together with ability to handle great power and even response over wide frequency range. First-class cabinet. Resistance, 2,000 ohms. Size, 14"×14"×53".

Prices :

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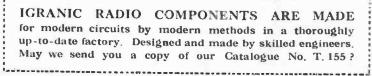
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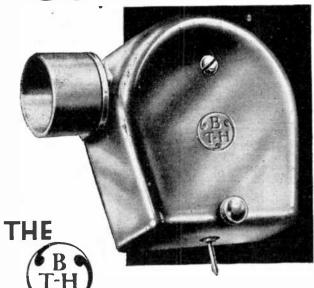
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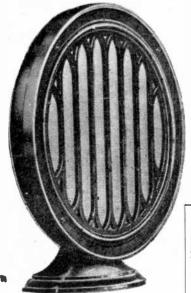
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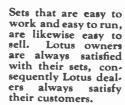
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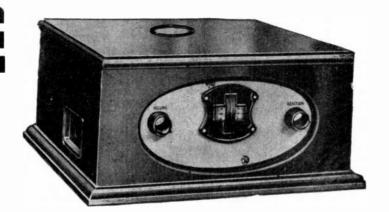
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The only weekly Trade Journal circulating to Bona-Fide Wireless & Gramophone Traders.

#### EDITORIAL VIEWS.

#### For the B.V.A. to Consider.

VIDENCE of the trade's feelings, toward the rebate system adopted by the B.V.A., as reflected by the heavy volume of correspondence on the subject which we have received, has now been offered to the Association for their consideration and comments. At the same time the attention of all those interested in the subject is drawn to the further selection of correspondence published elsewhere this week.

We think it is clearly established that the method of granting credits on valves in stock has fallen heavily on considerably more than the isolated cases possibly envisaged by the manufacturers. There also seems to be ground for thinking that their perfectly legitimate desire to avoid being exploited may have led them to veer rather too far

in the opposite direction.

At the moment, however, we do not know what will be the Association's reception of and response to the material we have put before them, and in these circumstances we desire to say nothing that may even appear to prejudge the issue. For that reason the subject is being left exactly where it is until next week, when, we sincerely hope, we shall be able to convey the views of the B.V.A. to the trade. Naturally they will need to reflect an adequately fair attitude to the retail trader to secure our support.

#### Traders and an Obligation.

HERE is evident need for a definite ruling to be applied by the Electricity Commissioners on the

vexed question of the responsibility for the replacement of radio as well as other electricallyoperated apparatus that becomes obsolete through changes in a mains supply system. At the present time some electricity undertakings are accepting the full liability in this direction, while others - and, we believe, the majority-are refusing to make any compensation whatever. If, however, a decision affecting every supply concern alike is eventually promulgated by the authorities, it cannot be expected for some time to come-and in the meanwhile we shall have crossed the border of the autumn season, and sales will be on the up-grade.

It is therefore essential that the trader should recognise his own responsibility in this connection, and although we have covered the ground before, our news columns of late reveal ample justification for giving it renewed prominence. Most people in the trade probably appreciate by now the

means by which supply undertakings have so far been able (apparently legitimately) to avoid responsibility for financial loss in connection with radio apparatus. Mains units and receivers, of course, consume an almost negligible amount of power from the mains; they are, in fact, poor profit bringers, and the supply companies are therefore not disposed to regard them kindly. As a result they interpret literally the condition (imposed almost universally) that no apparatus of any sort may be connected to the supply mains unless it has been specifically sanctioned by their own inspectors. In the cases of most domestic apparatus, which generally yields a considerable profit, this provision is waived, and as a result its existence is not often realised by the consumer.

Radio dealers, however, must realise its existence, and must acquaint every customer likely to be affected by it with its importance. In every case where he is asked to supply a D.C. unit or set, or an A.C. equipment of a voltage or periodicity other than that which eventually will be standardised (230 v 50 cycles), the trader should draw his customers' attention to the possibility of loss later on.

It may be in some cases that, if they are approached, supply undertakings will agree to the installation of the apparatus, in which case, of course, the customer would be protected. Alternatively, they might be prepared to assure the user that no change would be made for a year or two.

In the case of A.C. supplies, of course, there is the further fact that much of the current radio apparatus in this class is designed for use on a wide range of voltages, even where while, changes eventually have to be made, A.C. apparatus will, generally speaking, be much less costly to modify.

On the whole, therefore, with all these circumstances taken into consideration, we incline strongly to the opinion that the retailer must recognise his obligations to the public in this question. There is still the possibility that a favourable ruling will be given by the Commissioners, and in the meanwhile the trade will be able to set off the possible loss of a few sales by a very considerable gain in public esteem and goodwill.

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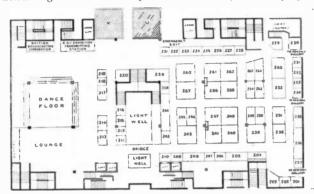
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### Trade Mews

## This Year's Wonderful Olympia. EXCLUSIVE DETAILS OF SPECIAL SHOW PLANS. Revised Stand-Numbering System.

THE 1930 National Radio Exhibition is being described as the Celebration Exhibition, since it falls in the tenth year since Dame Nellie Melba's first historic broadcast from Marconi House. Special arrangements are being made to give this anniversary a significance in the public mind, and they will all have the effect of attracting more and more potential radio buyers to Olympia.



A plan of the first floor space in the Empire Hall, where ten additional stands and two demonstration rooms have been provided, besides a lounge and dance floor.

In addition to this the Show itself will command far wider attention and appreciation. From what we know already of the new season's market, the general standard of the actual goods exhibited will surpass, in performance, appearance and price-appeal anything that we have seen in previous years.

Supporting the goods, moreover, there will be some very striking scenic and lighting effects. In a talk with the organisers we learned that the interest and enthusiasm shown by individual exhibitors is much greater than in the past, and as a result a wide variety of special display designs have already received the sanction of the R.M.A.

On the lighting side similar improvements will be seen, and it is believed that many of the firms who can call upon the electrical resources of their own organisations will bring these to bear on their Olympia exhibits.

A point of particular interest on the decorative side is the fact that this year the R.M.A. are abandoning the fountain in the centre of the ground floor, and are replacing it by a wonderful pylon, 18 ft. high, constructed of translucent material, and containing a series of revolving mirrors and coloured lights, which will give an extraordinarily striking effect of colour movement and gradation.

The Musical Side.

To revert to the "Celebration" aspect of the Show, a particularly happy idea has been hit upon by the organisers. The "B.B.C. transmitting station," indicated on the plan given above is in point of fact, a special amplifying transmitter, which the R.M.A. have commissioned the B.B.C. to install. This will be the last word in public address equipment, and will be contrasted, on the other B.B.C. site shown, with the original Marconi House transmitter used by Dame Melba in 1920.

The special amplifier will also be used as the exclusive medium for the music at the Show—both incidental and for dance purposes. The organisers rightly argue that the Show is devoted to re(Continued at top of column 3.)

THE NATIONAL
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OLYMPIA-NEW HALL

The striking and artistic black and coloured show poster, to be issued almost immediately. Stereos embodying the same design, and intended for traders' and manufacturers' advertising, are also available at one shilling each, from the R.M.A., Astor House, Aldwych, London, W.C.2.

(Continued from column I.) produced music, and why, therefore, should they have a band? Two of the greatest concerns in the gramophone field, who have unquestioned knowledge of the entertainment business, are collaborating to provide the entire musical fare of the Show.

A Serious Problem.

Since the original plans were published, the organisers have entirely altered the stand-numbering system employed. It will be recalled that hitherto it has always been the practice to number each individual stand, so that an exhibitor with four adjoining sites had four numbers, often to the confusion both of exhibitors themselves and the public—to say nothing of the poor Press!

Now, however, each complete exhibit, irrespective of its size, carries a single number, and this has undoubtedly simplified matters considerably. Next week we shall publish the re-numbered plans and the complete list of exhibitors up to date. Meanwhile, it will be seen from the plan of the first floor space in the Empire Hall (given here) that ten additional sites and two more demonstration rooms have been introduced since the ballot. A bridge has been provided over the light well, and a lounge and dance-floor also introduced.

The Exhibition now totals 188 actual exhibitors, and therefore exceeds in numbers as well as size last year's event. The R.M.A. are faced with a stupendous task in the actual construction of the Exhibition, for there will be only fortyeight hours in which the whole job—including stand display—must be completed.

An Appeal to Exhibitors.

The organisers have explained the position to us, and as a result we have no hesitation in voicing and emphasising their appeal to exhibitors to do everything possible to help the task towards completion within the scheduled time.

Another exhibition precedes our own in the National Hall (formerly the New Hall), and the R.M.A.'s tenancy of the building does not start until the morning of Wednesday, September 17th. The Show opens at 11.0 a.m. on Friday, the 19th, and in that brief interval the whole of it must be done.

Although it is yet too early to give a definite time, the organisers hope to admit exhibitors to the hall on the morning of Thursday, September 18th, and they will have an unbroken period until 11.0 a.m. on Friday in which to dress their stands. The hall will be specially open throughout the whole of Thursday night, in order to give exhibitors as much time as possible, and it is hoped that everyone will use this facility, since stand-display definitely must be finished before the opening hour.

To help matters still further, the organisers desire exhibitors to let them have full details of their constructional requirements at the very earliest moment.

#### Radio Association's Scheme to be Launched Next Saturday.

#### PUBLICITY CAMPAIGNS IN HAND.

T will be remembered that some months ago we gave details of the scheme of the Radio Association to co-operate with wireless dealers in giving free service to members of the Association. It was intended to compile a register of traders of

good standing who would be agreeable to act as local representatives. Each listening member of the Radio Association is notified of the name of his

nearest trade representative, upon whom he will be permitted to make four free calls for service, though any actual replacements will be paid for by the member. The Association will pay to the dealer a flat rate of half-a-crown a year in respect of each member on that dealer's books. It is, of course, not likely that four calls a year would be required in every case, but in the event of more than four being made

the member concerned pays 2s. 6d. to the dealer for every additional visit for

The Radio Association now inform us that they have appointed dealers as



A reproduction of the poster to be shown by dealer representatives of the Radio Association.

local representatives in more than threequarters of the country, and are launching their national maintenance scheme in England and Wales on August 30th. Scotland and Ireland will be covered at a later date.

On the evening of August 29th Mr. Ronald F. Tiltman, the general secretary, whose name must be familiar to many of our readers, will describe the scheme in a broadcast talk. During the winter months an extensive newspaper publicity campaign will be carried out, while the Radio Association will be in evidence at the National Radio Exhibition.

For the retailer, also, has attractive literature been provided, including window bills and similar items. Incidentally, those dealers who wish to be enrolled, should get into touch with Mr. Tiltman at 22-23, Laurence Pountney Lane, London, E.C.4, as some parts of the country are not vet covered.

MANUFACTURERS, PLEASE NOTE!

Arrangements are now in hand for the annual Belgian Wireless Exhibition, which is to be held at the Parc du Cinquantenaire, Brussels, from October 18th to 27th next. Particulars from the Secretariat Générale, 59, Avenue Fonsny, Brussels.

#### THE RIGHT ATTITUDE.

#### HOW TO MEET IMPUDENT REQUESTS FOR TRADE TERMS.

One of the most interesting communications in our mail this week was a letter from one of the largest manufacturing organisation in the country, who have during the past year entirely overhauled their distribution system with the sole end in view of keeping their goods within the hands of the established trade.

The letter reveals that this firm have just been approached in a "private and confidential" way by the Residential Hotels and Caterers' Association, who requested that our correspondents should include the members of the Association on their list of wholesale purchasers.'

Our friends replied by pointing out that they can only supply their goods on wholesale terms to those concerns who are re-selling them to the public, and even then only under certain conditions. We are glad to have the opportunity of recording these circumstances, since other manufacturers will undoubtedly receive similar requests-and the trade naturally will look to all of them to take the same attitude as that outlined here.

AN ANNUAL OUTING.
The employees of Mr. H. Featherstone, radio engineer, of London Road, Tunbridge Wells, had their annual outing on August 9th, when they journeyed by road to Margate. Luncheon and tea were provided at that town, and during the return journey a halt was made at Goudhurst, where musical entertainment was provided.

The simple life! This member of a colony on the Cotswold Hills, although he has sworn to lead a life as near to nature as possible, is a keen radio enthusiast. The home-made loudspeaker shown in the picture is constructed from plaster.

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#### PERSONALIA

ANOTHER WEST COUNTRY WEDDING. WELL-KNOWN figure in West of England radio trade circles, Mr. Stanley F. Down, son of Mr. William George Down, of 62, Chelsea Park, Easton, Bristol, was married last Saturday to Miss Cissie Alice Hill, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. Hill, of 1, South Street, Burnham. The bridegroom is a representative of A. C. Cossor, Ltd., in the South-west.

Following a reception at Court's Corner House Café, Burnham, Mr. and Mrs. Down left for their honeymoon, which they are spending on a motor tour through Cornwall.

A DISAPPOINTMENT.

Many people in the trade had learned with interest that Captain R. Gambier Parry, the popular B.B.C. liaison officer, was taking part in the running com-mentary on the R.A.C. International T.T. race taking place at Belfast to-day.
Unfortunately "G.P.'s" voice will not

be heard, as his injured leg (a memento of an accident some time ago) will not permit him to make the journey. James Shaw, the well-known motorist is to take Captain Gambier Parry's place.

MR. F. T. BENNETT.

Although not often in England, Mr. F. T. Bennett, of Guernsey, Channel Islands. is one of the best-known traders in the industry, and it will be learned with regret that he is at the moment in hospital in London, suffering from an acute form of appendicitis. It is, however, anticipated that he will be well on the way to convalesence in three or four weeks' time-just right for Olympia, in

OFF TO BERLIN.
Several well-known members of the trade are visiting Berlin this week, where the annual German radio exhibition is in progress.

Mr. F. Yeoman Robinson, chief engineer of the Mazda valve works; Mr. S. Wilding Cole, director of Kolster Brandes, Ltd.; and Mr. H. C. Mahoney, general manager of Edison Bell's radio activities, are among them—and we wish them all a good trip.



#### Ferranti's H.P. Scheme.

#### Sets and Accessories on Deferred Payments.

FERRANTI, LTD., are the latest of the leading manufacturers to make available a large number of their products on hire purchase terms. In future, all ferranti apparatus of a list value of £5 and over will be available under the firm's new H.P. scheme.

A hire purchase proposal form has been prepared, and copies are obtainable by all retailers. This proposal is filled up in the usual way by the intending purchaser, with particulars of age, occupation, employers, and so on, and is despatched to Ferranti's. There are spaces for the trader to insert any remarks he thinks fit, and for the proposer's signature.

When the proposal has been approved by the manufacturers, an agreement form is sent by them to the purchaser, who takes it to his dealer with the specified deposit.

The trader accepts the agreement form as an order, and delivers the required apparatus from stock, or within a few days.

The remaining twelve payments for the goods are then made by the purchaser once a month.

The number of lines that can be sold under the Ferranti H.P. scheme is quite considerable, and, of course, includes the various receivers turned out by the company.

For instance, the popular Model 31 A.C. mains set listing at £27, in oak, is sold on H.P. terms at a deposit of £3, followed by the usual twelve monthly payments, of £228 84

of £2 3s. 8d.

The table type magno-dynamic speaker, Model MT1, lists at £15 5s., but on H.P. it is delivered after a £2 deposit, followed by twelve payments of £1 4s. 5d. Among accessories, representative examples are afforded by the BEM1 high tension mains unit, which is priced at £16, but under H.P. terms sells at £2 deposit and twelve payments of 25s. 8d., and by the multirange D.C. test set, which, with case and leads, lists at 11 guineas, and is sold on H.P. at a deposit of 30s. and twelve subsequent monthly payments of the sum of 18s. 7d.



Here are two views of the new Mullard premises in Leeds. See next column.

#### MULLARD'S NEW PREMISES AT LEEDS.

Owing to a substantial increase in the business handled by their Leeds Depot, the Mullard Wireless Service Co., Ltd., have found it necessary to move into more spacious premises at 33, Park Place (telephone: Leeds 29771-2). We give on this page photos of the front of the new offices, and the demonstration room which, as will be seen, contains various "Orgola" receivers, including the "Orgola Senior" radio-gramophone, as well as specimens of each model of the Mullard "Pure Music" speakers, connected up ready for operation. Mr. A. E. Dovey has recently been appointed as manager at the new premises.

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Large stocks of all Mullard valves and components are carried so that immediate deliveries of all standard lines can be given. A technical and sales staff is in attendance.

#### ANOTHER McMICHAEL ACHIEVEMENT.

It will be recalled that we recently reported on the fact that their Majesties the King and Queen were obtaining considerable pleasure at Buckingham Palace from their their

from their new McMichael
"Super Range" portable.
We now learn from Mr. C. G.
Allen, the "M.H." London sales
manager, that the King has
recently purchased a second
"Super Range" for use on board
his yacht "Britannia," on
which the King has recently

### spent some days at Cowes. MIDDLESBROUGH HOTEL'S "RADIO-GRAM."

At Middlesbrough Police Court on August 12th, application was made for permission for music to be reproduced by a radiogramophone at the Princess Alice Hotel. This was the first application of its kind, and it was granted on condition that wireless only should be used, and that the B.B.C. programmes only should be utilised on Sundays. Speakers will be installed in the bar and club rooms.

#### THE GOVERNMENT BUYS VALVES.

The only order for wireless material given out by Government departments during June last was one for valves placed by the Air Ministry with A. C. Cossor, Ltd., Highbury, N.

#### HAMPTON WICK AND "NOISE."

The Hampton Wick Urban Council, it is learned, recently decided to apply to the HomeOffice for permission to adopt by-laws to deal with loud-speakers and gramophones. The Home Office has replied that such powers were only vested in County Councils and County boroughs. The Council has now asked the Middlesex County Council to take action in the matter.

#### AMPLIFIERS FOR THE UNDERGROUND.

At the south end of Morden Underground Station, car sheds and sidings are provided for accommodating rolling stock used on the City Line, and a considerable amount of shunting and marshalling of trains takes place here. A shunter's cabin is provided near the exit end of the car sheds, and communication between the shunter and the motormen of various trains was until recently carried out by means of a megaphone.

This arrangement has now been superseded by the installation of an equipment of loud-speakers at four points operated by a microphone and amplifier in the shunter's cabin. There are switches for each set of speakers, so that the shunter can select the group of sidings to which he wishes to speak. The amplifier is a 3-stage unit with a 20 W output valve. The filaments of the valves are lighted from the A.C. supply at 220 volts 50 cycles. The loud-speakers, of the horn type, were supplied with the amplifier, by Graham Amplion, Ltd. The necessary D.C. voltage is obtained from the A.C. supply through a Westinghouse rectifier.

#### A WESTMORLAND FIRE.

A correspondent informs us that a fire occurred recently at the premises of Mr. W. S. Lee, wireless dealer, Stramongate, Kendal. The outbreak is attributed to a short circuit in the battery charging plant, and considerable damage, we are told, was done to batteries and to some electrical apparatus.

#### OLDFIELD BUYS A DUNHAM.

It is of interest to note that Mr. W. A. Oldfield, the well-known Australian cricketer, who has kept wicket in several Test Matches, has just purchased a Dunham S.G. 4-valve portable. Dunhams tell us that he did so after hearing one of their sets at a friend's home, and, being impressed by the "distant getting" qualities of the Dunham—for broadcasting stations are few and far between "down under"— he purchased one of the receivers for himself, for use in Australia.

#### SELLING SETS IN THE STATES.

Shops handling wireless goods exclusively accounted for over one-third of the wireless sales in the United States during 1929, with an aggregate turnover of \$140,771,378 in wireless sets and accessories, according to statistics collected from 10,533 retail businesses, by the United States Department of Commerce. Music shops, however, had higher average wireless sales per unit than shops selling wireless goods exclusively—at \$38,043, as compared with \$25,976. Third on the list are furniture stores, followed by general stores.

## More Traders' Comments on the VALVE PRICE REDUCTIONS.

A WIDE DEMAND FOR BETTER TERMS.

#### Dealers Suggest Three Months' Rebate Period.

URING the last few days correspondence on the subject of valve price reductions has continued to arrive at our offices in quite as large a volume as in the previous week. The general trend of the opinions expressed in these letters bears out the idea given in our previous correspondence—that many traders have been severely hit by the B.V.A. arrangement.

In addition to complying with our request for information as to the number of valves affected by the reduction, the number on which rebate can be claimed, and, lastly, the approximate loss incurred, many of our correspondents have offered suggestions with regard to the rebate system. It would be impossible for us to publish all the letters, but we give below extensive

extracts of those which reflect the general consensus of opinion.

Mr. H. Featherstone, A.M.I.E.E., of 22, London Road,
Tunbridge Wells, says that his total loss is 59 12s. 6d. against a
credit of 53 3s. 2d., making a nett loss of 54 9s. 4d. He continues: This represents the profit on quite a considerable
turnover in valves, and is undoubtedly a great hardship. One
appreciates the difficulty in checking very large numbers of
stocks, but would it not be possible for the B.V.A. to guarantee,
in the event of price reductions, compensation to retailers who in the event of price reductions, compensation to retailers who would agree to maintain their stocks above a certain minimum level? This would induce the retailer to maintain higher stocks.

If the stock level were fixed reasonably high, it would no doubt reduce stocks to be checked to a point where the manufacturers' travellers could deal with them."

A number of dealers are of the opinion that rebate should be gven on purchases during three months before the price reduction announcement, instead of only two. Typical letters of this nature are given here

To the Editor.

SIR,—My stock of valves on July 18th was 73, in addition to 17 in sets. I received a rebate on 49 of these, showing an approximate loss of (3). This is not serious, and I think that it can hardly be avoided.

There is no doubt that July is a very suitable month for announcing a price reduction, although, under the present scheme, it is the worst month from the dealer's point of view when the loss on stocks is considered.

An allowance on three months' purchases would, I think, cover most traders' stocks effectively. In fact, some dealers—especially those who are near to wholesalers and can purchase stocks just as they require them-would probably make a good profit in these circumstances

There are losses with valves other than price reductions, and if the B.V.A. announced an increase in discount of 5 per cent., I think that most traders would accept the rebate on two months' stock, both in the present instance and in any further reductions.

Frank Thomson (Crieff).

To the Editor.

SIR,—We feel that we should like to bring before your notice the fact that we had 433 valves in stock at the time the reduction was announced. Out of these we can claim for only 47.

While we certainly agree that definite rules and regulations must be adhered to, we do feel that two months is not a sufficiently long time for the rebate, especially as valves are not being sold in any quantities at this time of the year, but have, nevertheless, to be kept in stock. We consider that at this time of the year three months would hardly be excessive, although we still think that some scheme could be devised for allowing reduction on the total stock held at the time of the reduction announce-G. W. Moore, Ltd. (Scarborough)

A Newbury firm (L. Squire & Co.) also think that a longer period for which rebate can be claimed would help matters. They consider that a pre-advice to the trade that reductions would come into operation in three months would be beneficial. A further idea which they put forward is that prices should be reduced during the winter months when stocks are disposed of more quickly. Incidentally, the firm state that they have more quickly. Incidentally, the firm state that they have written to the B.V.A. pointing out the injustice of the present methods and inviting an inspection of their stock, but they have been unable to obtain a reply. Their letter continues:

"We find that we have well over 500 valves on our shelves, and the thought of this number we

including those at a branch establishment. Of this number we

can only claim rebate on 90, making an actual loss of £40.

"As we are not in the happy position of being able to draw on a factor's stock at a moment's notice, we are compelled to maintain large stocks throughout the year, like other traders in country districts." country districts.

"We have always preached the gospel of 'British is best,' and foreign valves have not figured on our shelves, nor are they to be found there at the present time. Even the lack of encouragement from the B.V.A. cannot shake our belief in the superiority of British goods, but we are only human where our pockets are concerned.
"Surely the problem of rebates cannot be so difficult. Other

trades have had to face the situation at times, and speaking of those with which we are acquainted, we would say that they are

usually successful.

"... Fellow sufferers have a very powerful weapon, as indicated by Mr. Corke in his recent letter. They can force the makers to pay an extra 15 per cent. for distribution charges, and, judging by the efforts they have made in the past for direct trading to the dealer, this must eventually secure fairer treatment for all concerned."

The Plight of Country Traders.

In the above letter it will be noticed that reference is made to the different conditions for country traders as compared with those whose premises are situated in large towns. This is also reflected in a letter from Mr. C. S. Cruttenden, of Herstmonceux, Sussex, who writes: "My stock of valves on July 18th was 54, of the country of the co of which 18 were bought in the previous two months, meaning a dead loss of £2 14s.

"I am only in a small way of business in the country, and, like the majority of traders, I bought very few valves in those

two months as compared with the winter season.

"I consider that a rebate should be given on stocks held, and discount to agreement of at least 33\frac{1}{3} per cent."

A considerable proportion of our correspondents make reference

to the alleged dishonesty of some traders. Most of them point out that it is very unfair to punish the whole retail trade for the misdemeanours of a minority.

The Derby dealers, Hulme & Son, are one of these correspondents. Their letter, which has other interesting suggestions, is published below:

#### To the Editor.

SIR,—We are pleased to note that you are taking up the matter of valve price reduction, and we hope some fairer method may be the outcome.

Like the E.L.M.A., the B.V.A. offer to allow for all valves purchased during the two quietest months in the year when sales are almost nil. When consideration is given to the large variety of valves that traders are compelled to stock, and that many of them are slow sellers, the loss must be enormous. Then the large amount of capital locked up in valves, in addition to the fragile nature of the goods, the return of defectives, and, lastly, the large amount of correspondence which is necessary before the credit is reluctantly sent, must be taken into account.

The B.V.A.'s only point seems to be the dishonesty of some traders, but are they justified in penalising all because of a few black sheep?

We do not know what to suggest, but should think that a committee of traders and B.V.A. members would probably be the best means of arriving at some satisfactory solution to this very difficult problem.

Hulme & Son (Derby).

Messrs. Hulme seem to have been hit just as hard as many other of our correspondents. Their figures are: Total value of valves in stock £62 10s., for which credit to the value of £53 is allowed, making a loss of £9 10s.

A Plymouth trader has sent us a long and particularly interesting letter, in which he makes a number of suggestions.

#### To the Editor.

SIR,—Regarding your remarks with regard to the falsified returns sent in by some dealers in the past, I can quite believe that you have proof of the practice. Personally I think those responsible for this are the people who arrange the heavy reductions in the prices of valves, and the long time between these reductions. When traders send in dishonest returns, they are merely trying to get "their own back."

It must be obvious to many that the persons responsible for making such reductions at such a time and giving such a short period for rebate, who presumably gloat over the fact that the only loser is the retailer, must be vastly different from the people who plan and design the valves and the machines that make them.

If the former class cannot really think of any other method of making reductions, may I suggest to them through your columns that they should start—say—in September, to make a reduction in the selling prices of valves of 6d.—not 2s. 6d., which is the whole of the retailer's profit? Then in each succeeding September they should arrange a similar small reduction. No rebate on such a small reduction would be asked for; no falsified returns would be sent in.

The reductions in valve prices in this country have been absolutely ridiculous, as will be realised by anyone who will consider the heavy drops and the long periods between reductions. The obvious and best course is small reductions and shorter periods. Full notice should also be given to the trade two months before any change comes into operation.

I consider that, in the present circumstances, the manufacturers should be compelled to give each bona-fide dealer full rebate on every valve in stock.

J. O. Coleman (Plymouth).

Mr. Coleman also complains that "ring" valve manufacturers only replace one valve when three have been burnt out owing to a faulty S.G. valve. In Mr. Coleman's opinion they should replace all of them.

#### Further Facts and Figures.

Apart from all the letters offering hints and possible solutions, we have received a very large number that merely give figures, and add a few words by way of comment. It would be impossible to quote even a half of these. We can merely print excerpts from a selection which are representative of the majority.

#### To the Editor.

SIR,—We are glad to see that you are not, as we at first suspected, taking the side of the B.V.A. with regard to valve price reduction. This appears to be a much more serious affair than anyone would have suspected, and there was bound to be

an uproar. No more need be said than that which has already appeared in your previous issues.

We find we have 101 boxed valves, together with 41 valves in new receivers, making a total of 142. Only 9 of these are eligible for rebate, meaning an approximate loss of £16 14s.

Jas. Telford & Sons (Langholm).

SIR,—The number of valves in stock on July 18th affected by the price reduction amounted to 90. Rebate could be claimed on 16. This means an approximate loss of £5 18s. We are not, however, signing the B.V.A. agreement until we get a fair settlement.

G. N. Atkinson Atkinson's Radio House,

Sunderland.

SIR,—... Our stock of valves which were affected by the reduction numbered 203, and the amount of reduction was £26 18s., less 25 per cent., leaving a net figure of £20 3s. 6d. The number of valves bought during the previous two months was 43. The reduction on these valves was £4 9s., less 25 per cent., showing a net figure of £3 os. 9d. Thus the actual dead net loss to us was £16 16s. 9d.

What an inducement for British houses to support British manufacturers! J. J. Hirst (Tutills, Ltd., Manchester).

SIR,—... The number of valves we had in stock on July 18th which were affected by the price reduction was 118. We can claim rebate on 17, leaving 101 valves on which no rebate

can be claimed.

We trust that you will be able to use your influence with the B.V.A., as from the letters published in The Trader this is apparently a very serious matter for many retailers besides ourselves.

#### M. S. Kealey (Walker's Wireless, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

A large Scottish firm (Spensers, Ltd., of Edinburgh) state that the total number of valves in stock on July 18th was 537, of which rebate could be claimed on 55. This means a loss of about £40. Their letter has several other interesting points:

".... The arrangements for giving rebates are most unsatisfactory. The number of valves purchased during the last two months do not amount to anything at all, and the only fair arrangement would be to give a rebate on all valves in stock....

"Considering the profit on valves and the large number that the retailer has to stock, the arbitrary decision of the B.V.A. is most unreasonable and does not encourage dealers to carry a representative stock.

"In adhering to the B.V.A. agreement not to sell or stock any

"In adhering to the B.V.A. agreement not to sell or stock any other make of valves the trader is making a very considerable concession, and it is only right that he should get *quid pro quo*. The present agreements are distinctly one-sided."

Of a rather different nature is a letter from V. Zeitlin & Sons, Ltd., the wholesalers. This is published below:

#### To the Editor.

SIR,—We would like to point out that the valve question becomes a serious matter for those who are prepared to carry large stocks of British valves, but who are unable to make favourable agreements with the B.V.A.

For some reason we have not been favoured with the B.V.A. factors' agreement, and we therefore find it necessary to purchase our products in the open market.

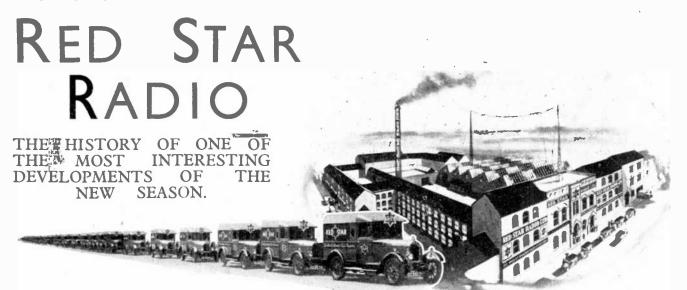
On the day of the reduction in prices of valves, we had in our stocks some  $f_3$ ,000 worth of B.V.A. products at cost price, and on these stocks we have now suffered a loss averaging 15 per cent.

It must be obvious to the manufacturers concerned that an injustice is being incurred, because it does not seriously matter where we purchased our goods. Providing they are the products of the B.V.A. manufacturers, we should be covered in respect of the reductions in price which are made without giving warning or even a little time to dispose of some of the stocks in the ordinary way of trade.

We trust that you will push the fight onward, and if nothing can be done with the reductions now in operation, then perhaps the position can be made clear, whereby traders will know whether to stock British valves without fear of being called upon to incur losses every now and again.

W. Wolsey (V. Zeitlin & Sons, Ltd.)

With the large amount of evidence that we have now collected from traders in every part of the country we feel that we have every justification in approaching the B.V.A. and placing the material before them. By the time this issue is in print, this will have been done, and we trust that next week we shall be able to publish that body's comments on the situation.



F-as we believe must be the case—the number of people who have made direct enquiries to us is any indication of the interest and curiosity aroused in the trade by the advance "mystery" publicity featuring the name "Red Star," then the new company now coming into the market can look forward to a very successful first

The principle of "nameless" preliminary advertising is, of course, well known, and it has at various times been used by many of our greatest national advertisers. It has not often, however, been exploited in the radio industry-in fact, we can recall only one previous occasion when the method was used on anything like the same scale as the recent "Red Star" effort.

We ourselves have known of the "Red Star" plans for a considerable time—since early in the year, in fact—and have watched their development to the point of fruition with very great interest. It is for the trade now to judge the value to them of the merchandise, and the marketing schemes behind it, which these months of planning have produced.

The Basic Idea.

Broadly speaking, "Red Star" radio, as it is now offered to the trade, is the result of an idea—namely, that by far the greatest proportion of the existing market for radio receivers lies among working-class people who can only be reached by a very keen price appeal. It was believed that

the wane in popularity of the crystal set and the ordinary forms of homeconstruction left a very extensive field for a radio instrument which would provide, at the price of the ordinary home-built set, those qualities of appearance and performance which only skilled design and factory production can confer.

This, of course, is not a new conception, but we believe we are justified in saying that Red Star Radio, Ltd., are tackling the problem on a scale that has hitherto not been attempted in the radio industry. Many months have been devoted to translating into commercial form the project which we have outlined. Obviously the only means of achieving this end lay in developing a suitable design and

putting down a plant capable of real mass production, which would enable costs to be reduced to a minimum, so that the completed job could be offered to the public at a figure within the reach of almost anyone.

Actually two complete receivers are comprised in the first season's production—one a 2-valve and the other a 3-valve model—the retail prices being respectively £3 3s. and £4 4s. each, exclusive, of course, of valves, batteries and speaker. Before dealing with the sets themselves, which have several points of particular interest apart from their price, we may outline some of the special marketing plans that have been developed in connection with them.

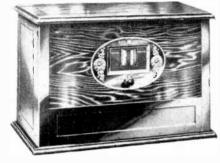
Firstly, in company with the trade appeal, there is to be an unusually intensive public campaign, starting with a full announcement on the front page of the Daily Mail next Friday, August 29th. This will be followed up by many more large-space appeals in the national weekly and daily press, and very considerable sums of money are to be spent in the opening weeks of the Autumn season to arouse the public interest in "Red Star" sets.

At the same time, a fleet of sixteen commercial vans, on the Morris 10-cwt, chassis, will be seen all over the country. These will be used by "Red Star" sales representatives, and their striking cream-and-red colour-scheme will undoubtedly help to keep the easily-remembered name before the public eve.

The "Red Star" exhibit at Olympia has been conceived on the same lines. No fewer than eight adjoining stands have been taken in the gallery to the National Hall (hitherto known as the New Hall), and it is intended to use this impressive space to supplement the interest created by the great press appeal to the public.

Special window transparencies are also being issued to the trade, and it is hoped that dealers everywhere will display them, and thus link up with the remainder of the campaign.

A point of particular importance to our readers is that Red Star Radio, Ltd., desire to carry out their entire distribution through the wholesale trade. Producing in huge numbers, they naturally require the easiest and speediest bulk outlet for their



The outward appearance of both the Red Star receivers is on the lines of the 3-valve model shown here. The top, bottom and front panel are of wood and the sides and front sub-panel of enamelled metal toning with the rest of the cabinet.

goods, and it is hoped that the trade will employ their normal wholesale channels for their supplies.

It is possible—although, we believe, not yet definitely settled—that special agency terms will be offered to traders who carry a number of sets regularly in stock, but here, again, supplies will have to be obtained through a recognised wholesaler.

#### The Sets Themselves.

These, briefly, are the plans for putting over "Red Star" to the public, and production is already well in hand. A



Mr. A. W. Macnamara, Governing Director of Red Star Radio, Ltd.

large factory has been specially equipped for the task in Aston Road, Birmingham, and some idea of its extent will be gathered from the impression of it given on page 187.

The moving conveyor system is used throughout, and the manufacturing methods employed are designed to maintain a constant flow of receivers through the works. Batches of completed sets will leave the assembly shop every hour, and tremendous daily quantities are involved.

One other point of interest which has to be mentioned here lies in the fact that Red Star Radio, Ltd., although themselves new-comers to the

industry, are closely identified, through their Governing Director, Mr. A. W. Macnamara, with that old-established concern, the Telsen Electric Co., Ltd. Telsen components are, in point of fact, exclusively used in the construction of the "Red Star" sets.

Now for the sets themselves. They are, as have been said, 2- and 3-valve models, and they have the essential points of construction in common, so that it is unnecessary to deal with them separately. Both employ simple circuits with no H.F. stage, and transformer-coupling is used throughout, the 2-valve model incorporating the Telsen 7-1 ratio transformer. Both sets embody drum-drive condensers, and all controls are centralised on the front panel.

Screening is employed in both receivers, and this is applied in an entirely novel manner. Both sets include space for batteries, and the wooden base-board above this space, on which the components are mounted, carries a metal screen underneath. Similarly the polished wooden front panel is backed by inetal, and the two sides of the cabinet are actually made of pressed metal. This leaves only the back and top to be enclosed, and a single piece of right-angled metal is supplied for this purpose. This slides into place over the components in specially-provided grooves, and it can be quickly and easily removed as the user desires.

The sets thus have a certain amount of screening permanently embodied, while the main screen can be employed or discarded by the purchaser according to the district in which the set is used. For example, those within close range of the twin high-power transmitters at Brookman's Park can use the complete screening to improve the selectivity by reducing direct pick-up, while those who live at a distance can simply slide out the detachable screening and thus gain in sensitivity.

With exactly the same end in view, two further simple adjustments are provided, these being the provision of "dual detection" and "twin-tap" coupling. In the former case a quick change-over can be effected from grid-leak to

anode-bend detection, the first-mentioned, of course, giving greater range and the latter better selectivity. A variation of the degree of aerial coupling can also be made in the same easy way.

Selling Points.

It is stated that exhaustive tests have been carried out in various parts of the country with both receivers, and that even in the immediate vicinity of Brookman's Park they give, by virtue of the special provisions outlined, an adequate degree of selectivity, while, in other circumstances, they enable a wide variety of British and foreign stations to be received on both the long and short waves. It should also be mentioned that the controls are limited to the thumb-drive tuning and reaction condensers and the combined on-off and wave-change switch which are seen on the escutcheon plate in our illustration.

The current consumption is stated to be extremely low, but it has been borne in mind that many users may prefer to employ a mains-supply unit instead of batteries, and the space inside the cabinet has been designed to accommodate any normal unit. Moreover, it is pointed out in this connection that the permanent screening provided in the sets is of the utmost value in eliminating hum due to interference between the eliminator and the circuits of the receiver. It should also be mentioned that it is intended in any event for the L.T. accumulator to be employed outside the cabinet, in order to avoid possible troubles due to the acid fumes corroding the joints.

It may be felt that the alternative internal devices which the set provides will present some confusion to the non-technical user, who is, after all, the type of listener "Red Star" sets are mainly designed to interest. The actual modifications themselves, however, are so simple that the detailed directions to be sent out with each set will leave no room for misunderstanding, and we feel that Red Star Radio have well achieved their object in offering to the public an instrument which provides them with adequate performance and attractive appearance at a price well within the reach of the vast majority of people.

For the trader these are, of course, vitally important points. He has here two sets which should sell very readily indeed on these appeals alone, and from the specifications it would seem that the tests which we hope shortly to carry out on them should reveal a standard of performance adequate for all normal uses.

#### Some American Retail Statistics.

THE Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce in the United States has recently carried out a study of the retail wireless business in U.S.A., and among the points considered was that of the late closing of radio shops on Saturday, which was found to be quite general. Out of 41 shops, all but eight kept open on Saturday night until 9 o'clock or later, two, in fact, not closing till midnight. On other weekdays, 18 of the 41 shops reported closing regularly at 6.30, while the latest closing hour was 11 p.m.

It is interesting to note that of the 18 shops remaining open every week-day at least until 9 p.m., ten reported at least half their sales to be made in the evening. On Saturdays sales were spread a little more evenly over the day.

Out of 39 wireless dealers in the United States reporting to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce regarding the most important factors influencing the sales of wireless sets, 21 indicated price as the most importance, while 12 others placed price in the second or third place. Tone quality and appearance were mentioned as first in importance by seven and five dealers respectively, 22 dealers naming each of these factors among the leading three. The "recommendation of a friend" stood next in importance, being reported by 16 dealers. Selectivity was reported by 12, distance ability by 7, and power by 4.



# 3 valves are not necessary

Until quite recently a set with only two valves was considered of little or no use for anything more than the local station.
But of late, radio technique as a whole, and the design of Radio Sets

generally, has improved in an amazing way.

To a similar degree the efficiency of the modern valve has advanced, while the enormous increase in the power and range of modern Broadcast Stations all tend to make the two valve set of recent design the equal in performance of the three and even four valve sets of a short time ago.

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Bear in mind that the crystal set user of to-day is the two valve set owner of to-morrow. Be the first dealer in your district to stock these sets, and thus you will not only secure new business, but by so doing you will increase your reputation for being progressive.

There is going to be a demand for these Amplion Two Valve All-Mains Receivers. Stock up now and be in a position to meet it.

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A.C.8 The man who desires a lower-priced speaker than the A.B.6 will find this Amplion Two-Guinea Cone a very admirable substitute. The reproduction is worthy of the name of Amplion, while the finish of the cabinet is, even at this low figure, at true Amplion Quality.

A.B.41 These Speakers do the Amplion Two Valve Receiver full justice, revealing its power A.B.45 of reproduction to the utmost, and displaying the fine all-round performance of which it is capable.

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#### WITH THE TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

## W.R.A. AND N.F.R.R. EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

W.R.A. Council.

E have received from the secretaries of the W.R.A. a report of a special meeting of the W.R.A. Council which was held last week at the Association's Headquarters, 70, Finsbury Pavennent, London, E.C., to discuss further schemes for the improvement of trading conditions in the radio industry. Mr. H. Shearman Dyer occupied the chair until the arrival of Mr. A. E. Betambeau.

The secretaries reported that they had written to the exhibition organisers on the subject of retail sales at the annual exhibitions, the R.M.A.'s reply being that the exhibitors' contracts could not be altered this year. In view of the strong objection of members to the practice, it was decided to write again to the Association on the matter. It was also proposed by Mr. Woodbridge, seconded by Mr. Davis, and resolved, that the editors of the trade journals be asked not to allow the public to peruse their journals at the Exhibition, and that only dummy copies be exposed on the stands.

A further letter from the Stockport branch was read informing the Council that their secession was decided upon prior to the incidents of Mr. Carter's presence at the London meeting. It was decided to write to them again asking what advantage the Stockport branch hoped to derive by withdrawing from the national association, especially at a time when highly important developments in the organisation of the retail trade were to be expected.

On the arrival of Mr. Betambeau, the question of the Association's annual subscription was again discussed. Several members drew attention to the great importance of considering such a vital proposal in all its aspects and to the fact that the rules would have to be altered before any increase could be made. It was finally proposed by Mr. Woodbridge, seconded by Mr. Aston, and resolved, that when the next circular letter is sent to members they should be invited to express their individual opinions upon the question of raising the subscription from 21s. to two guineas per annum, and that if the majority concurred, an extraordinary general meeting be held as soon as possible to alter the rules in this connection.

The Official Organ.

Details of the official organ were next considered. Every effort, it was stated, was being made to publish the first issue during the course of the Exhibition, and the journal would be issued fortnightly throughout the season and monthly during the summer months. It was further being arranged that all members of the W.R.A. should receive regularly a free copy of the journal, which would be of some 50 pages in size.

The Post Card Register was next considered. Mr. Shearman Dyer reported that there were several applications from manufacturers for lists of those who had signed the declaration against price-cutting. It was decided that the list of names and addresses should be published as early as possible in the official organ.

Arrangements for the exhibitions were next considered, and it was decided that all members of the Council and branch secretaries should be written to asking for assistance in staffing the stand at Olympia.

Mr. Shearman Dyer submitted a draft manifesto for distribution at the exhibitions, and the Executive Committee were deputed to proceed with its publication.

The next item on the agenda was the Dealers' Register Scheme. The objects, general considerations and practical development of the scheme having been outlined by Mr. Dyer, the meeting fully discussed the project. The members present unanimously resolved that the broad principles of the proposal be forthwith adopted; that copies of the draft of the scheme be received by those present, and that a period of seven days be allowed for comments and suggestions to be sent to the Head Office, after which the Executive Committee would be empowered to proceed with the scheme as submitted.

The Valve Rebate Question.

This was followed by the important matter of the B.V.A. rebate system on valves. Letters from members of the W.R.A.

were duly read, from which it appeared that in certain cases definite hardship had been occasioned, and it was decided to recommend such members to represent the circumstances to the manufacturers concerned and, in the event of redress not being obtained, that they again refer the matter to Headquarters. It was proposed by Mr. Aston, seconded by Mr. Woodbridge, and resolved, that the B.V.A. be written to asking for an increase in discount to 33½ per cent. in view of the general opinion that the effect of the reduction in price would not be equalised by the increase in sales and that such an increased discount would promote the sale of British valves.

A letter from the Manchester branch was read to the meeting containing a resolution deploring the practice of certain manufacturers of disposing of obsolete stocks by selling them at greatly reduced prices to the large stores. Strong disapproval of this method of conducting business was expressed, and it was resolved that a letter to the R M.A. be sent upon this subject.

The Council were gratified to receive a long letter from the Manchester branch containing a large number of constructive suggestions for the practical development of the Association. The suggestions relative to the official organ, the appointment of an organising secretary to cover provincial organisation, the extention of branch membership and practical steps by which members of the W.R.A. could be identified in the public's mind with conscientious retailing of radio goods. The letter was received with appreciation, and it was resolved that a detailed reply should be sent, stating that the suggestions in the letter would be acted upon as far as possible at the present time, and that those dependent upon subsequent extension of the resources of the Association would be dealt with as soon as practicable.

Finally, the report states: During the course of the meeting thirty-two new members were elected.

#### N.F.R.R. Council.

REPORT that we have received from the hon. organising secretary of the N.F.R.R. states that a meeting of the Council was held on August 17th, at the Head Office, with Mr. Smeeton-Wilkinson in the chair.

The report continues: The chairman in his opening remarks said that he considered the progress of the Federation since the last meeting had been highly satisfactory, and two new branches at Nottingham and Stoke-on-Trent had been opened. The branches now numbered eleven, and individual new members were coming in quickly, and at the present rate of progress he hoped soon to see the 1,000 mark reached.

The secretary then read correspondence from the branches, and also from members.

It was reported by Mr. Mallinson, secretary of the Burnley branch, that they were conducting an intensive campaign for members in the surrounding districts, and that he hoped to report the acquisition of many new members. Several communications were read from retailers in various towns expressing the desirability of branches in their own district, particularly from the northern areas.

The Exhibitions Committee reported progress of the arrangements which were being made for the forthcoming exhibitions at Olympia and Manchester.

It was reported that during a recent tour in the Midlands, a case was discovered of a wholesaler who was giving special discounts to all classes of people, without the slightest regard for the usual trading terms and conditions. This case was being taken up very strongly with wholesalers and manufacturers.

Much discussion took place respecting the manufacturers' "Stop List," and the general opinion was that it did not seem to be having the slightest effect, while on the other hand it seemed to be heralded as an excuse by the individual manufacturer for refusing to take any independent action. It was pointed out that the letter to the Radio Manufacturers Association regarding activities of their representative on the Executive Committee of the Fair Trading Congress still remained un-

# "TRADER" TEST REPORTS

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Manufacturers are invited to submit apparatus for test under this heading.

Philips Lamps, Ltd., 145, Charing Cross Road, London, W.C.2.

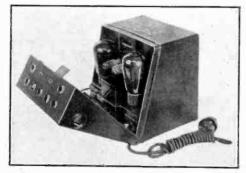
Philips 10 Watt Amplifiers.

Description and Price.—These to W amplifiers are made in a range of four, of which three are designed for the reproduction of radio or gramophone records in small halls or restaurants, and one for reproduction in large buildings

such as hotels and hospitals.

In the smaller class, the type 2754, of which we have a sample, utilises a single pentode valve, and is contained in an all-metal case, finished in blue and black enamel with an extremely good representation of fabric. As will be seen from the illustration, a section of the case is hinged at one edge, so that it can be opened outwards, thus exposing the valves and part of the interior.

The amplifier is, of course, for operation from A.C. mains, and for safety, the movable portion of the case is fitted with a tongue of metal which, when the case is closed, coincides with a socket, and switches on the mains supply



One of the range of Philips 10 watt amplificers for A.C. mains, employing a super-power pentode, and a valve rectifier for H.T. supply.

When the case is opened the circuit is broken, and the amplifier cannot be used.

All the mains equipment, with the exception of the valve rectifier, is situated behind a partition, which separates it from the valve compartment. The valve sockets are sunk in a platform of a moulded material similar to bakelite, above the loud-speaker grille, which is fretted with the usual moulding of the same material. The amplifying valve, a Mullard super-power pentode, type P.M.24B, is situated at the left-hand side, while the rectifier, a Philips 505 half-wave rectifying valve, is to the right. Between the valves, two small neon lamps are mounted horizontally in suitable sockets. These are visible through apertures in the case, and serve as overload indicators.

Another interesting feature in this amplifier is the volume controlling device which consists of a moulding in which four sockets are recessed. A specially constructed plug can be placed into any of these, and enables the volume to be controlled in four stages.

The 2754 amplifier is supplied with a 5 ft. 6 ins. mains lead with a standard 5 A two-pin plug, and speaker and input leads, both of which are about 6 ft. in length. The price is £18 retail.

TEST RESULTS.—The amplifiers can be used following an earlier receiver or amplifier, or directly after a pick-up. We

tested the 2754 after a pick-up having good characteristics and a moderate voltage output. The amplifier was run from 250 V A.C. mains, and the consumption was just about 30  $W_{\star}$ 

The amplifier was used to feed a moving-coil speaker, and the mains hum produced was extremely small, and not noticeable when reproducing music, even at a small volume.

Using the pick-up with no external volume control, an enormous volume was obtainable without valve overload. There was quite enough output for a small hall, or similar purposes. The 4-step volume control worked satisfactorily. This would normally be adjusted according to the number of speakers in use, the pick-up or preceding amplifier having a volume control of its own for adjusting the input to the 2754.

The tone was exceedingly good, and did not appear to suffer from emphasis of the high frequencies as is some-

times the case when pentodes are used.

The amplifier demonstrated most effectively the high amplification factor and large undistorted output obtainable from the 24B pentode. It is exceedingly well constructed, quite small in dimensions, and should prove very useful for the purpose for which it is designed. A very full instruction book is provided, showing, amongst other things, the method of connecting up numbers of speakers to the best advantage.

Selectors, Ltd., 206, Bedford Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, Slough, Bucks.

Selector "42" Receiver.

Description and Price.—This set is a 4-valve A.C. mains transportable, and is fitted in a highly polished mahogany vertical type cabinet measuring about 20 ins. high, 10½ ins. deep and 19 ins. wide at the bottom, tapering to 18 ins. at the top. A turntable is fitted. In front, and the output and earth terminals are mounted on a vertical S design, are two hinged doors, which can be locked, and which enclose the sunk mahoganite control panel. Inside these doors are two station logs, containing most of the usual British and Continental stations normally received, with accurate calibrations.

The controls comprise two slow-motion condensers for aerial and H.F. tuning, fitted with nickelled pointers, the scales being engraved on the panel. The volume control is a differential reaction condenser, while there is also a 3-way switch giving "off," "long" and "short" positions.

At the back of the set there is a hinged door, provided with a lock, which gives access to the inside. At the bottom right-hand side this door is cut away, and behind it is a panel containing the plug and sockets for the mains connection, sockets for an external aerial and earth connection if desired, and jacks for an external speaker and gramophone pick-up.

On opening the back, the small panel will be seen to contain in addition provision for adjusting the set for mains voltages of 110, 200, 220 or 240 V. Inside the cabinet there is a platform carrying the receiving valves.

with the components and wiring fixed to the platform, either above or below, while at the base of the set is the loud-speaker and rectifying and smoothing equipment, closed in by a 3-ply panel. A hole is cut in this to give access to the Mullard DW2 rectifying valve for the H.T. supply, and also to enable the loud-speaker movement to be adjusted. The speaker, by the way, is an Amplion B.A.2 unit and chassis.

Mounted on the left of the horizontal platform is a screening box, with removable cover, containing the Mazda SG/AC screened grid H.F. valve and the Mullard 354 V detector and their associated wiring. Outside the box, towards the right of the platform, are Mullard 164 V and 104 V valves, in the first L.F. and output positions respectively. The circuit incorporates the tuned screened grid H.F. stage, grid leak detector, and two transformer coupled L.F. stages. The set, complete, sells at 42 guineas.

Test Results.—The set was tested 11 miles from Brookman's Park, without an external aerial or earth. The tone was rich and mellow, but not too rounded. The high frequencies were perhaps a little below normal, but on the other hand speech was clear. There was very little noticeable box resonance, and quite a good, clear bass response. The set would handle without distortion more volume than would be necessary for even a large room while using an external moving-coil speaker quite enough volume for ordinary use was obtainable.

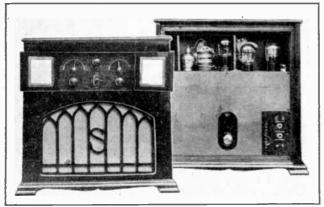
Tested with a gramophone pick-up giving an average output of 0.6 V, the amplifier did not overload, but there was not much margin of safety. An external volume control for the pick-up is therefore desirable. The tone was perfectly satisfactory when reproducing records.

On the radio side the sensitivity was very good for a set of this type. Thus Langenburg was received at faint loud-speaker strength during daylight, while during darkness a good crop of continental stations was obtainable. On the long waves all the usual stations came in at good loud-speaker strength during daylight.

The selectivity of the set was good, and on rotating the set to the position of minimum strength from Brookman's Park, each B.P. station only occupied about 10 degrees on the scale (100 degree scale). This is very good, and it enabled Toulouse to be received clear of the London Regional station during darkness. Also, on the long waves, Koenigswusterhausen was clear of 5XX and Radio Paris, a very good test.

The reaction control was smooth, though the setting was fairly critical for long distance reception. Tuning was greatly simplified by the calibration tables provided, which, incidentally, were quite accurate. The mains hum was negligible.

Altogether, this set can be thoroughly recommended.



The "Selector 42" A.C. mains transportable. On the right is a back view with the hinged door removed, and the cover taken off the screening box.

**Graham Amplion, Ltd.,** St. Andrew's Works, Slough, Bucks.

Amplion Speaker, Type A.B.41.

DESCRIPTION AND PRICE.—The A.B.41 speaker is a large cabinet cone model, similar in general construction to the

The Amplion A.B. 41 speaker, which, it will be seen, is housed in a cabinet similar to those used for the "Lion" range.



A.B.6, but with a much more powerful balanced armature unit.

It is available housed in oak or mahogany cabinets of the same type as those of the well-known "Lion" range. Our sample speaker has a cabinet identical with that of the "Lion" table cabinet model in polished oak, and measures 18½ ins. by 10 ins. by 10 ins. high. At the front there is an artistically fretted grille, backed by a plain woven fabric, while the back of the cabinet is closed by a sheet of brown cloth stretched over a frame.

Internally, the cone, 14 ins. across the mouth, is of the stiff black paper material familiar in Amplion speakers, and presses, at its periphery, on a ring of felt. The balanced armature unit, which appears to be similar in construction to the B.A.2, but larger, is mounted on a wide strip of metal, the two ends of which are bent round and attached to the front board. The adjusting screw of the unit projects at the back, just above the small moulded panel on which tour input terminals are mounted. These terminals are provided with two connecting strips, which enable two different impedances to be obtained, so that the speaker can be used following either low or high A.C. resistance valves.

The retail price of the A.B.41 in oak is £5 15s., and in mahogany, £6 6s.

TEST RESULTS.—As it is very similar to the 14-in. "Lion" speaker in general size, our A.B.41 was compared with a "Lion" during the tests. The volume given was fully equal to that of the "Lion," which, of course, is rather above the average in sensitivity for a cone speaker. The tone of the A.B.41 differed from the "Lion" in that it was considerably deeper, the bass response being fairly pronounced, and not far short of a good moving-coil speaker, that is, one that is free from "thump" in the 50-100 cycle region.

In this respect the A.B.41 speaker was better than the "Lion," the bass being fairly clear, though we suspect that some resonance was present. On the other hand, the high frequencies were not so much in evidence as in the case of the "Lion," and the response was therefore not so crisp and brilliant, though it was not badly lacking in this respect. The A.B.41 was found to handle a very large input without distortion.

Thus it will be seen that those who like a good bass response and a fairly low tone will favour the A.B.41. Those, on the other hand, who favour crisp reproduction, with plenty of high frequencies, will choose the "Lion." The A.B.41 has the added advantage of adjustable impedance, and used directly following a 6-volt pentode it gave very good tone.

### PROVINCIAL TRADE NOTES

Birmingham's Summer Trade.

USINESS in Birmingham appears to BUSINESS in Birmingham appears to be variable just now. The recent wet weather, though, has certainly resulted in a rise in the sales curve, whereas possibly it might otherwise have

dropped.

There has been an interesting amalgamation in the city centre. The well-known trader, Mr. Gordon Baynton, has now joined up with the Midland Radio Service, Ltd., an establishment carrying on a highclass business in Corporation Street. The battery service set up by Mr. Baynton is being developed and should strengthen the firm's connection. Radio-gramophones are a speciality and several R.G.D. instruments have been sold. Portables have not been in active demand. The smaller type of A.C. mains set has been a satisfactory seller, though D.C. lines sell better since Birmingham is largely on direct current. Among A.C. lines R.I. receivers are popular, while among general lines Marconiphone instruments are favoured. The firm also do a considerable amount of Marconiphone P.A. work. I learned that the Celestion was still a sound line in cone speakers, and that the R.G.D. pick-up was in fair demand.

Colman & Co., in Dale End, state that business has been much better than last summer, H.P. undertakings having helped considerably. Portables and components have dropped off, though complete home sets are selling in large numbers. At the moment people are waiting for the new lines, and particularly for the latest "Music Magnet." The new Cossor, Messrs. Colman believe, will be a good seller. The little Danipad set is an active line, and the "Blue Spot" 66R loud-speaker is meeting with many enquiries. Units are preferred to complete speakers, I gathered. Among batteries the Pertrix is extremely popular. "We have not yet had a bad one," the manager said. The Ever-Ready "Winner" is a good second.

"Our summer trade has been about fair," said the manager of Beresford's Supply Co., Ltd., in Bull Street, remarking that the industrial depression naturally reacted on trade. Pointing to the new "Music Magnet" displayed to the public, he said many enquiries had been received, vet the old model was still a sound selling line. "Ekco," Philips, and K-B sets are

all moving well.

Portables, especially the G.E.C. and Pye, have been selling satisfactorily. Radio-gramophones, Mr. Beresford told me, are making headway, and among pick-ups the Celestion Woodroffe is going very well. Recently the firm converted their basement into a large showroom with separate audition rooms.

Batteries and sets have been the staple business of late in some of the suburbs, or so I gathered from Mr. S. M. Spain's shops in Pershore Road and Stratford Road. Constructors are not buying much just now, but immediately before and after Bank Holiday quite a useful trade sprang up.

A Pioneer Hereford Trader.

R. A. KIRBY, of the Auto Electric Service Supply, Whitchurch, decrvedly claims to be the pioneer of the wireless trade in Herefordshire. He started producing sets in 1921, and in the same year patented the "Kirby-phone" receiver, a set which became so popular that his name was soon a house-hold word, where wireless was concerned, in the West of England and South Wales. As long as nine years ago he ran a P.A. service, and often supplied electrically reproduced gramophone music at Herefordshire garden parties and fêtes. Mr. Kirby has now opened the Auto Electric Service Supply, and is concentrating on his "Auto 'Lectric' receiver, which is finding great favour locally.

Mr. A. W. De Ath, the well-known Leominster trader, who addressed a gathering of traders and others at the conclusion of Leominster Trades Exhibition recently, said he did not think they could sum up the results of an exhibition of that kind on the lines of a profit and loss account, but the chief point to him was the spirit of fellowship and co-operation shown by the traders represented. He felt that he knew his fellow traders better than he had done before, and therein lay the value of such exhibitions.

C. F. King & Co., of Eign Street, Hereford, were remarkably busy with their Marconiphone public address outfit over A-igust bank holiday, and at Peterchurch they relayed the broadcast of the arrival of Amy Johnson to thousands of holiday makers. Their outfit is transported in a saloon motor car, with two speakers fixed at the rear. Messrs. King's outfit has taken the place of the brass band at the head of carnivals and other processions in the district.

Trade in the city of Hereford itself is fairly brisk for the time of the year, but outlying towns find business on the slow side. In Hereford, Philips all-mains sets are still the principal sellers, while Pye portables rank a good second.

New Lines in Hull.

CONSIDERABLE improvement in business is apparent in Hull, probably due in some respects to the rainy weather. A notable increase in the sale of portables is reported, Pye and Marconiphone being the most popular, while the Amplion portable, on account of its range and selectivity, is attracting the attention of an increasing clientele who are willing to pay the price.

The Cossor "Empire Melody Maker"

kit appears to have captured popular imagination, and good sales are being made. Deliveries of the "Music Magnet" are being anxiously awaited and orders are already in hand. The new "Blue Spot" speakers are now in evidence. It is regretted that there is a delay in the delivery of the 66R units, but it is understood this will be remedied very

A very healthy turnover is being maintained in "Ekco" mains units,

Pertrix and Ever Ready H.T. batteries, and the new bakelite-cased Telsen transformers.

Steady Trade in North Essex.

RADE in the Colchester and North Essex area is fairly satisfactory considering the holiday season is in full swing. This is partly accounted for by the fact that on account of the poor weather wireless is regarded as the best form of entertainment. Traders are now giving consideration to questions of stock and to the best methods of boosting new season's lines. It has been observed that effective publicity in the early days of September proves to be very useful.

At the moment renovation of old sets is a profitable business, while a few sales of new receivers are being made. The gramophone section of the trade, it is expected, will show an improvement soon. The Columbia Graphophone Co., Ltd., in conjunction with Mann Bros., of High Street, Colchester, will give a gramophone and record recital in Colchester Town Hall on September 5th. This, by itself, should do much to maintain interest.

Replacements and Overhauls in Portsmouth.

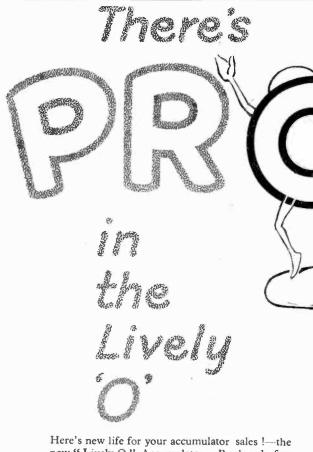
PORTSMOUTH dealers have found the last few weeks their slackest time of the year. There have been, however, one or two interesting features about the month's trade. Southsea, for instance, has been fuller of visitors this August than ever before, while nearly fourteen thousand dockyardmen, for the first time, took a week's holiday all together, with pay. Money has therefore been circulating more freely. Thus, while comparatively few new sets have been sold, work on the overhaul of old ones has been considerable, and there has been quite a good trade in the renewal of batteries and valves.

It has been said in the past that very little of the money spent by visitors has found its way into the wireless shops. This, however, is not so evident this year. Mr. W. E. Harding, of Fawcett Road, Southsea, in addition to the re-servicing of customers' sets, has found that a good many visitors, for instance, have brought in portables for overhaul. Sometimes a jolt during a motor car journey has put the set out of action, or a valve has had to be replaced. Other Southsea traders have had the same experience of this class of extra business during the holiday season, and it has helped to alleviate the general slackness of trade. There is to be a big shopping festival during the first fortnight in September, and the more enterprising local wireless dealers are preparing to embark then upon a big

sales campaign.
Mr. F. M. Seal, who added a wireless department to his business at Highland Road, Southsea, at the end of last year, has been quite satisfied with the progress made so far, and is looking forward to a good autumn season. "I think we have had our share of the trade," he said,



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"some weeks, of course, more than others. We have found the B.T.H. all-mains one of the best propositions so far. People also seem to like the 'Ediswan' transportable.''

Mr. Ernest Wyatt, of Queen's Road, Portsmouth, very successfully carried out the microphone and loud-speaker installations in connection with the naval searchlight tattoo at Whale Island in celebration of the centenary of the Naval Gunnery School. Every word of the descriptive broadcast from the stands was clearly audible to all the spectators each night, and for an hour prior to the commencement of the tattoo a recital of H.M.V. records was given.

A matter which is creating a little soreness among other traders is the offer by a music firm of a year's service and accumulator charging free after the sale of a receiver. "The motor trade would not think of offering a year's free petrol after a car sale," one dealer commented, and this is practically on the same Probably the matter is one which the local wireless traders' association

could usefully take up.

#### Promise of Mains Sales in South Wales.

RADE in complete sets is at its lowest ebb, and the public are apparently "sitting on the fence" until the manufacturers' new products appear in the shops. Traders are counteracting this slacking off by giving publicity to their repair services and to components; this more with a view to keeping their names before the public rather than in the hope of present resultant large business. Battery recharging work has shown some falling off. Old stocks are being cleared by means of sales. House-to-house canvassing has been commenced by some retailers, and good results are promised for the future. Dealers say that mains sets will certainly be the feature of autumn trade, and the number of enquiries on hand for these is most encouraging. Throughout the summer months mains sets and portables have sold well, and notwithstanding present slackness, the summer has vielded better results all round than for many summer seasons past. The increased willingness of traders to take old sets in part payment for new ones has undoubtedly helped, as have H.P. contracts.

Of present sales Philips lines are moving best. I've has been a good seller both in mains and portables. The Cossor " Melody Maker" is the feature of kittrade, and "Ekco" products give promise of good sales in the near future.

Mr. Piper, Nelson Street, Swansea, speaks well of the McMichael portables, of which he has sold several.

The music dealers in all centres of the area have lately given prominence to radio-gramophones, in which interest seems to be growing.

#### No Pessimism in Ulster.

ESPITE the widespread financial depression generally, there is no pessimism among wireless dealers. Some admit of a struggle to keep down expenses, but the feeling is that things might be worse.

Mr. Marks, of Stevenson & Marks, Church Street, Belfast, says that business remains fairly steady, with a sufficient demand for components and valves to keep things moving. Good lines with Stevenson & Marks both at their Church Street and York Road shops are Dario, P.R. and Triotron valves, the Pertrix H.T. battery, and especially Ultra loudpeak ers.

As usual, the window display with Wm. Dobbin & Co., North Street, is a centre of attraction. The firm are featuring the Cossor 1930 "Empire Melody Maker," ready made up, together with Kolster - Brandes sets, Ormond speakers, and "Ekco" units.

Mr. L. Scop, A.M.I.E.E., of Rosemary Street, tells me that his sales of the McMichael "Super Range" 4-valve portables this year have been very encouraging, and inquiries for the Philips allelectric receiver have been decidedly hopeful. The workshops are kept busy The workshops are kept busy remodelling sets, and, though this is a holiday month, there is not the slackness that was evident a few years ago. A very good selling line is the Ultra speaker.

Messrs. Solomon & Peres, Berry Street, Belfast, have specialised considerably in public address equipment, and a big contract undertaken at the recent Lifeboat Carnival at the Royal Ulster Show Grounds was highly praised. They noted a recent promising revival in the demand for moving-coil speakers, and they disposed of half a dozen during one week recently.

The Burndept depot of R. & S. Scott. Oueen's Arcade, Belfast, is always a bright spot in the Irish wireless trade. Mr. Robert Scott states that the turnover this summer is even better than last year, and especially in portables. Numerous orders for Burndept sets have come from the seaside districts.

Probably the first televisor exhibited in the Belfast trade is that featured in a window display by Mr. J. L. Donaghy, of B.N.B. Wireless, Ltd., Castle Street.

Inquiries are few as yet, and complaints are heard that the times of television transmissions are unsatisfactory. The new Cossor set is being well received, while a steady selling line with B.N.B. Wireless is the McMichael "Screened Dimic Three."

#### WITH THE TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

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answered, as had been the case with other communications. In view of these circumstances the secretary was directed to write direct to the chairman of the R.M.A. enquiring the present position.

The question of the window display emblem was raised, and after some discussion it was decided that the words "Reliability and Service" be added, and to prevent its mis-use that the emblem be endorsed on the back with a notice that it remains the property of the N.F.R.R. and is subject to collection in case of mis-use.

The report from Blackburn of a man stated to be normally and fully employed in the Income Tax Offices, Blackburn, who was building and selling radio sets with the Marconi licence tag affixed was discussed, and the Secretary reported that he had been in communication with the Marconi Co., who stated that they had no agreement with the person in question, and that they had promised to let him know the result of their investigation in the matter.

The Secretary reported that he had taken up very many reported cases of price-cutting, and was dealing with them in

the usual way.

The resolution forwarded by the Woolwich branch respecting the rebate allowed on the reduction of valve prices was considered, and it was agreed that the arrangement was harsh and unreasonable, and undoubtedly called for redress. It was decided that all members who had sustained loss be asked to forward to Head Office particulars of their stocks and the amount of loss sustained to enable the N.F.R.R. to negotiate collectively with the B.V.A. on their behalf.

Reporting the complaint from Burnley of electrical inter-

ference, the Secretary said he had drafted a letter which the Burnley Branch Secretary had sent to the Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, M.P. for Burnley, and it was hoped that all retailers -and members particularly-would forward a letter on the same lines to their respective members of Parliament.

The letter points out that interference from electrical apparatus such as refrigerators, signs, motors, generators, talking picture installations, etc., was rapidly becoming a serious menace to broadcast reception. The Postmaster-General had stated that he was powerless to prevent this local interference. The nuisance was steadily becoming worse, and was having a deleterious effect on the radio retail trade, and it was thought that many offenders were wilfully allowing the interference to continue.

Unsatisfactory Programmes.

The second matter referred to in the letter, and one which demanded urgent attention, was the unsatisfactory nature of the broadcast programmes, particularly on Sundays, which was filling the public and the trade alike with disgust.

The letter closes with the hope that something would be

done in Parliament to remedy this state of affairs.

The action of the Stockport Radio Retailers' Association was discussed, and realising the position they are in as a minority, it was decided to write to the Secretary offering the assistance of the N.F.R.R. as a national body, impressing on them the fact that the Council, consisting as it does partly of northerners, were in perfect sympathy and agreement with the Stockport retailers.

The Editorial footnote to the report of the Burnley meeting in THE TRADER was discussed, and it was decided to inform the Editor that the Council will supply him with everything possible of general interest to his readers, providing it stands a reasonable chance of publication, and also to say that the Council only ask a " Fair field and no favour."

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

## THE SELLING SIDE

## The Possibilities of a Shop that is "Just off the High Street."

CORES of traders occupy a position that is near to one of the main shopping streets of their town, but which is not actually in it. Practically every "High Street" has subsidiary thoroughfares branching off to right and left, and these streets are occupied by traders who, owing either to lack of resources or to lack of opportunity, cannot secure premises in the main road.

There is a very substantial difference between the two positions. A large number of those who throng the more important street never branch off unless on some definite errand. Nevertheless, the trader who, although he is not in the path of the main road crowds, is within sight of them, has a position full of possibilities. While he has not the advantage that thousands of people inevitably pass his windows, he has excellent opportunities of making a bid for their attention, and, by good publicity, persuading them to turn from their course.

Every trader who is in such a position should give consideration to this point. By enterprising and "live" methods, he can secure some of the advantages of a main street site.

In many cases one of the most effective means of catching the eye of the main-road shopper is by making greater use of the exterior of the premises for publicity purposes. Study of the shop-front will often show that signs can be so placed that they

command a large share of attention from considerable distances, and if the signs themselves are of an interestarousing character good results should follow.

Signs erected at an angle with the shop-front are some of the most suitable for the side-street shop. They provide wide scope for striking treatment and can scarcely fail to be seen by persons passing the end of the street.

A good pattern of electric flashing sign is one alternative. It is eminently desirable that it should be of a novel type, however, for extensive use of electric signs is robbing many of them of their original value. The "halo" pattern of sign is well worth consideration; in this case the effect is obtained by reflected light, against which the lettering is silhouetted, and highly impressive results are possible.

In many cases it is preferable to avoid the use of permanent signs, and to employ painted signs which can be changed at fairly frequent intervals. By this means, topical sales messages can be used, and attention can be aroused by giving publicity to new lines, special demonstrations and so forth. A good signwriter can make such a sign extremely eye-catching, while still retaining dignity and good taste.

Either as an addition to hanging signs, or as an alternative to them, roof signs may be worth consideration.

Their value must be determined by the particular circumstances, but if it is possible to erect such a sign high up on the building, and the view from the main street is not obstructed by other roofs, the isolated position will often succeed in securing attention where the ordinary hanging sign will fail.

The owner of a side-street shop is not necessarily confined to the use of signs and posters on the building itself. A good deal can be done to attract attention by arranging for the exhibition of suitable advertising in the main street.

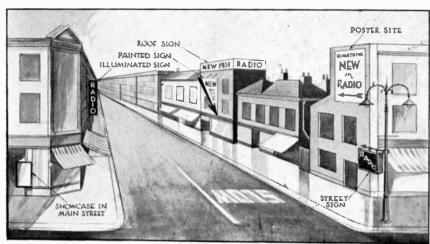
In many districts illuminated signs can now be erected on street lamps or tramway standards. The use of a bold sign of this description at the junction of the main street with that in which the trader is situated, may prove to be a sound plan. It will at least remind potential buyers of radio of the existence of the side-street trader.

Another method that can often be adopted is that of renting a poster site at the corner of the two streets. Any considerable expanse of blank wall in such a position is usually available to poster advertisers, and in most cases is in the hands of a firm of billposters. By arrangement, the use of the site for an extended period can usually be secured.

Used in the right way, a poster site of this kind is obviously of high value. By means of good quality handwritten posters, current sales developments can be kept constantly to the fore, and each poster can include some device, such as a broad arrow, indicating that the shop is only a few steps away.

Finally, it may be possible to arrange for the regular exhibition of a showcase in the main street. This can sometimes be done when the main street shops are divided by side entrances and staircases giving access to upper floors. Occupiers of the upper rooms often have the right to exhibit small showcases at the entrance, but if, for any reason, they do not desire to exercise it, use of the space can often be secured from a non-competitive retailer.

To get value from such a showcase, it should be as near as possible to the junction of the main and side roads, and should be kept smartly dressed with good-value lines. A card should always be exhibited, stating that the goods displayed are being sold at the shop round the corner, and giving simple directions for reaching it.



This sketch shows a few of the methods that can be used to give publicity to premises in a side street. Retailers who own shops in such circumstances will find that at least one of the signs depicted above can be used effectively in their own locality.

#### A Circular Letter "Par Excellence."

DUE tribute has already been paid to the manner in which Mr. Paul Taylor, the Kettering dealer, has entered the gramophone field.

If any further evidence of the fact that he has "done it well" were needed, it would be amply afforded by the letter which Mr. Taylor is now despatching to a hundred or so of his customers. Presumably the correct phrase is circular letter, for the typematter is duplicated and has been written to push sales.

But that is its only connection with the word "circular." The letter itself is written in a personal "chatty" manner, the duplicating is perfect, and in the same distinctive shade of brown as Paul Taylor's letters always are, while the notepaper—as will be seen from the facsimile reproduction on this page—is the essence of good taste and refinement.

The photograph shows that the address is printed in clear, bold lettering, and the firm's coat of arms and motto, "Faithful Service," appear on the left with the telephone number.

The letter commences right away with the personal touch: "Do you like receiving the monthly list of records I send to you? It's a real pleasure to me . . ." And so it continues.

After pointing out that many enthusiasts would also probably like to receive the gramophone record lists, Mr. Taylor asks his customers to send some names and addresses of friends who would appreciate a similar service.

The second page continues :-

I have sent a little pencil so that you can put the names down now, while you are thinking of them—and then pop the card in the nearest pillar box.

Now for a confession—do you know, I think it is an awful fag, having to fill in this sort of card myself, and I am a little shy about asking you to go to this trouble, but I have found gramophone enthusiasts such jolly people and always willing to help their friends that I am sure you will not mind doing this little job for me—and them.

There's another reason, too, but it's a secret at present. All I can tell you now is that there's going to be an interesting musical event in the early autumn, and that's why I want the names and addresses of your friends. I have your name down for this occasion and I will write to you again shortly and tell you more about it. By filling in the card now, you, your friends, and I, are going to have a very happy evening together in September—but more about that later on. Until I write you again,

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
PAUL TAYLOR.

P.S. Please keep the pencil. It will be useful to jot down the numbers of the

records you would like to hear when you come in next time.

Each letter, by the way, is personally signed.

The small "whist-drive" pencil which is included, must undoubtedly cause the recipients of the letter to fill in the names and addresses there and then.

Even the postcard enclosed for this

purpose is out of the ordinary. The name "Paul Taylor" is "woven" round the familiar "His Master's Voice" trade mark, as will be seen in the photograph on this page.

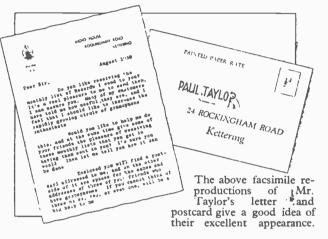
Probably many of the record manufacturing companies consider that Mr. Taylor's demands for monthly lists are remarkable for a "small pro-

vincial town dealer," but we are sure that when that dealer uses such sales methods as these, his actual sales must be quite as remarkable.

Mr. Taylor has now given us some

details of the results. Within seven days of the despatch, 25 per cent. of the recipients replied, which, as readers will realise, is a very high percentage.

The pencil proved to be a good idea, and 20 per cent. of the postcards were written in pencil. Some customers gave the names of five gramophone enthusiasts, and the result already, while the replies are still coming in, is that Mr. Taylor's record supplement



mailing list has been doubled.

In conclusion, it would be almost redundant to offer Mr. Taylor our congratulations on his latest sales effort. We will let the photograph and description speak for themselves.

#### Hiring P.A. Equipment for Advertising.

T a recent Agricultural Show, a motor dealer and a wireless trader combined to put over a highly successful piece of publicity work.

A radio-gramophone and public address equipment were installed on the motor dealer's stand, and an attractive musical programme was used to draw the attention of visitors. At intervals the public address equipment was employed to amplify short talks on the outstanding features of the cars displayed, the service offered by the dealer, and so forth. The idea rapidly proved itself to be a first-class means of bringing people to the stand and of leaving a worth-while impression on their minds, and at the end of the show both the motor dealer and the wireless trader were of the opinion that this method of advertising was well worth developing.

Now that an increasing number of traders are taking a practical interest in P.A. equipment, this direction for extending its field of utility should be well worth bearing in mind. Local political meetings, and "functions" generally, can never keep the equipment fully employed, but there should be many local traders who will be

prepared to pay fair prices for the use of the equipment for advertising purposes.

Local exhibitions, fêtes, and shows provide many opportunities of this character, but they do not cover the whole of the possibilities. During caraivals, shopping weeks, and so torth the idea could be put up to a retailer who is proposing to enter the inevitable procession of decorated vehicles. A tastefully designed van, from which was "broadcast" a combined programme of music and "selling talk," should secure attention.

Again, the proposal should appeal to certain retailers who are planning special seasonal sales events in their shops or showrooms. The trader who is staging fashion parades, or who desires to open new premises or a new department with an appropriate flourish, affords a good example.

The enterprising wireless trader will be able to carry through the entire undertaking, from the preparation of an appropriate programme of gramophone records to the installation of the system, and the service should command a fee which will well repay him for his efforts.

# CORRESPONDENCE

The Editor is pleased to receive communications on matters of interest to the Trade. Letters intended for insertion must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer as a guarantee of good faith. No responsibility is taken by the Editor for opinions expressed by correspondents.

#### A Reply to "An Open Letter to Wholesalers." To the Editor.

SIR,—We have read with interest Mr. Shearman Dyer's open letter to wholesalers, and are entirely in agreement with the propositions put forward. We had, in fact, already commenced to put them into practice by forwarding to the W.R.A. a complete copy of our mailing list, inviting them to criticise it and make suggestions for its amendment. We were aware when we did this that the list was far from perfect, as it had been compiled through a period of years, during which the trade has, as we all know, undergone a considerable change.

The W.R.A. have already submitted criticisms on certain portions of the lists. We have investigated every case in which they have suggested a deletion, and have acted on their recommendation. Now we await their comments on the remainder of the list, and hope that before the end of this year it will have been completely revised. In the meantime, we are carrying out the process of revision on our own account, our travellers having instructions to call on every firm on the list as occasion presents itself, and to report on their status.

We would welcome the establishment of a radio dealers' register, as it would obviate the trouble of maintaining a mailing list at all.

Manchester. Hirst, lbbetson & Taylor, Ltd., John Hirst.

#### An Appeal to Stockport. To the Editor.

SIR,—I notice that the Stockport Branch of the Wireless Retailers' Association has decided to secede from the national body, and I therefore hope that you will allow the Birmingham Branch a little space in which to put forward the case *against* such action.

What can the Stockport Branch do on their own that they cannot do as members of the W.R.A.? We in Birmingham feel that whatever we do locally is but a drop in the bucket compared with what headquarters are doing. We keep pegging away at local conditions as hard as we can, and we get things done bit by bit, but if every branch confined itself to that, very little would be done in a national sense. One day the retailers will wake up to find that the whole trade has been forced into some semblance of order, that the manufacturer will only supply approved wholesalers, that the wholesalers will only supply approved retailers, and that the retailer will get the turnover which he needs to make a decent livelihood on the amazingly small nett profit which he can make. When that day arrives, the happy state of affairs will have been brought about-firstly, by W.R.A. Headquarters, and those untiring workers Betambeau and Shearman-Dyer; secondly, by the support of the branches and individual members, with the trade papers behind them; thirdly, by the enlightened manufacturers who operate the Stop-List, knowing that unless the trade is so organised, the average retailer will, in self-defence, sell foreign goods which have to be bought direct from the importer, thus showing no profit to the British manufacturer, the British factor or the British workman.

Is it the time, now, when the W.R.A. are within sight of their goal, to secede? Men of Stockport, back them up! BIRMINGHAM.

J. WELLINGS,

Chairman, Birmingham Branch W.R.A.

#### Pertinent Comment from a Trader.

To the Editor.

SIR,—Your oft-repeated request for the opinions of readers on conditions in the trade cannot be ignored, so here goes.

Wireless Retailers' Association. Is it to be wondered that there is a lack of members? The valve rebate over which we have just been so badly let down should have been taken up the next morning, instead of which it was left to The Trader to do the practical thing as usual. I cannot imagine a single dealer who could possibly have purchased during the last two months anything like the stock of valves he holds at the date of the reduction. Every valve in stock should have been allowed for. How to check them is a matter for the B.R.V.M.A., but Mr. J. V. Morgan's idea of sending them to makers for rebate is one excellent method. Carriage both ways would be the only loss the retailer had to stand.

PRICE PROTECTION. Two years ago I wrote you suggesting that the matter of the garages obtaining trade terms be dealt with first. You have also published my challenge to the wholesalers, asking them to deny that any garage can obtain wireless goods for the asking, at trade price. Twice I have had portable sets brought to me to have the valves inserted; once by a garage man, and once by a corn merchant, both of whom told me they purchased their sets at trade price through a London factor. Neither had any wireless stock on his premises. Cannot we thrash out this point with factors and manufacturers, or is it that the manufacturers do not care a button where their products go as long as they sell them?

Programmes. I will not argue about the quality of the programmes because opinions vary so on the matter, but how can we dealers either service sets, or sell them, when for five or six hours of the working day there is no broadcast? Gramophone selections from either one of the three high-power stations would be satisfactory to fill in the silent hours so that we can work all day. Until this happens service to the public is bound to be expensive to them, because we have to pay service men a day's work to give a few hours' service only.

Manufacturers' Service. Manufacturers should be able to return a set or component within 48 hours, properly repaired and corrected. The manufacturer who did this would reap the immediate advantage of winning the dealer's confidence, and he would trade with that maker, knowing that he would be able to give the public a much better deal. As it is, sets returned under guarantee have been known to be kept so many weeks that the dealer gets sick of that maker's name, and would gladly stock the wares of the firms that backed their goods up with quick return repairs, even if he had to pay for some of them.

SITTINGBOURNE. HORACE GRENSTED.

#### A Provincial Dealer's Experience.

To the Editor.

SIR.—I feel that I must write and let you know the experience that I had just recently. A customer asked me if I would purchase his crystal set, as he had just bought a valve receiver. I told him that I was sorry that I could not oblige, and suggested that he should try the shop where he bought his new set.

He replied that he could not do this as he had bought it in London. He further told me that it was a well-known

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Ducon Works, Victoria Road, North Acton, London, W.3. 3-valve kit set, for which he paid 5 guineas, complete with valves and batteries. He added that he went to London, because local traders' prices (the correct ones) are too high.

I wonder if other traders have had an experience to equal this?

AYLESBURY.

L. P. Hedges.

#### Interference with Radio Reception.

To the Editor.

SIR.—The above subject has been one of much controversy, but I feel that the time has arrived when steps should be taken so that the matter may be dealt with on the same lines and under the same statute as other nuisances. At the moment the position is as set out in a letter before me from the Engineer-in-Chief of the G.P.O., which states: "I am directed by the Postmaster-General to say that he has no statutory powers under which he could compel the owner of electrical plant causing interference with wireless reception to remove the cause of the interference.'

Now I do not profess any legal knowledge, but speaking as a layman, I must say this does seem to represent a remarkable state of affairs. I myself am particularly interested in the reception of foreign programmes, which, as far as I am aware, do not entail any expense on the part of our Post Office beyond the cost of issuing a licence, and yet, having received the licence fee, they admit they cannot take such steps to deal with interference as would enable me to receive that for which I have taken out a licence to receive. I am aware that a gun licence does not carry with it the provision of birds to shoot, but the two cases are not parallel. The matter could be argued under the heading of "causing a nuisance," because, should my neighbour install-say-a petrol electric plant, the exhaust from which caused annoyance, I could obtain an injunction to restrain him from continuing the annovance. But in the case of a badly sparking commutator, for instance, which would interfere with reception, I am powerless to prevent it.

One could quote cases ad lib., but my object in writing is not necessarily to start a controversy, but rather to interest those who can think out collectively or individually what steps may be taken to deal with the situation. Wireless reception has become part of our daily life and, sooner or later, there must be legislation to deal with such matters as this needless interference. I believe it would help in the meantime if those interested would take the matter up direct with whoever may be their member of Parliament. This would at least help by indicating the feeling of the listening public and prepare the ground for such time as the case may be mentioned in the House.

London, W.C.2. JAMES NELSON, M.I.E.E., INSTITUTE OF WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY.

#### "The Ever Open Door." To the Editor.

SIR,-You recently emphasized the desirability of manufacturers extending to traders an invitation to their works. We would say that we most emphatically endorse this view, and that so far as this firm is concerned, we at all times welcome visits from the trade.

During the run of the Radio Exhibition many traders will probably be in London, and would like to take the opportunity of visiting a radio factory. We would sav that if such traders get into touch with us we shall be glad to make arrangements for their visit to our works as interesting and convenient as possible. MURPHY RADIO, LTD.

WELWYN GARDEN CITY. FRANK MURPHY.

#### Bad Reproduction Spoils Programmes. To the Editor.

SIR,-Quality of reproduction has such an important bearing on the entertainment value of any broadcast item that I venture to state that the majority of listeners who are concerned in the B.B.C. programme controversy are not competent justly to offer criticism.

As a dealer who has serviced a large number of sets, and as one who knows their average capabilities, I am convinced that the owners of these sets can only really enjoy a particular item if they have heard it by other means than wireless, or if they are subconsciously inclined to like it before they have heard it.

The B.B.C. programmes can be improved, but I think the biggest improvement is first necessary in the means of reproducing the transmissions. When the faults at the listener's end have been remedied, much of the dissatisfaction will disappear. A. WADE,

BURNLEY. THE RADIO SERVICE CO.

#### A Suggested Revision for our H.P. Forms. To the Editor.

SIR,—As a dealer whose activities include the sale of pianos, may I suggest that the appropriate TRADER agreement forms for hire-purchase, which at present embrace a clause stating that the hiring must be for three months certain, should be amended so that the hire shall be for six months certain before the article can be returned in lieu of further payments?

In view of the fact that more and more radio dealers are handling very high priced goods, including, of course, high quality radio-gramophones, I feel that such an amendment would prove extremely popular.

LONDON, W. A. LYNWOOD.

[Note.—The suggestion put forward in the above letter is interesting, and we have submitted it to our Publications Dept... who state that they are quite willing to provide forms with the suggested alterations if there seems to be a demand for them. We should therefore be glad to receive the views of readers on the matter.—Editor.]

#### A Business Sold and Creditors' Claims.

THE owners of a business sell it as a going concern and duly inform all interested parties of the transfer. The new owners agree with the vendors to accept liability for all past debts contracted by the firm. Many, it would seem, believe that this act of notice and this agreement between the principals completely protect the seller if a creditor, unable to get his money from the buyer, demands it from the seller. The strictly legal position is, of course, as follows. A sale just on that basis is a deal between seller and buyer, and an agreement between those two for the buyer to discharge the debts is not necessarily binding upon the creditors. Those creditors still have right of action against the vendor.

A recent County Court case provides an instance. A creditor sued the former proprietor of a business. Defendant had sold it to his manager and had so notified his connections. But a creditor could not get payment of a past debt and so brought his action. Judgment was given for plaintiff. The question is always whether there has been novation" of contract. A contract remains in being between the original parties unless and until the creditor undertakes to accept another person at its other end. In this instance the creditor had not done that and the original trader was therefore liable. Plaintiff expressed sympathy with defendant, but business is business and he wanted his money. The defendant may now try to get the cash from his former manager.

It is not only necessary to circulate a simple announcement of the sale. The notice should state expressly that the new owner is henceforth solely responsible for all obligations and debts of the business, including debts for goods already

A safeguard is to ask creditors so advised to acknowledge receipt of the notice. A signature will signify acceptance of the new man as debtor. It should be emphasised that failure to reply by a given date will be taken as meaning that the creditor assents.

#### EXPORT FIGURES FOR THE HALF-YEAR.

#### Total Returns Show Increase Over 1929 Period Figures.

THE total figures for the exports of British radio goods (£551,391), together with the re-exports of imported merchandise (£146,393) are £697,784 for the first six months of the present year. In the corresponding period of 1929 the returns for British products were £610,357, and for re-exported goods £20,978, making a total of £631,335.

An examination of these figures indicates that the general depression of British trade has affected the radio industry to a certain extent. The exports of British goods have decreased by £58,966 as compared with the first half of 1929. However, when the re-export returns are taken into consideration (although it can hardly be regarded as satisfactory that foreign goods should have "saved the situation"), the total is £66,449 in excess of the figures for January-June, 1929.

#### Europe Makes Larger Purchases.

From the figures it will be seen that practically every market has been retained, and in Europe especially many countries have made considerably larger purchases. Predominant among these may be mentioned Sweden, with purchases of £23,954, as compared with £10,627; Iceland £11,435 (previous figures £113)—in this case the important celebrations in connection with the millenary of the country's parliament may mean that the increase is merely temporary—Poland, Belgium, France, Portugal, Italy and Hungary all made substantially larger purchases of British goods. The chief countries whose figures are less than previously are the Netherlands, Germany and Austria.

In South America—a continent regarded by many authorities as Britain's future best customer outside the Empire—the latest figures can only be regarded as disappointing. As elsewhere, the markets are still absorbing British goods, but the figures in many cases are considerably lower than in the 1929 period.

#### The Empire Market.

The British Empire market shows some rather remarkable changes. Unsettled conditions in India have probably been a supplementary cause in the lack of expansion there, coupled with the not-too-successful broadcast service. The recently-erected Australian tariff walls have caused a drop of more than £25,000 in her British radio imports. It is to be hoped that the country's vigorous measures of late are only temporary, and that Empire goods—at least—will be admitted at more reasonable tariffs.

South Africa has taken more than double her previous value of radio products, and most of the other African colonies and protectorates show increased purchases.

colonies and protectorates show increased purchases. To sum up: taking into consideration the world-wide trade depression and decrease in general "purchasing power," the figures are really quite a healthy indication of our radio industry. This is partly due to the initiative of many manufacturers, who, to quote our sister journal, The Wireless and Gramophone Export Trader, "are tackling the job with a full realisation of the difficulties involved and a determination to meet competition from other producing nations in the best possible way."

#### EXPORTS.

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Mexico			_	_	1,239	169	Seychelles	_	_	9	
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Peru			_	_	2,846	5,282	Bombay, via other				
Chile			-	_	1,164	12,046	Ports	670	197	4,701	7,708
Brazil			616	4	3,267	5,363	Madras	143	5	695	318
Ecuador			_	_	90	4,064	Bengal, Assam, Bihar				
Uruguay			_	-	16	703	and Orissa	603	205	4,909	4,706
Bolivia					55	3,699	Burmah	8		431	644
Argentine			130	348	6,511	31,291	Straits Settlements	678	142	4,177	2,949
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Irish Free State		1,414	702	21,209	26,201	States		_	13	_	
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Gibraltar			45	12	450	90	dencies	22	135	2,262	2,565
Malta and Go			270	129	2,364	549	North Borneo	_	_	31	110
Cyprus			10	4	302	81	Sarawak		_	8	708
Gambia			_		20	8o	Hong Kong	351	946	5,637	3,563
Palestine	00		112	_	1,149	5	Australia	3,240	3,124	64,637	81,621
Gold Coast			79	8	566	103	New Zealand	838	915	9,909	20,259
Sierra Leone		4.1	29		180	221	Fiji Islands	_	10	144	107
Nigeria			265	38	981	336	Other British Pacific 1s.	_	21	21	42
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		Apparatus	Valves	Total 6 months ended June 30	Total 6 months ended June 30	Country.	Apparatus	Valves			
Russia				_		2	Brazil	10	_	10	_
Sweden				_	251	8	Chile	_	_	96	
Norway			983	19	2,407	65	Peru		_	-	100
Denmark					18	64	Honduras (not British)	-	_	72	_
Germany			658	38	4,620	6,125	Argentine Republic		. —		221
Poland			90	-	123		Japan			58	_
Netherlands			2,665	_	118,227	2,648	British Possessions.			0.000	
Belgium			978	9	6,515	2,491	Irish Free State	379	4	2,670	907
France			228	8	3,883	996	Channel Islands	100	13	549	271
Switzerland	2.01		112		1,802	455	Cyprus	_		8	68
Spain			54	14	95	209	Malta and Gozo		I	11	-
Portugal					7	12	Anglo-Egyptian Sudan	_	_	17	_
ltalv	2.4		60	-	403	1,631	Nigeria	6	_	6	_
Czecho-Slov	akia		_	_	78	5	Tanganyika	_	_	1	_
Serb-Croat-S							Union of S. Africa	30	3	721	210
State				-	_	20	Kenya	_	4	9	20
Austria			_	42	80	550	Uganda	_	_	-	24
Hungary			_		20	52	Straits Settlements	18	2	28	I
Iraq			_	1	10	3	Hong Kong	13	-	81	_
Siam			1.3	_	22		Bombay			60	41 88
Egypt				_	341	32	Bengal	_		33	
Palestine			_	_	27	_	Ceylon	_	-	38	42
Portuguese	W. Afr	ica	_	_	_	55	Australia	739	1.1	1,060	2,208
Algeria			_	_	2		New Zealand	115	-	567	152
Morocco			_			5	British Guiana		_	17	_
Tunis			_	_	5		Canada	5		75	3
Persia				_	12		Jamaica	_	_	14	2
U.S.A.	111		150	3	290	1,092					
Uruguay						94		£7,466	£.172	£146,393	£20.978

### LATEST RECORD REVIEWS

This week we review some of the mid-August. "His Master's Voice" records and the complete "Broadcast" supplement for September.

Dance numbers having vocal refrains are marked with an asterisk (\*)

The Gramophone Co., Ltd., Hayes, Middlesex.

#### HIS MASTER'S VOICE

10 IN., RED LABEL, 6s.

DA 1104. - Humoresque (Tchaikovsky-Kreisler) and The Zephyr (Mubay), y by Erica Morini, violin with piano

accompaniment.

Two pieces, light in character, are here happily combined on this disc. Erica Morini, who is a first-class violinist, contrives to put plenty of life into her playing, and the result makes excellent hearing. Her technique is remarkable. Recording is up to H.M.V.'s usual high standard and the disc is characterised by almost complete lack of surface noise.

DA 1114.—Ideale (My Ideal) and Marechiare (both by Tosti), by Tito Schipa, tenor, with orchestra accompani-

ment.

Schipa, who is, of course, famous as an operatic singer, here gives us two simple airs by Tosti. Both are extremely tuneful and are sung with considerable artistry. The recording is excellent, both of the voice and accompanying orchestra.

12 IN., BLACK LABEL, 6s. 6D.

D 1840-2.—Carnaval Suite, Op. 9, Parts
1 to 6 (Schumann), by London
Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

Schumann's Carnaval Suite, composed in 1834, consists of twenty short pieces of a light varied nature. The titles by which the pieces are now separately known were appended later by Schumann and many were inspired by his friend-ship with a certain Ernestine von Fricken. It is a point of interest that the last piece is a march in 3-4 time.

The work, originally written for piano, is here given in an orchestrated version as performed for the Russian Ballet.

The music is played extremely well by the L.S.O. under Sir Landon Ronald. Whether the orchestral arrangement has any advantages over the piano version is doubtful, but it makes pleasant hearing. The orchestra is well balanced and the general tone excellent. Recording is amazingly clear, especially of the wood wind, but a little more bass would have been welcome. The breaks, too, are not always well arranged.

10 IN., PLUM LABEL, 3S.

B 3437.—Le Cygne (Saint-Saëns) and To a Wild Rose (MacDowell, arr. Scott), by Reginald Goss-Custard, F.R.C.O., playing on the organ of Alexandra Palace, London.

These are two favourite organ solos of a light, tuneful nature. The first is from the suite "The Carnival of Animals" by Saint-Saëns. They are nicely played,

and are of such a nature as not to call for very much from the organ or the reproducing instrument. An enjoyable disc, with excellent tone.

B 3477.—The Pretty Creature (Lane Wilson) and The Laird o' Cockpen (Parry), by Stuart Robertson, bass-

baritone, with piano.

An excellent vocal disc, with a good piano accompaniment. Lane Wilson's well-known song is rendered with plenty of life and expression. The second song, though perhaps not so well known, is equally good, though in a rather different style. The singer's diction is extra-ordinarily clear, and the recording is excellent from all points of view. This disc should be popular.

B 5860.—Minnie the Mermaid (F.T.\*)

and Telling it to the Daisies (F.T.\*), by Bernie Cummins and his New Yorker

Hotel Orchestra.

" Minnie the Mermaid" is a new and amusing comedy number which is put over extremely well by the New Yorker Orchestra. The whole thing is taken at speed, with good solos by several of the instruments, and some smart harmonised singing. In their way, the words of this number are rather priceless, and it should reach popularity.

"Telling it to the Daisies," although different in style, also has a future. It is a tuneful effort, played in a steady, flowing manner. Excellent recording.

The Vocalion Gramophone Co., Ltd., Hayes, Middlesex.

#### BROADCAST TWELVE

10 IN., BLUE LABEL, 2S. 5173-5.—Pianoforte Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, Parts I to 6 (Saint-Saëns), by Reginald Paul (pianoforte) and the Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra.

Saint-Saëns' Second Pianoforte Concerto in G minor, Op. 22, was first performed in Paris in 1865, Rubinstein conducting, while the composer played the piano part. The work is divided into three movements, the first being dramatic in character, the opening theme being announced by solo piano. The second movement is essentially gay in character, containing a theme which might well have come from a Gilbert and Sullivan opera. The third movement is lively in nature and forms a suitable conclusion.

The concerto is excellently played by the orchestra and Reginald Paul, who is well known to concert goers, manages his difficult task in an extremely creditable

manner.

The recording is pleasing. Natural piano tone has been secured with good bass and the orchestral tone is well up to standard. These three discs should have a splendid sale in certain quarters.

5176.—The Driver of the 8.15 and Archie of the Royal Air Force (both by Longstaffe), by Arthur Vivian (baritone), with orchestral accompaniment.

Both songs are well known by this time. The first is a good song but the second always appears weak to us. Arthur Vivian manages both yery capably. His words are clear in the main, his voice pleasant, and the accompanying orchestra good. Recording up to standard.

5177.-Good-Bye (Tosti) and O Dry Those Tears (del Riego), by Betsy de la Ponte, mezzo-soprano, with orchestral

accompaniment.

Both are well known, especially to the The singer has a older generation. pleasing voice and sings with charm and feeling, her words being fairly clear. She is accompanied by violin and piano. In spite of the label we cannot hear other instruments apart from these. Recording is clear and of good volume.

5178.—Hear My Prayer, Parts 1 and 2 (Mendelssohn), by Scout Teddy James,

with choir and organ.

This version is good in the main and at the price represents good value. The record includes "O, For the Wings of a Dove," which fills the second side. The voice of the soloist is clear in the main but he is not always quite on the note. He is ably backed up by the choir and organ. Recording is very good save for a slight muzziness in places due to echo. A good disc.

5179. — The Battle of Waterloo (Eckersburg) and Jungle Drums (Ketelbey), by Band of H.M. Welsh

Guards

These pieces are in the nature of descriptive fantasias. The first is mainly composed of various effects. A fanfare of trumpets precedes the Marseillaise. Bagpipes are heard and the tune of "The Men of Harlech." The music quickens and concludes with "See the Conquering Hero Comes." The Ketelbey piece is not so outstanding but makes pleasing hearing; it is in the vein of "Eastern" music. The playing is good and recording very clear.

5180.—Largo (Handel) and (Massenet), by String Orchestra with

Organ.

This record represents good value for those who do not already possess the tunes. The "Largo" is well managed by the strings and the organ of the Stoll Picture Theatre, the latter being made to imitate its ecclesiastical brothers. Massenet's piece is not perhaps so successful, but many will like the general effect.

The recording is full, with very little

surface noise. A good disc.
10 IN. SUPER DANCE, 2S. 2575.—Let Me Sing and I'm Happy (F.T.\*)

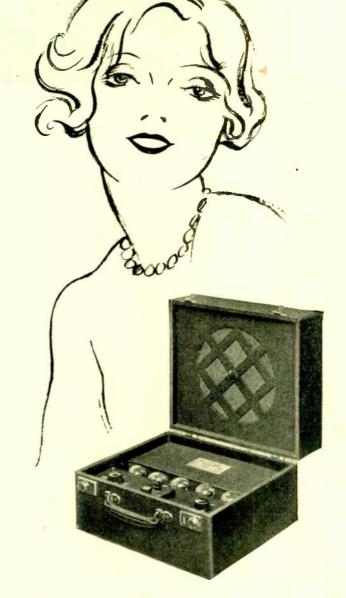
and To My Mammy (F.T.\*). 2576.—Sweeping the Clouds Away (F.T.\*)

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and Any Time's the Time to Fall in Love (F.T.\*).

2577.—I'm on My Way to Heaven (F.T.\*) and All Alone Monday (F.T.\*), all by Rod Rudy's Talkie Boys.

Although these numbers are taken in a fairly steady manner, the arrangements are good and there is always enough going on to keep up the interest. A solid and pronounced rhythm looks after the requirements of dancers. All the numbers are theme songs, the most promising sellers being the first two—from Al Jolson's latest show "Mammy"—and "All Alone Monday," which is sung in "The Cuckoos." Good recording. 2578.—On the Sunny Side of the Street (F.T.\*) and Exactly Like You (F.T.\*).

2579.—Dancing with Tears in My Eyes (W.\*) and Cheer Up and Smile (F.T.\*).. 2580.—A Bundle of Old Love Letters (W.\*) and Dreamy Carolina (W.\*), all by Ted Summers' Dance Devils.

A further group of current dance numbers, played in a style generally similar to that adopted by the previous combination. The two foxtrots on 2578 are bright and should be promising sellers, as also is "Cheer Up and Smile." There is little to choose between the waltzes, but "A Bundle of Old Love Letters," from "What Price Melody" is the best known. Good recording.

#### BROADCAST

8 IN., IS. 3D.
583.—My Old Dutch and The Future
Mrs. 'Awkins, by Billy Desmond, with
instrumental accompaniment.

These are two of Albert Chevalier's popular old-time songs, and the disc should sell well on this account. Unfortunately, our sample was smashed on arrival, so we are unable to review the actual interpretation.

584.—Cheery Song Memories, Parts 1

584.—Cheery Song Memories, Parts 1 and 2, by soloists, chorus and a dance band.

A selection of old songs such as "The Galloping Major," "Hitchy Koo," "Who Were You With Last Night," "O You Beautiful Doll," All That I Ask is Love" and so on. They are nicely rendered and the reproduction is good except for the last few grooves of each side, where the clarity is not so good. The disc should appeal to many who remember the songs.

585.—Happy Feet ("King of Jazz") and Songs that I Heard at Mother's Knee,

Songs that I Heard at Mother's Knee, by Bob and Alf Pearson, with Bob at the piano.

Two very contrasted numbers, the first being the snappy hit from Paul Whiteman's sound film, and the second being a crooning, sentimental number. "Happy Feet" is particularly well sung in a very interesting fashion, but the second song does not appeal to us. The disc will sell for its first side. The reproduction is very good, with excellent piano tone.

586.—When It's Springtime in the Rockies and Sittin' on a Rainbow ('Call of the West''), by Mellow and Rich, duettists, with instrumental accompaniment.

Two popular dance numbers of the moment, the first a waltz, and the second a foxtrot. Both are well rendered, with a good dance band accompaniment, but unfortunately the volume is not very great.

587.—On the Sunny Side of the Street and Exactly Like You, by Patrick York, with instrumental accompaniment.

The first is a popular number from "The International Revue." Both songs are favourites with light vocalists at the moment, and Patrick York gives us good versions. The second song particularly appeals to us, with its "catchy" melody. Reproduction good on both sides.

588.—Mine Dutch Baby and Little Dutch Girl, by Tony Wood, yodelling with orchestra.

Two humorous yodelling songs rather above the average. The singer has a high pitched voice, and introduces a good deal of yodelling. The tone is good, and the disc will have a ready sale amongst those who like this type of vocal entertainment.

**589.—Sandy, the Solicitor,** Parts 1 and 2, by Sandy Powell, comedian and Mrs. 'Opkins.

Mr. Powell is here Sandy Suet, of Suet, Dripping & Suet, solicitors. Mrs. 'Opkins comes in with a tale of woe concerning her son 'Erbert and Flossie, and in the end Flossie turns out to be a dog. The dialogue is rather suggestive at times. Apart from this we have no adverse criticism to make. The words are clear.

590.—The Post Horn Galop (Koenig) and Whistling Rufus (Mills), by the Band of H.M. Life Guards.

Two good military band pieces, the first having a post-horn solo. The second is well-known, and contains some whistling by the band. Both are nicely played, and they form an attractive disc.

591.—Sans Façon—March and Ninon— Waltz, accordion solos by Emile Charlier.

Two well-played accordion pieces by Charlier. The pieces themselves are not outstanding, but they make quite a good disc. The tone is good.

592.—Singing a Vagabond Song (F.T.\*) and I Feel You Near Me (W.\*).

593.—It Happened in Monterey (W.\*) and A Bench in the Park (F.T.\*), all by Nat Lewis and his dance band.

A very sober and conventional pair of dance records which would be improved by the addition of more "pep." 593, containing two of the "King of Jazz" numbers, will be most in demand, and "A Bench in the Park" is easily the snappiest of the group. Good recording. 594.—Happy Feet (F.T.\*) and I Like

to do Things for You (F.T.\*) and I Like to do Things for You (F.T.\*). 595.—'Leven Thirty Saturday Night (F.T.\*)

and Cooking Breakfast for the One I Love (F.T.\*). 596.—Under a Texas Moon (F.T.) and

A Cottage for Sale (F.T.\*).
597.—Lazy Louisiana Moon (W.) and
I Don't Wanna Go Home (F.T.\*), all
by the Riverside Dance Band.

Plenty of life and rhythm and some good ideas are put into these records, and they are decidedly more enjoyable. 594, containing the other two big numbers from "The King of Jazz" is a good example, and is certain to be in good demand. The next four foxtrots, too, are all well to the front and should enjoy good sales. The final number is treated in comedy style, and includes some lusty chorus work. Recording quite satisfactory.

#### Gramophone Notes & News

Home Recording.

We understand from the Cairns Morrison Co., Ltd., of 33, Percy Street, London, W.I., that they are shortly proposing to market an attachment which, when used in conjunction with an ordinary gramophone and a valve amplifier, will make it possible to carry out simple electrical recording in the home. The complete outfit will comprise a tracking device, stylus, and six double-sided blank records.

At present the Cairns Morrison Co. have a studio at their Percy Street address where inexpensive records of voice and instruments may be made—much on the same lines as a modern photographic studio. Six-inch double-sided discs may be made for 1s. 6d. and 10-inch for 6s.

The Academy Ad. Sheet.

A publication that should certainly be obtained by retailers is the Academy Ad. Sheet for 1931. The Johnson Talking Machine Co. have produced half-tone blocks of all their machines and are willing to supply them free of charge to dealers for catalogue use or for local newspaper advertising.

This very useful scheme should do much to assist sales, and dealers are invited to make full use of it. Communications should be sent to the firm's offices at Clerkenwell Road, London, E.C.r.

Parlophone Record Two Film "Hits."

German films always appear to "catch on" well, and achieve success on their merits, and not through blatant boosting, given to so many American films. The film "The Blue Angel," in which Emil Jannings adds further to his long list of successes, is no exception, and has been running for several weeks at the Regal, London. Two numbers from it have been recorded by Parlophone—a waltz" Falling in Love Again," and a fox-trot "Blonde Women." Both are original German recordings, and are played by Otto Fritz and his Syncopators, of Berlin. They are on R 723, a 10-in. dark blue label disc selling at 38.

Several New Itonia Gramophones.

Many of the new 1031 gramophones to be put on the market by Itonia Gramophones, Ltd., of City Road, London, E.C.1, incorporate a recently developed selfrelease and stop brake known as the "Motostat."

Four new portables will appear, known as the Model A. at 39s. 6d.; Model B. £2 9s. 6d.; Model C. £2 17s. 6d.; and Model D. at £3 7s. 6d. All except Model A incorporate a "Motostat."

In the field of pedestal machines, Model 106 is an addition, at 5½ guineas, in figured oak. In mahogany it is known as Model 107, and sells at 6 guiuneas.

Coming to larger console machines, we note the Model 108 at £5 19s. 6d.; the Model 109, £6 19s. 6d., oak; the Model 110 (a mahogany version of the Model 119), priced at £7 19s 6d.; the Model 111, £8 8s.; Model 112, £9 9s.; Model 113, £10 10s. in oak, or £10 19s. 6d. in walnut, when it is known as the Model 114; Model 115, at 11 guineas; Model 116, at £12 18s.; and Model 117 (mahogany), 14 guineas, or 15 guineas (as Model 118) in walnut

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News While It IS News——

# More New Plans

#### New Philips Speakers, Sets and a Radio-Gramophone.

STRIKING APPEARANCE OF NEW PRODUCTS.

PHILIPS LAMPS, LTD., have just announced several important additions to their present range of products. These will be ready for delivery on September 1st.

We have been privileged to publish these details of the Philips 1930/31 programme some days in advance of the date when the information is being released to the trade.



The three new loud-speakers. That in the centre is a permanent magnet moving-coil model at £8, while the other two are cone models; the one on the left is priced at £3 15s., and that on the right at £4 10s.

A high class radio-gramophone is one of the outstanding products for the coming season. The instrument, which is known as type 2811, is an all-A.C. mains model, and combines a Philips de-luxe 4-valve all-electric receiver and electric gramophone motor, the latter incorporating a combined automatic brake and mains switch. The radio set can be used with outside aerial if required, and it covers a wave-range of 200-600 and 800-2,000 metres.

There are separate volume controls for radio and gramophone, besides a tone-brilliancy control. The moving-coil loud-speaker is stated to give excellent reproduction, and, as can be seen from the photograph, is situated practically in the centre of the cabinet. Price, in polished walnut or mahogany, £80.

A new 4-valve all-electric console receiver is the type 2601 for A.C. mains (40/100 cycles). It is fitted with a tapped mains transformer for voltages of 100/110 and 190/250, and tuning is effected by single knob control, while volume and tone brilliancy controls are fitted on the compact panel under the pilot light. A moving-coil speaker is fitted, and the wavelength range is 200-600 and 800-2,000 metres. Price, complete, in cabinet of walnut-finished philite.

of walnut-finished philite, £45.

A new compact table model is the 2531. This is a 3-valve receiver for A.C. mains, and it is fitted with a tapped mains transformer, permitting 100/110 V or 190/250 V mains of 40/100 cycles to be used. The circuit is of the S.G., detector and pentode type, and tuning is effected by two controls, together with reaction and volume and selectivity regulator, while the dials are illuminated by a

pilot light. The wave-range is 200-2,000 metres, and change from short to long waves is effected by a rotary switch. Provision is made for gramophone pick-up. The set, which is supplied in mottled philite case, retails complete at £23.

Type 2523 is a new 2-valve all-electric model, for D.C. mains of 200-240 V. Special detector and pentode valves are fitted, and tuning is effected by single dial with reaction and variable selectivity device. The wavelength range is 200-2,000 metres. Supplied in mottled philite case, with "on" and "off" switch, complete, \$12 108.

The remaining new lines are three loud-speakers. The first, type 2108, is a permanent magnet moving-coil speaker mounted behind a heptagonal philite cabinet baffle stand. It is specially suitable for use with the type 2511 4-valve receiver. Price, in walnut finish, £8.

For 3-valve receivers, a similar model with input transformer is known as type 2109. Price £8 10s.

Another new cone model is type 2024. It is contained in oak cabinet of striking design, the fret having the appearance of organ pipes. Price £4 10s.

Lastly is a handsome cabinet cone speaker in mahogany or walnut. This is known as type 315, and the price is £3 15s.

The existing Philips apparatus is being continued to run concurrently with the new lines dealt with here. In a number of cases, however, the prices are being reduced, and the details of these alterations, together with the arrangements which are being made to give the trade adequate credit on stocks will be announced next week. The trade is particularly asked not to approach Philips in the meanwhile, as full information is being sent out in a few days from now.

Arrangements are, of course, being made to grant distributors a credit in respect of goods already in stock.



On the left is the new Philips radio-gramophone for A.C. mains. The right-hand photograph illustrates the all-electric 4-valve console receiver.

# and Productions.

Igranic Changes— — Further Halcyon Lines.

New Colvern Products.

Several new Colvern products are announced for the 1930-31 season. Retailing at 17s. per pair, the type R2R coils are suitable for the "Orgola" type of circuit, and are supplied with inter-



These are the two new Philips table model receivers. The top photograph shows the 3-valve A.C. set at £23, and the lower one the 2-valve D.C. model at £12. 10s.

changeable and adjustable rotors to increase selectivity. Separate rotors are available at is. od. each.

Type TGSC is a coil with a fixed condenser and switch incorporated, and also a unique coupling device so that as many coils as required can be ganged together, and the wavelength altered with one knob. The retail price is 9s. 6d.

An aluminium screen, suitable for all types of coils, is another new product. This retails at 3s. 6d.

A complete range of "Colverstat" resistances is also available. They are marketed in all standard sizes: those between 1,000 O and 45,000 O retail at 2s. 6d., and those between 50,000 O and 100,000 O at 3s. 6d. Tapping points are 1s. extra.

Other new components include a variable wire-wound potentiometer, 50,000 O and 25,000 O, 5s. 6d.; two rotary switches (single hole fixing), the

single rotary type selling at 1s. 3d., and the dual type at 2s. 6d. Lastly may be mentioned the large range of 6-pin coil bases and formers, complete with terminals, at 2s. each.

Igranic Changes and Additions.

The first new Igranic products to be announced are two slow-motion knobs and dials. The "Minor," having a reduction ratio of approximately 4:1, is 2\frac{3}{2} ins. in diameter and sells at 2s. 9d., and the "Major" (reduction ratio of approximately 6:1), 3\frac{1}{2} ins. diameter, is priced at 4s. Both are supplied in dark brown finish only.

The scale of the dial is of white celluloid, and is engraved o-100. Definite stops at each end of 180 deg. are provided. Both these models are now available.

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More than twenty of the existing small Igranic lines will be discontinued. None of these is very important, with the possible exceptions of the Phonovox pick-up de luxe model, the 3-valve two-stage combined amplifier and power unit, and the 3-valve resistance capacity amplifier.

Two alterations are also to be noted. The tapped triple honeycomb coils will be renamed, and the Igranic-Elkon metal rectifiers will be modified, and the prices will be altered. It also is probable that the prices of their pre-set condensers will be revised.

Another New Bel-Canto Radio-Gramophone.

In addition to the all-mains radiogramophone selling at £75, which we mentioned last week, Bel-Canto now state that they are bringing out a new and less expensive table model in time for the Radio Exhibition.

Full details have just been supplied to us, and it appears that many unique features will be incorporated. Among these may be mentioned the fact that the speaker is an entirely separate unit, and by means of a special long lead the set can remain near any convenient electric plug, while the speaker can be moved anywhere within a reasonable distance.

The circuit comprises one H.F., detector and power output. Indirectly heated valves are, of course, used.

An electric gramophone motor is incorporated, and the cabinet is available in oak. The price, including moving-coil speaker in cabinet, will be fixed at £50 retail.

The instrument is to be made for A.C. or D.C. mains.

Two Further Halcyon Products.

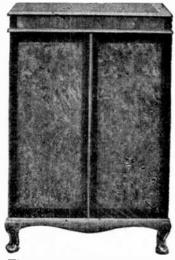
In addition to the all-mains table radiogramophone selling at 55 guineas, and the all-mains 4-valve transportable at 40 guineas (fully equipped for A.C. or D.C. mains) and 42 guineas (with batteries and A.C. or D.C. units), Halcyon are now producing two further products.

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The first is the "Grandola" radiogramophone de luxe in solid figured walnut cabinet with illuminated figured walnut panel, moving-coil speaker, 12-in. turntable, and automatic stop. The circuit comprises screened-grid, detector, with four amplifying valves, the last stage employing two pentodes in parallel. A special method of amplification is stated to be used. A self-contained aerial is incorporated rotating from a control on the panel.

The instrument is available for A.C. or D.C., the mains units being constructed in removable sections. The price, complete, is 85 guineas. Hire-purchase terms are not yet arranged.

The second new Halcyon line is a super-screened 4-valve portable in brown crocodile hide case. An Air Chrome speaker is incorporated, and the price, complete, is 28 guineas, (hire-purchase terms: £4 down and 12 monthly payments of £2 7s. 6d.).



The new Halcyon "Grandola" radio-gramophone de luxe in walnut cabinet. The instrument is available for A.C. or D.C., and the retail price is 85 guineas.

#### More New Plans and Productions.

(Continued from previous page)

#### The Pied Piper—of Cambridge.

Pye's Great Publicity Scheme—and a New Set That is Different.

In the very near future the trade will "make the acquaintance of a new radio personality, the Pied Piper—not the old Piper of Hamelin, but a new and modern figure who will carry the message of Pye Radio to the trade and blic throughout the country.

This is the central theme of a big new publicity scheme which Pye Radio are putting over this season in connection with a single new production on which they will concentrate almost the whole of their efforts, although the existing apparatus

will be continued

All the new Pye advertisements, show-cards and literature will feature illustrations showing the new and modern Piper charming his listeners with music from the Pye receiver, while behind will be the shadowy form of his original Hamelin counterpart. It is a really excellent idea, and should do Pye an immense amount of good at the Show and during the ensuing months.

Although, as we have already mentioned, the existing receivers will still be available, the main feature of the Pye programme will be a single entirely new receiver which marks a new style in radio. This set is a direct development of the portable, and while remaining entirely self-contained and readily movable, it is wonderfully improved in appearance. We've seen it, but you must take our word for it at the moment.

The new instrument will be available for batteries or A.C. or D.C. mains, and the prices will be very attractive. That's all at present, but look in the "New Lines" feature next week for illustrations, prices and full technical details.

With regard to deliveries, we are able to state that bulk supplies will commence during the first week in September, and full stocks will be available to the trade before Olympia.

It should be clearly understood that all contract orders placed before September ist will take precedence over subsequent orders.

#### The Radiophone Programme.

In addition to the National and Symphony portables, which are, of course, their chief lines for the season, British Radiophone are also marketing a cabinet loud-speaker, a speaker unit, and a portable turntable.

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The cabinet speaker incorporates a cone 11 ins. in diameter, and is specially doped to render it impervious to changes of atmosphere. The price, in oak or mahogany, is £1 9s. 6d.

The speaker unit, incorporated in the above model, is priced at 10s. 6d.

The ball bearing turntable is light and durable. Price 4s. 6d.

The Magnum Radio-Gramophone.

As we announced in our Autumn Buying feature last week, the chief Burne-Jones production for the coming season is an A.C. mains radio-gramophone.

The illustration on this page gives some idea of the appearance of the instrument, which is a 3-valve S.G.P. model with 16 in. cone-speaker. An electric gramophone motor is incorporated, and the machine can be used on 100-120 V, or 200-250 V, 40/100 cycle mains. The price, complete, is £45.

A Novel Speaker Chassis.

Embodying a patent form of flexible wooden diaphragm, an interesting loud-speaker chassis has been placed on the market by Realistic Speakers, of 72, Penton Street, London, N.I. The diaphragm consists of strips of very thin three-ply wood firmly glued together. These strips are triangular in shape, and meet at their apexes in a small circle of wood, to which the drive unit—a four-pole balanced armature type—is attached. The edge of the diaphragm rests between two layers of felt.

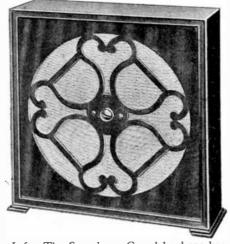
rached. The edge of the diaphragin rests between two layers of felt.

In chassis form the price is 27s. 6d. A unit can be attached very easily, being secured by three bolts at the rear of the chassis. Complete speakers incorporating this novel form of diaphragin are also produced, a Standard model selling at £3 10s., and a Concert cabinet model at six guineas. The large Symphony Grand model is illustrated on this page.

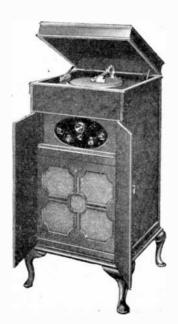
We had an opportunity recently of hearing the latter speaker, and were very favourably impressed by its performance. Both in full orchestral numbers and in violin and piano solo pieces the reproduction struck us as

being of a high standard.





Left: The Symphony Grand loud-speaker made by Realistic Speakers. Centre: The latest Radiophone product, a cabinet cone speaker selling at 29s. 6d. Right: The 3-valve Magnum radio-gramophone. All these products are described on this page.



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## COMMERCIAL INFORMATION

#### GAZETTE.

In the London Gazette of August 15th notice is given that the names of the undermentioned companies have been struck off the Register, and such companies are thereby dissolved: British Wireless Supply Co. (1924), Ltd.; Radio Equipment Co., Ltd.; Radio, Phonophore & Electricals, Ltd.

Jas. Shoolbred & Co., Ltd. By an order of the High Court dated July 31st, Sir Wm. McLintock, G.B.E., C.V.O., of 71. Queen Street, London, chartered accountant, was appointed liquidator.

Charles C. Briggs and John L. Smith, trading as Briggs & Smith, 143, High Street, Wanstead, Essex, electrical engineers and gramophone dealers. Creditors who have not already sent in their claims, are required, before August 29th, to send full particulars to Wm. A. Osborne, Balfour House, Finsbury Pavement, London, E.C.2, the trustee, or they will be excluded from the dividend about to be declared.

#### Receiving Orders, Adjudications, First Meetings and Public Examinations.

Smithers, Fred C., lately trading at 117, Ashdon Road, Saffron Walden, Essex, and now residing at the Ship Inn, Soham, Cambs., and employed by the Beds., Cambs. and Hants Electricity Committee as a wireman, electrical engineer, etc. Court: Cambridge. Date Debtor's petition. First meeting: August 12th. Debtor's petition. First meeting: August 25th, at 10.30 a.m., at Official Receiver's office, Sidney Street, Cambridge. Public examination: October 1st, at 11 a.m., at the Guildhall, Cambridge.

Walsh, Joseph M., 74. Blenheim Crescent, Ladbroke Grove, London, W., trading at 33, Villiers Street, London, W.C.2, electrical engineer, etc. Court: High Court of Justice. Date of petition and order: August 14th. Debtor's petition. First meeting: 11.30 a.m., August 27th, at Bankruptcy Buildings, Carey Street, London, W.C.2. Public examination: 11 a.m., October 21st,

same place.

Receiving Order.

Bradford, Oliver H., 2A, Hill Street, Griffithstown, Mon., wireless engineer, etc. Court: Newport, Mon. Date of petition: July 31st. Date of order: August 15th. Creditor's petition.

#### Adjudication.

Monk, William T., described in the receiving order as W. T. Monk (male), 9, Rosendale Road, Romford, Essex, electrical engineer, etc. Court: Chelms-ford. Date of petition: June 4th. Date of order: August 15th.

Appointment of Trustee.

Kaplan, Harry A., sued as H. Kaplan male), 89, Elgin Mansions, London, W.9, lately trading at 37, Lisle Street, London, W.C.2, wireless dealer. Court: High Court of Justice. Trustee: Samuel G. Crimes, C.A., Premier House, 150,

Southampton Row, London, W.C.1. Date of appointment: August 15th.

#### Release of Trustees.

Nichols, John T., Rye House, Highams Park, and lately trading at 4. Glebe Road, Kingsland Road, Dalston, London, E., wireless dealer. Court: High Court of Justice. Trustee: Philip M. Mordant, 115-117, Cannon Street, E.C.4, Chartered Accountant. Date of release: June 5th.

Temple, Edward, 77, Northcote Street, and Burkett, Jane E., married woman, 21, Aston Street, both South Shields. trading together as The Westoe Electrical Co., 105, Canterbury Street, South Shields, wireless dealers, etc. Court: Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Trustee: Alan J. Gray, 48, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle,

accountant. Date of release: June 5th.

Millward, Eric R., 31. Fair View, Braunton Road, Barnstaple, Devon, and trading as West of England Radio, 67, High Street, Barnstaple, wireless engineer. Court: Barnstaple. Trustee: Walter R, Cocks, Exeter Bank Chambers, Broadgate, Exeter, Official Receiver. Date of release: August 6th.

Price, Frederick, 9, Gold Street, Cardiff, and Tarver, Charles R., 16, Forest Street, Cardiff, lately trading in co-partnership as Fred Price, Tarver & Co., 15. Working Street, Cardiff. Court: Cardiff. Trustee: Ellis Owen, 34, Park Place, Cardiff, Official Receiver. Date of release: July 28th.

Gateshill, Harry, 113, Witham, Kingstonupon-Hull, Yorks., wireless engineer. Court: Kingston-upon-Hull. Trustee; Joseph E. D. Stickney, 37, Scale Lane, Hull, Official Receiver. Date of release:

August 1st.

#### Intended Dividends.

Shaw. Harry W., 24, Chester Park Road, Fishponds, Bristol, gramophone dealer, etc. Court: Bristol. Last day for proofs: September 2nd. Trustee: Herbert Ashton, 26, Baldwin Street, Bristol, Official Receiver.

Duophone Syndicate, Ltd., 18, Savile Row, London, W.I. Court: High Court of Justice. Last day for proofs: September 5th. Liquidator: George D. Pepys, senior official receiver and liquidator, 33, Carey Street, London, W.C.2.

#### Receiverships—Release.

Bowyer-Lowe Co., Ltd. R. L. Marsh, F.C.A., of 73, Ethelburga House, 91/3, Bishopsgate, E.C.2, ceased to act as Receiver and Manager on July 14th,

Aconic Radio, Ltd. C. J. G. Palmour, of 4B, Frederick's Place, E.C.2. ceased to act as Receiver and/or Manager on August

Mortgages and Charges.

Montague Radio Inventions & Development Co., Ltd. Particulars filed of £600 debentures authorised July 23rd, 1930, charged on the company's undertaking and property, present and future, including uncalled capital, the whole amount being now issued. Hart Bros. Electrical Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Particulars filed of £5,000 debentures authorised July 30th, 1930, charged on the company's undertaking and property, present and future, in-cluding uncalled capital, the amount of

the present issue being £1,000.

Peto-Scott Co., Ltd. Particulars filed of £6,500 debentures authorised July 28th, 1930, charged on the company's undertaking and property, present and future, including uncalled capital (subject to £4,000 debentures of same date but previously registered), the whole amount

being now issued.

Universal Gramophone & Radio Co., Ltd. Trust deed dated July 24th (supplemental to deed dated July 1st, 1930, securing £15,000 and premium of 10 per cent.), constituting a specific charge on the book debts specified in the deed dated July 24th, 1930. Trustee: C. O. Crisp, 17. Throgmorton Avenue, E.C.

County Court Judgments.

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The following returns have been received from the Registry of County Court Judgments, Treasury, Whitehall, which purports to contain lists of Judgments entered up in the respective County Courts of England and Wales, but no distinction is made on the register between actions for debts or damages or properly disputed cases; neither is it known which of the Judgments remain unpaid at the present time; and it is probable that a large proportion of them have been settled between the parties or paid. It may also be observed that some of the Judgments registered are against defendants in a representative capacity. The name given is that of the delendants; the amount is that for which judgment was given, and the date is that on which it was given.

Sykes, G. H., 29, St. Clements, Oxford, wireless dealer. Court: Bath. £14 78. 1d. July 19th.

Winsey, F. C., 5, Fifth Avenue, Goole, wireless dealer. Court: Clerkenwell. Court: Clerkenwell.

Ellis, W., c/o Embro Cycle & Motor Co., Holderness Road, Hull, radio dealer. Court: Lambeth. £14 6s. 4d. July 2nd.

Central Wireless Co., Ltd., R/O Mansion House Chambers, 11, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.4. Court: Southwark. £36 os. 6d. July 21st.

Barnett's (a firm), 29, Leyton Road, Stratford, E.15, wireless dealers. Court:

Westminster. £11 18s. 9d. July 2nd.
Melhuish, C. D., Maxwell Works, 21,
Conewood Street, Highbury, N.5, manufacturer of wireless and electrical goods. Court: Clerkenwell. £16 14s. 10d. July

Morgan, J. A., Radio Shop, Crickhowell, Brecon, dealer. Court: Shoreditch.

Rolls-Caydon Sales (a firm), 77, Rochester Row, Westminster, S.W.1, portable wireless manufacturers. Court: Westminster. £15 17s. 8d. July 3rd.

Hinxman, A. D., Wessex Road, Ringwood, radio engineer. Court: Eastbourne.

wood, radio engineer. Court: Eastbourne. £10 15s. July 18th.

Matthewman, A. E., Londress Lane, Beverley, radio engineer. Court: Leeds. £20 9s. 6d. July 21st.

Hook, Victor (trading as Hooks Battery Service), Electric Light Yard, West Street, Bromley, wireless agent, etc. Court: Ashford. £43 16s. 10d. July

Dando, M. E., Warminster Road,

Beckington, nr. Bath, radio engineer. Court: Clerkenwell. £11 os. 6d. July oth.

Andrews, D. C., Gwenlais Terrace, Gwendras, Swansea, radio dealer. Court: Clerkenwell. £11 11s. 6d. July 8th.

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Browning, T. E., 28, Pleydell Avenue,
Stamford Brook, W., electrical contractor.
Court: Clerkenwell. £19 6s. July 9th.

#### Bankruptcies.

British Brunswick, Ltd., 15/17 and 29, Cavendish Place, London.

Under a compulsory winding-up order made in October, 1929, against this company which carried on business at George Street, Hanover Square, and Cavendish Place, W., in gramophone records, musical instruments and wireless accessories of every kind, the report of Mr. E. T. A. Phillips, Official Receiver, has now been issued to the creditors and contributories. The accounts show total liabilities £172,906 (unsecured £125,769), assets, £31,006, and a deficiency of £344,700 with regard to contributories, the issued capital of £218,931 consisting of 1,000,000 ordinary shares of 1s. each and 168,931 preference shares of £1 each.

The company was incorporated as a private company on September 26th, 1926, and was converted into a public company a year later.

In October, 1927, the company obtained the control of Cliftophone, Ltd., who manufactured gramophones, by purchasing certain of its shares of a £12,000 debenture. In April, 1928, the Duophone & Unbreakable Record Co., Ltd., entered into an agreement with a view to close collaboration between them and the Brunswick Company, and the pooling of facilities of manufacture and sale, and for the purchase of certain of the company's plant, etc., by the Duophone Company.

On April 27th, 1928, the directors resolved to raise £75,000 by the issue of 750 7½ per cent. debentures, of £100 each. The bonds were issued at par to the Duophone Co. in May and December, 1928, for cash. On September 11th, 1929, Mr. E. S. Howard, C.A., was appointed receiver and manager on behalf of the debenture holders. He has carried on the business and has realised

the bulk of the assets.

The failure of the company is attributed to its having commenced business on an ambitious scale with insufficient capital, to continual pressure by claimants and creditors, and the existence of exceedingly onerous royalty contracts. The company were continually harassed in their relations with the American company whose high rate of royalties rendered it difficult to make profits except by colossal production; to the investments of the company's funds in subsidiary and other companies, thereby diverting money which could have been more usefully employed for the company itself; and to the despatch to factors of large quantities of unordered goods, for which they refused to accept responsibility, and which resulted in substantial losses.

Duophone (Foreign), Ltd., Hedges House, 153-155, Regent Street, London. The statutory first meeting of the creditors and shareholders of Duophone (Foreign), Ltd., Hedges House, Regent Street, W., was held on August 14th at Bankruptcy Buildings, Carey Street, London, W.C., a compulsory winding-up order having been made on July 14th, upon the petition of a creditor.

Mr. G. Digby Pepys, senior Official Receiver, reported that the company was promoted by the Duophone & Unbreakable Record Co., Ltd. (also in liquidation), and was registered on July 13th, 1928, with a nominal capital of £275,000, divided into 500 000 shares of £280,000, divided

into 550,000 shares of 10s. each. Under an agreement dated July 18th, 1928, the company acquired from the parent company all existing processes used in the manufacture of gramophone records, the benefit of all improvements thereto, patent rights, and the trade mark "Duophone." The consideration was agreed at £150,000, payable as to £75,000 in cash and the balance by the allotment of 150,000 10s. shares. addition the company was to pay to the parent company a royalty of three-eighths of a penny on every gramophone record manufactured and sold by the company for ten years from December 21st, 1928, other than the records supplied by the parent company.

By another agreement, dated July 18th, 1928, the parent company undertook to supply a minimum of 3,500,000 and a maximum of 12,000,000 records per annum for ten years terminable by the company after the first five years, on a cost plus 10 per cent basis. In October, 1929, the company purchased the foreign rights for a "non-hydroscopical" record, the consideration being £12,500 in shares.

Two contracts were entered into with the French, British and Foreign Trust, Ltd., who agreed to pay certain preliminary expenses in connection with the registration of the company for £17,500, payable by instalments, and for the underwriting of the whole of the shares offered for an underwriting commission of 3 per cent., and an over-riding commission of 1 per cent. on the nominal amount of the shares payable in cash. A prospectus was issued by the company in July, 1928, offering for subscription 275,000 10s. shares at par. The Official Receiver was informed that the whole of the shares were subscribed for; consequently the underwriters were not called upon to take up shares. At the date of the winding-up order the total number of shares issued was 428,000 of which 977 were forfeited and not re-issued. In May, 1930, Mr. Charles Latham,

In May, 1930, Mr. Charles Latham, accountant, was appointed by a debenture-holder as Receiver and he took

possession of the assets.

The failure of the company was attributed to disgraceful treatment received by the company at the hands of the parent company, and to lack of sufficient capital to enable the company to manufacture its own records. No statement of affairs had yet been lodged, but it appeared that at the date of the winding-up order, the assets were estimated to produce £12,653. They were charged to secured creditors to the extent of £10,736 and after discharging preferential claims of £418 there would be an estimated balance of £1,504 to meet the debenture claims of £1,270.

There appeared therefore to be no prospect of any surplus becoming available (after allowing for the costs of the liquidation), for the unsecured creditors whose claims were stated to amount to £12,243. In reply to a shareholder the Official Receiver said that when his investigations were concluded it would be his duty to report all the facts to the court, and if necessary further steps would be taken against the persons responsible for the failure.

The liquidation was left in the hands of

the Official Receiver.

Charles William Claridge Oliver, 21, Netherlands Road, New Barnet, Herts, lately trading at 60, Newington Green, N., as A. G. Browne & Co., at 10A, Manor Parade, Finchley, as the Ideal Stores, wireless and gramophone dealer.

The adjourned first meeting of the creditors under this failure was held on August 14th at Bankruptcy Buildings, Carey Street, London, W.C. The debtor filed his petition on July 23rd. A resolution was passed for Mr. C. Latham. Certified Accountant, 78, New Oxford Street, London, W.C., to act as trustee of the estate, the fidelity bond to be given by the trustee as recommended at £300.

at £300.

L. Richardson, 205, Railton Road,
Herne Hill, London, electrical engineer,

CIC.

The receiving order in this case was made on July 31st at the London Bankruptcy Court, upon the petition of the Lithanode Co., Ltd. The first meeting of creditors was held on August 14th, when it transpired that the liabilities amount to £200 against no assets. The debtor states that he began the business in June, 1929, but it never paid, the failure being attributed to trade depression and family illness. The case was left with the Official Receiver to be wound up in bankruptcy.

Harry Aaron Kaplan, sued as H. Kaplan, 89, Elgin Mansions, Elgin Avenue, W.9, 37, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London, W.C., wireless dealer.

The statutory first meeting of the above debtor who was brought to the courts on July 29th on the petition of V. Zeitlin & Sons, S.W., wireless factors,

was held on August 12th.

The Official Receiver reported that the debtor in preliminary examination had stated that in 1923 he commenced business as a wireless dealer with a capital of £30. He traded successfully for 12 months and then formed Kaplan, Ltd., to take over and carry on the business. Some months later he severed his connection with that company and formed the firm of Standard Accessories, Ltd., to carry on business as wireless factors. company traded for about a year, and then, having no capital, was wound up He was then without voluntarily. regular occupation for over 12 months. About April, 1929, he entered into partnership with another person to trade as wireless dealers. He left the firm after some five months, and received \$50 for his interest therein; with that capital he started as a wireless dealer at the above address, but owing to insufficient capital the business was not a success. He traded there in the style of The London Surplus Depot. At the

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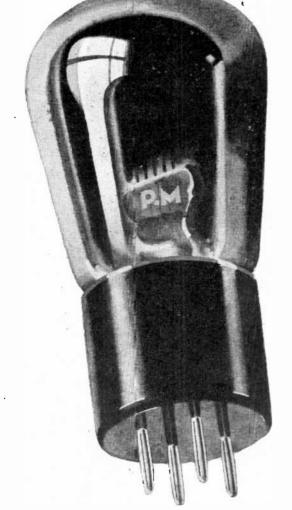
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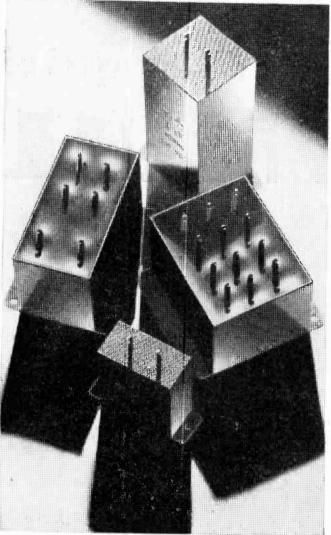
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end of January, 1930, he opened a branch shop at 58, Dean Street, Soho, but that proved a failure. In March, 1930, he formed the London Surplus Depot, Ltd., to take over and continue his business, nominal capital, £300. He was appointed a director at £10 a week, and as sale consideration received 201 shares of £1 each fully secured. The company took over his assets but not his The company was not a liabilities. success and went into voluntary liquidation in June last. He attributed his present position to the failure of the company, to insufficient capital, and to severe competition.

Resolutions were passed for the appointment of Mr. S. G. Crimes, chartered accountant, of Premier House, Southampton Row, London, as trustee, and a committee of inspection was elected

to assist him.

The statement of affairs filed in the proceedings showed liabilities £610 and assets 3s.

The following are some of the creditors:

Ridged Cone, Ltd., London		£13
Rothermel Corporation, Ltd., London		19
United Dominion Trust, Ltd., London		44
Sel Ezi Wireless Supply Co., Ltd., London	• •	64
Sel-Ezi Wireless Supply Co., Ltd.	• •	46
Zelco, Ltd., London	• •	44 284
v. Zeitlin & Sons, Ltd	• •	204

Charles Jackson, 12, Silver Street, Whitby, Yorks, electrician, etc.

The first meeting of creditors in this matter was held on August 15th at the Official Receiver's office, 48, Westborough, Scarborough. A statement of affairs presented showed liabilities of £1,314 178. 11d., with assets of £190 108. 1d., thus disclosing a deficiency of £1,124 78. 1od. The debtor attributed his failure to "losses on contracts and bad health of self." The case being a summary one was left in the hands of the Official Receiver as trustee.

The following are some of the creditors:

Herbert Frank Spence, trading as H. F. Spence & Sons, 2, Eureka Terrace, Honiton, Devonshire, lately High Street Honiton, Devonshire, electrical engineer,

The public examination of this debtor was held on August 14th at The Castle, Exeter. The statement of affairs showed liabilities of £1,661 and assets of £447, leaving a deficiency of £1,214. The debtor attributed his failure to loss by depreciation of stock when he removed from his Sidmouth shop in 1928; damage to stock of about £50 owing to a shed being blown down in last autumn's gales: prospective customers for the installation of country house lighting plant deciding to wait because of the Government's electricity scheme; keen competition in wireless goods; depreciation of assets and the illness of his daughter. Some time ago the debtor was chief electrical engineer on a liner, and started to trade on his own account at Honiton in 1923, with a capital of £50. In February, 1927, he opened a shop in New Street, Sidmouth, but this was not

a success, and resulted in a loss of £300. In September, 1929, one of his creditors agreed to allow him floating credit of £300, but the agreement was broken, and the debtor executed a deed of assignment. The examination was adjourned.

Joseph Abraham Britton, 362, Edgware Road, W., and 31, Barking Road, London, E., trading as The Boleyn Gramophone Co., gramophone and radio dealer, etc.

The public examination of the debtor was held on Tuesday last week, at the London Bankruptcy Court, the accounts showing total liabilities £2,600 (unsecured £1,640), and assets £182.

Questioned by Mr. Gaine, Official Receiver, the debtor stated that in January, 1929, he borrowed £350 from a bank and purchased the lease of 31, Barking Road, which premises he rebuilt, repaired and fitted as a shop at a cost of about £550. At Easter, 1929, he opened that shop under the name of the Boleyn Gramophone Co., and simultaneously carried on a wholesale radio business from 362, Edgware Road, W. Both ventures were unsuccessful owing to lack of capital, and being pressed by creditors he filed his petition. The examination was concluded, the failure being attributed further to bad trade and heavy overhead expenses.

The following are creditors:-

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Dennis Whitehead & Co., Woodford			£95
Decca Record Co., Ltd., London			84
Electric Lamp Service Co., London	٠.		18
Morris, Rose, & Co., Ltd., London	٠.		38
Langham Radio, Ltd., London			14
Radio Requisite Co., London			14
Zeitlin, V., & Son, Ltd., London			64
Thorns, A., Walthamstow			50
Bankers (Barclay's Bank), London			35
Partly secured creditors:			33
Wilmott, C., London			445
(Security £133) .			443
Bankers (Midland Bank), London			1,300
(Security £600)	• •	• •	1,300
Itonia Gramophone Co., Ltd., London			311
(Security (200)			3

Business Names Registered.

Particulars are given below of wireless and allied businesses recently registered at Somerset House under the Business Names Act of 1916. The name appearing in bold type is the trading name, while in brackets are given the name of the proprietor (or proprietors) and the date of the registration. No information is, of course, given in the register with regard to the trade stabus of the concerns referred to.

Arthur G. Herod & Co., 115-117, Cannon Street, E.C.4, wireless retailers. (Arthur G. E. Herod, 11, Cyprus Avenue, Church End, Finchley, N.3. June

E.C.4, wireless retailers. (Arthur G. E. Herod, 11, Cyprus Avenue, Church End, Finchley, N.3. June 2nd, 1930.)

Southend Music Stores, I, Belitha Villas, Southend Lane, Sydenham, S.E. 26, wireless and gramophone dealers. (Frank H. Gribble, Melville, Becondale Road, Upper Norwood, S.E. 19, June 2nd, 1930.)

Wireless Installation & Maintenance Service, 46, Drayton Bridge Road, Hanwell, W.7, wireless manufacturers. (Hilton S. Tee, Ionia, High Road, Cowley Peachey, Cowley, Uxbridge, Middlesex; Frederick W. Wiltshire, and Paul T. Sawyer, both of 46, Drayton Bridge Road, Hanwell, W.7. May 22nd, 1930.)

Crown Radio Co., 167, Princess Street, Manchester, wireless accessory manufacturers. (Joseph W. Burgess, Jun., Ashwood House, Victoria Park, Manchester, June 7th, 1930.)

Isola Manufacturing Co., 4, Shepley Street, London Road, Manchester, wireless and electrical manufacturers. (Kenneth V. Hill, Hillside Cottage, Castle Hill, Prestburv. June 12th, 1930.)

Burlington Battery & Radio Service, 93, Burlington Road, New Malden Surrey, wireless dealers. (Edward G. Playter, address as above. June 16th, 1930.)

Woodall Bros., 1, Pope's Cottages, High Street, Burwash, wireless and gramophone dealer, etc. (Sarah Woodall, address as above. June 16th, 1930.)

Morden Battery Charging Service, The Path, Morden Road, S.W. 19, wireless dealers. (William H. Whitehead, 211, Kingston Road, Merton Park, S.W. 19. May 31st. 1930.)

South Eastern All-Electric Co., 281, Brockley Road Brockley, S.E.4, wireless and electrical dealers.

(William C. Plomer-Roberts, Brockley Road, Brockley, S.E.4, and Henry G. Donaldson, 43, Sandrock Road, Lewisham. June and, 1930.)

The Portland Radio & Electrical Supplies, 3, Shireland Road, Smethwick, near Birmingham, wireless and electrical dealers. (George A. L. Avery, 537, Park Road, Hockley, Birmingham, and William H. McLachlan, 38, Ridgeway, Edgbaston, Birmingham. June 3rd, 1930.)

35, Ridgeway, Angeles and Place, Girlington, Bradford, wireless and electrical dealers. (Henry Noble, r, Sunnyside Baildon, nr. Shipley, Yorks; Joseph B. Milner, 8, St. Leonard's Grove, Bradford; and John Wellock, 45, Haworth Road, Bradford.

and John Wellock, 45, Haworth Koad, Bradioid. May 30th, 1930.)
Athenseum Radio Stores, 15, Athenseum Arcade, Plymouth, wireless dealer. (Norton Morris, 14, St. Lawrence Road, Plymouth. June 2nd, 1930.)
Radio Choke Manufacturers, 66, Belsize Lane, N.W.3, wireless component dealers. (John C. Hedge, 14, Mackeson Road, N.W.3. May 10th, 1930.)

14, Mackeson Road, N.W.3. May 10th, 1930.)

W. T. Jones & Sons, 4, Forster Street, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, wireless and gramophone dealers, etc. (William T. Jones, 49, Clive Street, Tunstall, Staffs; Albert Jones, 60, Heron Street, Fenton, Staffs; Charles Jones, 17, Phoenix Street, Tunstall, Staffs; and Harry Jones, 26, Smith Child Street, Tunstall, Staffs, April 26th, 1930.)

Lancaster Radio Stores, 3, Brock Street, Lancaster, wireless retailers. (Frank Farnworth, 411, Manchester Road, Burnley, Lancs, and Harry Wilks, 9, Windsor Terrace, Heysham Road, Morecambe. May 7th, 1930.)

General Radio Manufacturing Co., 86, Grays Inn Road, London, W.C r, wireless manufacturers. (Mary Wilson, 6, York Road, Learnington Spa, Warwickshire.

Wilson, 6, York Road, Learnington ope, Washacante, May 1st, 1930.)

Radiant Hire Purchase Co., 602, London Road, Southend-on-Sea, wireless retailers. (William P. B. O'Reilly, address as above. May 3rd, 1930.)

Fullcharge Battery Service, 133, The Grove, Hammersmith, W.6, wireless dealers. (Albert E. Sheppard, address as above, and Viloet J. Leckie, 4, College Court, Hammersmith, W.6. May 12th, 1930.)

Fullcharge Battery Service, 133, The Grove, Hammersmith, W.6, wireless dealers. (Albert E. Sheppard, address as above, and Viloet J. Leckie, 4, College Court, Hammersmith, W.6. May 12th, 1930.]

E. Bassant, 292, High Street, Sutton, Surrey, wireless and gramophone dealers. (George W. Riley, 24, Orchard Road, Sutton, and Edith H. Bassant, 292, High Street, Sutton. May 10th, 1930.)

The Northern Radio Supply, 13, Aston Road. Birmingham, wireless dealers. (Charles Roe, 3, Albert Road, Aston, Birmingham. May 8th, 1930.)

Spring Hill Radio Stores, 26, Spring Hill, Birmingham, wireless and electrical engineers. (Mrs. Blanche Libin, 90, Hall Road, Handsworth, Birmingham. May 10th, 1930.)

S. Kershaw & Co., Broad Lane, West Derby, Liverpool, electrical and wireless dealers. (Edith K. Kershaw, address as above. May 1st, 1930.)

Ideal Battery Service, 238, Manchester Road, Droylsden, Manchester, wireless dealers. (Charles A. Haughton, address as above. April 29th, 1930.)

British Portable Radio Co., Cromford House, Cromford Court, Manchester, wireless dealer. (Eric Bernstein, 122, Leicester Road, nr. Broughton, Manchester. May 14th, 1930.)

Kester Radio Supply Co., 18, Fairfield Road, Walthamstow, E.17, wireless manufacturers. (Amos T. Clark, and Amos Clark, both of above address. May 13th, 1930).

Western Radio Supply, Mayfield Park, Fishponds, Bristol, wireless wholesalers. (Norman J. Tottle, and Victor Noakes, both of "St. Hilda," Mayfield Park, Fishponds, Bristol, May 15th, 1930.)

G. Cottnam & Co., Monthermer Road, Cathays, Cardiff, wireless engineers. (George Cottnam, address as above, William J. Davey, and Edward J. Harding, both of 108, Tewkesbury Street, Cathays, Cardiff. May 17th, 1930.)

A. E. Andrews & Co., 31, Tollington Park, London, Marieless and gramophone dealers. (Edward Wright, 60, High Street, Tring, Herts; Reginald Thorpe, Netcroft, 43, Garston Crescent, Garston, Watford; and Reginald Batcock, 114, Haresbreake, Watford, May 13th, 1930.)

Bristol East Radio Co., 72, West Street, St. Philips, Bristol,

Lieweilyn-Powell, 62, York Road, Battersea, S.W.II.
May 18th, 1930.)

Burkill's for Wireless, Station Road, Castleford,
wireless and electrical dealers. (Claude W. Burkill,
Kirkthorpe House, Leake Street, Castleford. May
13th, 1930).

J. W. Millard, 163, Green Lanes, Wylde Green, Birmingham, wireless and electrical dealer. (Wilfred M. Jones, address as above. May 26th, 1930.)

Speake Bros., 9, Melbourne Grove, East Dulwich, S.E.22, wireless and musical instrument dealers, etc. (Sidney Swaine, address as above. May 20th, 1930.)

Tull's, 492, Wandsworth Road, S.W.8, wireless dealers. (Emily E. Tull, 83, Thurleigh Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W.11. May 20th, 1930.)

Sanders Radio Supplies, 230, Acton Lane, Acton, W.4, wireless engineers and manufacturers. (James S. Sanders, 30, Grove Park Gardens, Chiswick, W.4, May 10th, 1930.)

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### BUSINESS ITEMS.

A Bigger Home for "Berclif."

For the past six years Simmonds Bros., the Birmingham manufacturers, have occupied premises in Shireland Road, Smethwick. It has been found necessary, however, to take a larger building, and the company have now moved their offices

and works to 38, Rabone Lane, Smethwick.
The production of "Berclif" components will be continued here. It is hoped also to extend considerably the production of mains sets, particularly in chassis form for the dealer to incorporate in his own cabinets.

New Blackpool Wholesale Premises.

For the convenience of retailers in North West Lancashire, Hirst, Ibbetson & Taylor, Ltd., the well-known Lancashire factors, have opened a new wholesale depot at 34-36, Topping Street, Blackpool. A complete stock of all the best known radio products on the market is carried, and the firm can give speedy delivery. Telephone enquiries to the new branch should be made to Blackpool 3830 or

Hirst, Ibbetson & Taylor have now issued their preliminary trade catalogue of radio goods. It includes many of the new season's products, such as the 4-valve "Music Magnet," the "Ekco" sets and speakers, and the McMichael Mains Three," to name but a few. In other words, the list is completely Nevertheless, the firm's complete 1930-31 catalogue will not be published until after Olympia, when all the latest apparatus has been released.

Publicity of the "Proms."

The August issue of the Marconiphone Mail is now being sent to dealers, and contains some useful hints for pushing the sale of valves. In the monthly letter from the Marconiphone Co.'s Sales Development Department, the publicity value from the retailer's point of view of the Queen's Hall Promenade Concerts is emphasised, and a special window bill has been made available (see illustration).



The "Proms." poster issued by Marconiphone and available to dealers. The "Proms."

Ferranti on Holiday.

Ferranti, Ltd., advise us that the whole of their works at Hollinwood will close down on Friday evening, August 29th, until Monday morning, September 8th, for the local annual holidays. Although a skeleton staff will be present to deal with enquiries, no deliveries will be made from Hollinwood.

Stocks are carried at Ferranti's London branch at Bush House, Aldwych, and by several of the firm's representatives, from whom deliveries can be obtained in cases of urgency. Nevertheless, the trade is requested to place orders impact that the second of the second o mediately to avoid any delay during the holiday period.

Errata.

Some price corrections should be noted. The first concerns a product of the Saxon Radio Co., namely, the "Quadricoil." A test report upon this component was published in our issue of August 9th, where the price was given as 15s. Actually the "Quadricoil" lists at 17s. 6d.

In the Lamplugh advertisement last week the price of the new Inductor speaker was misprinted as £3 16s. The price was, however, given correctly as £3 10s. in the editorial description of this instrument.

Another printers' error occurred in the description of the "Lewcos" No. 400 centre-tapped coil on page 171 last week. This component sells at 5s., and obviously not at 45s., as printed!

Through an error the price of the new H.S.P. "Supertwin" portable was given in our Autumn Buying feature last week as 22 guineas. The price is really 29 guineas.

F. A. Hughes & Co., Ltd., have drawn our attention to the description last week of their "Blue Spot" pick-up and carrying arm, which might convey the impression that the price of the complete outfit was 35s. It should therefore be made clear that the pick-up alone—a new model introduced this season—sells at 35s., and can be fitted to any gramo-phone tone-arm. A complete "Blue Spot" pick-up with tone-arm and volume control sells at 63s.

In supplying us with the advance details of their new 3-valve A.C. set which we published last week, Ferranti, Ltd., stated that this receiver was priced at £24. They now inform us that actually the correct price is £25.

Rothermel's New Catalogue.

The Rothermel Corporation, Ltd., of 24, Maddox Street, London, W.I, have asked us to request all factors and dealers who require a copy of their new catalogue. but who have not already made application for one, to communicate with them This catalogue will be mailed at once. immediately it is off the press.

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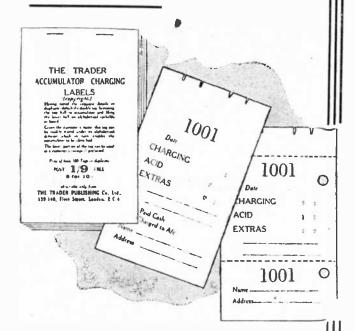
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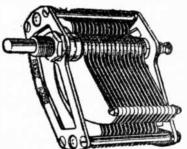
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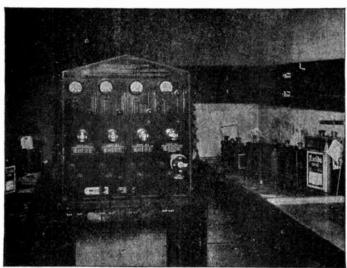
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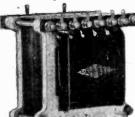
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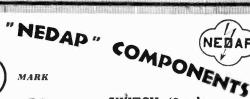
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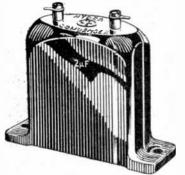


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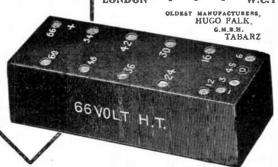


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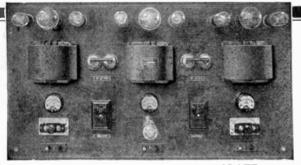


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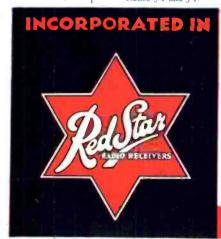


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