

# RCA SERVICE COMPANY

# News

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## LOS ANGELES WINS "FEATHER YOUR NEST"

Cooperative Effort Brings  
Success to Drive—Goodman

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## RCA WELCOMES SIX OF SERVICE COMPANY IN NEW 25-yr. CLUB

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## Suggestions Pay Off In '48

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## Conner Wins '48 Merit Award

When RCA Awards of Merit were tendered this month to fifteen employees for outstanding service in 1948, Robert W. Conner, Field Supervisor of the Communications Service Division, was on the list.

This marked the third year that awards have been made for meritorious service to RCA, and each time at least one of our members has made the grade.

Current winner, Bob Conner, came with the Service Company about five years ago to work on airborne radar equipment on the East Coast. He was soon transferred to San Diego, Cal., where he did field work on both airborne and shipborne radar. With the end of the war Bob returned to Camden and spent a year on loan to TV Engineering. He supervised installation of the first post-war commercial TV transmitter at WNBW in Washington, and fol-

lowing several more East Coast installations, he returned to Los Angeles where he has remained since September of 1947.

He has been responsible for supervising installations of TV antenna and transmitters, as well as some AM and FM work.

One of Conner's greatest contributions came shortly after the war ended. Suitable field measuring equipment was sadly lacking for the many complex units that make up a TV broadcast plant. Measurements on TV antennas, diplexers, vestigial side band filters and triplexers with existing equipment were made slowly and laboriously.

Responsibility for the development of better equipment was in other groups, but time was a pressing factor. The Communications Service Division had a TV In-

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BOB CONNER



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## ● Easy Money

During 1948 more Service Company employees made use of the RCA suggestion system than ever before. The year started slowly, but as December arrived ideas started flowing into Joe Bass' office to bring the total to 173.

Dollar-wise this meant a substantial pay-off to eleven winners and worthwhile savings to the company. Forty-three ideas are still under investigation, and Joe Bass' office tells us that he'll have some good news to report by next month.

So much for '48. And now a word about the new year we've just started. The same opportunity to win suggestion money is present, and now that Service Company rolls have swelled beyond the 3000 mark we should have a lot more contributors and a lot more winners.

You can be a winner in '49!

## "DARK HORSE" JACKSON WINS CONTEST; OTHER FEATHER WINNERS ANNOUNCED

In a surprising last-minute rush on a well-feathered field, Art Jackson and his Los Angeles District pulled into 1st place as the "Feather Your Nest" contest ended last month.

Through three months of highly competitive service sales, George Sandore of Atlanta and Tom Whitney of Cleveland led their District Nests in full flight. For weeks, however, no one heard a word from Art Jackson. Then, as the contest was drawing to a close, contracts started coming in, and by deadline time the West Coast gang had piled up enough points to win. Complete District standings are as follows:

Los Angeles	521.0%
Atlanta	431.5%
Cleveland	379.5%
Dallas	248.3%
Chicago	214.0%
Philadelphia	203.3%
San Francisco	196.0%
Pittsburgh	189.7%
Boston	179.5%
New York	160.2%
Kansas City	31.2%

Naturally, from a national standpoint the contest was a big success. Both Theatre and Industrial Divisions beat quota for a 230% average. This is a good indication of what can be accomplished when the RCA Victor Sales Force and RCA Dealers team up with Service engineers to sell contracts.

New business in the Theatre Service field included the Colonial Theatres, Inc.

of Valdese, N. C., and additions to existing contracts with the Wellman Circuit, Girard, Ohio; Eskin Circuit, Milwaukee, Wis.; Sussman Circuit, Pleasantville, New York; and Metropolitan Theatres, Los Angeles, Calif. A number of circuits solicited during the campaign remain on the good prospect list.

From the contest kickoff at St. Louis, where W. W. Jones introduced his "Dead Ducks," the Industrial feathers started flying. Cooperation was the keynote, and the teamwork of Art Jackson, Los Angeles District Manager; Pete Dailey, TFP Specialist; and R. Frost of Broadcast Sales, was a big factor in the L. A. win.

Walt Gilreath, of Dallas, also hit the Industrial jackpot by tying-in with Broadcast salesman Harlan Troth on TFP service sales. His cooperation with salesman McIntosh and the local Sound System Distributor broke the ice for the sale of three sound service contracts to new veterans hospitals.

Contest records were carefully kept by Jim Cummings, Jim Gavin, Les Hart and Roy Parker of the home office, and a note of thanks is due them. The list of winners follows:

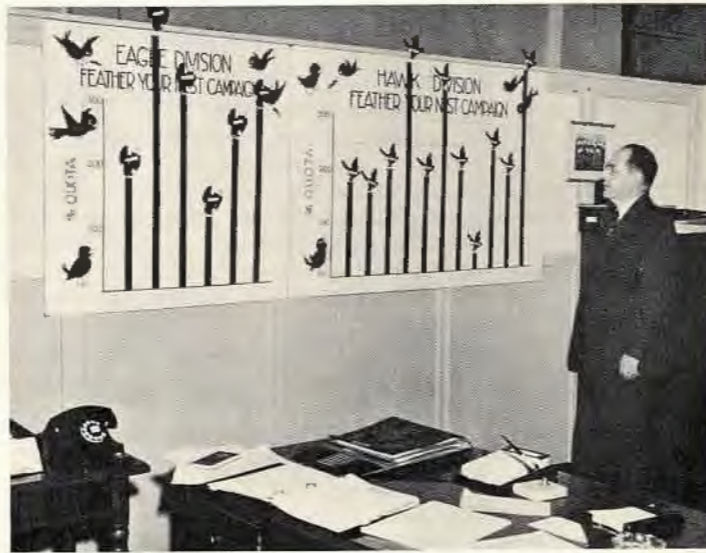
### ROOSTS

Atlanta	431.5% - Big Roost Trophy
Cleveland	315.5%
Los Angeles	300.2%
Dallas	248.3%
New York	180.0%
Chicago	117.8%

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Industrial Section Managers from left: Ken Haywood, Bill Ballinger, and Ken Hollister confer with W. W. Jones, Industrial Division Manager, on their success in the recent contest.



Grand Eagle Adolph Goodman surveys the contest board as results become final. He praised cooperation of all contestants who made the campaign a success.



## FEATHER WINNERS

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### PELICANS

Delta Theatre Supply	
New Orleans, La.	530.2%
Southeastern Theatre Equipment Co.	
Jacksonville, Fla.	500.0%
John P. Filbert Co.	
Los Angeles, California	357.4%

### KING FISHERS

J. E. Miller	259.1%
H. M. Paul	216.2%
T. F. McCleary	175.3%

### WOODPECKERS

W. F. Bittel - Camden	1504
Harlan Troth - Atlanta-Dallas	1281
E. Frost - Los Angeles	941
E. W. Bonslett - Chicago	879
R. J. Newman - San Francisco	747
A. Josephsen - New York	714

### OWLS

Southern Hdwe. - Jacksonville, Fla.	722%
Yancey Co. - Atlanta, Ga.	540%
R & R Sply. Co., Inc. - Lubbock, Tex.	406%
Hamburg Bros. - Pittsburgh, Pa.	400%
Electrical Sply. - New Orleans, La.	390%
McGregor's Inc. - Memphis, Tenn.	244%

### FALCONS

National - 1st thru 3rd Place	
1. F. M. Armstrong - Cleveland	1441
2. J. H. Davie - Atlanta	950
3. S. J. Brown - Cleveland	840
Home Office	
1. F. B. Dailey	2602
4. J. E. Stoeger	949
11. G. W. Halberg	605
21. E. P. Sarazen	372

### District Winners

Atlanta	
1. H. Geers	644
2. J. O. Stockton	360
Chicago	
1. H. H. Ball	724
2. C. L. Connaught	467
Boston	
1. L. Cimikowski	295
2. H. I. Hultgren	243
Cleveland	
1. R. Fullarton	494
2. W. R. Durrett	318
Dallas	
1. C. M. Lund	487
2. S. C. Bullington	431

### New York

1. W. F. O'Brien	688
2. A. Kunze	388

### Pittsburgh

1. C. R. Shepard	410
2. E. R. Lohr	204

### Kansas City

1. R. S. Murphey	130
2. C. W. Wolfe	116

### Philadelphia

1. H. Lubcker	367
2. R. Mowery	224

### Los Angeles

1. R. H. Springer	631
2. H. M. Berlier	627

### San Francisco

1. R. G. Davis	503
2. W. D. Cooley	308

### National - 4th thru 18th Place

4. B. B. Savage - Dallas	406
5. D. M. Walta - Dallas	394
6. E. I. Kilkenny - Nat. Off.	384
7. L. N. Browne - Dallas	331
8. M. E. Studt - Atlanta	320
9. C. W. Gibbs - Chicago	305
10. R. H. Bunting - Cleveland	304
11. R. W. Godwin - Dallas	301
12. N. Spock - Atlanta	290
13. L. D. Cochran - Nat. Off.	280
13. E. Pothier - L.A.	280
13. E. M. Karcher - Dallas	280
14. W. I. Wall - New York	275
15. C. D. Welch - Chicago	265
16. R. E. Cobble - Atlanta	264
16. J. M. Meyer - Dallas	264
17. G. H. Bleeker - Chicago	259
18. J. F. Ingels - Atlanta	240

### 19th thru 38th Place

19. G. E. Williams - San Fran.	228
20. D. E. Howard - San Fran.	227
21. H. Barberie - Phila.	224
21. R. G. Clagett - Phila.	224
22. R. Norton - Phila.	222
23. D. W. McMillin - Chicago	221
24. A. G. Tinkham - Los Angeles	220
25. J. A. Thornton - Atlanta	218
26. M. F. Fritz - Chicago	215
27. R. M. Sherman - Cleveland	212
28. R. E. Coffee - Atlanta	211
29. G. D. Campbell - Atlanta	209
30. H. P. Tyner - Dallas	208
31. K. E. Stephenson - San Fran.	202
32. E. DeNeuf - San Fran.	200
33. J. F. Pope - Chicago	197
34. K. P. Herrick - Cleveland	194
35. C. S. Brown - Cleveland	184
36. W. B. Attmore - Philadelphia	170
36. R. J. DelCastillo - Los Angeles	170
36. W. R. Hill - Atlanta	170
36. L. A. Boulet - Cleveland	170
37. K. C. Page - Chicago	167
38. R. V. Zimmerman - Chicago	166

## NATIONAL THEATRES GO 100% RCA SERVICE

Last month Vice President W. L. Jones and Theatre Division Manager Carl Johnson paid a visit to District Manager Art Jackson in Hollywood, where the three met with officials of the National Theatres Amusement Company and Fox Midwest Amusement Corporation.

The former company negotiated contracts for its four divisions, including Fox West Coast Agency Corp. at Los Angeles, Fox Inter-Mountain Amusement Corp. in Denver, Fox Wisconsin Amusement Corp. of Milwaukee and Evergreen Theatres Corp., Seattle. As a result the Service Company signed contracts involving 545 theatres, including 171 new contracts, and brought all National Theatres in the U. S. under contract.

## '48 MERIT AWARD

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stallation program that wouldn't wait. Conner used much of his own time to design and construct a device for practical use which gave a pictorial presentation of standing wave measurements and impedance matching.

This equipment has since been known as Panoramic Standing Wave Measuring Equipment. Through its use more information is made available in less than ten percent of the time required by previous methods.

Bob now makes his home with his wife and two children at Pasadena, California.

Others who received Awards of Merit in 1948 are: Warren Albright, General Plant Manager of Records; Benjamin Aldrich, Manager of Home Instrument Sales Administration Section; Hadley Chapman, Vice President and General Manager of RCA Distributing Corp.; Joseph Elliot, Vice President in charge of consumer products; Charles Baxter, Controller of Home Instrument Financial Division; Robert James, Development Engineer of Lancaster Tube Plant; Nathan Lev, Camden Plant Manager of Home Instruments; Arthur Malcarney, General Plant Manager of Engineering Products; A. M. Max, Record Engineer of Indianapolis; Thomas McCleary, Theatre Equipment Salesman; George Phelps, Manufacturing Development Engineer of Lancaster; Robert Ryan, Assistant Director of Finance in the General Offices; L. W. Teegarden, Vice President in charge of technical products; Laurence Thees, Manager of Equipment Sales Section in the Tube Department.



# Service Tips for Theatre Engineers

Edited by ED STANKO  
 Technical Section  
 Theatre Service

## Correcting Simplex Soundhead Trouble

I have had considerable trouble with one drive motor on Simplex soundhead failing to start. The trouble was located in the rotating section of the centrifugal switch. The Bakelite ring had small grooves worn in it where the governor weights engage it, allowing end of governor weights to touch rotor shaft. At times Bakelite ring would not return far enough to close switch contact points. This condition was corrected by filing off end of governor weights to clear rotor shaft.

A. N. Kidwell

## Emergency PEC Socket

In the event a PEC Socket contact breaks loose at the socket, and no socket is available, the following will work: Disconnect the lead from anode or cathode socket contact, whichever is broken, and connect the opposite corresponding contact. Place a small jumper on bottom of photo-cell from the anode or cathode prong, as the case may be, then connect other end to opposite prong. Jumper is soldered close to base of cell and will not interfere with operation.

R. H. Bisbee

## Correcting Oscillation in Simplex Systems

After having made a routine call at a theatre, the next day a call was received to correct a noise in the sound reproduction similar to that of a B-29. I had noticed this type of trouble in other Simplex sound systems when running with the fader wide open during a test, but this was the first experience at this theatre. After some investigation the trouble was found to be caused by a feedback between the plate of the glass 6L6 and the grid of the first 6J7 in the power amplifier. The oscillation was corrected by moving the grid lead slightly closer to the 6L6 tube in the power amplifier. Further improvement can be obtained by using the shields to keep the grid lead shielded.

C. H. Atchisson

## Screw Locking on MI-9030 Soundhead

Some trouble has been experienced with new production MI-9030 soundheads wherein the small screw inserted thru the #28049 bracket, which acts as the catch part for the #28559 photocell cover, comes loose. When this screw backs out slightly it allows the photocell cover to be released, and often times this causes loss of sound since cover has been displaced sufficiently to prevent light reaching the photocell. A simple repair can be made by removing bracket and then filing a V-cut in the screw and bracket after retightening screw to full depth. Solder is then melted into this groove in the bracket and screw head. When cold, the screw is prevented from backing out by this locking device.

D. W. McMillin

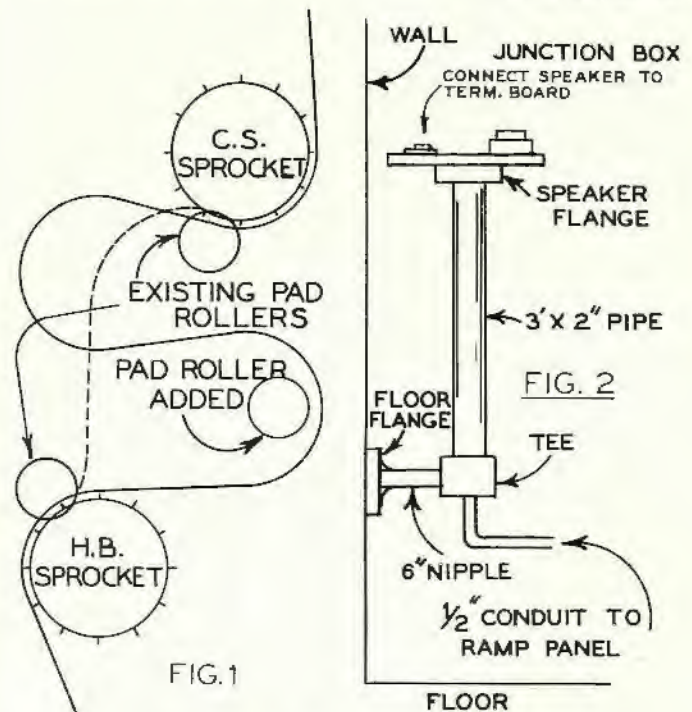
## Improving Operation of PS-21 Soundhead

In a theatre using 4PS21C4 soundheads operating rather long hours, and running old and dirty prints, we were troubled by very short life of the holdback sprockets. The following remedy was tried and has been operating with complete satisfaction for over six months:

An additional pad roller was installed in the location shown in the sketch, and the film threaded with sufficient slack as shown by the unbroken line. This results in the film being in contact with at least six teeth on the holdback sprocket instead of two or three when threaded in the normal manner as shown by the dotted line.

The additional roller was installed by mounting a piece of square steel about 2 inches in length in the soundhead. This was drilled to receive the pad roller shaft and was drilled and tapped to provide a set screw to lock the shaft in position. Shim washers were used in back of the roller to align it with the sprockets. See Figure 1.

K. E. Stephenson



## Simple In-Car Speaker Testing Setup

A simple in-Car speaker testing setup can be made as follows: Bolt a 2 inch floor flange to the projection room or repair room wall. Screw a 6 inch by 2 inch nipple into the flange. Then screw on a 2 inch tee with a reducing bushing for a 1/2 inch pipe. Then saw a 3 ft. x 2 in. pipe into the 2 inch side of the tee. Mount a junction box flange on the 2 inch pipe and then mount an RCA junction box on the flange. Connect up the matching transformer in the junction box to the amplifier. See Fig. 2.

C. H. Speckman



### Holding Magazines Open at Drive-In Theatres

Magnets fastened to the front wall of the projection room in such a position that they hold the magazine doors open will solve this problem in drive-in theatres.

H. W. Prosser

### Drive-In Theatre Ramp Switches

Drive-In theatre installations can use 12, 16, etc. multi-breaker switch boxes at a considerable saving to the customer. These switches are well built and have less contact resistance than some of the small ramp switches used by our competitors.

J. M. Meyer

### Reconditioning Arc Lamp Reflectors

Several arc lamp reflectors were about to be replaced due to being foggy - examination showed the front to be covered with scum while the back was in perfect condition. Experiments were conducted with the aid of local projectionist to find a means for removing this foreign material. Finally some lens rouge was obtained from local optician which removed 95% of the scum with the addition of some elbow-grease. Three of the four reflectors so treated are back in service giving satisfactory results.

G. G. Reed

### Removing Broken Screw

To remove a screw from which the slotted head has broken off, take a very small drill bit and drill a hole in the screw, insert a hex wrench into this hole and remove the screw.

H. H. Frazer

### Improving Ballantyne Soundhead Operation

I have had trouble with drive motors on Ballantyne soundheads stopping with a sudden jerk when turned off. The trouble was traced to starting capacitor holding a charge which would discharge in windings when centrifugal switch closed, causing magnetic brake action. Trouble was corrected by placing resistor across terminals of capacitors.

A. N. Kidwell

### Checking Test Film

When using a pair of 300 cycle and a pair of 7000 cycle test loops, it is a very good idea to check each loop against the other for the same output, as I have found that by continual use, one will become lower in output than the other. This will result in an unbalanced condition between projectors, although when taking readings the machines are balanced.

H. W. Morrow

# SAFETY FIRST



**MANY A MAN  
WHO HAS TAKEN A CHANCE**

**WISHES  
HE  
HADN'T**



John Carter, TV Service Technician of Camden Branch, inserts a kinescope in the deflection yoke of the new 1949 TV model - BT244. He's using safety goggles and gloves similar to those soon to be distributed to TV branch personnel.



# Service Company Now Offers Latest In Streamlined TV Training Program



Trainees J. P. Lozascio and W. Finkbeiner work on installation using pipe straps.



Trainees R. Kaltenbough and L. R. Lindsey work on installation using #227 brackets.



Trainees A. R. Wentz and J. J. Smith assemble stainless steel Hi Frequency and #225 antenna.

Personnel Division's Training Section is currently in full swing on a recently developed TV Training program.

Regularly scheduled courses at the Home Office for neophytes and advanced technicians have been set up with expert instructions provided. The best in training facilities have also been made available.

A weekly, three-day indoctrination program for new employees in New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington areas is designed to familiarize incoming personnel with problems relative to TV installation and receiver setup. This group is guided by Sam Adams of the Training Section. A general outline of the trainees' instruction is as follows:

Subject	Instructor
1. Company Organization	Ned Gerry
2. Company Policy )	John Dorofee
Work Records )	
3. Safety in and on the job	Howard Hayes
4. General Explanation of overall TV System	Mert Brisbin
5. Demonstration and Explanation of Antenna Systems	Bob Scully
6. Practice in Assembling and Installing Antennas	Sam Adams
7. Instructing the Customer	Mert Brisbin
8. Care of the customer	Fred Wentker

A similar program is under consideration for use in all other operating areas.

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H. P. McTiegue



Ned Gerry



Mert Brisbin



Howard Hayes



Fred Wentker



Sam Adams (left) and Bob Hunsicker



Leon Fetter of the Publications Section instructs members of an advanced training class.



Bob Scully lectures



# Twenty-five Years and Still Going Strong

Six members of the Service Company were recipients of gold watches and gold service pins when RCA inaugurated a 25 Year Club last month to honor employees with a quarter-century of service.

Recipients include Ben Harvey of TV administration; Bill Howard, New York District Field Engineer; Vice President W. L. Jones; Marge Johler, Chicago District Secretary; Steve Nielssen of TV Field Engineering and Walter Thompson of the Financial Division.

Recognition ceremonies held in principal RCA plant locations across the nation

## ADVANCED TRAINING

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Every month, about thirty or forty picked men from TV branches across the states are brought to the Home Office for a nine-day program of review and advanced instruction.

Training includes work on all the latest TV receivers and equipment, and advice from experts on the best methods for dealing with service problems.

Under the guidance of Bob Huntzinger, of the Training Section, the men have an opportunity to hear such speakers as Johnny Meagher of the RCA Tube Division, Engineers from the RCA Home Instrument Division, as well as experts in Service Company Technical Operations groups.

A committee headed by Training Supervisor H. P. McTeigue and including Bob Scully and Mert Brisbin of the Training Section, Don Stover, Manager of TV Branch Operations; Ned Gerry, Manager of TV Administration Operations; Merrill Gander, Manager of TV Field Engineering Operations; and Paul Wagner, Branch Manager of Cambridge, is investigating training needs and will suggest effective training methods.

## A Word of Advice



Bill Zaun, Division Manager of TV Operations, addresses service technicians at a banquet following completion of their advanced training course.

honored 861 employees of RCA Victor Division and RCA subsidiaries.

Ben Harvey has a service record that dates back to 1912, when he joined the United Wireless Telegraph Company, later English Marconi, as a ship radio operator. Five years later he resumed his education at New York Electrical School, and when World War I came he served in the Merchant Marine and U. S. Army Transport Service as radio operator. In 1920 he rejoined RCA as an operator at the famous WYN Station in NYC. It was 1924 when Ben transferred to the Service Department of RCA at NYC, and in 1930 he came to Camden. He is currently working in the TV Field Engineering Group.

On December 26, 1913 the Marconi Company hired a radioman - Bill Howard. He supervised installation of the first broadcast equipment for ship and land, and was an early service engineer with RCA Photophone. Following work as engineer in Photophone's reproducing laboratory and service duties in Camden, he took up residence on Long Island. For about fifteen years he has remained there on theatre service work.

W. L. Jones, Vice President in charge of Engineering Products Service, joined American Marconi in 1919 as a radio operator, and remained when RCA took over at the close of that year. He continued his radio work aboard ship until 1928, when he joined the new RCA Photophone organization as a survey engineer. Mr. Jones was an early District Manager, having opened the Philadelphia office. Later he returned

to New York as District Manager and then became Eastern Division Manager. About 1936 he came to Camden to handle the newly acquired Fox service contract business. At Camden he was made National Service Manager, and in 1943 when the Service Company was formed he became Vice President.

Following education at Parochial Schools and a year of Business College, Marge Johler came to work in 1922 at a Chicago Office of RCA, as typist and clerk. Since that time she has been carrying out office duties in various RCA operations in Chicago. Since October of 1934 she has been a secretary in the Theatre Service Operations at Chicago and currently works for District Manager Harry Mayer.

It was 1920 when Steve Nielssen signed up with RCA Radio Marine Corp. as a radio operator working out of the San Francisco office. Several voyages and a trip around the world brought him to N.Y.C., where his experience with arc transmitters led to assignment on ships operating out of New York with this equipment. Following several years of laboratory and field work he joined the Service Operations of the Victor Talking Machine Co. He has been in service activities ever since, and is now in TV Field Engineering.

Walter Thompson, who was born and bred in Brooklyn, joined Marconi Wireless Telegraph in 1919 as an office boy. He soon found himself employed by RCA when the Marconi Company was absorbed. He has remained with RCA through many changes, but has always been in sales accounting and inventory work. He currently heads the Sales Accounting Groups of the Service Company.



Ben Harvey



Bill Howard



Marge Johler



W. L. Jones



Steve Nielssen



Walter Thompson



# Camden and District Office News

## HOME OFF. A. Duff, T. Leggoe M. Dengler

That little Dan Cupid has been shooting his arrows all over WO-3. One for June Zimm (Accounting) and Claude Young (5-1). Another for Bob McDevitt (Office Service) and Peg Clinch (Payroll). Third was aimed straight at Millie Peer who became engaged to C. H. Szymanski on Xmas.

A hearty welcome to new members of Accounting - included are Richard Blithe, Joe Jasewic and Marge Malesich.

Machine Accounting is happy to have with them Agnes Ruiz, Mary Spino, Ed Toman and Ann DeFloria.

Payroll also got a boost with the addition of Helen Reilly.

At long last we welcome back Al Maiatico and Mr. LeBoutillier - hope everything is smooth from here on.

Frank Vetovec has taken over as Administrative Assistant for TV Demonstration Group of the Engineering Products

Service Department. Paul Ziegler will now be in charge of the Payroll Department, while Ed Doran will take over Mr. Ziegler's former position in the Accounting Department.

Lynn H. Frey, of Consumer's Custom Products group, welcomed a 6 lb. son - December 30th.

Howard Hayes, of Personnel Division, is now working as Safety Engineer.

E. K. Gerlach, Government Division Engineer on Teleran - Washington, D. C., is the proud father of a baby girl, born January 11, 1949. All's well with mama.

P. C. McGaughey's RPT group have made a number of shifts in past weeks. Bud Greenholtz, formerly in TV Branch Operations, replaced Ken Aitken in Cleveland. Ken is now in Engineering Products Sales.

Charlie Layman journeyed to Florida with a special assignment on quality control, while Paul Rosekrans moved into

NYC from Dallas. Roy Isnogle of Chicago took up Paul's former duties, and that brings us to a welcome for Dick Probst who joined the group this month.

Last month the Christmas Season arrived, and Service Company personnel gathered at parties across the nation to wish each other well. At the home office a committee headed by Jack VanCleve put on one of the best amateur shows on record.

Mert Brisbin stepped from his role as Master of Ceremonies to take up the part of an RCA customer and unveil the latest in TV - a dispensing receiver. Dino Mazza took on the part of the Televised Subject and advertised and dispensed everything from Razor Blades to Beer and Newspapers. However, the new equipment got stuck on channel #14 and Servicemen Merrill, Gander and Dave Callaghan were called in to make repairs.

Included on the program was singing by Gloria Thompson and a brief address by proxy Ed Cahill. Some of the good time had by all is reflected in the composite photo below.

## XMAS - 1948





**DALLAS** *W. Gilreath*

Photophone Engineer Carl Lund, who very efficiently holds down that vast West Texas area, advises he will very soon have all the help he needs in his territory. He has specific reference to son David Lee Lund, born 10:40 on the morning of December 22nd, at Lubbock, Texas. Carl advises that David Lee's first duties will be to master the Beverage Inspection Machines. Guess he wants his son to grow up the hard way.

Dallas District has added two engineers recently. First is J. W. Carpenter who hails from Anstine, Texas, and is presently working out of the District Office. Johnny is a recent graduate from the University of Texas and was literally raised in a projection booth in that city. We class him among our best Photophone Engineers and are looking for him to do big things in the years to come.

The other addition to our force is J. M. Vletas, who specializes in Beverage Inspection Machines. He hails from Abilene, Texas. Jim is also a recent graduate of the University of Texas and has already proved himself a very versatile engineer and extremely capable.

Needless to say, we welcome both of these men to the District and are happy to have them with us.

**KANSAS CITY** *P. Connet*

Engineer C. C. Nagel, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, announces the arrival of son Terry, born December 23rd.

Engineer C. H. Speckman, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, is also passing out cigars - it's another son. Gregory Michael was born December 13th.

**BUFFALO** *D. Schifferle*

Flash! Mr. and Mrs. John McDonough wish to announce the arrival of a baby boy - John, Jr. Congratulations.

Best of luck to "Robby" Keyser and Eileen Saddlesom who became engaged recently.

Since our Christmas party this year was something very special, we think it deserves mention. With the yuletide celebration, we combined going-away festivities in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William McCurdie. Twenty couples attended the dinner. Following dinner, Tom McCraith - on behalf of the boys of the Buffalo Branch - presented Bill with a desk pen. Dancing in the ballroom helped make it a super evening.

It was nice to see former Chief Clerk Wes Tallchief. While vacationing in good old Buffalo, he dropped in for a hello.

The Advertising Club of Buffalo sponsored a program in the Hotel Statler recently. Of course you know Buffalo Branch participated in the Dealer Demonstration - featuring the TLS-86.

# Television Branch Notes

**CHICAGO** *W. Gould*

George Gibson has joined the ranks of ex-bachelors. It was done so quickly and quietly that some of his co-workers haven't heard the good news yet. We're just spreading the word around... and wishing him the very best of luck.

Jerry Dienzer had a surprised look such as we've never seen before when he discovered that he had caught a rat between his truck and the fenders of another truck when parking the night before. We're wondering if we should have Jerry bring his truck into the shop in the hope of catching up with Wayne Scheppele's pet - the one that occasionally spends a night in Schep's desk.

Olaf Brynjegard flew to New Orleans the other day to show the Rebels how "those darned Yankees" put up antennas. We'll miss Olaf but we're always glad to see another Rebel converted to our way of installation.

**CRANSTON** *C. Longton*

Cranston now boasts of a petite young clerk - Virginia Spence - who does the billing, answers the phone and in general, makes things more interesting around here. Virginia has been trying to persuade our Chief Technician Marshal Brown to put a little phono in her so-called phonograph.

Clayton Longton, another new arrival, will appreciate your passing along to him any tidbits for the NEWS - he's acting as shop correspondent.

Welcome to Hugo Holmquist who came to us from RCA Service Co., South Norwalk, Connecticut. Is it true, Hugo, that you made the change because the roofs are lower here?

George Parker is a happy guy these days his pretty wife recently arrived by plane from Hamburg, Germany. Say hello to her from all of us, George. We hope she likes it here - in fact, we're sure she will.

If Branch Manager Frank Cole is going around shortly with a pocket full of holes, we want you all to know that his Christmas spirit is the cause of it all - he recently posted a notice that he was holding open house during the holidays, serving everything from whiskey to white lightning.

Ge, its fun to stay out late - that is until its time to go home and face the little woman. During the recent holidays one of our boys almost lost his happy home - his wife said she didn't care if he ever came home again just so he sent the pay checks each Saturday. There oughta be a law!

**GLEN ROCK** *H. Forscutt*

Glen Rock's holiday season was a particularly happy one. We climaxed our "Renewal Drive" with a gala Christmas Party on December 18th. All the fellows brought their wives and gals and it really turned out to be slightly terrific - we think. Don Gibson won the Renewal Drive. Kisses from all the girls in the office topped the list of prizes donated by us. A gallon of paint and a luncheon were thrown in. To the surprise of all, George Keenan (billing clerk) showed up as the busy Santa Claus. Shop Manager Walt Fox was an even busier bartender.

Don Gibson, Nick DeKoning and Harry Miller had good reason for a triple celebration - they became engaged during the Yuletide season.

Not to be outshone are Archie Burke and news reporter H. Forscutt, who have been  
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## Buffalo Bowlers



Buffalo Branch is proud of their Bowling Team, who are, left to right - Ed Jaszczynski, Cliff Knaier, Captain Merle Zimmerman, Chuch Eley, John Driscoll and Bill McCurdie.



**GLEN ROCK**

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busy passing out cigars - it was a baby girl for each. Well! Congratulations, boys . . . and happy floorwalking! Can we sell you some good lullaby records cheap?

Our two gypsies Walt Brandenburg and Chet Sobola are off again, after just recently returning from the Trenton shop. This time it's just outside Atlantic City.

Ed McMullen and Willie Unrath were easily two of our shop's harder workers during the Christmas rush. Both fellows were re-assigned the forty foot ladder and had quite a time keeping up with the calls.

Glen Rock's Bowlers are currently resting in first place in the intra-shop circuit. We'd like you all to know that Hank Klass, Tony Kinz, Chet Gurwacz and Frank Hall have had plenty to do with the success of the team.

We're happy to have Joe Payne back with us - he had quite an illness but is now working at Newark.

**LYNWOOD**

*D. Carvalho*

Welcome back to sunny California, Kerkes, Garrett, Baker and Shepherd. We're happy to note no ill effect on your personalities after working in "no man's land," Seattle. We heartily welcome the many newcomers who have suddenly appeared from a recent dust storm . . . We have in our midst a HERO, namely, J. Bowerman. With the aid of a fire extinguisher, Jack boldly dashed into a clothes closet while on a service call, and emerged the victor of a fire. Bravo, Jack, Bravo!

**NEWARK**

*A. Padner*

Tom Kehoe is in the print again as he officially takes up his new duties as Chief Clerk at the Fords Branch.

Candles - how we love you pretty tallow things! We exhausted our supply but went ahead and dug deeper into Petty Cash and replenished same. (Power Trouble - remember?)

**RPT MEN VISIT HOME OFFICE**



RP Group getting instructions on TV Service from Tom Flythe, Home Office. Included from left: Max Owensby, Kansas City; Tom Flythe; Roy Isnogle, Chicago; Joe Kavanagh, Atlanta; Harry Mills, Boston; Ray Witt, Los Angeles.



RP group of P. C. McGaughey who came in from districts all over the United States for a two-week visit to the Home Office. Included from left are:  
Bottom Row: H. C. Brown, M. T. Owensby, C. E. Waller, R. M. Witt, T. Y. Flythe  
Center Row: W. H. Powell, P. Rosekrans, R. F. Hurd, J. R. Isnogle, D. W. White, F. Atlee.  
Back Row: J. W. VanCleve, W. H. K. Durst, F. Lutzock, B. E. Greenholz, P. C. McGaughey, J. F. Kavanagh, H. J. Mills, D. G. Buck.

