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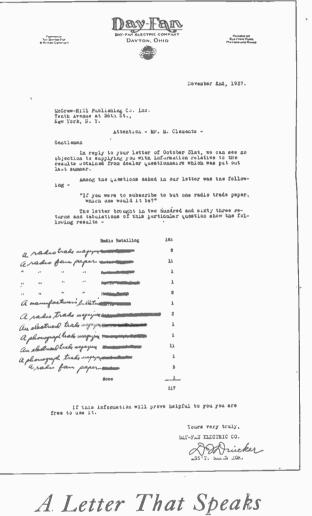
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# for Itself

THE letter reproduced above is self-explanatory. It indicates the overwhelming preference of radio dealers for *Radio Retailing*, voted for as their favorite radio magazine, in the consumer and trade publication fields as well as

zine, in the consumer and trade publication helds as well as among electrical and talking machine papers. As it is contrary to the policy of the McGraw-Hill Pub-lishing Company to mention names of competitive magazines in material of this sort, the actual names are deleted. It is interesting to note that *Radio Retailing* received 165 out of 217 votes, the remaining 52 votes being divided among 12 competitors, for an average of 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> votes each.

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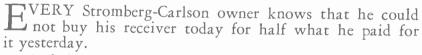
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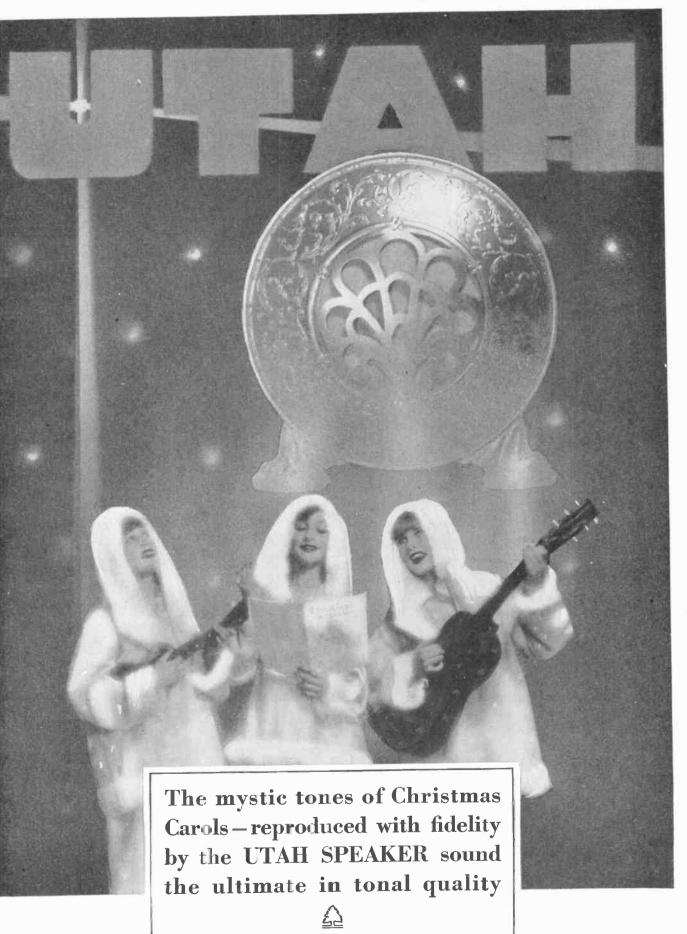
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E-45-25 Operated from light socket. With-\$47500



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"They are on their toes every minute. I don't know of another line of radio that is kept so up-to-date with new models and new improvements as Federal—and I've been in the game since its infancy. But do you think they tell the public about any new models if I've still got old models in stock? They do NOT! They hold off until they know we've about cleaned out!

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Your Federal wholesaler will put you in touch with the opportunity. If you don't know him, write us.

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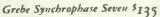
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Grebe

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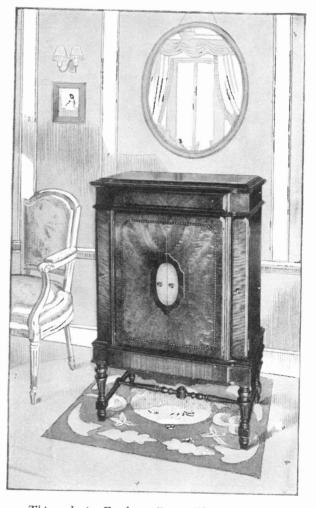
Your light-socket supplies all the power necessary to operate this new Freshman creation. All of the usual inconveniences of radios are eliminated—there are no batteries,



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The cabinet—distinctive in its beauty and design is of genuine burl walnut handsomely inlaid. It blends with any color scheme and is adapted to any plan of interior decoration. The complete instrument is custombuilt and obviously limited in quantity—assuring exclusiveness to the purchaser.



This exclusive Freshman Power Electric Phonograph and Electric Radio Combination—complete ready to operate—is priced at Five Hundred Dollars.

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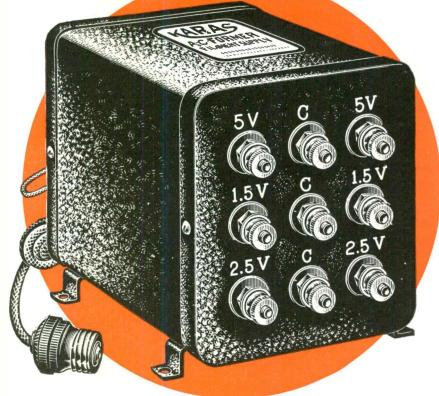
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# KARAS ACFORMER FILAMENT SUPPLY TYPES IZ and I3

Type 12 Supplies filament potential for 12 tubes, as follows: 8 1<sup>1/2</sup>-volt Type 226 or 326 tubes, 2 2<sup>1/2</sup>-volt Type 227 or 327 tubes, and 2 5-volt Type 171 tubes.



Not a hum in a trainload!



Type 13

Supplies filament potential for 10 tubes, as follows: 8 Type 227 or 327, 2 4-velt tubes, and 2 Type 171 5-volt tubes, or 2 Type 210 tubes.

List price

3.50

### The NEW KARAS A-C-FORMER

## <u>Mr. Dealer:</u>

AVE you battery-operated receivers on hand that are not selling? Are you receiving inquiries from customers who wish to change battery-operated receivers to A.C. operation? Regardless of the make of receiver and whether factory or custom-built, it is now possible to convert any set to A.C. operation. The process is easy, simple, with few changes.

With the Karas A-C-Former you can change all of your batteryoperated receivers to A.C. because the new Karas A-C-Former Filament Supply delivers the correct voltage for the new standard A.C. tubes such as Cunningham, RCA and CeCo—and there is not a hum in a whole trainload! This marvelous Karas invention removes the last drawback to A.C. operation from any house lighting circuit.

The A-C-Former needs no separate device for center tap. It has a convenient extra loop of wire for connecting the A-C-Former to the control switch on the panel. It is designed for mounting all connections beneath sub-panel, if desired, or it may be mounted on separable feet in position shown in illustration. It is sturdy, compact, powerful, silent, does not heat up, and it always delivers an unvarying, absolutely correct filament voltage. Provided with plug-in connection for "B" eliminator use. The A-C-Former sells for less than the price of a cheap battery and charger. It is in tremendous demand for converting battery-operated sets to A.C., as well as for building the wonderfully popular A.C. kits now on the market. Mail the coupon today for complete information, discounts, etc.

This is going to be an A.C. winter! Be prepared by having ample stocks of the new Karas A-C-Former to meet the demand! Don't delay a minute. Get in touch with your jobber NOW, and write us for further particulars TODAY.

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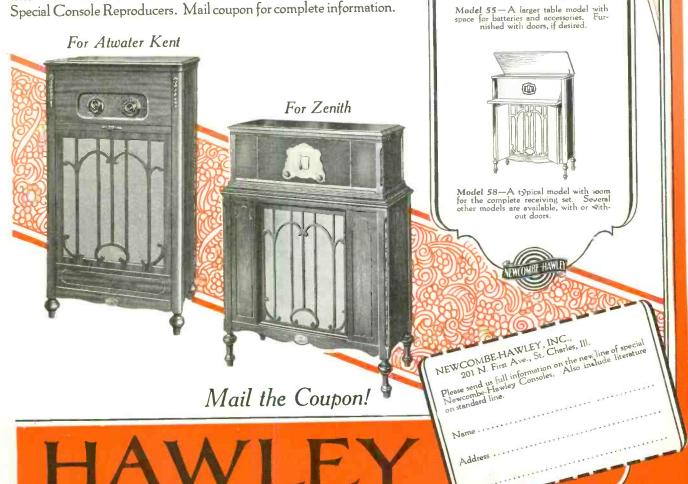
Now Open to Radio Dealers

# With This New Line for Leading Radio Sets

THE great popularity of the compact Radiola, Crosley, Atwater Kent and Zenith receivers has created a tremendous demand for special Newcombe-Hawley Reproducers for these receivers.

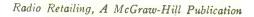
Here is a new line of special console reproducers that opens the door to new sales, not only for consoles but radio receivers, too. The mellow tone quality, even at big volume, makes the Newcombe-Hawley Console Reproducer a splendid sales builder.

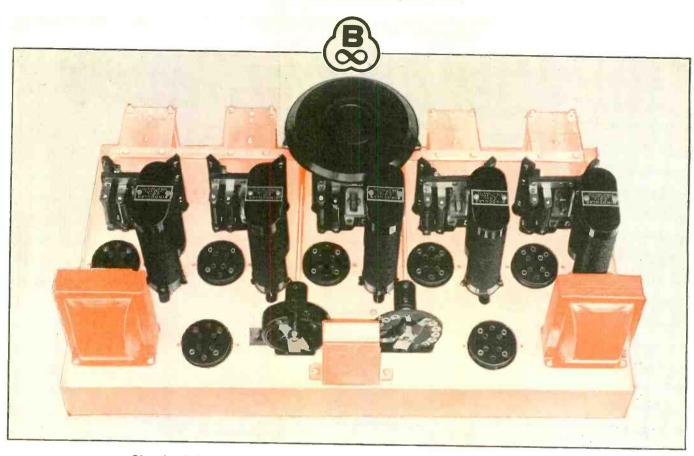
The radio public prefers special consoles with built-in reproducers for their receivers. Meet the demand with these Newcombe-Hawley Special Console Reproducers. Mail coupon for complete information.



Standard Line

Model 53—A compact table model with the remarkable 86-inch tone chamber. A popular reproducer for table receivers.





Chassis of Grebe Synchrophase. Parts insulated with Bakelite Materials are shown in black. The Grebe is made by A. H. Grobe, Inc., New York, N. Y.

## Bakelite Materials are relied upon to uphold Grebe reputation

A GLANCE at the illustration above proves the faith of the makers of the famous Grebe Synchrophase in the effectiveness of Bakelite Insulation. Practically every essential part is insulated with Bakelite Materials, either molded or laminated, for Grebe recognizes that the use of insulation which will not deteriorate in any climate or under any con-

ditions, is the only guarantee of permanently satisfactory performance.

Materials considered so vital by the manufacturer are of equal consequence to the retailer. The use of Bakelite Materials for insulating the important parts of a radio receiver is a sure indication that the manufacturer is taking every precaution to assure quality reception for the life of a set. It will pay you to make sure that Bakelite Materials are used in the receivers you sell, for

it decreases service calls and increases customer satisfaction.

Write for Booklet 39.



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### LST in Sales

Profits Satisfaction **PEERLESS** Reproducer has captured the radio market of America as no other speaker in its price class ever has.

It is stocked by more jobbers, sold by more dealers and demanded by more radio listeners than any other independent radio reproducer on the American market.

PEERLESS Reproducer sells at \$35—pays the dealer a substantial profit on each unit—and builds up a powerful consumer satisfaction for the man who sells it.

One hundred thousand enthusiastic owners will be spreading the story of PEERLESS excellence before Christmas.

If you don't sell PEER-LESS Reproducer you may be able to get a stock from your jobber. Write us—or wire—for the name of the nearest.

REPRODUCER

# New Principle

### In audio-transformer construction does away with laminations

THE makers of *Peerless* Reproducer offer a revolutionary new audio-transformer called the "Acast." Built on a radically new principle. Entirely without laminations. Produces an amazing improvement in both volume and quality on distant stations—and better quality on locals.

This new transformer has a solid core, cast from a new highresistance copper-nickel-iron alloy called "A" Metal. This core, cast in two pieces and fitted together, forms both core and shield. It completely encloses the winding, doing away with all need for further electrical or magnetic shielding.

The "Acast" has the same efficiency in either first or second stages due to the fact that the D. C. flux set up by the plate current produces but a neglible effect upon the properties of the magnetic circuit used in this transformer.

Made in style shown here, for set builders and amateurs. Can also be supplied to radio set manufacturers in factory model. Parts distributors and dealers—or set makers are invited to write for complete descriptive folder, RR-12, with prices and discounts.

### UNITED RADIO CORPORATION

15 Caledonia Avenue, Dept. RR-12. ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

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THE Erla Model B Phonograph Pick-up Unit, comprising electromagnetic pick-up, tone arm and volume control, is mounted at one side of the old mechanical tone arm.

A special plug, an integral part of the unit, is inserted into the detector socket of the radio receiver and the ensemble is ready for operation.

## Radio Tone Quality Now Added to Phonograph Enjoyment

RADIO has worked a revolution in the reproduction of sound. Scientific development of audio frequency circuits and apparatus, loud speakers and loud speaker units, and power tubes, has made possible a quality of tone reproduction that commonly approximates and not infrequently equals the original rendition at the broadcast studio. Indeed, the new electrical system of reproduction has demonstrated its superiority so conclusively that phonograph manufacturers, one by one, are adopting it for their newest models.

The chief obstacle to a universal popularity of the new electrically reproducing phonograph is price. Ranging from \$300 to over \$1000, it is prohibitive for many homes that already have an old type mechanical phonograph and a radio. To place the enjoyment of electrically re-created phonograph records within the reach of everyone, Erla engineers have produced a highly sensitive electromagnetic pickup for use in conjunction with radio receivers.

Obviously, tonal quality and volume will be no better than that normally delivered by the receiver. Good records, and an efficient, modern audio and reproducing system in the radio receiver are essential to good results.

Electromagnetic pickup, tone arm and volume control are combined in a single unit thereby economizing space and greatly simplifying installation. No changes are necessary in either the phonograph or radio receiver—either one can be operated independently of the other.

The Erla Pick-up Unit described above is the same model that large phonograph manufacturers are installing in their highest priced machines. Its scientific design, sturdy construction and compact arrangement will, upon comparison, place it far above all others on the market. Price complete, \$20.00.

Territories still available for jobbers and dealers



# One of the beautiful SPLITDORF models The ABBEY All=Electric



The Abbey All-Electric (above). Six tubes. Single illuminated dial. Single knob control. List price for all-electric operation direct from a light socket without batteries or eliminators, \$175; this model for battery operation, \$100. Tubes not included. Splitdorf Period Cone Tone, \$35.

This beautiful table model is patterned after an Old World jewel case. Gracefully beveled corners and richly carved control knobs and dial ornament emphasize in this instrument a charming distinction never before offered in a moderately priced receiver. This attractive model is done in deep antique American walnut.

This Abbey set is equipped with the new Splitdorf "171" all-electric radio receiver, employing four tuned circuits and operating completely from a light socket without batteries or eliminators. The tonal quality, sensitiveness and selectivity of this receiver are remarkable.



The Lorenzo. A magnificent Italian Renaissance model, equipped with the new Splitdorf all-electric receiver operating directly from a light socket without batteries. No acids or eliminators. List price with built-in loud-speaker, but without tubes, \$350.

This and all other Splitdorf Receivers are manufactured completely within the Splitdorf factories. Splitdorf is the only radio manufacturer operating its own cabinet plant. As a result a Splitdorf Receiver is not a miscellaneous assembly but is the finished product of organized, experienced experts. Distinctive performance, unusual beauty and exceptional value are made possible in the Splitdorf line by this unified production.

Investigate the unusually profitable sales possibilities of the twelve beautiful Splitdorf models priced from \$45 to \$800.

Cabinets designeed under the personal

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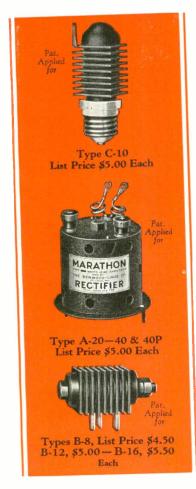
Bone Dry Noiseless



## Durable Compact

## A New Principle of Rectification DRY DISCS

MARATHON Rectifiers are bone dry, require no acids, no liquids, no bulbs, no care, no adjustments—are noiseless, durable and long-lived. Their taper charging rate is self-regulating. Available in the following types:



Marathon Rectifying Element Type, C-10

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### Marathon Rectifying Replacement Units, Type A

For replacing electrolytic rectifiers in trickle chargers and power devices. Three types for different transformer sec-

ondary voltages:—A-20: full wave, 10 to 12 volts under load, A-40: Single wave 15 to 16 volts under load, A-40P for Philco chargers.

### Marathon Rectifying Element, Type B

A full-wave unit especially designed to meet requirements of manufacturers of trickle chargers and "A" Power devices, with transformershaving a secondary voltage of from 9 to 11 volts depending on type of units.



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UBILIER LIGHT-SOCKET AERIAL is a mighty good little salesman in itself. It will show off your receivers to the best advantage by bringing in programs almost free from static and interference and then turn around and sell itself to the customer for \$1.50 after he's bought the set!

Dealers everywhere are learning that the aerial you simply "connect to the set and plug in" is a whale of a good item to carry. Its price, its performance and its money-back guarantee are inducements such as few customers will pass up. And the market for Dubilier Light-Socket Aerial is limited only by the number of set owners.

> Dubilier Light-Socket Aerial comes "ready for work" in display cartons of 10 individually packaged aerials. Put this carton on your counter without explanations-national and local advertising has made Dubilier's name familiar to all.

ubilier LIGHT-SOCKET AERIAL

# The amateur who knows enough to build a power unit knows these blocks are RIGHT



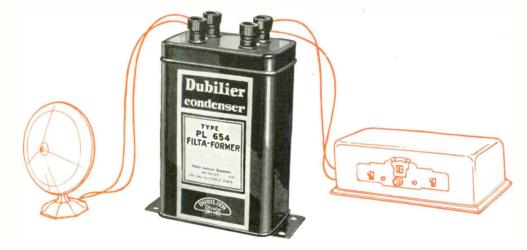
Following the endorsement of well-known radio manufacturers, engineers and technical editors, Dubilier Condenser Blocks were accepted by the majority of experimenters as *standard* for power-supply use. In actual service Dubilier performance proves the reason for professional endorsement—Dubilier ratings are accurate, the factor of safety is much higher than necessary and their life far above the average. Dubilier condenser blocks are enclosed in compact, ja-



panned tin cases with convenient mounting tabs. Flexible terminals, plainly marked, make connections easy and eliminate errors.

Type PL 574 is designed especially for the Thordarson R 171 power compact and all light-socket devices employing the Raytheon BH Rectifying Tube. Type PL 575 is the approved Condenser Block for Thordarson R 210, AmerTran 210 and other 216B or 281 Filament Rectifiers.

Type PL 574, \$16.50. Type PL 575, \$17.50.



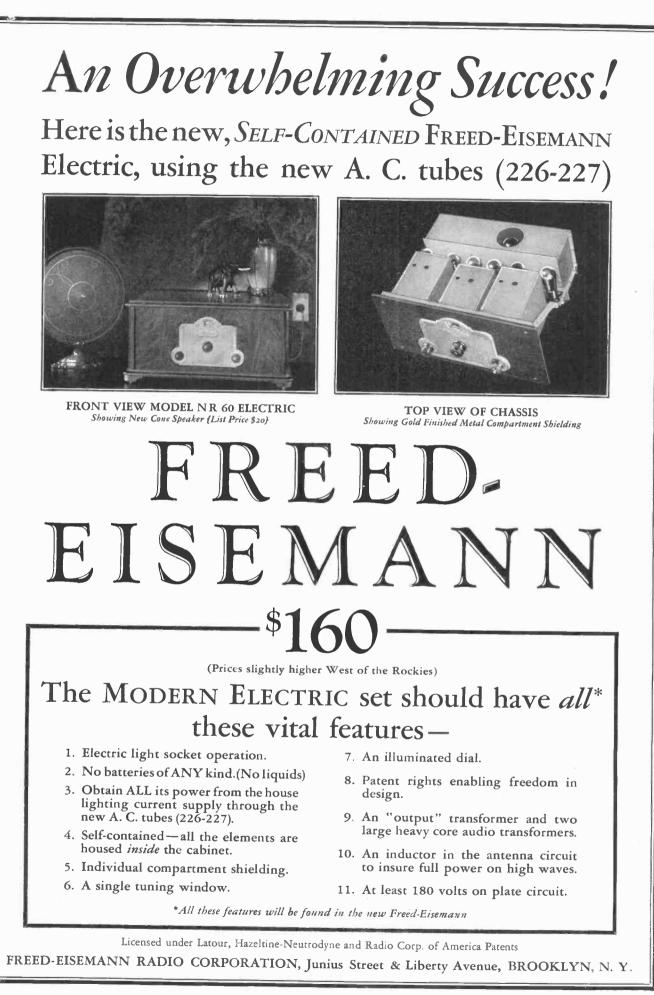
### The FILTA-FORMER – a Necessity on All High-Powered Sets

Any loud speaker operated from a receiver employing power tubes will soon demagnetize and break down if not protected by an adequate output filter. The Dubilier Filta-Former affords full protection to the speaker and improves the clarity of its tone to a marked degree by filtering out the destructive D.C. current from the power tube's plate circuit. The Filta-Former may be built into receivers during construction or attached to completed instruments without disturbing the set in the least. Anyone can connect it correctly in a few moments.

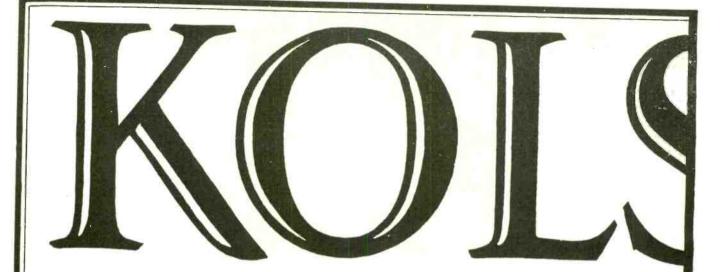
Encased in a heavy japanned container with engraved binding posts. List price, \$7.50.

DUBILIER CONDENSER CORPORATION, 4377 Bronx Boulevard, New York

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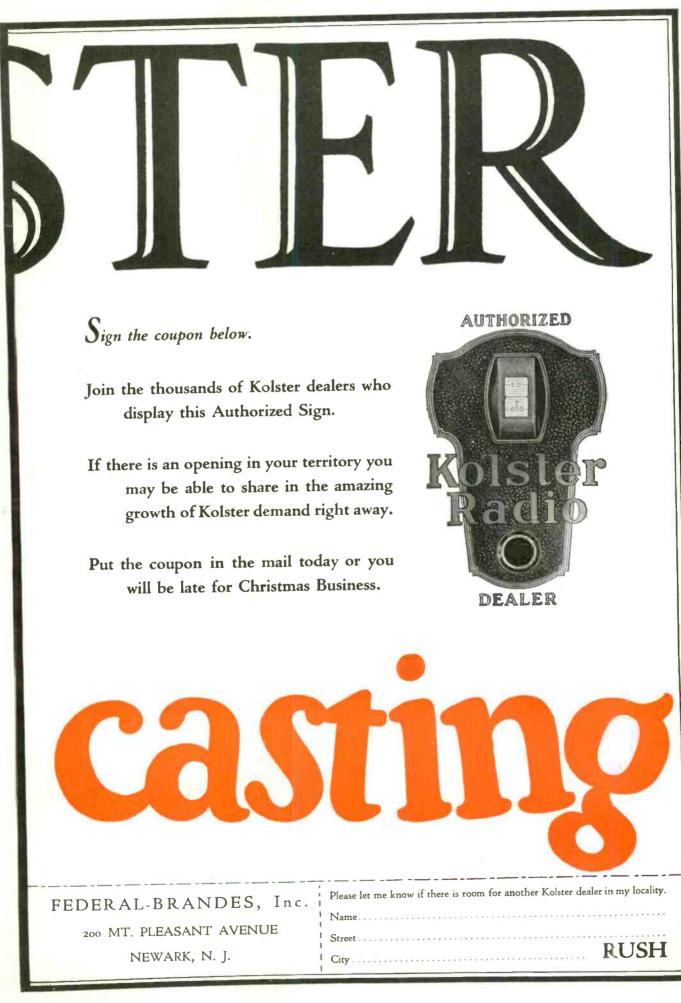
### KOLSTER HOUR

If you don't receive these window displays several days ahead let us know. Also, put the message in your own advertising.

over the nation-wide Columbia Broadcasting System

Every Wednesday-9 to 10 P. M. Eastern Time

KOLSTER FAMOUS COMPOSERS' HOUR



of the New Perfected

Yes, we're making immediate deliveries, in any quantity, of the perfected and genuine Electric A C Pfanstiehl. Give your customers what they want this Christmas. Send coupon below at once [or wire] for our proposition to jobbers and dealers.

### 100% Electric

The Pfanstiehl Electric AC Receiver operates directly from the electric light circuit without bat-

teries or eliminators of any kind.

A genuine Electric AC set—not a compromise or makeshift. Uses R. C. A. or Cunningham AC tubes. Perfected volume control prevents fading signals when line current varies. Tuned with one knob. Entire set and power unit are self-contained in a mahogany finished cabinet.

What the Public Wants Tone, selectivity, distance and genuine light socket operation — that's what the public demands today. That's where the profit lies. And that's what you can supply in the new Pfanstiehl Electric AC set. A thoroughly dependable and durable set. One dealer last year sold 3,000 sets with not a single service call! Pfanstiehl won't eat up your profits in service.

#### **Full License Protection**

The Pfanstiehl is fully licensed under the patents of the Radio Corporation of America and associated companies. That's important to the radio dealer who is posted on conditions in the radio industry.

> Big Profits for Jobbers and Dealers

Pfanstiehl now offers everything the radio public wants, from a \$65.00 battery operated set to the perfected Electric A C Console at \$300.00. A complete line and a *real money making* opportunity, as you'll see when you investigate. We still have good territory for progressive jobbers and responsible dealers.

Local Advertising We back Pfanstiehl jobbers and dealers with advertisements in their own local newspapers. Business getting ads that bring customers to the Pfanstiehl store and move the goods. And we pay the bill. That is advertising cooperation that counts! Address

Model 50, \$155 With 7 tubes, \$162.50 September 2010

Act at once. Cash in on Christmas profits. Remember, we're making immediate deliveries of the Electric A C Set which the public is clamoring for now. We'll gladly send full details of our proposition without obligation. So, get posted.

Just send coupon below (or wire) Pfanstichl now! waukegan, 111.

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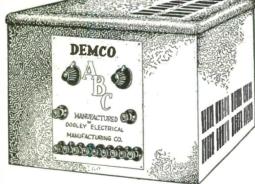
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## "Keep Your Shirt ON!"

DATENTS tighten up and manufacturers get panic-stricken.

Business slumps in October and the trade throws in the sponge.

Everywhere you heard, "Industry all shot. Why go on? What's the use?"

Answer, "Keep your shirt on." Inelegant, but expressive. Good advice.

Why? First, patents. Well, what about it? They belong to those who have them. They can be controlled at the discretion of the patent-holder. Those who infringe must pay tribute or prove the patents invalid. Either course is open. In the meanwhile, cross-licensing plans progress. Public interest in radio strong. Merchandise continues to be sold.

Squawks from a few set manufacturers. "Patents are putting us out of business. We can't pay the tolls." Unfortunate, but we must have patents. Patents are property. Protection of property—an inherent right, bequeathed by Constitution.

Abuse of property rights, that's another thing. Prove it. Try the case in the courts of the land. That's what they are for. May take time. But try it.

THAT brings up Clause 9. Squawks from tube manufacturers; maybe justifiable, this time. Federal Trade Commission goes to work. Maybe the clause will stand. Maybe it won't. Meanwhile, tubes, good ones, are produced and sold by variety of manufacturers. Because tubes cannot be forced down anybody's throat. Dealers and public alike will buy what they consider best tube. Just as they buy what they consider best tire for their automobiles.

THEN A. C. tubes. Wildfire. Public must have them. Won't buy anything else. Can't get them out fast enough. Receivers using them can't be produced quick enough. Everybody excited.

Squawks from power unit manufacturers. "Ruining our business." Too bad. But this industry moves fast. Takes unusual speed to keep up with the procession. But

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that is not enough. To survive, you must keep one step ahead, at least. If not, consequences are swift and sure.

Conditions change. Power units on the way out? All right, if it's inevitable, meet it. Change and adapt to meet new conditions. Difficult? So is anything worth while. But can be done. Takes time. And it will be a long time, too, before power units pass out completely. Millions of battery sets now in use. Many more will be. Think that over before you scrap power units.

Then, business slumps sharply. The last straw. Battery sets can't be sold. Panic! Slash prices!! Dump!!! Applesauce. Read that heading again. "Keep your shirt on." Slumps are natural. Bound to have them. Never heard of an industry that didn't.

It's an old fashioned business cycle. Peak today. Valley tomorrow. Peak again the day after. Apparently only a certain amount of business to be done. Seems that if we get it in September, we don't get it in October. If we don't get it now, we'll get it next Spring. Some day we'll stabilize our calendar but we haven't yet.

WASN'T such a bad year—1927. Way ahead right up to middle of October. Then it slowed up. But not enough to bring the year's totals down under last year.

Going to be a good year—1928. But—"Keep your shirt on." Don't look for another period of wide and rapid expansion. Or be disappointed. Those days are gone, in radio. We're settling down to normal levels.

Yet we still have over-expansion. Probably will have for a while. Seems to be a lesson this industry will never learn. Striving for volume. Volume without profit. "For what shall it profit a man if he gain much volume but no net?"

Retrenchment has caused fewer failures than over-expansion. Perhaps next year's production and sales should be planned on that basis.

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Managing Editor

# Here's a Long, LOUD

The editors found the following story in the mail one morning—from E. F. Haberstroh, a radio set owner in a little town in Massachusetts. It doesn't need explaining, and it's worth reading even if you don't think you need the message it contains

HAVE a'radio set. Anybody can see that by the antenna on the roof. I've had the set for two years.

And not once, in those two years, has a single radio dealer ever asked me in person, by phone, by mail—or by mental telepathy, so far as I know—if my set didn't need a little looking over or if it wasn't about time to dump the old one and get acquainted with something modern!

#### Do I LIVE IN GREENLAND?

Do I live in Timbuctoo? Or Greenland? Or the Sahara? Or even in Pumpkin Center?

I do not! I live in a city of 50,000 well-to-do folks. Eight miles off is a city of probably 150,000. Within ten miles is another "village" of about 750,000. And all in between and around there's hardly vacant land enough to lay out a two-hole golf course.

Less than half a mile from my ground wire there's a hardware dealer. He handles radio—as a sideline. A mile and a half in the other direction are four stores that keep radio—notice the "keep." Two miles toward the north, more radio handlers. Two miles or so, northeasterly, still more—

No, my city doesn't lack radio stores! It just seems to lack radio *merchants*. It seems to lack men who are so alive to the possibilities of radio that they stay up nights figuring out ways to root out every last bit of radio business within broadcasting distance. Men who

would rather eat tubes than steak and much prefer radio spaghetti to the kind their wives buy at the corner grocery.

I wouldn't be writing this, if I were the only one in my community who seems to be neglected by the local radio dealers. We're a whole boatful together. And what do we do when some thingumbob acts up and we can't even get static out of the box? Give the whole outfit a ride into the big city, ten miles away! Though some of us, who happen to have seen a radio sign, here and there, in our own fair village, have been known to make contact with the store behind the sign, providing our sense of direction is good and the dealer is still in business.

### GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

You may ask me—and rightfully—what's happened to the man who sold me my set. Why doesn't he keep after me? In the first place, he didn't sell me the set—I bought it. There's a lot of difference. And, besides, his love for me waned as soon as his cash register rang its paean of joy over my welcome check and the set was safely out of the store and in my home.

He promptly forgot that I owned a set that might need some periodic tinkering or some new gadget occasionally—every need resulting in the music of coins merrily jingling on his counter. Poor soul! He's out of the picture now. His radio business has faded. Gone. Several others I know have quietly folded up their radio tents and stowed them away as useless.

What's wrong? Nothing—not with radio at least, so far as I can see. We all want radio. One of these days, every home will need a set—just as surely as it needs a telephone. But it looks to me as if a lot of dealers don't yet realize that radio has got to be *sold* today. Folks once trampled each other to buy—weren't those the glorious days? Sure. But no more, now.

The wise merchant is the one who *sclls*—everlastingly sells, and knows that's the only way he can put his radio business over. No more of this "Pardon-me-for-disturb-

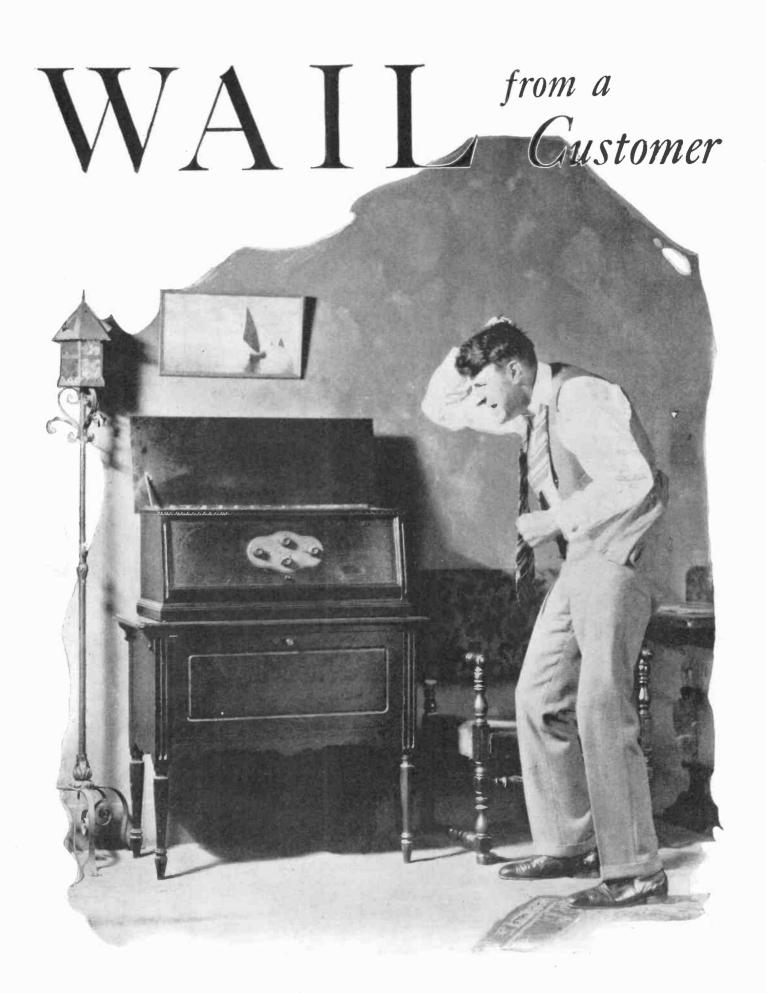
### A Neglected Customer

gives the whole structure of radio a black eye. It is an unfortunate fact that radio dealers everywhere do not take fullest advantage of every opportunity to make personal contacts with their customers.

Here's a neglected customer's own story, written from his own viewpoint. He doesn't mince any words in telling you what he thinks of you when you disregard his pleas for help. ing-you-but-would-you-mindselling-me-a-radio-set?"As I see this whole thing—and I think I'm like a lot of other radio owners—the dealer who's going to get my trade is the dealer who cares enough for it to come after it. That is, my steady trade. Nobody comes after it, so I simply go here, there and somewhere else — flitting aimlessly like a butterfly.

If I weren't a Harvard graduate I'd get sore and use strong language. What's the matter with these radio dealers, anyway? Are they dead from the neck up? And down,

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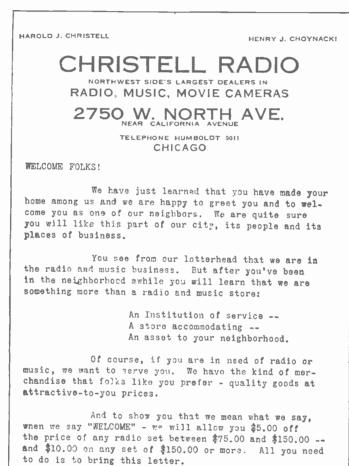
In the Homes of How Many of Your Customers Is This Scene Taking Place? 37 and between the ears, too? Maybe there's something wrong with me and that's the reason why I'm so utterly neglected. But I doubt that because a good many of my friends are in the same condition.

I hate to knock but it does seem to me that the radio trade is unaccountably lax in following up its natural entry into my home. I don't know much about radio. When something goes wrong, I don't know how to fix it. If a radio man rang my front doorbell and asked me how my set was working I'd welcome him like a long-lost brother. Why? Because I like radio. I would actually *welcome* visits from radio dealers. I'd be glad to pay somebody to come around every once in a while just to insure that my set keeps working properly. And there

are a lot of things my radio probably needs that he could sell me.

I ask you, why in the name of all the gods. is there so much talk about radio service? So far in my experience with radio, I don't even know it exists, except by hearsay. Service? Ho! Ho! Ho! Why, 1 even called up a radio dealer here in town three times and asked him to send somebody up to look at the set because it wouldn't perk. Did he send somebody? He did not. He promised to, all right, but that was the end of that. Do you wonder I'm sore at my blooming set? Did he think I was asking him to do something for nothing? I'm willing to pay for my radio service. You'd think I was asking him to murder his wife and children or something equally as terrible.

Now, I've done a lot of finding fault. How about a constructive suggestion? Right. It seems to me, if I were a dealer, that I'd gather up a first-class mailing list-scout 'round and dig up the name of every set owner within a reasonable distance of my store. I'd find out all I could about him and his set. Then I'd camp on his trail. I'd court him—yes, that's the word! Just as if he were a girl and I needed him to round out my existence prop-



But whether you are in need of these things or not, come in for a friendly visit. We'll be glad to see you.

Cordially yours,

CHRISTELL RADIO

### Increases Sales Welcoming Newcomers

ABOUT 100 letters which begin with cordial greetings are mailed each week to those who have recently settled within the trading territory of the Christell Radio Shop, Chicago. This concern averages, during the livelier months, one sale a week from this direct-mail sales promotional idea. Newcomers, it states, are frequently in the market for radio, or for radio service which ultimately amounts to the same thing.

Christell contracts with an organization which, for \$15 a month, obtains the names of recent arrivals and attends to the addressing and mailing of the letters.

erly. I wouldn't let him forget me. I'd send him flowers in the shape of folders. I'd appeal to his love for candy by dropping him a toothsome card now and then. I'd write him friendly letters. And then, I'd call him up occasionally, to get him used to my voice. Always having something worthwhile to say, of course.

Nor would I forget to call on him. Not enough to make a pest of myself, but just enough so that when he thought of radio he'd naturally think of me. Folders, postal cards, letters, personal calls, telephone—that would be my campaign. I'd show him I wanted his business and that I wanted it enough to go a good long mile for it. I'd make him believe that I've got the goods he'll like and the service he'll like—that I can satisfy him from

the minute he buys his set until it grows white whiskers and needs to be s u p p l a n t e d by a younger and peppier brother.

So, why not ask me for my trade? Ask all of us radio owners. We're grand mechanics, we are—as long as our sets are in perfect order! When they refuse to peep, we stare at them with all the intelligence of a two-dayold eel. That's when your good licks count. Tell us that our sets need looking over periodically. Tell us you're the boys to do it properly. We'll believe you. We know that if we start a little plumbing work ourselves, in desperation because we're so alone in the radio world and no dealer loves us enough to want to help us, it's just like us to stick a screwdriver down into the middle of the works and blow the whole business!

Again I say, "Come on." All of us won't answer you the first time. Nor maybe the second time. It may happen that our sets are behaving themselves. But there'll come a day when all we'll get out of the loud speaker is a big chunk of silence. Then we'll remember that one of you has paid us the most marked attention in at least letting us know you realize that we're alive!"

## P with DOWN Payments

Hyatt Music Company, Portland, Ore., points out to customers the advantage of making a maximum rather than a minimum first payment

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T WAS just a year or two ago that E. B. Hyatt started pounding home to his salesman the L idea of suggesting larger down payments, and today, as the result of this aggressive policy, the percentage of radio sets sold at the minimum down payment of 20 per cent has been reduced from 83 per cent of the total sales to 63 per cent.

Hyatt explains.

"While radios are being sold in some places in Portland for as low as 10 per cent down, we as- . sume the attitude that the customer who can't pay at least 20 per cent down on a set is not in a financial position to make the investment. But even at 20 per cent down, there is grave danger of loss for several reasons.

"Take the customer who buys a radio, then, after a month's performance and criticism by his friends, he changes his mind and decides on a different kind of set. That man often decides to charge off the small down payment to rent and return the set so that he may go elsewhere and purchase a different set.

"Then too-the customer who has a heavy equity in a radio will take a much greater interest in it than the one with a small equity. He will take greater care, and evince more pride in his set. and there are apt to be fewer complaints.

"So, considering in addition to these reasons, the important one that stretching payments along increases office overhead, we decided to do all we could to grade our customers up in the matter of down payments.'

T THE Hyatt store, where eleven persons are A employed in a live retail radio, phonograph and piano business, live sales meetings are held every Monday morning when Hyatt's men are impressed with the necessity of grading up their customers to maximum rather than minimum, down payments.

"Salesmen naturally want to make things just as easy as they can for the customer," Hyatt says. "They think if they emphasize how easy it is to buy radio that they will make more sales.

'There isn't a customer in existence, who, unable to pay for the radio in cash, will not react affirmatively to the suggestion, 'All you have to pay down, sir, is 20 per cent.' Of course he'll pay but 20 per cent down! Who would pay more unless he is shown that it is to his financial advantage to do so?

"Then we proceed to instruct our salesmen to sell service. Now selling service in radio is a whole lot different from selling service in phonographs, pianos, or any other musical instrument.

There is a mistaken method of many radio salesmen that is responsible for a large percentage of the dissatisfaction of the public with radio. Eager to close the sale the salesman assures the customer that the set is 'absolutely trouble-proof.'

"A trouble-proof radio is an unknown quantity. After all it is not wholly a musical instrument. It is also a mechanical instrument subject to influences over which no mortal has complete control Hence, we instruct our men that the better way to sell radios is to say, 'Like all other radios there is bound to be some little trouble once in a while. But we'll always be glad to help you out and have an efficient service department in readiness for such occurrences.

"We instruct them to explain frankly the difficulties to which radio is exposed, hence when trouble comes they are not disappointed as they would be had they been assured that nothing would ever interfere with perfect performance.

"It's a difficult thing to keep friends in the radio business." Hyatt continues, "unless they are sold right in the first place."

F ALL the radio sets sold at this store 8 per cent are sold for all cash. Sixty-three per cent pay 20 per cent down, while the remaining 29 per cent pay from  $33\frac{1}{3}$  to 50 per cent down. Of this group 9 per cent conclude the remaining payments in from 90 days to seven months, while 20 per cent stretch the remaining payments over the full contract.

"Last year our percentage of reverts was less than 3 per cent," Hyatt concludes, "which we know for a fact to be low, as many local radio dealers inform us that their reverts often run as high as 10 per cent, due to lax credit policies.

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A simple control form enables Dodge of Tulsa to visualize his business at a glance.

O AN enterprising radio merchant in Tulsa, Okla., goes the credit for developing an unusually workable and simple plan whereby the daily condition of his business is available at a glance.

Each morning a form (reproduced with this article) is laid on the desk of J. W. Dodge, president and general manager of the Dodge Electric Company of Tulsa. This form Dodge calls his "Daily Where-We-Are-At System." It consists merely of a visualization of each day's transactions prepared by the store manager and in it other radio retailers may find a financial control plan which may be adapted to their own business.

Heading the sheet, which is on legal size paper, data on accounts is presented in convenient tabulated form. For installment accounts there is a column, "Outstanding

# Financial

Dodge calls his financial control form a "where-weare-at" system. Summariz-

Yesterday," with the day's charges stated and space left for a total. The number of transactions is given. There is subtracted then "cash credits" and miscellaneous credits, to give the amount "outstanding today." This same procedure is carried out for "30 Day Open" accounts.

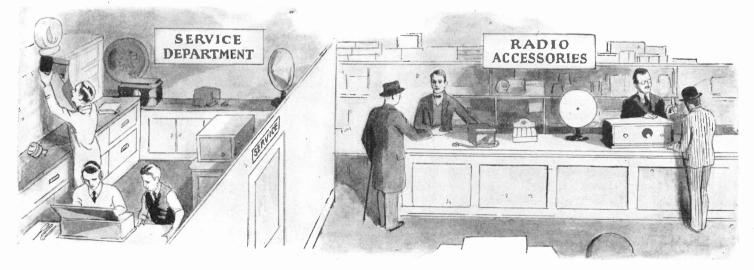
Horizontal totals, at the right, give the total of accounts outstanding yesterday. The day's charges are added to this to give total outstanding. Current credits are subtracted giving the total outstanding today.

JUST below, the space is divided perpendicularly into three columns. One contains an analysis of "Cash Received Today." Amounts are stated for cash sales, miscellaneous cash, down payments, installment payments, and received on 30-day accounts. These are totaled. Cash in drawer is stated, and a calculation gives over or short.

At the right is a summary of miscellaneous credits. These are itemized—Price corrections, discount charged to sales, merchandise purchased, adjustments, merchandise repossessed, discount allowed, interest earned, merchandise returned, trade-ins, expense, voucher, sales, merchandise replaced.

A bank account statement shows, "Balance in the bank yesterday," "deposit today," "checks drawn," "balance today," "total deposits this month."

Further data, completing the control statement, gives total charge sales this month, total cash sales this month, grand total; collections today, collections this month, col-



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## Control At His Finger Tips

ing each day's transactions, it gives him a condensed but complete picture of how his business stands to date

lections this month last year; total sales this month last year, total sales to date this year. The remainder is a recapitulation of the day's transactions. "Another plan we have introduced, which so far we like first-rate," Dodge

declares, "is a daily calculation of gross profits. All sales tickets are costed daily and totaled, giving us our gross profit. We know our

daily, and totaled, giving us our gross profit. We know our overhead to put beside this in judging our showing.

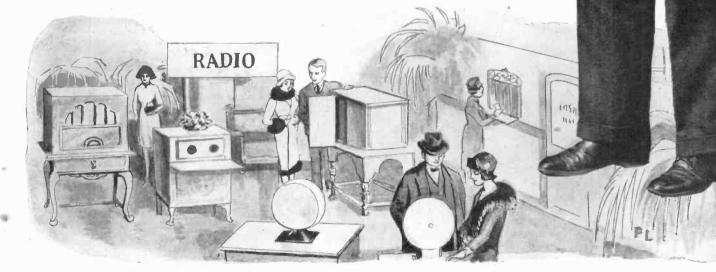
The situation with respect to credit memos is on an improved basis also, Dodge says, as the employee making out a credit memo must complete it with a notation on the original charge that a change has been made and with a notation on the credit memo of the original price. The memo must be approved by an officer of the company before it can be mailed.

All sales tickets are always marked OK by the credit department before merchandise is delivered or work performed.

WHEN a radio dealer has trouble with installment sales, the chances are that the cause lies in an imperfect office collection routine. That, at least, is the inference after an examination of the Dodge methods of controlling collections. A salesman is delegated to the dual task of collecting as well as selling. A part of the time he sells on the floor, this being over the time required in collecting, which is probably less than half an average day.

The telephone is also used to good advantage in collecting. A trained girl spends several hours a day at a telephone, with the installment file nearby. This girl systematically, day to day, handles a set collection routine, going over the time-payment file and sorting out over-due accounts. Those which it is felt need attention are placed in a special file.

Accounts which become delinquent have immediate attention, usually by telephone call. Sometimes there is a personal call by the collector. A great



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many times the customer explains some temporary financial incapacity, and makes a promise as to just when he will bring his account up to date.

ALL this work has to be done very tactfully. The Dodge company employee is a trained worker who knows how to "tickle" the slow customers and keep accounts in proper shape, still keeping the "smile in the voice."

This store finds, like others, that some times customers like to have a collector call, while others are sensitive that the collector should not call. Both types are catered to, but the store prefers the system of payments at the store, and has an established routine. A convenient folder, 5 inches by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches, is issued to each timepayment purchaser, with space to record the dates and payments. "Always bring this book with you," reads a message on the cover. "Each time you come in to make a payment or to add to your account, bring this pass book. We will register in it your exact balance as shown on our ledgers."

This printed folder, on pages two and three (one for record keeping purposes) has customer's name and address, account number, terms (whether monthly or weekly), and due date, and numbers 1 to 24 down the left side, denoting payments. The columns left to right are: date, debit, credit, balance, and number of transactions.

Catchlines state that payments are to be made at office ON or BEFORE due date, and, "Merchandise should not be moved, without our written consent, as contract provides."

One of Dodge's business-building principles in cus-

tomer relations is. "The customer is right until proved otherwise."

When a customer makes a complaint, asks for an adjustment, claims an error, the Dodge employee is expected to go ahead in the matter on the assumption the customer is right. The attitude is thoroughly sympathetic and friendly.

This friendliness is indicated by the following instance: A radio service laboratory adjoins the radio department, with equipment for testing and repairs. An operator at work within can be seen from the floor. "Stop! Private. Thank You," is the message on the door, much more tactful than the customary brusque "Keep Out."

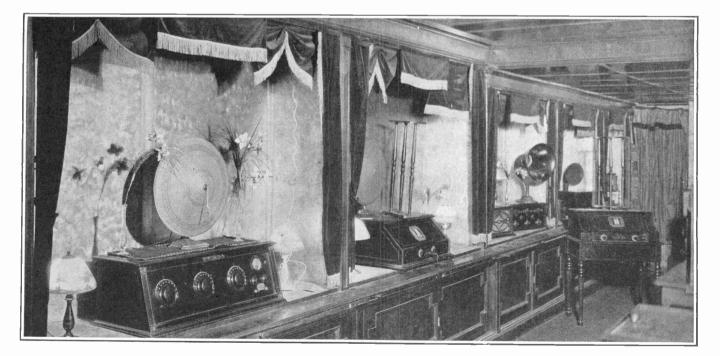
### Checks Customer's Reception on the Quiet

When "Bob" Murry of Logansport, Ind., is asked to give a home demonstration in a section of the city with which, from a reception standpoint, he is unfamiliar, he makes a private preliminary test with a portable set whenever at all possible.

"I stop my car near the prospect's home that very night and satisfy myself, with my portable, that there will be no discouraging local noises to mar or kill the success of the demonstration," he says.

If Murry finds that an unfavorable local condition exists he frankly informs the customer to that effect and endeavors to correct the cause before granting the prospect's request—a practice which has saved him many a sale.

### Uses Individual "Stages" to Display Small Receivers



A store arrangement plan that has proven effective has been worked out by Klein's Radio Shop, 42nd Street, New York City. Rows of shelves down the length of the store were removed when the parts business declined, and their place was taken by individual compartments as shown in the photo. Each compartment is lighted from

the inside and is bordered with well arranged curtains, giving each display compartment the effect of a miniature stage.

A table type receiver is placed in each "stage" and, with an attractive background, the lighting and drapes display it to excellent advantage.

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## An OVERHEAD Location

for the

Large Speaker

Making a combined chandelier and speaker resulted in sales of large cones

A STORE arrangement idea that resulted in sales was recently hit upon by H. L. Miller, president of Miller's Radio Service, Inc., E a st Hartford, Conn.

For several weeks, M iller sought a convenient place to put a large 36-inch cone where it could be used for store demonstrations and yet not take up too much floor space. He finally devised the scheme of combining the speaker with a chandelier and

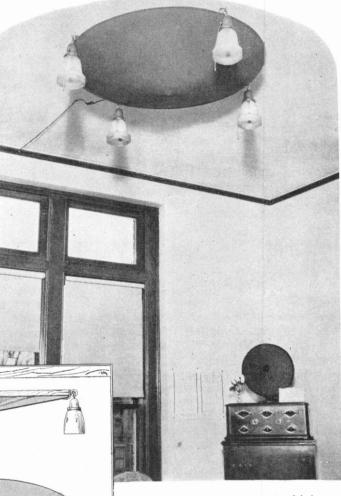
placing it overhead—an out-of-the-way, yet conspicuous, location.

He combined the cone with several lighting fixtures in the manner pictured by the illustrations on this page and found that the idea proved unexpectedly popular with his customers. Seeing the unusual combination upon entering the store, several of Miller's clients placed orders for a similar combination.

In addition to the sales feature of the idea, Miller has found that the tone quality of the speaker is improved by suspending it in this manner. "I am convinced," he says, "from extensive experi-

"I am convinced," he says, "from extensive experimenting that suspending a large cone from the ceiling is the only method of support which permits it to be held under an even tension throughout its entire area. An even tension is, of course, necessary for the faithful

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reproduction of both the high and the low notes.

"Faithful reproduction is the most important claim advanced for this horizontally-suspended cone and the reason is that the mechanism functions better. There is no gravity side pull of the vibrator pin against the armature. The weight of both the delicate parts

and the cone itself is evenly distributed, and as the cone is suspended from its periphery there is ample room for the actuating vibrations from the center to have full play.

"Then again, the sound is more evenly distributed throughout the room. There are no echoes as the opposite, reflecting surface is a rug or carpeted floor. In addition, the smooth ceiling in back of this speaker acts as a sounding board and contributes to the volume and quality of tone obtainable."

The combining of the electric-light fixture with the speaker happened to be a desirable feature which Miller was able to capitalize.

Miller has taken many orders for his overhead speaker since he displayed his first model—which proves that there is more than one method of selling speakers.

### For Radio Ailments



### Dealers Who Have Made Radio Pay, No. 12

MOST radio set owners are not radio fans in the sense of being technical experts and the language of the radio-fan magazines, ordinarily, is meaningless to them. They would like to understand more about radio, but do not always know where to turn for information, according to I. H. McCarty, "Radio Mac," of lower Market Street, San Francisco. "I have tried to build up my business on that basis," he states, "and make my store a place where they can come in and ask questions."

Many set owners know that the radio dealer can help them, but hesitate to ask for free advice. Moreover they are not sure that what they want to know is of any importance and they do not always want to or even need to purchase something every time they visit his store. So, as a rule, they let their troubles go, or tell them to the neighbors, which does not help the cause of radio at all. But, if they happen to be San Franciscans hurrying to the ferry some day along the northern side of Market Street, they see a little sign in the window of Radio Mac's store which reads "Come In and Ask Questions." And they do.

Mr. McCarty has taken for his slogan, "Come In and Ask Questions," adding "We specialize in furnishing ex-

pert advice in your own language, free from puzzling technical terms and without having to buy anything." This slogan is printed on all signs used, on all advertising and on every package which goes out of his shop.

How much this service is appreciated by the public is indicated by the number of people who take advantage of it. His store is open from 8:30 in the morning until 6:00 at night and during that time there is almost a constant procession of quesTHE greatest problem of all, says "Radio Mac," is to get customers to come in and ask questions and make them feel that I am sincere about it.

How successful "Mac" has been with this problem is told in the steady growth of his business since he first tried out the idea.

tioners. This does not mean that there are not customers in the procession nor that the questioners interrupt sales.

In innumerable cases, the two operations merge, the prospective customer catching something of the conversation as he comes in, finds that a subject is under discussion which is of interest to himself. Instead of asking that it be interrupted so that his needs can be met he joins in, ending up by modifying his order in accordance with the new knowledge he has acquired.

FOR instance, four men were in the store one day, when another came in and rather timidly put the question, "What is the use of a 'C' battery?" "That's what I'd like to know," added one of the four waiting customers. An explanation followed, with the result that every one of the five men present made the purchase of a "C" battery and carried it home with him.

Such immediate sales are not always maneuvered for, however. Information is given freely and with pleasure without any strings attached. In nine cases out of ten, it leads to nothing at the moment, except a "thank you." But the customer comes back again when he has something to buy. What is more, when his neighbor wants something, he sends him in to the place where he has

been so generously and efficiently helped. "Mac" has a thousand instances recorded where just that thing has happened.

The greatest problem of all, says Mac, is to get them to ask questions, to feel that he really is sincere when he says he is glad to answer them even if they do not buy anything. Their shyness in this respect speaks volumes for the way they must have been treated by other dealers. At any rate it has taken a good deal of thought on Mac's

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"When your radio is sick—we can cure it," "Radio Mac," of San Francisco, has established himself as his community's radio doctor

part to overcome the initial hesitation.

He breaks the ice by making his own friendly personality the keynote of the store. "Radio Mac" is on the window and on the awning and on the sign over the door. It is the answer he gives over the telephone, it is on the lips of half the people continually running in with an "Oh, Mac, can you" and it soon gets to be a habit even with the new ones who come in to ask a question and listen in for a few

minutes. Then, too, the windows always bear a card saying "Come in and ask questions." Frequently, these cards are designed to answer some one of the most common questions customers bring in.

**R**ADIO MAC has worked out the question and answer part of his business to a science—and through the servicing of sets. He frequently makes five or six service calls a night, many of them quite on his own responsibility and time, just to see what conditions actually lay behind the questions he was asked in the store. In consequence, and aside from the great number of sales contacts he makes he has built up a wonderful knowledge of just what the customer really wants to know when he asks questions in the store.

He knows, for instance, that nine out of ten cases of so-called static are merely noises due to corroded battery

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TA BEADDARLE CHARACTER CALL AT YOUR HONE AT A BEADDARLE CHARACT "RADIO MAC" I. H. MCCARTY, MOR	

THIS IS A FREE "RADIO" PRESCRIPTION

Radio Mac

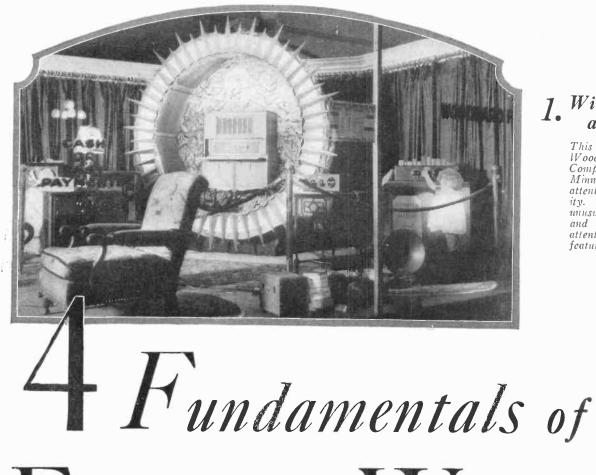
terminals. So, he has made up little envelopes containing a small wad of steel wool and a small can of vaseline and these he gives free to such questioners who reveal by their conversation that the trouble with their set can probably be helped by this simple remedy.

Another f r e e prescription, which experience h a s taught him will solve many ills, is distilled water. He has had small bottles of this put up, with labels bearing his name and

the fact that the bottle is a gift, and where a diagnosis indicates that distilled water is needed, this too is given to the questioner to carry away. The bottles cost about five cents, including water and label and he gives away about 50 a month—\$2.50 well spent in his own particular brand of advertising.

Antennae and how to install them are subjects very nuch on the public's mind, says Mac, from his experience with many questioners. Judging from the installations of those who come in with troubles to report, the public has been taught that the longer the antenna the better. In consequence 100 ft. of wire with 50 ft. of lead-in add complications to the reception of many a radio set, when 20 ft. of antenna would answer the purpose more effectively.

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### I. Wins attention

This window of the Woodward Furniture Company, Minneapolis Minn., illustrates the attention-getting quality. The colorful and unusual frame attracts and concentrates the attention on the model featured.

A<sup>S</sup> CLOTHES make the man, so a window display makes the first impression of a store on the people of the community which it serves. It is an introduction to all the people of the community that is not limited by circulation or extent of personal acquaintance. Therefore, the window display is undeniably a most important avenue for establishing a definite and widespread impression of the character and quality of the merchandise and service you deliver.

Location is one of the largest items in determining the amount of rent you pay. Perhaps half the value of your location lies in its convenience to your established customers and the other half in the advertising value of

windows which a good location brings. Window space, therefore, is not only of direct selling value but is something for which you actually pay good money, whether you use it to advantage or not.

One prominent radio manufacturer's service manager stated that only twenty per cent of the hundreds of dealer stores he had observed use their windows in a way which

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helps their sales, while eighty per cent discourage one element or another of the public by fundamental errors in appearance. There is no doubt that many a radio store is overlooking the opportunity which intelligent window display offers.

The habitual appearance of your window bespeaks the character of your merchandise and establishes a definite opinion of your store in the minds of the people of your community, whether they are prospects for radio or not. Effective window displays often create a sales impression on an individual which may not be capitalized for a year or more. Yet many a radio store tells its prospects that it is an electrical junk shop, an engineering establishment

YOUR display window is your card of introduction to the public. It represents at least fifty per cent of the value of your location. Use it effectively or its greatest benefits are lost. This article gives you some of the fundamentals of effective window displays or a music store catering only to the wealthy when, in reality, it is attempting to sell radio to the average citizen.

Radio manufacturers and their jobbers are thoroughly alive to the importance of the store window. They know that much of the material and help offered the dealer is not utilized. To encourage better window displays, many of the jobbers conduct window dis-

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### 2. Concentrates

Buxton and Skinner, St. Lonis, Mo., illustrate the concentration feature of a good window by centering attention through ribbons run from the foreground to the receiver on display.

play contests for valuable prizes. Such a concern is New Jersey Radio, Inc., of Newark, N. J., and it stands out as a model of what cooperative effort among dealers can do to stimulate profitable use of valuable window space.

In the words of Mr. P. J. Landemare, general manager of that organization, the two main objectives for which a window display should be planned are attractiveness and selling influence. Without attractive power sales influence becomes negligible and, on the other hand, many pleasing windows are totally lacking in selling influence. "To win attention for a

"To win attention for a radio window, or for that

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### 4. Leads

A neat sign in the window of the Good Housekeeping Shop, Ravenna, O., indicating that the set on display may be installed on payment of a small initial sum leads customers into the store for further information.

matter any window," said Mr. Landemare, "requires the use of motion or color. A shopper strolling casually by must be arrested by something in the window so as to be drawn to investigate it further. In this respect, a mechanically moving figure or flashing lights are very effective. In absence of motion, a border of bright color, a striking sign, or an appropriate picture has the arresting power which is necessary to win the attention of the casual passerby. Each time you win such attention, you make a selling impression directed not only to the product which you sell but to your particular store and your actual location, an impression which cannot be secured effectively in any other way.

"In trading centers where shoppers congregate a window display attracts the regular shopper at least once or twice a week. At least half of the shoppers are women, and since the feminine element is becoming a sales factor of increasing consequence in the radio field, the window display becomes proportionately more potent in its selling influence. There is no better way to win the attention of the woman shopper than through your window. This means that your window should be completely redressed each week, if you are to



### 3. Sells

By means of a huge dial on which is outlined the variety of entertainment obtainable by means of radio, the Robertson Hardware Company, of Detroit, illustrates the selling features of a window.

capitalize the curiosity which has been aroused by your window display on each successive visit of the shopper to your locality.

"Observers of window display effectiveness state that a series of well

planned displays can lead the habitual window shopper to look at a display every time he or she passes. If, on the other hand, there is lack of variety in the character of the window display, the impression is soon created that that particular window is always the same and warrants no attention."

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Winning attention is largely a matter of utilizing the influence of motion, color and variety. Having once caught the passer's eye, attention must be held by what is in the window. That formula seems childishly simple, yet many an attention attracting display which has aroused curiosity fails immediately after accomplishing that important step because there is nothing in it to warrant further inspection. The successful window concentrates the attention, once won by use of motion or color, on a single central object in the window. Do not expect a passerby to conduct a treasure hunt for the particular thing which he or she wants. This is a fundamental of successful windows-concentration of attention on a single leading article, a piece of merchandise having wide selling appeal.

Next in importance, the window must be informative and not merely a pleasing window display that creates no impression other than one of beauty. A deep, comfortable armchair, with a one dial set within reach of the hand, may be pleasing and may concentrate attention upon the simplicity of a one dial receiver but, if it is not informative, that pleasing impression is not capitalized.

"To take advantage of the pleasing impression created by a simple, concentrated, window display," continued Mr. Landemare, "put brief and telling information before the window shopper so that he will carry away something in his mind that will later help to make a sale. A mere name or slogan is not enough; let it be a concentrated dose of selling information put over by a neat, artistic, but effective show card. In the average community and shopping section, particularly where competition is keen, prices are always of value. If the price is within reach and curiosity has been aroused, you can often draw the shopper into the store.

ERE and there are outstanding Hradio establishments which serve a particularly prosperous class which prides itself on being able to pay any price for what it desires. For this group, you must concentrate on the high quality and luxury of the lines you carry and in such a case price information may be omitted. You must realize, however, that a window display habitually catering to this class definitely discourages the average buyer who may rate your store at once as expensive.

"For the diverse line, where concentration on a single model means failure to approach important classes somewhat above and below that price, it is better to show two or three models to indicate the price range. But any extensive display, with many different models, only brings discouragement to the hesitant buyer.

A phase of successful window dressing, almost invariably neglected. is the all-important effort to lead the casual window gazer into your store. You have gained if his attention is aroused and his inspection secured, but the real capitalization of his attention is a visit into your store. Encourage this by a leader, not necessarily a cut price article, but a small adjunct which implies no obligation. Here are a few suggestions which may, or may not, fit particular cases, but it should not be difficult to work out your own ideas with their aid :

'Ask about our monthly inspection service.'

This leaflet gives full information about our entire line.'

The latest call letter book free inside."

'Can we help you with your radio problems? Ask our service expert.

Come inside for our weekly program list."

"Finally, I wish to offer a few 'don'ts,'" concluded Mr. Landemare. "Don't clutter the window with many items. A lot of anything looks cheap. Don't confuse the buyer with competing lines. Don't drive away the feminine shopper by a dirty window. A layer of dust on a radio set turns away any housewife. And finally, don't forget that you have actually paid a landlord for selling power through your window. Don't fail to use it to the limit of its capabilities.'

Illuminated Bulletin Puts the Weekly Special Over



Martinson's illuminated bulletin board for advertising the "week's special"

 $\Lambda$  from a pole before the Radio board is changed while small strings Electric Shop of Sonoma, Cal., has of lights suspended between it and been of infinite value in getting new the ends of the main sign over radio accessories and equipment before the public with striking force, according to A, J. Martinson, the cial." A small canopy or shade over proprietor. Each week the message the sign protects it from rain.

BULLETIN board suspended of the electrically illuminated signthe store window focus the attention of the passerby on the "week's spe-

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### SERVICE Seen as Primary Requisite

This and other topics discussed by "Radio Retailing's" readers this month

### The Problem of Radio Distribution

#### Editor, Radio Retailing:

MERCHANDISING radio should not present such a difficult task for the manufacturer and it would not if it did not cut across so many trades.

Radio should be a selling proposition by itself. It does not depend upon the grocery industry, the hardware industry, the drug industry or the cigar and candy industry, yet you will find all these stores selling radio.

Some time past I had several calls for electric refrigerators. I called up a dis-tributor of such machines, and told him of my needs.

He honestly gave me every encouragement, but there was one glorious bumping block. "Can you qualify on service?" he asked. I had to prove by showing him, not telling him, that I was capable of setting up the plant and servicing it.

#### SERVICE LEADS TO SALES

That policy is today selling more refrigerators for that distributor than all the drug, hardware, grocery, candy and cigar merchants could possibly sell if they were

all turned loose on the trade. Will it work equally as well with radio? Why not? I have in mind just now a case where a harness and carriage merchant plunged into the radio business. He secured plunged into the radio business. He secured the agency for a very popular make of machine and at first sold a great number of them, but when the service calls came in he was lost. He could not check a circuit. He could not repair a machine. Some sixteen or eighteen of his patrons had to go elsewhere with the machines that he had sold but on which he could not give service. Now this kind of treat-ment is a money loser for the manufacturer of that set because this same dealer is of that set because this same dealer is having hard work today selling his sets. The machine is not at fault—it is one of the best makes but the people of his district have turned against it. The radio dealers who know how to service machines are slow to take up an agency on machines that have been butchered by grocerymen, hardwaremen, candy and cigar merchants.

#### CAN YOU QUALIFY ON SERVICE?

Why wouldn't it pay the manufacturer to instruct the distributors to ask one ques-

to instruct the distributors to ask one ques-tion. Can you qualify on service? Manufacturers' advertisements read "Simple to set up and operate." True, but they do not say "Simple to tear to pieces and put back together." "Any child can operate this receiver" does not mean "any child can service it."

Mr. Manufacturer, if your dealers could all stand up any say "we can qualify on service" you would double your production with lasting sales and many repeats. E. D. Holt, The Radio Exchange.

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Osceola, Pa.

### Selling a Demonstration or Selling a Set?

#### Editor, Radio Retailing:

T IS generally admitted in most indus-tries that the final outlet to the consumer, namely the dealer, should make money. I think I am perfectly safe in say-ing that radio dealers have not made money out of radio sets. I am speaking only of the music dealers of the United States and

the music dealers of the Onice State the radio dealers of this section. You often ask for frank opinions regard-ing this situation and that is my excuse for writing you on this subject. the following comments to make.

One of the principle steps in the distribution of radio sets-one which costs the most for the least return, and one which has broken or sadly bent hundreds of radio dealers—is the proposition of sending out sets on "free trial." The dealer is almost

sets on tree trial." The dealer is almost helpless in the face of this condition. The powerful national advertising of radio companies almost invariably state "Ask the nearest authorized dealer for a demonstration." In other words, the whole demonstration." In other words, the whole industry does not try to "sell the set," but, encouraged and urged by the manufacturer, the *jobber*, and the *dealer*, the salesman sets out to sell a demonstration with the result that he is successful in selling a good many demonstrations but very few sets on which a profit can be made.

It may not seem so, but we have a purpose in writing this letter, and that is that you may listen to the voice of the individ-ual dealers throughout the United States, and possibly by some powerful articles in your publication, show them the folly of selling a demonstration so that during the season of 1928 they may eliminate one ex-pensive method, and thereby help each other in selling at a profit. ROBERT N. WATKIN,

Secretary, Will A. Watkin Company. Dallas, Texas.

### Jobbers' Retail Stores

#### Editor, Radio Retailing:

Now is the time to recast merchan-dising plans to keep abreast of the changes in the radio industry. And while we are considering changes there is one growing evil that should be stopped—that is the practice of some distributors selling to the retail action to the retail customer and industrial accounts at top dealer discounts. These job-bers find this so profitable that they are establishing chains of retail stores, openly and with the consent of the manufacturers.

Dealers naturally will not buy from these jobbers or from others who cannot quote prices low enough to enable them to compete with these cut-price jobbers. So they establish direct factory connections where possible, or patronize mail order jobbers quoting special cash prices.

Every manufacturer should try to force

this type of jobber out of the picture by treating him as a dealer and giving him dealer's prices. On a 15 to 20 per cent lower margin he will have to advance net selling prices 20 to 30 per cent. F. R. PRAY, F. R. Pray & Company. Boston, Mass.

### Radio Mail for Service Men

#### Editor, Radio Retailing:

HERE is an idea that I think you will

A approve of. Why don't radio manufacturers, when sending information through the mails about their products-address their letters so that the radio service man can get them? I have to fish my information on late products, and some of great value to me, from the wastepaper basket. My employer never opens three-fourths of his mail. After lying around for a month on his desk they are all thrown out.

Therefore—why doesn't radio mail be so designated by a pattern or emblem or some-thing—so that my employer can pass such letters over to me-his service man-immediately after receiving them.

The characteristic which would tell that such mail was for the radio man and not addressed to the store in general-would have to be made standard for all radio mail —then I would stand a chance of getting the latest circulars-and not the wastepaper basket. Evanston, Ill. FRED LICHTGARN.

### The Buyers' Market Is Here to Stay

#### Editor, Radio Retailing:

WHEN radio first burst upon the WHEN radio first burst upon the country, manufacturers were not equipped to meet the overwhelming de-mand. Any sort of a set, no matter how poor, was easily sold. Radio was a fad and a novelty. The public was entirely uncritical and it was a gold rush for the unscrupulous dealer and manufacturer. The public bought radio in unlimited quan-tities. Factories worked night and day to tities. Factories worked night and day to supply the demand. There was little or no

sales resistance. Today that wild rush is over, and the buying fever is gone forever. The American public has settled down to steady and consistent buying in much the same way as it purchases automobiles. It has become critical of the quality of reception, of the appearance of the cabinet, and of the stand-

ing and reputation of the manufacturer. It is decidedly a buyers' market. This buyers' market will continue to grow stronger each year and the value of worthwhile radio will advance year after year with unfailing regularity. S. H. BEEBE,

New York City.

Editor, Fada Sales

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## Last-Minute Windows

COLOR CONTRASTS ATTRACT Flaming red poinsettias against a background of pure white give the correct holiday coloring to this window of the Good Housekeeping Shop, Ravenna, O.



POINSETTIAS ADD COLOR

The Herz Store, Terre Haute, Ind., had an unusually attractive display last year, made so through the use of flowers and an occasional poinsettia to add color

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This Middle West merchant keeps track of the crops his farmer prospects are raising and sells them when he knows they've got the money

OR the past two years, I have been "following the crops." Because of this policy sixty per cent of my radio business now comes from farmers having "seasonal" incomes. Many of these "seasons" fall between April and October. Therefore summer sales have increased. This year they were 40 per cent greater than for 1926. The farmer needs, and uses, his radio twelve months in the year.

Total sales during my fiscal year just closed, September, 1926, to September, 1927, were \$20,740; almost double the record for the previous year. Moreover, the proportion of cash to credit transactions has increased, I estimate, twenty per cent. Sales during the so-called "slump" months, March to October, now represent 41.6 per cent of my total gross volume.

This is because I have made a study of the farmer. I think I understand his mental processes when it comes to buying. I know when and where his money comes from—and I go after it hard at the psychological time—that is, when I know he's got the money, after the sale of certain of his crops. I merely keep track of the crops my farmer prospects are raising and when they are harvested.

I was born and raised on a farm in Starke County, Indiana. Its soil supports nine profitable crops, and its waters, Bass Lake, one—the city vacationist. You can't get blood out of a turnip, or money out of a farmer when he's broke. But when the mint syrup goes to the bank, or the January grain pool sells—Oh Boy! Come and get it! That's why I file my rural prospects by crop seasons and that's why I give but a two-night demonstration, in season—then pull the set to force the decision. You see I know the money's there and that it's just a matter of bearing down.

**F**ARMER KIERNAN, for example, called me up at six o'clock one morning to tell me that he had sold those cattle that I had suggested to him he might profitably do; it was in April when cattle were ready for market that I went after this stock raiser.

I have even offered to take in trade a couple of cows at \$50 each, market price about \$45, in order to close a deal, because I knew where I could sell them—it was the right season again. This was a polite way of offering a slight inducement. The farmer took me up, thinking he ROPS

By SHIRLEY BLAKELY Radio Retailer, Knox, Indiana

was putting a little something o v e r and everybody was happy. To keep me straight on this crop plan, I file my prospects under the proper seasonal designation. Anyone can

do the same who "knows his oats." For example: Grain—January; Poultry—January to June; Cattle— April, May; Small Fruits—May to September, etc. In addition to this I have prepared a "Crop Quota" table. This covers 1927-28 sales expectations and is based on my past experience. Referring to the accompanying table on the following page, it will be seen that I should sell about ten outfits to the corn farmers this November and December—average unit sale \$130.

The season of high prices for eggs, January to May inclusive, ought to be good for fifteen sets. My job is clearly defined. The target is there for me to aim at. That of itself is a stimulating influence. And the best part of it is they can't say: "I haven't got the money."

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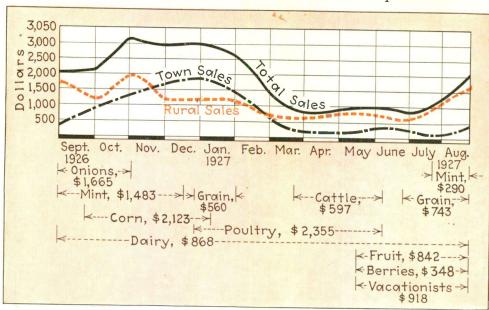
**R**EFERRING to the table it will be seen that I sell for cash, for notes or for mortgage contract. I fit the terms to the nature of the crop yield. The longer the period of income, the more lenient the financing arrangement. It notes are proferred, I first find out whether that farmer's paper is acceptable to my banker. If I am talking to a mint, onion,

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cattle, or corn raiser, I point out the saving of cash over credit. The out-of-town vacationist must pay cash.

Here is an idea for carrying this plan right down the line to the individual buyer. Cultivate, as I have done, the acquaintance of the grain and corn elevator men in town. Give them a five per cent commission for sales made to "hot tip" prospects. By this I mean to farmers who have just sold their grain or corn to the elevator man at a favorable price. To illustrate: Brownell, of the People's Grain Elevator Company, phones me, "Henry Silver's in town. He just sold me his late wheat. Gave him a pretty good price for it too."

Immediately I start out looking for Farmer Silver. Please turn to next page



The figures following the name of the crop are actual 1926-27 sales to farmers who paid for their sets out of the source of earnings indicated.

The object is to get to him before he spends his money for something else. Of course, when I do meet him I ease into the subject gradually and casually. Nine times out of ten I am able to persuade him to accompany me to the store. And three times out of four I sell himif he doesn't own a set already.

One of my most effective methods of closing the individual sale with a farmer is to cite to him instances of other farmers who have sold their crops at better prices because of getting the latest quotations by radio.

"What did you get for your hogs, Mr. Smith?" I say. When he tells me, I am generally able to show him, from a record of stock and grain quotations which I carry with me, that the market, as quoted over the air, had been higher at some time prior to his sale.

The competition of the mail-order houses doesn't

worry me. Most of the farmers who use this service are of the poorer class. Here again, through friendly connections, I frequently find out who is getting an outfit from Chicago.

I call on these prospects, for such they are, at once. "If you don't like your catalog set remember you can return it within thirty days," I remind them.

Occasionally they do this. and, having been bitten by the radio bug, buy a slightly better set - frequently on time payment terms and expert service which I hold out to them as inducements to patronize their local dealer. If unsuccessful in getting them to try my set, I offer them, in friendly spirit, my services. This gives me an oppor-

many prospects whose crop money will come in later. These are filed under the correct heading in the little crop box.

By classifying your territory according to its seasonal yield of money and by filing individual prospects likewise, not only will much lost motion be saved but you will be in a position to "strike while the iron is hot."

tunity to keep in touch and sometimes leads to a replacement sale a year or two

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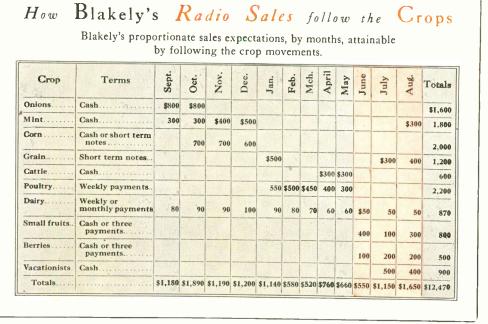
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Y NET profit for the last fiscal year was eight per M cent. I was able to close a large majority of my sales myself because when I tackled a rural prospect I knew that he was "ripe" and thus saved much time and unneces-sary bickering. Volume without burdensome selling expense is an inherent part of this system of concentration on the prospect-in-funds. Analyze your farm market from the angle of its financial responsiveness if you would sell it economically and thoroughly.



Such a table will stimulate any radio dealer to greater efforts because it serves as a monthly objective and shows exactly where the sales should be made.

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Following the Crops Fills In Summer Depression



## Foiling the Demonstration Hound

A way of handling this pest that is always effective and saves the dealer time and money

HEN a prospect comes into our store and asks for a demonstration, our first move is to ascertain whether he is sincere and really intends to buy, provided the set suits him, or whether he is just another professional demonstration hound, says M. Brotherson, general manager of the Hafer Supply Company, Joplin, Mo. It is not always possible to tell the one from the other by sight or from the preliminary conversation. If it were, the "professional" could be disposed of very quickly. Here is a system we use which has proven very effective and which does not offend the real buyer.

We agree with the prospect that a demonstration is a fine thing. Then we explain to him that we have every faith in the set that we sell. We impress him with the fact that that is the reason we handle the makes of

sets which he sees before him. We further stress the fact that we will put our set up against any other make sold in Joplin and let him be the judge. Then we spring the real punch to our little idea.

#### DEMONSTRATE COMPETING SETS

We tell him that the only way to compare sets is to have them all together in the same place, on the same night and to tune them in on the same station, one after the other, then he can decide on the spot which is the set to buy. At no time do we act as if we didn't want to demonstrate our set; on the contrary we make it plain that we do want to demonstrate, but in competition with the other makes sold in Joplin.

After we have elaborated on the necessity of trying out the different sets on the same evening we state that any time that will suit our com-

petitors will also suit us. We urge him to go to the other dealers whose sets he is interested in and find out when they can give him a demonstration; then if he will let us know ahead of time we will be on deck too, with our set, ready for the test and demonstration.

The result of this offer is that the demonstration "nuisance" is scared away, never to return. The sincere prospect comes back and in many instances we sell a set, frequently without the comparative demonstration test. At no stage of the game have we offended the prospect or even told him that we won't make a demonstration.

• On the contrary we have jumped at the chance to make a demonstration and under the most trying conditions. This little stunt has saved our company countless hours of valuable time and hundreds of dollars.

### Radio Dealer's Calendars Hang in 75 Classrooms

THE accompanying illustration shows how a radio map has been used as the "attention getter" on an advertising calendar. To further add to the utility value of this piece of advertising matter there is printed on the back (reversed for handy reference), a complete list of every broadcasting station in the United States of 25 watts or more.

The Whiting Radio Service, Bridgeport, Conn., ordered 500 of these combined radio maps and calendars. They proved so popular that Sherman E. Whiting, owner of



this concern, ordered 500 more from the Thomas D. Murphy Company, Red Oak, Iowa.

"We have one of these in every high school classroom in Bridgeport—75 in all," he says and adds, "We mailed these calendars to our set owners and to a selected list of prospects. These advertising calendars cost us about 23 cents apiece. We feel that they have given us the best permanent publicity we have yet had."

The map gives the call letters and location of every broadcasting station of importance in the United States and Canada.



Above: Booth of the Privag Company, Berlin, at a recent industrial exposition, a corner of which was used to stage demonstrations of its sets by means of theatrical skits.

Right: One of the theatrical skits put on by the Privag Company to illustrate the uses of portable sets during the summer.

ERCHANDISING radio in Germany presents a problem far different from that which obtains in the United States at present, according to T. C. Silber Outside selling is used almost exclusively by this Berlin concern in selling radio to its customers

of the Privag Company, Berlin. German people have not as yet become so enthusiastic over radio that they shop at the radio stores let alone crowd into them as they appear to do in some of the large cities in America.

Consequently the radio dealers in Germany, more so than the radio dealers in America, have to depend upon outside selling in order to get any amount of business. Mr. Silber, in his business, has stressed this fundamental principle of merchandising radio sets to the extent that he has built up, exclusively, an organization for carrying radio into German homes instead of waiting for the people to learn to buy at the stores.

"The success of such a business as this," he claims, "is dependent upon developing a large turnover and upon keeping down the overhead. The building of an efficient sales force with a small labor turnover and the standardization of routine are the methods by which it can be accomplished."

The Privag company has found that a division of the duties of selling between two types of sales crews is most effective. The first type of salesman is the one entrusted with establishing the approach, and arranging for a demcessful for this kind of work both because she arouses confidence in her prospect and because her work from the standpoint of the firm is reliable and trustworthy.

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generally a woman. The

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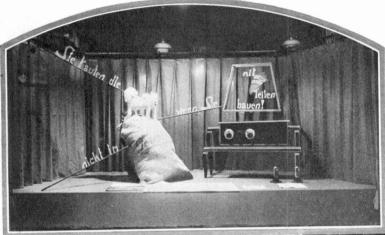
**B**ERLIN, like most large European cities, is made up almost entirely of apartment dwellers. Entrance must be effected first, through a downstairs door (sometimes through an outer gate in addition) and later at the door of the apartment. The housewife usually has a mirror arrangement or peephole by which she can see who is at the door and hesitates to admit a strange man. A respectable appearing woman, however, is given admission and at least establishes the contact.

In this connection it has been found that a business card giving the name of the company's representative under the title of "Inspector" rather than "Salesman" has been found useful. The "inspection" is for the purpose of determining whether or not the family possesses a radio. If not, the question is, of course, whether they would be interested in the set offered. If the housewife reports a radio, she is asked if it is satisfactory or whether a better set would not be acceptable.

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### By C. GRUNSKY

### to the German People



THIS article is the last of a series on retail methods in Europe by C. Grunsky, "Radio Retailing's" Pacific Coast Editor, who has recently returned after making a special survey of retail radio conditions in European countries. The first article, "Retail Methods in England," appeared in the August issue; the second article "Selling Radio in Italy," appeared in the October issue; and the third article. "In France, Dealers Face a Money Problem," appeared in the Novermber issue.

"You do not buy a cat in a bag when you build a set with Baltic radio parts," read the cards in this window display of Radio Lauerland, Bielefield.

An extremely conservative attitude is adopted toward the making of appointments for demonstrations, as the cost of the delivery of the machine is one of the major items in overhead, and it is only when the prospect is really good that the company wishes to incur this expense. A one-per cent success in the securing of permissions for demonstrations is, therefore, regarded as satisfactory, since it is expected that the demonstrations given will result in 90 per cent sales.

The time of this first battery of saleswomen is the cheapest commodity in which the com-

pany deals, and it has been proven by careful checks that it is cheaper to employ this contact force lavishly, as it were, rather than to waste the time of the more expensive follow-up salesmen and the other items of expense involved in an unproductive demonstration. Forms sent in by the field force, for every transaction made, enable the head office to keep in close touch with the comparative costs involved. In spite of this conservative policy, however, these women inspectors have shown themselves to be so successful that each one can keep at least one salesman busy following up her footsteps—sometimes two.

When the salesman reports a sale on credit, the company looks up the status of the purchaser before the demonstration is arranged. An effective check is obtained as to the prospect's profession, whether owner or renter, and other points which determine his ability to pay.



The Easter Parade throughout Europe will be led by the Loewe set is the interpretation of another display by Radio Lauerland.

THE next procedure following this check is the delivery of the set, which it has been found cheaper to send separately than to entrust to the salesman. Present plans contemplate the use of an auto to carry four sets and to be accompanied by two salesmen. Costs are very carefully figured on this item in order that the delivery charge in the company's overhead be reduced to an absolute minimum.

Of those who purchase sets on time but one-half of one per cent later prove questionable risks on making further investigation. To these a letter is directed by the company stating that it regrets the fact that its "Directorate" (a convenient fictitious legal term) will not permit the credit and the set is called for. To date, no difficulty has been experienced in recovery. The contract reads "order to purchase" rather than "sale," in order to safeguard legally the company's right to the article until the last payment has been made.

Payments are collected by mail by means of a convenient German fashion of sending a card which is returned, with the cash, to the postman during his household rounds. The Privag company usually sends some pamphlet or small mail advertisement with the card as a reminder. 92 per cent of the purchasers are prompt in their payments. Of the remaining eight per cent, the

majority remit on receipt of a friendly letter five days later, and the remainder on receipt of a second letter, still friendly, after ten days. Thus far the formal letter asking for payment in legal terms has not been required.

Service on sets sold is not advertised as a part of the company's program, but in practice the customer is given absolute satisfaction. Charge is made for material necessary in repairs, but the service is free until it is thought that the customer is fully acquainted with the use of the set -or even later, if the particular circumstances seem to warrant it. The set sold is a thoroughly high-class article, however, and it has been found that this item in the overhead does not amount to more than one and three-quarters

per cent of the cost. Service expense, therefore, is low. An extensive advertising campaign has been initiated and is to be extended as the business justifies the expenditure.

This advertising campaign is largely in the form of direct-by-mail advertising, although other mediums have not been overlooked. One of the pre-summer features which called favorable attention to the company was a booth at the "Week-End Exposition," which helped

counteract the summer

slump by suggesting

holiday uses for radio.

A series of short theat-

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radio in use under vari-

ous vacation conditions

attracted the largest

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nized that the backbone

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the sales force - and

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keep this an effective

working tool. Great

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one to two weeks is

furnished, during which

time the salesmen are

further tested out and

rejected if they do not

appear promising. The

middle-aged women

who form the corps of

inspectors are given a

technical training suffi-

cient to enable them to

understand the article they are handling, fol-

lowed by a tactful presentation of the rudi-

ments of selling. They

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Above: Mailing folder of the Privag Com-pany advertising its "ideal" reproducer on time payments.

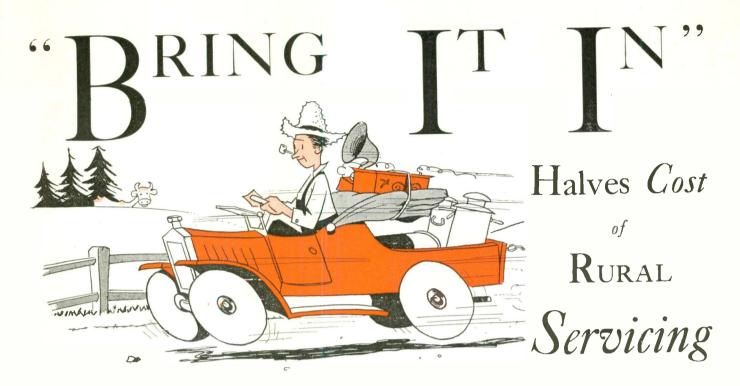
are found to be apt learners. Follow-up Left: Program of the theatrical skits ar-ranged by the Privag Company to demon-strate their radio sets at the "Week-End Exposition," Berlin. salesmen are required to have a more thorough technical knowledge before selection and their training is confined, therefore, to a thorough study of the set and a short course in salesmanship. The expense of this training is one of the major items of cost and in consequence the emphasis is placed upon the selection of the right man or woman in the first place.

'HE Privag business in Berlin is still young, but with a careful selection of salesmen, a thorough training, an enthusiastic leadership in a well-thought-out sales plan, and a continual and close check of expenses to keep down every item of overhead, Mr. Silber believes this plan is capable of unlimited expansion. It is possible to finance on the basis of a capital equal to 20 per cent of the turnover.

With these principles accepted as a basis for calculation, it is easy to prophesy results.

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It is cheaper for both the dealer and the farmer customer to service the set in the store according to this Kansas merchant

IME and mileage are the expense-creating elements of servicing the farmer customer's set and no one realizes it better than H. C. Leonard, radio merchant in Abilene, Kansas. "There is no profit in this expensive element, and it only makes the customer dissatisfied with the cost of radio service so I sell 80 per cent of these 'remote control' customers on the advantages of bringing the set to the store.

"Bill, you know as well as I do that I can do a much better job in my back room where I have everything needed than in your front parlor. It'll save us both time and money. And if there's serious trouble it will have to come in anyway. When your auto goes wrong you take it to the garage, don't you? Well, why not chuck the set, everything except the aerial, in your Ford next time you come to town? Bring it in in the morning and it will be ready for you when you drive back," says Leonard

to his agricultural friends and makes them think he's doing them a favor when he "advises" this course of action.

"Most every owner wants the personal attention of the boss on his favorite set so I tell the customer that I would have to send a man if he wants the set serviced in his home but that I will check the set myself if he brings it in to me." "But the real 'action' incentive," Leonard declares, "is in my guarantee which goes with every set I sell and which reads, a year's service free if you bring the set to the store. Otherwise the free servicing period is limited to thirty days."

This farming-center radio dealer explains that the first call for service is always answered by a personal visit to the home. After that initial service visit the trouble is generally some minor thing or the natural deterioration of batteries and tubes. Asking them to "bring it in" saves these costly unnecessary trips.

"THE farmer generally has the time and the facilities for complying with this request and if he doesn't think so I usually convince him of it through the pocketbook route. If the fault turns out to be his a house call costs him from \$3 to \$5 according to mileage—not hours. Store service averages but 50 per cent of that amount and is more satisfactory.

"I talk straight from the shoulder. That's what they

### Leonard's servicing policy indicates these three things:

- 1. A better job can be done in the shop.
- 2. The farmer can readily be sold the logical "bring it in" idea and taught to like it.
- 3. It saves both parties time and money.

like. The same rule applies on service payments. It's harder to collect 'on the spot' in the customer's home than in your own shop. So this policy saves bookkeeping a n d collection losses as well as time and gasoline."

"How do you handle the aerial and ground testing?" he was asked.

"I give them the necessary simple instruction over the phone. If the set checks up O. K. in my workroom and its owner still reports trouble then I go out there—but this rarely happens."

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## Selling Requires a

### A New Technique Required

NO LONGER can the radio dealer slight the artistic appeal when selling the woman prospect. The advent of the quality cabinet, whose beauty is unquestioned and whose value is frequently more than that of the radio equipment which it houses, has interjected a new element in the merchandising of radio to a discerning public.

Most of these cabinets of high grade are of a "period" design. In line and materials they follow faithfully the *motifs* of the era they are supposed to represent.

People who have decided to spend from \$150 to \$300 for external appearance are frequently astute judges of "what's what" in furniture harmony.

The dealer who sees in this demand for fine furniture a chance to increase materially his average unit sale should realize that this new trend carries with it an obligation as well as an opportunity.

Stock period cabinets—they command their own price and never go out of style, but—learn how to sell them. Put yourself in a position to be able to discuss intelligently with the prospect, the distinguishing features of each school of furniture architecture. Cultivate, for example, an appreciation of the sturdiness of old English craftsmanship. Learn to recognize the delicate influence of the Renaissance, to recognize the difference between the Spanish as compared to the French methods of expression.

This may sound like a far cry from the business of selling radio but if radio and fine furniture are to become associated, then mastering the technique of selling the latter will most assuredly be part of the modern radio dealer's job.

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### Installment Selling Sound

AT A DINNER given by the General Motors Corporation recently, Edwin R. A. Seligman, Professor of Political Economy at Columbia University, declared that the practise of time payment purchasing is fundamentally sound.

Professor Seligman cited the history of time payments, stating that the financing of purchases on the part of the buyer parallels and is as basically sound as the financing of production on the part of the manufacturer through banks or other sources of credit.

In 1926, Professor Seligman said, total retail sales amounted to \$38,000,000,000, of which 12 per cent, or about \$4,500,000,000 was done on installments. Comparing this figure of \$4,500,000,000 *total* time payment business in 1926, with the annual national income of \$70,000,000,000 for the same year, and with the total savings bank deposits of \$24,000,000,000 as of June 30, 1926, it is readily seen that time payment obligations are extremely well protected. Time payment sales, therefore, reduced to percentages, are less than seven per cent of the nation's annual earnings, and less than 19 per cent of total savings bank deposits.

Generally speaking, then, the nation as a whole is financially able to expand its time payment purchases to a still greater degree than has been done to date.

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### Another Sales Opportunity

ADAPTING battery-operated sets to use the new A. C. tubes presents a new sales opportunity to the industry. Several manufacturers have devised and are marketing apparatus to accomplish this with a minimum of re-wiring.

In most instances, it is a practical undertaking. In some cases it may be expected to result unsatisfactorily. With the constants of the circuit, the tubes, and the power supply individual in almost every installation, each re-wiring job may be subjected to experimentation. But, generally speaking, the plan opens up new fields of profit for the dealer through the sale of the necessary parts and accessories, as well as the service charge for doing the job.

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### The Second Stage of Evolution

EXPERIENCE has shown that any new article of merchandise such as radio passes through three distinct stages of evolution.

The first is the novelty stage, when the product is new and the public freely and willingly throngs into stores to buy it. Radio has passed through the craze era and is well into the second period.

The second period, which radio is now going through, is called the "specialty" period. That is the time when the relationship of the merchant and the public is exactly the opposite of the first period, and is the time when the product must be taken to the public and sold through "specialty selling" methods. The public, generally speaking, has stopped going after radio; radio must now be taken to the public.

The last era, which is yet to come in radio, can be called the staple period, that is, when the product has become a necessity. Then, similar to the first period; the public returns to the store to buy, but from an entirely different reason. At that time, they were curious. In the "staple" period they go to the store to purchase what they consider one of life's necessities.

Radio is now a specialty. It must be sold. How soon it will become a necessity depends on the broadcasting industry. Radio will become a staple product as soon as the public believes broadcasting is essential to our daily existence. Broadcasting is the keystone on which the future rests.

## GABINETS New Technique

### Prosperity

TWO prophecies of national prosperity have been made within the past few weeks from two widely divergent sources.

President Coolidge, in his talk before the Union League Club at Philadelphia, stated that America's greatest prosperity still lies ahead and that the most serious test the nation will have to face is whether it meets and survives prosperity or permits luxury and indulgence to result in decadence. There was no indication, evidently, of any radical financial depression.

Similarly, J. J. Raskob, chairman of the finance committee of the General Motors Corporation, in a recent speech, declared, "Everything indicates that 1928 will witness the greatest prosperity our country has ever enjoyed. There is little, if any, inflation anywhere, an abundance of credit, and great farm purchasing power as a result of good crops and prices, and my prediction is that with the Ford Motor Company in production, the automobile industry will produce 5,000,000 cars in 1928, as against 3,500,000 this year."

This kind of opinion from such high authority makes food for thought. Despite the fact that next year will stage a Presidential election there is good ground for confidence if we keep our heads.

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### A Stimulating Influence

THE stimulating effect of national broadcasting "hook-ups" on the business of retailing radio has again been confirmed, this time by direct reports received from dealers in Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa.

Since stations WOW, Omaha; KOIL, Council Bluffs, and WHO, DesMoines, have been included in one or more of the big "chains" there has been a distinct and lively demand for sets from those who have, until now, kept away from radio.

It is gratifying to see this consumer response, in so tangible a manner, to the artistic programs now available through the addition of smaller stations to the national chains. Dealers whose local stations are now similarly served should not neglect to explain to their prospects the advantages of nearby reception of these enchanting and costly programs.

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### Cheap Service Men Do Not Pay

THE day is over when any "ham" can build as good a set as a factory-made product, and with this comes the realization that no longer can any young high school boy with a smattering of amateur radio be hired as an efficient service man. The money that is gained by paying a small salary to this type of service man is more

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than lost in his inability to make a favorable impression upon the customer.

Get a service man with a congenial personality, pay a reasonable salary with a bonus or commission for sales made while on service calls, and then, above all, make sure that he is familiar with the sets to be serviced through studying and understanding the service instructions issued by the manufacturer.

### "Chaos in the Radio Industry?"

"CHAOS in the radio industry," shouts a heretofore sensible advertising publication.

Isn't it remarkable the way this adolescent industry of ours always seems to be managed for us by somebody else?

To an outsider looking in, perhaps the present situation may look chaotic. But the radio industry is simply passing through a state of change common to any new industry, and new industries do not settle down quickly. It will be a long, tedious journey before the shaking down process is over.

Meanwhile, those who have had experience with radio know that "chaos" is mostly conversation and, as such, can be successfully survived.



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The 1928 newspaper and magazine advertising of RCA products will be the largest ever planned by the Radio Corporation of America.

These receivers operate from the electric light socket is embodied in these new Radiolas

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## -in 1927 RCA Radiolas were the biggest sellers in the industry

### -and in 1928 the RCA line again will lead the market because of public

acceptance of RCA leadership.

Since the beginning of public broadcasting Radiolas have outsold every other make of receiving set. They have been the pioneers in every great advance in radio design, and they have set the standards for the industry.



### Come In and Ask Questions (Continued from page 45)

radio sets, Mac has had devised very neat little prescription blanks in true medical form which he uses in dispensing advice. These start off with the headline "This Is a Free Radio Prescription," Mac's own small cartoon which he uses in all forms of his advertising, his slogan "Come in and Ask Questions" and the address, followed by the necessary information of the newcomer's name and address which turns a questioner into a prospect. The prescription itself starts off with the crossed R familiar to all who have ever filled one at the corner drug store. Below comes the statement "Should the above fail to relieve your trouble consult us further or have one of our service men call at your home at a reasonable charge" thus leaving the customer free to come in again without cost to himself, or to turn to the store which has served him freely in the more businesslike form of a pay customer. This prescription more often than not is accompanied by the actual remedies in the form of the packet of steel wool and vaseline, or the distilled water.

This apparent willingness to serve the public's needs, whether there is money in it or not does not stop with the answering of direct questions. It is incorporated in every service of the store. For example, let a customer come in to ask for something which is not carried and he is sent away with a "Sorry, we don't carry that, but you can get it across the street, or three doors up, or at the nearest battery station."

Frequently Mac goes to considerable trouble to save

his customer money and, as some might regard it, to do himself out of a job. But the customer doesn't forget the good turn. He recognizes the absolute honesty of Mac's interest in his welfare. And it works out into a nice little dollar-and-cent balance at the end of the column.

Not merely this one customer, but the entire clientele of the shop—those who come in to ask questions and do not buy, those who have merely been directed on their way, and all of the friends of all of these—believe firmly in Mac's disinterested helpfulness. In consequence they trust him with their troubles and with their wants as they arise. They drop in to his store first, knowing that if he hasn't got the article, he will tell them where they can get it. They bring their friends in to have their misbehaving sets diagnosed and to buy new ones.

INSTEAD of selling a customer everything which he possesses in the store, Mac's way is to ascertain just what the conditions and the needs are and then sell the customer as little as possible to render him absolute satisfaction, telling him at the time how best to take care of it so that it will last him a maximum length of time. When he sells two battery clips for instance, he throws in an envelope of steel wool and instructions on how to keep them free from corrosion.

It means a longer time before that customer buys his second set of battery clips, to be sure, but he has found that the results pay in the end.

### Getting References from Credit Customers

RADIO retailing, in this day and age, is a highly competitive business. Each retailer is out to get customers and eventually every store is doing some measure of credit business. Very often, sad to relate, when a store begins to take on credit customers, someone will get on the books who will cause you a money or goods loss. When this happens it does not boost your Income Tax.

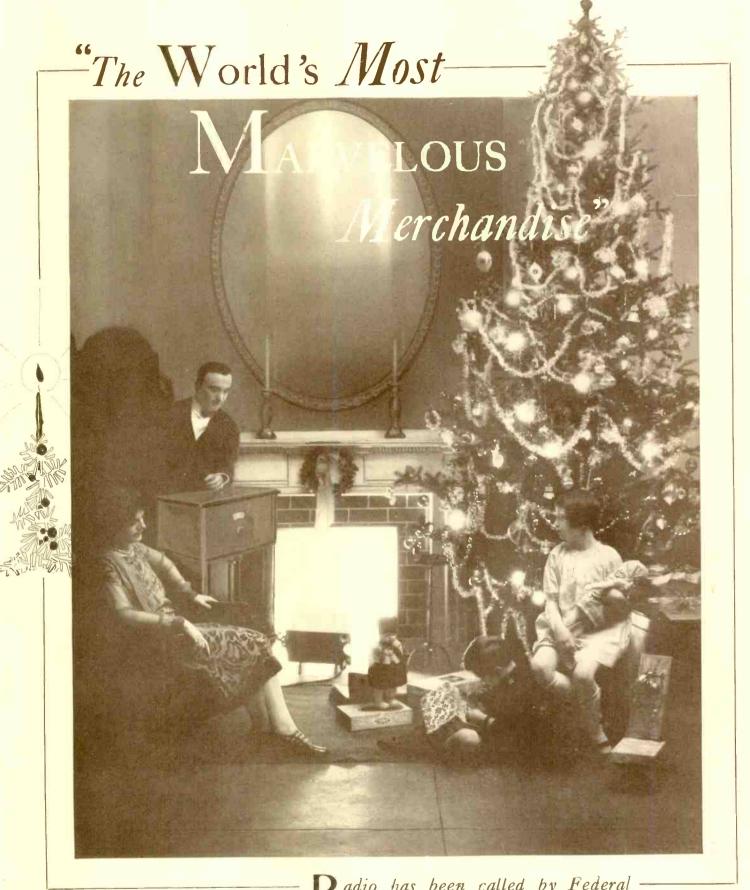
What kind of references do you require from your credit customers? Do you have a fixed policy in regard to this important matter? Do you at once get in touch with the reference and secure from them a guarantee? Important questions, these! Your success as a credit retailer depends very much on the answers.

One of the most successful mail order houses in a certain field has a policy in this connection that is at once simple and effective. This house will make a sale (average sale, I should imagine averages around \$50) to any man or woman who can make the initial payment of a few dollars and who can furnish three references: a doctor, a local business house and a priest or a pastor of some church. While the mail-order house does not say so, it never writes any of the references. Very often it has been found that references hesitate to guarantee the account of another person—this is a natural hesitation. The credit customer does not know this.

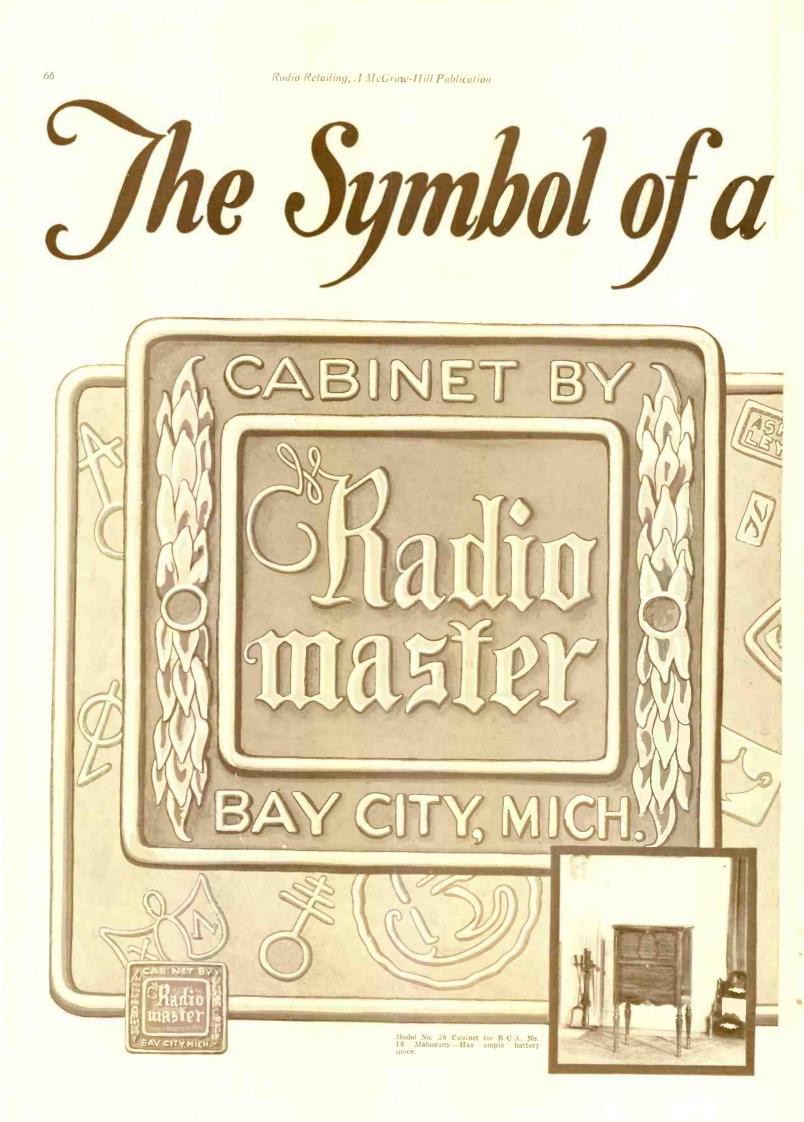
IF a customer fails to make a payment on time, the mail-order house simply writes that unless payment is made on a certain date that it will be necessary for it to take the matter up with the references given. This never fails to bring in the payment and it is certain that some of these payments are made at the expense of other deserving accounts. About nine times out of ten, if the truth were known, the credit customer has given the names of the references without consulting them or asking their permission. Naturally he does not wish them informed of his delinquency! And who is there that would care to have his doctor, priest or pastor, or a local business firm know that he does not meet his obligations when due! This mail order concern, so I understand, boasts that this plan is infallible and that it has never suffered a loss of a single dollar and yet it has sold millions of dollars worth of goods.

SIMPLE plan, isn't it? Why couldn't the radio retailer use such a plan to excellent advantage? When a customer asks for credit, bring out a "Get-Acquainted Card" and tell him frankly that you are only too glad to extend credit courtesies but that it will be necessary for him to fill out the card. You will seldom find any customer who will not promptly fill out the card and that card will contain all of the information (plus the reference names and addresses) you need for your files: it should have the customer's name and address, employment-place of head of family and the name of the clerk who served the customer.

With this information before you, a certain amount of credit business can be handled with a minimum of risk. It will not be necessary to write the references; usually you will find references very, very slow about answering an inquiry and sometimes very vague and indefinite about their own responsibility in guaranteeing the account.



Radio has been called by Federal Radio Commissioner O. H. Caldwell "the world's most marvelous merchandise." Similarly it is the ideal gift "from Dad to the family." That thought should feature your advertising from now until Christmas.



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N DAYS of old, when reading was the privilege of the rich and the clergy, the trademark was born.

First invented as a means of identification, it became with outstanding craftsmen the emblem of a superior creation.

People learned to know that certain trademarks were placed only on goods having that super quality which comes from loving craftsmanship of the highest order.

All this ancient significance attaches to this newly adopted label or trademark of Radio Master Corporation. It is the symbol of a superior creation.

Every cabinet bearing it must have every quality of design and construction which high artistry, master craftsmanship can give it.

The world of radio has taken Radio Master Cabinets to its heart. They are splendid cabinets to sell, because you can back their quality with your last dollar. They are worthy of your highest recommendation.

### RADIO MASTER CORP.

One of the Ward Industries BAY CITY, MICH.

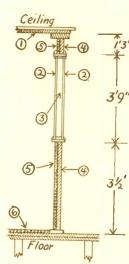


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Model No. 87 chest for B.C.A. No. 17 Walnut with figured doors and Burl overlays.

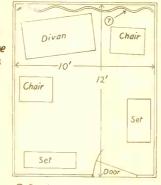
Model No. 88 Spinet for R.C.A. No. 17 Walnut with figured door and Maple overlays.



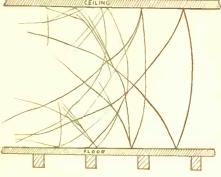
- Sound absorbing material on ceiling.
- ② Glass ★
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- @ Wood panel
- Sound absorbing material
- against panel on inside. 6 Lined carpet.
- \* A double glass partition is
- not absolutely necessary. One will suffice if outside noises are not troublesome.

This cross-section of a demon-stration room wall shows the construction of the wall and the placing of sound-absorbing ma-

Right: This crosssection reproduction of spherical sound waves shores hore the second wave impulse is weakened and distorted by the reflection of the first wave generated.



(1) Drapings full length of back wall



Left: Floor plan of a wellarranged demonstration room. indicating where to place sets in relation to position of sound-absorbing material.

### mproving Tone Values in the Demonstration Room

HY a demonstration booth or room? Does it actually aid or hinder the sale? Is it desirable? Is it necessary? Why do the tones we hear in it sometimes sound so

"foggy"? How should it be built so as to bring out the full tonal quality of the set?

Proportion and the correct use of sound absorbing materials are the two main factors to consider. The room should not be unusually high or long with respect to its width. Most small rooms are entirely satisfactory. It is only with rooms longer than 25 feet that proportion must be considered. The ideal demonstration room should be sound-insulated and, to a certain extent but not wholly, reverberation-proof. Too much deadening kills the overtones and ringing qualities of good music. Air spaces and sound absorbing material between the

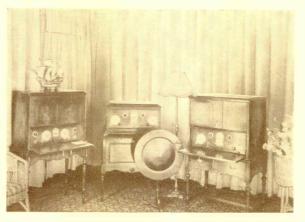
outer and inner partitions will serve to isolate the room from foreign noise.

Most demonstration rooms have the upper part of at least three of the walls made of glass. Fortunately there still remains ample surface which can be treated for reverberation and which will go a long way toward improving tonal reception conditions. The ceiling, for example, may be completely covered with a sound-absorbing material. There are a number of different styles of such felt-like Proper use of sound absorbing materials one of main factors to be considered

compositions now on the market. In many cases these are finished like plaster and may be tinted. This same material should also be used against the panels below the glass on the side walls. if

sound absorbing fabric is placed on the surface of the inside wall of the room it will do double duty by reducing the intensity of sound wave reflections and preventing the reception of sounds from the outside. Do not forget the floor. By all means cover it with a soft rug or a lined carpet.

HE accompanying floor plan and cross-section elevation suggest correct proportions for a demonstration room that is properly constructed from an acoustical point of view, according to the technical department of one of the largest concerns in the country manufacturing sound correcting materials.



Demonstration room draped with sound-absorbing material.

To line properly a room 10 ft. x 12 ft. would require  $39\frac{1}{2}$  sq.yd. of half-inch felt or other sound absorbing material, used as follows: Ceiling,  $13\frac{1}{2}$  sq.yd.; two side walls. 13 sq.yd.; back wall, 9 sq.yd.; front wall, 4 sq.yd. Special composition material with one side finished to imitate plaster costs approximately \$2.60 per square yard. A smaller room. say 9 x 10, may be built with equally satisfactory acoustica1 results. In that case but 30 sq.yd. of wall and ceiling material would be required.

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## Practical Service Methods

R.M.A. Service Manual

"Better Radio Reception" is the name of the new manual on interference published by the Radio Manufacturers' Association, Inc. It is a 61 page, 6x9 in. booklet, paper covered. This manual was prepared upon the conclusion of a survey covering the entire United States, and contains a classification of all the little items that conspire to make radio hard on the ears. It takes up in detail every known source of radio interference, and explains how each case may be cured by the application of ordinary materials and a little work. Part of the book is given over to a discussion of what may be done to avoid various types of interferences so well known to most radio listeners.

We highly recommend this book to our readers, and feel confident that it will be the means of setting a great many dealers on the right track to cure troublesome interferences. Copies may be had from the office of the R.M.A. executive vice - president, Bond P. Geddes, 1265 Broadway, New York City, at 25 cents per copy.

### Set Variable Resistances and Leave Them

Variable resistors on a power unit are not intended for constant fiddling. They should be set to definite values by the service man, at the time the radio power unit is installed, and left that way until tubes are changed or other alterations take place. The service man should instruct the customer along these lines, to avoid no end of trouble and many unnecessary service calls.

### Test Batteries and Power Units Under Load

In testing any battery with a voltmeter the battery should be connected to the receiver on which it is to be used and tested with the receiver turned on to give an accurate test of the actual voltage being delivered to the set. Occasionally batteries will test O.K. when not connected because the high grade voltmeters have a very low current drain. When the battery is actually connected to the set with the set

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turned on it may prove defective or of insufficient power.

This also applies to power units. They should be tested when connected to the set with the set turned on and such a reading with an accurate high resistance voltmeter will show the power being delivered.

### Power Unit Changes Tuning

When a receiver is operated with a socket power unit, broad tuning may be caused by the fact that the power line will act as an antenna and ground system bringing the signal in through the power unit which will add to or subtract from the signal received in the normal way through the regular antenna.

The effect of this is apparently to broaden the tuning that sometimes causes interference from local stations. Under these circumstances the broad tuning is not in the set but is due to the power line pick-up. This diffculty may be eliminated by reversing the plug in the socket.

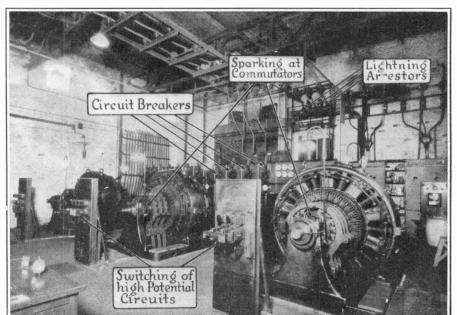
### Regulating Filament Voltage of A.C. Tubes

Many of the new alternating-current tubes are operated directly by a.c. current supplied from a small transformer. Many times the service man will run up against a case where perhaps the wrong transformer is being used or one of higher voltage than that required by the tubes. The voltage cannot be measured except by means of an a.c. voltmeter. It is possible, however, to get some idea of what voltage is required by varying the a.c. voltage and noting the general operation.

If the transformer voltage is higher than that required by the tube being used it may be reduced very easily by placing an ordinary resistance unit, such as a rheostat, in the primary circuit of the transformer. This circuit is the high-voltage side and the rheostat should be mounted in such a manner that no one can come in direct contact with it, otherwise a severe shock might be obtained. It must also be remembered that resistance in this circuit does not have the same effect as when placed in the secondary or low-voltage side of the transformer.

Suppose the voltage applied by the

### Local Forms of Interference



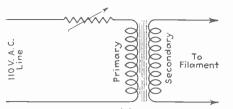
Showing interferences caused by dynamo electric machinery and associated control apparatus

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transformer is 2 and the line voltage is 120. The voltage ratio is then 120 to 2 or 60 to 1. On the low-voltage side considerable current may be drawn, say 10 amperes, for all the tubes and if a rheostat were used in this circuit it would have to carry the full 10 amperes. On the other hand the current taken by the primary from the line will be 1/60th of 10 or  $\frac{1}{6}$ th ampere and the rheostat in this circuit need not be of high currentcarrying capacity but may be one of the small current-carrying capacity rheostats common to any service man and which may be obtained in almost any radio store.

A rheostat placed in the primary side requires more resistance as may easily be seen. The rheostat produces a voltage drop in accordance with the current flowing. That is, if .166 amperes were flowing (about  $\frac{1}{6}$ ampere) then, according to Ohm's law where voltage equals current times resistance, 6. ohms would be required per volt drop.

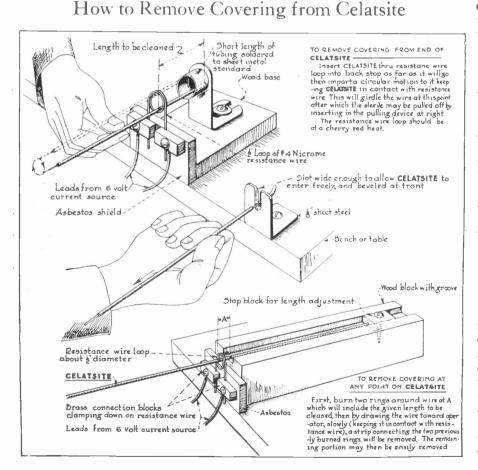
voltage ratio is 60 to 1 and that to produce a given change in the lowvoltage winding this must be taken necessary to take all the precaution into consideration. Suppose it was necessary when dealing with the line desirable to change the primary volt- current.



Radio Power Unit Connecting a rheostat in the primary side of the filament transformer gives yood regulation of the secondary voltage.

age by 6 volts (60 times .1). This would require a rheostat change of 6 volts divided by .167 amperes, or approximately 37 ohms. It is obviously impossible, therefore, to use a lowresistance rheostate in the primary but a 50-ohm rheostat of the ordinary type will, as a rule, give sufficient regulation for the alternating-current tube of the high-current type because a very small change of voltage in the secondary will cause considerable change in the operation of the tube.

Placing a rheostat in the primary It must be remembered that the also makes an excellent method of regulating the voltage of B-power devices, though, as said before, it is



### Interference Finder Battery and By-Pass Condenser Connections

There seems to be some confusion in the minds of those who are building the interference finder published in this department in the June 1927 issue regarding the connections of the .001 mfd. fixed by-pass condenser. It is to be connected from the positive filament terminal of the detector tube socket to the end of the choke coil, as shown in the diagram, which is also the plate primary connection of the first audio transformer. The minus A and minus B of the batteries should be connected together.

### Two Old Ways of Determining Polarity

Because of the wide-spread use of socket power units, the following information will be found interesting and useful, serving whenever a voltmeter is not readily obtainable. Polarity, as you know, is the differentiation betwen the positive and negative poles. The first method is by use of an ordinary potato. Slice the potato in half and insert two bare copper wires about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch into the raw potato about an inch apart. Upon energizing the wires, the negative wire will discolor the potato and the positive wire will not.

The second is a salt-water test, and is a very easy method of determining polarity. Make a saturated solution of salt water with ordinary table salt in a drinking glass. Insert in the fluid the bare ends of the two wires about an inch apart. The current flowing between the wires will set up the action known as electrolysis and bubbles will rise from the negative wire. By this method you can easily determine which is the negative and which the positive terminal on the power supply.

### A Simple Volume Control for Any Set

With the various methods recommended for controlling the volume of the usual radio receiver, none is simpler nor more efficient than that of placing a variable high resistance in the antenna circuit. The main point about this method is that it can be applied to any existing set, without changing a single thing within the set itself. Another point is that, with sufficient resistance, the volume can be reduced down to a whisper, without affecting the tone This method is especially quality. useful during bad static spells, since the entire reception level-signals and static alike—is reduced as a unit until just the desired degree is attained. The resistance should be one of from virtually zero to several hundred thousand ohms total, finely adjustable rather than in marked steps. Furthermore, the resistance should be noiseless, since there is no more prolific source of "static" in a circuit than a faulty resistor.

#### Try This One

Summer radio reception in Texas without static is the claim of John Palmer, 2328 Boulevard, Galveston, who has been experimenting at home with his own set. As the result of switching wires, he finds that he now enjoys better reception of far western stations in summer than he formerly did in the cold of winter.

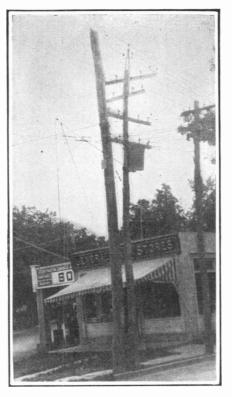
He uses a six-tube Kolster receiver with a ground connection consisting of a 10-foot steel rod driven into the earth as close to the set as possible, allowing only a short lead. One night he disconnected his outside aerial and discarded it because of the roar of static along the Gulf of Mexico. He then placed his ground wire on the aerial binding post, leaving no outside wire on the ground binding post. A .005 mfd., fixed condenser was placed in series with the ground lead to bring down the tuning.

The result startled him. He heard local stations with practically no static. He tuned for distance and found that the set tuned sharper and yet had plenty of volume without static.

#### Glow Tube Requires Considerable Current

Few radio laymen appreciate the fact that the glow or regulator tube is a variable by-pass proposition. For its proper operation, it requires a minimum current passing through it all the while. Then, according to the load shunted around it, the glow tube by-passes more or less current in keeping the voltage at a fixed value. In properly design B-units, the glow tube has a definite place. Applied to existing B-units, as an extra, it the latest models of all-electric sets usually increases the current drain all the information gleaned at first sufficiently to saturate the limited hand from men skilled in the art of choke coils, resulting in excessive making adjustments and repairs to hum from the heretofore silent de- the electric section of the compact vice. Hence a glow tube should be receiving outfits.

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#### Reception Poor Here

When trying to receive under such adverse conditions as are shown above, do not blame the receiver as there is little that can be done besides shifting the antenna in various positions.

added only if the B-unit is known to have ample chokes for the extra current drain, which usually amounts to 20 to 30 milli-amperes.

#### Electric Receiver Service School

The first service school system for all-electric radio receivers to be established in the United States was recently announced by Splitdorf Radio Corporation, 392 High St., recently Newark, N. J.

Ten men, experts in the servicing of electrical apparatus, went to strategic jobbing centers of the country to establish schools for the instruction of the wholesale element of the trade and their own servicemen in the proper handling of the new-day electrical radio apparatus. From the jobbing houses the system will be extended out to the dealer trade and to the servicemen of the dealers carrying this type of equipment. Splitdorf jobbers will make available to the radio dealers handling

#### Simple Device Compares Tubes Instantaneously

Although the radio dealer may tell the set owner that the new tubes will make his set much better, it remains for him to demonstrate this fact to the customer.

In order that the ear may notice change in quality it is necessary to switch from one tube to another as quickly as possible.

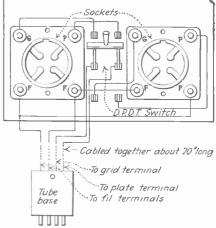
The Clark Electric Company of Danville, Va., recognizes this fact and has made up several of the units shown in the accompanying diagram. The total cost of each was approximately 75 cents. This surely is negligible when compared with the \$50 worth of tubes they have been instrumental in selling.

If a detector tube is to be compared both the old and new tubes are put in the sockets of the device and the dummy plug inserted in the detector tube socket in the set. Instantaneous comparison can be had by throwing the switch either one way or the other.

If used with the new amplifier tubes, one of the new adapters, which have special provisions for adding B and C batteries, is used in the socket in which the new power tube is being demonstrated.

From experience, the Clark Electric Company tells us, "the detector test should be made on a signal that is barely audible with the old tube. The amplifier tube comparison should be made with a good strong signal that is loud enough to overload the old tube. This makes the necessity for using the newer type tubes much more obvious to the customer."

The base on which the two sockets and double-throw switch are mounted measures about 4 in. x 8 in. and can easily be made from a piece of bakelite or hard wood.



The above arrangement makes possible quick comparison of two tubes operating under similar conditions.



# What's New in Radio and

This editorial section is prepared purely as a news service, to keep readers of "Radio Retailing" informed of new products.

#### Batterv Console Table

Battery Console Lable The Ehlert Radio Furniture Company, 2468 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, II., is manufacturing a battery console table with all visable parts of solid walnut. The matched panels are of butt walnut. No, 1700 has top 20 in. x 31 in., stands 32 in. high and has compartment space inside 142 in. x 27 in., and 12 in. high. Intended retail price, \$44.50. No, 2075 has top 20 in. x 37 in., stands 32 in. high and has compartment space inside 143 in. x 33 in. Intended retail price, \$54.50. They also make a bench, 11 in. x 18 in., to match the last named con-sole. Intended retail price, \$7.50.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### Six Tube Console Receiver

**Kecever** The King Manufacturing Corporation, Buffalo, N. Y., is making a six tube, completely shielded console model re-ceiver called the "Chancellor." This re-ceiver has a single dial control and built-in Peerless cone reproducer, with ample space for batteries. Intended re-tail price without accessories, \$190. This company also makes the "Chevalier," a High Boy model six tubes, completely shielded, single control, intended retail price without accessories, \$210; the "Viking," console style, six tubes, single dial, intended retail price without acces-sories, \$140; the "Crusader," table model, six tubes, completely shielded, in-tended retail price without accessories, \$115; and the "Baronet," six tubes, single control, completely shielded, in-tended retail price without accessories, \$10, may applied to the "Baronet," six tubes, single control, completely shielded, in-tended retail price without accessories, \$10, —Radio Retailing, December, 1927.





#### Six Tube Receiver

SIX I UVE Receiver The United States Electric Corpora-tion, WorkRite Division, 1812 East 30th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, is making a 6-tube receiver in a paneled walnut cabi-net which is wired for either socket power units or batteries. The set is controlled from two knobs on the panel—one for the combination switch and volume and the other for the drum dial. It is built with an all-metal chassis and has fully shielded radio frequency coils. The dimensions are 22 in. long, 15 in. wide and 10 in. high. The intended retail price is \$95.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

#### Console Reproducer for Standard Receivers

Newcombe-Hawley, St. Charles, Il-linois, has placed on the market a new line of console reproducers with ample space provided for the incorporation of various popular standard type re-ceivers, as well as batteries or power units. Models AK5-61 and AK6-61 are designed especially for Atwater Kent Models 35 and 50 and can convert these models into compact console receivers that require small floor space. They measure 443 in. high, 243 in. wide, and 16 in. deep. Each console reproducer is provided with a special panel, cut to fit the Atwater Kent receiver indicated.



The outstanding feature of these con-soles, as well as all the consoles to fol-low is the Newcombe-Hawley 86 in. tone chamber. The intended retail price is \$\$25.0. Models AK2-61 and AK-3-61 are designed for Atwater Kent Models 30 and 33. The dimensions are the same as with the previous models, and the retail price identical. The console reproducer model RCA-61 is designed especially for Radiola 16. This console also has the same measure-ments as the above. The panel opening, which is slightly smaller than the Radiola 16 panel, presents a very pleas-ing appearance when the receiver is in place. The intended retail price is \$82.50. Model RCA-60 is designed es-pecially for Radiola 17. This also ineasures 44½ in. high, 31½ in. wide, and

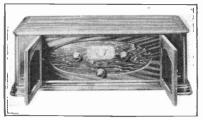
161 in. deep. The intended retail price is \$80. Model C-60 designed especially for the Crosley Bandbox, measures 441 in. high, 241 in. wide, and 16 in. deep. The panel is provided with a special opening for the receiver, and the panel plate of the Bandbox is transferred to the console panel. The intended retail price is \$82.50. Model C-60 is designed for ('rosley receivers. This console



measures 444 in, high, 314 in, wide, and 164 in, deep. The panel is arranged the same as Model C-61. The intended re-tall price is \$80. Model Z-55 is designed for Zenith model 15 and 15-E receivers. This measures 34 in, high, 344 in, wide, and 164 in, deep. The intended retail price is \$75. Model Z-53 has been designed for Zenith Model 11 and 11-E receivers. This measures 33 in, high, 27 in, wide, and 15 in, deep. The receiver in this case sets on top of the tone chamber and the intended retail price is \$65. This completes a very extensive line which should meet with favor in the trade.— *Radio Retailing*. December, 1927.

#### Six and Seven Tube Receivers

Receivers The Browning-Drake Laboratories, Brighton, Mass. is making a six-tube model, No. 6-A, using one stage of neutralized radio-frequency followed by a variable reactive detector. It has a three stage all-frequency audio amplifier, using four tubes. The receiver is com-pletely shielded, and has a single illu-minated drum control. The audio amplifier uses one High Mu tube for its first stage, two '01-A tubes in parallel for the second stage, and a power tube for the third and last stage. The cabinet is of walnut with Duco finish. The seven-tube model, No. 7-A, has two stages of neutralized radio-fre-quency coupled together with the Brown-ing-Drake slot-wound primary trans-formers. It has three tuned circuits, single dial control, and is completely shielded. This set utilizes the '01-A type tube in parallel for the second stage of audio and is inclosed in a two tone manogany or walnut cabinet.—Radio-Retailing, December, 1927.



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# Where to Buy It

News of the latest products gathered by the editors



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#### Six Tube Receiver

**DIX I WDE NECEIVET** The Minerva Radio Company, 154 East Erie Street, Chicago, Ill., is plac-ing on the market several all-electric models. Model 5, illustrated, is made of valnut, decorated with carvings and overlays. The receiver has six-tubes, and utilizes single control with illum-inated dial readings. Intended retail price complete with tubes, \$275. Model 14 is console type of walnut with maple hand-designed overlay. Same receiver as above. Retail price with McCullough tubes, \$275. Model 21, table type, is \$175 complete with tubes. This com-pany also makes a chassis, including filter box, which lists for \$165, complete with tubes.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### **One-Dial** Electric Receiver

The Monarch Company, 1270 Ontario Street, Cleveland, Ohio, is building an all-electric set operating direct from house current of 110 volts, 60 cycle cur-rent and using standard 01-A tubes. This receiver uses the Loftin-White cir-cuit. It comes in two models—table cabinet style, illustrated, made of imi-tation walnut, which is 10 inches high. 21§ inches long and 12 inches deep, and console style, model 18, has a built-in 96 inch air column horn with Utah speaker unit. The power pack fits into the cabinet and all that is required ad-tional is a ground wire and tubes.— *Radio Retailing*, December, 1927.

#### New Electric Sets

The Steinite Radio Company, 506 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., is making a new electric set manufactured in three models which are priced at \$100, \$135 and \$165. The set is complete in one cabinet having no outside attach-ments. The circuit uses five '99 and one '12 type tubes. A type '80 rectifying tube is also used. — Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

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#### Table Cabinet Speaker

The Electrical Research Laboratories of Chicago, Ill., has placed on the mar-leet the illustrated table cabinet speaker. This speaker is for use with table model receivers and has a rubbed and polished antique effect. The top, ends and provished antique effect. The top, ends and front are high-grade American walnut with Zebrana overlays. The top measures 15 in. x 23 in. The cone and power supply compartment is 21 in. wide, 12 in. high and 13 in. deep. This model contains a built-in "Concert Grand" come speaker. The intended retail price complete with the speaker is \$45.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### Console Receiver

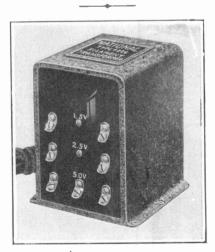
Console Keceiver The All-American Radio Corporation, 4201 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, is man-infacturing a new line of 6-tube receiv-ers in three cabinet styles. The most elaborate of these is the "Console," of Colonial design, available for either alternating current or battery opera-tion. It is designated as Model 99 for a.c., and 66 for batteries. Except for the difference in power supply, the chassis of the two models are the same. The circuit is of three stages tuned radio frequency and two stages of audio-frequency amplification. The chassis, of adrawer and is readily accessible. The atteries or power unit and reproducer are in a compartment below. The cab-inet and receiver panel are finished in blended walnut, with the three controls grouped on a harmonizing escutcheon plate. List price: battery-operated. \$200; A.C.-operated, \$225.—Radio Re-tailing, December, 1927.





#### A.C. Receiving Set

A. C. Receivering Oet Pfanstiehl Radio Company, 11 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, III., is placing on the market a console of the secretary type made of burl walnut. This model, No. 34-322, is entirely self-contained with power convertor, speaker and out-put filter built-in. The intended retail price is \$312.50, without tubes, or \$340 complete. They also make the "Pfan-stiehl Fifty," an a.c. set, which is self-contained, intended retail price is \$162.50, complete with a.c. tubes; and Model 32, table model, seven-tube Over-tone in genuine walnut cabinet with ma-hogany panel. Intended retail price, \$120.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### Filament Lighting Transformers

**L** ransformers The National Company, Inc., Malden, Mass., is now producing filament trans-formers to be operated on 110 volt, 60 cycle current, for the new a.c. tubes. Model M-226 has 1.5, 2.5 and 5 volt taps. The retail price is \$10. The power transformer is a heavy duty transformer having 7.5 and 5 volt sec-ondaries which are intended to supply the filaments of '10 and '71 type tube. Overall dimensions are 4% in. x 4 in. x 4% in. This transformer is made in two types—type R having a 300 volt sec-ondary each side of the center for the Raytheon BH or '80 type tube. The re-tail price is \$12.50. Type U has both 300 and 230 volts each side of the cen-ter and the retail price is \$14.50.—*Radio Retailing*, December, 1927.

# What's New in Radio and Where to Buy It

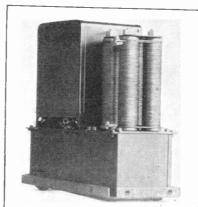
#### Lynch Five-Tube Deck

Lynch Five-Inde Deck Arthur H. Lynch, Inc., 1775 Broad-way, New York City, makes the illus-trated five-tube receiver deck. This This deck is provided with mounting holes for 10 binding posts and may be adapted to practically any circuit that the builder wishes to use. The deck it-self is made of Micarta and measures 6 in. x 12 in. It is provided with five of the latest Eby type sockets with special prongs that make direct con-tact with the resistor and condenser clip which hold the component parts of the resistance coupled amplifier in place. With this deck as a basis, con-struction of the remainder of the re-ceiver is comparatively simple and wir-ing is accomplished with great ease. The intended retail price of the deck complete with socket resistors, coupling condensors, bridge condensor, is \$12.50. —Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

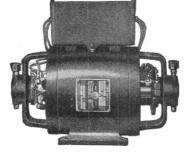


#### New Battery Charger

New Battery Charger The new "Recox" trickle charger, de-veloped by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, Pitts-burgh, Pa., is a dry type rectifier used for charging the A batteries. The Rectox charger consists of a two winding transformer, which steps the voltage down from 115 volts to about 17 volts; and a stack of copper oxid-rectifying elements which convert the alternating current into direct current. The new rectifying element consists of stacks of alternate disks, first a disk of copper then a disk of lead. One side of the copper disks is oxidized. This combination of lead and copper allows current to flow freely in one direction, but when the current reverses, an elec-tronic action takes place which stops the flow instantly. There are two stacks of rectifier elements so connected that the battery is provided with cur-rent through one stack during one half cycle and through the other stack dur-ing the next half cycle. Thus the Rec-top provide for safety to the apparatus a fuse is placed in the direct current cir-cuit to prevent damage due to acci-



The maximum charging rate of the new Rectox is three-fourths amperes to a 6-volt lead acid type storage battery, but it is also provided with a tap so that a charging rate of four tenths amperes may be obtained. The stand-ard outfit is designed for operation on 115 volts, 50-60 cycle circuits. A special design is furnished for 25 cycle circuits. *Radio Retailing*, December, 1927.



#### Dynamotor for A.C. Sets

Dynamotor for A.C. Sets A new device has been perfected by the Electric Specialty Company, 246 South Street, Stamford, Connecticut, for changing direct current into 60 cycle, alternating current to demonstrate and operate alternating current radio re-ceiving sets in districts where direct current only is available. The device is a dynamotor which is supplied with a filter mounted on the machine. The dynamotor operates at 1,800 r.p.m. and has certain electrical and mechanical features so that with the filter provided there are no objectionable noises. The machine is regularly furnished with ball bearings, which gives very quie opera-tion with a minimum amount of atten-tion. The machines are small and connected. Suitable wires are brought out at they and be installed by anyone who is a little familiar with such apparatus. Type LF3 dynamotor, complete with filter, delivers 350 watts and is amply honograph and radio receiver, or for several receivers of average size. The models are available to meet all needs with prices ranging from \$48 to \$121.— Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### Electric Phonograph Pick-up

The Electrical Research Laboratories, Chicago, Ills., makes the illustrated elec-tric phonograph pick-up. With this in-strument an old type phonograph can be quickly converted into a new elec-trical model in conjunction with the audio-frequency system of any radio receiver. This device is furnished com-plete with electromagnetic pick-up, tone arm and volume control and detector socket plug. Intended retail price is \$20.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

#### Correction

Model 7AC-2 receiver made by Charles Freshman, Inc., New York City, was listed erroneously in the September issue on page 102 as \$54.70. This price is effective for the model 7F-2. The 7AC-2 is an electric set combined with a speaker table and lists for \$147.50, com-plete with tubes, ready to operate.

#### A and B-Power Unit Combination

**Combination** The Acme Electric & Manufacturing Company, 1444 Hamilton Avenue, Cleve-land, Ohio, is making an A and B-power unit with a B-power supply of 40 milliamperes at 180-volts. The A-unit consists of a U. S. L. Type DXG-307 gravity ball, glass jar battery. The battery is automatically charged by means of a dry type charger. Over-all dimensions are 94 in. high, 12 in. long, and 94 in. wide. As an alterna-tive to the wet battery, a dry storage battery can be furnished if so desired. This type of unit requires the addition of a little water every six months. The dimensions are the same in each case. Either a 4-volt unit or a 6-volt unit may be had. The intended retail price in either case, complete with tube, is \$59.50—Radio Retailing, December 1927.

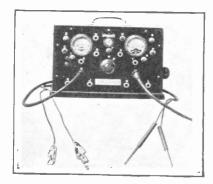


#### Seven Tube, Single-Dial Receiver

The Reichman Company, 1725 West 74th Street, Chicago, Ill., is placing on the market a seven tube, single dial receiver in a cabinet of walnut. The console horn is of the long tone-arm Orthophonic type equipped with the Thorola unit. The set has a master tuning knob and a horizontal sliding scale. This scale is illuminated and calibrated in hundredths and in wave lengths. Besides the main control there are two auxiliary controls.—Radio Re-tailing, December, 1927.

#### Trouble Shooting Device

The Kietzman Electrical Manufactur-ing Company, 234 North Central Street, Gilman, Ills. placed on the market the illustrated testing device. This is equip-ped with two meters having various scales in volts, amperes and parts thereof so that radio circuits and equip-ment may be tested in trouble shooting. This device may also be used on other electrical equipment such as motors, automobile ignition systems, etc.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



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# Latest Products Gathered by the Editors



#### **B-Power Unit**

D-1 O'WET UTIL The illustrated B-power unit is being made by the Acme Electric & Manu-facturing Co., 1444 Hamilton Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. This unit, known as Type B-280, has a capacity of 40 milliamperes at 180-volts. It is designed for 110-volt, 60-cycle, current and uses an '80 type tube. Voltages of 221, 45, 67, 90, 135, and 180 can be obtained from it. There are no variable controls on the unit. The case has an olive brown finish, and is 78 in. high, 11 in. long, and 33 in. wide. The intended retail price, complete with tube, is \$27.—Radio Retailing, Decem-ber, 1927.



#### Filter Condenser

A new filter condenser is being made by the Pilot Electric Manufacturing Co., Inc., 323 Berry St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The special feature of this filter con-denser is that no paraffin, beeswax, or oil is used in the manufacture, but in-stead, the separating layers of paper are chemically impregnated. An operat-ing life of ten years is guaranteed if kept within the rated working voltage. Made in 2 mfd. capacity. The use of these condensers in "gangs" is made possible by an adjustable clamp.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

#### New Amplion Speakers

New Amplion Speakers The Amplion Corp. of America, 531 West 37th Et., New York City, is now placing on the market the illustrated "Lion" model No. AC-21, 14 in. cone speaker which is mounted on an 18 in. sound board. The height, including the bronze base, is 203 in. This speaker contains a new balanced armature unit with straight bar magnets made of the linest grade of English Tungsten steel. The intended retail price is \$25. The Amplion "Mural" model AC-24, which is the same as the Lion but equipped with a brown silk picture cord for wall decoration, has an intended retail price of \$25. The "Colonial" cone, No. AC-12, has the same exterior as before, but is equipped with a new unit and has an intended retail price of \$35. The "Amplion Shield," No. AC-27, is a floor model and has embossed walnut panel-ing, attractively curved, combining grille-front and back. It is a 164 in. cone with a height of 22 in. The in-tended retail price is \$67.50. Another model is the "Amplion Fireside," No.

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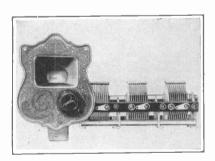
AC-30, which has a height of  $36\frac{1}{2}$  in. This model also has embossed walnut panelling, attractively curved, combining grille-front and back. The cone is  $16\frac{1}{2}$ in. and the unit is equipped with a 20 ft. cord. The intended retail price is \$97.50—*Radio Retailing*. December, 1927.

#### Air Cooled Power Rheostat

INTEOSIGE Designed and made specially for high current carrying capacities. This rheo-stat has a large refractory base, 22 inches diameter, is a single hole mount and is made by De Jur Products Com-pany, 199 Lafayette Street, New York. Resistance element is wound on India Mica imbedded in grooves, and is covered with a high heat refractory cement, making the element permanent and everlasting, tightly fastened to the base. The contact arm rides smoothly over the surface of the resistance. Soldering lugs are supplied for con-venient connections. Made in the fol-lowing ohmages as standard: 2, 3, 5,



6, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50, 100 and 200 ohms. This rheostat can also be made up with an extra connection and used as a poten-tiometer in any of the above ohms. Furnished complete with Bakelie knob; list price, \$2.50.—*Radio Retailing*, De-cember, 1927.



#### Drum Control

Drum Control The United Scientific Laboratories, is placing on the market a drum con-trol to be known as the Scientific Drum designed for use in circuits requiring three ganged condensers. The escutcheon shield is made of bronze and the drum dial of finest clear, bold figures and markings. The drum action is powerful and smooth and develops no backlash. Type UXB United Scientific .00035 mfd., balanced three ganged condenser is used. This unit comes complete, ready to be installed on sub-panel of receiver. Intended re-tail price, \$11.—Radio Retailing, De-



#### Nine-Foot Air Column Console Speaker

The Borkman Radio Corporation, 230 East Ohio Street, Chicago, Ill., is mak-ing a console speaker in genuine wal-nut veneer, equipped with a nine foot horn and special, large, balanced-diaphragm, six-octave "Velvet" unit. These Console reproducers have ample room for A and B-batteries or power supply units. Model 30, illustrated, is 34 in. high, 27 in. wide and 18 in. deep and has an intended retail price of \$70, complete.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.

#### Combination Rheostat and Battery Switch

This is a rheostat which acts as a battery switch and also as a volume control, thereby eliminating the battery switch from the panel. It is designed for one hole mounting, and has an air cooled metal frame with a Bakelite metal knob. The metal frame, accord-ing to the maker, will not bend or warp. It is being manufactured by the De Jur Products Company, 199 Lafayette Street, New York City.—Radio Retail-ing, December, 1927.

#### **B-Power Unit**

D-I OCCET UTIL The Mayolian Corporation, 1668 Webster Ave., New York City, has placed on the market its new B-power supply known as "Six-Fifteen." This delivers 5 voltages which are 22, 45, 67, 90 and 150. It will handle up to eight tubes. There is a built-in voltage stabilizer which is said to insure cor-rect voltages on all tubes under all operating conditions. One wire-wound adjustment compensates for all condi-tions of power line supply. It is finished in a green Duco and has an intended retail price of \$25, without the tube.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



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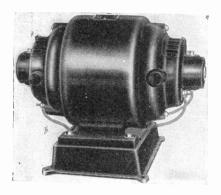
#### A. C. Tubes

A. C. 1 ubes The Sonatron Tube Company, 108 West Lake Street. Chicago, 11., an-nounces two new Alternating Current tubes—Nos. X-226 A.C. and Y-227 A.C. The X-226 A.C. for use in R F and A F amplifier circuits, takes a current drain of 1.05 amps. at 1.50 volts, and operates with a plate voltage of 90 to 135, to a maximum of 180 under full power. The standard four-prong UX base is used. Y-227 A.C. is designed for use as a detector in a receiver using X-226 A.C. tubes as amplifiers; though the Y-227 itself may be used as an amplifier tube, particularly in first audio stage. It is a heat-principle tube, self-stabilizing. Cur-rent drain in this type is higher than in the X-226 A.C., 1.75 amps. at 2.5 volts being required for perfect performance. A five-prong socket base is used.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



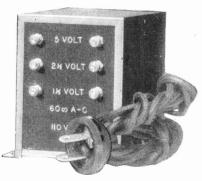
#### Rotary Converter with Filter

The Janette Manufacturing Company, 553 West Monroe Street Chicago III., aunounces a new filtering device on their rotary converters. The new filter makes the converters remarkably successful in changing direct current to alternating for A.C. radios and combination sets. Three types are made: a heavy-duty machine for dealer demonstrations; a converter with filter for home radio use, and a converter without filter for talk-ing machines only.— Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### A.C. Console and Table Sets

Lable Sets A new line of Sparton radio sets is announced by the Sparks-Withington Company, Jackson, Mich. The AC-7 is a socket-operated console set which lists at \$375. According to the manufacturer, this "is a superbly selective set of rare tone and inspiring volume." Socket-operated sets of comparable quality but of lower price are the "Model 63 Elec-tric" and the "Model 62 Electric," priced at \$215 and \$188 respectively. For use with these latter two sets is the cabinet speaker, a combined consolette and speaker, at \$55. The consolette alone, without speaker, is \$35. In the lower-priced field, are models 6-26 and 6-15. battery-operated sets which list at \$88 and \$68 respectively.—Radio Retailing. December, 1927.



#### Audio- and Filament-Transformers

**1** *ransformers* The Bremer - Tully Manufacturing Company, 520 South Canal Street, Chi-cago, 111., is manufacturing two new types of transformers. The first type is an audio-frequency transformer made in two models. Model 3-31 for the first stage and model 2-22 for the second stage. The retail price is \$6 each. The second type is a filament transformer designed for use with the new a.c. tubes, and has three separate windings. These windings are 1½, 2½ and 5 volts. This transformer is designed to operate on 110 volt, 60 cycle current. The retail price, with cord and receptacle, is \$7.50. —*Radio Retailing*. December, 1927.

#### New Raytheon Tubes

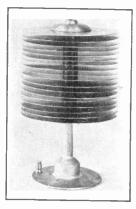
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#### A and B-Power Control

Swan-Haverstick, Inc., Trenton, N. J., is making an automatic A and B-power control for use with any trickle charger and B-power unit. It is entirely con-trolled from the switch on the radio set and has an intended retail price of \$4.—Radio Retailing. December, 1927,

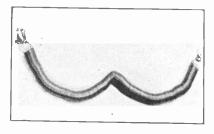
#### Disc Antenna

A disc antenna is being made by the Bergquist Manufacturing Company, Lindstrom, Minn. The construction of this device is clearly seen in the illus-tration and it is designed to set on top of the receiving set or at any other con-venieut place. According to the manu-facturer it is non-directional. It is made of aluminum and is adjustable. Intended retail price is \$7.50.—Radio Retailing. December, 1927.



#### Spring Antennae

The Mack Company, Inc., 44 No. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa., is making spring antennae as shown in the illustration. Two types are made, the first, model No. 20, designed for a stretch of from 20 to 60 ft. and the second, No. 60, for a stretch of from 60 to 125 ft. Among the features claimed for these antennae are, two to five times as much capacity as an ordinary antenna and four to ten times as much inductance. The intended retail price of No. 20 is \$4 and No. 60 \$2.50. The company also makes a spring indoor aerial, the intended retail price of which is \$1.—Radio Retailing, December, 1927.



#### Electric Phonograph Pick-Up

THE KOP The Amplion Corporation of America, 531 West 37th Street, New York City, is marketing an electric phonograph pick-up called "Revelaphone." This device is so constructed that the needle is applied to the phonograph record at exactly the right angle. It is equipped with a twenty-foot cord which makes it possible to have the phonograph and the radio in different parts of the room. The instrument is finished in antique bronze and is easily attached to any make of phonograph without disturbing the tone arm. Intended retail price, 15.-Radio*Retailing*, December, 1927.

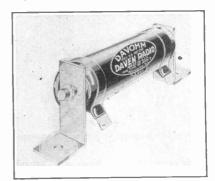


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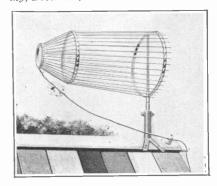
#### Wire-Wound Resistors

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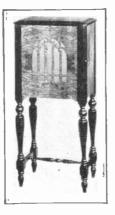


## Compact Antenna

Compact Antenna The "Stanley Aerial," a compact, sin-gle-mounting unit of tin-dipped copper wire, is manufactured by the Stanley Engineering and Sales Company of 70 Monroe Street, Lynn. Mass. It has been particularly effective for apartment-house use. In addition to this, its one-point mounting prevents the usual prop-erty damage that accompanies the installation of antennas. A few minutes only are required to erect this antenna. It is thoroughly rigid and can be locked in any direction desired.—Radio Retail-ing, December, 1927.



Radio Retailing, December, 1927



#### Floor Type Dynamic Speaker

Speaker A dynamic speaker known as "The Aristocrat" model is being made by the Magnavox Company, 4250 Horton Street, Oakland, Calif. This model, illustrated, is made in both a 6-volt and 110-volt direct current type. It comes complete with cords and plugs and requires no tubes. The mahogany legs and corners are two tone finish. The panels are of butt burl walnut. Overall measurements are 16 in. wide, by 113 in. deep, and 36 in. high. The intended retail prices are \$85 and \$90 respectively. The Beverly" model is a table type design with the same unit and measures if in. high. The detail price of this design is \$75 for the 6-volt model and \$80 for the 110-volt model.—Radio Retailing.

#### Flat Extension Cord

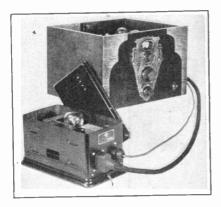
Flat Extension Cora The Belden Manufacturing Company, 2300 South Western Avenue, Chicago, Ill., has developed a flat, rubber in-sulated extension cord for running under the rug, to provide convenient and safe outlets in any part of the room. The "Belden Flat Floor Cord," as it is called, provides an ideal connection for floor and reading lamps, fans, heaters. electric phonographs, irons, and radio power units, and cannot be noticed under the rug. The soft rubber gives and does not cause the rug to wear. A four-floot cord connects the flat cord to the house outlet. A feature of the cord is the Belden soft rubber plug which will not break and cannot be crushed. The other end of the flat cord is fitted with a receptacle for a standard plug. Intended retail price, 6 foot cord, \$1.45; foot cord, \$1.65; 12 foot cord, \$1.85.— Radio Retailing. December, 1927.

#### A-Power Unit

A-FORCEF Unit The Majestic A-current supply has been placed on the market by Grigsby-Grunow-Hinds Company of Chicago. This A current supply furnishes full strength and continuous A-power direct from the light socket for radio sets of from 5 to 8 tubes, including a power tube. It is absolutely "dry" in con-struction, using no acids or liquids whatever. The maximum output is 23 amps. at 6 volts. A receptacle is pro-vided on the front panel for plugging in B-supply, so that both A and B units are operated with one light socket con-nection. There is a switch in cord of A-unit which controls both sources of power supply. It is essential that the switch on the set be left turned on at all times. The rectifier used is of the dry plate type. The intended retail price is \$39,50.—Radio Retailing, Decem-ber, 1927.

#### A. C. Power Pack

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#### A-Power Unit

The France Mfg. Co., 10325 Berea Road, Cleveland, Ohio, is making an A-power unit for replacing six volt radio A-storage batteries. A dry-disc rectifier and electrolytic filter are employed and the unit operates only while set is in use, consuming no more current than the average house lighting bulb. It is  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in. x  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in. x  $9\frac{1}{2}$  in. high, and is furnished with both a.c. and d.c. leads. Installation requires but a few minutes. Intended retail price, 110-115 volt 50-60 cycle model,  $\frac{32.50}{2.50}$ . Price of model for replacing four volt battery to be announced later.—*Radio Retailing*. December, 1927.



# What the Trade is Talking About

#### Patents Interchange Committee Management. Industry Illustrated and In-dustrial Engineering. To Consider Amendments To RMA Constitution

A sub-committee of the Patents Inter-change Committee of the Radio Manufacturers Association, has been appointed by A. J. Carter to consider necessary amend-ments to the constitution and by-laws of this organization in the belief that its successful participation in and solution of the present patent situation will require this

present patent situation will require this preliminary action. The personnel of this sub-committee is as follows: T. K. Webster, Jr., The Ekko Company, Chicago, Ill., chairman; Wm. Sparks, Sparks-Withington Company, Jackson, Mich.; H. C. Forster, Utah Radio Products Company, Chicago, Ill., and C. C. Colby, Samson Electric Company, Canton, Mass Mass.

The Patents Interchange Committee at the suggestion of C. C. Hanch, who has been retained in a consulting capacity, has issued to all members of the R. M. A. a "patents questionnaire." As soon as the present nature and ownership of the patents now held by the individual members of this association has been analyzed, it is the intention of Mr. Hanch to submit definite suggestions to the patents committee di-rected toward the solution of this problem.

#### McGraw-Hill and A.W.Shaw Companies Form Subsidiary

Incorporation of a subsidiary to publish four long-established national circulation four long-established national circulation industrial publications just acquired was announced last week by the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company and the A. W. Shaw Company of Chicago. The subsidiary is the McGraw-Shaw Company, and the papers affected are *Factory*, *Industrial* 

Under the announced publishing plan, the first two papers will be combined as *Factory and Industrial Management*, starting with the January issue. The third paper will be consolidated with *Industrial Engineering*, a McGraw-Hill publication established in 1982 starting with the Dagamber lished in 1882, starting with the December issue.

Mr. McGraw is chairman of the board of the new company and A. W. Shaw, of Chicago, is president. Malcolm Muir, Vice-president and director of sales of the McGraw-Hill publications, and Wheeler Sammons, president of the Shaw company, form the management committee.

#### Hazeltine Licenses Grebe

A. H. Grebe & Company, Inc., Rich-mond Hill, N. Y., has recently been licensed under all patents covering radio apparatus owned by the Hazeltine and Latour Corporations. Coincident with the signing of this license agreement, all litigation be-tween the companies was terminated.

#### Federal Radio Commission Clears Select Channels

A comprehensive plan to set aside the broadcasting channels from 600 kilocycles to 1,000 kilocycles, as a band to be maintained free of heterodynes, whistles and other radio interference for trans-continental reception, was put into effect December 1, by the Federal Radio Commission.

1, by the Federal Radio Commission. The initial step in this plan required the transfer of 69 stations within the present restricted channels. This action will clear 26 channels. Some ten additional channels scattered within the non-heterodyning band will be cleared by co-operation among broadcasters, or by public hearings.

#### Thompson Company Reorganizes

The Thompson Radio Company, 66 York Street, Jersey City, N. J., has been reor-ganized, the present owners having bought out the R. E. Thompson Manufacturing Company, the R. E. Thompson Corporation and the Wireless Improvement Company. The company is licensed to use the Hazel-The company is licensed to use the Hazel-tine neutrodyne circuit, the Lektophone Corporation patents and the Boyd Phelps patents. It also has an agreement with Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company for the use of the Armstrong regenerative patent rights and the Farrand Manufacturing Company for the use of patents on the coupling of vacuum tube circuits

In charge of the new organization are Alfred Zipser and Otto Martini. Mr. Zip-ser was general manager of the Freed-Eisemann Radio Corporation from 1922-1925. Mr. Martini was formerly associated with the Wireless Improvement Company.

## EFFECTIVE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, Chi-EFFECTIVE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, Chi-cago's broadcasting stations, all of which have been silent on Monday nights for four years, resumed regular program service. Chicago was practically the only city in the country which had a silent night. It was felt that the interests of the public in the Chicago territory would be better served if Chicago stations were on the air every night night.

#### New Hazeltine Patent

A United States Letters Patent broadly covering all of the essential features which make the modern tuned radio-frequency receiver a satisfactory operating device was issued to the Hazeltine Corporation

## Admiral Bullard, Chairman of Federal Radio Commission, Dies

Rear Admiral William H. G. Bullard, chairman of the Radio Commission and a chairman of the Radio Commission and a pioneer in the development of radio com-munication in the United States, died sud-denly of heart trouble at his home in Washington, D. C., November 24, a martyr to his efforts in the cause of radio. His end came after a picturesque career, thirty-six years of which were spent in the navy, the ways the second member of the Corr

He was the second member of the Commission to die since its inauguration March 15, the other being Colonel John F. Dillon, who died in September. A third member, Commissioner Bellows, resigned a few weeks ago, leaving of the original member-ship of five Orestes H. Caldwell and Judge E. O. Sykes, the latter being Vice Chairman, who will preside until a new Chairman is chosen.

While it is within the power of the com-mission to choose a Chairman, it is believed it will await the action of President Coolidge in appointing a successor to Admiral Bullard, who represented the second radio zone, comprising Pennsylvania, his home state, Ohio, Michigan, Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky.

Under the Federal Radio act, the Radio Commission was to serve for one year in



Late Rear Admiral W. H. G. Bullard. Chairman, Federal Radio Commission

its full capacity or until next March, after which it was to become advisory to the Secretary of Commerce. A movement is under way in Congress to have the term of the Commission, as now constituted, extended another year. In any event, it is believed the President will fill the new vacancy as soon as he can canvass the field.

One of the outstanding problems left unsolved by the death of Admiral Bullard was the petition of certain press associations and metropolitan newspapers for permission to use low wave lengths for point-to-point service. A hearing on their applica-tions was scheduled for Jan. 3, 1928, by the Admiral.

He was one of the principal members of Radiotelegraphic Conference, which is winding up its sessions here, and his double tour of duty as delegate and as Chairman of the Radio Commission is believed to have hastened his death.

Admiral Bullard is survived by his widow, Mrs. Beirne Saunders Bullard, for-merly of Baltimore, whom he married in 1889, and one son, Lieut. Commander B. S. Bullard, U. S. N., both of whom resided in Washington.



## Western New York R. C. A. Dealers Convene at Buffalo

An unusually large number of R.C.A. dealers from western New York and Pennsylvania recently gathered at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y., as the guests of Curtis N. Andrews, R.C.A. distributor in that territory. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Andrews. Among those who came from

the New York office of the Radio Corporation to address the meeting were E. A. Nicholas, district sales manager, John J. Isreal, service representative and M. L. Bergin, in charge of Radiotron sales. The meeting concluded with a banquet in the evening.

on November 8. The new patent is num- Harold A. Lafount Appointed bered 1,648,808.

The patent covers the Neutrodyne de-velopment of Professor Louis A. Hazeltine, which some years ago resulted in completely changing the design of broadcast receiving apparatus and made the tuned radio-frequency receiver the standard type of radio receiving set. There are in all twenty-one claims of the patent, among which are: A radio-frequency amplifier with a step-up ratio between the primary and secondary coils of the interstage coupling transformers whereby the input conductance of each transformer at resonance is substantially greater than the plate conductance of the preceding vacuum tube; a multi-tube tuned radio-frequency amplifier with step-up ratio coils and means for maintaining the amplifier stable for any frequency throughout the frequency range; the placing of apparatus, together with the reversal of the primary relative to the secondary in the coupling transformer, to provide natural capacity so that at least partial neutralization is obtained; and the use of coils and condensers electrically alike so that there are like dial readings, or, more specifically, like con-denser settings, for all stages.

#### Trade Commission Renews **RCA** Hearings

Hearings in the Federal Trade Commission's investigation of the alleged trust sion's investigation of the alleged trust created by the General Electric Company and allied companies in the radio and elec-trical industries, were renewed in New York October 31.

Testimony tending to prove the alleged illegality of Clause Nine of the agreement between the Radio Corporation of America and its radio patent licensees was ordered stricken out by the Commission on the grounds that it was not part of the original complaint on which the investigation was

based three years ago. New complaints, however, have been made by several tube manufacturers, and it is expected that hearings specifically on Clause Nine will begin in the near future.

H. F. HOPKINS, formerly sales and advertising manager of the Borkman Radio Corporation, has resigned his office with that company, to take up his new duties as President of the Acoustical Development Corp., 230 E. Ohio Street, Chicago, Ill.

## West Coast Commissioner

President Coolidge has appointed Harold A. Lafount as a member of the Federal Radio Commission to represent the Fifth Zone as successor to the late Colonel John F. Dillon. Mr. Lafount, who has been a prominent business man in Salt Lake City, Utah, for a number of years, took the oath of office on November 21.

#### R.M.A. Engages Hanch

Charles C. Hanch, formerly director of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, has been engaged by the Radio the Manufacturers' Association to co-operate with the R.M.A. Patents Committee in studying the possibilities of patent crosslicensing in the radio industry

Mr. Hanch played a leading part in working out the cross-licensing agreement now in force in the automobile industry.

CROSLEY RADIO CORPORATION, Cincinnati, Ohio, has reduced the price of the No. 602 a.c. operated Bandbox, with power unit, from \$125 to \$110. This reduction became effective November 1.

#### Radio Commission Will Hear Short-Wave Applications

The Federal Radio Commission will hold a general public hearing to consider appli-cations for licenses submitted by concerns and individuals in the United States who desire to communicate on short waves. This hearing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 1928, in the Com-merce Building, Washington, D. C.

The Commission has received so many applications for construction permits to build short-wave radio transmitters for various forms of communication including commercial, limited commercial, relay broadcasting and point-to-point service, that a general public hearing seems necessary. It is because the Commission foresees a great demand for these short-wave channels in many services which cannot other-wise be provided for, that a public hearing wise be provided for, that a phone subject is necessary before the Com-mission can arrive at a definite policy for issuing such licenses in the future.

#### wave channels for the use of aerial navigation, which is increasing rapidly and for which development suitable communication channels must be reserved. Any parties interested in radio service

Commission has especially in mind the

necessity of assigning sufficient short-

may appear at the January hearing, if they so desire, to advise the Commission as to their future needs for communication channels in the short-wave bands.

#### Federal Radio Service Positions Open

Applications for the appointment of associate radio engineers, assistant radio engineers and junior radio physicists throughout the United States are being received by the Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C., and must be on file not later than December 27.

The examinations for engineers are to fill vacancies in various branches of the service and a probationary period of six months is required. The duties will be in connection with original research or investigation, or design and construction, in radio engineering. The examination for physicist is to fill vacancies in the United States Naval Research Laboratory, Bellevue, D. C., in the Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce, and in positions requiring similar qualifications. Competitors for the radio engineer posi-

tions will not be required to report for examination at any time but will be rated on their education, training and experience. Applicants for the position of radio phys-icist, however, will be required to take an examination and the date for assembling will be stated on their admission cards. They will be rated on general physics, mathematics through calculus and practical questions on radio.

The entrance salary for associate radio engineers is \$3,000-\$3,600 a year and for assistant engineers. \$2,400-\$3,000 a year, depending upon qualifications of the appointee and the duty to which assigned. The entrance salary for radio physicists is \$1,860 a year. Full information may be obtained from

the United States Civil Service Commis-sion, Washington, D. C., or the secretary of the United States civil service board of examiners at the post office or custom house in any city.

#### 1928 R.M.A. Trade Show Plans Are Formulated

Preliminary arrangements for the second annual trade show of the Radio Manufacturers' Association, have been made by the R.A. show committee headed by Major Herbert H. Frost of E. T. Cunningham Inc., New York City. The show will be held during the week of June 11-16, 1928, at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago. The first annual trade show this year drew more than 21,000 and the 1928 show is expected to draw upwards of 30,000 manufacturers, jobbers, dealers and others connected with or interested in the industry. The exhibi-tors are confined to members of the R.M.A. who are in good standing on February 15, 1928.

In conjunction with the trade show, the fourth annual convention of the R.M.A. will be held. Officers will be elected for 1928-29 and reports received from the standing and special committees on many matters of vital import. The R.M.A. annual banquet also will be held during that week.

Applications of members for show space can be made to the R.M.A. office, 32 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill.

#### Federated Radio Trades **Opens Chicago Office**

The Federated Radio Trades Associa-tion, with offices in St. Louis and Minne-apolis, has established its headquarters at 32 West Randolph Street, Chicago, III. H. L. Erstrom, newly elected executive secretary, is in charge. Mr. Erstrom will be glad to hear from any dealer or dealerjobber organizations desiring to establish national association contact.

#### Federal to Manufacture Ortho-Sonic in Canada

The Federal Radio Corp., Buffalo, N. Y. has been granted permission to manufac-ture in Canada under the name of Federal Ortho-Sonic Radio, Ltd., with headquarters at Bridgeburg, Ontario. This move is the at Bridgeburg, Ontario. This move is the result of the recent licensing of Federal receivers under the tuned-radio frequency, regenerative, and power device rights conregenerative, and power device rights con-trolled by Canadian Radio Patents, Ltd. Federal's Canadian wholesalers include such well known firms as: Tait Radio Sales, Toronto; I. J. Haug & Sons, Regina; and the Radio & Automotive Equipment Co., Winnipeg.

ROBERT N. WATKIN of the Will A. Watkin Company, Dallas, Texas, has been ap-pointed chairman of the Resolutions Com-mittee of the National Association of Music Merchants. The other members of the committee are A. D. LaMotte, Thearle Music Company, San Diego, Cal., and A. L. Maresh, Maresh Piano Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Will A. Watkin Company recently celebrated the forty-fifth anniversary of its founding.

HENRICH'S RADIO STORE, Milwaukee, Wis., recently opened its second store at 1482 Green Bay Avenue.

A. S. COBB, formerly manager of the wholesale department of Sherman, Clay & Company, Seattle, Wash., has been ap-Company, Seattle, Wash, has been ap-pointed district manager for Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company, with home offices in Seattle. Mr. Cobb's territory will be Seattle and Portland.



#### Giving Paris the O. O.

Captain William Sparks, president of the Sparks-Withington Company, Jackson, Mich., and his Zouaves were features of the recent American Legion convention in Paris. The expression of keen delight so vividly registered on the Cap's features is undoubtedly caused by the fine showing his Zouaves made. The fact that a couple of good-looking French dames were passing by when the picture was taken had noth-ing whatever to do with it.

#### Pacific Coast Association **Elects** Officers

The Pacific Radio Trade Association, at its annual meeting, held in San Francisco, re-elected Ernest Ingold as president, J. W. Laughlin as vice-president, and W. J. Laughlin as vice-president, and W. J. Aschenbrenner as secretary-treasurer for the ensuing year.

The following members were elected to the board of directors: George Campe, president, George Campe Company; C. B. Clendennin, manager, National Carbon Clendennin, manager, National Carbon Company; Don Gilman, manager, National Broadcasting Company; Ernest Ingold, president, Ernest Ingold, Inc.; W. G. Kaemper, manager, Listenwalter & Gough; G. Harold Porter, Pacific Coast Manager, Dedia Corporation of America: Frie M Radio Corporation of America: Eric M. Unmack, president, Westwood Electric Unmack, president, Westwood Electric Company; Shirley Walker, assistant to the president, Sherman, Clay & Company, and J. W. Laughlin, director KPO.

During the meeting, C. B. Clendennin, chairman of the Radio Show committee, and Arthur Halloran, on the nominating committee, gave their reports. The year's activities, including the association's work on the Radio Exposition, interference elimination and summer broadcasting, were covered by President Ernest Ingold. The report of the secretary-treasurer including the presentation of the auditor's report, showed cash on hand of approximately \$22,000.

THE UNIVERSITY MUSIC COMPANY, Seatthe Wash, recently added another radio department to its group when it opened in its new home at 47th and 14th Avenues. Northeast. This department will be under the management of Ned Douglas, proprie-tor of the store. A radio studio for the use of Station KFQW is a feature of this store

#### Fraudulent Advertisers Sued by Zenith

Zenith Radio Corporation, 3620 Iron Street, Chicago, Ill., has been granted a sweeping injunction by the Federal Court of Detroit, against Mark's Auto Acces-sories, Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich., Dave's Auto Accessories, Inc., Detroit, Mich., and John Ross Sales Company, Detroit, Mich. as the result of a suit recently in Mich., as the result of a suit recently instituted charging them with fraudulent advertising.

Zenith charged the defendants with advertising receivers under the trade name of "McMillan," and with stating in the of "McMillan," and with stating in the advertisements that they were duplicates of the set Lieut.-Commander Donald B. Mac-Millan took with him on his Arctic expeditions. Zenith contended that its radio apparatus was used exclusively on this trip. This is the first of a series of suits the Zenith company has started in an effort to put an end to fraudulent advertising.

#### Music Industries Ask Income Tax Relief

The Music Industries Chamber of Commerce has applied to Congress for relief from paying double taxation on income from installment sales. A delegation, con-sisting of C. J. Roberts, president of the National Association of Music Merchants; Alfred L. Smith, general manager of the Chamber, presented its case to the Ways and Means Committee early in October.

Merchants who have been threatened with additional tax assessments under these new regulations, as well as others who have changed to the installment basis of reporting income since 1921, are urged to communicate promptly with the Chamber for advice and information.

When Congress convenes this month, a bill will be introduced to amend the 1926 Revenue Act.

#### Evansville, Ind., Ordinance Protects Credit Men

An ordinance recently passed in Evans-ville, Ind., requires that all transfer and moving companies file with the chief of police the names and addresses, both new and old, of all persons whose household effects they have moved. The ordinance is desired to protect credit measures from designed to protect credit managers from people who move from place to place without notifying them of a change of address. So far as can be learned, Evansville is the second city in Indiana to adopt such an ordinance, Indianapolis having had one for a number of years.

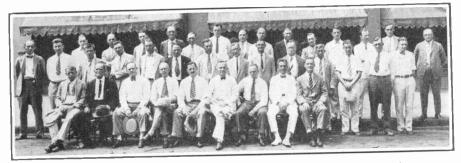
WIRELESS CORPORATION, Aerovox 70 Washington Street, Brooklyn, N. Y washington Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., has acquired the condenser equipment of the Globe Art Manufacturing Company of Newark, N. J. The addition of this equip-ment greatly augments its manufacturing facilities. The Aerovox organization has also leased additional floor space in the building it now occupies and is constituted has building it now occupies and is operating three shifts a day.

H. H. BLISH, JR., of Harger & Blish, Des Moines, Iowa, has been elected presi-dent of the Des Moines Radio Merchants Association, succeeding Ed. O'Dea.

LEIPZIG TRADE FAIR, INC., 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City, has appointed Herbert A. Johnson to succeed E. A. Boettcher as New York manager.

# News of Jobbers and Distributors

Cotton Pickers Hold A-K Dealer Convention



The Interstate Electric Co., Eureka Park, La., co-operated with the Atwater Kent Manufacturing Company in a small but enthusiastic dealer convention held in its home city recently.

#### F. D. Pitts Company Host to New England Dealers

L. C. Warner Company, Seattle, Wash., Fada distributor, had as its guests over one hundred dealers from Oregon and southwestern Washington at its annual dealers' sales assembly in Portland, Oregon, The meeting was held under the supervision of J. W. Condon, Jr., vicepresident of the company and manager of the Portland branch, assisted by N. A. Hayes, sales manager of the branch. During the first day, a business session

During the first day, a business session and sales and service conferences were held followed by an entertainment in the evening. On the second day, the new merchandise was displayed. The convention concluded with a banquet in the Multnomah Hotel.

F. A. D. ANDREA, INC., Long Island City, N. Y., has recently appointed Wilmott, Prisk & Company, of Sydney and Adelaide, Australia, as distributor for New South Wales and South Australia. A. J. Veall, Melbourne, Australia, is distributor for the Victoria section of Australia, as well as Tasmania. The Canadian Cycle and Motor Agency, Ltd., covers Queensland, Australia. The last named company is the largest commercial establishment in Queensland and has 110 branch offices and agencies.

KNICKERBOCKER TALKING MACHINE COMPANY, 114 East Twenty-third Street. New York City, has been appointed Freed-Eisemann distributor for Manhattan and the Bronx, to work in conjunction with the present distributors in this territory.

C. J. BROWN, agent for Samson Electric Company, Canton, Mass., has opened new offices in the Lexington Tower Building, 369 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

THE SWANBERG ELECTRIC COMPANY, Elkhart, Ind., has been incorporated and will handle radio sets and supplies, both wholesale and retail, along with other electrical merchandise. The incorporators are Clifford E. Swanberg, Joseph M. Stutz and August E. Swanberg.

THE NATIONAL RADIO COMPANY, formerly at 6 Wells Street, Chicago, Ill., has moved to new and larger quarters at 227 West Madison Street.

FEDERAL RADIO CORPORATION'S wholesalers throughout the United States have

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been calling their quarterly dealer meetings to effect closer contact between the wholesaler and the retailer. Meetings have already been held by R. E. Tongue Bros., Philadelphia; Charles Rubel & Company, Washington, D. C.; National E & A Supply Company, Peoria, Ill.; Brown-Camp Hardware Company, Des Moines, Iowa; Harry Alter Company, Chicago; B. W. Smith, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; and Hamburg Brothers, Pittsburgh, Pa.

THE B. & O. RADIO, INC., Newark, N. J., has entered the radio field as distributor of Atwater Kent sets and Pooley and Red Lion cabinets. It is also handling Cunningham and Raytheon tubes; USL and Niagara batteries; Briggs & Stratton power units, as well as other accessories. The officers of the company are Ben J. Oppenheim, president; Harold A. Barter, vice-president and treasurer; and M. T. Hicks, secretary, all of whom have been identified with radio for many years.

THE LONG BEACH WHOLESALE RADIO COMPANY, 643 Pine Avenue, Long Beach, Cal., is the name and address of a new company recently organized by T. D. Caustic, Frank H. McKittrick and William E. Ashford.

#### F. D. Pitts Company Host to New England Dealers

More than 75 Boston and New England dealers attended the radio dinner recently given by F. D. Pitts Company, New England distributor for the Kellogg Switchboard & Supply Company, at the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass. The dinner was arranged to bring the dealers in closer contact with the merchandising and advertising plans and policies of the Pitts and Kellogg companies. L. D. Pitts, vice-president of the Pitts Company acted as toastmaster.

master. The speakers included L. D. Pitts and T. B. Croke of the Pitts Company, also, F. L. Oliver of the Boley Oliver Company, Kellogg distributor for the New York metropolitan district. H. C. Abbott, Kellogg sales promotion manager outlined the company's sales program for the coming season. Mac Harlan, advertising manager, explained the advertising policies and plans.

THE STEINITE LABORATORIES, Chicago. Ill., has recently appointed the Great Northern Electric Appliance Co. as distributor. The Great Northern Company has offices in St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, Minn., as well as Fargo, N. D., and will cover that territory. The American Auto Supply Co., Scranton, Pa.; Larson Hardware Co., Sioux Falls, S. D.; and the Nevada Auto Supply Co., Reno, Nev., have also been added to the list of Steinite distributors.

CHICAGO RADIO REPRESENTATIVES ASSO-CIATION, 1461 First National Bank, Chicago, Ill., has released the Fall, 1927, issue of its Trade Directory. The leaflet, which contains a list of the members of the C. R. R. A. and the manufacturers they represent, is available to jobbers and manufacturers.

W. F. MocLE has purchased the interest of H. W. McClelland in the Mogle Radio Co., Regent Theater Bldg., Winfield, Kansas, and is now sole owner of the firm. The company will be conducted under the same name as before.

#### This Stadium Fence Brought Results



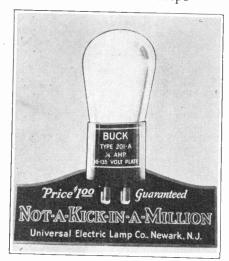
Sterling Radio Co., Kansas City, Mo., obtained good results from using the fence around the local football field to carry its message to the fans

# New Dealer Help Material

#### Aids to greater profits provided by radio manufacturers for their dealers

THE YALE ELECTRIC CORPORATION, 60 Tillary Street, Brooklyn, New York, is supplying its dealers, free of charge, with Yale radio battery lantern slides with the dealer's name and address printed on them. It is also offering its dealers an assort-ment of single and double-column news-paper cuts, with space at the bottom of paper cuts, with space at the bottom of each for the dealer's name and address, as a tie-up with its Saturday Evening Post campaign in local papers.

Buck Dealer Helps



The above illustrated display card is one of a group of new dealer helps offered by the Universal Electric Lamp Company, 26 Treat Place, Newark, N. J. It is 11 in. high and printed in red, yellow and black. The group also includes a large cardboard display standard illustrated with cartoons call-ing attention to the various types of programs which are available. This company is also offering station log cards containing suggestions for set ills and cures, with space on the front cover for your business card.

ELECTRAD, INC., 173 Varick St., New York, has just issued a small 16-page pamphlet, which contains instructions and circuit diagrams for installing the Phasatrol, the balancing device to control oscilla-tion in all of the popular circuits, made by this company.

THE RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA, 233 Broadway, New York City, outlines in a booklet entitled, "Par Four," its sales helps and advertising plans for 1928. Among the dealer helps offered are blot-ters, wall charts, display racks, electrotypes, motion picture slides, folders and cata-logues. The majority of these items are supplied without charge. supplied without charge.

ATWATER-KENT MANUFACTURING COM-PANY, Philadelphia, Pa., has issued a cat-alog, form 630, illustrating and describing its wealth of dealer-help display material for 1927-28. A great number of ideas is also presented in the bulletin for simple and elaborate window displays.

THE ALL-AMERICAN RADIO CORPORATION, 4201 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Ill., is making a special limited offer to dealers, of a 46x26 in. cut-out window display and one All-American reproducer, for \$10 plus transportation charges. The display is of cardboard printed in five vivid colors with a cut-out place in the middle to provide for the speaker. Only one set is allowed to a dealer at this price. This company is also offering its 1928 art calendars printed in an assortment of

five different subjects, at a cost of 9c. each for minimum lots of 100. The dealer's business card is printed in a prominent place. Envelopes for the calendars are \$1.75 extra and strawboards are \$1.50 extra per hundred.

KELLOGG SWITCHBOARD & SUPPLY COM-PANY, 1066 West Adams Street, Chicago, Ill., recently published the first issue of its new house organ called, "Kellogg Sales Helps," describing and illustrating the dis-Helps," describing and mustrating the uns-play material offered and explaining the Kellogg plan to allow dealers ten per cent for newspaper advertising. With the first issue a special advertising supplement was included, illustrating the newspaper adver-tising conv and mats prepared for use in tising copy and mats prepared for use in the dealer's local paper. The copy and mats are supplied free of charge.

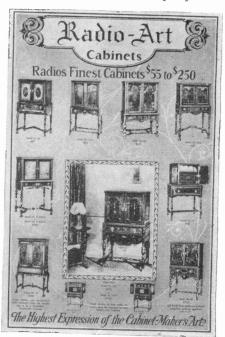
F. A. D. ANDREA, INC., Long Island City, N. Y., has issued a booklet explaining the distinctive features of harmonated reception. The leaflet also lists the complete Fada line with a brief description of each model including chassis views of the Fada Eight, Fada Seven and Fada Special.

#### Sonatron Issues Broadside



One of the displays in a new broad-side which the Sonatron Tube Com-pany, Chicago, III., is offering to its dealers. The series also gives the Sonatron merchandising plan in detail.

A Radio-Art Display



An artistic wall display of Radio-Art cabinets distributed by the Musical Products Distributing Company, 22 West Nineteenth Street, New York City.

THE ATWATER KENT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Philadelphia, Pa., is offering a special flasher designed for attachment directly on the Atwater-Kent B-power unit. The flasher consists of a special reflector in back of a violet blue light effecting the light of a Raytheon rectifying tube. Besides catching the eye of the passerby, it calls attention to the fact that the B-power unit is automatic. The price is \$1.75 and they may be obtained from any A-K distributor. The price of the advertising match fold-ers has been reduced to \$3.75 per thousand, in minimum lots of 2,000. These folders should be ordered through A-K distributors, check to accompany order.

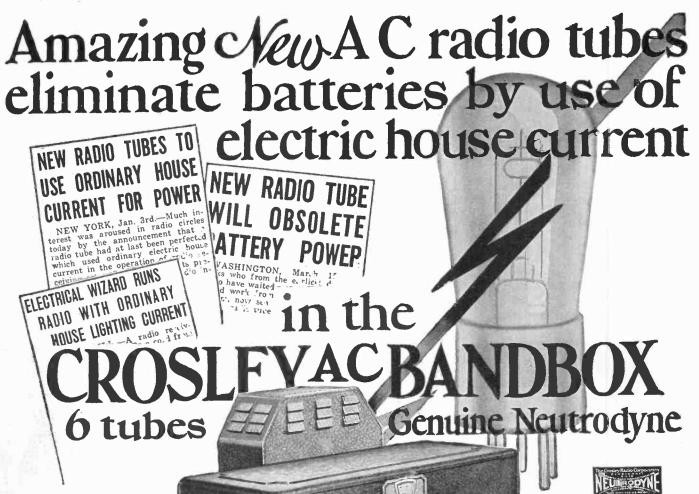
check to accompany order.

AMERICAN MECHANICAL LABORATORY, 285 No. Sixth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., has just published a folder dealing with the control of radio receivers and radio power units. It may be had on request from the manufacturer.

UNIVERSAL BATTERY COMPANY, Chicago, III., has issued a new radio products cata-log, No. 85-C. Other Universal dealer helps include a 16-page booklet on the care and operation of storage booker of the care sortment of envelope stuffers, mailing cards, movie slides and electros for news-paper service. These are all supplied withmailing out charge.

DE FOREST RADIO COMPANY, 139 Franklin Street, Jersey City, N. J., has published a new booklet on radio tubes, which will be mailed to anyone upon request.

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TORIES in regard to the coming of AC tubes which would operate from houselighting circuits have appeared in various newspapers, arous-ing a climax of anticipation in the public mind last spring.

With the acquisition of license by The Crosley Radio Corporation under a large

group of patents con-trolled by The Radio Corporation of America, American Telephone and Telegraph Company, General Electric Company, General Westinghouse Elec-tric and Manufacturing Company.etc., the Crosley

AC Bandbox is possible through theuse of thenew R.C.A. alternating current tubes – UX226 and UY227. These tubes utilize for their filaments and heating regular alternating current from the houselighting circuit. The current is stepped down by means of a transformer without need of rectifiers to supply the heat necessary for the functioning of the tubes. The converter box, which is included with the Crosley AC Bandbox, can be tucked away out of sight. It is



Bandbox by a cable and also supplies the current for the plate voltages on the tubes replacing B batteries.

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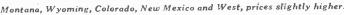
lighting current without need of batteries, battery chargers, or any of the other usual paraphernalia which requires attention, care and early replacement.

The Crosley AC Bandbox with the new alternating current tubes is truly revolutionary, and brings to the radio user an entirely new conception of care-free radio. This AC model together with the battery type BANDBOX which works with standard power supply units

batteries is the storage and country's most talked of radio! The popularity centers around two major factors:

- 1. The imposing array of patents under which it is built.
- The number and quality of the features Powel Crosley, Jr., has built in it for the price! 2.
- And what value Crosley has added in:
- 1. Complete shielding of all elements. 2. Absolute balance (genuine Neutro-dyne.)
- 3. Volume control.
- Acuminators for sharpest tuning. 5. Single cable connections.
- 6. Single station selector. Illuminated dial.
- 8. Adaptability to ANY type instal-lation.

Today's radio must be adaptable to the home. It must fit into all kinds of con-ditions. Perhaps you have a bookcase corner—a desk compartment—a chest —or even a bureau drawer where it could be tucked away. Maybe you want it to be part of the furnishings, as an impressive console or credenza





cabinet. The Bandbox fits in every-

The metal outside case is easily and

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quickly removed

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This is the kind of a radio you have been waiting for—the real direct electric set that requires absolutely no attention. What if it does run all night! Who cares? No run down batteries greet you in the morning.

Write Dept. 130 for descriptive information



**R**ADIO-wise dealers know that the quality and dependability of Faradon Capacitors make them an item well worth stocking and pushing.

Amateurs and fans in your sales territory in increasing numbers are learning the advantage of asking for condensers by name—Faradon.

Put twenty years of radio manufacturing skill and experience behind your condenser sales arguments. Stock Faradon for kit and replacement business.

WIRELESS SPECIALTY APPARATUS COMPANY Jamaica Plain, Boston, Mass., U. S. A. Established 1907



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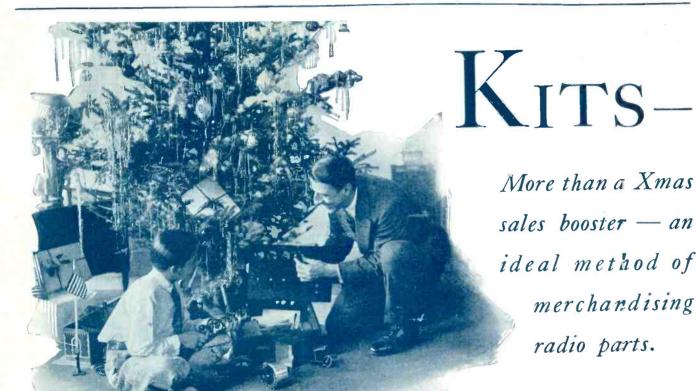
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O ONE who knows anything about the parts business will deny that the great army of radio circuit hounds —those individuals who spend their leisure time trying out one circuit after another—has suffered severe casualties within the last year or two. So much so, in fact, that the great host of radio parts merchants who followed them from one circuit to another has likewise suffered a tremendous reduction in its ranks.

Likewise, no one will deny that this reduction in the ranks of the circuit-hounds as well as the parts dealers has been good for the radio parts industry. What is more, it has been good not only for the set builders and the dealers but the manufacturers as well. What has been the leading factor in this stabilizing of the manufacturing, merchandising and consumption of parts? The answer is kits, in the opinion of several leading parts dealers in the East. Kits, according to the dealers interviewed, should be considered more seriously, by those parts dealers who still insist on specializing in variometers, variocouplers, tuners and other conglomerate parts from which a radio set might be built.

As a Christmas sale item a kit is ideal. It has all the elements of a Christmas present both in the building of the set and in operating it long afterward and as for instructive recreation for young people it far surpasses any other gift—dollar for dollar. But, Christmas sales are not the only reasons why kits make good merchandise.

A kit sale affords as large a unit sale as any other item stocked in a radio store, excluding the manufactured set—the retail prices ranging from \$20 to \$100. As a clean, merchandising item it is surpassed only by manufactured sets. Consequently the kit compares favorably with the manufactured set in the other points which go to make up the stock control problem.

Those two facts alone should be sufficient reason for pushing the sale of kits but there are others which have just as much weight. In the first place mine out of ten customers who intend to build a new set would much prefer to use a complete matched kit of parts and with a little salesmanship can be sold the whole outfit on the spot instead of possibly a few parts which he has in mind purchasing for a starter. Another is that the complete kit ordinarily costs the customer less than the total of the separate parts which he would need to build a given set.

The customer knows also that practically all complete kits are made up from circuits which have been thoroughly threshed out in the laboratory by competent engineers and that the cost of experimenting with

conglomerate parts, which may prove financially disastrous to him, has been spread out by the manufacturer over the cost of production of a great number of items. Last but not least, all the laborious work

Last but not least, all the laborious work incident to building a set is done by the manufacturer at a minimum cost in the complete kit. Furthermore, a great deal of the work, such as engraving, is beyond the possibilities of the set builder in the first place so that the purchaser of the complete set is assured a set replete in all its artistic details as well as in its mechanical and electrical efficiency—things which do not detract one whit from the pride of the set builder in his creative ability to build a set but, on the other hand, things which go toward making a satisfied customer.

toward making a satisfied customer. Taking all these things into consideration it is not surprising that kits have made so much progress as they new show. There now are more than forty first-class, complete kits offered to dealers by as many manufacturers again who have joined in combining some or all of their products in kits.

A great many parts dea\_ers have taken hold of them, several to the exclusion of all other radio merchandise with the exception of accessories, but there still remains a majority of parts merchants who are not aware of the possibilities offered in this trend of the parts business. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

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# Pre-viewing the New Circuits



Current fan magazines are telling how to build the sets described on this page. Do you have the parts?

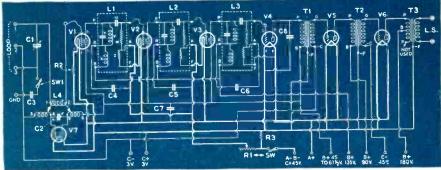
## The Tyrman Shield-Plate Superheterodyne

IN THE December issue of *Radio News* the construction of a seven-tube superheterodyne receiver, using three of the new shield-plate or double-grid tubes in the intermediate-frequency circuits, will be de-scribed in detail. It is believed that this is the first receiver using these tubes to be made available for home construction. This receiver, which is known as the

Tyrman Shield-Plate Superheterodyne, is the result of several months of intensive experimental work, and provides an ideal set for one who desires the utmost in sensitivity. Standard parts are used throughout with the exception of the intermediate-amplifier coupling units.

The receiver consists of a circuit employing an oscillator, a first detector, two stages of intermediate-frequency amplification, a second-detector and two stages of audiofrequency amplification. Although three stages of intermediate-frequency amplification are required in the average super-heterodyne receiver it was found that two stages are ample with the new tubes.

The tubes are shown in the diagram as 1, V2 and V3, and are used in the first-VI, V2 and V3, and are used in the first-detector circuit and the two intermediate-frequency stages. V4, the second detector, may be a standard '00A- or '01A-type; V5, the first audio tube, and V7, the oscil-lator tube, are standard '01A-type tubes; and V6, the second audio tube, is a type '71 power tube.



Either batteries or a power unit may be used for the operation of the receiver. the three shield-plate tubes require a cur-rent of only .125 amperes each, the total current required by the filament circuits of this receiver is only 1.625 amperes, which makes the set very economical to operate. Also, the plate current is not excessive, as it is usually less than 35 milliamperes. For the grid circuit two "C" batteries are

required; one of 45 volts. The parts required for this circuit are as follows:

L1, L2 and L3—Special impedance units for intermediate circuits. L4—Oscillator coupler. T1 and T2—Audio transformers. T3—Output transformer. C1—.0005 mfd. variable condenser.

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C2-00025 mfd. variable condenser. C3-0001 mfd. fixed condenser. C4-C7-1 mfd. by-pass condensers. C8-0005 mfd. fixed condenser. R1-SW-15 ohm switch-rheostat. R2-15 ohm fixed resistor. R3-1 ohm fixed resistor.
V1, V2 and V3-22 type vacuum
tubes. V4, V5 and V7—'01A type vacuum tubes.
<ul> <li>V6'71 type vacuum tube.</li> <li>SW1-S.P.S.T. switch.</li> <li>1-Tapped loop-antenna.</li> <li>4-UX sockets with shields.</li> <li>3-UX sockets with type '22 shields.</li> <li>1-Double vernier drum dial.</li> <li>1-Front panel.</li> <li>1-Sub-panel.</li> <li>1-7-wire battery cable.</li> <li>8-Binding posts.</li> <li>2-Brackets, hook-up wire and necessary hardware.</li> </ul>

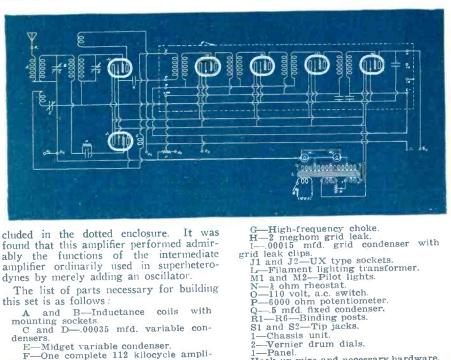
## Popular Radio's New A. C. Superheterodyne

ANY experimenters and set builders M have been deterred from building a receiver employing the superheterodyne principle because of the unusually high operat-ing expense in "B" batteries and the "A" battery drain for so many tubes. The num-ber of valves for use in such a circuit is an average of eight, although the super-heterodyne principle has been used with as low as four and as high as fourteen vacuum tubes.

In the December issue of Popular Radio a new superheterodyne, is described which uses A C valves throughout and entirely eliminates the problem of battery drain, as all of the power is drawn from the lighting lines and no batteries are needed, except a 42-volt "C" battery. It is claimed that this set is the first of its kind and operates admirably.

The complete receiver includes an intermediate-frequency pack, in combination with a heater transformer for supplying the heating current to the six A C valves, a metal chassis and a metal front panel but no audio-frequency amplifier. For this part of the set the LC-28 Unipac is recom-mended, as the a. c. superheterodyne has been especially designed to work in conjunction with it. The intermediate amplifier is an Arling-

ton time-signal amplifier, manufactured complete, and contains the apparatus in-



cluded in the dotted enclosure. It was found that this amplifier performed admir-ably the functions of the intermediate amplifier ordinarily used in superheterodynes by merely adding an oscillator

The list of parts necessary for building this set is as follows:

A and B—Inductance coils with mounting sockets. C and D—.00035 mfd. variable con-densers. E—Midget variable condenser. F—One complete 112 kilocycle ampli-

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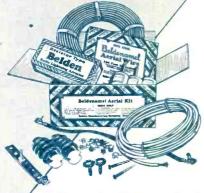
Hook-up wire and necessary hardware.

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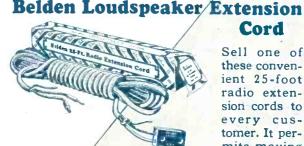
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THE popularity of B-power supply devices has increased the consumption of filter con-densers far beyond the ordinary production of this type of con-den.er, and in order to meet this demand, a number of American manufacturers have installed equip-ment for the production of filter and by-pass condensers. While the manufacture of this type of con-denser is apparently simple to those denser is apparently simple to those experienced in its construction, there is a great amount of detail which is

is a great amount of detail which is overlooked by the average. Each step nust be carefully followed and the finished products thoroughly tested to insure the efficient operation of the power unit in which the condensers are used. In anticipation of this condition, the Leslie F. Muter Company, Chicago, Ill., has installed some very fine machinery for the production of filter condensers. The importance of the proper paper and correct grade of foil has been carefully considered as well as the use of a thoroughly tried paraffin with which to seal the condensers during manufacture.

paraffin with which to seal the condensers during manufacture. Photograph No. 2 shows one of the spe-cial power winding machines which has been installed. The spindle on which are placed the rolls of condenser paper and foil can easily be seen. These spindles are set on ball bearings as well as the foil and paper guide so that the machine will oper-ate with a minimum amount of friction and

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give a uniform tension in the condenser windings. Resting on the top of the rolls of condenser paper and foil are tensionators which also assist in keeping the paper and foil at the proper tension. This machine is foil at the proper tension. This machine is completely inclosed as a further precaution in keeping any foreign particles away from the paper and foil during the winding operation.

HE machine is operated by a direct current motor controlled by a threat which is operated in turn by a treadle. A revolution counter is located at the middle of the winding mandrel which informs the operator at all times as to the exact num-

ber of turns in the condenser. Photograph No. 1 shows another view of the winding machine from the right side as well as an operator winding a condenser

on the mandrel. The eight large handles on the side of the machine are used to properly align the spindles on which are mounted the foil and paper. The sixteen small studded projections are used to prop-erly align the ball-bearing guides for the paper and foil.

From the winding machine the condensers go through an impregnator and vacuum dryer where they are placed on trays in a aryer where they are placed on trays in a single layer to give as nuch heating con-tact as possible. The dryer chamber is heated about one hour with the door slightly open to assist radiation. The door is then clamped tightly shut and the vacuum nump started pump started.

pump started. This vacuum is maintained for a period of four hours which should remove any trace of moisture which may have remained after the baking operation. After the bak-

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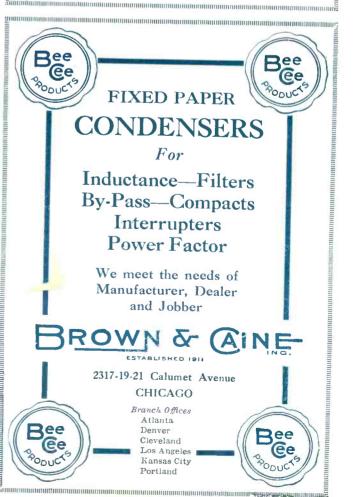
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Approximately 90,000,000 of the 1,000,-000,000 people living within the world's constant radio reception area receive radio broadcast programs, in some form according to a report on potential markets for receiving sets by Lawrence D. Batson, Electrical Equipment Division, Department of Commerce

About 18,000,000 receiving sets are now in use, according to Batson, who estimates that 200,000,000 sets would be required to service all of the people within the constant reception area on a basis of five members to each family.

Fifty-seven foreign countries now maintain regular broadcast service with Canada. Cuba, Russia, Sweden, Australia, Germany. United Kingdom, Argentina, and Mexico ranking first in order of number of broadcasting stations maintained and regularly operated.

#### New Radio Patents

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  1,645,557. Otto Von Brenk, Berlin, Germany. Assignor to Gesellschaft fur Drahtlose Telegraphie m. b. H., Berlin, Germany. Arrangement for Generating Electric Oscillations.
  1,645,904. Percy Gavin, National Sanatorium, Tenn. Electron-Discharge Device.
  1,645,922. John Robert O'Brien, North Melbourne, and Wilfred Revell, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. Assignor to Edmund George Barker and George Albert Rawson, trading in partnership as Barker & Rawson, Melbourne, Australia. Sound-Reproducing Machine.
  1,645,941. Ralph T. Williams, Chicago, Ill. Assignor to Bodine Electric Company, Chicago, Ill. Radio Tuning Inductance.
  1,646,152. Jackson O. Kleber, Pittsburgh, Pa. Radio-Circuit-Testing Instrument.
  1,646,201. Eert U. Iwwerks, Kansas City, Mo. Sound-Reproducing Device.
  1,646,236. William Dublier, New York, N. Y. Assignor to Dublier Condenser. Corporation. Variable Condenser.
  Design 73,710. Edward F. Pooley, Philadelphia, Pa. Assignor to The Pooley Company, Philadelphia, Pa. Radio cabinet.

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- 1,646,438. Herman A. Affel Brooklyn, N. Y. Assignor to American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Harmonic Genera-
- 646,439. Herman A. Affel, Ridgewood, N. J. Assignor to American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Harmonic Generate 1.646,439.
- and Telegraph Company. Harmonic Generator. 1,646,443. Warren B. Burgess, Boston, Mass. Compensation for Radio-com-passes. 1,646,444. Allen Carpe, New York, N. Y. and Ralph W. Deardorff, Kensington, Calif. Assignors to American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Protection Cir-cuits.
- and Telegraph Company. Protection Cir-cuits. 1,646,471. Arno Zillger, Narberth, Pa. Assignor to Music Master Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa. Station Recording Means for Radio Receiving Devices. 1,646,626. Herbert E. Metcalf, San Leandro, Calif. Assignor to The Magnavox Com-pany, Oakland, Calif. Vacuum Tube. 1,646,633. Robert T. St. James, Chicago, III. Assignor to Chicago Miniature Lamp Works, Chicago, III. Process for Ex-hausting Detector Tubes. 1,646,648. Leo Knigoff, New York, N. Y. Radio dial. 1,646,662. William C. Roe, Pittsburgh, Pa. Frequency Changer. Design 73,741. Paul Drew and Lester C. Zabriskie, Ridgewood, N. J. Radio Speaker.

- Zabriskie, Ridgewood, Speaker. 1,647,212. George Crisson, East Orange, N. J. Assignor to American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Vacuum-Tube-Echo Suppressor. 1,647,216. Lloyd Espenschied, Queens, N. Y. Assignor to American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Amplifying Circuit

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  1,647,238. William H. Manthorne, Bay-shore, N. Y. Assignor to Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc. Electron-Discharge Device.
  1,647,253. Henry S. Satterlee, New York, N. Y. Sound Amplifier.
  1,647,264. Anthony C. Bove, Brooklyn, N. Y. Radio desk.
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  1,647,290. Arthur Haddock, East Orange, N. J. Assignor to Western Electric Com-pany, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Antenna-Switching Relay.
  1,647,349. Harald T. Friis, Red Bank, N. J. Assignor to Western Electric Company, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Radio Signaling Apparatus.
  1,647,272 Lackson H Pressley. Oceanport.

- Assignor to Western Electric Company, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Radio Signaling Apparatus.
  1,647,372. Jackson H. Pressley, Oceanport, N. J. Long-Wave or Intermediate-Fre-quency Transformer.
  1,647,503. Theodore Willard Case, Auburn, N. Y. Assignor to Case Research Labora-tory Inc., Auburn, N. Y. Reproducing Amplifier.
  1,647,609. William F. Cotter, Buffalo, N. Y. Assignor to Federal Telephone Manu-facturing Corporation, Buffalo, N. Y. Heterodyne Receiving System.
  1,647,617. Thomas R. Griffith, Dover, N. J. Assignor to Bell Telephone Laboratories, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Electron-Discharge Device.
  1,647,634. Kenneth S. Johnson. Jersey City, N. J. Assignor to Western Electric Com-pany, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Electric Wave Filter.
  1,647,766. Francis C. Kollath, Chicago, Ill. Amplifier.
  Design 73,815. Harry E. Zoll, Philadelphia,

- 1,647,736. Francis C. Kollath, Chicago, Ill. Amplifier.
  Design 73,815. Harry E. Zoll, Philadelphia, Pa. Radio cabinet.
  Design 73,816. Arthur Dorsey, New York, N. Y. Assignor to Martin-Copeland Co., Providence, Rhode Island. Radio Dial Plate.
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  1,647,988. John F. Farrington, New York, N. Y. Assignor to Western Electric Com-pany, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Wave Modulating.
  1,647,996. Frederick L. Hunter, Jr., Towaco, and Sylvester W. Crowley, Weehawken, N. J. Assignor to De Forest Radio Telephone & Telegraph Co., Jersey City, N. J. Electron-Discharge Device.
  1,648,006. John Peter Schafer, Richmond Hill, N. Y. Assignor to Western Electric Company, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Bectifier and Modulator.
  1,648,226. Arthur William Harris, New

- Company, Incorporated, New York, N. Y. Rectifier and Modulator.
  1,648,226. Arthur William Harris, New York, N. Y. Assignor to Amplion Corporation of America, New York, N. Y. Sound-Reproducing Instrument.
  1,648,312. Kenneth H. Kingdon and Irving Langmuir, Schenectady, N. Y. Assignors to General Electric Company. Electron-Discharge Device.
  1,648,458. George M. J. Mackay and Ernest E. Charlton, Schenectady, N. Y. Assignors to General Electric Company. Electron-Discharge Device and Method of Operating the Same.
  1,648,521. Agnar Wikstrom, Boston, Mass. Assignor to Flash Radio Corporation, Boston, Mass. Radio Receiving Set.
  1,648,592. Leroy R. Ruoff, Syracuse, N. Y.

Assignor of one-fourth to Howard P. Denison and one-fourth to Eugene A. Thompson, Syracuse, N. Y. Wireless Ap-paratus. 648.644 Earl V. Hughes Port Ind

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  1,648,668. Walter Westphal, Los Angeles, Calif. Radio Speaker.
  1,648,682. John Hays Hammond, Jr., Gloucester, Mass. Varying-Frequency System of Radio-Signaling.
  1,648,689. August Hund, Bethesda, Md. Assignor to Wired Radio, Inc., New York, N.Y. Condenser Transmitter.
  1,648,711. Ernest F. W. Alexanderson, Schneetady, N. Y. Assignor to General Electric Company. High Frequency -Signaling System.
  1,648,808. Louis A. Hazeltine, Hoboken, N. J. Assignor to Hazeltine Corporation. Wave Signaling System.
  1,648,835. Paul Ware, New York, N. Y. Assignor to Ware Radio, Inc. Two-Way Radio Communication System.

#### Would Require Radio Sets to Be Labelled "Poison"

Objection to certain provisions of the "Lye Law" which was passed by Congress "Lye Law" which was passed by Congress March 4, 1927, has been made by the Na-tional Electrical Manufacturers' Associa-tion, the Electric Storage Battery Company of Philadelphic and the Electric Department of Philadelphia, and the Fansteel Products Corporation, of North Chicago, Ill. Briefs of complaint have been filed with the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of

the Treasury. According to the complainants, under a strict and legal interpretation of the bill, strict and legal interpretation of the bill, any article containing a storage battery would have to be labelled prominently, "Poison." While the bill is directed primarily against the use of lye and other common household poisons without the container having the word "Poison" prom-inently displayed provisions of the law inently displayed, provisions of the law can be interpreted so that it would be necessary to have the word "Poison" legibly displayed on the exterior of a radio set, automobile, or other devices using storage batteries.

The complainants are pleading to have the bill amended so that its provisions would not apply to batteries.

#### Argentina Believed Most Advanced Country in South America in Radio

Argentina is believed to have had the American country, says the Electrical Equipment Division of the Department of Commerce.

Argentina is the largest importer of radio apparatus from the United States and third largest in the Western Hem-isphere. In 1926 more than \$750,000 worth of radio apparatus was imported from the United States, almost twice that of 1925, \$400,000, which again was \$100,000 more than in 1924.

Argentina has 20 broadcasting stations, Argentina has 20 broadcasting stations, under government supervision. The climate is reported good for radio reception and Buenos Aires as well as several other sta-tions in the interior of the country are reported heard in all inhabited parts. About 150,000 sets are in use in this Republic, the majority being concentrated about Buenos Aires. Of the first 100,000 sets sold in this country probably 75 per cent were of the crystal type, since which

cent were of the crystal type, since which time, due to lower prices offered by European makers, the tube sets are having the greatest sale. They appear to consist of one, two, five and eight tubes, straight regenerative and three-circuit regenerative sets

The American makes of complete sets

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The Silver-Marshall 678 light socket ampli-fier with cover of tube compartment turned back, showing UX-226, UX-210 and UX-281 tubes, and input, output and radio set B sup-ply binding posts,

## Electric Phonograph and Radio Amplifiers

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do not appear to have encountered any serious competition from Germany, France and England. Argentinian competition consists of simple regenerative and threecircuit regenerative sets assembled from imported parts, a good share of the latter coming from the United States.

About the only British radio article met with in Argentina is a speaker whose high price limits its sale. Head phones are the most important article imported from Germany and they appear to sell well on account of their high quality at a reasonable price.

The most popular type of set appears to be the three-tube set which sells at about \$107 United States currency. This price includes tubes and speakers but not bat-teries. There is a gradually increasing de-mand for the finer and more expensive sets and the volume of business is practically divided equally between the better complete sets and parts and accessories.

#### What the World Wants

Listed below are some specific inquiries for American goods received in the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, at Washington, D. C. To obtain confidential information, it is necessary only for American export-ers to apply to the nearest office of the Bureau or at Washington, giving the number or numbers of the inquiry or inquiries in which they are interested. An asterisk ) indicates that the inquirer would act

as both purchaser and agent. Germany — 28099. — Batteries, storage \*28041 — Radio sets. loud speakers and parts. \*28025—Radio sets and parts.

Czechoslovakia-\*28105-Radio sets and parts.

Turkey - 28197 - Wireless transmission apparatus,

India-28280-Radio receiving and transmitting sets and parts, batteries, tubes, and accessories.

France-28279-Radio sets and parts. Australia-27856-Radio sets and parts. Spain-27958-Radio sets and parts. Iceland-27962-Radio sets and parts.

#### Remote Control for Radio Receivers

Recent developments in devices for tuning and controlling the volume of radio receivers at a distance from the set have been announced by the Algonquin Electric Company, Inc., 245 Fifth Avenue, New York, which indicate a new trend in promoting greater convenience. Two types of remote control equipment, one mechanical and one electrical, have been placed on the market, which can be applied to single control receivers.

The mechanical type is installed by re-moving the control dial or knob. A flexible shaft, such as that used in speedometer cables, is attached to the control. The other end of the flexible shaft is placed at a point convenient to the set user. Obvi-, there is a limit to the length of the ousl mechinical control shaft and the number of corners which can be negotiated suc-cessfully. In many instances, however, it may be installed advantageously.

The electrical remote control device has no limitation as to the distance which may separate the set from the control point. The receiver may be installed at any con-venient place in the home and readily manipulated from any convenient point in livingroom, library or study,

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#### Magee Gets the Fur-lined Chafing Dish



It's nice to be a winner. Flashlights, It's nice to be a winner. Flashlights, roaring crowds, silver cup an' every-thing. "Clay" Irwin presents F. A. Magee with a slight token of attain-ment. "F. A." is the new R.M.A. "champeen" golfer. The serious minded gentleman in the center is John Tully, recently elected chairman of the permanent R.M.A. Golf Tournament Committee.

#### Magee is R.M.A. Golf Champion

To F. A. Magee, president of the Trav-ler Manufacturing Corporation, Chicago, goes the honor of being the first National Golf Champion of the Radio Manufacturers' As-sociation. Magee bested H. G. Vollmer, during the finals in the R.M.A. golf tourna-ment played at the Calumet Country Club during the week of the Chicago Radio Show, by the narrow margin of one point. The winner turned in a card of 75 and was presented with a silver cup by "Clay Irwin on the closing night of the show.

Interest in this tournament has been so intense that, following the completion of the "finals" a permanent organization of golf enthusiasts, within the ranks of the R.M.A. was effected. John C. Tully, president of Bremer-Tully Manufacturing Company, was elected chairman. The other officers áre

Paul B. Klugh, of Zenith Radio Corrau D. Klugh, of Zenth Radio Cor-poration, Chicago, vice-chairman; Harry Simpson, of Maring Wire Company, Chi-cago, secretary; H. O. Larsen, of the Ekko Company, Chicago, treasurer.

Other members are: Albert Newcombe, Newcombe-Hawley, Inc., St. Charles, Ill.; Henry Forster. Utah Radio Products, Chicago, and Theo. Sheldon, Carter Radio Company, Chicago.

Present arrangements provide for qual-ifying contests to be held in various sec-tions of the country during 1928, with the final championship contest at Chicago dur-ing the week of the R.M.A. Fall show.

#### **Recommendations** for Electric and Radio Exhibitions

The National Electrical Manufacturers' Association has prepared and adopted the following recommendations for electric and radio exhibitions, in order that such exhibitions may promote to the maximum the use of equipment, with a minimum of economic loss and internal friction. The association's committee on this subject be-

lieves that these recommendations will be of definite assistance in the arrangement and administration of electric shows and exhibitions and strongly urges their use as guiding principles.

and administration of electric shows and exhibitions and strongly urges their use as guiding principles.
1. For the fullest co-operation, exhibitors as a whole should have representation in the management of the show equal to that of the local management.
2. Class and nature of exhibits should be determined by the show management. Concessions for sale of novelties, candy, toys, etc., should be prohibited as they detract from the educational value of exhibits.
3. Souvenirs represent waste and extravagance of a character which the industry is trying to prevent. They are not beneficial in promoting the main educational value of exhibits.
4. Exhibitors should not be asked to give financlal support through advertisements or in any other way to programs and catalogues. These, if issued to officers, official representatives and attendants of comparies exhibitors should have trade tickets at one-half the regular admission price, settlement to be made on the basis of the tickets actually turned in at the gate.
7. The show management should strive to make the character of the exhibit such as will reflect credit upon the electrical Industry and at the same time keep the expenses whole the credit upon the space occupied.
8. The show management should strive to make the character of the exhibit such as will reflect credit upon the space within reasonable limits. Any surplus after payment of legitimate expenses should be returned to exhibitors in proportion to the amount of space used.
8. The show management should have trade tickets and the right to discontinue and remove any exhibit which in its opinion is objectionable to exhibitors.
9. Radio speaking devices of any description should not be used by exhibitors and the same time keep the expenses should be credit of the exhibit such as will reflect credit upon the objectionable to exhibitors.
9. Radio speaking devices of any description should not be used by exhibitors approved by the

proved by the show management, and which will entirely prevent objectionable nolses and discord, annoying to other exhibitors. 10. In combination electrical and radio shows, electric motors, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, X-ray apparatus, spark colls and other devices which tend to create electrical and sound vibrations, should not be permitted to operate during the periods of broadcasting when radio exhibitors are anxious to demonstrate the receiving qual-itles of their apparatus. 11. The exhibitors should have the right to publish any speech, address or other matter that is broadcast direct from the show through the medium of any broad-casting station. 12. For the amount paid for space the show management should provide the fol-lowing service to exhibitors: Insurance against fire and theft; reasonable protec-tion against fire and theft; watchman day and night; clean aisles and thoroughfares (not including exhibits); store boxes and other containers delivered in good order for return shipment. 13. Information concerning shows in return shipment

recurn snipment. 13. Information concerning shows in which Member Companies are asked to ex-hibit should be sent to Nema headquarters.

#### Indian Broadcasting Stations Plan Improvements

The new program of the Wireless Branch of the Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department calls for extensive improve-ments. Seven inland stations, at Delhi, Allahabad, Lahore, Quetta, Peshawar, Mhow and Nagpur, are being remodelled. Modern continuous-wave transmitters and similar receivers are being installed.

At Karachi the 30 kilowatt spark transmitter is being dismantled and replaced by a six kilowatt valve set for continuous wave and interrupted continuous wave signalling and telephony. A new receiving station is to be erected near the aerodrome. A new receiving including a direction-finding set for ships and aircraft.

The Bombay station on Butcher Island is being dismantled and a new coast station at Santa Cruz has been built. This plant will include a six kilowatt valve transmitter, a five kilowatt spark transmitter and a direction finding receiver.

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Is This Muter Advertising Working for YOU?

## does the 20th Century come thru Your Speaker? The New Muter AUDICHOKE

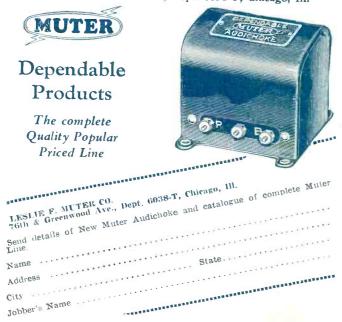
prevents feed back through the common B supply—thus eliminating shrieking whistles, howling, motor-boating and other troubles due to audio frequency regeneration.



This excerpt from current Muter Consumer Advertising shows what the Muter Company is doing to enlarge retail turnover and retail profits. The new Audichoke is an advanced product and is being backed by aggressive advertising to promote consumer demand—demand that has already been developed for other Muter specialties: Muter Clarifier, "B" Power Unit, Double Impedance Unit and the whole Muter Line. Be sure to get your share of retail profits on Muter Products.

Send Coupon for Details of the New Audichoke and Complete Muter Catalogue

LESLIE F. MUTER COMPANY 76th & Greenwood Ave., Dept. 6038-T, Chicago, Ill.





## EBY U. Y. SOCKETS With 3 Big Features

(1) A guide for the prongs. A simple turn of the tube in the grooved top of the socket insures a quiet, smooth insertion.

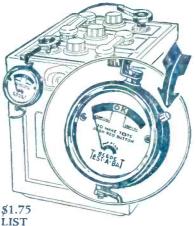
(2) New Bi-metallic Prongs. Phosphor-bronze for perfect spring action and tinned copper for perfect contact and conductivity.

(3) Easy Mounting above or below Bakelite, wood or metal. Another step in the transition from cushion to rigid sockets. Nobody uses cushion sockets with the AC tubes.

List price 50c. THE H. H. EBY MFG. CO., INC.

4710 Stenton Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

You Can Always Sell a Test-A-Bat. Making a Fair Profit and A Good Friend Whenever You Sell a New Set Whenever You Sell a New Battery Whenever They Ask For a Hydrometer



BEEDE ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT COMPANY Manufacturers of Radio Meters of All Descriptions 136 Liberty Street, New York City



They'll thank you for the advice for they need only press the button to see if the A battery is O.K. S im ple to attach, simple to use.

#### SAFE ACCURATE CONVENIENT

Far superior to Hydrometers—No Risk of Acid Drippings— Simple and Easy to Use—No Need to Move Battery—Always on the Job-Readings Guaranteed to Be Accurate.

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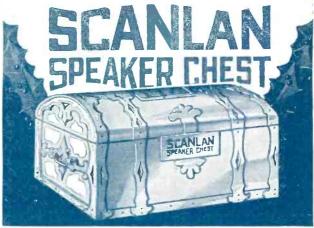
Christmas Coming thru the air may be absolutely ruined by the rattle and scratching in your

The SCANLAN SPEAKER CHEST-an output transformer-will completely eliminate all noises. It revitalizes old speakers and brings back the rich, mellow tone that enhances the reception of good music.

The SCANLAN SPEAKER CHEST is very simple to install. Hook the speaker chest into the set and your loud speaker into the chest. Obtainable in four finishes -antique bronze, antique brass, antique silver and walnut. Complete with silk hook-up cord ready for service, \$10.00.

> Write for full particulars regarding our profitable jobbers' Sales Plan

#### SCANLAN ELECTRIC MFG. CO. 1115 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Ill.



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owner needs an efficient ground and aerial.

Your customers will find in the Amoroso Aerial Kits everything necessary for an efficient installation.

STYLE "A" \$3.50 STYLE "B" \$2.00

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The NIFTY LEAD-IN is completely weather proof and well insulated with rubber.

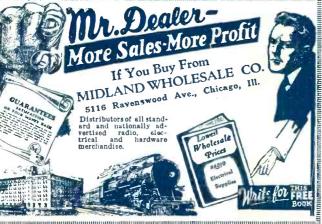
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The Amoroso Radio Clamp is made of copper with a clip of nickeled brass. The flanges are bent so as to give added strength and prevent the clip from turning. An exclusive feature. Ask about these clamps.







When a station is hard to get and it is a distant hit" use a REESONATOR Five Reasons Why the Reesonator is the Fastest Selling Radio Accessory on <u>1.75</u> the Market: 1. It is equal to three additional radio frequency stages in power. 2. It will increase the volume from three to twenty times. 3. It will decrease A and B battery consumption 35 per cent. 4. It will greatly decrease interference as it brings the antenna and machine to absolute resonance or balance at any wave length.

5. Can be sold on a money back guarantee.

Especially designed, for use on single dial Atwater-Kent models 30-32-35 and Crosley Bandbox machines.

#### ACT QUICK-

Write today for exclusive territory proposition

Dealers and Jobbers Wanted Everywhere

F. & H. RADIO LABORATORIES Fargo, N. Dak.

#### DEPENDABLE COIL SERVICE for Radio Manufacturers

Battery Charger Coils Eliminator Chokes and Transformer Coils Coils for Loudspeakers Audio Transformers and Impedance Amplifiers Honeycomb Inductances

Send us your specifications for our quotation and shipping date. Service prompt.

UNIVERSAL WINDING CO.



STEADY......as a River's Current.....SILENT.....as a Sunset

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CANNOT

FAIL

GREENE Leadership in advanced Design . . . insured GREENE Leadership in SALES.

> A GREENE "A" or "B" Unit for Radio Sets of every size.

PRICES: East of Rockies, begin at \$97.50

# as GREENE sales set new records IMITATORS Copy!—

**FOR** batteryless light-socket Radio, GREENE *Leadership* in advanced Design and Value was never more apparent.

Even as other Power Unit builders adopt and boast of features *pioneered by GREENE*, the super-performance of genuine GREENE Units remains unrivalled.

In several scientific construction essentials, GREENE Units are made *Imitation-Proof*. This enables any Radio Receiver powered the

GREENE-BROWN way, to out-perform other Sets costing as much as twice its price.

For Radio Selectivity, Volume, Tone and Clarity utterly beyond belief—until your own ears prove it—try a GREENE Unit over-night, in any test. If it doesn't sell itself to You —DON'T KEEP IT!

## GREENE OWER ABOUNITS Better than Batteries

Greene-Brown Manufacturing Company 5100 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, Ill., U. S. A.

#### Famous GREENE Features now widely Imitated

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our minds;

**BEHIND**"

and stealing-

HEY copied all they could follow, But they couldn't copy

So we left them sweating

A YEAR AND A HALF

APOLOGIES TO KIPLING

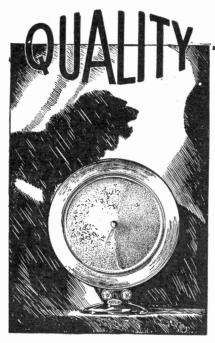
- 1. COMPACT SHAPE: Greene was First! Greene Units take up less space than batteries.
- 2. SINGLE DIAL CONTROL: Greene was First! A current-line control and "on" or "off" switch, all-in-one.
- 3. FIXED VOLTAGES: Greene was First! Terminal posts designed for actual current draw of every set.
- 4. SIMPLIFIED INSTALLATION: Greene was First! Any customer can connect a GREENE. Dealers need not install.
  - 5. NO ADJUSTMENTS: Greene was First! No variable regulators to adjust. FOOL-PROOF operation. No skill required.
  - 6. COMPLETE WITH TUBE: Greene was First! List prices include Tabe. No extras. Nothing else to buy.

Thus, GREENE consistently leads the way—influencing engineering and selling habits of the Power Unit industry.

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TOMORROW'S RADIO POWER FOR TODAY'S ENJOYMENT

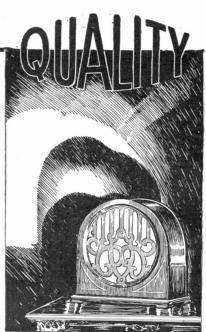
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LION CONE AC-21-\$25

A beautifully blended bronze finish Cone, 14 inches in diameter, mounted on an 18-inch walnut soundboard. Height 20½ inches, including bronze moiré base. New balanced armature unit with straight bar magnets of the finest grade English Tungsten steel.

> COLONIAL CONE AC-12-\$35 Handsome two-tone mahogany cabinet, 14" x 14" x 9." with a fine piano finish. New Amplion balanced armature unit, straight bar magnets of finest English Tungsten steel.



## Three Amplion Features for the Christmas Trade

The radio trade throughout the country expects December to make up for the slow moving of all radio merchandise this season.

The accumulated sales and advertising effort is bringing the public into the stores for their new radio equipment.

The Amplion Lion at \$25.00 and Colonial Cone at \$35.00 cover the most popular price range for speakers. If

**AMPI ION** 

you have not already ordered your supply of these two famous models for demonstration and sale you should get in touch with your distributor at once.

Past experience proves that when the rush starts, stocks are so quickly depleted that sales are lost. Be ahead of the demand this season. See that your Amplion stock is in good shape for the holiday trade.

THE AMPLION CORPORATION of AMERICA 531-535 West 37th Street, New York The Amplion Corporation of Canada Ltd., Toronto



# EXTRA!

## THE NEW AMPLION REVELAPHONE



Easy to Sell

## The lightest weight pick-up on the market—and of the highest efficiency

The new Amplion Revelaphone converts any phonograph, old or new, into the most modern reproducing instrument.

The Amplion Revelaphone is the lightest electric pick-up made-the same weight as the phonograph soundbox. This means that it does not slow up the speed of the turntable and alter the pitch of the record. Nor does it injure or wear out phonograph records; both very important points.

The magnets in the reproducing unit are made of Cobalt.steel.

The Amplion Revelaphone is so constructed that the needle is applied to the phonograph record at exactly the right angle for the best tone efficiency. There is no possibility of using the attachment incorrectly. Its point of contact must necessarily be perfect.

It has a volume control to suit the requirements of the listener.

It is equipped with a twenty foot cord, making it possible to have the phonograph and radio in different parts of the room. Handsome antique bronze finish. Send for descriptive booklet. List price \$15.00.

THE AMPLION CORPORATION of AMERICA 531-535 West 37th Street, New York The Amplion Corporation of Canada Ltd., Toronto





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# Is all B current alike?

THE finer radios you sell, the better loud speakers are made, the more particular your customers are going to become about the *quality* of the reception they get.

You have probably never thought it possible to improve reception by changing the type of the "B" current producer.

In the first place, *direct* current is best suited to radio reception, because there are no gaps in the flow of the "juice." There are no impulses to mar the even, smooth amplification of the radio waves. Only dry batteries give pure direct current; other "B" power units operate with alternating current and the finest transformers made cannot reduce it to pure d.c.

In the second place, the "B" power unit should deliver *uniform* voltage. It must be free from the fluctuations caused by other loads suddenly thrown onto the circuit or removed from it. Other-

"No!" say eminent radio engineers—and they tell what kind is best for good reception.

> wise the volume of the reception will vary with the strength of the current.

In selling "B" power units to your customers, you can give them both these qualities —direct current and uniform voltage—in one and the same package: Ray-O-Vac "B" batteries.

Ray-O-Vac batteries not only deliver direct current, but their voltage is smooth and uniform throughout their long life.

#### Millions are learning these facts

Every month in The Saturday Evening Post these superior qualities of Ray-O-Vac



radio batteries are being explained to millions of radio owners in full-page advertisements, in color.

Similar pages, in colors, appear in The Country Gentleman, and large size advertisements in all the leading newspapers of the country tell the same story of Ray-O-Vac quality.

This advertising is making sales for Ray-O-Vac dealers and jobbers—all who sell Ray-O-Vac batteries.

Wouldn't you like to handle a line of batteries with the quality points of Ray-O-Vacs to talk about and with the promotional work behind them that is supporting Ray-O-Vacs?

Ask your jobber for information about the line, or write us and get full particulars.

> FRENCH BATTERY COMPANY MADISON, WISCONSIN

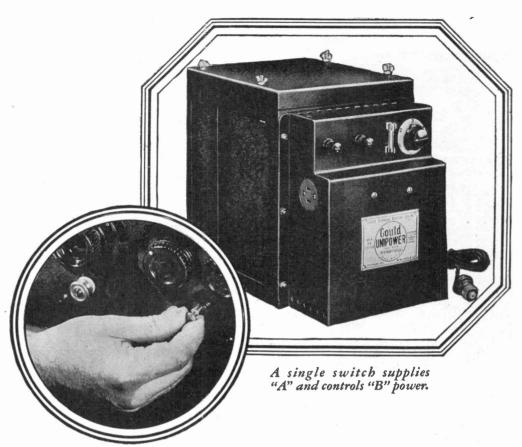
> Also makers of Ray-O-Vac "A" and "C" radio batteries, Ray-O-Vac flashlights and batteries and Ray-O-Vac ignition batteries.

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Are you tied in with this Nation-Wide Hook-Up? VOLTAGE CONTROL The secret of Bood reception 1 few minutes with your Weston before broadcasting time relaxed and hushed, you confide How do you kn that your set ating at its best? W you SET OWNERS more and more realize the advantages of radio operation by means of the instrument control method using accur-O YOU recognize THIS POINTER? ate, dependable meters. **C**CORES of thousands of Weston radio D instruments, such as Pin-Jack Voltmeters, Panel Instruments, Portable D. C. and A. C. Models, have long enjoyed an unprecedented demand in the popular market throughout the entire civilized world. Two factors—Weston supremacy for forty est Operati ing Cor years in the specialized field of quality instrument manufacture, and its universal reputation in developing most for the dollar merchandise-account for Weston's quantity sale. And one thing more—Weston's extensive and increasing advertising and service You can now have Weston performance in matched connections with laboratories, professional and amateur stations, set builders, clubs instruments and millions of radio homes. Are you ng three or more inst filament voltage, plate tions, it is always de adequately tied in with this nation-wide radio hook-up? It merely means a carefully selected, rea-ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT CORPURATION sonably complete stock for frequent turn-STANDARD THE WORLD OVER over, to meet the insistant and growing demand. Your jobber will assist and ES advise you. Write for Circular J. Dinneers WESTON ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT CORPORATION 25 Weston Ave., Newark, N. J. Neston STRUMEN

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## The Last Word in light socket "A" power

THE new Kathanode Unipower-the finest ever built by Gould-and it sells at new low prices.

Time-tested principles of design are embodied in the new Unipower. But in addition it contains a striking advance in battery practice that makes this economical form of "A" power equal in most and superior in some ways to costly batteryless sets. This new exclusive feature of Unipower is the Gould Kathanode assembly (patented).

The Kathanode principle was first used by Gould in submarine batteries. It is now applied for the first time to radio. With it, care is reduced to a minimum; service expense is practically eliminated; and richer, smoother power is attained. There are no tubes to replace, and it is practically fool-proof.

It appeals to both kinds of customers. Those who know so little about radio mechanics that they want the most reliable equipment, and those who know so much that they appreciate the superiority of the new Gould Unipower construction.

Write today for complete information and new low price list. Gould Storage Battery Co., Inc., 250 Park Avenue, New York City.





#### Ready Now! An AC Tube Tester for \$37.50

We are now ready to ship a Tube Tester for Kellogg-McCullough A C "Heater" Tubes. It is efficient, practical and, we believe, is the only one of its kind now available. The price is only \$37.50.

#### We Can Deliver Because—

We are not "short" of Tubes or Parts!

Last summer, at a big investment, we laid in stocks of tubes, condensers, etc. Our foresight is bearing fruit now—our factory output is not being hampered by lack of parts.

The New Cleartone is priced, complete with tubes, etc., at \$195.00 to \$375.00 list. The Christmas-gift-buying season is now gaining its height! It is your big harvest time! The "high point" of your merchandising year is here! You must have quick action on the delivery of your orders—or sales might be lost!

Our dealers are not handicapped by any delay in deliveries. They are pushing their sales efforts to the limit to get the big share of this Christmas business WITHOUT ANY FEAR OF BEING UNABLE TO GET THE SETS THEY REQUIRE! They are getting prompt deliveries because our production is at top speed! Cleartone, as a division of The Cincinnati Time Recorder Co., has the advantage of all the facilities and resources of this organization of craftsmen, who, for thirty years, have been among the leaders in producing fine clocks, electric systems and precision assemblies.

Our dealers appreciate the advantage of having a "true electric" receiver which has been proved dependable—a receiver which sells easily and "stays sold"—a receiver which is backed by the stability of a company like The Cincinnati Time Recorder Co.

In addition, our splendid newspaper advertising pulls real buyers to their store.

Time is short-WRITE TODAY for full particulars.

The Cleartone Radio Co. Division of THE CINCINNATI TIME RECORDER CO. Established 1896 Cincinnati, O., U. S. A. Radio Retailing, December, 1927



PROFITS for you in Sonora? Listen to this. Sonora in all its 15 years of history never had such a year, such a past 18 months-sales literally booming-such pressure on production that we are working double shifts to meet demands. And, after all, why shouldn't Sonora beat all previous sales records? People are becoming more and more fastidious about radio beauty, more and more exacting about radio performance. They must have the best the market offers and they must have it at the price they want to pay.

The new Sonora radios meet all these requirements-cabinet work that in design, material and finish is without paralleltonal quality such as they never dreamed that any radio possessed - superlative ability to pick up desired stations however distant-sensitivity that snatches every weak and wandering wave length out of the ether and carries it clear and strong to the listener.

And with all this, seven models to choose from at seven prices-a model for every taste—a price for every purse. Sell Sonora? We should say so. It's a mighty poor salesman that cannot bring Sonora's pros-pects to the dotted line. Your letter of inquiry mailed today will get you started right away with a radio franchise that carries the assurance of profit, permanency and big volume business. Sonora sells phonographs too, the famous ones. No other manufacturer offers a complete line of both.

SONORA PHONOGRAPH COMPANY, INC. SAGINAW, W.S., MICHIGAN





Clock Type Cone Speaker Price \$27.50

G-880—Light Six Table Radio Price \$69.50



G-885 Light Six Highboy Cumpletoly A. C. operated Price \$250

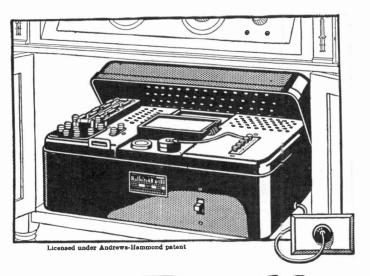
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Price \$250



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# AC Electric Radio

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Balkite "A" Balkite "AB" but for the "A" circuit only. Enables owners of a "B" eliminator to make an electric installation at very low cost. \$35.



**Balkite "B"** The accepted tried and proved light socket "B" power supply. Three models: \$22.50, \$35, \$42.50.



Balkite Chargers Standard for "A" batteries. Noiseless. Can be used during reception. Trickle or High-Rate, 3 models, \$7.50, \$9.50, \$17.50.

Special models for 25-40 cycles at slightly higher prices. Prices are higher West of the Rockies and in Canada.

#### Your customers want AC operation But they don't want any sacrifice in quality of reception Nor do they want experimental devices

You can give your customers exactly what they want, without either of these disadvantages. By simply equipping the sets you sell with Balkite *Electric* "AB." It replaces both "A" and "B" batteries and supplies radio current from the light socket.

Entirely batteryless, it makes any standard receiveran AC Electricset.

This method makes possible the use of the standard type of set, and of standard type tubes, both of which are tried and proved and give by far

the clearest and truest reproduction. There is no waiting Chicago Civic Opera on the air Thursday Evenings, 10 P. M. Eastern time. Stations WJZ, WBZA, WBZ, KDKA, KYW, WGN, WBZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJR, WLW. WENR, WCCO. 10:30 P. M. WEBH, KSD, WOC, WOW, WHO, WDAF. BALKITE HOUR

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for tubes to warm up. No difficulty in controlling volume. No noise, no AC hum. No crackling, booming or blasting. Instead the same high quality of reception to which set owners are accustomed.

And there is nothing experimental about this type of installation. It consists of a combination of two of the most dependable devices in radio —Balkite and a standard radio set.

By all means sell electric operation. As shown by Balkite sales figures, that's where the volume is in radio today. But let the AC sets you sell be standard radio sets equipped

> with Balkite *Electric* "AB." Then you'll be certainofperformance. Then you won't wonder if the profit you make today will be eaten up by returns tomorrow. The profit on each sale will be clean.

> > Two models— \$64.50 and \$74.50. *Ask your jobber*. Fansteel Products Co., Inc., North Chicago, Ill.

# New Radios for Old



Every set you now have in stock can be sold as the most modern electrified receiver, using A-C current from light socket connection, by making the few changes in wiring needed for the installation of

#### **ARCTURUS A-C TUBES**

The swing toward A-C operation has caught many dealers and distributors stocked up with D-C sets. There is an unusual margin of profit in the sale of these sets once they have been transformed into modern electrified receivers. With a few simple changes in wiring and the installation of a 15 volt toy transformer, your service man can install Arcturus A-C Tubes in the set you now have in stock.

#### Send for Details

We shall be glad to send you complete changeover instructions for the sets you have in stock. Merely drop us a line, giving the makes and models of these sets and directions will be sent you promptly.

The nation-wide chain of authorized Arcturus Service Stations is now being organized. Our national advertising is sending changeover business to the authorized Service Station. Get your share of the increased business and increased profits that many prominent dealers have been getting from the changeover of D-C sets to A-C operation with Arcturus A-C Tubes.

#### For the Technical Man

The unique advantages which we claim for Arcturus A-C Tubes are directly traceable to unique features of construction and exceptional operating characteristics.

The exceptional long life of Arcturus Tubes is due to the enormous electron supply resulting from the heater operating at a low temperature.

The highly efficient cathode is responsible for the unusual sensitivity of Arcturus A-C Tubes, and for the exceptional volume and tone quality which their use insures. This cathode produces: 1. A high amplification factor (10.5). 2. A low plate impedance (9,000 ohms). 3. A high mutual conductance (1160 micromhos).

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ARCTURUS RADIO COMPANY, INC.

255 Sherman Avenue, Newark, N. J.



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The new Exide Super "AB" Power Unit-with socket power opera-

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Built on the most advanced principles of radio power engineering, the Exide

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The new Exide Super "B" Power Unit-ready to sup-ply vigorous, sustained "B" power for any size set.



Exide 24-volt "B" Battery with glass cells. 6000-milliampere capacity. Also in 48-volt size.



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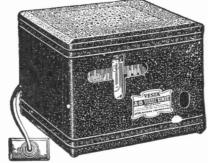


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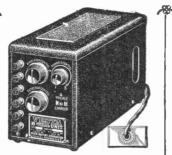


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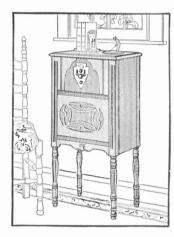
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Mohawk Electric is not a makeshift. Each Mohawk Electric receiver is a real AC set, operated by AC tubes, without batteries or any other accessory.

Nor has quality of reproduction been sacrificed in any way. The convenience of AC operation has merely been added to the standard Mohawk receivers—to the wellknown standards of performance that have made Mohawk successful in the past.

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The Mohawk franchise is today more valuable than ever. Because Mohawk dealers do not have just another electric radio to sell, but Electric Radio by Mohawk, at Mohawk prices. *Wire for details!* 

Mohawk Corporation of Illinois—*Chicago* In Canada : Mohawk Radio Limited, 14 Temperance Street—*Toronto, Canada* BATTERY MODELS

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Counterphase "Six" Model 6-38 Badio's greatest A.C. value. Compact, attractive walnut cabinet. Price, less tubes \$230.00.

Less than sixty days ago Bremer-Tully began shipping A.C. receivers. Since that date the number of authorized B-T dealers has more than doubled—and no wonder! V. A. Clark of Cleveland, says:

"If you can get to the public and to the dealers an idea of how good this set is, I am sure your present factory facilities will be entirely inadequate to supply the demand."

Mr. Clark had reference to the "Six." Here's a report from Pennsylvania on the "Eight."

"I have played this machine against six other leading makes at equal or higher price and up to ten tubes and the Counterphase has outplayed and out-performed them all."

Bremer-Tully's traditional reputation is continued, and more, it is increased to higher prestige than ever before.

From every section of the country comes continuous praise for the *dependable* performance of the Electric Counterphase, using genuine A.C. tubes.

Howard Roby, La Grange, Ill., says:

"Dozens of stations were tuned in with full volume without loop or aerial. With volume full on, even with no program coming in, with my ear against the cone speaker, I couldn't hear the *least indication of A.C. hum.*"

Counterphase tone quality is unsurpassed. The 210 Audio Output System has no superior at any price. Phonograph records may be played thru this Audio system, producing superlative tone. Everything is controlled from the panel.

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Tungars have been advertised for eleven years.

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> The Three Punch Plan should treble Tungar sales this year. Why not write us today for all the dope?



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# Now Available at New Low Prices

Heavy demand for these two leaders has made possible unusual economy of production justifying these new low prices: Sentinel Bone-Dry "A", formerly \$49.00, **now** \$39.00; Sentinel Bone-Dry "ABC", formerly \$88.50, **now** \$79.50.





THE Sentinel Line of Guaranteed Bone-Dry Power Units has met with such outstanding endorsement and universal acceptance that production costs have been lowered materially since their announcement. The public demand for units containing *absolutely no liquids of any kind* has meant especially increased production on the two leaders pictured here.

This demand should be an item of profitable significance to The Trade, and the new low prices decidedly good news!

Make the most of it!

## "Bone-Dry" Guaranteed RADIO POWER UNITS

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#### To the Set Manufacturer:----

In this day of public demand for "A.C" Receivers, Sentinel's service to the set manufacturer is of growing importance. "ABC" Power Units and "BC" Power Packs are supplied to manufacturers direct, and we are glad to be of any assistance possible in direct cooperation with such manufacturers. Write for complete details.

#### Announcing the "BC-Junior" at an Unprecedented Low Price

The latest addition to the popular Sentinel Power Unit Line is the New "B.C." Junior—decidedly a leader in its field. The unusually low price (\$32.50 complete with tube) should make this item unusually attractive from the merchandising standpoint. Write today for complete details.

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## ALECTRIC Radio The First Radio using A.C. Tubes throughout including a Power Tube

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1927 production was oversold long ago.

Distributors and dealers who lined up with Kellogg have profited accordingly.

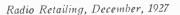
Increased production for 1928 will open up similar opportunities for distributors and dealers in a few new territories that we could not offer to supply this season.

Applications for territory for 1928 are now being accepted. Early action is advisable.

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> Julian M. White Mfg. Co. Makers of "A," "B" and "AB" Electric Radio Power Units Sioux City, Iowa

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# The QUAM SPEAKER

#### "Built on the Stretched Reed Principle"

introduces a new and startling improvement in Loud Speaker construction. Instead of a floating reed, secured at only one end, the Quam Speaker has a *Stretched Reed* like the human vocal cords.

-The result is amazingly superior to any you have heard before.

Gives a much wider range of accurate tone reproduction.
 Picks up and reproduces the highest tones of the violin as faithfully and fully as the deeper tones of the pipe organ.

-Has unmatched range—and gives you all.

-Is free from "blasting."

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QUAM RADIO CORPORATION

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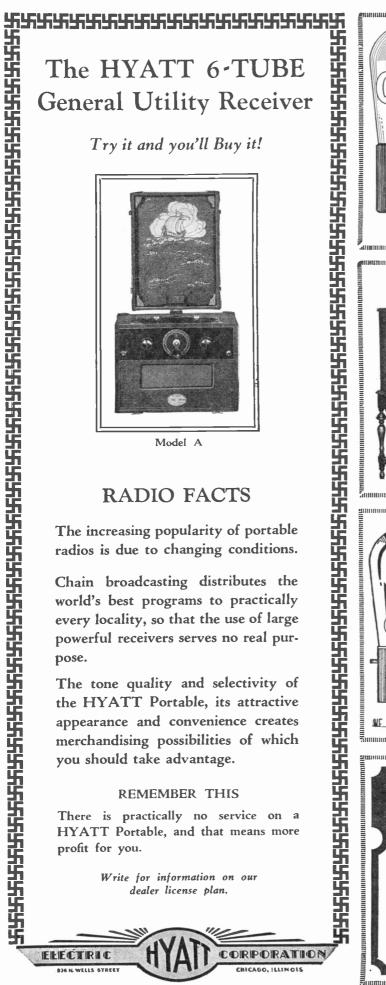
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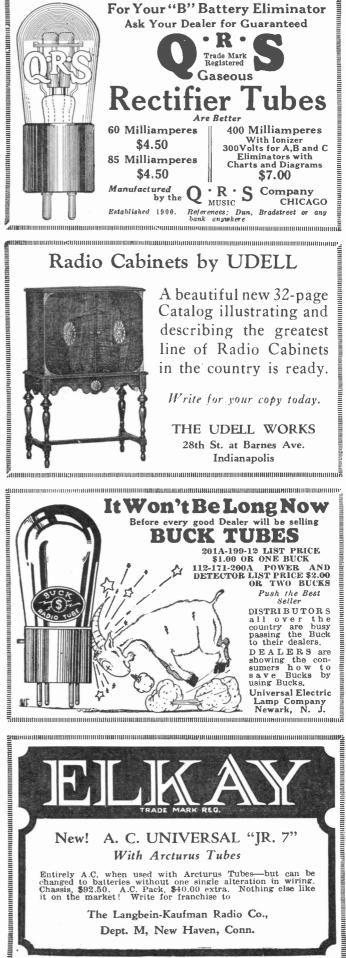
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# Sandar lends a festive Hir

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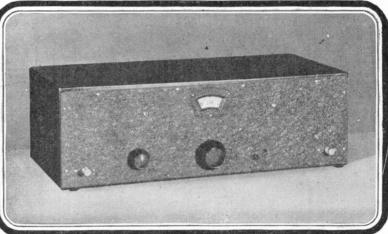
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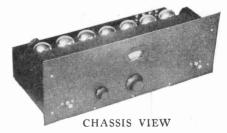


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ANTICIPATING tomorrow's radio demands, Guthrie announces a new seven tube, single dial, AC operated set that will be the pacemaker for 1928.

This new Guthrie set is designed for AC power tubes, but may be operated with batteries or battery eliminators. The dial is illuminated, the tone more mellow (push-pull amplification) the selectivity greater, the volume richer than ever before. Guthrie value again will meet and beat all competition.

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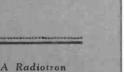
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When A.C. operated receivers existed only in the minds of inventive engineers, Sylvania laboratories were at work on designs for tubes actuated by alternating current. After countless experiments and tests, two new A.C. tubes are ready to bear the Oak Leaf and Flashing S of the distinguished Sylvania family. They are

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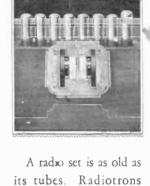
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