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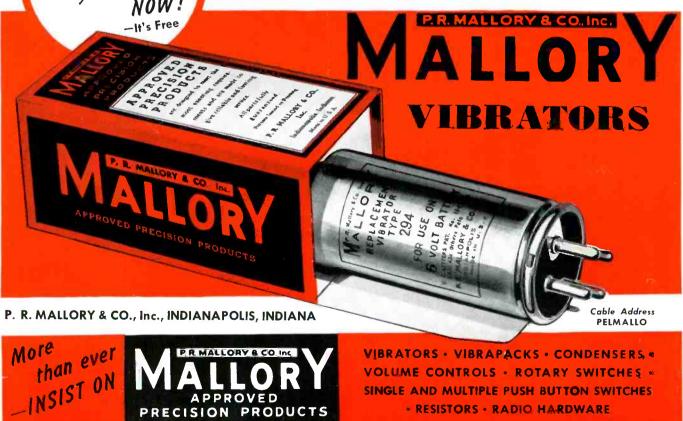
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SALES STATIC . . . Boy, I'll bet we'll find one in this bunch!

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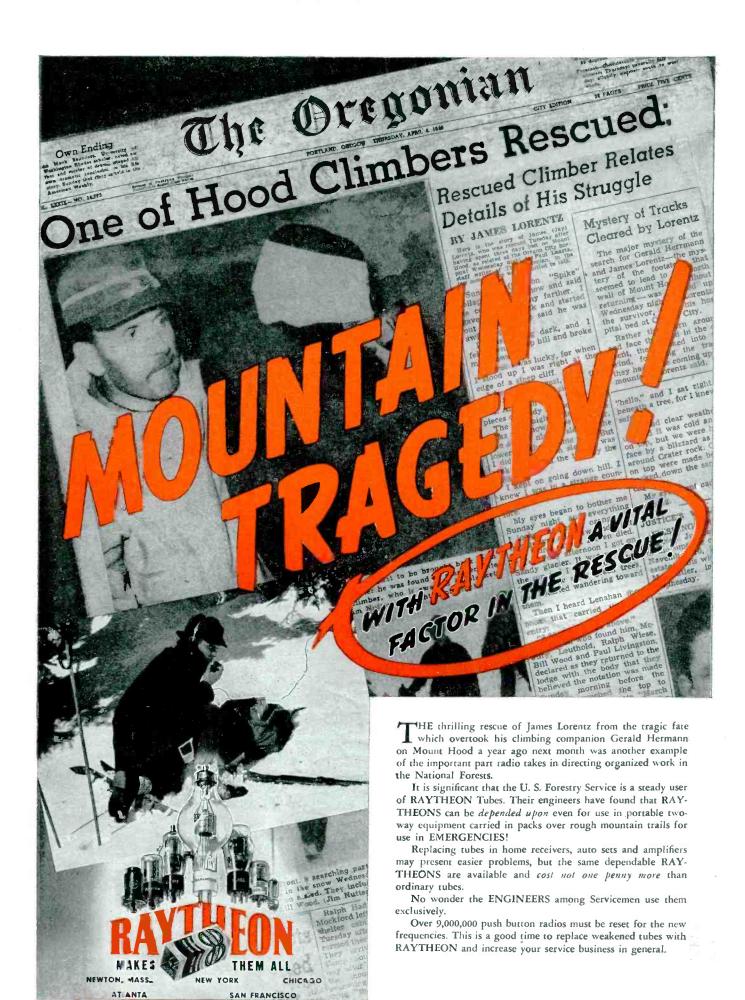


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MODEL J-614 — In a streamlined cabinet of mahogany plastic.

MODEL J-664— Finished in ivory plastic. Similar in design to Model J-614.





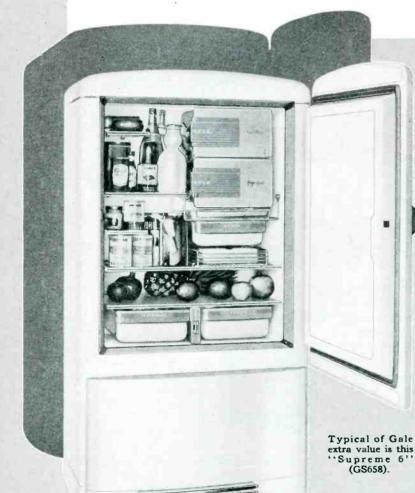
MODEL J-603—In beautiful ivory plastic. Similar in design to Model J-602,

GENERAL ELECTRIC



FOR EXAMPLE...

Just compare this big, oversize Gale "Supreme 6" (GS658) with any other popularly-priced refrigerator on the market! It's priced to meet the toughest competition, give you a generous margin, and offers the buyer a host of features—twin freezers . frozen food storage . meat drawer . dairy basket . twin vegetable crispers . thermometer . vegetable bin . hermetic 'Mechanical Iceberg' unit with improved equalizer and revolutionary FLUID COOLED condenser—continuous dissipation of heat without the use of a fan. Silent—no moving parts.





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speaker to be turned in any direction after mounting.

UTAH WALL REPRODUCER



This Utah speaker is identical in construction to the Bi-Directional; however, the response has been extended to reproduce music as well as voice. The case is of molded non-metallic material. The finish will blend with any decorative scheme. This unit is extensively used as an

extra speaker for coin-operated phonographs—and as an additional speaker in homes, recreation rooms, etc.

Write for complete information about these and other speakers in the complete Utah line. There is no obligation. Utah Radio Products Company, 810 Orleans Street, Chicago, Illinois. Canadian Office: 560 King Street West, Toronto. In Argentine: Ucoa Radio Products Co., SRL Buenos Aires. Cable Address: Utaradio, Chicago.



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Recipe for a BLACK EYE

OR SEVERAL ROUNDS radio manufacturers have been shadow-boxing with receiver design, whirling their arms in a manner impressive, yet so unscientific there is danger they may knock themselves out.

Already this has resulted in several self-administered black eyes. Sets now perform attractive extra functions, are easier to tune and styling apparently satisfies the mass market. But few are as free from interference as the older sets they replace. And this the public will eventually discover, even though broadcasters who have increased power, police and amateur stations, still appear to be the "patsy."

Dealers and servicemen are already painfully conscious of this fact.

THE TROUBLE is not so much adjacent channel interference as it is trick pickup of signals properly distant on the dial and really minding their own business.

To technicians familiar with superheterodynes, the chief cause of such weird performance is obviously omission of refinements, once considered essential and added to insure foolproof reception shortly after this excellent circuit first made its appearance, only to be later removed. It is also obvious that the reason for the omission is purely price. And a very questionable method of slashing it seems because this circuit, so emasculated, can scarcely be considered modern at all.

The situation would be serious enough even if it applied only to the cheapest receivers, for customers might conceivably be convinced that they must expect some interference on such sets. But it is not just the cheapest radios that "stick their chins out and ask for it." Even in relatively expensive models invisible circuit refinements are

too often sacrificed to visible sales features in order to add merchandising flash and still hold the list down.

ANUFACTURERS who continue to brush aside complaints about interference with the excuse that trouble occurs in too few locations to warrant consideration when designing models for national distribution are "leaving their guard open."

Our own contacts with the trade indicate that complaints are widespread rather than isolated and growing dissatisfaction in the field concerning receiver selectivity is extremely dangerous for the future of this business, which must depend to such a large extent upon replacement sales.

Greater freedom from interference must be included in new radios.

If it isn't, there will soon be a run on a raw beefsteak among the shadow-boxers.



ARMY DRAFTS RADIO

Soldiers of 245th Coast Artillery, stationed at Fort Hancock, cheer their favorites while listening to sports returns via radio. Men in camps all over the country are allowed their individual radios, dealers might well note



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LAUGH WAY TO PRIZES

After an advance showing of the picture *The Thief of Bagdad*. Rex Ingram, actor in the movie, staged a laugh contest for children in a New York hospital. The merriest boy and girl received Philco portables



A planned design for a record department resulted in this neatly arranged new layout at Bloomingdales, New York. Hits of the week are accented in a frame, for easy customer selection of popular new discs



VISITORS CUT SOUVENIRS

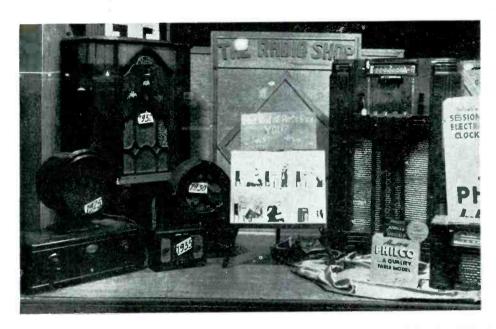
People attending the Electric Institute 1941 Radio Exposition in Washington were allowed to make free recordings of their voices. NBC, Mutual, and CBS announcers took turns as master of ceremonies and autographed discs for fans





CORSETS FOR COPS

Examining batteries in back and receiver and transmitter in the front of a special vest, New York's Mayor tests a two-way radio for patrolmen. Effective over a 1000 foot radius, the "walky-talky" costs \$165, can be used inside buildings to contact other police on the outside





HOME FOR THE AGED

"Dated" receivers of a bygone era provide H. Zollman, Gulfport, Miss., an effective contrast with new models. Displayed in his window the old sets dramatize a cartoon blow-up clipped from Radio Retailing

EVEN THE BOSS WORKS

Although he employs seven men Louis Schwab of Cleveland holds up his end when there's work to be done. When asked: "Why the window cleaning?" Schwab retorted, "Everyone else was out on calls and it needed washing. Why shouldn't I do it?"

BE PREPARED WITH RADIO

Every boy should have a radio in his room and boy scouts in particular need versatile portable models for use at home as well as in the woods



Design for Selling

DEALERS in 45 States Tell Radio Retailing
What They Need in New Lines for 1941

RETAILERS are not infallible when they attempt to interpret what the public wants in the way of new radio equipment.

But they do work closer to the consumer than any other group in the business. So their opinion will do to ride our money on, particularly since if dealers get designs they themselves can feel enthusiastic about this enthusiasm is apt to prove contagious among the people they serve.

How the trade feels about the various types of sets the industry at present offers is shown graphically on the facing page. Dealer opinion concerning cabinets is charted on the following "spread," along with a table listing common 1940 performance complaints.

Because we feel that these illustrations cover the major points of our survey just about as clearly as they can be covered with available data no attempt to go into greater detail is intended here. Rather, we recommend close study of the illustrations by interested designers, devote the remainder of this text to other dealer comment.

Some suggestions are obviously "hot" while others, for various reasons, are impractical. We have a feeling that in spite of this mixture manufacturers will find sufficient "gold in them that hills" to warrant wading through most of the following paragraphs.

Possible New Types

Greatest single dealer demand at the moment appears to be for "a table model radio of fair size, in a plain but well-finished cabinet, with really good selectivity, tone, volume and quality parts. Omit extras such as shortwave tuning, pushbuttons and cabinet 'gingerbread' to provide a set that is 'all-radio,' listing at about \$30."

Other suggested types (some of which are already generally available and others that are not) include:

Chairsides models with sloping panels and speakers turned toward listener.

Chairsides with large speakers in separate, remote cabinets.

Automatic record-changing combinations in chairside styles.

Combinations with non-opening tops.

Chassis for installation in expensive existing cabinets.

Portable phono-radio combinations to work on batteries or ac.

Non-wireless record-players for largest records, with lids.

By way of human interest, it is also reported that several dealers in the northwest express a need for 6-volt allwave receivers to be sold in Alaska. Should be table models.

Cabinet Suggestions

Dust seems to be causing housewives sufficient concern to warrant close inspection of new radio cabinets as possible collectors. This accounts for suggestions that (a) "gingerbread" decoration be avoided to reduce number of cabinet crevices (b) covers be provided for cabinetbacks (c) room be left beneath consoles to permit easy floor cleaning and (d) grille cloths and "bars" across grilles be eliminated.

A number of dealers recommend:

Carrying handles for all small
sets

Rubber mats on the bottoms of plastics to prevent slipping and breakage.

Phono-radio cabinet compartments for later installation of FM. Farm radio cabinets with room

for built-in batteries.

Several ask: "Why not use more chromium for trim." And "how about enameled metals for small set cabinets?"

If your interest is chiefly in dealer recommendations concerning specific models, cabinet styles and materials, this is a good place to stop. Spend your remaining reading-time "between the lines" of those charts.

On the other hand, if you can take semi-technical stuff and like it . . . read on, McDuff.

More Ideas

A lot of dealers obviously like: Large, plainly-marked dials, particularly those of the "slide-rule" variety. Dust-protected types preferred.

Plainly labelled controls.

MANUFACTURERS:

IF your new line designs are not yet set this data will help you hit the bullseye

IF new model plans are already completed it may help as a production guide

"Additional details evallable on request"

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By W. MacDONALD

Pushbutton tuning with station tabs any place except on the buttons.

Phono switch on front panel.

Headphone jacks, particularly on smaller models.

Separate bass and tone controls. External extra speaker jacks.

Less widespread, but nevertheless interesting are suggestions such as:

Single pushbutton to tune in just one local police channel.

Weather-band tuning instead of shortwave or police.

Combination program-timers and electric clocks, built in.

Pushbuttons, by the way, are still in general disrepute due to drift and other difficulties. Best comment on the subject from a dealer is this one: "Pushbuttons are like the olive in a Martini . . . nice but not necessary."

Interest in foreign reception, still high in certain areas, appeared to be declining when considered on a national basis. Where it was pushed by the trade better bandspreading was invariably suggested.

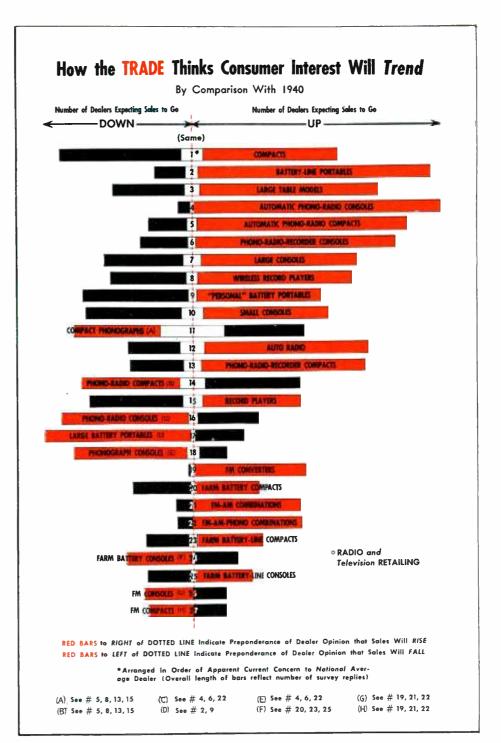
The time for inclusion of television "jacks" in new radios, most dealers feel, has passed.

Little interest was expressed in remote tuning, although some dealers thought they might move it if it could be made more foolproof than systems seen in the past (without upping cost).

Servicing SOS

The foregoing suggestions, obviously, were made largely by dealers whose chief interest is the *sale* of sets.

More technical still are those received from servicemen but we pass a few along for what they are worth to manufacturers who ap-



preciate the fact that what servicemen think about merchandise may eventually make or break a reputation.

Servicemen think there should be more:

Moisture-proofing. Speaker plugs.

Plainly marked make and model numbers.

Really good adhesives to hold

plastic dial "windows" in place.

Transfer-type markings that don't readily rub off.

Cordless dials.

Good soldering.

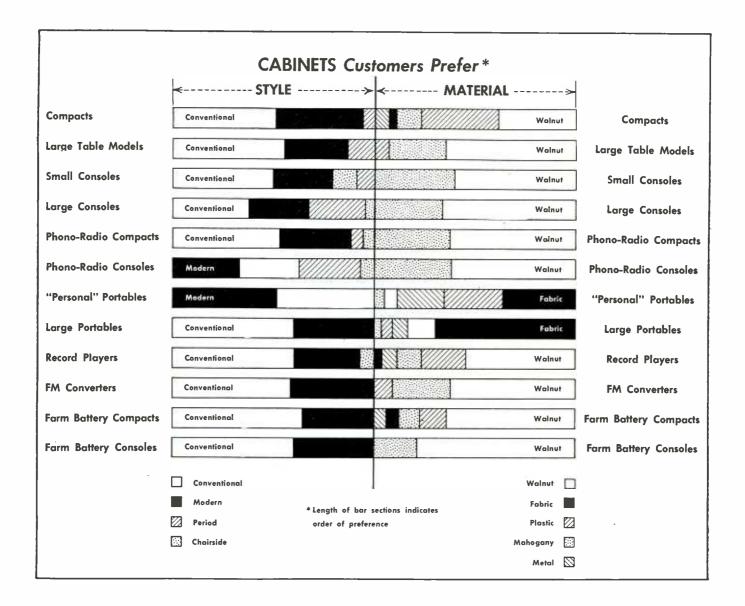
Freedom from corrosion.

Length in built-in loop leads.

Metal in chassis.

Socket designation.

There were many more, but even in the staccato style adopted here



to convey the maximum of information in the minimum reading time there is not sufficient room to completely "cover the waterfront."

Accessories, Allied Lines

While we were at this business of finding out what the dealer thinks the consumer wants we also picked up a lot of miscellaneous comment about radio accessories and allied lines.

Here are the things which most intrigued us:

TUBES—A great many subscribers urged us to recommend to all tube makers that the number of types be still further limited. Numerous additional suggestions urging "standardization" are interpreted to be a further sub-division of this same question.

There were quite a few urging tube makers to use still stronger re-

placement tube boxes. Also some opinion to the effect that certain recently received tubes appeared to be more microphonic than usual, less rugged.

Frequent pilot lamp burnouts were reported, most dealers and servicemen believing that set makers were underestimating average line voltage. Others thought the pilots were unwisely placed at points in circuits subject to wide voltage variation.

Certain tube types were said to be frequently very difficult to remove from sockets. Standardization of sockets was often recommended. PARTS—Better all-around quality was felt to be the chief need in connection with replacement radio parts of many varieties. Standardization was considered nearly as important. It was also felt that packaging might in many instances be more impres-

sive to the consumer and that list prices might more often be prominently shown on such packages.

Miscellaneous suggestions concerning replacement parts included: Clearer identification of condenser sizes. Plug-in electrolytics. Adjustable bearings on variable tuning condensers. Speakers with replaceable parts (and more clearance around voice-coils).

Quite a number of servicemen said there was a need for loops that might be installed in older sets lacking them, if some way of achieving satisfactory performance could be found and installation was not too difficult.

RECORDERS—A desire for better average quality was generally indicated when questions were asked about this equipment. There were also many dealers who thought operation could be further simplified

and an equal number who said that too much of this merchandise came through with inadequate operating instructions.

Not a few dealers felt that there should be more good "kits" on the market. Some thought there was plenty of room for improvement in modulation level indicators. Better motors were a common suggestion. And a couple of bright boys recommended that an operating light be included for night work.

RECORDING BLANKS—Greatest need in this branch of the business, dealers thought, was for still better blanks in the lower-priced brackets. This accounts for a rather imposing total number of requests that (a) blanks be made tougher, with thicker coatings, (b) smoother surfaces and (c) longer life.

There was considerable agitation for blank standardization. Some dealers thought manufacturers should be able to find a way to avoid annoying thread-tangle. Several suggested that blanks be made black rather than in colors, so that they would not show dirt so readily. NEEDLES—Dealer replies indicated that there is considerable interest in real "quality cutters."

Questioned concerning playback types, most dealers said they could use longer life but thought manufacturers should guard against achieving this end in any way which might shorten disc life. One dealer (and we should really blush when we repeat this) said that what good needles needed more than anything else was more advertising . . . so his customers would believe him when he said the stuff he had in stock was tops!

While on the subject of recording, it was also noted that the trade has a feeling that new pickups might with profit be made more rugged.

INTER - COMMUNICATORS— Universal cry here is obviously for more natural tone. Greater simplicity of installation, more emphasis on "selective-silent" types, better looking cabinets and less hum follow in this order.

SOUND EQUIPMENT — More quality construction is clearly indicated in this field. Sound equipment, say dealers, should if possible also be made still more flexible. It should have better tone. Units should use standard input and output plugs.

Last, but not least, many subscribers felt that sound equipment manufacturers could do themselves and their business a great deal of good by establishing a standard output rating system.

TESTERS—This merchandise is not, strictly-speaking, the "re-sale" type directly within the scope of our survey. But a good deal of constructive comment on it came in "over the transom," and it would be a wicked waste to omit it.

Servicemen say that primarily they want their test equipment designed with minimizing of obsolescence in mind (several think ranges for television and FM should now be built-in just for "insurance"). They think it should be simpler and more rugged. They think it should be more accurate. And they say they would gladly pay reasonably higher prices for top quality.

These, of course, are comments of the perennial variety. Some of the following are not.

A sufficient number of servicemen to mean something to tester designers wants: Larger dial scales. Sizes for standard rack-panel mounting. Schematics included within the case of every instrument. Some say they'd like to see design trend toward separate units. Several say that too many new voltmeters omit the 0-150 volt scale. And a couple maintain that some of the new stuff is too modernistic in appearance to be technically impressive.

Design for Selling

That, gentlemen, is the complete "works."

In some instances it is sketchy and in others, no doubt, more detailed than it needed to be.

Be that as it may, this data represents a difficult cooperative job of work on the part of Radio Retailing's retail readers to aid manufacturers with their current design and production problem.

It should be a definite help.

For the best way to "Design for Selling," we sincerely think, is to give dealers what they say they can SELL and leave it to them to convince the consumer that he should BUY it.





Record RACK and CABINET Makers

CABINETS

MODEL HEIGHT SHELVES RECORDS FRONT SEPARATORS

RC1	30	2	240	open	2
RC2	32	2	240	doors	2
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1005	34		80	open	3
Continental	Radio & Tel	e. Corp	., 3800 Cortla	ind St., Chicago,	III. (Admira
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102	273/8		8 albums	doors	4
Magnavox C	o., Fort Wayr	ie, Ind.			
7E				doors	
7G 7H				doors doors	
Schloss Bros.	, 801 East 13	5th St.,	New York, N	. Y.	
593	25	1		open	
525;431	25	1	1'20	open	3
428	27	1	120	door	3
586;578	31	2	240;250	open	
580;582	321/2	2	250	open; doors	0;3
587;579	45	3	360;375	open	
581	461/4	3	375	open	
622	31	2	250	doors	3
584	32½	2	215	comb.	
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	321/2	2	200	comb.	rack
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7806;7802	35	2*	216†	doors	
7379;7804	35½	2*	192†;216†	open	
5101;7378	271/2	1*	96†	open	
7803;5121	28	1;1*	96†;108†	doors	
5122	33	2*	216†	doors	
7620;7421	28	1	108†;108†	open;doors	
7810	22-5 0 §	1-3§	144†‡	open	
Wabash Cabi		oash, Ind			
10	26	1	6 albums	open	yes
20	36	2	16 albums	open	yes

RACKS

Adler Mfg. Co., 2901 W. Chestnut St., Louisville, Ky.

Decca Records, Inc., 50 W. 57th St., New York, N. Y. (50 Records).

General Records, Inc., 1600 Broadway, New York, N. Y. (50 Records).

Musicraft Records, Inc., 10 West 47th St., New York, N. Y. (50, 50 Records).

Peerless Album Co. Inc., 38-44 W. 21st St., New York, N. Y. (50 Records).

RCA Mfg. Co., Camden, N. J. (40 Records).

Schloss Bros., 801 East 135th St., New York, N. Y. (50, 75, 100 Records).

COMPACT

PEOPLE WHO BUY soon have scarred and battered records scattered all over the house unless dealers simultaneously sell accessories to keep them in

ECORD-PLAYING machines will dominate the radio market this year and probably several to come. This prediction seems as safe as one that the sun will rise tomorrow in view of the tremendous increase in the sale of such equipment achieved last year (see "1940 Figures" in the January number) and reports from dealers that consumer demand continues to pyramid, recorded elsewhere in this February issue.

Certain to be up near the head of the list are compact radio-phonographs and particularly those incorporating automatic changers. Already included in many lines, machines of the latter type will unquestionably be seen in even more later in the season when new models are introduced and, meanwhile, non-automatics should adequately "hold the fort."

Crisis In The Home

Combination compacts, not to mention wireless and direct-connected accessory record players, are already selling in such quantity that it is apparent storage of discs in homes will quickly develop into a minor domestic crisis.

"Where can we keep records so that they will be easy to find and safe from breakage" is a question now coming into common consumer use. It even applies to people who have large machines incorporating some storage space of their own but not enough to keep pace with rapidly increasing disc collections. The answer appears to be purchase of more albums, table and floor type "racks" and it is obvious that radio and record dealers can make a dollar or two on such accessory business, particularly at the outset.

Manufacturers "Hep"

Oldtime manufacturers of disc storage devices are quite aware of the mounting demand and are again turning out new models at a rapid rate. Furniture manufacturers inactive in the radio field for many years are reliably reported coming back into it. Considerable activity in the design of racks and cabinets is also noted among disc manufacturers. And several set makers are already building such accessories, realizing that they not only remove one more objection to the purchase of compact combinations but at the same time provide a handy place on which to place sets and, perhaps most important of all, permit the trade to make "two unit" package sales involving a more substantial gross.

Watch this rapidly developing "rack" business roll.

COMBINATIONS

Complicate Disc Storage Problem



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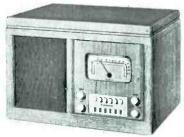


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DIO-A

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AUTOMATIC

141

\$22.95



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TP221-A



Suggested MONTHLY SALES Budget

	ALL MEI Net Sales	RCHANDIS % Change from 1940	e Net	OS ONLY % Change
				from 1940
January		— 4.9	\$1,552	— 6.4
February	4,487	— 5.7	1,556	 .2
March	7,224	+13.2	1,842	+11.4
April	8,989	+21.3	1,618	— 2.4
May	8,947	+ 6.5	1.612	- 9.0
June	8,566	+ .4	1,468	— 7.3
July	7,316	+ 2.3	1,533	1
August	7.830	÷ .6	2,231	+ 5.6
September .	8,316	 5.8	2,801	+29.6
October	9,179	+ 8.5	3,378	+22.7
November .	7,941	+ 6.4	2.789	+ 9.5
December	10,538	7	4,858	+ 8.7
Total	\$93,508	+ 4.7	\$27,238	+ 7.0

ERE IT IS,—a sales plan for 1941, based on the latest trends

The monthly sales expectancy shown in the table at the top of this page is for the average retail radio store in the New York area. Your store may be smaller or larger than the average, but the table shows also the probable percentages of increase or decrease over 1940, and these apply regardless of size.

To understand how these figures were arrived at, let's review what happened last year. The chart at the bottom of the page shows for each month how 1940 sales compared with 1939.

Extension of Experience

The year 1940 started without material change, but in March there was a sharp decline both in radios and in total sales. Radios reversed this performance in April and continued strong for five months, but total sales remained below 1939 until August.

The principal explanation lay, in our opinion, in the exceptionally long and severe winter in the New York area. Some stores suffered as much as 70% declines in refrigerator business. Once lost, these sales could not be retrieved that season.

From August on, total sales showed only minor fluctuations to the year-end, but radios fell behind through the fall, and lost the gains of spring and summer.

The year as a whole was disappointing to many, in that it failed to produce a lasting follow-through of the strong year-end of 1939; for December of that year had yielded

PLAN for 1941 Profit

By ROBERT LEE COSHLAND

with Sirota, Kraus & Gleason, C.P.A., New York

total sales of 24% ahead of 1938, and radios 30% ahead. However, as was pointed out in our first 1940 budget article, a leveling-off point seemed to have been reached, and our sales plan was therefore set up more conservatively than the 1939 "boomlet" would have indicated. We planned total sales for 1940 to be 5% ahead of 1939, and radios $2\frac{1}{2}$ % ahead. Actually, total sales ended the year 2.2% behind, with radios 1.9% behind.

Optimism Justified

For the coming year, we budget radio sales to a 7% increase over 1940; that is, the 2% decline from 1939 is to be recovered, and a 5% additional increase obtained.

Defense spending, with larger payrolls, should result in expanding demand. Increases in cost of materials may occasion higher prices later in the year. And there are other favorable factors within the business itself.

The monthly distribution of 1941 radio sales as shown in the budget is made on the basis of the distribution of the last three years, with these modifications: The first months may be below their normal shares, in a carry-over from the

poor showing of the fall. The last months of 1941 should have corresponding improvements.

As for total sales, these are planned at an increase of 4.7% over 1939. This consists of the radio increase, which amounts to about 2% of total sales, plus a 1% increase from other merchandise, plus the recovery of \$1,600.00 refrigerator business (for the average store) lost last spring. This last named source of increase of course does not necessarily apply outside the New York area.

The monthly distribution of total sales, as with radios, is based on the past three years' experience, with the same modifications. The refrigerator recovery is allocated to March, April and May.

Modify to Measure

Keep records of your own performance and compare it with the budget.

If these plans are shown to be either too conservative or too optimistic for your business, modify them to suit your needs. But in any case, get the habit now of setting a goal, comparing results and adapting your operations promptly to changing conditions.

The LAST TWO YEARS Serve as Yardsticks All Merchandise: Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July Aug. Sept Oct. Total 1940 \$4:02 \$4:05 \$6583 \$7:413 \$6403 \$8544 \$7156 \$7785 \$7859 \$8461 \$7471 \$10606 \$ 89, 231 1939 4297 4544 \$7218 \$8246 \$8949 \$8755 \$7173 \$7356 \$7871 \$8441 \$8002 \$10429 \$ 91,281 % Change +2.2 % +4.7% - II.6 % - 10.1 % - 6.1 % - 2.4 % - 0.2 % +5.8 % - 0.2 % + 0.2 % - 6.6 % -2.2 % Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July Aug. Sept. Oct. Dec. Total 1940 Tiesa \$1555 \$1654 \$1658 \$1771 \$1584 \$1534 \$2110 \$2163 \$2753 \$ 25,456 1939 \$1626 \$1631 \$1997 \$1421 \$1363 \$1385 \$1364 \$1960 \$2642 \$ 25,936 70 Change +2.0% -4.5% -17.2% +16.7% +30.0% +14.4% +12.5% +7.7% -18.1% -3.5 % - 1.9%



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#591	uu	36-100	4	3.95	366US	U	66 "	3	
#616 #618	u u	27-72 39-96	3	2.75 3.25	460US 248,SC,	U	60 "	4	
#619	u u	36-100	4	3.95	A.U.F	SCAUF	48 "	2	
#557 #357	Roof	18-57 17-57	4	2.25 1.95	A.II.F	SCAUF	50 "	3	
#6E #8E	C Edge	27-72	3	2.90	366,SC, A,U,F	SCAUF	66 "	3	
#40	H	38-96 26-50	3	3.25 1.45	396,SC,		00		
#40B	Bracket	26-50	2	1.65	A.U.F	SCAUF	96 "	3	
Cons. Wi	re & Assoc.	Corp., 519	S. Pe	oria St.,	460,SC, A,U,F 496,SC, A,U,F	SCAUF	60 "	4	
1704	Side C	24-63	3	2 05	A,U,F 4120,SC,	SCAUF	96 "	4	
1725	Side C	37-92	3	2.95 3.75	A,U,F 50P,PF	SCAUF	120 "	4	
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Fishwick	Radio Co., 13	39 W. 4 St.,	Cincin	nati, O.	A3FC	F, Side C	24-63	3	3.80
Effarsee	Underside		1	2.50	A3GM A3UB	U U	24-63 24-63	3	3.95 3.80
Effarsee	a	Jr.37 Sr.37	1	4.00	A5FC	F, Side C	1-60	5	4.50
Twin Jr.	4	37	2	6.00	A5GM A5UB	Ŭ U	1-60 1-60	5 5	4.65 4.50
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M-273B†	Front C	20-52	3		C-102 C-9170	F, Side C Side C	24-80	4	4.25
M-234B	R A	25-60	3 3 3 3 3 3		C-9170 CB-1	Side C Door U	24-63 24-44	3 2 3	2.95
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M-337B	F C M	18-40	3		CW-1* CW-2*	Side C	24-63 24-63	4 3 3 3	5.95 6.95
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SC6000 SC7000	P Side C	27-60 27-60	3	3.95 3.95	OB3-62		62	3	4.50
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By W. CARL DORF

YEARLY 4 million bright and shiny passenger cars were sold in 1940 pushing total registration to a new high at 27,300,000. Yet only a little more than 2 million automobile radios were sold in that year.

Only 8 million of all passenger cars now in use, roughly 30 per cent of the total, are radio equipped. Almost 20 million, 70 per cent of the cars on the road, have no sets.

These figures are printed for the edification of radio dealers who erroneously take it for granted that car dealers have the automobile radio market sewed up. Such is obviously not the case.

Both New to Buyers

While facts concerning the number of radios installed in brand-new cars by car dealers themselves are not easy to come by, it is known that a substantial number of machines slip through their hands each year without benefit of radio.

This "missed" business alone constitutes a substantial market for radio dealers, even if it is true that car dealers have "first whack." And the important thing to keep in mind is the fact that new cars are just part of the radio dealer's "oyster." There is a second "profit pearl" that radio dealers have, in turn, a decidedly better chance of finding.

We refer to the so-called used car market.

According to best estimates, there were approximately 6 million used cars sold in 1940 ($1\frac{1}{2}$ used to 1 new) and automotive statisticians predict that this total will be topped in '41. Dealers who continue to pass up the automobile radio field overlooked the important fact that every time a man buys a car it is new to him,

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Dealers Don't Have





YOUR MARKET—Each car pictured represents 1 million. Those above the diagonal division line illustrate probable 1941 new car sales while those below cover older machines that will also be on the road at the end of the year. Cars that are not "blacked out" represent passenger vehicles which will be without sets unless radio dealers sell them

whether it comes right out of a factory or from a used car lot.

He is wide open for a radio at the precise moment at which he buys a car, new *or* used.

No Longer Dirty

Heretofore some dealers have shied away from handling auto radios because of service and installation.

The answer to the latter objection, is to be found in the new sets, especially designed for quick and easy installation. New receivers are generally completely self-contained and designed to fit under the instrument panel of any car.

A profitable practice with dealers

who do not have the auto-radio service facilities is to farm out their auto installation and service work. In New York City, for example, there are several auto radio installers confining their entire business to this work. A number of retailers feed jobs to these concerns and charges are properly figured in with sale price. These dealers prefer this way of handling auto radio merchandising, as they are relieved of the service worries. To them an auto radio sale is now a "package sale" and is similar to selling a home radio or an electrical appliance.

So that solves the handling problem. You make your own auto-radio installations if you are set up for it, ADD the new car sales they miss to the used car sales they don't touch and you have a man-size market



farm it out if you are not. At any rate, you sell them

Competition Less Keen

It seems to be the current consensus of opinion among auto radio dealers that there is now much less chiseling going on, in auto radios, than in any other radio line. They contend the dealer thus has a better chance to maintain list and obtain a real profit on his investment.

One dealer cited the example of the automotive accessory stores who, he said, cut prices on practically every product they merchandise, except auto radios. This is one article on which they demand and get full list. (Most auto sets sold in these stores are purchased on time, with carrying charges in some cases expanding up to 20%.)

Radio dealers, with "missed" new car business and used car sales to work on. plus, a tremendous reserve of people with cars that have never been sold the radio idea, have a worthwhile job to do.

OUESTION:

When Is An Old Car New?

ANSWER:

When Someone Buys It.

MORAL:

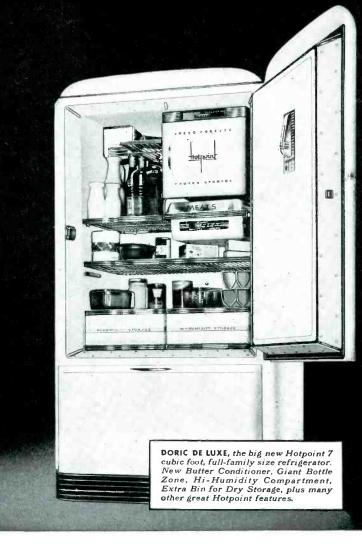
When a man buys a car, whether it is actually new or used, it's new to him . . . and he's wideopen for a radio

RADIO and Television RETAILING, FEBRUARY, 1941

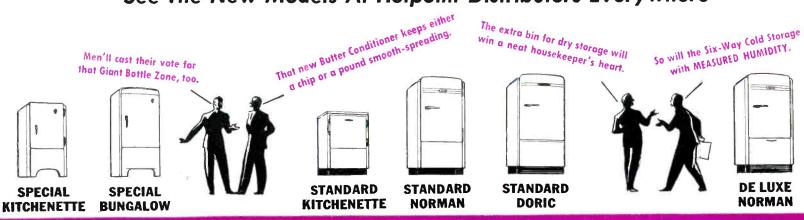
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Hotpoint's eye-compelling beauty brings buyers in . . . and the wealth of Hotpoint sales features sells them . . . Canny buyers appreciate the thrift of Hotpoint's Six-Way Cold Storage compartment with *Measured Humidity* . . . Hotpoint's Glass-Topped,



Talk crispier, tastier foods and you talk a woman's language!

The HI-HUMIDITY compartment sure helps close sales easier and faster.

Hi-Humidity compartment for keeping fruits and vegetables garden fresh... Hotpoint's Vacuum-Sealed Thriftmaster, Adjustable Height Stainless Steel Gliding Shelf, Pop-Ice Trays, Illuminated 16-Point "Radial Dial" Temperature Control and more than thirty other convenience features that spell plus sales. Get in touch with your Hotpoint distributor—today!

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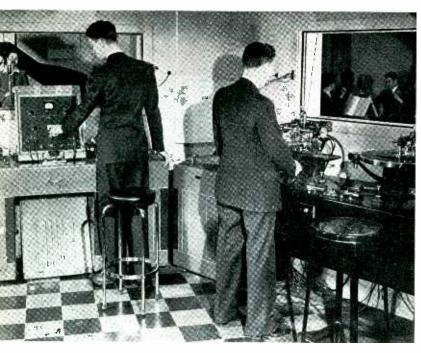


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LATEST STUDIO — Has facilities for meeting all phases of recording

RECORDING Expands

THE RECORDING department of G. Schirmer, Inc., has, in the short space of 3 years, become a highly profitable part of that New York radio-music firm's business.

Schirmer's first recording studio was opened as an experiment in 1938. Set aside at that time was a curtained 8 by 12 room, equipped with a portable recorder and an upright plane. Initial expense for equipment was \$350.00.

Within a year, demands on this small studio were such that larger quarters and improved equipment had to be provided. The second studio measured 10 by 25 feet, was acoustically treated, accommodated 50 people. Operating figures for 1939 showed a 300 per cent gross sales increase over the previous 12 months.

The management, in reviewing its re-

cording operation originally launched as a side-line, discovered last year that the "tail was wagging the dog." So, in October Schirmer opened its present dual studios with an overall operating space of 1200 square feet.

Recording rates vary from \$1 (for one side of a 6-inch disc consuming one minute) to \$9 (for a double-faced recording taking 30 minutes).

Best present prospects are teachers, students, musicians. Many recordings are made of pupil's voices as a means of studying progress in public speaking. Music departments also present a constant need for recordings.

The recording fee should not be considered the only element of profit. A studio brings many new customers into the store, developing new prospects for home recorders, radios and equipment.

ORIGINAL STUDIO — With portable recorder and simple studio equipment



How to

SETTING UP envelopesticker system. Using automatic daily checks. Computing turnover

By G. T. MOWBRAY

THE RELATION of balanced stocks to profit and loss is particularly close in record retailing.

Sales lost when records are not in stock are in direct ratio to the number of instances, the popularity of the individual items, and the element of time. Attempts to correct this condition by ordering best sellers "across the board" in quantity generally lead to additional losses through overstock.

The stock of each item, especially the fast movers, must be considered individually. But it is not possible, because of the time involved, to analyze each number daily with regard to the dozens of factors that may influence advancing or receding popularity. However, by close attention to such controlling influences it is not difficult to develop a "feel" of the current status and probable course of important numbers.

When puzzled, it is often helpful to check the performance of the artist's previous recordings, as indicated by the stock control record of previous sales.

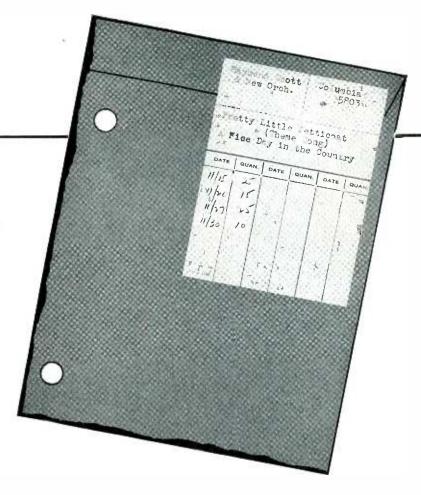
The Idea in Detail

The simplest system of stock control is the best. Complicated methods take time and often are neglected.

The method in most general use requires only a stock envelope for each separate number and a stock control sticker which is applied to the upper right-hand corner. This sticker (see illustration) has space for the record number, the titles, and the artist's name.

Orders are listed, as issued, in a

CONTROL Record Stocks



SIMPLEST METHOD BEST—Here's a sticker in place at the upper right of an envelope, illustrating how little paper work you have to do

column with headings for the date and quantity ordered, also date and quantity received. (If the stock consists of only one record of a number, it is kept in the stock envelope. If two or more, the first record is put in the stock envelope with additional stock immediately to the right.) Obviously, the total receipts, less stock-on-hand, indicates the quantity sold.

When the total of records sold, on hand, and on order, reaches the point of average sale for a specific artist the time has arrived for especially careful ordering and, once more, judgment is called into play.

A simple method of determining which records have been sold is to mark the record number on each cover when putting stock in the racks. When a sale is made, the numbered cover is removed and replaced with a plain one. The numbered covers, having been kept together, are recapped at the end of the day and form a basis for ordering stock that requires replacement,

eliminating the necessity of checking the numbers of which there have been no sales.

That provides a time-saving method for a daily check of the items that are moving, but it is equally important to know when movement has stopped, or slowed down to the danger point. A frequent check of all stock subject to obsolescence is the only means of discovering the development of surplus.

Maximum profits are dependent on ability to keep dead stock within the limits of manufacturers' return allowances, and the rate of turnover.

Some Points to Watch

Computation of turnover by a comparison of monthly sales with stock-on-hand in units or dollars may be deceptive. The books may show a perfect balance between these factors, still much of the stock may be moving slowly and much of it may be dead.

This is possible because a substantial part of the volume usually

comes from the sale of fifteen or twenty leading records and it is not unusual for such items to turn over eight to ten times a month in stores having a local source of supply. Obviously many of the other records can turn very slowly or not at all, and still permit what might appear to be a fine average rate.

All stock subject to eventual obsolescence must be kept in line with sales potential from the very beginning. However, a new dealer facing established competition, must have broad enough stocks of "standards" to compete successfully, and cannot expect a regular rate of turnover on this merchandise while the business is in a formative stage.

Cutting Shipping Costs

It is not practical to order fewer than ten records because below this level, transportation, insurance and service charges absorb too great a proportion of the profit.

The smallest order that can be shipped with reasonable expense depends on the distance from the source of supply. This should be determined and orders based on the maximum frequency possible with average economy. In this way ordering is geared to current sales and

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RECORD RETAILING Tip

WHEN ORDERING discs from distributors list them according to label, in numerical sequence under each heading, and leave sufficient margin for check marks.

DÉLIVERY SPEED will in this way be increased. And checking will be simplified when the merchandise arrives.

RADIO and Television RETAILING, FEBRUARY, 1941

TRADE EVILS Spotlighted

MORE LETTERS from dealers about dirty discounts and cooperative advertising

ATE LAST SEASON Radio Retailing published two articles lampooning the Discount Racket, followed these up with another about Cooperative Advertising abuses.

Letters from the trade poured in and the first of these were printed in the January issue. And they are still piling up.

Here are more, selected at random from this month's mailbag:

Deceptive Advertising

It seems to me that if you fellows really want to do something for the little business man like myself and thousands of others throughout the country you would do everything in your power to prevent such rotten tactics as are apparent in the ads I am sending you with this letter.

This same firm has been running these ads for the past two or three weeks and it is my supposition that it must have the consent of the manufacturer in doing so.

I own a shop of my own and carry a fair stock of sets but I can't compete with such tactics as these. You and I know that these are close-outs but the general public doesn't realize this fact.

The first question a customer asks me when I try to sell him is, "What is the down payment?"

When I tell him he comes right back with, "I can get it for nothing down and fifty cents a week."

Here in Dallas some of the jobbers won't even sell us a radio unless we have one of that particular model in stock. If I have a sale for a \$200—combination for instance, I can't even buy it from the jobber for cash unless I have one on my floor. How many dealers are financially able to stock the complete—line?

It seems like a dirty deal to me. What do you fellows think? After all we dealer servicemen are the backbone of the radio industry.

Do the manufacturers know about these things? Do they approve of it?

Are they partial to the big department stores? Who is it contacts the customer in his home and tells him he has a darn good radio or a damn poor one?

I think they are using poor judgment in letting any department store use their trade name in connection with this pricecutting, throat-cutting scheme.

DALLAS, TEXAS JACK SLATON

Who Pays For Ads?

We are very much interested in your

cooperative advertising article on page 15 of the December issue. . . .

There is a chain-operated store here in Pontiac . . . This firm started as a radio store several years ago and have come to the point whereby they purchase watches for \$3.50 and sell them for \$35.00 and goodness knows what for diamonds . . . it's impossible for the legitimate dealer to compete on this basis as he cannot pass along the losses from one department to another that nets a thousand per cent profit.

I have been told on reliable authority that this firm does not actually pay one cent for their advertising, but that the manufacturer assumes the entire amount.

We get from the manufacturer a 5% allowance on a year's purchases and with this amount it would be impossible to run such ads as they do.

Personally I don't see how it is possible for a small business man to succeed these days, he can't borrow from the banks and take advantage of bulk purchases and discounts.

The banks can't loan money because the Federal government takes every cent of their surplus money and compels them to purchase government bonds.

PONTIAC, MICH. W. C. KLINE

at the Navy and Army posts. They sell standard make radios at 10% above cost, carry no stock and offer no service. Of course this is supposed to be to military personnel only but what's to prevent a friend in the service getting it for the customer? *Nothing!*

We have often serviced these sets free of charge during the guarantee period, even though we were not responsible, simply to keep customer goodwill. The manufacturer should not expect us to carry all of his battle for him without help. Chiseling dealers and distributors should be cut off from the source of supply and kept off. Dealers should refuse to buy from a distributor who sells to these places. . . .

The dealer needs more discount to take care of the trade-in problem and he must give service on the sets he sells if he expects to prosper. . . . I think that the manufacturer can clean up the situation, using a "big stick" if necessary.

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA LEON S. LOEB

More About Discounts

This is my first "letter to the Editor" that I have ever written but I feel quite strongly about one of your articles, "A Dealer Tilts At The Discount Racket."

I have had some strong opinions on this for several years and have had the pleasure of fighting against this racket whenever the opportunity arose. This is the greatest threat against the radio dealer today, as it cuts his profit down to where he can't give the customer the service that he should get with his new set. It will eventually cut the manufacturers throat for him if he doesn't come to the dealers' aid.

The biggest source of this trouble we have here is the service and post stores

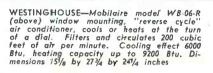
FIRST STEP?

Seventy-five radio and appliance dealers in Cincinnati have formed an association to combat industrial discount sales to employees and distributor "retail" sales



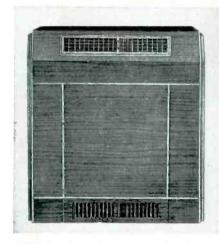


PHILCO-YORK — tieavy-duty model 91 (below) is designed to completely air-condition large living rooms, business offices and professional waiting rooms. Humidity removal capacity 13/4 quarts of wafer perhour. No plumbing required. Dimensions 39/2 by 31 by 15 15/16 inches



6 New

AIR-CONDITIONERS



AIRTEMP—Self-contained room model FC-60 for floor mounting. Cools, dehumidifies, filters and circulates the air. Insulated for sound absorbtion. Uses two-cylinder radial compressor. Btu Hr. capacity 5200. Measures 311/2 by 35 by 183/4 Inches

KAUFFMAN—This room cooler available in 3 sizes and capacities. Features naiseless operation (all moving parts mounted on rubber vibration dampeners), easy installation (no draim connections) and economical operation



GENERAL ELECTRIC—Type FB-50 has gross Btu capacity of 6600. Room air circulation 200 c.f.m. Measures 25½ by 39½ by 18 1/16 inches. It is equipped with a modern control panel of dashboard style with indicating pilot light

CARRIER—"Weathermaker" type 50G aircanditioner provides for year-round ventilotion, plus air warming if desired. Completely portable requiring only a plus-in cannection to the supply line. Capacity to 8150 Btu per hour. Measures 32x31x16/2 in.





FORCE

THERE ARE TWO WAYS to handle refrigerator prospects. One is to make them or break them. The other is to play around with them all summer. The first way is right.

And you're getting that, mind you, from a guy who used to be notorious for playing around with them! It used to break my heart to miss out on a box prospect if I got so much as a smile from the lady. Honestly, I have played around with some of them until they thought I was a member of the family. "Never say die Oden" they used to call me.

True, I have worn some of them down on the ninth or tenth call—but the point is that it wasn't worth the effort. The time could have been spent to better advantage calling on fresh prospects.

Shoot the Works

Except in cases where there is a legitimate cause for delay, one call—where you see everybody concerned, and where you shoot the works—is enough to sell a box. If you don't sell it on that call, the chances are you never will.

Believe it or not, I actually used to save prospects. I'd always have a few on hand, very good ones (as a sort of measure of security!), with which I took my time about forcing the issue.

Then one day I realized why I was holding back. It was simply because, knowing they were good, I was afraid to call on them for fear that I *might* miss out on them!

That is why I can tell you, with such assurance, that the thing to do is *see* them. Fail on them, if you

For SALESMEN

No reader has yet accused Caswell Oden of suggesting "Pollyanna" methods. He is, in fact, sometimes considered "hard-boiled" . . . but his suggestions work.

'EM and Forget 'Em

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CASWELL ODEN

must, but see them. Then, after you have seen them, after you have done your best, forget them and think about the fresh ones.

Don't Play Around

This playing around with prospects, incidentally, is what the man with a restricted territory has to guard against.

He knows half the people in his territory by name, if it is small, and always has a lot of irons in the fire; and, true, some of the irons are always turning into sales. But, broadly speaking and forgetting special cases, he spends so much time thinking about, worrying about, nursing these prospects, these irons—that he'd be better off seeing, selling, failing on and forgetting, a certain number of prospects each day.

Not only should we see people, a lot of them, but we should force the issue with them, every one of them. And this forcing the issue applies. also, to the floor man who, having failed to sell on the floor, is told by the prospect that he will be back, or think it over-but doesn't wish to be bothered at home. He should be bothered at home, if we know where that is.

I say that not so much because we shouldn't give a hoot what they say (although we shouldn't)—but because they don't mean what they say. Why is this true? I haven't the slightest idea.

Few People Object

Of course, we should be tactful. We shouldn't deliberately disregard the request. But, force the issue we must. We just "happened to be in

REFRIGERATOR PROS-PECTS are sometimes so good you are tempted to keep calling back. Maybe you'll make a sale in the end but the same number of calls on fresh prospects will usually produce more business

the neighborhood," and thought we'd drop in to see what he'd decided to do about the box.

If you haven't been following up these don't-bother-me-at-home walkins, you'll be amazed to discover how many of them don't even remember what they told you-or, if they do remember, don't mention it. Maybe this is because they realize that, since they bothered you in the store, you have a perfect right to bother them at home.

Of course, there are a few who remember, and remind you. But the

worst they usually give you is, "Oh, so it's you!" with anything from mild chagrin to genial reproach. "I thought I told you I'd let you know."

"I know you did, Mr. Brown. But there are a couple of things here I forgot to mention. Do you mind if I come in."

Now, I ask you, how can Mr. Brown get sore? You wouldn't have disregarded his request, ordinarily, but you "forgot" something. Naturally, you have to come around and tell him about that too. (What did you forget? Heaven knows, unless it was the carrying charges! You figure that out).

Anyway, after you are in the house, you can try to close again. But whether you succeed or not is beside the point. The point is that you have seen Mr. Brown, you have forced the issue.

When you walk out, you are ready for your next call.



That's because Oden, whose latest article written specifically for salesmen appears here, learned the facts of life "the hard way" . . . still earns his living selling.

WESTERN

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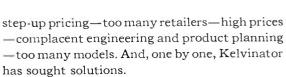
ELECTRIC APPLIANCE RETAILERS, U. S. A.

WITH CARLOAD ORDERS FROM RET OF A YEAR AGO . . . THE SECOND PROGRAM IS ALREADY A <u>PROVED</u>



"retail-minded" organization.

What Kelvinator's
long-range Program of
Planned Distribution
and Manufacturing
means to the Retailer of
Refrigerators and Ranges



That fact is at one and the same time Kelvinator's most valuable possession and the Kelvinator franchise holders' assurance of continuing cand expanding profits.

HE long-range Kelvinator program, which

this year enters its second period, according

to schedule, could only have been created by a

One by one Kelvinator has faced the problems of refrigerator and range retailers—haphazard

Fortunately for Kelvinator, this "attitude of Mind" is perhaps the one thing in business that cannot be copied.

It helps explain the fact that Kelvinator for nineteen forty-one is, any way you look at it—"the hot line—and the hot franchise".

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which are hereby agreed to

AILERS MORE THAN DOUBLE THOSE STEP IN KELVINATOR'S LONG-RANGE SUCCESS...

Check These Kelvinator Franchise Advantages Against Any Other

TEXCLUSIVE EXTRAS... No other refrigerator offers the exclusive new Magic Shelf—the Stainless Steel Cold-Ban—the Glass-enclosed Cold-mist Freshener cooled by coils within the walls of the refrigerator. And the 1941 Kelvinator Ranges offer new, exclusive features at the lowest prices in history.

2 STEP-UP PLAN . . . A logical stepup plan based on the actual retail value of each added feature. The higher priced models, in both refrigerators and ranges, are easy to sell.

Rew Low PRICES... Last year Kelvinator's new price policy revolutionized the industry. This year, step number two in our long-range program reduces refrigerator and range prices even farther, and greater values have been built into every model in the line.

HIGH UNIT SALES...Last year the average of 80 per cent of all Kelvinator retailers' sales was \$160—which we believe sets an industry record. With this year's amazing step-up plan Kelvinator retailers will again sell an overwhelmingly big per cent of higher-priced refrigerators and ranges.

5 SIZE... One of Kelvinator's most important extras is size. Six cubic foot refrigerators are now six and three-quarter cubic feet—and eights are eight and three-quarter cubic feet—thanks to Kelvinator's new cabinet construction. And all ranges have big, oversize ovens.

SELECTIVE MARKETS... Kelvinator's 1940 policies, carried forward into 1941, have earned for Kelvinator the reputation of putting into actual practice—"a market for every dealer—a dealer for every market".

7 FEWER MODELS... By concentrating on the models people really want, Kelvinator has reduced its refrigerator line to eight models—its range line to three—and thus reduced the retailer's investment to a minimum and simplified his selling problem.

SERVICE - FREE . . . The Polarsphere Sealed Unit has set a record for reliable performance. Of the hundreds of thousands of Kelvinator refrigerators sold last year, less than onehalf of one per cent were returned to the factory for service. **9 REPLACEMENT SALES** ... The new and radically different 1941 Kelvinator Moist-Master with its glass shelves and Cold-mist Freshener, offers the most powerful replacement incentive in years. And every 1941 Kelvinator is a *br and new* model. Not one is a relabeled carry-over from 1940.

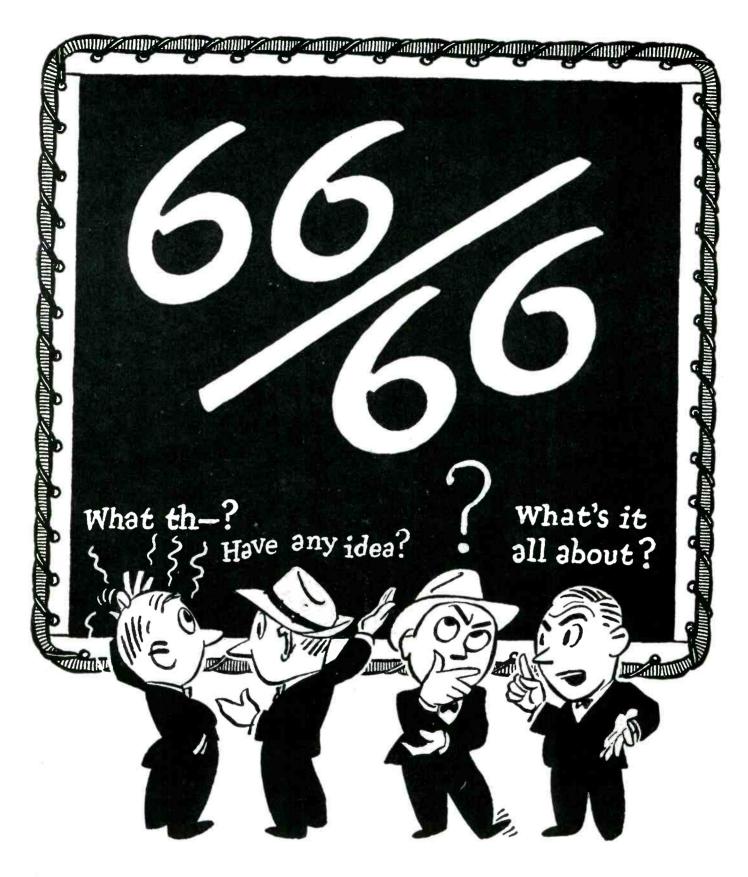
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION... The biggest campaign in Kelvinator's history is already under way with four-color magazine advertising—key city newspaper and transcribed radio spot announcements—new style billboard posters and complete cooperative advertising materials. Selling and product literature is printed in full-colors.

STOCKING . . . Kelvinator's Redisco Plan for 1941 provides the most flexible and liberal method of stocking refrigerators and ranges you have ever been offered.

12 PLANNED DISTRIBUTION AND MANUFACTURING . . . A long-range program developed by a "retail-minded" organization to help retailers build an increasingly profitable business.

Kelvinator Division, NASH-KELVINATOR CORPORATION, Detroit, Michigan





Algebra—? No! Numerology—? No! And not a "Numbers" Game! But it is a sure-fire new money-making BUSINESS Formula!

Your RCA Tube Distributor will have the answer soon

CONTACT Pickups for Cash

CONTACT PICKUP and amplification of individual musical instruments is developing into a sizeable business, one that radio and music and sound dealers may with profit cultivate.

First, let's consider the band situation.

In some modern dance bands the "strings" are quite likely to be a secondary consideration in the demand for volume. Yet the stringed instruments offer definite possibilities for novelty effects which increase an orchestra's reputation for versatility.

The instrumentalist who can step up the relatively soft-voiced output of his strings to the higher volume level of some of the other instruments becomes potentially a more important part of the ensemble, with benefits to himself and the band as a whole. He is therefore a logical prospect for the sale of either a separate pick-up which can work through one channel of the main amplifier (if one is used-there being mixed at a relatively higher level comparable with the normal levels of the other instruments) or for a complete pick-up and individual amplifier combination entirely independent of the main amplifier system.

For soloist applications, this latter equipment serves equally well, giving any instrument ample output to fill even a large hall when required. Under such conditions the inclusion of a foot-pedal operated volume control provides extremely wide dynamic control without the technique limitations imposed when it is necessary to play an instrument continuously at the limit of its unaided output.

Not Just Theory

All this is not just theorizing. Thousands of musicians have already equipped themselves with individual pick-ups and amplifiers—and more than one orchestra and band has been made up entirely of such individually amplified instruments. Equipment sales for this purpose consist of amplifiers, microphones or pick-ups, foot-operated volume controls and loudspeakers.

One of the most important devices for this service is the contact type By

S. GORDON TAYLOR

microphone. Attached to the body or sounding board of a stringed instrument, it will pick up only the output of that instrument, free from the influence of others nearby or undesirable acoustic conditions of the surroundings. Such a pick-up arrangement is not subject to acoustic feedback. The loudspeaker can therefore be placed close to the instrument so that, to the audience, the music comes naturally from its source rather than from the ceiling or sidewalls as is the case with the usual arrangement where speakers are placed remote from the sound



PIANO—In the Grille of the Hotel New Yorker, a tiny contact pickup is mounted inside the piano. That knob, just above the keyboard, adjusts volume source in order to avoid feedback.

These pick-ups, such as the Amperite "Kontak" unit shown mounted on a violin in one of the accompanying illustrations, have the added advantage that they can be instantly attached to any existing piano, guitar, banjo, violin, etc., without in any way damaging or defacing the instrument.

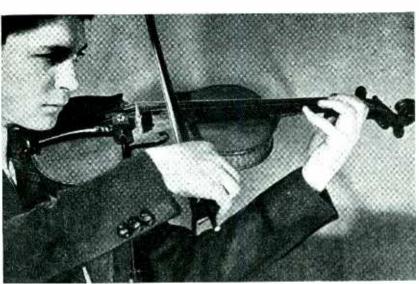
Extra Business

Even where an orchestra or band may already have regular sound equipment it often represents a good prospect for one or more of these contact pick-ups. Fed into one channel of the main amplifier, the leader can emphasize a stringed instrument at will by altering the mixing set-up at the control panel, without the necessity for physical shifting of either the regular microphones or the instrumentalist.

Large orchestras and "Name bands" are excellent sales prospects for this accessory equipment. Musicians and leaders are, as a rule, unversed in the more technical aspects of sound equipment and its detailed applications. They welcome the assistance and advice of a well qualified sound man and the entré thus gained facilitates sales of additional equipment to both the leader and individual musicians.

FIDDLE—One contact pickup, for the violin, is mounted just behind the instrument's bridge, its output power regulated by foot-pedal control





New 1941 Advanced Design REFRIGERAT

-the Sensation of the Industry!

OUTSTANDING ATTRACTION AT FURNITURE MART!

The display of new Philco Refrigerators at the Furniture Mart in Chicago is the high-spot of the show! The eye-catching beauty and easily demonstrated advantages of the new Philco make it a sensational standout wherever it is exhibited!

MOST SALEABLE FEATURES EVER OFFERED!

Only Philes offers you the Conservador ... plus separate compartments for Dry Cold, Moist Cold and Frozen Foods...the amazing new Philco Super Power System that features SUPER-FIN-ISH... the numerous other services that bring new modern benefits to the housewife ... all saleable features she can instantly see and appreciate!

CONVENTION ORDERS DOUBLE LAST YEAR'S!

Yes, at the recent National Convention in Chicago, orders for the new 1941 Philco Refrigerator more than doubled those of last year's convention! This amazing new Philco, with its new beauty, new, exclusive services, new dependability and economy will sell itself on sight to your customers, too!

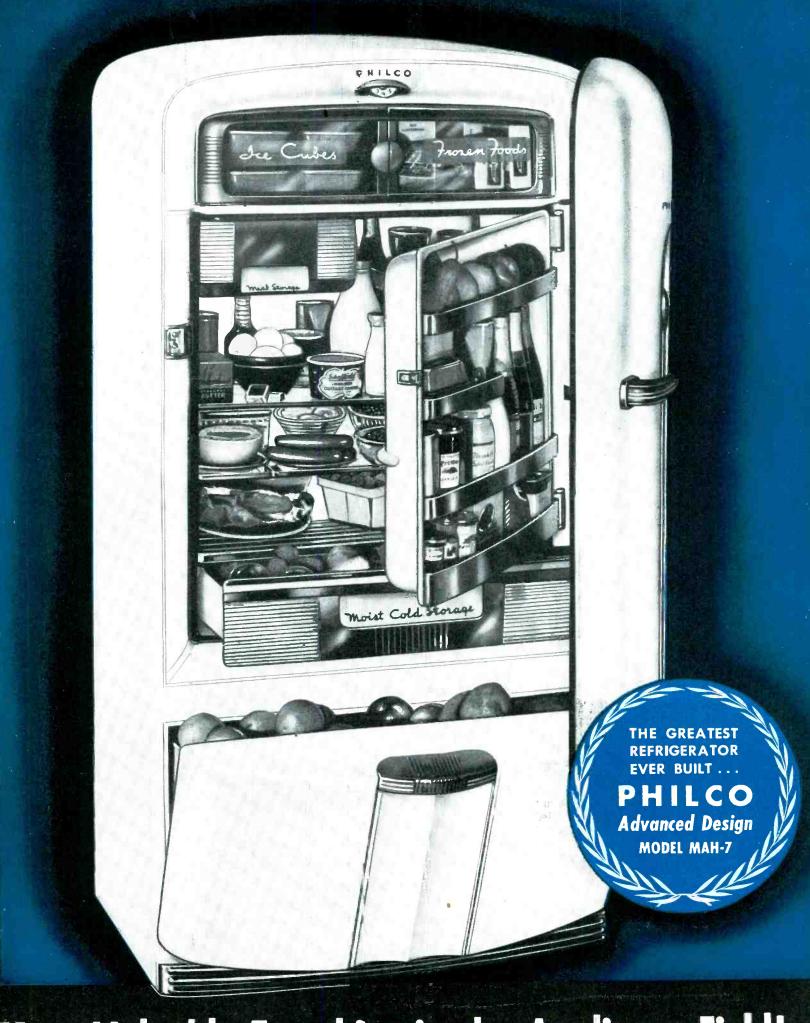
SMASH HIT AT DEALER MEETINGS!

During the past few weeks dealers all over the country have met and marvelled at this new creation of Philco engineering genius. The amazing number of orders placed by dealers at these meetings is real proof of their enthusiasm over the 1941 Advanced Design Philco Refrigerator! It's a Refrigerator that will make more money for you because its exclusive, visible sales features give you a better chance to use your talents as a salesman!

See Your Philco Distributor

Don't wait! See your Philco Distributor or call him now. Get set up for the biggest refrigerator year you've ever had ... with PHILCO!

PHILCO ALL YEAR 'ROUND . . . the



Most Valuable Franchise in the Appliance Field!



Selling INDUSTRIAL Accounts

By HAROLD F. JENKINS

Fred C. Harrison Co., Elmira, N. Y.

ANY PARTS DISTRIBUTORS either overlook or deliberately shun industrial accounts. Actually, the amount of business that can be obtained both in factory equipment such as call systems, amplifiers, photo-electric installations, and in the sale of small parts such as resistors, condensers, and other items used in the manufactured products, is very lucrative.

Our company has worked out a system somewhat at variance with the usual practice in selling such accounts.

In Through Purchasing Agent

Having tried the standard practice of making a call on the purchasing agent at regular intervals, we found that our salesman had to cool his heels in the waiting line for hours before obtaining an interview.

Other salesmen from distant points were making their scheduled calls. Some of these men planned on a day or two spent at the plant to obtain orders. Many had travelled hundreds of miles, while our man was more or less local. We felt that these other sales people, after larger orders than we could expect to obtain in our particular field, and having travelled greater distances, really had the preference in time spent with the purchasing agent.

Too, our experience in these early days showed us that a factory

purchasing agent is a very busy man. Outstanding was the knowledge that, if we could give the concern a better service, with a minimum of the purchasing agent's time, we could obtain greater business as a result.

So, our present plan is a simple one, but very effective. In contacting a new industrial account, whether in our own city, or nearby towns, we first telephone the plant purchasing agent, requesting an interview at some time to be specified by him. We casually mention that we would like about an hour for this talk, and are willing to come at any time convenient to him.

Sees Chief Electrician

Upon keeping this appointment, we first explain what lines we have to offer. Then, we hit the keynote, by explaining that our service is different and designed to be of greater help to him with less time required on his part.

Why is it different? First, we will not "pester him" with scheduled calls. Could he call in the chief electrician for a few minutes? He does this. Briefly, we give the electrician a resume of what we have to

COOPERATIVE Scheme

THERE'S A LOT of parts business for the radio jobber in the average factory. The author's method of getting it is particularly interesting because he's

found a way to cut local

servicemen in on the profits

sell. A catalog of all our lines, in an attractive loose leaf binder is offered. We state that, as new items are released, additional inserts will be mailed.

Employs Local Serviceman

No scheduled calls? Absolutely not. Instead, we offer a real technical service. We have engaged the best serviceman in that particular city. A phone call to our company, night or day, will bring our salesman and this expert, to iron out any difficulties in production, or equipment installation. We will work hand in hand with the company's electrical or production department, giving them immediate service, estimates, etc. when needed, instead of wasting time in needless calls. Ordinary items can be ordered from us by mail or phone as

Nothing startling in our plan, but it appeals to the purchasing department because of time saving. The chief electrician is for it because, oftentimes, problems are encountered where he would like consultation with an expert more familiar with high frequency, and other problems with which he is not familiar.

In carrying out this plan, we strive to outdo ourselves in giving prompt service, whether it be an order sent in, or a request to come to the factory for estimates, and technical advice. Goodwill and confidence is built up to such an extent that we often receive orders for small parts that the company could actually obtain direct from a manufacturer at the same cost that we,

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you'll be able to offer at highly attractive prices that mean

BIG VOLUME

RCA VICTROLA MODEL V-205

RCA VICTROLA MODEL V-300

From the distinguished beauty of its cabinet down to the tiniest part in its chassis, this instrument is real quality. Among its scores of outstanding sales features are Exclusive RCA Victor Tone Guard... Automatic Record Changer for 10" or 12" records ...Record Storage Space in cabinet...10 RCA Victor Preferred Type Tubes plus Magic Eye... American and improved Foreign Radio Reception on four wave bands...Overseas Dial...Electric Tuning for eight stations...20 watts output...15-inch Supersensitive Electrodynamic Speaker ... 2 built-in Antennas, one for domestic, one for foreign programs. And at its special Gold Seal Promotion price you'll do a bang up business.

InCanada, RCA Victor Co., Ltd., Montreal Trademarks "Magic Eye," "RCA Victor," and "Victrola" Reg. U. S. Pat. Off. by RCA Manufacturing Co., Inc.

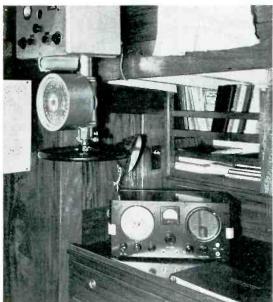
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WavelengthChanging Time Is
TUBE - SELLING
TIME!
RCA Victor
Preferred Type
Radio Tubes

Thousands have been sold—and thousands more will be sold as a result of this Gold Seal Promotion. So, be in on the Gold Rush from the very beginning. This instrument has the sales features that mean more business for you. They include RCA Victor Tone Guard... Gentle-Action, Automatic Record Changer for 10" or 12" records... 9 RCA Victor Preferred Type Tubes... American and Foreign Radio Reception on 3 wave bands... Electric Tuning for 6 stations, and many others.



Seen at the BOAT SHOW





TYPICAL marine receiver covering coastal telephone lanes

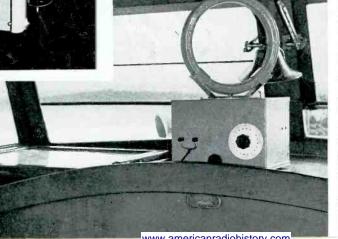
TYPICAL ship-to-shore radio telephone



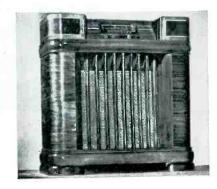
MARINE radio equipment played a major role in this year's annual Motor Boat Show, held Jan. 10-18, at Grand Central Palace, New York. New radio instruments, adapted to an increasing number of marine services, were displayed by nearly a dozen different concerns.

Ansley displayed a direction finder for easy reading and 200 mile range. Cape Cod Instrument Co. showed a new line of 4 direct reading radio compasses, tuning range 275 to 325 kc. Ray Jefferson, Inc., featured 6 radio telephones, power 8 to 100 watts. Jefferson-Travis Radio Mfg. Corp. exhibited 4 ship-to-shore communication instruments for both pleasure and commercial vessels. The Grady Instrument Company had something brand new in a marine inter-communicator called the "Utili-Fone." Hallicrafters presented 3 radio telephones, power 12 to 50 watts, a radio compass, a marine set and a portable unit with marine band coverage. Hudson Engineering Company showed 5 ship-to-shore phone units and several accessories, including a remote control model. New York Marine Radio Co. was represented with a number of radio telephones, operating from 6, 12, 32 volt d.c. or 110 volt a.c. or d.c. Karns-White Corp. exhibited a portable direction-finder, and 7 marine radio receivers, including 3 portable units. Western Electric displayed a radio compass, 3 ship-to-shore phones and a new selective calling

TYPICAL radio direction finder



New



PHILCO 296X CONSOLE model, a 9-tube set with 8 pushbuttons. Built to receive standard broadcasts, American and foreign shortwave, state and city police calls, aircraft, ship amateur stations. The walnut designed cabinet measures 35½ high, 35 wide, and 13½ inches deep. Retail price \$99.50. Philco Radio & Telev. Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.



RCA VHR-307 CONSOLE COMBINATION, a deluxe instrument, is available either in walnut or mahogany, incorporating radio, automatic phonograph, and home recording features. This 12-tube radio tunes 4 bands, including a special 31-meter spread band for ease of foreign tuning. Has a 15-inch speaker. RCA Mfg. Co., Camden, N. J.



PILOT T-133 TABLE type, "all-purpose" receiver, operating from 110 volts ac, 220 volts ac, 110 volts dc, 220 volts dc, 6 volts or 32 volts dc which can be obtained by merely rotating the voltage selector switch on the rear of the chassis. Has 9 tubes, 8-inch speaker, and 3-gang condenser. List price \$89.50. Pilot Radio Corp., 37-06 Thirty-Sixth St., L. I. City, N. Y.

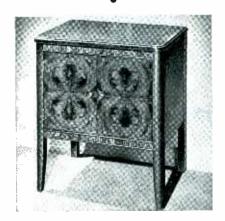
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FARNSWORTH CT-59 PORTABLE cameratype radio, "Caryette." is an ac-dc and battery model to list at \$19.95, f.o.b. Ft. Wayne. Measures 81/4 high, 41/2 wide and 4 inches deep. The translucent plastic case ornamented with contrasting overlay of leatherette. Equipped with convenient handle. Has 5 tubes. Farnsworth Tele. & Radio Corp., 3700 Pontiac St., Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

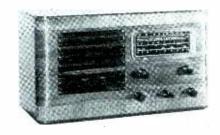


STROMBERG-CARLSON 600-H RADIO, a new addition to this company's line, is available in a choice of ivory finish or a rich brown color with horizontal white stripes. It offers ac-dc operation on the standard broadcast range. Features 5 tuned circuits, 5½-inch speaker. In brown finish, eastern list price, \$24.95: in ivory finish, \$26.95. Stromberg-Carlson Tel. Mfg. Co., 100 Carlson Road, Rochester, N. Y.

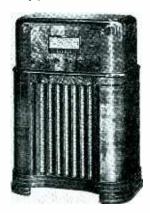


ADMIRAL 102 RECORD CABINET, a deluxe style, has room for eight record albums and is designed to harmonize with Admiral's table-type radio combinations. Comes complete with one 12-inch and four 10-inch albums. Continental Radio and Tele. Corp., 3800 Cortland St., Chicago, III.

SETCHELL CARLSON ceiver consisting of Long wave (185 to 405 kc, 1600 to 750 meters), broadcast (540 to 1550 kc, 545 to 200 meters), Short wave (3.7 to 9.5 mc, 80 to 31 meters) ulfra short wave (9 to 26 mc, 31 to 12 meters). Model 413 has 6 tubes, 6-inch speaker. List price \$44.50. Also available in model 413RD which includes DorAfone circuit (but external speaker) permitting two-way conversations. List price \$49.95. Setchell Carlson, Inc., 2233 University Ave., St. Paul, Minn.



HOWARD 718-C CONSOLE radio housed in modernistic walnut cabinet, with butt walnut center panel and trim. This 12-tube receiver covers 3 bands, and has 6 pushbuttons and 12-inch speaker. List price \$79.95. Howard Radio Co, 1735 Belmont Ave., Chicago, III.



CROSLEY 33BG TABLE COMBINATION incorporates a radio, phonograph and recorder. This 5 tube ac superheterodyne has 3 bands, and 8-inch speaker. Phonograph plays all records up to 12-inch. Recorder is finished with ten round-point play back needles, and 6 small blank records for recordings. Complete with small band type crystal microphone. The Crosley Corp., 3401 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.





MAGNAVOX FM RECEIVER is a separate IIindicator. A shelf or pocket in the cabinet is
provided for the installation of this FM chassis.
With these instruments the FM chassis may be
installed at the factory during assembly of the
instrument, or it may be installed by the dealer
at a later date. For instruments which do not
have space provided for the FM chassis, a record
cabinet of Georgian design has been created to
hold chassis



MAGNAVOX RECORD CABINET, model 7G, is the companion piece to the Regency Console combination. Available in genuine mahagany or genuine American walnut and it sells for \$65.00. Magnavox Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.



MOTOROLA 3A5 PERSONAL PORTABLE radio, operates on accide or battery. Weight 6 lbs. Employs 5 tubes (including rectifier). Tuning range covers 550 to 1600 kc. Line cord can be tucked away inside case when not in use. Set turns on when front cover is opened. Maroon finished metal with chrome trim measures 61/4 long, 45/5 high, 51/4 inches deep. Also available in Model A-l, battery operated only, list price \$19.95. Galvin Mfg. Co., 4545 Augusta Blvd., Chicago, III.



SONORA LR-147 PORTABLE Triple - Play radio that operates on batteries, ac or dc. This 5-tube superhet has the built-in "Sonorascope" antenna. Slide rule dial. Tunes standard broadcasts. Housed in attractive open-face brown finished case with walnut over lay grille. List price \$24.95. Sonora Radio & Tele. Corp., 2626 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

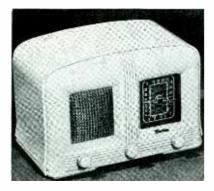


TABLE TYPE radio model is especially designed for world-wide coverage which is obtained by spread of the short wave band from 12 to 49 meters. Housed in an ivory plastic, model 26, has 6 tubes, and covers two bands. Electromatic Distributors, Inc., 88 University Pl., New York, N. Y.



MITCHELL "LAMP-RADIO combination, new ream colored bakelite with a gold base in which the radio dial is mounted. Shade is of celanese taffeta with gold piping trim. The radio has 5 tubes and full size electro dynamic speaker. Complete band coverage. List price \$22.95. Mitchell Mfg. Co., 1550 Dayton St., Chicago, III.

WILCOX-GAY RECORDIO DISC, "Red Label," is made in 3 sizes: 6½-inch, 8-inch, and 10-inch. These discs are supplied with free albums, convenient for filing home recording records, The Recordio discs with albums are sold at the following prices: 6½-inch, 6 for \$1.00; 8-inch, 6 for \$1.00; 0-inch, 6 for \$2.00. Wilcox-Gay Corp., Charlotte, Mich.

TWO SPEAKERS announced by this company are designed primarily for sound reproduction over large areas. Larger of the two horns, M1-6303, is a 5½ ft. baffle, folded back to a length of 31 inches. The bell diameter is 28½ inches, frequency response 150 to 7000 cycles. M1-6302, illustrated, is a 3½ ft. baffle compressed into 19 inches. Bell diameter is 21½ inches, frequency response 200 to 7000 cycles. RCA Mfg. Co., Camden, N. J.

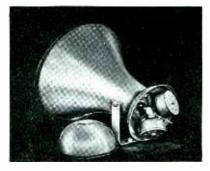


UNIVERSAL MICROPHONE, model CU-1, for private airplane and yacht installations has a bakelite molded plastic finish of a black phenolic type which gives it moisture resistance, and lightness in weight. Features single button carbon; moisture-proof cord, 3½ ft. long; motor noise damped out by anti-noise construction; press-to-talk switch connects microphone and relay circuit at same instant; complete with "push-in" mounting bracket. Universal Microphone Co., Ltd., 424 Warren Lake, Inglewood, Calif.

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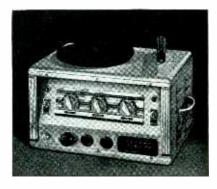


UNIVERSITY LABS. REFLEX SPEAKER, Model 2Y5 "Baby Bull" has a bell diameter of 24 inches, overall length 27 inches. Impedance 8 or 30 ohms, 50 watt continuous. Complete, including Model 2YH horn, two PAH driver units, dust cover, and a Universal "U" bracket, list price \$145.00. University Labs., 195 Chrystie St., New York, N. Y.





PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM includes a 10-inch speaker, one desk type crystal microphone and a 5-tube amplifier. The amplifier has an output of 8 watts. Provision is made for attachment of a record playing mechanism for record reproduction. Contained in a carrying case of tweed finish. Measures 14 wide, 11 deep, 12½ inches high. List price \$49.50, less tubes. Erwood Sound Equipment Co., 223 West Erie St., Chicago, III.

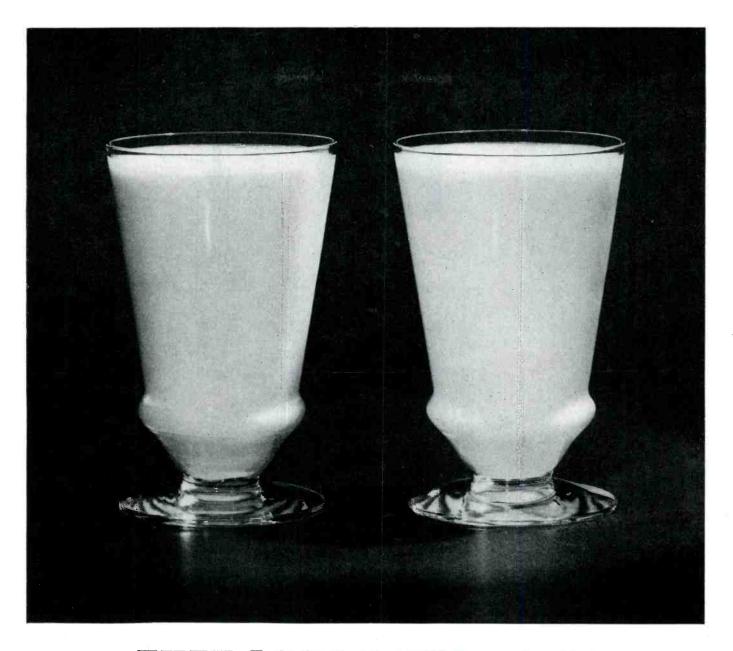


THORDARSON AMPLIFIER, model T-30W18, with power output of 18 watts is enclosed in steel cabinet. Output impedance 2, 4, 6, 8, 250, or 500 ohms. Frequency response within 1 db., plus or minus, from 30 c.p.s. to 15,000 c.p.s. with deliberate bases boost of 3 db. below 100 c.p.s. Contains 7 tubes. List price \$125.00. Also available in Model T-31W18, without phono motor and pick-up, list price \$114,00. Both operate on 6 or 115 volts. Thordarson Electric Mfg. Co., 500 W. Huron St., Chicago, III.



SHURE MICROPHONE, "Uniplex" Cardiold crystal cuts down room noise pick-up. Model 730S has built-in r.f. filter which protects against burnouts. Output level—33 db. below I volt for 10 bar speech signal. Swivel head. Satin chrome finish. Diameter 31/6 inch. Depth 31/6 inch. Complete with 7 ft. super-shielded cable. Available in Model 730SH at \$32.50 list; also in Model 730S, complete with desk mount, at \$35.50 list. Shure Bros., Microphone Headquarters, 225 W. Huron St., Chicago, III.

ACTONE NEEDLES, cutting and playback, made by Bagshaw, are introduced by Actone. These shadowgraphed needles are individually magnified 200 times for point imperfections. H. W. Acton Co., Inc., 370 Seventh Ave., New York, N. Y.



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FIELD RHEOSTATS are tapered or uniformly wound, as required, designed to provide control for separately or self-excited generators. They are available in a series of ten wattage sizes, from 25 to 1000 watts. There is an Ohmite Field Rheostat suitable for every size generator from the smallest to units of several kilowatts. Ohmite Mfg. Co., 4835 Flournoy St., Chicago, III.



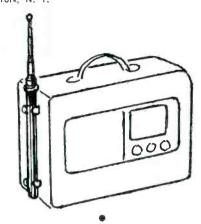
AMPERITE characteristics and the regular cord into an ac-dc line and turn on the regular cord into an ac-dc line and turn on the set switch. The relay consists of two single pole contacts which are placed in the minus A and minus B battery lead. As soon as the ac or dc is passed through the set the relay automatically starts its operation. Amperite Co., 561 Broadway, New York, N. Y.



PHILCO ROOM VENTILATOR housed in a walnut cabinet which measures IIxl6x14 inches. Weighs 26 lbs. Features a hinged door on the back of the ventilator which provides a seal between the room and outside and insures protection during inclement weather. Priced at \$39.50. Philco Radio & Telev. Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.



PHILSON TELESCOPE AERIAL for portable directional effect of loop. Can be mounted inside or outside of cabinet. Contains 5 sections; 14-inch telescoped; 50-inch when extended. Philson Mfg. Co., Inc., 156 Chambers St., New York, N. Y.

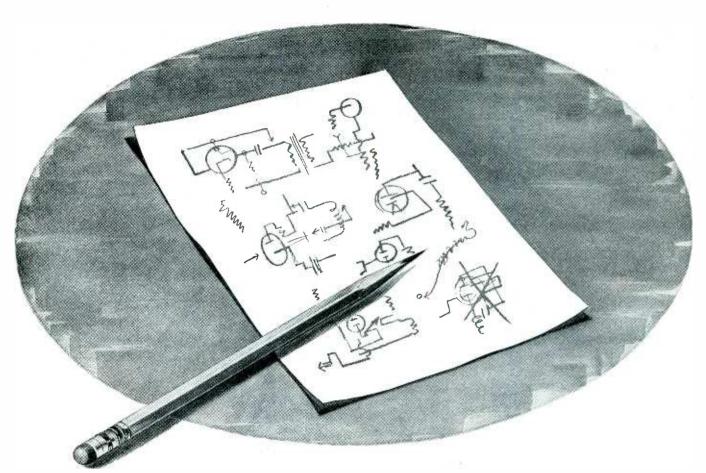


AEROVOX PLUG-IN CONDENSERS are provided with a specially constructed octal base which fits into the standard octal socket. Now available in the 525 v. surge 450 v. D.C.W. rating, and in 10 to 80 mfd. single-section, 10-10 and 20-20 double-section, 10-10-10 triple-section, and the 10x10x450 plus 20x25 combination. Aerovox Corp., New Bedford, Mass.

VERTROD HOUSE ANTENNA claimed by this company to eliminate most of the man made static which has previously defied the best efforts of engineers, employs entirely new principle. Line interference is effectually prevented from reaching aerial. Supplied in convenient compact package, Vertrod can be mounted wherever 4 inches of space are available. Vertrod Mfg. Co., 132 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.







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Here, insignificant on his scratch pad, are the "doodles" of a radio engineer... "Doodles" that may well be the foundation of a highly significant development when RCA Research and team work have finished with them

"Doodling" is a habit of thinkers. And that is why the scratch pads of radio engineers are often a pattern of "doodles." These men are ever thinking, probing, studying in their ceaseless efforts to uncover new radio devices and services.

To this end, RCA Research plays an important part. The scores of outstanding developments that have first seen the light of day in the RCA Laboratories are concrete proof of the progress research makes possible.

In conducting research, RCA engineers and scientists have at their disposal the greatest experience in electronics

and sound. RCA is the only organization that makes and does everything in radio. Broadcasting problems frequently find solution in the experience of the National Broadcasting Company... Communications problems are more easily solved with the assistance of R. C. A. Communications, Inc....The answers to manufacturing problems may be secured through consultation with men at the RCA Manufacturing Company... Problems encountered in marine radio development are overcome with the help of the Radiomarine Corporation of America. In short, the aid of the entire organization is extended to those in the RCA Laboratories who look to the future.

So with "doodles" as a start, followed by intensive research and team work, the magic of radio plays an important role in the lives of millions.

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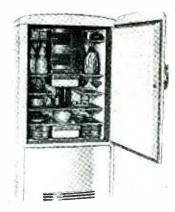
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Philco Radio and Television Corporation
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Please send me full details of your dealer franchise proposition on the new Philco Room Ventilator, together with Discounts and your Special Wholesale Credit Terms and descriptive literatures.

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New REFRIGERATORS



GALE GC884 REFRIGERATOR, the deluxe "Commodore 8" is an 8.75 cu.ft. model measuring 62% high, 31% wide, and 28 inches deep. Features twin freezers; a sliding porcelain meat drawer; glass covered vegetable crisper; twin wire baskets; and vegetable bin. Gale Products, Galesburg, III.



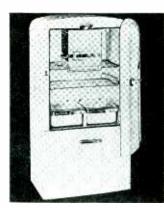
FRIGIDARE L-8

REFRIGERATOR has a freezer in the center position, a re-styled and larger hydrator, a meat tender with increased capacity, and a utility storage compartment. Also equipped with improved quickube ice trays, stainless steel hydrator glides, and a recessed centrally located interior light. Contains the rotary sealed Meter-Miser cold making mechanism. Frigidaire Div., General Motors Sales Corp., Dayton, Ohio.



REFRIGERATOR with the "Presto Shelf" enables the homemaker to make five different interior shelf arrangements. With this new feature she can make room for such bulky articles as a large turkey or a watermelon. Enough space can even be arranged for a bouquet of flowers, which can be kept fresh in the food compartment until needed. Leonard Div., Nash-Kelvinator Corp., Detroit, Mich.

PHILCO MS 6 REFRIGERATOR features a wide, oversize freezing unit (evaporator); glass-covered meat storage compartment for storing uncooked meats at high numidity near freezing; two extra-large, glass covered porcelain sliding crispers, arranged for stacking. Has non-refrigerated divided reserve storage bin. Philco Radio & Tele. Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.



REFRIGERATOR, features the butter-conditioner which keep I lb. of butter just soft enough for spreading. Contains dry storage bin: cold storage tray with cover for uncooked meat; two vegetable and fruit drawers with glass tops. General Electric Co., Bridgeport, Conn.



HOTPOINT REFRIGERATOR features the butter conditioner where butter may be kept fresh, and at ideal consistency for spreading, by adjustment of a small knob. It is located in the left-hand corner of the cabinet. Edison General Electric Appliance Co., Inc., 5600 W. Taylor St., Chicago, III.



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BIGGEST CAMPAIGN in RADIO HISTORY



A simple radio servicing job in 10,000,000 homes all at once, will enable 40,000 radio men to sell extra sets, new tubes, parts and equipment.

• On March 29, when Re-allocation gives clear channels to a greater number of broadcasters and otherwise eliminates interference between stations, the radio industry will be launched upon the greatest sales drive it has ever known.

Dial positions on 50,100,000 sets will be changed, and push buttons on 10,000,000 receivers must be re-set—a job that will tax the capacity of dealers and servicemen but, at the same time, bring them an unprecedented opportunity to ENTER THE HOME AND SELL.

In all of radio there is hardly a product that cannot benefit from the great frequency shift. Additional radio sets, phonographs, records, new tubes, parts replacements, antenna equipment, noise filters and many other products will have the combined sales effort of more than 40,000 dealers and servicemen.

Promotion to expedite the big change-over has been pledged by manufacturers, broadcasters, radio trade associations, public utilities, local radio groups and others.

How each manufacturer will benefit from the campaign depends largely upon the character of his distribution and his use of trade promotion having a definite suggestion-value to the dealer and serviceman.

A space campaign in RADIO & Television RE-TAILING, beginning in the March issue, would serve three main purposes: (1) Immediate volume. (2) Unlimited prospects for future closing. (3) Additional year-round distribution.

To Manufacturers of RADIOS, PHONOGRAPHS, etc.

Never before have you had such a concentrated mass market to sell, all at once, and by invitation! Every set owner who orders push button service knows that he is exposing himself to sales effort. Every dealer and serviceman is receptive to lines with a quick sales appeal. They should be urged to

- plan a comprehensive local drive.
- · draft every qualified employee.
- carry a compact on every call.
- sell repairs as well as re-set buttons.
- emphasize limitations of old sets.
- sell up, i.e., arrange appointment for demonstra-tion of a combination.

To Manufacturers of TUBES, PARTS, and Equipment

Re-allocation gives you the biggest break in the history of radio. The push button job is only the starter. Tell the dealers and servicemen WHY your products should be used. Advise them to get good prices. Caution them against substandard merchandise. Also:

- sell complete tube replacements.
- sell antennas for loop sets that are jack-equipped.
- sell noise filters for better reception.
- check power supplies, filters, speakers, etc., for need of replacement. • loan new sets during repairs whenever possible. Will help you make sales.
- keep card records for future servicing and selling.

To Manufacturers of SERVICING EQUIPMENT

Ten million push button sets. and only 40,000 servicemen and dealers to do the job! Average, 250 jobs per man. A quarter of this would be big business. They all want to know how they can best handle the big volume in a short period. Impress upon them: upon them:

- the necessity for accuracy as well as speed.
- · how to conserve time for selling.
- types of equipmest they should take with them.
- types of equipment needed in the shop.
- the importance of portable equipment tube checkers, signal generators, multimeters, etc.

Use RADIO & Television RETAILING to tell dealers WHY and HOW they should merchandise your product. March closing date, March 6.

and Television



The RADIO MONTH

STATION FREQUENCY SHIFTS will definitely be made at 3 a.m., E.S.T., Sunday, March 29. Latin American holdouts giving rise to a rumor that the date might be postponed have swung into line. At the witching hour we'll be peacefully pounding our ear while operating staffs of 777 stations scrabble around for new crystals et. al. Then, after sun-up, 10,000,000 people with pushbuttons will be searching for little signals that aren't there . . . unless servicemen get in some licks beforehand. checking first with the slick city-by-city assignment chart printed in Radio Retailing's October issue. (Our March number will give more "how to do it" dope).

PAY-AS-YOU-PLAY provision of the civil decree voluntarily filed with the Government by BMI would be a nice net gain for broadcasters, inasmuch as the major reason for radio's wrangle with ASCAP is the latter's insistence that stations pay a flat fee per year regardless of how often they actually use the Society's music. BMI appears to be sitting pretty at the moment because the Government withholds its suit against that organization in view of the decree, while keeping the pressure on ASCAP. But all bets are off if ASCAP fails to file a similar decree, which it has not done to date.

TELEVISION MEN MEET again with the FCC March 20 to discuss standards proposed January 27. Commercialization has been prematurely predicted too many times for us to stick our neck all the way out but it does seem possible that it might come before Fall and probable that the sound channel will utilize FM.

SPEAKING OF FM, the most significant thing that has happened to it in the past month has been the granting of permission to relay programs from studio to station and, in some instances, from station to station via ultra-high frequency radio itself. Tonal range may thus be kept broader than telephone lines sometimes permit. And saving in tolls, while ostensibly secondary, is still important.

RUMORS ABOUT THE FBI urging the FCC to crack down on wireless record players and other low-powered radio control devices which might be used for communications by Fifth Columnists are herewith scotched. We have it straight from the feedbox that, while regulations governing such apparatus are still tem-

porary in character and have been subject to change from the very beginning, no such step is at present even contemplated.

A RECORD MAN who was in the business in the old days tells us that the average phonograph dealer used to sell \$25 worth of discs with every machine over \$150, wonders why radio stores haven't yet gotten wise to the virtue of this stunt that used to be considered routine.

HOME RECORDINGS generally have sound-tracks that ordinary commercial-style needles tear out too quickly. Play-back needles are made to preserve the track and a good many consumer complaints concerning lack of home-recording disc life are, investigation discloses, due to the use of wrong needles. Something, somewhere, is obviously wrong with our playback needle selling.

FROM ENGLAND comes word that set manufacturers are designing less critical circuits for civilian radios to permit the use of parts with greater value tolerance. Our informant says this simplifies parts production and eases up on the supply problem. American national defense planners, please copy.

STATISTICAL NOTE: Edison Electric Institute says radios consumed 1,880,000,000 kw. hours of electricity in 1939, a load exceeded only by domestic lighting, ranges and refrigerators (if you don't count the light people used staying up nights listening to their sets!) Based on 3 hours per day use of average set drawing 75 watts.

TUBE PRICES upped about five cents for the average "bottle" during the month, rising raw material costs being given as the reason. No squawks from the trade that we've heard about. On the contrary.

CONSOLE SALES fell so flat on their face in 1940 that most manufacturers are properly "leery" about producing a scad of such straight radios this year. There is, in fact, some danger that the pendulum will swing too far in the other direction, forcing the people who want such sets to go a little hungry. There may be fewer of them, but there are such people.



NOW WITH CROSLEY—J. H. Rasmussen, just appointed manager of the radio division of The Crosley Corp. Formerly assistant sales manager of the Zenith Radio Corp.

FCC Tele Hearing March 20

To formally consider standards suggested January 27 by NTSC

WASHINGTON—The Federal Communications Commission will hold a formal hearing on Thursday, March 20, to consider the various engineering standards that were suggested in the NTSC report submitted on Jan. 27, and also, to determine when television broadcasting shall be placed upon a commercial basis.

As a prelude to the Jan. 27 Washington conference, members of the Commission visited New York on Jan. 24-25, where they witnessed various demonstrations of late television developments. At the Allen B. DuMont Laboratories. Inc., they viewed a demonstration of DuMont 625 line, 15 frame television. The Radio Corp. of America demonstrated its latest home receiver, featuring pictures 13½ by 18 inches on a translucent screen and at the New Yorker theatre, a showing of RCA theatre television was held on a screen 15 by 20 feet. At the Bell Telephone Labs., pictures went over coaxial cable and at the Columbia Broadcasting System headquarters the Commission inspected CBS's demonstration of color television

Allen B. DuMont Labs., reports that its demonstration of 625 line, 15 frame pictures will be available for showings on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, 3 to 5 PM, until March 20. This is being done, they say, because the pictures as demonstrated on Jan. 24, were not representative of what can be obtained with transmissions on these standards.

At the conclusion of the meeting on Jan. 27, Chairman Baker of NTSC formally presented the 22 standards as recommended by the committee along with the individual panel reports, making a total of 2200 pages.

The highlights of the suggested standards are as follows: That a full test of color on the Group A channels be

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permitted and encouraged . . . That the width of the standard television broad-cast channel shall be six mc... It shall be standard to locate the picture carrier 4.5 mc. per second lower in frequency . . . That the standard number of scanning lines per frame period in monochrome shall be 441, interlaced two to one . . . The standard frame frequency shall be 30 per second and the standard field frequency shall be 60 per second in monochrome . . . The standard aspect ratio of the transmitted television picture shall be 4 units horizontally to 3 units vertically . . . It shall be standard, during the active scanning intervals to scan the scene from left to right horizontally and from top to bottom vertically, at uniform velocities.

That it shall be standard to use frequency modulation for the television sound transmission.

And it shall be standard in television broadcasting to radiate horizontally polarized waves.

RMA Convention Plans

Paul V. Galvin in charge of program

WASHINGTON—The program for the seventeenth annual RMA convention to be held at Chicago, June 10-13, will again be in charge of Director Paul V. Galvin, chairman of the Association's Set Division.

Galvin was appointed chairman of the June Convention Committee by the RMA Board of Directors at its recent Chicago meeting. He will also handle arrangements for the annual industry banquet.

Reservations for the parts show already are one-third larger than at this time a year ago, according to Ken Hathaway, show manager for the RMA and Sales Managers Clubs, joint sponsors of the Parts Trade Show.

RSA Elects Officers

WILKES BARRE—The Radio Servicemen's Association of Luzerne Co., Wilkes Barre, Pa., elected the following officers to conduct its affairs and business for 1941: president, Edward Buckman; vice president, Austin Renville; treasurer, John Kennedy; secretary, Sam Keithline; board of directors, C. Foster Hick, Spencer Eddy, Ed. Nowicki, Ed. Tishler, Pat Manville and Dan Davis. Honorary member, Tony Yennenis.

After the election of officers, the membership was treated to a party by Spencer Eddy of City Radio and Frank Russel of Kenrad Tube Corporation.

Latest FM News

Four more station grants. Shorthaul relay links proposed and new call letters assigned

WASHINGTON—Four more commercial frequency-modulation stations were authorized the first part of January, by the Federal Communications Commission, bringing to a total of 29 the number of FM broadcasters thus far approved. Some 55 applications still await official action.

The new stations granted construction permits are as follows:

Columbia Broadcasting System, Chicago, Ill., 46.7 megacycles, coverage 10,800 sq. miles, pop. 4,500,000.

WJJD, Inc., Chicago, Ill., 44.7 mc., 10,800 sq. miles, pop. 4,500,000.

Westinghouse Radio Stations, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., 47.5 mc., 8400 sq. miles, pop. 2,100,000.

W87NY, Columbia Broadcasting System, New York City, 48.7 mc., 8500 sq. miles, pop. 12,000,000.

On Jan. 15, the FCC, in response to several applications and a number of inquiries regarding radio relay links between studio and transmitter (instead of telephone lines), paved the way for such short-haul relay service by using FM on frequencies above 330 megacycles. Suitable rules and definite channel assignments will be drawn up shortly to establish such service on an experimental basis. No applications, however, will be con-



DEMONSTRATES — Philco's ass't manager, James M. Skinner, Jr. (left) and sales promotion mgr, O. F. Achtenhagen (right), are pictured here demonstrating the features of model AR75 auto radio to Paul Rosenthal of the Meisel Stores, on his recent visit to Philco plant

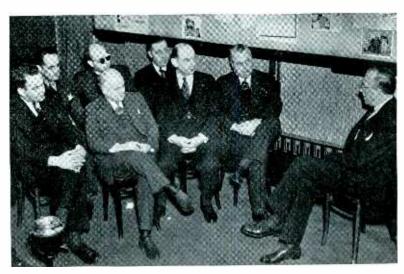
sidered until such rules are adopted.

These link stations will be required to utilize highly directive antennas for the one-direction transmission, so that many stations throughout the nation can use the same channel without interference.

The Commission recently announced the assignment of call letters for 26 of the new commercial FM stations.

NAB Convention May 12-15

WASHINGTON—The annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters will be held May 12-15 in the new Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis. The date of the convention was advanced to avoid conflicts with the vacation season and the start of the seasonal broadcast year. In connection with the convention and for the first time, NAB will conduct exhibits of broadcasting equipment and other station apparatus, with exhibits restricted to active and associate NAB members, including manufacturers of station apparatus and supplies.



7 STAR SALESMEN—Henry C. Bonfig, RCA-Victor commercial vice-president, holds the attention of these seven star salesmen from Chicago, during their recent visit to the Company's Camden headquarters. From the left, front row: E. Richardson, C. Hindringer, E. Blimke and L. Pollock. Rear row: H. Schwarz, H. Chapman and R. Harrer



Model 1621



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RICHARD L. WHITE-Newly elected president of Landers, Frary & Clark

Landers, Frary & Clark Name New Officers

NEW BRITAIN-At a directors meeting on Jan. 9 Landers. Frary & Clark, elected Arthur E. Allen, (former vice president of the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.), chairman of the board. At the same time Richard L. White, treasurer of the company was elected president. and Bret C. Neece, vice president and general sales manager was elected a director.

Arthur E. Allen, is well known for his long and successful service with Westinghouse, rising in various positions until he became a vice president of the company, where he remained until he resigned to retire in 1938.

Richard L. White, the new president is one of the outstanding younger figures in the household appliance manufacturing field. White's wide range of experience covers nearly every phase of manufacturing in the production of household merchandise

Bret C. Neece, became vice president in 1938 and was made general sales manager in 1939. He is widely known throughout the appliance industry.

C-D On Noise Elimination

SOUTH PLAINFIELD-The Cornell Dubilier Electric Corp. announces that the results of its noise elimination investigation, conducted by its laboratory, has been summarized in a series of articles. The initial article appeared in the September issue of the "C-D Capacitor", monthly house organ of this company.

For those who are interested, a request to this company, will bring, without charge, the past and future issues in which these articles are appearing.

Segel Represents Turner

GARDNER-Henry P. Segel Company, 235 Pine Street, Gardner, Mass., manufacturers representative for the Turner line of microphones and accessories is now maintaining a complete stock of this equipment. This will make for immediate delivery for New England retailers.

RMA Aiding Defense

Draft survey for data on radio productive capacity

WASHINGTON-The Radio Manufacturers Association is intensively studying productive capacity of the radio industry, will make otherwise confidential data available to government officials concerned with national defense as quickly as it can be gathered. Information obtained by the Association will, says executive secretary Bond Geddes. be particularly helpful in connection with the sub-contracting program.

Questionnaires mailed manufacturers are designed to reveal (a) Interest in government contracts, officials to be contacted in reference to defense work, defense contracts at present on hand (b) Number of buildings, floor space in use and other available floor space (c) Skilled and unskilled employee normal average number and maximum potential (d) Normal daily production and estimated maximum 8-hour day production.

FCC Extends Int. Station **Power Requirements**

WASHINGTON-The Federal Communications Commission has extended to July 1, 1941, the time in which international broadcast stations in this country must operate on power of at least 50 kilowatts. This is the minimum power deemed necessary by the Commission to render satisfactory international service.

This extension has been granted in view of the fact that 11 of these stations have construction permits authorizing installation of new equipment but plead that time has not permitted completion.

All international stations will be expected to conform to the minimum power requirement during this period, as no further extension of time is contemplated.

Radio Club of Am. Names Callahan President

NEW YORK-The Radio Club of America, a national organization (founded 1909), with headquarters at 11 W. 42nd Street, New York City, has just elected the following officers for the current year: John L. Callahan, president; Paul Ware, vice president; Lincoln Walsh, corresponding secretary; H. M. Lewis, recording secretary and Joseph J. Stantley, treasurer.

Philco N. Y. Meeting

L. E. Gubb presents 1941 refrigerators to 800 New York dealers

NEW YORK-On January 20, over 800 metropolitan New York dealers, attended the New York Philco Distributors, Inc., dinner-meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria, at which time L. E. Gubb, executive vice president, presented the 1941 Philco refrigerators and a new window ven-

Thomas A. Kennally, general sales manager, discussed the merchandising plans and T. A. O'Loughlin, vice president of Philco Distributors, Inc., outlined the advertising program. John C. Messer, secretary of the Retail Dry Goods Ass'n of New York addressed the gathering on trade diversion. Frank Donnelly was chairman of the meeting.

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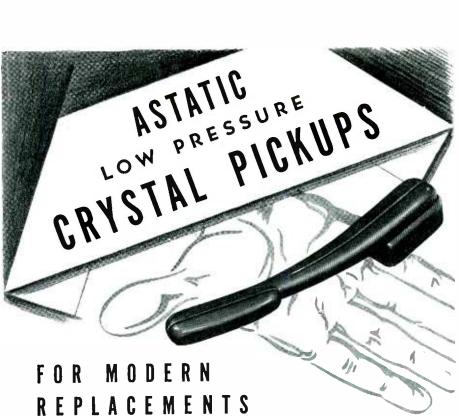
TOPS—James T. Buckley, left, president of Philco Corporation; Larry E. Gubb, executive vice-president, and Stuart Falk, manager of Eastern division



ARRIVAL—J. H. Carmine, left, assistant general sales manager and Thomas A. Kennally, general sales manager



TAGGED—E. B. Loveman, left, advertising manager and Sayre M. Ramsdell, director of public relations



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ALL STAR WINNERS-John Stern (center) of Radio Electric Service Co., Philadelphia, is shown here receiving from Sam Macdonald, first place award as winner in recent Shure "All-Star Football Game." At extreme left, Jim Faries, and on right Gene Rothman and Morris Green. At another presentation, Macdonald also awarded loving cup and second place to George D. Barbey Co., Reading, Pa. Third place went to the Tydings Company. Winners also received cash

Dealer Helps

FOLDER-Astatic Microphone Laboratory, Inc. has just brought out a new folder describing its low-pressure crystal pickup with built-in, permanent sapphire stylus. For your copy address request to Astatic, Youngstown, Ohio.

LARGE DISPLAY BOARD - This new Continental Radio and Television Corp., D66 display board is especially designed to display its new Admiral automatic record changers and any four of the compact bakelite sets. Measures 6 by 8 feet high. Side center panels adjustable. Finished in washable wall paper and furnished complete with two pin-up



BOOKLET-RCA has a new instruction booklet, which is packed with each Personal receiver, entitled "Intimate Facts about a Personal Friend". This is a handy sales manual for dealers and their salesmen.

CATALOG-Girard-Hopkins, Oakland, Calif. offers catalog No. 64 listing its complete line of condensers and resistors.

BROCHURE-Sonora has just released an attractive manual under the title of "Listen, America," in which they present the complete line of 1941 receivers. The covers are painted in 4 colors.



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TUBE CHART-The new RCA receiving tube characteristics chart No. 1275B covers 309 types and is arranged in numerical-alphabetical order. An extremely handy reference for servicemen and dealers. Readers can obtain a copy by writing to the Commercial Engineering Section, RCA Manufacturing Co., Inc., Harrison, N. J.

SPEAKER CATALOG—Cinaudagraph Speakers, Inc., Stamford, Conn. releases an 8-page catalog containing specifications and data on its full line of reproducers. Free copies are available on request. Mention Radio Retailing.

VOLUME CONTROL FOLDER-International Resistance Company has just come out with a new folder on the IRC replacement volume control standardization, complete with details on the Master Radiotrician's cabinet and type D Universal tap-in shaft controls.

SALES AIDS-RCA Victor's display kit for the Personal radio contains a colorful assortment of displays, gift boxes and other promotional items, as shown in the illustration. Theme of promotion, "A personal radio is the ideal going away gift for Uncle Sam's recruits.'



MANUAL-The Turner Company announces a new 16-page vibrator manual, free to readers of Radio Retailing. Contains considerable instructive data, and a large replacement vibrator list.

CAPACITOR CATALOG — Cornell Dublier Electric Corp. have just released its new catalog No. 185A. Features compact listing for the busy serviceman or engineer.

Distribution News

ADMIRAL-Appoints the following firms to its ranks of distributors: A. S. Hatcher Company, Macon, Ga.; C. E. Hamlin Co., 225 North Jackson, Jackson, Mich.; and Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Co., Toledo, Ohio.

GIBSON-Announces the appointments of the following distributors to handle its line of "Freez'r Shelf" refrigerators and electric ranges: F. O. Carpenter & Son, Columbus, Ohio; I. Feldman Co., Providence, R. I.; Fargo Glass & Paint Co., Fargo, N. D.; Radio Accessories, Omaha, Neb.; Glasgow-Allison Co., Charlotte, N. C.; Graybar Electric Co., Inc., Atlanta, Ga.; McWilliams Hdwe & Furniture Co., Inc., Longview, Tex.; and The Otis Hidden Co., Louisville, Ky.

SOLAR-Harry A. Lasure, 2216 West Eleventh St., Los Angeles, Calif., has just received the appointment as Solar's district manager for the state of Cali-

RAYTHEON-B. W. Glassman with headquarters at 343 Manufacturers Exchange Building, Kansas City, Mo., is the new Raytheon representative for the states of Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska. He succeeds C. E. Moore who resigned Dec. 1st.

TURNER-Herb Erickson, 14 Biltmore Avenue, Asheville, N. C., is the new Turner vibrator representative for Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

EMERSON-The concern of Shadbolt and Boyd, of Milwaukee, Wis., has just been added to the roster of Emerson distributors and will cover Wisconsin and upper Michigan territory. Vice-President A. C. Schleiger heads this operation.

RADIO CITY PRODUCTS-Milton Reiner, R.C.P. president, announces the appointment of Ralph Gregory as representative for the states of Mississippi and Tennessee. Also the appointment of Richard A. Hyde who takes over the Mountain states area, including Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona.



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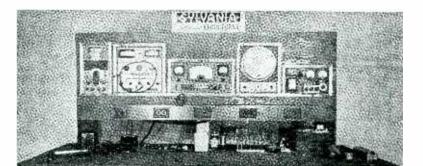
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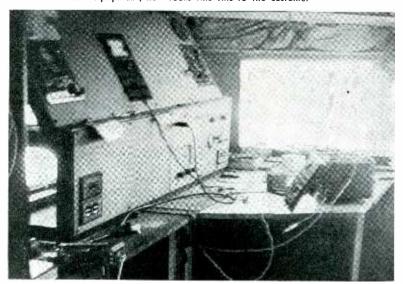


DRAMATIC BILLS—With a photo of a bench on the back of his billheads, George Martin of Newberry, S. C. reminds customers of his shop and equipment

SHOP Photos



NO TIME FOR LUNCH—Shown before on these pages, Ideal Radio of Buffalo, N. Y. has added equipment, now looks like this to the customer



SHOP ON WHEELS—With a repair bench in his trailer, Sam Young, Jr. travels in Missouri, fixes ailing radios wherever he goes

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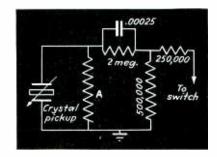
Phono Rumble

Increasing the resistance of a load across a crystal pickup will increase the low frequency response on record reproduction.

However too high a value of resistance may allow rumble from the motor mechanical parts to be amplified. Mocrophonic noises due to the cabinet resonating with sounds from the speaker may also be reproduced.

If a customer should desire increased low frequency response on records in Wilcox-Gay dual speed models the resistor shown at A in the diagram can be changed to one of two megohms. This value will afford record reproduction at full volume at a safe margin below the borderline of microphonism.

Models with serial numbers under 621520 contain a resistor of 500,000 ohms in this position. All chassis used in dual speed models with serial numbers higher than this now incorporate the two megohm resistor.



Cathode Loaded Driver

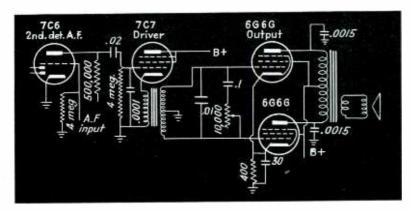
We are accustomed to seeing vacuum tubes operated with the load in the plate circuit but the load can also be located in the cathode circuit of the tube to advantage.

A model with this feature is the Pilot model T-133, the audio circuit of which is shown in the diagram. The plate of the 7C7 driver tube is directly connected to the positive B line and the cathode circuit contains the primary winding of the driver transformer.

The cathode of course is unbypassed and the output of the tube appears on the transformer primary. The dc resistance of this winding is 1100 ohms and this provides bias voltage for the tube. The inductance of the winding is about 28 henries.

The ratio of the primary to one half of the secondary is 1 to 1 and its dc

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resistance is 250 ohms. With these constants the grids of the 6G6G output tubes can be operated in the grid current region without excessive distortion.

Due to the low impedance of the grid circuit the tone control values are quite different from those usually encountered in class A stages. Turning the control to the bass portion of its range actually boosts slightly the low audio frequencies due to the effect on the leakage reactance of the primary.

Since the high voltage dc is not applied to the windings breakdown to the grounded core and electrolysis of the windings can be kept to a minimum.

Better regulation of the stage also results since the only resistance through which the plate current of the driver flows is the primary of the transformer.

Pickup Cutter

Separate pickups and recording heads have been the usual practice in home recording models but one model recently announced contains a single arm for both uses.

Enclosed in the arm is a crystal cartridge which is so arranged that it may be used for both recording and playback. Shown in the diagram is the audio circuit of the Wilcox-Gay A-100 with this double purpose head.

When the function selector switch is in the position marked 1 the pickupcutter is connected to the volume control in the grid circuit of the 6SQ7 tube and phonograph operation is obtained. The audio signal from the diode is grounded through another switch section.

Thrown to position 2, the switch connects the pickup-cutter through the

.05 coupling condenser to the plate of the output tube to receive the a-f output voltage. The speaker is now cut out since the switch opens the voice coil circuit and the diode output is still grounded.

Another section of the switch connects a crystal microphone to the audio input circuit at the volume control. Recordings can now be made with the microphone.

In position 3 the audio signal from a received station flows from the diode to the volume control circuit and the output stage feeds both the cutting head and the speaker. Recordings of radio programs are now possible and may be monitored from the speaker.

With the exception of the cutter circuit the connections remain the same for position 4 of the selector switch. The cutting head is disconnected from the output stage in this

position, permitting normal radio operation.

The motor panel containing the phono-recorder unit must be removed if it becomes necessary to realign the i-f trimmers. Before lifting this unit off the phono arm should be moved to the center of the turntable and kept in this position while the unit is out of the cabinet. This protects the follower arm which engages the lateral feed screw for recording.

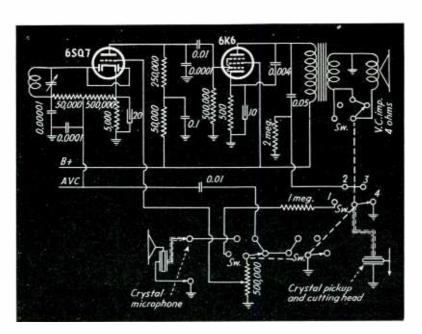
When the panel unit is removed the i-f trimmers and the voice coil terminals for output meter connection are accessible. The r-f trimmers may be reached for adjustment through openings in the bottom of the cabinet.

High Mu R-F Pentodes

High mutual conductance r-f pentodes, such as types 7H7, 7G7/1232, 7L7 and 7V7, are necessarily built to closer spacings with smaller wire sizes in their grids than older types of tubes. The normal result of such construction is greater variation from tube to tube of the same type under similar circuit conditions.

In addition the ratio of mutual conductance to plate current is higher than in types previously used so that the effective operating grid bias is small. This means that variations due to line voltage, tolerance of resistors, among others, may cause changes in the effective bias which are large in their effect on operating characteristics. Therefore tubes of this type will be less uniform in operation than older types even though manufactured with the same uniformity.

Since it is necessary to find some means of compensating for these variations so that the total performance



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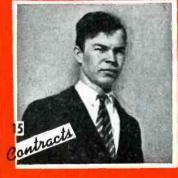






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variation of each tube is approximately the same as obtained with the older types, Sylvania suggests self bias to provide a stabilizing effect. This will generally cut in half the variations otherwise present as well as provide other operating advantages.

Types with high mutual conductance are usually operated close to a condition of grid emission and self bias is often employed to prevent grid loading and to keep the tube from "running away" in case grid emission starts. Resistance of grid return circuits should be as low as possible to avoid grid emission.

Good ventilation of the tube and normal heater voltage will also lessen the danger of grid emission.

Since high mu types are coming through in i-f stages of FM receivers where no avc is employed, some precautions for obtaining reasonably uniform gain with different tubes of the same type are desirable. Self bias arrangements are suggested for such cases

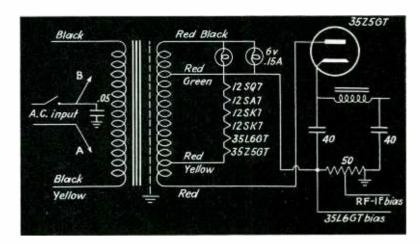
Audio AVC

On home recording models too much audio signal will cause the record grooves to be overcut and result in echo effects from adjacent grooves or even a running together of the grooves.

To prevent this condition RCA employs a "contractor" or sound leveller circuit in the input of the microphone preamplifier on models VHR-207 and 407. When loud sounds are picked up by the microphone the contractor circuit automatically operates to lower the gain of the first stage sufficiently to permit a proper recording.

In the circuit shown the 12K7GT microphone amplifier can receive its grid voltage from bias cells and from a resistor network in the negative return of the power supply.

However one diode section of the



6H6 control tube receives a positive voltage from the B supply of the set and the current flow through this diode creates a voltage which cancels the negative bias voltage for the 12K7GT from the negative return.

The microphone amplifier tube is thus operating at maximum gain, its grid voltage being supplied by only the bias cells when no signal from the microphone is received.

The second diode section of the 6H6 control rectifier has its cathode connected to a tap on the output transformer and receives a portion of the a-f voltage from the output stage when the microphone is operated.

When this audio voltage reaches a certain point current flows in the second diode and the voltage produced upsets the balanced voltage condition between the first diode action and the negative bias supply line. This results in a higher negative voltage being applied to the 12K7GT microphone amplifier and therefore a decrease in the amplification of that stage.

Since this circuit action is practically instantaneous the level of excess audio voltage at the cutting head is automatically cut down and maintained constant at the predetermined point.

Thus blasting at high volume levels cannot cause overcutting of the record grooves since the greater the sound level the larger is the amount of bias applied to the microphone input stage and the less is the gain of that stage.

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Auto-transformer

Although not a new part to the radio industry the circuit of the autotransformer employed in one new model presents several interesting points of interest.

For 117 volt operation of model TX-42, Pilot connects the line to a primary winding shown in the diagram. The tapped secondary winding now supplies the pilot bulbs, the seriesconnected tube heaters and high voltage for the rectifier tube.

If 130 volt operation is desired lead A of the input line connects to the red-black lead and point B to the red-yellow. The primary is now left open and the secondary operates as a normal auto-transformer.

For 150 volt use lead A connects to the red-green and lead B to the red, and the circuit is substantially the same as the 130 connection.

When operation is desired on a 230 volt line lead A connects to the redgreen and lead B to the black. The other side of the primary, the blackyellow lead now connects to the redyellow and the primary and secondary are then connected in series-aiding. Throughout all these various changes the voltages at the taps remain the same to supply the rest of the receiver.

65K7 1.F. 2nd Det. ampl. ampl. audio Plant pull out put ampl. appl. app

Jumpered Ballast

One new model receiver employs a plug-in type ballast in order to operate from the 110 and 220 volt lines.

Noticed in the Ward Airline model 04BR-397A, the chassis contains a socket for the ballast near the rear corner. The base of the ballast is



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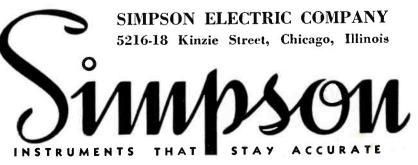
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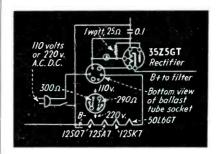
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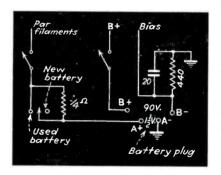
To operate the radio on a 220 volt line the ballast is inserted in the socket with that marking facing toward the rear of the chassis.



As shown in the diagram this position connects the 300 ohm and the 290 ohm resistor sections of the ballast in series with each side of the power input circuit of the receiver for operation at the higher line voltage.

When it is desired to operate the receiver on 110 volt lines the ballast can be removed from the socket, turned around to show the 110 volt marking to the rear of the chassis, and reinserted.

The jumper connections shown are now connected to the terminals that formerly held the resistor sections and the line voltage operates the receiver without a ballast resistor. The two resistor sections are now open-circuited to the bottom pins of the socket in the diagram.



Battery Saver

Battery-saver circuits have been used by several manufacturers in portable receivers. Most of these have been resistors connected in the negative B line to increase the bias to the power tube and thus lessen the current drain on the B batteries.

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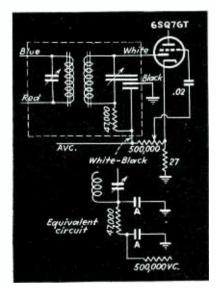
R-F Bypasses In I-F

The schematic diagrams of the new Motorola auto radio models show an interesting trimmer condenser in the last i-f transformer.

The equivalent circuit, shown at the bottom of the diagram, shows that what are apparently extensions to the trimmer condenser of the diode transformer are in radio terms the r-f bvpass condensers commonly shown at the points marked A.

Since these r-f filters are contained in the transformer shield only the audio signal and the avc voltage developed by the diode appear on the leads that extend through the shield. Also included in the shield is the 47M ohm resistor that forms a portion of the filter circuit.

For ready reference the colors of the various leads are shown in the schematic. It will be noted that white is the diode plate lead and black the



common ground connection of the r-f filter condensers. Audio and avc voltages are taken off through the whiteblack lead.

Not shown in this diagram, a resistor will be found in the tube heater circuits in these models. The hot battery lead supplies the vibrator power supply and a low ohmage resistor is connected ahead of the tube heaters in the filament supply lead. series resistor helps keep the heater voltage at a safe value to prevent damage to the tube filaments.

Factory Changes

Several of the straight a.c. Emerson models contain a loop or link circuit in the negative return of the power supply.

This consists of a single loop of wire that is placed on the underside of the chassis near the power transformer. The coil so formed allows the small amount of a.c. current flowing in it to buck against the leakage lines of the transformer. Proper adjustment of this link will allow operation of the receiver with minimum

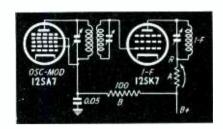
Replacement of parts in servicing these sets may change the position of the loop and adjustment may then be necessary. Later models of these sets do not employ this link circuit.

The factory suggests a change in the i-f stage of Farnsworth models BT-52, 53, 54, 55 and 56.

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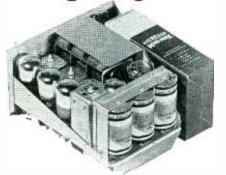
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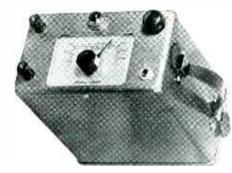
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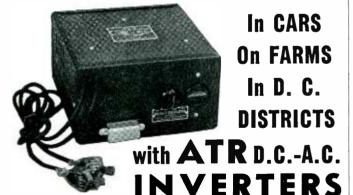
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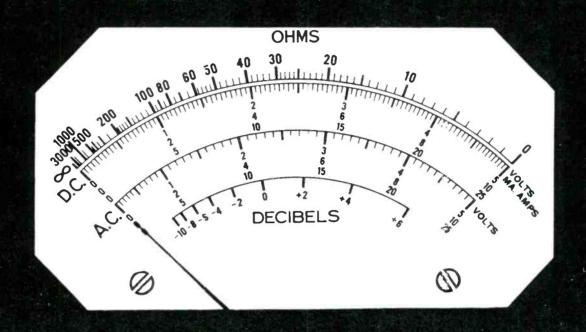
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The simplest slope filter is nothing but an oscillatory circuit which is slightly out of tune with the carrier of the incoming signal. The circuit must be carefully adjusted so that the carrier frequency falls at the middle of the resonance curve's slope as at A in Figure 1. One might with equal results employ the other side of the resonance curve.

When now the frequency varies between C and D in Figure 1, the r.f. current would vary between the values P and Q. The voltage dropacross the coil in the circuit is proportional to the r.f. current and so the detector is supplied with an amplitude modulated signal. The frequency modulation has not disappeared, the signal now carries both types of modulation.

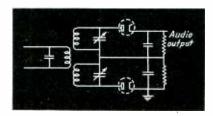
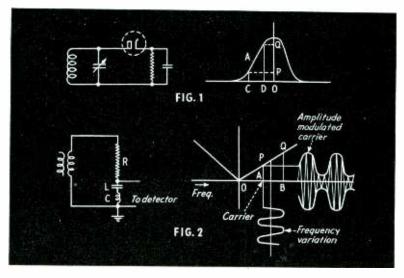


FIG. 3 — Secondaries resonate near peak frequency swings

In order to have the least possible distortion, the part of the characteristic utilized must be a straight line. Therefore, in Figure 1, one cannot let the frequency deviate more than from C to D which means that the amplitude can only vary from OP to OQ. Thus, the frequency deviation cannot be translated into 100 percent amplitude modulation with this type of detector.

Constant Current

An improvement in this direction was made by Armstrong in his early receivers. The detector employed is illustrated in Figure 2. The modulated signal is applied to a series arrangement of a resistor, an inductance



FIGS. 1 and 2-Simple FM detectors and their action

and a condenser as illustrated.

The resistor is so high in value that the current flowing in the circuit is practically constant since the impedance variation of L and C with frequency is only a small part of the total impedance in the circuit. L and C are adjusted to resonate to one extreme end of the frequency swing. That is, it may be either the highest or the lowest frequency ever reached by the signal.

The variation of the impedance presented by the LC combination is shown in Figure 2. At the resonant frequency the impedance is zero and it increases approximately linearly when the frequency is varied. Since the current is kept constant, the voltage drop across LC varies as the impedance so the characteristic of Figure 2 also shows the relation between voltage drop across LC and the frequency.

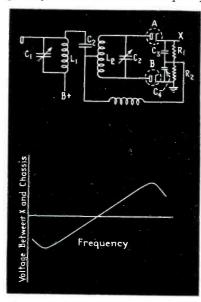


FIG. 4-Popular discriminator in use

An unmodulated carrier would have a frequency indicated at A and the voltage drop across LC would then have the magnitude AP. When the frequency varies between O and B, the amplitude will vary between zero and BQ. This represents 100 percent modulation.

Armstrong used two of these units in push-pull so as to eliminate some of the possible distortion due to nonlinearity of the characteristic.

Two Frequencies

A third system is shown in Figure 3. The last i.f. transformer, the one following the limiter, has three windings. The two secondaries are separately adjusted to resonate at the upper and lower frequency or rather somewhat beyond the upper and lower frequency ever reached by the signal. Each secondary is connected to its own detector and each works somewhat like the detector shown in Figure 1.

The diode loads are so connected

that one obtains the difference between the voltage drops across them, which is equivalent to connecting them in push-pull. When the carrier is unmodulated, the two detectors receive equal signals and the difference is zero. During modulation, the frequency shifts first in one direction causing it to approach the resonant frequency of one circuit while moving away from the resonant frequency of the other circuit. Thus the rectified currents in the diode circuits now are no longer equal.

When the frequency swings in the other direction the conditions are reversed. The diode which first ob-

the smallest and the difference between the rectified voltages is now of opposite polarity. In this manner a frequency-modulated signal is translated into an audio signal.

One Frequency

The most frequently used "discriminator" employs but two tuned circuits which are tuned alike to the carrier of the incoming signal. This one as well as the circuit just described was borrowed from afc technique. This type seems little understood by servicemen therefore a more complete explanation is given here.



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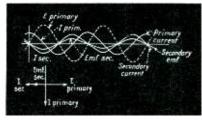


FIG. 5-Phase relations in the circuits

circuits, the secondary being centertapped (see Figure 4). Two diodes are so connected to the secondary, that the voltage applied to diode A is equal to the voltage drop across the primary plus the voltage drop across the upper half of the secondary. The voltage applied to diode B is equal to the voltage drop across the primary plus the voltage drop across the lower half of the secondary.

Tracing the circuit for each diode, first diode A, start from B + which is kept at a constant (zero) r.f. potential, pass through the primary, the coupling condenser C², the upper half of the secondary, the diode A, through C3 and C4 to chassis and back to B + through the power supply filter.

The circuit of diode B comprises the primary coil, the coupling condenser C², the lower half of the secondary, which is connected in opposite polarity compared to the upper half, and diode B. The d.c. circuits of both diodes are completed through their loads and through the choke back to the centertap of the secondary.

Phase Relations

The diode loads are again so connected that the output at X is equal to the difference of the voltage drops across R1 and R2. It remains now to show why the output varies directly as the frequency.

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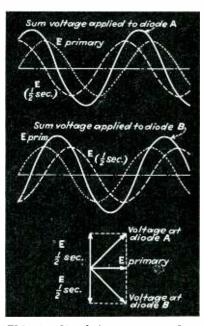


FIG. 6 — Signal frequency equal to resonant frequency of circuits



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The voltage drop across the primary coil, LI leads the primary current by 90 degrees, as illustrated in Figure 5 both in vector diagram form and in sinusoidal waves. The e.m.f. induced in the secondary lags the primary current by 90 degrees, this relation is also shown in Figure 5.

Now one must distinguish between an e.m.f. and a voltage drop. An e.m.f. is "whatever it is that makes electrons move". It may be considered as many little generators in be-

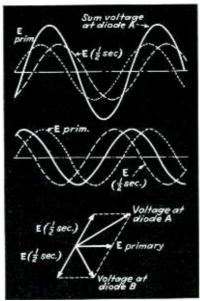


FIG. 7-Signal frequency higher than resonant frequency of circuits

tween the turns of the secondary coil. Since the circuit is closed, the e.m.f. will cause a current to flow and this, the secondary current, is in phase with the e.m.f. because the circuit is tuned to resonance. So far all these phase relations are shown in Figure 5. Now we pass to Figure 6.

The secondary current will cause a voltage drop across the secondary coil and this voltage drop is leading the current by 90 degrees. Now the voltages applied to the diode A consist of the voltage drop across the primary plus half that across the secondary.

These are shown in their proper phase relations in Figure 6 as well as the voltages applied to diode B. When the vector sums are taken for each diode, it follows that the voltages at the two diodes are equal but out of phase.

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incoming frequency has temporarily become higher than the resonant frequencies of primary and secondary. In the primary the voltage and current still have the same phase relations and the e.m.f. induced in the secondary is still of the same phase as shown in Figure 5. But now, since the frequency of the signal is too high, the secondary current is not in phase with the secondary e.m.f. but instead

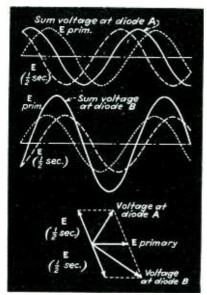


FIG. 8-Signal frequency lower than resonant frequency of circuits

it will lag behind this e.m.f. by an angle less than 90 degrees. For the same reason, the voltage drops across the secondary sections will also be retarded in phase.

These new relations are shown in Figure 7 and the vector sum for each diode has been worked out again. Now the voltage applied to diode A is larger than the one applied to diode B and there will be a difference between the voltage drops across R1 and R2, so as to make X positive with respect to the

When the frequency is temporarily below the carrier frequency, the secondary current will lead the induced e.m.f. and the secondary voltage drops are also advanced in phase. These conditions are shown in Figure 8 where it is seen that the vector sum for voltages applied to diode B is larger than the one for diode A. In this case the output voltage at X will be negative with respect to the chassis.

When the output voltage is plotted against frequency we obtain the familiar characteristic of Figure 4. This type of circuit has properties which resemble those of ordinary coupled circuits. The separation of the two peaks depends on the coupling between the two circuits and the Q of both. The sensitivity depends on these same factors and also on the turns

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Hum on local signals . . . install .05 mfd condenser across power line input.

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Motorboats . . . dress filter capacitor leads away from antenna coil.

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FM dead . . . open 6500 ohm in screen circuit of 6AB7/1853 first i-f. Shorted .01 mfd unit at low potential end of resistor.

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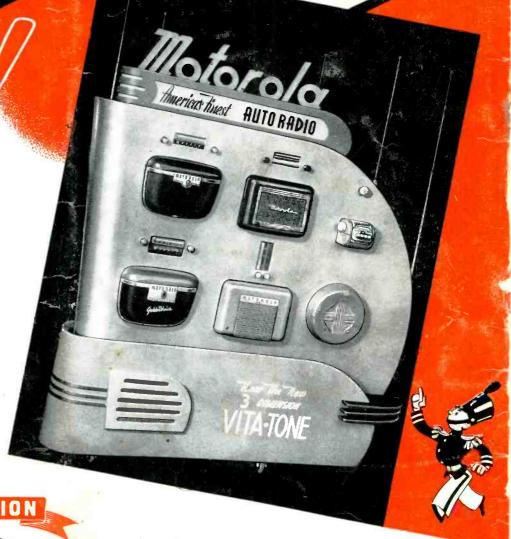
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