

—A STORY OF PUBLIC SERVICE

The Cowles Broadcasting Company, like Americans everywhere, takes great pride in our nation's capital.

We shall strive to render community service of real value, by participating actively in the cultural, civic and economic development of this large and growing metropolitan area.

We shall bend every effort toward procuring the most experienced and capable personnel and the best radio talent available; with these we hope to produce programs equal to any in the nation—and some which are better.

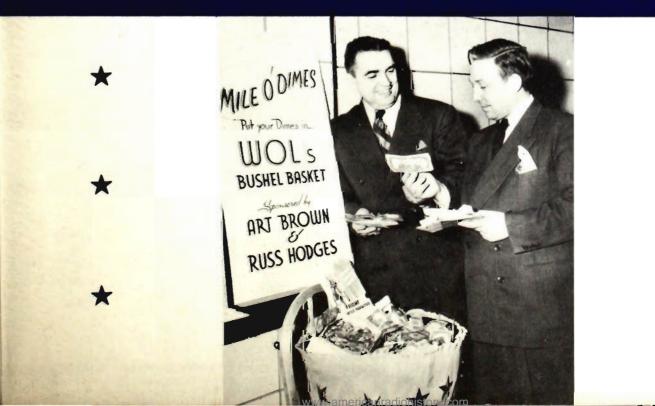
We intend to serve the capital area with the most modern technical equipment science can develop . . . to bring to post-war Washington the finest possible service in facsimile, television and improved audio broadcasting.

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Vice-President

Cowles Broadcasting Company

Living and broadcasting in the shadow of a monument commemorating a life of public service, it's natural for WOL to put public service programming first. Operated by men of such caliber as Commander T. A. M. Craven—who has given nine untiring years on the FCC to the cause of the American listener—WOL intends to make its call letters synonymous in Washington with good radio, good business and round-the-clock public service. Fulfillment of these goals, frankly, is going to be a gradual process, but we've made what is to us a good beginning. The pictures on these pages are samples of WOL public service programs in the few months since the inception of active Cowles management.

MILE O'DIMES—WOL stars Art Brown and Russ Hodges look over the \$7,270.00 which poured into the WOL bushel basket as a result of the special Mile O'Dimes programs put on by WOL during the 17day campaign. Contributions came by mail and messenger, and ranged in size from children's pennies to \$2,000 collected and presented over the air by Paul V. McNutt, from employees of the War Manpower Commission.







RED CROSS DRIVE: Miss Mary Jane Horn with Mrs. F. W. Pennoyer, Jr., vice-chairman of the D. C. Junior Red Cross.

On the closing day of the Sixth War an grams which, in making War Bond Ape causes. The pictures here were all tae sent only one significant day in the li-Bond shows stressed also the importage the Junior Red Cross, Army Physic recruiting, WAVE recruiting, WAC women's place in the war and the Diri



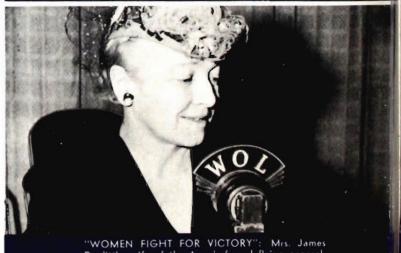
PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Lt. Col. Joseph Escude and Russ Hodges at the Boy's Club charity game.



SPAR RECRUITING: Commander Jack Dempsey and Russ Hodges, between the halves of the Boy's Club charity game.

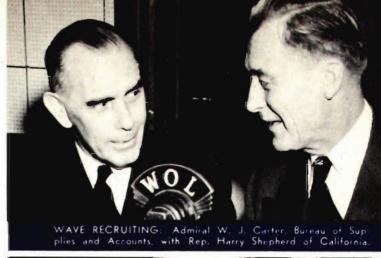


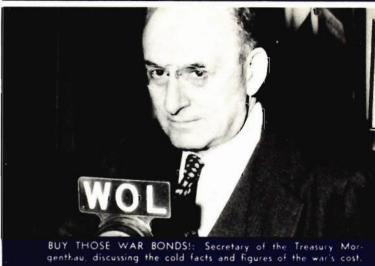
JUNIOR RED CROSS: Members of the D. C. chapter in a dramatization of Red Cross activities.



Doolittle, wife of the Army's famed flying general.

Drive, WOL broadcast ten local protied also into other civic and patriotic within a twelve-hour period, and reprea radio station: a day in which War of the production line, the Red Cross, flucation, Spar recruiting, Lady-Marine iting, home - front food production, of Columbia police safety drive.











of the War Food Administration, and Maj. Gen. Edmund Gregory.

Here you have seen typical WOL public service during the first four months of Cowles operation. We intend that the *next* four months—and the months and years thereafter—will see our attention focussed even more strongly on broadcasting in the community welfare . . . will see such broadcasting keeping pace with WOL's expansion into larger scale AM, FM, facsimile and television . . . giving fullest significance to our motto, "The Voice of Washington."

It is our intention that listeners shall call WOL "The Voice of THE PEOPLE of Washington."

For meritorious service to the Sixth War Loan Drive, two WOL personalities were awarded special Treasury Department citations. At left, Billy Repaid, WOL-Mutual news commentator, receives a citation from W. J. Waller (left), chairman of the

D. C. War Finance Committee, and H. H. Beuermann, senior deputy manager (right). Right, Miss Jean Hendricks, radio director, looks on as Hugh Lynch, executive manager of the D. C. War Finance Commmittee, presents a certificate to Art Brown.





As this booklet goes into production, WOL is broadcasting an exclusive series of interviews with Washington fighting men, recorded by the Red Cross overseas and rushed to WOL . . . a WOL exclusive program service in addition to the many other Red Cross War Fund promotions. "The Veteran's Friend" program Sundays is helping service men over the crucial and difficult span from service to civilian life. Russ Hodges has recently taken a microphone into Walter Reed Hospital wards to let amputation cases tell for the first time-what they think of organized sports in wartime. Walter Compton, WOL-Mutual commentator, has interviewed—also for the first time—one of the soldiers who participated in the rescue of prisoners from Cabanatuan in the Philippines. And Fulton Lewis ir. is laying plans to cover the San Francisco United Nations world security conference personally for WOL and Mutual.

Public service broadcasting is a continuing thing. This year, the 25th anniversary of radio, it assumes more significance than ever before. At WOL, week after week and year after year, public service will continue to be first in importance, first in attention.

# A Cowles Station Market Stati

"THE VOICE OF WASHINGTON"

Represented nationally by the Katz Agency, Inc.

Thanks . . . .

### OUR THANKS TO-



local, national spot and Mutual advertisers—and in the space of

24 weeks

have added, in new business,

87

commercial quarter hours \* to the weekly schedue

# WOL

"THE VOICE OF WASHINGTON"

**37** 

know the real "Washington story." These advertisers are joining the WOL "cl following renewal record:

- 8 have been on WOL 5 years or longer
- 6 have been on WOL 10 years or longe

There is a reason for this swing to the Washington, D. C., market and to WOL. Washington Story," now in production. Meanwhile, earn while you learn, by spiss

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<sup>\*</sup> New business (not renewals) now on the regular weekly schedule, evenly distributed over morning, afternoon and night hours. Does not include participation periods for which Washington is so famous.



#### **AVAILABLE!**

"So the Story Goes"

with Johnny Neblett

Monday through Friday, 7:15 P. M.

following Fulton Lewis, Jr.

#### **AVAILABLE!**

"The Texas Rangers"

Monday through Friday
12:30 P. M.

following Morton Downey

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#### **AVAILABLE!**

"Background for News"

with Walter Compton,

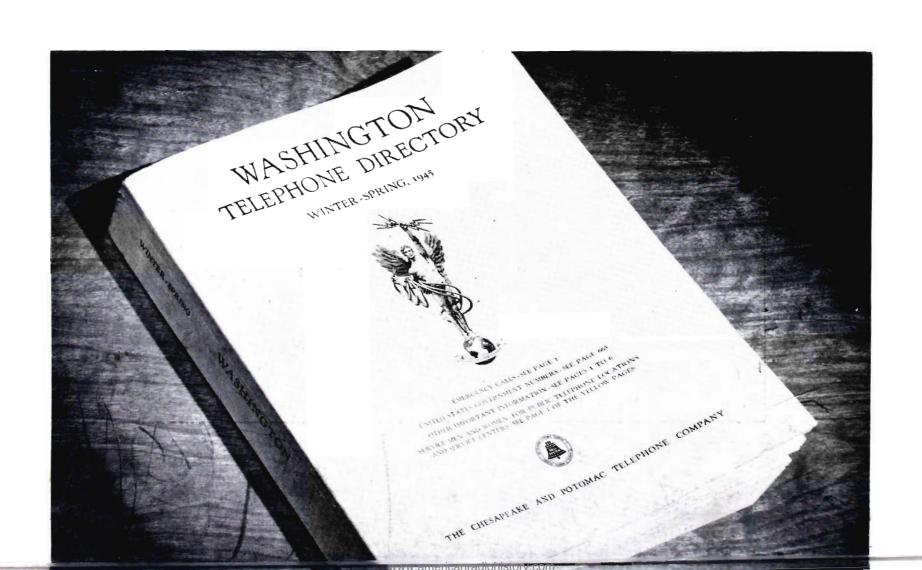
Mutual news commentator

Monday through Friday, 4:00 P. M.

us for your copy of "The gard one of these progams."

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BROADCASTING SYSTEM



## People You Should Know...

Compare the Washington phone book with the telephone directories of such top radio markets as St. Louis, Cleveland, San Francisco and Baltimore. Washington's is 30% thicker than any of them.

This book is a gilt-edged directory of some of the highest-income people in the world. In 1944, payrolls for the Washington metropolitan area totaled *a billion*, 345 million dollars. Bank clearings for the first 11 months of the year amounted to more than *a billion*, 897 million dollars.

Retail merchants who expect prompt returns for their advertising investments use WOL to reach the 1,250,000 potential customers in the Washington area. There are 70 local advertisers using WOL today. Fourteen are on five-to-ten-year renewals.

Take a tip from the phone book and from satisfied local sponsors. For a share of present and postwar business in one of the country's major markets, look up WOL's number and call us—or The Katz Agency—today.

A BASIC MUTUAL STATION



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WASHINGTON, D. C.