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# IS RUNNING AWAY WITH KANSAS CITY'S RADIO DAY

Every time period,
Monday-Friday,
Hooper finds
WHB in first place,
So does Nielsen,
So does Pulse,
So does Trendex,

available data

So it's unanimous

All 1 surveys have WHB first in every time period. WHB has more than twice the audience of the second station (all day average Hooper 44.5%). Mid-Continent programming, ideas and excitement have achieved this dominance for WHB! The same programming, ideas and excitement can achieve dominance for you. Run over the Kausas City situation with the man from Blair, or WHB General Manager George W. Armstrong.

WHB . . . 10,000 watts, 710 KC

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# Nielsen Circulation in Baltimore City and County!

W-I-T-H's weekly audience in the highly concentrated City and County of Baltimore is 230,530 families—more than any other station in town!

When you combine this big audience with W-I-T-H's low, low rates, you get the lowest cost-per-thousand of any advertising medium in Baltimore. Let your Forjoe man give you the whole story!

# IN BALTIMORE THE BIG BUY IS



Tom Tinsley, President

R. C. Embry, Vice-President

Represented by Forjoe & Co.



\$64,000 moves

Significance of Real significance of reports Revlon was promised kitchen sink by both NBC and CBS boils down to this in opinion of Madison Ave. observers: advertiser-agency efforts to bring own show into networks may now be stimulated. Lesson admen haven't failed to note is that bargaining power client couldn't achieve with money alone can be won backwith ideas. But if clients can't open doors for more "outside" shows on heels of "\$64,000 Question," thinking runs, this season will be last for long time in which net program control will be questioned (see article page 31).

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Private tv set study likely

Tv set count and circulation study by private research firm is likely for 1956 now that NARTB Tv Circulation Committee has stated its first study won't be out before mid-1957. ARB, Nielsen and SAMS have all been exploring interest in study among research buyers (with all 3 impressed demand is great). While there's still danger more than one may actually launch studies, researchers believe field will eventually be left to company which wins approval of networks first. (See editorial on tv set count page 126.)

Straw in research wind

Indicative of interest among admen in tv set count is fact McCann-Erickson associate research director, Dr. Leo Bogart, lists need for set study first in article this issue ("Eight big needs in radio-tv research, page 42).

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NBC TV must-buy web no "must"

NBC TV's requirement of 100 stations for lineups in prime evening time is not must-buy network in usual sense. First, while sponsor must still take 55 specific must-buy stations, he can pick whatever other 45 NBC stations he wants. Second, sponsor can buy less than 100 stations, still stay on network if he accepts reduction in discounts. Third, requirement of 100 stations does not apply to sponsors who participate in Program Service Plan (PSP)—that is, allow their shows to run on unordered stations with commercials deleted. As inducement to sell large networks, NBC is offering 44 small optional stations under Program Extension Plan (PEP), with discounts up to 50%.

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Angelenas like their radio

Sets-in-use during average quarter hour in Los Angeles is up 60% since 1949. Actual increase: 250,000 to 400,000 homes (Pulse). Fact is one among many heard by agencies, advertisers who listened to unusual presentation given by Frank Crane, president, Southern California Broadcasters Association. Crane, now traveling around U.S. with presentation, titled "Ultraphonic Sound," uses 5-speaker stereophonic sound setup, has such names as Groucho Marx, Tennessee Ernie to add zip to tape-recorded presentation.

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Godwin joins SPONSOR

Charles W. Godwin joins SPONSOR today (17 October) as v.p. and advertising director, resigning as director of station relations at ABC Radio. (For Godwin's complete background see page 120.)

### REPORT TO SPONSORS for 17 October 1955

Radio's best

Awards for "8 most effective radio commercials broadcast during 1955" given by RAB in its advertising clinic at Waldorf-Astoria, New York, last week. Names of 8 (alphabetically) with agencies and award recipients follow: American Tobacco (Pall Mall), SSCB, Alan Garratt, ad manager; Coca-Cola, D'Arcy, Paul Lewis, D'Arcy v.p. charge radiotv; Esso, Marschalk and Pratt Div. McCann-Erickson, Robert M. Gray, ad manager; Ford Motor Co., JWT, Charles Beacham, Northeast reg. sales manager; Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., Y&R, Henry R. Geyelin, manager adv. service; National Carbon Co., Esty, A. J. Housman, ad manager; Nestle, Bryan Houston, Richard F. Goebel, ad manager in charge media; Piel Bros., Y&R, Thomas Hawkes, general sales manager.

—SR—

Radio set sales high in tv areas

Not generally realized is fact that pace of radio set sales is just as quick, if not quicker in mature tv markets as in country as whole. ABC Radio research report shows situation in 5 tv markets: New York, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles. Radio sets (not including auto radios) shipped to dealers in these cities during 1954 was 62% higher than number of tv sets shipped (RETMA figures). Meanwhile, RETMA has announced that radio set sales for first 8 months of 1955 are 43% ahead of 1954, while tv set sales are 27% ahead.

Smog over am spending grows

PIB's decision to discontinue reporting of radio network gross billings throws even darker fog over radio spending. Previously, with TvB promising spot tv figures, only spot radio figures had been lacking among major media spending data. PIB will continue running other radio network data. This will permit agencies to calculate spending of their clients' competition but calculation of over-all network spending would be time-consuming and possibly prohibitively expensive. PIB decision was based on fact that changes in am web rates, discounts make it difficult to compare accurately one network with another and current network figures with past data.

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ABC Radio aims at top

Radical revamping of ABC Radio's nighttime programing highlights determination of web to stay in business. In tape-recorded interview with SPONSOR editors, ABC President Robert E. Kintner expressed strong confidence in network radio's future, said ABC Radio had good chance of becoming "number two" network, maybe even "number one." Kintner denied new web plan would undercut national spot rate of affiliates. (For details of new ABC Radio programing and verbatim text of interview see pages 37-39).

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Fee tv debate at 4A's confab

Fee tv issue will be kept humming by debate on subject at Eastern Annual Conference of 4A's. Three-day conference starts today (17 October). Toll tv debate, which takes place 19 October, features pro arguments of James M. Landis, Skiatron Electronics and Tv Corp.; con arguments from Sidney Kaye of law firm of Rosenman, Goldmark, Colin & Kaye. Discussion of fee tv is part of conference's tv-radio programing meeting.

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4A's radio-tv

4A's meeting will also feature (1) talks on radio network programing in tv age by Robert Sarnoff, executive vice president, NBC, and a CBS representative unannounced at presstime; (2) demonstration of Electronicam tv-film system by James Caddigan of Dumont Labs; (3) demonstration of Cellomatic, device for simulated animation of art work, by Paul Adler of Affiliated Program Service.

(Sponsor Reports continues page 125)

# We Had To Turn Out The Lights To Get Them To Leave

"Nighttime radio? Forget it — everybody's watching television."

Tain't so in Philadelphia . . . at least, not on WPEN.

From 9 o'clock at night, people come by the thousands to the WPEN studios to watch and participate in our programs. And we don't give a thing away. (We actually had to hire a hostess to handle the crowds.)

Can you imagine — in staid Philadelphia — a full house every night till five in the morning? Fact is, we have to turn out the lights to get them to go home.

Programming like this is one of the reasons why WPEN has the GREATEST RATING INCREASE\*, the LARGEST OUT-OF-HOME LISTENING\*, and MORE LOCAL AND NATIONAL ADVERTISERS\*\* than any other station in Philadelphia.

The Station of Personalities

WPEN

Philadelphia

\*Pulse July, August 1955 \* B.A.R. July 1955 Represented Nationally by Gill-Perna.



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# Five \$64,000,000 tv questions

In its broad survey of nighttime network programing questions this fall SPONSOR found five which sum up the issues of the season, including: How big will ABC be? Is network program control permanent?

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# Videotown 1955: longest owners watch most

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Broadcast Advertisers Reports covers 14 markets with a radio, tv monitoring service, sells summaries of taped commercials to subscribers. BAR can provide clients with playbacks of competitors' commercials

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### Salty radio teaser campaign sells cars

lowa radio listeners were treated to a real nautical teaser campaign to announce arrival of 11-foot ship model in a car dealer's showroom. When the gimmick was triggered, sight-seers and buyers flocked to the sale

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### Timebuying problems—today and yesterday

The first of a series of SPONSOR articles about the status, functions and problems of admen will deal with timebuyers and the ways in which their job and status has been changing

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# 4th Annual Farm Section

Survey of the nation's radio and television stations with farm programing, farm advertisers and their agencies provides the 1955 facts on how to reach the farmer best. A self-contained section with all the facts

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Success like this proves Ann Rogers "SOME SALESMAN"



Letters like this that tell of client sales success make us very happy and doubly so when they pinpoint large sales.

Big advertiser or spot campaigner, you can tell your sales story to Rochester (prime Western N. Y. test city) and 17 rich counties that make up this market, best on WHAM-TV.

Considering the fact that this spot schedule was inaugurated as a test of television's effectiveness, WHAM-TV has certainly proven its power and its point.

To tap a rich market with sales success call the Hollingbery office nearest you,

Walter H. Foertsch and Associates 31 Gibbe Street . Rochester 6. New York Specialists in Secretces for Management Spone Byret 9817

> Mr. J. M. Kennedy, Jr. NHAW-TV 201 Humboldt Street Rochester 9, New York Dear Jack;

Your Ann Rogers is some salesman! Listen to this:

As you know, Ann's been plugging Genesee Country Wilk in orders

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Charles S. Wilkinson

Represented by George P. Hollingbery Co.

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M-TV CHANNEL

Rochester, N. Y.'s Most Powerful Station

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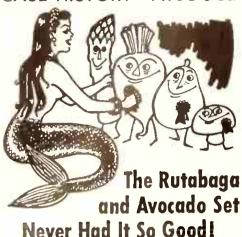
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MERICA'S NO. 1 DISTRIBUTOR OF TELEVISION FILM PROGRAM

TV

FILM SYNDICATION

## CASE HISTORY-PRODUCE



For  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years now, they've had their very own radio program—5 minutes every morning on KBIG Catalina, devoted by the 23 Von's Grocery Company supermarkets of Greater Los Angeles to glamorizing fruits and vegetables . . . highlighting their history . . . suggesting new ways to use them . . . telling both good and bad points of supply and price,

Results: HOMEMAKERS NEWS has won awards from the Advertising Association of the West, Radio Adverticing Russey, Inc., PARIO GETS

tising Bureau, Inc., RADIO GETS RESULTS contest; Los Angeles Advertising Women, for creative excellence.

Item sales tests pay off consistently. Mushrooms mushroomed 32½%, asparagus 21%. Gift bags hidden under checkstands,

and given only to customers who mentioned hearing it offered on KBIG, "sold out" 25,000 in a few days.

HOMEMAKERS NEWS, renewed by Von's for its 4th straight year, typifies the creativity of KBIG. Other 5-minute news features can be tailor-made for sponsors who want something besides saturation spots.

Your KBIG representative or Robert Meeker man can show you topnotch results with either technique.



JOHN POOLE BROADCASTING CO.
6540 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood 28, California
Telephone: HOllywood 3-3205

Not. Rep. Robert Meeker & Assoc. Inc.

# Timebuyers at work



Harry Parnas, media director, Doyle Dane Bernbach, New York, reminds timebuyers of several criteria when buying announcements between programs. "We feel it's most important for the shows we place announcements between to have even ratings," he says. "In fact, we'll sacrifice combined average rating to even rating because the biggest threat to commercials between shows is dial twisting. Of course we always try for a good costper-1,000, but equally important is the audience composition of the shows we're adjacent to. In these days of tight nighttime to availabilities, a buyer can't get into such considerations as mood of a show, but, on the other hand, he can't afford to ignore the proportion of men and women his message will be reaching in a particular time slot."



Vincent Daraio, Hicks & Greist, New York, says that he spends a lot of time at the opening of each fall season studying the context of network tv programing. "You've got to be familiar with the shows to buy adjacent to the right ones for your client," he explains. "For example, with a women's product, you want to have both the lead-in and lead-out from the commercial appeal to a women's audience. With a family product you've got more leeway. I've found that a Roy Rogers program, as one example, delivers a surprisingly high percentage of adults. Now this type of show, followed by, say, a musical show like Patti Page can give me a good family audience. On the other hand, some Western shows that seem in the same category on the surface actually deliver mostly the young kids."



Joan Stark, Grey Advertising, New York, will be happy when October's over. "This is the month of clearance problems," says she. "The big reason, of course, is the discrepancy in Daylight Saving Time. Most of New England, New York, New Jersey and some of Pennsylvania extended DST through October. Other DST areas went to Standard Time at the end of September. Still other areas of the country don't have DST at all. Where the buyer's concerned this may mean buying and placing three different schedules within a period of five or six weeks. It's particularly a problem with network adjacencies because the time you may have ordered last summer may be filled with a different show in October, during the time switchover, from the show you originally intended being next to."

# "Riot at the Penitentiary ...going after more details"

Case History No. 13

Manager Jack Vagner of KRAL, Rawlins, Wyo., was one of the first in town to hear about it. He grabbed the telephone and called The AP at Cheyenne. It was 11:37 a.m.

"There's a riot at the penitentiary," he said. "Prisoners seized three guards as hostages. Don't know who the ringleaders are yet. They want a conference with the warden. Got control of the main cellblock. I'm going out after more details and will call you back."

The state prison was about a quarter-mile from the KRAL studios. Vagner was there within minutes, but the guards were as stone-faced as the prison walls. They weren't saying anything until the warden showed up.

The warden arrived shortly after noon. A bit later Vagner called The AP with the names of the three hostages, word that 75 of the 280 prisoners were involved in the riot, the knifing of a prison guard and the reasons the rioters gave for the break.

Through the rest of the day Vagner relayed details of the story to the KRAL newsroom and to The AP. After an AP staffer flew in from Cheyenne, the two split the load and covered every angle.

Vagner interviewed the wives of the hostages, as well as guards and prison



employees. He also helped a photographer line up pictures which were carried over the national AP Wirephoto network.

Shortly after midnight, the riot was over and the story cleaned up. After 13 hours on the job, Vagner had completed a tremendous job of news

coverage for KRAL listeners—and AP members everywhere.

Jack Vagner is one of thousands of active newsmen who make The AP better...and better known.

If your station is not yet using Associated Press service, your AP Field Representative can give you complete information. Or write—



Those who know famous brands...know the most famous name in news is  $m{R}$ 

# The BOSTON Story in Capsule



316 OOO MATTS

1,340,000 TV Homes

IN BOSTON... WNAC-TV, Channel 7, consistently — season after season for over seven years — has represented true value to its hundreds of thousands of viewers and to its enthusiastic advertisers and their discriminating agencies.

Viewers watch most of Boston's toparated shows — network and film — on Channel 7. WNAC-TV clients sell their products in this atmosphere of quality and success.

Represented by H-R Television, Inc.

# WNAC-TV

A GENERAL TELERADIO OWNED STATION

THE YANKEE NETWORK 21 BROOKLINE AVENUE, BOSTON 15, MASS.

# AGENCY AD LIBS



by Bob Foreman

# Commercials in the spectaculars misfire

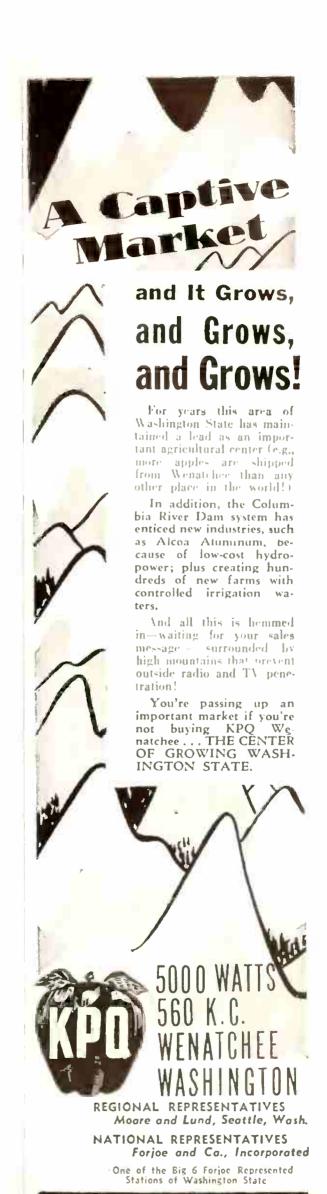
Perhaps it's the type of spectacular I've been watching. Maybe it's the fact that I've witnessed them in color. I can't say what but it has struck me that the quality of the commercials I've caught of late in these epies is rather low.

Completely apart from the audience-size, rating successes or lack of them, and forgetting for the moment whether the shows were done well, so-so or poorly. I've been most conscious of what I feel is the poor copywriting and cluttered production of the sales messages.

Take "The Skin of Our Teeth." Whether you liked it or not, marveled at the color or were merely confused and fatigued by the story. I haven't since the neolithic days of two been so confused by copy. In addition, the commercials were tryingly long. It seemed that one was sandwiched right on top of another, gaining its only relief, if I remember rightly, in two more intercepting commercials, one at the chainbreak period, the other at the station identification,

One of the spots in this show seemed so out of place surrounded as it was by erudite gibberish that it must have got the biggest yak in the whole show, both at home and in the studio. This opus was a rather typical and completely uninspired piece of animation with product packages hanging from a tree. It included, as well, an inane ditty. Neither the animation nor the jingle nor the backneyed concept of the copy would have been so outstandingly bad if viewed in more normal surroundings. But immersed as these elements were in Tornton Wilder the puerile qualities we see exhibited so frequently in ty copy were even more apparent.

All of the above—at least to me—means that someone has got to do a lot more thinking and use a great deal more care on that phase of television advertising which is inserted, magazine-wise, into long, participating shows if these shows are to pan out for the advertiser. Such programs are high in cost regardless of the per-commercial-minute figures blithely tossed about. High in gross cost, that is, And they're astronomical in cost if they do not provide the advertised product with more identification, more recall of sales points. (Please turn to page 66)





A helicopter crew from Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Jacksonville, Florida, practices sea rescue operations.

The soaring buying power of the area served by WMBR-TV has rescued many a marketer of consumer goods.

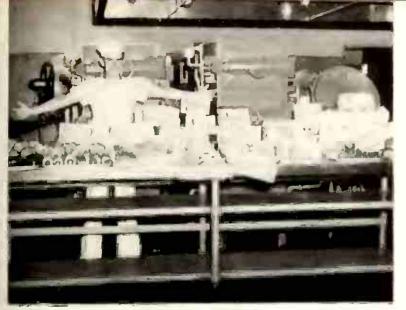
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THE Navy sailed into Jacksonville fifteen yes ago and started a business boom that has near stopped gaining knots. Since October 15, 150, when the Jacksonville area was commissioned, we Navy has spent \$349,000,000 on plant alone (1.1) \$17,645,000 more on deck), is currently payed its 21,000 Jacksonville-based "employees." \$12,000,000 in annual salary.

The U. S. Navy, with important installating at suburban Mayport, Cecil Field, Green Cre Springs, as well as the Naval Air Technical Training Center, the Naval Hospital, and the Naval in Station in Jacksonville, is one of 600 industrial in the area. Combining Old Southern traditis with New Southern commercial vigor, Jacksonve is a market of 375,000 inhabitants, a market for 700,000 more, most of whom wah WMBR-TV.

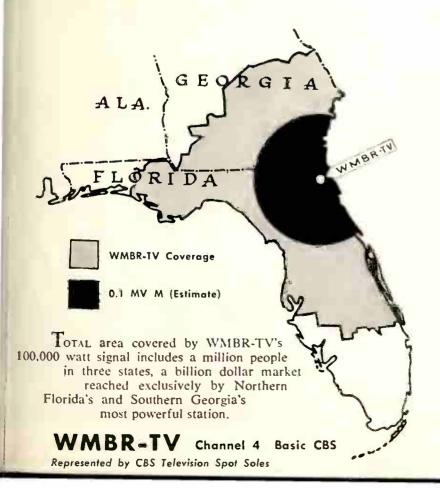
Accessibility to creeks, rivers, and ocean makes the Jackson area particularly attractive to fishermen and Navy person! Shown are ships in the Florida Group of the Reserve Fly U. S. Naval Station, Green Cove Springs, Jacksonville, Fla.



Provisions per capita over a 30-day period aboard ship. Annual Navy purchases of supplies and produce in the Jacksonville area total more than \$4,000,000.

All in a day's work for Navy jet pilots. Powder charge in jet ejection seat model simulates the experience of rescue-ejection from a jet plane.

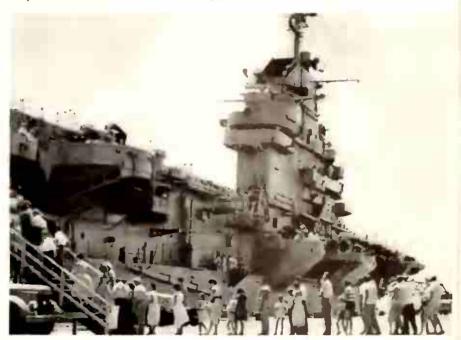






Vapor trails left by Navy jets are familiar sights in the Jacksonville sky. Almost jet propelled, population growth of Florida, up 26% in five years, will show a gain of 53% for the decade as estimated by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

A trail of visitors are welcomed aboard on aircraft carrier at Mayport, near the mouth of the St. Johns, deep enough to permit ocean-going vessels to make Jacksonville the top port of the South Atlantic states.





Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, where \$6½ million in construction is authorized or recently completed. Navy building, plus \$11½ million in public works construction authorized for 1956, make Jacksonville a center of bustling building activity.

Downtown Jacksonville, showing part of the network of bridges across the St. Johns. \$60,000,000 is being spent to take good care of our visitors. Charles Smith Studio (Jax) picture.



**CAPITAL TYPES #12** 



### TAX COLLECTOR

Not a bad fellow at heart, someone once said, but no one can remember who said it. Neighbors for blocks around keep blinds drawn day and night. Spoils mystery movies for audiences: guesses murderer by end of second reel. Likes plain food, especially roast beef. rare. No gravy. Married. but no exemptions. Drives 1928 Essex—late 1928.

And advertisers in Washington using WTOP Radio find themselves in the driver's seat. WTOP has (1) the largest average share of audience (2) the most quarter-hour wins (3) Washington's most popular local personalities and (4) ten times the power of any other radio station in the area.

# WTOP RADIO

Represented by CBS Radio Spot Sales

# 19 th and MADISON

SPONSOR invites letters to the editor. Address 40 E. 49 St., New York 17.

# JINGLESMITHS JANGLED

We enjoyed reading in the August 22 issue of SPONSOR your very interesting and enlightening article "How long before a jingle jangles?" (Thanks too for the title—it helps popularize our slogan.)

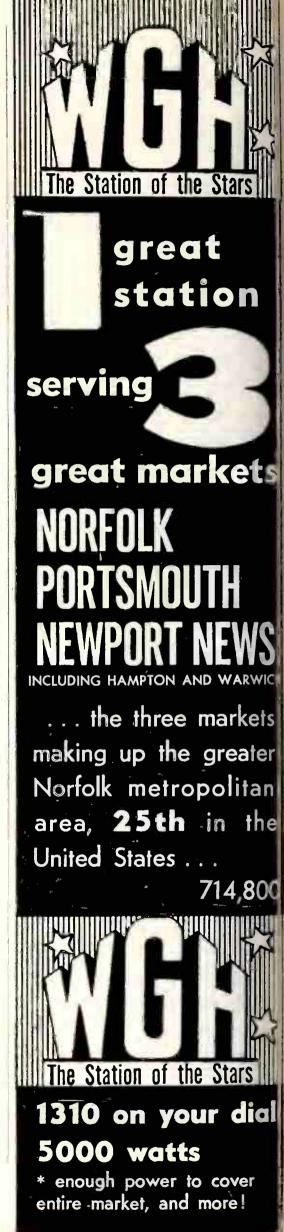
Couldn't help feeling a little hurt, though, that some of our long-lived jingles weren't included, as I believe we were one of the earliest to loudly proclaim that a sponsor, once having found a good jingle, should no sooner change it each year than he might change the name of his product.

We know the public agrees, too, because in a couple of instances when certain sponsors switched to other jingles, from ours, the audience reaction was quickly felt and our jingles were reinstated. In Buffalo for example listeners actually sent in letters of protest asking the sponsor to return "that cute jingle with the girl and boy on it." That was several years ago and to this day, over 10 years later the Lanny & Ginger Sattler's Dept. Store jingle is singing merrily away. They give us credit for being the major factor in helping bring their store from third to first place in dollar sales within four years. Our jingles have often received "fan mail."

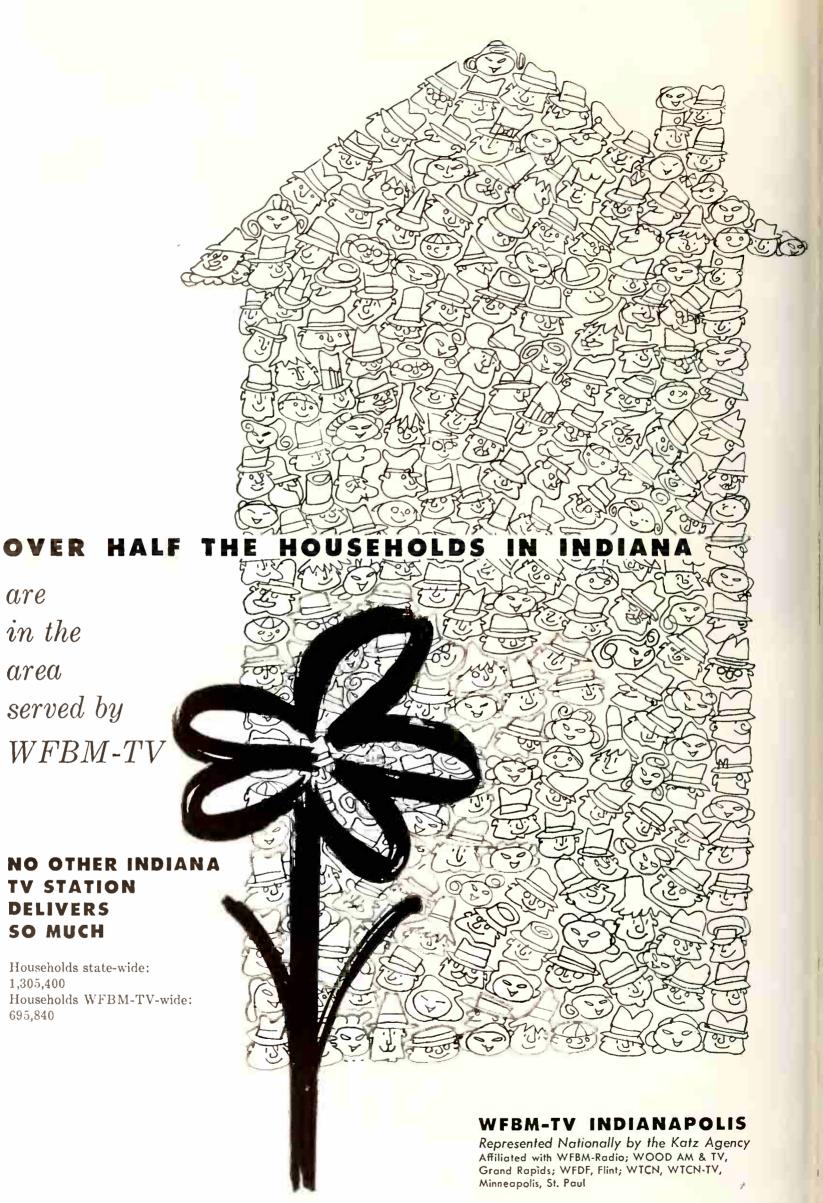
Our Marlin Blade jingle was on for eight years. Yonkers Raceway jingle is in its fifth year.

We admired the insight and budget that made it possible for K & E to write 30 jingles and then sit back and pick the best one. Not many clients are that generous so we sit back and do our own weeding out then present the two or three remaining from the throw-away material that accumulates in one of our very thorough and often lengthy research-requiring presentations.

Noting that your article was based mainly on large national accounts, perhaps that is why we were overlooked. While we have had several national accounts, we do a great deal in the way of servicing the smaller local and regional accounts, many of







are

# 100 major advertisers

are now using

Spanish·Language radio...



Over 100 national and major regional advertisers use Spanishlanguage radio to sell the Mexican-Americans concentrated in the Southwestern United States. Among these Best Foods, Carnation, Cocomalt, General Foods, General Mills, Maine Sardines and others use the facilities of the TEXAS SPANISH LANGUAGE NETWORK.

The stations of the TSLN are all key full time Spanish stations in their area and offer advertisers a combined coverage of over 1,000,000 Spanish-speaking listeners.

# TEXAS SPANISH LANGUAGE NETWORK

KIWW San Antonio XEO-XEOR Rio Grande XEJ El Paso

Valley
Represented nationally by
NATIONAL TIMES SALES
New York • Chicago

HARLAN G. OAKES & ASSOC. Los Angeles · San Francisco 40 E. 49TH

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which are outside of New York. We supply a complete package deal for them, performing every function.

Lanny & Ginger Grey Jingles that don't Jangle New York

\* SPONSOR's article used a headline similar to the Lamy & Gluger slogan by emineldenre only. Furpose of the article was to sum up trends in jingle craftsmanship, not to provide a rundown on individual jingle firms.

# JAPANESE RADIO

I must express my deep gratitude for authorization to reprint two artieles from sponsor: Harry MacMahon's "Seven deadly sins of tv commercials" (13 December 1954 issue) and "I like



this ty commercial because" (27 December issue).

The translations of those articles were highly spoken of and there even appeared a man who wants to put it into Japanese and publish them. Those were the most successful articles in our organ (JOKR's Commercial Message).

Y. NIHIRA
Station JOKR
Tokyo, Japan

### BUYERS SHOULD TRAVEL

The writer always looks forward to his next issue of SPONSOR and the many idea-provoking articles between its covers.

live read with particular interest (Please turn to page 48)



# WHEN CLIENTS ASK THE QUESTION ...

"What's this I hear about the Sacramento valley—
A new TV station?"

The answer is:

# KCRA

# Channel

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

NBC Basic Affiliate 100,000 WATTS MAXIMUM POWER

# NEW STATION! NEW VIEWERS! NEW NBC SHOWS!

KCRA-TV delivers one of the country's richest markets, with spendable income of more than two billion dollars!

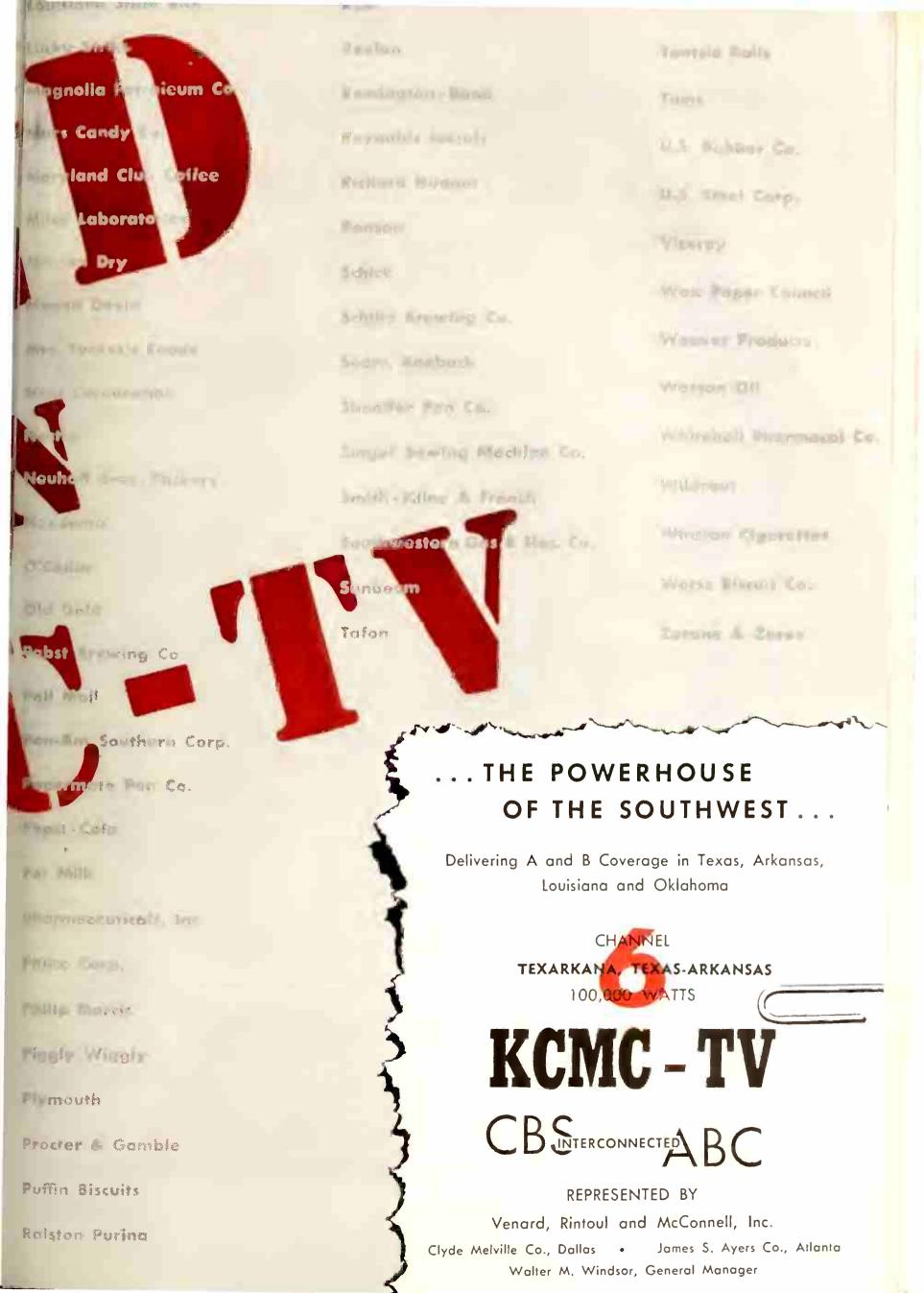
As Sacramento's new station, KCRA-TV, Channel 3, is the only low-band VHF station in the fabulous Sacramento Valley. Full-line NBC programming.

Be sure to review your present television programming and spot schedules. Then call Petry.



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# **LOWEST COST** PER **THOUSAND**

... because present low rates are in effect for established clients through June 1956!

# CBS-ABC **NETWORK SHOWS**

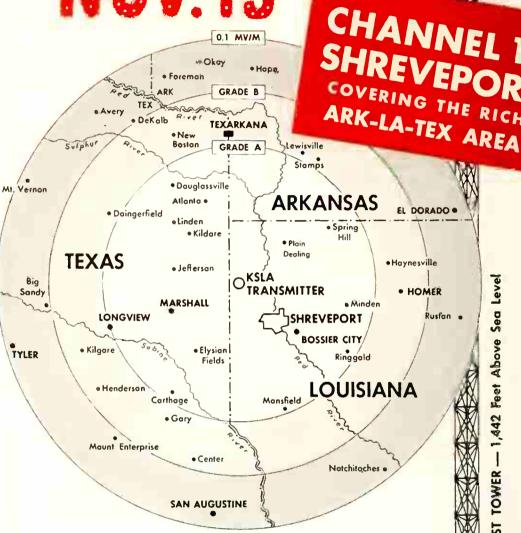
Sure-fire attractions to draw this huge new audience to KSLA's top-notch local programming.

# 22 MONTHS ON THE AIR

Shreveport's only experienced television staff, with 22 months of telecasting to its credit.

# BUSINESS IS GOOD in the rich ARK-LA-TEX MARKET...

More people with a higher spendable income! Over \$203 million in gracery sales, \$27 million in drug sales, \$236 million in automotive sales. 77,390 farms with a gross income of \$171,155,000.



# ...and now, great new 48-COUNTY-3-STATE COVERAGE!

316 KW Market Picture

**Population** 1,178,450 Households 311,235 Shreveport Mkt. Circ. . . 150,830\* Spendable Income . . . \$1,275,069,000 Income per household. 3,411 Retail Sales . . . . . \$ 876,193,000

Source: SRDS 1955 Consumer Markets \*TELEVISION MAGAZINE

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PROGRAM, time, start, duration
Bishop Sheen: T B 30-9.55 pm: 18 Oct Amos & Andy Music Hall; 5 min seg on M 9:30-9.55 pm: 19 Sept; 26 wks People in the News: F 9:55-10 pm, 23 Sept Top Ten Plan; 3 Oct: 26 wks Tomorrow's World, S 5 55-6 pm; 16 Oct, 26 wks Breakfast Club; 5 min seg on M-F 9-10 am; 13 Sept Breakfast Club; 5 min seg on M-F 9-10 am;
13 Sept Charles Collingwood; M & F B.25-B.30 pm, sat B-B:05 pm; 12 Sept; 16 wks Top Ten Plan; 3 Oct; 26 wks Breakfast Club; 5 min seg on M-F 9-10 am; 13 Sept
News: M-F 11:30-11:35 am, M 9-9:05 pm, T 8:25-830 pm ,W 855-9 pm; 19 Sept  Galen Drake; Sat 10:30-10:35; B Oct; 26 wks
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Top Ten Plan; wk of 1 Nov only Allan Jackson; Sat 10-10:05 am, 12-12:05 pm; 1-1:05 pm, 9:55-10 pm; 1 Oct: 26 wks Robert Trout; 5 10-10:05 am, 12-12:05 pm; 5- 5:05 pm; M-F 9:55-10 pm Breakfast Club; 5 min seg on M-F 9-10 am; 13 Sept
Monitor: 4 Thirty sec spots, 10 six sec spots, 19 Nov: 5 wks
Oral Roberts; 5 B:30-9 am; 9 Oct Jax World of Sports; M-F 905-9:15 pm & 5at 6:45-7 pm
Longines Symphonette; 5 2-2:30 pm; 2 Oct; 26 wks News; S-5at 7-7:05 pm Monitor; only wk of 22 Oct
Monitor; 24 min spots; 3 Oct Bing Crosby; 5 min seg on T & Th 7:30-7:45 pm; 13 wks
Edgar Bergen; 5 min seg on 5 7:05-B pm; 2 Oct;
Queen for a Day; 15 min seg M-F 11-12 am; 26 Sept; 8 wks
Tomorrow's Front Page Headlines; 5 6:15-6:30 pm: 2 Oct
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# **Broadcast Industry Executives**

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### FORMER AFFILIATION

ABC radio spot sales. NY, acct exec Standard Rate Transcription Services, Chi RCA, NY

WGTC, Greenville, NC TIME, Inc. Boston. district sls mgr KIMA, Yakima, sales

### NEW AFFILIATION

PROGRAM, time, start, duration

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Bob Considine, S 6:30-6:45 pm; 23 Oct
Monitor & Top 10 Plan; 1 Oct; 12 wks
Companion; M-W-F 11-11:15 am; 3 Oct

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Andy, Tennessee Ernie, Jack Carson; all 31 Oct
Hour of Decision; S 10-10:30 pm; 23 Oct. 52

ABC radio network, NY, acct exec ABC ratio network, 1817, acct exect
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Westinghouse Elec Corp, tv-rad div. Metuchen NJ.
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WITN-TV. Washington, NC, acct exec
WBZ-WBZA, Boston, sales staff Same, sales mgr



Alfred Mendelsohn (3)



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James F. Simons (3)



John I. Keenan (3)



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John Craig (3)

# **Broadcast Industry Executives (continued)**

NAME

Win Clark
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Dick Crago
John Craig
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FORMER AFFILIATION

WVCG, Miami
WDWS, Champaign, III, sales mgr
WAGA-TV, Atlanta
William Morris Agency, head comedy wrtr & dev dept
WCBI, Columbus, Miss
Reuben H. Donneiley, Cinn
Holland-Wegman, Buffalo, producer-director
CBS-TV spot sales, NY, asst research mgr
Compton Adv, NY, rad-tv exec

WABD, NY, prom mgr WCTH, Hartford, acct exec WAGA, Atlanta, station mgr KFI-TV, Hollywood, sales WTVN, Columbus, acct exec WOW-TV, Omaha Commodity News Services, NY, pres KBTV, Denver, prom mgr KOMO-TV, Seattle, nati sales mgr WSPD, Toledo, program director

WSPD, Toledo, program director

WGRC, Louisville, acct exec
WSAV, Savannah, commercial mgr
WKZO-TV, Kalamazoo
KVAR, Mesa, Ariz, anncr
WDSU, New Orleans
NBC, film div, NY, research supvr
KTLA-TV, LA, acct exec
Benton & Bowles, NY, pub-prom director
WIBG, Phila, acct exec
KWTV, Okla City, local sales
Lennen & Newell, NY
Radio Muscle Shoals, Florence, Ala, gen mgr
Universal Pictures, NY, Eastern mgr of rad-tv promotion
Ayer & Son, NY, radio dept
KCSJ-TV, Pueblo, Colorado, sls, cpy & Prod co-ordinator
NBC, Cleve exec engineer
Du Mont, marketing mgr
NBC, NY, film supervisor
WOR-TV, NY, sales staff
Inter-City Adv, Charlotte, pres
Hunt Publications, Toronto, US space sales rep
Magnavox Corp, Ft Wayne

KTVW. Seattle, sta mgr

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NBC-TV, NY, director of bus affairs
MCA-TV, NY, asst natl sale mgr

Gardner Adv, St. Louis, acct exec Sponsor Publications, NY, sr editor Grant Advertising, San Francisco, reg adv mgr ABC, NY, tv prod services dept KYW, Phila, sales mgr WSAV, Savannah, chief engineer WTTC, Washington, sales mgr WSAV, Savannah KNX-CPRN, LA, sales mgr WIRI-TV, Plattsburg, NY, consultant

NEW AFFILIATION

WTVJ-TV, Miami, acct exec
John Blair & Co, Chi, acct exec
Same, mng director in charge of sales
WKRC-TV, Cinn
WTSP, St. Petersburg, asst mgr
NBC, NY, comedy development director
Transfilm, Inc, NY, production supvr
Same, research director
Commercial Telecast Networks, NY, pres & programing director
Sterling Television, NY, adv-prom mgr
Avery-Knodel, NY, radio sales
Same, mng director
KTVW, Seattle-Tacoma, acct exec
WKLO, Louisville, sales
Same, sales coordinator
Commercial Telecast Networks, NY, vp
KFEL-TV, Denver, prom mgr
Same, sales mgr
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director
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KWLO, Louisville, sales
Same, vp in charge of radio
WNEM-TV, Bay City, sales mgr
KTVK, Phoenix, program director
Same, aast sports & Spec events director
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Forjoe & Co, NY, vp of sales in phila
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Same, United World Films, NY, asst sales mgr
WIIC, Pittsburgh, general mgr
KNTV, San Jose, sales-prod co-ordinator
WTAM-WNBK, Cleve, director of operation:
Same, tv transmitter sls mgr
Animated Productions, NY, industrial film d &
NBC spot sales, NY
Same, Textile Radio Group, Greenville, SC, pr
S W Caldwell, Toronto, radio sales rep
Same, also RETMA, Wash, pub rei & adv coults
chairman
WIIC, Pittsburgh, sales mgr
WBTV, Charlotte, prod director
WITN, Wash, NC, pres & gen mpr
KNX & Columbia Pacific Network, LA
Same, director of administration
MCA-TV, Beverly hills, regional sales direct in
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Rogers & Cowan, NY, acct exec
KUTV, Salt Lake City, natl sales mgr
WABC-TV, NY, general mgr
Same, gen mgr
Same, operations mgr
Same, acct exec
Same, commercial mgr
KNX & Col Pacific Network, LA, general mgr
WITN, Washington, NC, director of operation

### New Firms, New Offices, Changes of Address 4.

Animation, Inc., Hollywood, has moved to new offices located at 8564 Melrose Ave, Hollywood 46.

Bryan Houston. Inc. has moved to 730 Fifth Ave, Plaza 7.6400

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Bureau of Broadcast Measurement, Toronto, has moved to larger quarters at 96 Eglinton Ave East, Toronto 2.

Creativision, a new tv production firm, has opened at 1780 Broadway, New York 19, CIrcle 5-4830.

Elan-Porter Productions, NY, and Nejelski & Co, NY, have become formally associated in an advisory capacity. Both companies, however, remain autonomous.

Fuchs, Zemp & Celander, Inc., St. Petersburg, has opened a market and product research department, will expand its tv department for production of tv films.

Mort Goodman Advertising. LA, has reorganized as Goodman-Anderson Advertising: Robert F. Anderson became exec vp. John J. Kchoe has resigned his management executive position with KCCC-TV, in order to open an advertising agency located at 4612 Robertson Ave, Sacramento.

Lohmeyer, Adleman & Montgomery, Inc, Phila, has reorganized

as Robinson, Adleman & Montgomery, Inc with new offices

as Robinson, Adleman & Montgomery, Inc with new offices at 1714 Walnut Street.

Andre Luotto Productions has opened a Connecticut branch located at 1044 Chapel Street, New Haven.

Frank McFadden & Associates, Culver City, Calif., has reorganized as McFadden & Eddy Associates.

Meeker TV, Inc. and Robert Mecker Associates have moved their New York offices to 521 Fifth Ave, New York 17.

The Personnel Laboratory, Inc. has moved to 1 Park Ave, New York 16, MUrray Hill 5-8738.

Reela Films, Inc., Miami, has moved to larger offices in the Wometco Building at 17 N. W. 3rd Street, Miami. Roberts, MacAvinche & Senne, Chi, has reorganized as Henry Senne Advertising, Inc.

Charles R. Stuart Advertising, San Francisco, has reorganized as the Charles P. Johnson Co.

TV Guide's New York advertising offices have been moved to 10 Rockefeller Plaza, Judson 6-4300.

ZIV has opened a new Chicago office at 520 North Michigan Ave in the McGraw-Hill Building. 1714 Walnut Street.



# KMJ·TV

Charles on big Children

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

CHANNEL

# more than ever -- the STRONG PU station in the San Joaquin Valley

Added NBC shows give KMJ-TV programming more audience pull than ever — make this station a better-than-ever-buy.

KMJ-TV is this area's FIRST to station in

POWER 447,000 watts

RECEPTION Viewer survey shows KMJ-TV reception is rated most satisfactory and snow free in the Fresno

area

COLOR KMJ-TV was the first local station equipped to transmit network color shows and has presented them on a regularly scheduled basis.

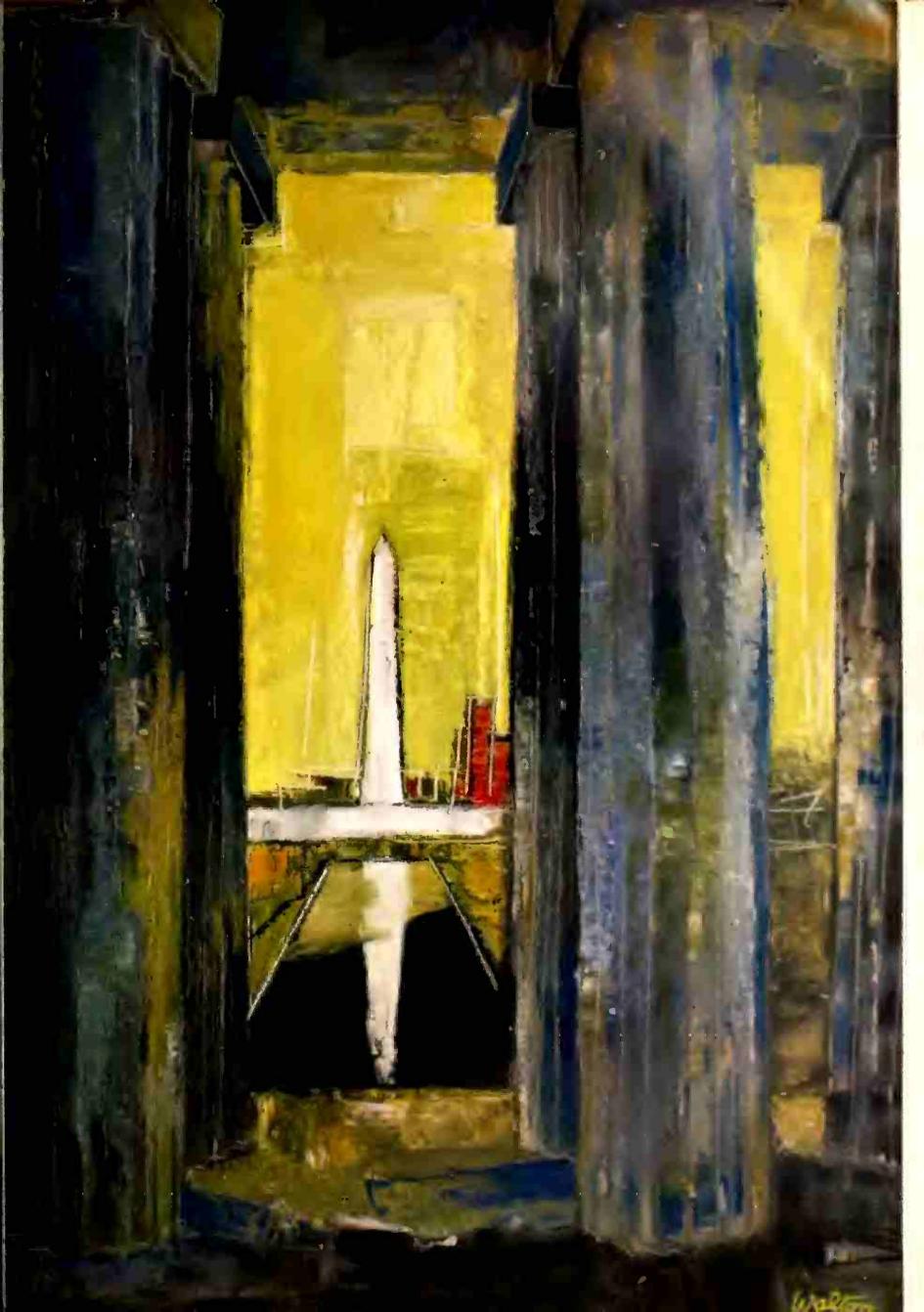
Paul H. Raymer, National Representative



# LINCOLN'S VIEW:

one of a series of paintings of Washington by William Walton commissioned by WTOP Television at Broadcast House, Washington, D. C.

Represented by CBS-TV Spot Sales.



# LINCOLN'S VIEW by William Walton.

First of a series of paintings of Washington.

Commissioned by WTOP Television

at Broadcast House, Washington, D.C.

Originally published in Broadcasting-Telecasting,

September 26, 1955.

Reprints of this series available on request.



# Mr. Sponsor

# Max Banzhaf

Advertising Manager Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa.

"We don't want our show to be saccharine; we want it to be the story behind the headlines." So says Max Banzhaf, ad manager of Armstrong Cork Co., discussing the new Armstrong Circle Theater currently being produced by Talent Associates in its new one-hour format.

On NBC TV, Tuesdays 9:30-10:30 p.m., this show came in for some veiled publicity in recent weeks when it was rumored that Armstrong's agency, BBDO, was behind the NBC offers to Revlon as an inducement to switch the top-rated \$64,000 Question from its CBS TV niche opposite Armstrong over to NBC, Banzhaf categorically denies the rumors.

"I won't say that I'm crazy about the strength of the show opposite," he will tell you, "but I feel that this is something which could be documented if anyone ever did the research: When there's a one-hour show opposite a strong half-hour, and preceding the half-hour by 30 minutes, it's the half-hour show that loses audience."

Hence the emphasis upon timeliness and immediacy in the new one-hour Armstrong Circle Theater show, which kicked off on 27 September with a script about Korean orphans.

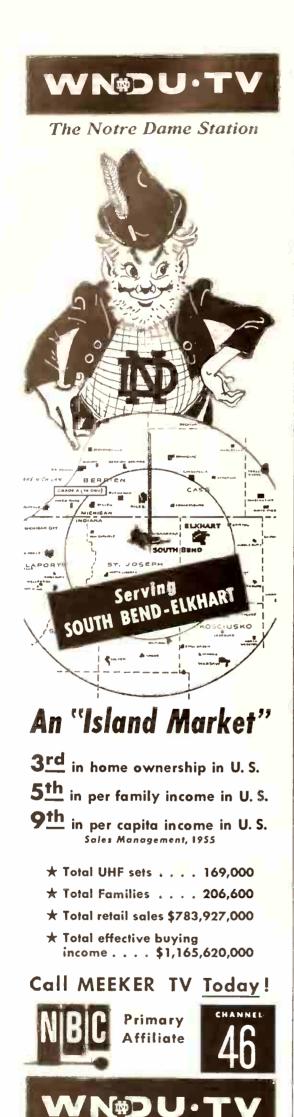
"Incidentally." Banzhaf elaborated, "we feel that, the Pat Weaver's magazine concept notwithstanding, show sponsorship still offers a valuable plus factor." I mean that we get a brand image carryover to the show which is very important in 'considered purchase items' like our flooring and floor covering. On impulse purchases this may not be as important a factor.

Banzhaf, whose offices are in Lancaster, comes to New York monthly for frantic shuttlings back and forth between commercial and show rehearsals.

"We feel that a sponsor has a social responsibility," he said in a cab rushing him from the NBC Rockefeller Center studios to the commercial rehearsal up on 106th Street. "In other words, our scripts avoid crime, sex and violence. We want viewers to feel after they've seen our show that they're glad they did."

Banzhaf takes his responsibility toward Armstrong stockholders strongly. "People in ty seem to feel that anyone who can afford to bankroll a show is a Santa Claus. Well, we're spending many millions on this effort, and we're determined to see it used economically."





# SPONSOR BACKSTAGE



By Joe Csida

# Remember when you were just breaking in?

Let me ask you something. How did you get started in this business? Did some guy in the business help you?

When I was a kid, fresh out of DeWitt Clinton High School. I was working as an office boy-errand boy on a one-man tradepaper, and after a while I joined a club called the Association of Advertising Men. One of the older members of the club, and one of the most active guys in it, was a man named Leslie Anderson. He was advertising manager of The Billboard. Next thing I knew I was a junior copy and layout man in The Billboard's advertising department.

Years later when I was doing a regular weekly column, as editor-in-chief of *The Billboard*, I often found myself doing pieces on new kids in show business. I did the first piece ever written on the McGuire Sisters, when Gordon Jenkins had just brought them in from out in the sticks and gave me a quickie private audition in the upstairs room at Danny's Hideaway. Another time I did the first column anyone had ever done on a kid named Steve Lawrence. Mr. Godfrey and a few million record and television fans can now tell you all about the McGuire girls if you've been hiding in some cave, and Steve Allen can fill you in on the Lawrence boy. These were just two of the newer kids about whom I wrote pieces.

I really don't say this to build myself as any great discoverer of talent or a benefactor of struggling youth. I'm just coming all the way around the mountain to make a point I had forgotten until very recently and which I suspect many of us forget from time to time. The point is that we get so busy doing our day-to-day jobs that we disremember that there are always new people eager and able to take a crack at our wacky business and that guys like us, who were given a helping hand into it. more or less owe it to these new kids to do likewise. We owe it, too, I think, to the general health of our industry, and maybe even our souls.

Industry clubs are, of course, always a good way to help. I'd been a member of the Radio & Television Executives' Society for many years but never a particularly active one until recently. Then a while back my friend Bob Burton, newly elected president of the club, called me and asked me to edit the RTES News. I said okay and have since been

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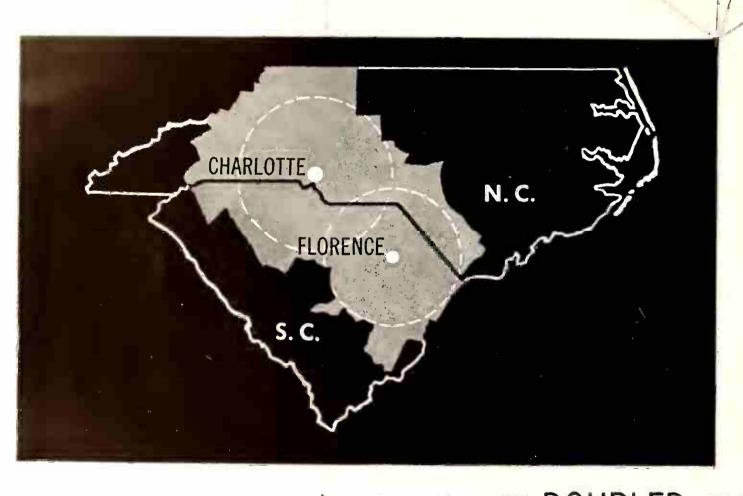
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### IS HOLLYWOOD MAKING THE GRADE?

On answer to that question hinges audience for two key nights at ABC. As article below points out, discouraging first programs of two ABC studio-built shows may not be final story. Hopeful sign Hollywood studios can master to impact was provided by strong showing of CBS' 20th Century premiere, "Cavalcade" (picture at r.). 20th ansed stars like Michael Wilding, Merle Oberon



# Five \$64,000,000 tv questions\*

Patterns of network tv's programing future will be set in next six months.

hinging around questions which include: How big can ABC become?

Is show control shifting? Will situation comedy survive?

At one of television's kingpin agencies they're playing a game this season called Nielsen Roulette. It's said that each executive in the television hierarchy has guessed the ratings of key programs for the last month of 1955. The adman who comes closest on each show stands to win a dollar per rating point by which his contemporaries miss the mark.

Rather than reflecting a blithe attitude toward client investments in the dozens of millions, the game suggests an old truth in showbusiness made even more pertinent in the most volatile, changed and changing season of television's history: Nobody, not even the Ziegfields, the Goldwyns, or the Weavers, can take the gamble out of show production. In the end the office boy may turn out to have as good an

eye for the public taste as the vice president in charge of programing.

(Even the program with the most meteoric rise in television history-\$64,000 Question—slipped through the fingers of at least one major Madison Ave. shop, although in this case it was more a question of letting Norman, Craig & Kummel snap the show up first rather than outright rejection.)

What is certain about television's most dynamic season to date is that industry history will be made on the basis of what happens in the next six months. These are some of the questions awaiting answers which will come more from the nation's 36 mil-

hion television householders than from television's 400 vice presidents.

1. Will ABC make it big? ABC. under the American Broadcasting-Paramount Theatres banner and financing, has come a long way from its status as a nominal network. And behind the scenes advertisers and agencies—even those who have no programs on the network—constitute a silent cheering section. Everyone wants to see ABC make it big. This is true even though in the process ABC can't help but cut into the ratings of longer-running ABC and CBS shows.

(Article continues on next page)

\*Multiply \$64,000,000 by five and, by numerolog all chance you get the gross total advertiser investment in network ty (PIB 1954). And the five questions asked with interpretations herein add up to another gross total: the broad picture of ty programing's big 1955 188 es.

Despite the risks to their own audiences, admen have told sponsor repeatedly over recent months that on ABC may hinge their own opportunity to exert leverage in their buying relationships with the two longer-established television networks.

ABC has come into the '55-'56 season with a strategy built around reaching for the audience early in the evening with movies three nights a week and children's appeal shows in-between.

Sunday night at 7:30 it's Famous Film Festival. This collection of 20 late-vintage British movies is ABC's 90-minute attempt to grab and hold audience for the rest of a name-studded evening on the senior networks; on Tuesday it's Warner Bros. Presents. again at 7:30 to do the same lead-off job; and on Wednesday at 7:30 Disneyland continues this season with MGM Parade following at 8:30.

In-between the movie nights it's Topper on Monday, Lone Ranger on Thursday, Rin Tin Tin on Friday—all at 7:30 and designed to start the family on the right channel through the children. (CBS, of course, has the same thing in mind with its own new block of early-evening kid shows.)

Up to sponsor's presstime the two Hollywood-built movie shows were

weak. The one-hour Warner Bros. Presents, for example, got a Trendex of 9.6 in its third week on the air (Tuesday, 4 October). That's a slim return on the Sponsor-estimated \$65,000 program cost. By contrast Name That Tune (7:30-8:00 on CBS) costs only \$15.000 to produce and got a 7.3 Trendex.

MGM Parade on Wednesday, 5 October, lost about half the 22.5 Trendex delivered that evening by the immediately preceding Disneyland, with the program sliding to an 11.9 for the half hour. MGM Parade costs \$44,000. Godfrey, the opposition on CBS, costs \$35,000 per half hour to produce and hit a 20.8 Trendex opposite MGM Parade. Father Knows Best, the opposition on NBC, costs \$38.000 and got an 18.2.

Famous Film Festival, facing the strength of a CBS Jack Benny-Ed Sullivan lineup and NBC's Colgate Comedy Hour-cum-Spectaculars has an even tougher row to hoe; initial ratings were below those for the two Hollywood shows. (The show is available in participations and was nearing a sellout at presstine but at a specially reduced "introductory" price.)

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Since to shows tend to reach these rating plateaus quickly—unless drastic changes are made—it's already ap-

parent ABC's movies may be in for overhaul.

A producer whose activities bridge multiple facets of live and film television made this appraisal of the ABCmovie situation:

"Do not conclude that Hollywood cannot do short-length television magnificently. The studies mastered one entertainment art and they can master this one. It may take time for them to use up the shows that were shot before the audience reaction was in. But wait until they get rolling later this season after some of the contempt has worn off and the studios realize getting all that free promotion isn't going to sell pictures if the programs don't deliver big audiences."

A West Coast v.p. of a major agency not tied in with any of the studio shows added: "As bad as Warner Bros. and MGM looked in their initial shows. that's how well 20th Century Fox came off in its first show of the season. If 20th can do it on CBS, the other two studios will eventually find the way on ABC. Even the plugs on 20th's hour had tremendous pacing and class. To me two studios out of four that hit it right away—Disney and 20th—is a great batting average."

The Trendex on 20th Century For Hour in its 5 October premiere was an





day night slot from 10 to 11 had been warmed up, however, by alternate weeks of the U.S. Steel Hour; and it follows an evening's program rather than leading off. Its budget, moreover, is the highest among the Hollywood entries with a sponson-estimated \$125,000 production unt per show. That's almost twice the unt on Warner Bros. Presents and 20th mustered a star cast contrasted with Warner's freshman team.

Production quality, too, was good compared with the Warner Bros. premiere in which the sound was actually out of sync with the lip motions of performers for about a quarter honr. (This during a program in which Warner Bros. devoted perhaps 10 minutes to a gee-whiz about its advanced audio equipment.)

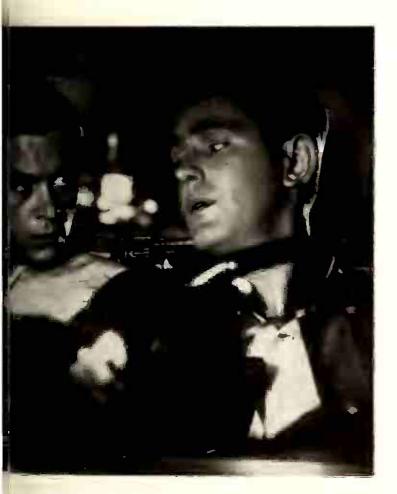
2. Will network program control become permanent? Up until the \$64,000 Question came along there weren't many advertisers and agencies who could see the point in debating a fait accompli. NBC and CBS had a seller's market at night. To a varying degree both believed they could (a) insure larger audiences, (b) maneuver better competitively and (c) fulfill (Please turn to page 116)

# Battle of the ratings: Here are first October

Trendex ratings averaged for each of the networks night by night

WEEKLY AVERAGE	8.3	19.7	18.4
Friday (7 Oct.)	10.8	18.7	13.7
Thursday (6 Oct.)	5.1	16.7	23.7
Wednesday (5 Oct.)	14.0	19.7	17.2
Tuesday (4 Oct.)	9.2	21.0	19.9
Monday (3 Oct.)	5.6	22.9	19.8
Sunday (2 Oct.)	7.8	20.5	13.3
Saturday (I Oct.)	5.9	18.7	21.0
	ABC	CBS	NBC

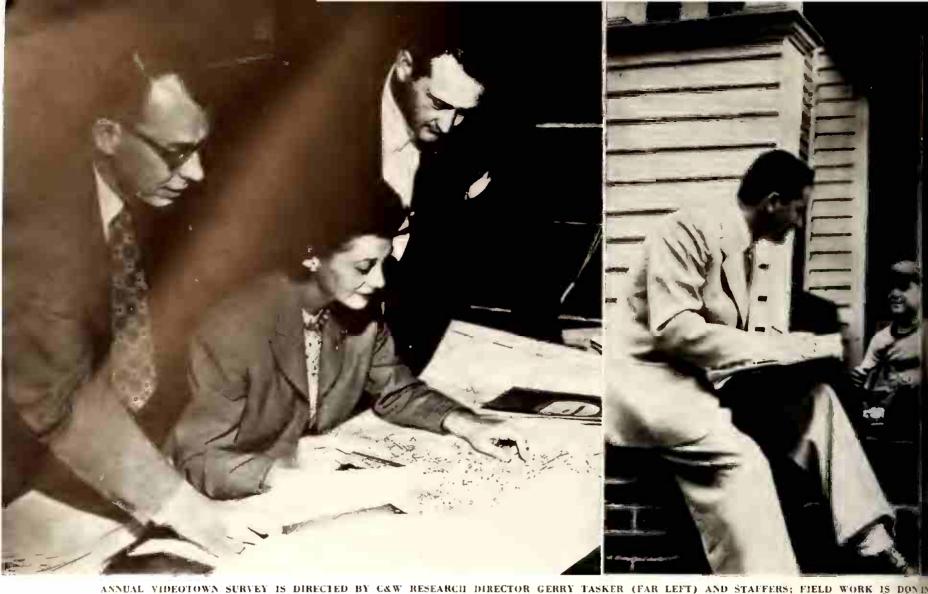
AOTE: Trendex ratings cover metropolitan area of 15 cities which get live feeds from all three networks. Trendex' corps of interviewers wire results from telephone inquiries to New York, where show ratings are tabulated. Network averages above are an indication of relative strengths on the various nights, even though figures for the three networks are not completely comparable: NBC, for example, has no daily Trendex-measured nighttime programing before \$100 p.m., while ABC and CBS do. It's interesting incidentally, that CBS and NBC are within one rating point of each other on Tuesday night even though that's the night of CBS' top-rated \$64,000 Question.



Question of whether long shows can become permanent fixtures depends on audience reaction to frequent scheduling of spectaculars. CBS' own addition to 90-minute shows is in form of Ford "Jubilee." (Mary Martin and Noel Coward, shown together, go on for Ford Saturday, 22 Oct.)

Success of "\$64,000 Question" (first October Trendex; 15.2) has sent shows opposite searching for new audience lure. Armstrong moved in with newsy scripts like Korean orphan story, pictured, to fight quiz. Ratings of new NBC "Big Surprise" may determine how far quizzes go

With constant fluctuations in popularity of show types, programing excess wonder whether situation comedy is fading as major format. Nets are scheduling fewer situation comedies this season. "Joe and Mabel" is one of only three new CBS entries of this type for the '55-'56 lineup



# Videotown 1955: the longer they own, the more they watch

Latest C&W study puts tv ownership at 86%, radio-ty use up to new highs

\_\_ast May, the local newspaper in New Brunswick. New Jersey — a tvminded community well within range of New York's seven video channels proudly carried a lead story, the gist of which was:

"Here come those men from Cunningham & Walsh again!"

And come to New Brunswick they did. Interviewers rang the doorbells of 1,000 homes, about one in every 10 in the community, and C&W researchers supervised the data gathering for the agency's eighth consecutive Videotown panel survey.

As usual, the survey proved an excellent chance for C&W admen to size up the 1948-1955 growth of television and its impact on a typical, model town that is largely representative of the whole U.S.

And, as C&W Research Director Gerald W. Tasker pointed out to SPONsor when the Videotown analysis was completed this month, there were "a lot of surprises in store for us."

A few:

• The public hasn't lost its appetite for enormous helpings of tv. Panel members reported that 96% of all sets were tuned to tv on the average weekday evening. as compared with 92% in 1954 and 91% the year before. The average number of hours of evening viewing use for all sets was up from an even four hours to 4.08 hours. And the average person in Videotown spends 2.64 hours per evening watching tv, as compared with 2.34 last year—a gain of nearly 13%.

• The newest ty owners are not the families that do the most ty viewing. As C&W puts it, "now that saturation is nearly 87%. the new tv set owner of today cannot be a 'typical' or 'aver-



age' family. First-time owners today are mostly either newlyweds or older couples." Families buying sets in the first half of 1955 for the first time tuned only an average of 3.8 hours each weekday evening.

• Other leisure-time activities are slowly climbing back, having been knocked to a low point back in 1952 and 1953. But the climb (as noted above) is not at the expense of ty. Families, C&W reasons, are rearranging their living schedules to accommodate ty—and other pastimes. Radio usage, for instance, is up slightly in the morning as it was last year. Newspaper reading is holding up strongly; magazine reading is climbing back slowly. Hurt most today; entertaining at home, or visiting other people.

• The "second set" to home pattern has bogged down. The number of two-set homes climbed only from 5% in April 1954 to 7% in June 1955. Most people feel they "don't need it," or "the house is too small," But, importantly, many of those with large-screen to sets are waiting patiently to buy a color to set. Many of the two-set homes have as their second set a receiver that simply wasn't traded in for

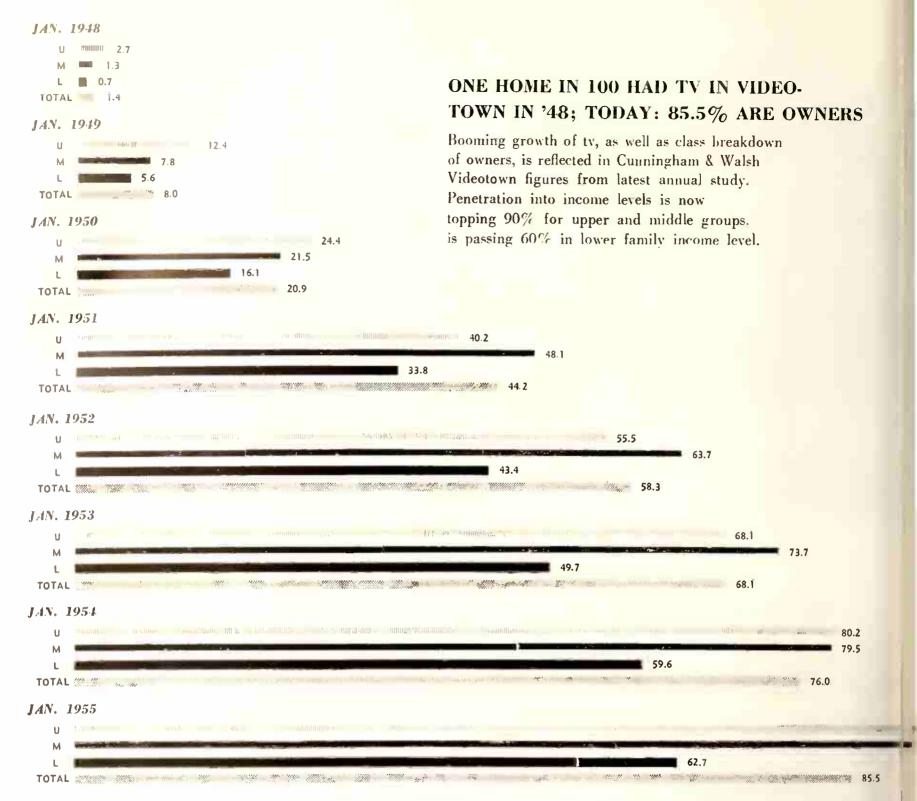
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TV VIEWING AND RADIO DIALING TOPS LAST YEAR'S

WATCH TY DURING:	IN 1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
WIVES					
MORNING	217	10%	1207	220	17%
4FTERNOON	10%	18%	19%	250	27%
EV ENING	71%	73%	7817	79%	89%
ALL(DA) .	724	The	80%	8377	92%
ALL PEOPLE-AVERAGE					
MORNING	147	5%	862	11%	11%
AFTERNOON	70	15° c	13%	16 <i>%</i>	20%
EVENING	68%	70%	7377	71/2	85%
ALL DAY	70%	720	76%	77.07	87%
LISTEN TO RADIO:	IN 1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
WIVES					
MORNING	25%	33%	12%	15%	43%
AFTERNOON	15%	19%	16%	17%	13%
EVENING	766	13%	12%	15%	14%
ALL DAY	317	1207	50%	52%	52%
ALL PEOPLE-AVERAGE					
MORMNG	$10^{c}$	15%	2200	23%	25%
AFTERNOON	60%	90%	8.5	84	8%
EVENING .	5°c	8%	9%	10%	10%
ALL DAY	16%	22%	28%	30%	33%

#### OLDEST TV HOUSEHOLDS VIEW TELEVISION MOST

	DATE OF PURCHASE OF TELEVISION SET							
		PRE-1951	1951	1952	1953	(5 MOS.) 1954	ALL SETS	
° SETS TUNED	1951 1952 1953 1954 19 <b>55</b>	87% 87% 91% 93% 97%	85% 84% 90% 93% 98%	82% 87% 88% 97%	93% 94% <b>96%</b>	80% 84%	86% 86% 91% 92% 96%	
AVERAGE HOURS USED WHEN SET IS ON	1951 1952 1953 1954 19 <b>55</b>	4.23 4.64 4.25 4.51 4.49	1.00 4.20 4.56 4.37 4.31	4.83 4.05 4.53 4.20	4.00 3.57 4.29	2.75 3.62	4.10 4.52 4.25 4.35 4.25	
AVERAGE HOURS ALL SETS (INCL. THOSE NOT IN USE)	1951 1952 1953 1954 19 <b>55</b>	3.66 4.04 3.87 4.20 4.43	3.40 3.53 4.10 4.07 4.27	3.96 3.52 3.98 \$.15	3.72 3.36 4.21	2.20 3.18	3.53 3.89 3.87 4.00 4.08	
% PEOPLE VIEWING	1951 1952 1953 1954 1 <b>955</b>	67.4% 70.2% 73.0% 75.9% 8 <b>5.2</b> %	69.1% 69.6% 76.9% 77.3% 87.6%	76.0% 68.9% 69.1% 88.4%	76.3% 69.1% 85.5%	56.9% 73.8%	67.9% 69.9% 73.1% 73.9% 85.0%	
AVERAGE HOURS VIEWING PER PERSON WATCHING	1951 1952 1953 1954 1955	3.16 3.41 3.25 3.22 3.20	3.18 3.33 3.28 3.40 2.94	2.77 3.50 3.14 3.08	3.64 2.86 3.15	2.00 2.76	3.16 3.27 3.29 3.16 3.11	
AVERAGE HOURS VIEWING ALL PEOPLE (INCL. THOSE NOT WATCHING)	1951 1952 1953 1954 <b>1955</b>	2.13 2.39 2.37 2.44 2.73	2.20 2.32 2.52 2.63 2.58	2.11 2.41 2.18 2.72	2.78 1.97 2.69	1.14 2.04	2.15 2,29 2.40 2.34 2.64	
TOTAL HOURS VIEWING PER PERSON, PER WEEK (ALL PEOPLE, WEEK- DAY EVENINGS)	1951 1952 1953 1954 1 <b>955</b>	10.65 11.95 11.85 12.20 13.65	11.00 11.60 12.60 13.15 12.90	10.55 12.05 10.90 13.60	13.90 9.85 13.45	5.70 10.20	10.75 11.45 12.00 11.70 13.20	



U,M,L refer to upper, middle and lower class. All figures are percent homes with tv.

the larger one now in the living room, with the older model relegated usually to the recreation room (33%) or the bedroom (44%).

• At the same time, manufacturers who think that Videotown residents are straining at the leash for color sets regardless of cost are in for a jolt. According to C&W research chief Tasker, the average Videotowner is willing to spend "only slightly more than \$330" for a color set. No small screens, either; Videotowners want their color sets to be at least 19-inches or larger—at the price mentioned above. The percentage of respondents who have actually seen a colorcast, incidentally, has doubled over last year. But the

figure stands in 1955 at only 17% of the viewers.

Love that tv: What makes Videotowners so fond of tv?

Adman Tasker offered this choice: "The people who are the most avid television fans seem to fall into two groups. Either they are seeking a painless, pleasant escape from what might be called 'executive tension'—or else they have never been able to entertain themselves by a mental process."

Whatever the reason, there's plenty of tv viewing in the model community's panel. But it tends to vary by individual members of the family.

Using total hours of evening weekday to viewing. Monday through Friday, as the index, husbands spend 14.3 hours and wives 15.3 hours in front of their to receivers in "Videotown."

Children, under 10, spend the least amount of time—11.0 hours—but this is caused for the most part by bedtime restrictions, rather than any lack of television interest. Their viewing is highly concentrated in the late afternoon and early evening. About one out of three moppets is watching to between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Tv's "lost audience," as C&W researchers found it, consists primarily of older children and teen-agers in the

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Latest in net radio revolution:

### ABC turns to capsule programing

New night lineup is keyed to in-and-out listening with five-minute shows

I t may well turn out that 1955 will be the year that network radio found the answer to its chronic headache of the tyera: programing.

Certainly the past few months have seen more changes (and proposed thanges) in programing than during any time in radio's history.

It has been network radio's problem in recent years to come up with a programing format that is indisputably its own. It's been pretty well agreed all along what network radio shouldn't do. For example try to compete with video's big shows and glamor or com-

pete with local stations by turning its schedule into a disk jockey's paradise. But what network radio should do is another problem.

The first big answer to what the am webs should do was NBC's Monitor. Now ABC has come along with a night-time programing revolution as radical as they come, and they come pretty radical these days. Whether ABC's format is more or less revolutionary than Monitor is of little moment. What is important is that ABC has taken a seven-league stride, broken with tradition and formulated a pro-

gram concept which it feels spells Network Radio 1955,

Details of the new programing will be unveiled to admen in an elaborate presentation on 20 October in New (Please turn to page 107)

> Analysis of ABC Radio's new nighttime programing is given in story starting this page. For the long-term thinking going on at the network, turn page for taperecorded interview with its two top men, Robert E. Kintner, ABC president; Charles Ayres, v.p. in charge of ABC Radio



Six mouths of research preceded decisions on ABC Radio's new nighttime programing. The decision-makers are (l. 10 r.) Don Coe, director of special events and operations for ABC; Fred

Sheehan, news and special events editor; Ray Diaz, the national program manager; Nancy Mazur, assistant to the executive producer of new programing; Drexel Hines, the executive producer



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### KINTNER ON ABC RADIO'S FUTURE: GOOD CHANCE OF OUTPACING NBC AS NO. 2 NET I

MR. KINTNER



For a frank discussion of ABC Radio's prospects in the tv era, SPONSOR editors tape-recorded a talk with ABC President Robert E. Kintner and Charles Ayres, vice president in charge of ABC Radio. In the interview, which covered such controversial subjects as the effect of ABC's new pricing on affiliate's income, questions were asked by SPONSOR's Miles David, editorial director, and Alfred J. Jaffe, senior editor. The verbatim text is run below

MR. AYRES



₩ THIS IS WHAT ABO RADIO WILL PROGRAM AT NIGHT STARTING 24 OCTOBER

#### EVENTS OF THE DAY

7:31-7:35-Today's Sensational Story-The top tabloid story of the day

7:35-7:40—Inside Washington—Controversial news from the nation's capital

7:40-7:44—Transatlantic Exclusive—Tabloid story of the day from Europe

745-7:50-Personality of the Day-Hero or heel of the headlines, profile, interview

7:50-7:54-News You Live By-Farm, financial, medical, industry, labor, science

7:55-8:00—News—(Regular newscast)

#### THE WORLD AND YOU

8:01-8:05—Arrivals and departures—On spot interviews with famous people

8:05-8:10-Let's Visit-On spot visits to famous cities and landmarks

8:10-8:14—Yesterday at Midnight—on spot recordings with interesting people in interesting places during the late hours

8:15-8:20-America at Work or Play-Close-ups-factory, farm, beach, ball park

8:20-8:24—From Broadway to Main Street—Visits backstage, Broadway to front row, town meeting

8:25-8:30—News

#### YOUR BETTER TOMORROW

8:31-8:35-Your Living Thoughts-Words to live by from spiritual leaders

8:35-8:40—Your Marriage and Family—Practical, expert advice on problems that touch everyone

8:40-8:44—Your Personality—How to be a more popular, happier person

8:45-8:50—Your Success—How to be more attractive, more successful

8:50-8:54—Your Home—Do-it-yourself for kitchen, workshop, house and garden

8:55-9:00-News

#### SOUND MIRROR

9:01-9:10-Sounds of Today-sounds of modern life

9:10-9:14—Sound of No Importance

9:15-9:20—Sounds of Yesterday—Stories, readings and voices that make the past come alive

9:20-9:24—Soundings—Short editorial-type features. Soundings of people.

9:25-9:30—News

#### **OFFBEAT**

9:31-9:35-Offbeat humor

9:35-9:44—Beyond Tomorrow—Sound picture of the future, science fiction, new music for tomorrow's tomorrow

9:45-9:54—Soloscope—Readings by expert storytellers and authors themselves.

9:55-10:00-News

Note: Titles are tentative

Q. (JAFFE) What is the reason for the complete revamping of your nighttime programing?

(KINTNER) Before I answer that question, I would like to give you the American Broadcasting Co.'s philosophy concerning radio. We're in an extremely difficult period in radio as it concerns the network. The reason. I believe, is that basically radio has lost its so-called glamor in comparison with television. As a result, we are faced with creating radio networks that produce for the advertiser an excellent cost-per-1.000 and, for the listener, a type of program which is available at various times of the day in large—for want of a better word, I'll call—hunks.

As far as ABC is concerned we have reviewed over the last few years our radio picture and we intend to stay in the radio network business. We believe that this medium is so important that a company engaged in broadcasting should remain in it. We also have extreme confidence in its future.

Nighttime has been a problem for all the networks. About six months ago we started a research study under Don Durgin, who is head of our sales presentation and research department. What we wanted to find out is what type of program service ABC could bring to its stations and their listeners which would be different from other programing available and which should attract listeners and, as a result, attract advertisers. We were also looking for a plan whereby advertisers could buy in relatively short-term periods, and could also get—what for want of a better word. I'll call—saturation.

These research studies showed that there was a great abundance of music through the country, but in their shift away from the old radio patterns, practically all of the stations had resorted to music as a means of attracting listeners—not only in the daytime but also the nighttime.

We also found that there was a demand on the part of listeners for what I will call personalized information. This obviously includes news, weather, but it also includes such types of information as can satisfy the emotional anxieties of people, can satisfy their desire to improve themselves physically and can satisfy their desire to live better. The results of these research studies was very clear: That ABC could serve the purpose by redoing its entire nighttime from 7:30 until 10:00 p.m. five nights a week.

### IPS A CHANCE TO SUPPLANT CBS AS NO. 1

Q. (DAVID) What about the economics of this move? How can you afford to sell time at \$800, less discounts, per minute announcement?

(KINTNER) I would like to answer the question generally and then ask Charles Ayres to answer in particular. First of all, this new nighttime programing is going to cost us many, many thousands of dollars more than our existing programing. This indicates our faith in the future of nighttime radio. Because the desire of the advertisers is to obtain a very low cost-per-1,000 in radio it is necessary perhaps to price network radio lower than we actually think it's worth.

In other words we have to meet the market. But our sales plan is so designed, not only to give the advertiser a very low cost-per-1,000, but if it is successful, to give the ABC Radio network and its stations a profit. I would not say it was a substantial profit, but a profit which will satisfy us. To pursue the point further, let me ask Mr. Ayres to give his comment.

(AYRES) I think the best way to answer that is simply this. We don't expect that many advertisers will buy one single five-minute period at \$800 so. let's talk in terms of, a strip: \$800 times five is \$4.000 per strip. Now, let's relate that to what our rate card is, if you please. We sell quarter hours in a strip on a contiguous basis; by that I mean quarter hours at 25% of the hour rate. Now, in round numbers, a quarter-hour strip in the evening would sell in the neighborhood of \$12,000. If we sell five-minute strips at \$4,000 and if we sell three of those within a quarter hour, we will have recovered substantially the same amount of money that we would have recovered had we sold a quarter-hour strip.

(DAVID) If the plan works out, it is apparent from what you just said that your potential will not be reduced. However, the difficulties for a radio network in obtaining that potential have been considerable. A lot of people are asking for that reason just why does an organization like ABC want to continue in the radio business? Is it partially because the o&o's continue to be profitable even though the network itself may not be profitable? In other words does the network in effect provide a service for the o&o's?

(KINTNER) I'd say, Mr. David, that was a very pertinent question. But I think people underestimate radio by comparing it to 1944 when it was the leading medium in the country. The reason we want to stay in the radio business is that there is a substantial volume of advertising business in it on which we believe we can make a profit. Instead of comparing radio of 1955 with radio of 1944, the volume of radio should be compared with advertising in magazines, newspapers, outdoor billboards, etc.

To answer the second part of your question: It is correct that basically the profits of our radio operation come (Please turn to page 110)

### INTERVIEW HICHLIGHTS

"As far as ABC is concerned we have reviewed over the last few years our radio picture and we intend to stay in the radio network business. We believe that this medium is so important that a company engaged in-broadcasting should remain in it. We also have extreme confidence in its future."

"... this new nighttime programing is going to cost as many, many thousands of dollars more than our existing programing. This indicates our faith in the future of network radio. Because the desire of the advertisers is to obtain a very low cost-per-1,000 in radio it is necessary perhaps to price network radio lower than we actually think it's worth. In other words we have to meet the market."

—Kintner

"We believe we have a good possibility of certainly becoming the 'number two' radio network and perhaps the 'number one' radio network.

"... it is possible that some of our own olfo stations could lose some spot business. On the other hand, their opportunity of getting new business via this nctwork plan is considerably enhanced.

"It is incorrect that this new nighttime program is patterned after Monitor, ... As you know Monitor has the unexpected quality. You don't know exactly what is coming up. We believe that our concept of fixed positions is better."

-Kininer

"There's nothing sacred in the radio business about a 15-minute and a half-hour concept. It just grew up in that way.

-Kintner

### Spot radio rescues a bumper

### prune crop

Large yield of small prunes was tough to sell until radio put over their bargain appeal

Toward the end of 1954 the California prune industry faced up to an emergency marketing problem that called for some drastic promotional activity in a hurry. Use of saturation spot radio played a big part in the events which followed.

An overabundance of small-sized prunes complicated the industry's selling plans. The 1954 total prune crop was a record breaker in the tonnage produced. And the overloaded fruit trees bore an unusual volume of smaller sizes, which normally are marketed to juice processors. It early became apparent that a large tonnage of these small-size "economy" prunes would have to be absorbed by retailers.

A price differential of 5c to 10c per pound over the larger sizes more in demand was the appeal broadcast to thrifty shoppers—and it worked. Botsford, Constantine and Gardner, agency for the California Prune Advisory Board, proposed a \$75,000 spot radio campaign in 21 selected metropolitan markets for the "buy economy prunes" drive.

The impetus of the campaign aroused dealer interest, and leading supermarkets used big space to advertise small prunes at a price. At the end of the crop year, 1 August 1955, the prune industry statistician reported a sales increase over the year before of 4,100 tons or 8.2 million pounds—the biggest gain since 1949. Much credit was given by agency and client to the special spot campaign, supplementing the regular advertising activity carried on the past three years.

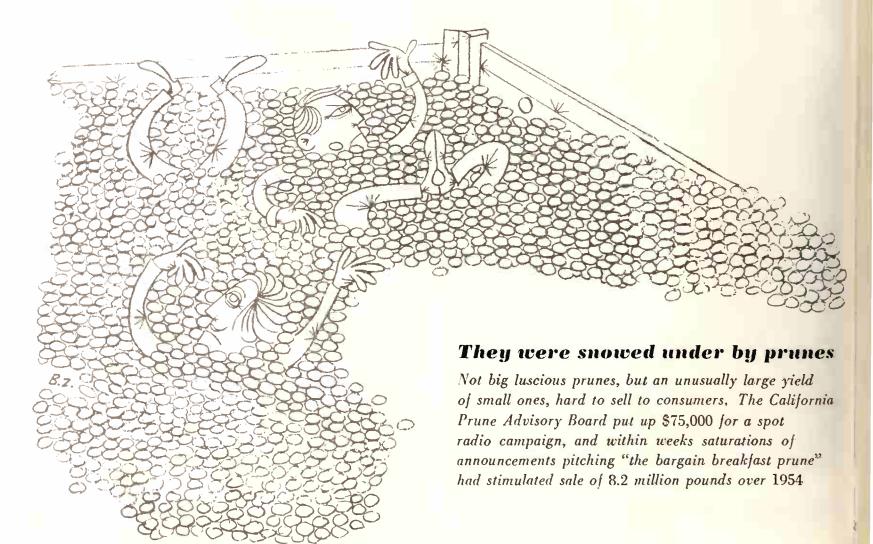
To increase the demand and improve prune sales, the California Prune Advisory Board has to keep in mind

a number of problems that have plagued the industry recently:

1. With the steady decline of ample three-course breakfasts, eating of prunes to start the day is not the habit it once was. In the Thirties particularly juice-and-coffee snacks began replace hot-cereal-and-eggs breakfasts. Prunes, considered a daily staple in earlier days, went the way of the flapper.

2. In the 1930's the prune industry began suffering from excessive production. From 1930 to 1940, and in the face of declining prices for all agricultural products, California produced a 225,000-ton-a-year average.

The Depression hit the California prune growers hard and finally forced a decline in acreage and production through subdivision of land and diversion to other crops. The war was a





(irl skating (in print ad shown above) represents radio theme, "top of world feeling"

temporary boost to the prune industry as to most food industries and halted the decline in production somewhat. But after World War II California prune producers and packers faced four more lean years and production went on the skids again. This decline wasn't arrested until this year; acreage is estimated at 95,000 acres compared with 94,600 in 1954; total output averaged 156,000 tons during the past five years.

After 1949 came five years of goodprices, helped along by a Federal marketing program which brought prune producers' income close to or over parity. However since 1951 there's been no Federal aid, such as export subsidies granted to the prune industry.

3. Prunes have always been intimately associated with their laxative function. But this is not the type of role, a food must necessarily play daily in a home, nor for every member in the family. Therefore, in order to promote daily eating of prunes, the California Prunes Advisory Board felt it should come up with some reasons for eating primes regularly which would better fit into current American cating habits. Nutrition is the big theme of the day. However, some prune packers, members of the board. still stress the effects their product will have upon "regular habits." This is a theme the board's advertising plays in a far lower key.

4. The 21 members of the California Prune Advisory Board represent 6,000 growers and 14 packers. The California Marketing Act of 1937 provides that none of the advertising placed by the board can make use of or reference to a specific brand. Instead it has to be designed to promote prune eating and prune juice drinking in general, with strong emphasis upon "California prunes."

This marketing agreement program, assented to in writing by 55% of the producers and 70% of the packers in 1951, provides for assessments made by the board (usually \$1.50 per ton for each grower and packer), enforceable through the state law. While this method assures a budget, it also implies that all growers and packers are vitally interested in seeing results

produced from their contributions.

In fall 1952 the California Prune Advisory Board, under Robert A. Mc. Arthur, chairman of the board, began to advertise in major markets primarily to increase demand, regain the confidence of the food trade which had been shaken by instability within the industry. The relatively small budget (under a quarter million) and decision to advertise intensively dictated advertising in selected markets rather than use of national media. Until August 1955, the board divided its budget among newspapers, trade publications and participations on women's ty programs, with some radio programs used in one or two cities each year.

The board's peak advertising budget was the one in 1954; \$380,000. This year the budget is \$315,000, but the consumer advertising figure runs closer to \$287,000. The main reason for the discrepancy is that the board spends a substantial sum in trade advertising and with the California Dried Fruit Institute for its share in a merchandising program to get grocers to put dried fruit in advantageous locations. The board also has funds for possible export development activities in order to build up exports again.

For fall-through-spring 1955-56 consumer advertising, the board's \$287.000 budget breaks down this way: \$89.000 for spot radio in nine markets: \$182.000 in black-and-white

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BROGGER, ASST. BOARD MGR. (WITH PIPE), SWANBERG, AGENCY A E (B.FORE MIKE), WORKED WITH SONG ADS IN TRANSLATING AD THEME



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### McCann-Erickson's Leo Bogart >

If all the needs pointed to by Dr. Leo Bogart in the article below were fulfilled, radio-tv research's millenium would be well on the way. Dr. Bogart, who is associate director of research at McCann-Erickson, Inc., here speaks out for types of data not now available as well as a better basis for evaluating existing data. The need he places first on his list is for accurate tv set and coverage data.





### big needs in radio-tv research

If researchers are able to fulfill goals Leo Bogart sets, admenwill get accurate picture of tv set circulation, better idea of what competition does, sounder media evaluation

hat kinds of research on radio and to would be helpful to advertisers and agencies? This question might be answered either in terms of what we want or in terms of what we ideally need. What we most urgently want is probably the type of "routine" information for which we get day-by-day demands, and which for one reason or another we cannot fully supply on the basis of the services to which we subscribe or the research supplied us by stations or networks,

Here are some of the question areas that come under this heading:

1. Tr station coverage data: This represents information on how many homes in an area have television, how many can receive a given station, and how many actually watch that station in the course of a week.

In estimating tv station coverage today, we make (or use) projections from long-outdated surveys.

Four different research organizations (Nielsen, SAMS, ARB and NARTB) have indicated plans to get into this field. It would certainly be economically disastrous for two or more such major studies to be undertaken simultaneously—and probably this will not come to pass. The real need is for a service to be offered on a regular basis, at least once a year for at least the next five years.

2. Spot expenditures: Knowledge of what the competition is doing is vital to all advertising planning. With broadcast media advertisers making increased use of spot, it is harder to keep track of competitors' expenditures and media strategy. In this respect all

national advertisers are in the same

Our knowledge in this area has been full of great gaps, despite the useful services of N.C. Rorabaugh and Spot Radio Reports (whose releases cover activity rather than expenditures). The tough part is getting cooperation from stations and their representatives, who must dig up, at sometimes considerable bother, information they often consider confidential. The spot radio problem is more complex and the available information more meager—though the trend to spot is even more noticeable in radio than in ty.

Recently there have been some encouraging developments. Hooper Monitoring Reports provide detailed information on spot activity in a limited number of cities for particular product fields. Now it has been an-

nounced that the Television Bureau of Advertising has engaged Rorabaugh to prepare periodic estimates of tv spot spending (SPONSOR, 3 October 1955, page 38). Our ideal ought to be a service which produces accurate figures on a frequent and continuing basis, along the lines of P.I.B. and Media Records.

don't know all we would like to know about the marketing characteristics of individual program andiences. The rating services can give us audience

composition data, but this is limited to a few major variables: sex, family size, age of housewife, family income and so on. An advertiser or agencyman who compares programs with his own special marketing problems in mind must either make assumptions based on this kind of limited evidence or must undertake the expense of conducting a full-scale survey of his own. By contrast, the big magazine audience surveys tell him how many readers of Look keep canaries and how many readers of the Post drink whisky.

The three questions just raised are

all immediate in the sense that if we had the answers we could put them to work without delay. But there are other problems which really ought to be on the agenda, although we're not as apt to come up against them day by day.

1. More frequent ratings on more markets: In the course of the last broadcast season, McCann-Erickson either subscribed to or did business with Nielsen, ARB, Hooper, Pulse, Videodex, Trendex and Conlan. We (Please turn to page 105)

Wanted: suggestious from readers on best ways to attain research goals article cites

1.

TV STATION COVERAGE DATA: Dr. Bogart feels set count and circulation studies must be done on annual basis for at least next five years of tv's growth era. 2.

SPOT EXPENDITURES: What admen really need will be available when both radio and tware covered and data is available on frequent and continuing basis.

3.

MARKETING CHARACTERISTICS OF AUDI-ENCE: Magazines can furnish detailed data on buying habits of their readers. Similar data needed on individual show audiences. 4.

MORE FREQUENT RATINGS ON MORE MARKETS: Research firms ought to agree informally to space reports far apart as possible in markets where ratings are infrequent.

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BETTER BASIS FOR EVALUATING RATINGS: ARF has made a contribution with its ratings analysis. But the need now is for actual experiment out in the field. 6.

COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS OF MEDIA: Like many of those SPONSOR quoted in its All-Media Evaluation Study, Dr. Bogart cites need for ways to compare media.

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GETTING FULL VALUE FROM AIR MEDIA: We need to know more; for example, what are the benefits of full program sponsorship vs. today's big-show to participations?

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QUALITATIVE RESEARCH: Radio was once qualitative research-conscious. Tr can use analysis today to determine how its program types should differ from radio.

# Schick bids for razor supremacy

## with 76% tv budget 90-day ad splash puts most of \$2.5 million budget on the air

n the heart of the Pennsylvania Dutch country, where long, flowing beards are often a matter of family pride, stands the shiny new plant of a company dedicated to a never-ending war on America's morning whiskers-

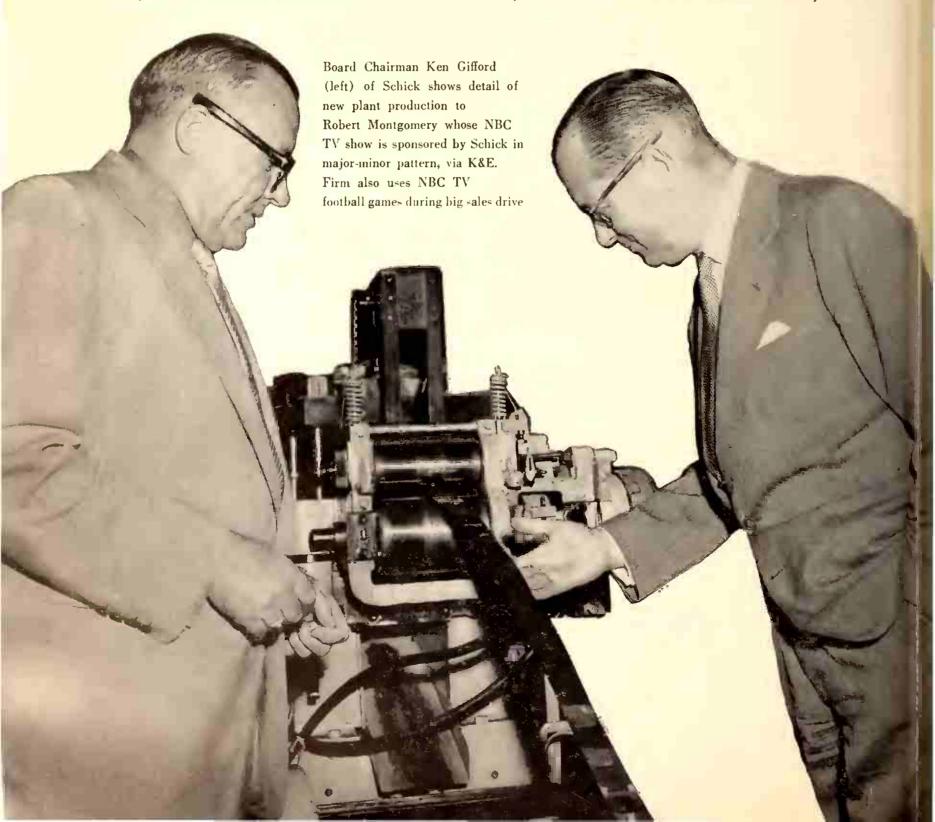
And, in his trimly modern plant headquarters near Lancaster last month, Schick President Joe Elliott

rubbed his clean-shaven chin thoughtfully and told SPONSOR:

"Electric razors are the biggest thing in U.S. small appliance sales today. One out of every three American men today uses an electric razor. The annual retail volume of electric shavers in this country has gone from \$50 million in 1950 to more than twice that much today.

"We're setting the pace. More men are using Schick Electric Shavers than any other make. But that's only the beginning. We'll be shaving the bulk of American men 10 years from now."

Selling the steady stream (the amount is secret, but it runs into five figures daily) of white-plastic-and-chrome "Model 25" razors that pour from the Schick assembly lines is not





New plant: On site of former Pennsylvania Dutch farm Schick built new Lancaster plant, moved in and started new model rolling in just one year at \$3 million cost. New precision manufacturing methods are heavily plugged in Schick's television commercials

quite as easy as tall, lanky Joe Elliott or jovial Board Chairman Kenneth Gifford make it seem.

It takes plenty of sales strategy. And plenty of advertising. That's where television enters Schick's picture today.

There are few ad budgets of major advertisers that are as heavily tyminded as that of Schick. And there are few one-product manufacturers who will be making the kind of video splash that Schick will cause this fall during its peak sales season.

by the next 90 days:

- Schick will spend some \$2.5 million to advertise its razors and repair service facilities—slightly more than 10 times as much as the company spent for advertising during the entire 12 months of 1940.
- Three out of every four dollars of this \$2.5 million—76%—will wind up in network television, or spot radio and television on a dealer cooperative basis, via the Kenyon & Eckhardt agency.
- Schick "25's" will be the most airsold razor in the field. The company is out-advertising any of its principal competitors (see box at right) by a noticeable margin.
- According to K&E account executive Joe Moss. Schick will be reaching some 30 million viewers each week with its alternate-week. major-minor ad schedule on Robert Montgomery Presents (NBC TV) and another 10 million or so with NCAA Football (eight national, five regional, also on NBC TV).
- Backstopping this tv barrage will be a print splash of 18 full-color ads (spreads and single pages) at the rate of more than an ad a week in *Life* and Satevepost which K&E estimates will reach a combined audience of over 75

million readers from September to Christmas.

• Schick's 57 salesmen and six distributors will be out hustling for orders in a stepped-up sales program, and will be plugging the big tv and print campaign, as well as pushing the advantages of a co-op program (a liberal 50-50 deal) that includes such dealer aids as radio commercial copy. tv film announcements and other air material.

Big gamble: Behind this concerted advertising and sales push there is a major gamble on Schick's part.

In just 12 months, Schick executives picked the site near Lancaster for its new plant, authorized the design and construction of the factory by Austin Co., moved 92 families and tons of equipment from Stamford, Conn. (the old headquarters), paid a sizable sum in severance pay to others, moved into the new quarters and be-

gan manufacturing a brand new razor model. Cost to Schick: some \$3 million—and it was paid out of company funds, not borrowed money.

As if the problems of corporate logistics created by the move were pot enough, Schick faces a fiercely competitive lineup of rival firms today. Remington and Sunbeam are out after Schick's sales scalp and use a heavy schedule of network television in their efforts. Dutch-controlled Novelco, and Ronson (currently importing its razor works from Germany but planning to make them soon in, of all places, Schick's old Stamford plant) are also crowding on Schick's heels. Other low-priced European and Japanese electric shavers are beginning to appear on the U.S. market.

But Schick's top brass feel that the gamble will pay off. In fact, they talk confidently of a \$25 million sales year—about \$2 million higher than last.

**Reason:** Ty, they feel, will play a major role in accomplishing the big goal. The visual air medium has already racked up an impressive record for Schiek.

In the second half of 1951, Schick bought, via the Kudner Agency (then Schick's ad counsel), a CBS TV package. Crime Syndicated. The program was aired in some 33 markets (see story in SPONSOR, 25 August 1952).

Within a few weeks, the results were startling. Tv-covered markets ran 100% or higher in sales vs. non-tv markets. And the dealers loved tv.

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#### SCHICK OUT-ADVERTISES RIVALS IN TV. RADIO

REMINGTON

Features razors (among other Remington products) in its alternate sponsorship of "What's My Line" (CBS TV) and one-third slice of "Caesar's Hour," Mondays on NBC TV

**SUNBEAM** 

Features razors (and other appliances) in participations in "Color Spread" spectaculars, part-sponsorship of Milton Berle, Martha Raye shows. Also in tv "Home"

RONSON

Plugs new line of Razors (and cigarette lighters) on Wednesday, Friday segments of "Douglas Edwards & the News" on CBS TV, with periodic spot campaigns

**NORELCO** 

Primarily a magazine user (four-color spreads, pages). Norelco is currently considering use of tv. either spot (via dealer co-op) or network for its imported razors



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### Broadcast Advertisers Roo

The staid citizens of Darby, Pa., were startled one day several years ago to see what looked like a full-fledged horseroom operating in the heart of their downtown business area. Through the windows over a barber shop several men could be seen from the street, earphones clearly visible, bending intently over a battery of mysteriously whirring machines.

Someone yelled for the cops. The raid, however, was a disappointment. No front-page stuff; not even a pinch. Instead of bookies, the investigation uncovered a quiet group of unobstrusive men alternately fingering the controls of ordinary tape recorders and turning to scribble hurried notes on nearby pads.

The suspected bookies were not on a direct hookup with the track; they were simply tuned in to the local radio stations, and what they were doing was noting the time, the name of the show, station, and sponsor.

This was Broadcast Advertisers Reports at an early stage in its history. Darby was its first and, at that time, only base of operations.

That was three years ago. Today the firm is doing a similar monitoring job on both radio and television in 14 markets. Here's the way BAR goes about providing a service which is as yet not widely known among admen (though its in use already at shops like JWT, Y&R. Dancer, and accounts like Toni):

BAR executives (l. to r.) Bob Morris, exec. v.p.; Phil Edwards, pres.; and David Allen, v.p., discuss plans to expand from 14 markets (x's on map) to 30 (circled areas)

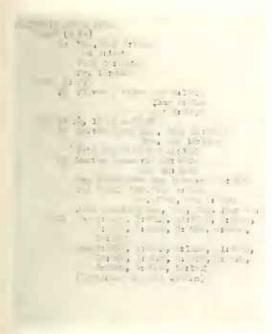
Recording equipment is synchronized by technician in Chicago hotel room for weeklong monitor of local radio and ty stations. Scene is duplicated in 13 other markets

Transcribing at BAR headquarters in Darby, Pa., takes less time than actual recording as trained listeners can skip program bits between commercial announcements

### reye and ear on the competition

e local, spot, net radio and ty commercials; to be in 20 markets this year

For a full week, once every two months, BAR tape records the signals of all stations in these markets. Trained technicians then play back the tape at an adjusted speed that enables them to condense the transcribing time to a small fraction of the original recording time. The firm then publishes two summaries within a single mimeo-



Report, compiled for week-long period, lists programs, sponsor, specific brands plugged, station, time, and length of announcement

graphed report: one a complete breakdown, by products, of each advertiser's schedule; the other a chronological, minute-by-minute operating log of each station showing, in order of occurrence, every commercial broadcast,

There are, of course, monitoring firms that record a specific program or commercials for a given product category, on assignment. But BAR does a blanket job, including every minute of the broadcast day, then sells its service to subscribers. Along with its West Coast affiliate, BAR of Sherman Oaks, Cal., owned by Pat and Tonie Kelley, it is believed to be the only service of its type operating on a multi-market basis.

**Use for admen:** With a complete schedule of his own and his competi-

tors' radio-ty activity in the 14 BAR markets an advertiser has a tool with which he can analyze his relative position. BAR provides or can provide:

- An accurate rundown on competitors' activity in each of the 14 markets, together with data on the type of time they buy.
- A basis for judging availabilities in the light of surrounding programing and commercials on a given station and those opposite, with incidental information about the commercial spotting practices of each station.

(One national advertiser who thought he was doing a successful midmorning job of whetting his listeners' appetite for his brand of biscuit learned, he told sponsor, that in at least one Western market the whetting was being somewhat offset immediately beforehand by a minute announcement for beer and, immediately following, by another plug for a laxative.)

- The opportunity to review, by listening to tapes or reading transcripts, any announcements aired by competitors in the markets concerned.
- A way to figure expenditures of competitors (by applying station rate cards against BAR's poop on announcement the competition is using).
- The means for critically analyzing the substance and format of successful shows with a view toward creating a comparable effort or improving a going one.

Besides providing local broadcast-telecast information in these 14 markets, BAR constantly monitors and compiles similar data on all network programs. Separate reports for network radio and television are published every week describing all announcements by product and brand name and giving the length of each commercial.

Suppose you're laying out a campaign. With the BAR data you have the complete rundown on what your competition is doing and, perhaps most important, how much backing each specific brand gets.

By using the network reports and the local ones as far as they go an advertiser has a complete record of actual performance in the areas monitored. At present these include seven in which both radio and television are monitored: New York, Chicago. Los Angeles. Philadelphia. Boston. San Francisco, and San Diego; six with twonly: Detroit, Baltimore, Cleveland, Washington, D. C., Minneapolis, and Cincinnati; one with radio only: Pittsburgh.

During the next few months BAR plans to include six more markets: St. Louis, Atlanta. Denver. Seattle. Portland. and Salt Lake City. By the end of 1956 these additional markets: Dallas, New Orleans. Kansas City. Milwaukee. Indianapolis, Miami. Houston. and Buffalo—for a total of 30.

With this extended coverage the reports could conceivably open the way toward obtaining spot radio dollar expenditures of national and regional advertisers—at least in those 30 markets. Using BAR's compilation of activity in these markets, tabulating the outlays would be a matter of arithmetic. (Spot dollar figures for television will be available through the

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Library of BAR holds some 5,000 7-inch (1,200-foot) reels of taped recordings



RADIO LISTENERS DID MORE THAN LOOK AT SHIP MODEL: THEY BOUGHT

### RADIO TEASERS SELL CARS

Local radio station draws attention to car promotion built around 11-foot Japanese ship model. Visitors' gift certificates boost sales

Furlington, Iowa, radio listeners were surprised to hear ship's whistles blowing recently. When Japanese voices were added they became more than curious. Which was the whole idea. KBUR's, that is, or, more accurately sponsor Harry Murray's. This Chevrolet-Buick dealer was launching what turned out to be a highly successful promotion for his Hawkeye Motor Co.

The entire plot hinged about an 11-foot model of the Japanese ocean liner Hikara Maru, the only major Japanese ship to survive the war. The model came into the hands of Murray, an ex-coast guardsman, who decided to place it in his showroom for inspection.

Incredibly detailed, complete with workable winches, tiny deck furniture, and wheel house steering, the model was used to draw listeners to the car showroom. There they were given gift certificates to apply toward the price of new or used cars bought at Hawkeye.

The promotion began with a teaser campaign of ships' whistles and voices in Japanese describing features of the model. As soon as there was interest in the promotion, announcements began to describe the oneton miniature ship, and gave the date and location of its exhibition.

Despite the extreme night heat, the showroom was so jainmed by unveiling time that the announcer had a struggle to get near the model to broadcast the proceedings. A 20-minute broadcast created additional interest by describing the ship first-hand, and that kept the flow of visitors coming in. In three days over 10,000 gift certificates were given out, 27 of which were turned in on new and used cars. More were turned in during the weeks that followed, with the latest figures totaling 98 used cars and 31 new ones, with more likely to arrive. The promotion cost Hawkeye \$615, in addition to its regular campaign over KBUR.

Says Murray: "I'm still getting little thrills from the way this promotion paid off, is continuing to pay off, and apparently will continue to pay off for months and years to come. It has proved conclusively that a radio campaign carefully thought out and enthusiastically pursued is tops.

Says KBUR: "He's right."

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your articles concerning the promotional material which national representatives and timebuyers say they'd like to receive from stations in the field. We always supply whatever material is requested, and much that is not requested, and often wonder where this evidence of a station's popularity ends up.

Even so, I cannot help but wonder if either national reps or timebuyers can really know a station from the material which we send them.

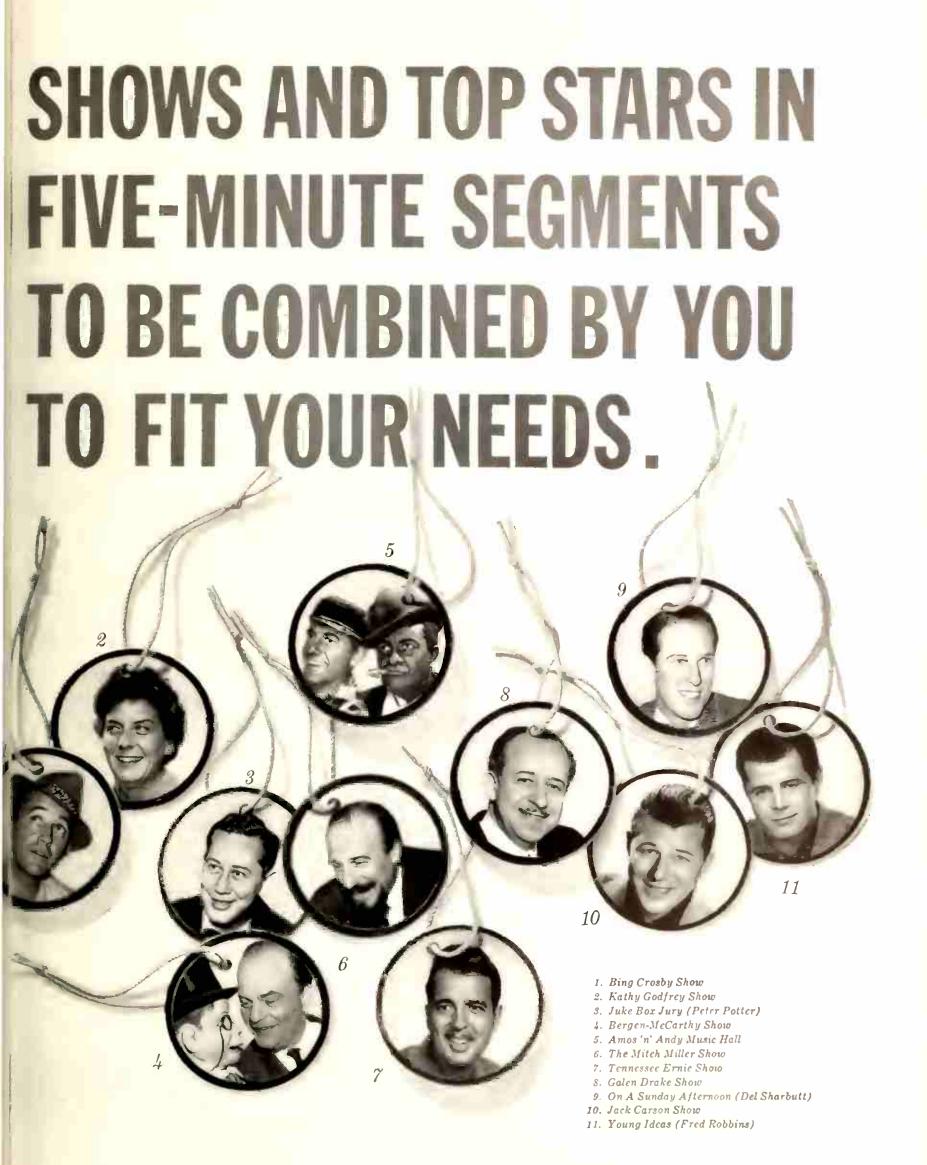
Certainly I recognize the value of promotional data but I also contend that reps and timebuyers alike could get a far more comprehensive picture of any market if time could be taken to visit given cities. I think that safaris—not all the markets, naturally, but the major ones. Especially those with seven to 10 stations. Not that our corporation can't stand a cold vardstick test-in Dallas KLIF is first in both Hooper and Oulse; in El Paso, KELP has Hooperatings which break all records; in Milwaukee, WRIT has in only 150 days risen to nip-and-tuck fight for first place in that city's Hooperatings. So, all our stations are willing to subject themselves to any survey. And all of us are virtually sold out. Even so, in the very best interest of national reps and timebuyers, we believed that buyers and sellers would be better off if they visited the few highly competitive top cities, went to our night clubs, talked with people on the street, visited briefly wtih local agency personnel, played golf and, through brief but intensive questioning, sought to implement the information gleaned from ratings and promotional data. In many cases, a national rep or timebuyer might be surprised at what he or she learns. It won't jive with a lot of the promotion pieces they receive. But they'll be prepared to do a better job for their client. First hand information is always more accurate than hearsay.

To sum up what I've tried to say: be very careful when you apply that slide rule-when not used properly. it's as dangerous as a fifth of whiskey. It can promise you more and give you less than anything I know.

> CECIL HOBBS General Manager KLIF Dallas

ADVERTISERS, ELEVEN JANOITAN OT G3A3770 SELLING FORCE EVER REACHING, PROFITABLE MOST DYNAMIC, FAR-PROGRAM PLAN THE CBS RADIO'S SEGMENTED WILL WANT A STAKE IN SOMETHING TO SELL EVERYBODY WHO HAS

BIG-REALLY BIGTIME-SHOWS ARE LINED UP ON A BASIS THAT COMBINES LARGEST AUDIENCES AT LOWEST COST, GREATEST MERCHANDISING VALUES, MIX'EM OR MATCH'EM FLEXIBILITY. FOR THE FIRST TIME, THIS PLAN MAKES POSSIBLE TESTED









...If you want big-name, low-cost advertising the year round, here's one possibility. A five-minute segment weekly on the GALEN DRAKE SHOW, KATHY GODFREY SHOW and EDGAR BERGEN-CHARLIE MCCARTHY SHOW:

... For an impressive and merchandisable star line-up, with daytime, nighttime, Sunday through Saturday spread: BING CROSBY, AMOS 'N' ANDY, PETER POTTER'S all-star JUKE BOX JURY, BERGEN-MCCARTHY and GALEN DRAKE.

MITCH MILLER SHOW, GALEN DRAKE, KATHY GODFREY, JUKE BOX JURY, TENNESSEE ERNIE, BING CROSBY, JACK CARSON and AMOS'N'ANDY! GROSS WEEKLY LISTENERS'......92.268,000

ments a week for two weeks on BERGEN-

MCCARTHY, ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON, THE

\*Est. from NRI full net AA, Jan.-Apr. 1955; Auto-Plus to SIU, Feb.-Apr.; Audience composition, Feb. \*\*For 52 weeks.

# THREE OF A BIG RANGE OF SALES-POWERED, LOW-COST COMBINATIONS

Those are just three examples. Whether your budget is large or small...whatever your sales problem, there's a combination of stars and shows tagged to sell for you in the Segmented Program Plan...on

### THE CBS RADIO NETWORK

### GASOLINE

SPONSOR: Major Gasoline Co. of El Centro

AGENCY: Direct

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: I sing only KXO radio, the nalvertiser has become the second largest gasoline dealer in El Centro, selling 60,000 gallons per month. Radio schedule consists of regular usage of one announcement daily in the Monday to Friday Alternoon Varieties show (\$3.00 each) plus sponsorship of the five-minute Let's Swap program, also a popular local strip. In addition, the sponsor sometimes runs special seven-second unnouncement saturations of 10 per day for five to 10 days to feature a special phase of its operation.

KNO, El Centro, Calif.

PROGRAMS: Afternoon Varieties, announcements and Let's Swap

# RADIO results

### **JEWELERS**

SPONSOR: Lord's Jewelers AGENCY: Tel-Ra Productions CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: Since starting a six-announcement per week schedule on WKLO four years ago, the sponsor has grown from one location to six outlets. Today Lord's uses two quarter-hour programs and two announcements each day on WKLO, credits the station with 50° c of its total volume. Despite the growth of the jeweler, it has retained the same hillbilly vehicle for its radio advertising. The original schedule had been in Jimmie Osborne's Noontime Roundup, and the present

WKLO, Louisville

PROCRAM: Noontime Roundup, p.m. segments and announcements

### **OUTBOARD MOTORS**

SPONSOR: Island Outboard Motors

sponsorship is of the same show.

AGENCY: Direct

capsule case History: A single flash (15-second) announcement over CHUB. Nanaimo, B. C., resulted in the sale of \$1,600 worth of boating equipment at an advertising cost of \$6. "Al the Beachcomber" aired the annoucement in his Beach House show, plugging an outboard motor. An American tourist heard the broadcast, traveled to the store and bought the motor plus a 28-foot boat to go with it. Beach House is a personalized show designed to serve advertisers with limited capital.

CHUB, Nanaimo, B.C.

PROGRAM: Beach House, Announcement

### DOG FOOD

SPONSOR: Sturdy Dog Foods

AGENCY Mogge Privett Inc

CAPSULE CASE IIISTORY—Most advertisers are not happy to report that their business is going to the dogs, but Sturdy Dog Food President Craig Sandford is very happy about it. I sing only KBIG on a year-round basis, Sturdy sales gained 17½ c in 1954 over 1953 and has already notched a 22½ c increase for the first eight months of 1955 as compared to the same period last year. Sturdy sponsors the 9:25-9:30 a.m. news strip on a yearly basis, pays \$23.25 per show and is nearing the end of its second year of sponsoring the same news show.

KBIG, Ayalon, Catalina Island,—PROGRAM—KBIG Veice

.1919, Avaloi Calif.

### HELP WANTED

SPONSOR: N.C. State Employment Service—AGENCY: Direct CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: BENC saved the dam when it looked doomed. As a flood breach threatened to wash out the city reservoir's dam, the North Carolina State Employment Service called WFNC, Fayetteville, and asked it to broadcast two want ads for 25 to 50 laborers. Less than an hour after the ad was aired, there were enough men on the job to stem the breach and save the dam. Only one annoncement was needed and the second was cheerfully canceled.

WFNC, Fayetteville, N. C.

PROGRAM: Announcements

### **PEACHES**

SPONSOR: Collins' Open Air Market AGENCY: Direct CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: A phone call to WDVA saved Harry Collins' stock of fresh peaches. He called Farm Director Homer Thomasson while The Virginia-Carolina Farm Hour was on the air and asked him to insert a one-minute commercial as soon as he could. Within 15 minutes of the 7:15 a.m. commercial. Collins had sold the entire \$250 worth of perishable fruit. Before this he had unsuccessfully tried other media to move the same stock. Cost of the commercial was \$3.50 or just 1.4% of the sales price.

WDVA, Danville, Va.

PROGRAM: The Tirginia Carolina Farm Hour

### **MEATS**

SPONSOR: Rutland Meat Mark t

AGINCY - Direct

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: Low-cost advertising on radio can mean the difference between selling and not selling at all. The Rutland Meat Market is located off the main Okanagan Valley Highway, seven miles north of Kelowna, B. C., in a sparsely populated area. Yet, using only two announcements per week costing a total of \$1.70, it draws customers from Westbank, which is 14 miles and a 15-minute ferry ride away. This despite the fact that there are two butchers in Westbank.

(KOV, Kelowna, B.C.

PROGRAM: Announcements



### film shows recently made available for syndication

New or first-tv-run programs released, or shown in pilot form, since 1 Jan., 1955

Show name	Syndicator	Producer	Length	No. in series	Show name	Syndicator	Producer	Length	No. in serie
		ADVENTURE				DRA	MA, MYSTERY		
		TO VENTORE							- Find and
Adventures of Long John Silver	CBS TV Film	Joe Kaufman	30 min.	26	Highway Patrol	Ziv	Ziv	30 min.	In production
Adventures of Robin Hood*	Official	Sapphire Films	30 mln	In production	New Orleans Police Dept.	U M & M	Minot	30 mln.	26.
Adventures of Scarlet Pimper- nel	Official	Towers of London	30 mln	In production	Paris Precinct Police Call	UM&M NTA	Etolle Procter	30 mln.	39 26
Captain Gallant	TPA	Frantol	30 mln	39	Sherlock Holmes	UM&M	Sheldon Reynolds	30 mln.	39
Count of Monte Cristo	TPA	Ed Small	30 min.	In production			LAUSIC .		-
Crunch & Des	NBC Film Div.	Bermuda Prod.	30 mln.	In production			MUSIC		
l Spy	Gulld	Gulld	30 min.	in production	Bandstand Revue	KTLA	KTLA	.30 mln	6
Jungle Jim	Screen Gems	Screen Gems	30 min	l (pilot)	Bobby Breen Show	Bell	Bell	15 mln.	l (pliot)
Mandrake the	ABC FIIm Synd.	Bermuda Prod.	30 min.	l (pilot)	Ina Ray Hutton	Guild	Gulld	30 mln.	In production
Magician New Adventures	NTA	Bernard Tabakin	30 min.	26	New Liberace Show	Guitd	Guild	30 min.	In production
of China Smith	ABC Ellm Synd	Hat Pasch Je	30 min	39	Song Stories of the West	Gibraltar	Althea Pardee	15 min.	13
Passport to Danger	ABC Film Synd.		30 min. 30 mln	39	Stars of the	Flamingo	Flamingo	30 mln.	39
RIn Tin Tin*	Screen Gems MCA-TV	Screen Gems Rawlins	30 min.	l (pilot)	Grand Ole Opry				
Sea Hawk Sheena. Queen of the Jungle	ABC FIIm Synd.		30 min.	26	Story Behind Your Music	0.08 al -1	Randall-Song Ad	30 mln	1 (pliot)
Soldiers of Fortune**	MCA-TV	Revue	30 mln	In production	This is Your Music	Official	Jack Denove	.30 mln.	26
Tales of the Foreign Legion	CBS TV Film	Tony Bartley	30 min.	(pilot)			RELIGION		
Tropio Hazard	Sterling	Sterling	15 min.	In production					
The Goldbergs	Guild	Guild	30 min.	In production	Jimmy Demaret Show Mad Whirl	Award NTA	Award Leo Seltzer	15 m/n <sub>2</sub>	In production
Great Gildersleeve	NBC Film Dlv.	NBC TV	30 mln	(pilot)	Sam Snead Show	RCA Programs	Scope Prod.	5 mln.	39
Little Rascals	Interstate	Roach	IO min.	22—1 reel	Touchdown*	MCA TV	Tel-Ra	30 mln.	Арргох. 13
("Our Gang")			20 min.	70-2 reel	*Available with star	t of fall football	season. New film each	week. No	rerunș.
Looney Tunes	Gulld	Warner's	15 min. to one hour						
							VARIETY		700
	DO	CUMENTARY			Eddie Cantor Comedy Theatre*	Ziv	Ziv	30 min.	in production
Key to the City	Hollywood Tv Prod.	Hollywood Tv Prod.	15 mln.	7	Hollywood Preview	Flamingo	Balsan Produc- tions	30 mln.	In production
Living Past	Film Classics	Film Classics	15 min.	7	Showtime *Show is snonsored	Studio Films	Studio Films 26 markets, is aired	30 min.	201 markets
Mr. President	Stuart Reynolds	Stuart Reynolds	30 min.	3	Show is sponsored	by Danaditine in	20 markets, is affeu	in total of	201 markets
Science in Action	TPA	Calif. Academy of Sciences	30 mln.	52			WESTERNS		
Uncommon Valor	General Teleradio	General Teleradio	30 min.	26	-	<del></del>	WESTERNS		·
	10101444				Buffalo Bill, Jr. Frontier Doctor	CBS TV Film Studio City Tv	Flying "A" Studio City Ty	30 mln. 30 min.	In production 39
	DRAM	MA, GENERAL			Fury*	TPA	TPA	30 min.	In production
Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal	MCA TV	Morgan & Solow	30 mln.	In production	Gene Autry—Roy Rogers	MCA-TV	Republic	I hour	123
Celebrity Playhouse*	Screen Gems	Screen Gems	30 mln.	None	Red Ryder Steve Donovan.	CBS TV Film NBC Fllm Div.	Flying "A" Vibar	30 min. 30 min.	l (pllot) 39
Confidential File	Gulld	Gulld	30 mln.	In production	Western Marshal				
Brother Mark	Guild	Guild	30 mln.	In production	*.Available in marke	ts not currently b	ought by network adve	ertiser.	
HIS Honor,	NBC Film Div.	Galahad	30 mln.	In production	AND THE RESIDENCE OF THE PERSON OF THE PERSO				
O. Henry Theatre	MCA-TV	Gross-Krasne	30 min.	26		V	VOMEN'S		
Science Fiction	ZIV	ZIV	30 min.	In production	Amy Vanderbilt	NTA	United Feature	5 min.	l (pilot)
Theatre							Synd.		

Life Can Be Beautiful

Gulld

ABC TV Films

In production

I (pilot)

30 min.

156

5 (pllots)

Gulld

35 mln.

15 min.

Wrong Numberl

John Christian

\*Very similar to Screen Gems' "Ford Theatre." Pilot unnecessary.

John Christian

### You can't-in Yuma



but ...

### IN EACH OF THE OTHER 266 TELEVISION MARKETS IN THE UNITED STATES

### You can

### ENJOY AT LEAST ONE OF OUR GREAT PROGRAMS EVERY WEEK

### National Network

Ford Theatre presented by Ford Motor Company

Adventures of Rin Tin Tin presented by National Bisenit Company

Father Knows Best presented by Scott Paper Company

Damon Runyon Theatre presented by Anhenser-Busch

Tales of the Texas Rangers presented by General Mills

Captain Midnight presented by Wander Company

### National Spot

Falstaff Celebrity Playhouse presented by Falstaff Brewing
The Patti Page Show presented by Oldsmobile

#### National Syndication

Celebrity Playhouse – Premiere Oct. 1955

Jungle Jim – Premiere Oct. 1955

All Star Theatre

Top Plays of 1955

Jet Jackson

Big Playback

TV sets in Yuma, Arizona . . . 18,900 TV sets in the rest of the United States . . . 36,081,100



TELEVISION SUBSIDIARY OF COLUMBIA PICTURES CORP.







DEACON DOUBLEDAY, Farm Director FRED HILLEGAS, News Edito

### CENTRAL NEW YORK



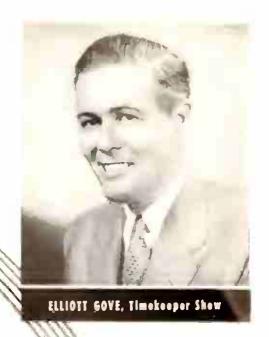
JENNIE-BELLE ARMSTRONG, Women's Director

by any radio station in Central New York. The are old hands in the business of serving the needs and tastes of this great area. They have become, over the year the TRUSTED daily companions of a great share the 428,000 radio families in WSYR's coverage. They are important public service. Naturally, the product which they advertise share in their public acceptance.









### **IEST SALES FORCE!**

Te market which they serve is one of America's truly important markets.

mpolitan Syracuse is ranked by Sales Management Magazine as the

min's best test market. The great trade area served by WSYR

htaces a population of 1.5 million, with annual buying

wrof \$2 billion. WSYR's superior population coverage,

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in service, is clear beyond dispute.





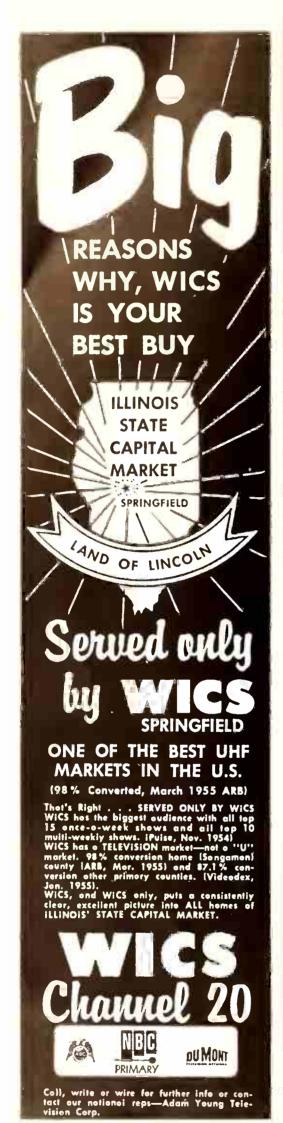




CARL ZIMMERMAN, News Its

Represented Nationally by

THE HENRY I. CHRISTAL CO., INC.



# ilm notes and trends

Reruns: Despite the obvious success of reruns, advertisers are often bothered by certain questions: How many viewers of my sponsored rerun are seeing it for the first time? Are most rerun viewers watching a show they saw before? One reason for these questions is the feeling that a viewer who is seeing the show again may not be watching as intently and, hence, may not watch the commercials as intently.

If the figures on the film show Topper are any indication, most of the tv homes watching a rerun will be seeing it for the first time. Topper reruns are being shown for the 1955-56 season on ABC TV, Monday nights, 7:30-8:00. (The show had been running first run on CBS TV Friday nights.) At present Standard Brands is sponsoring the show on alternate weeks.

ABC researchers calculate that the chances of an average tv home seeing this coming season a *Topper* show that it had seen during the 1953-54 season are one out of 32, assuming the show gets an average rating of 20. If the average rating this coming season is 25.9, the chances are one out of 24.

When the odds are narrowed to those homes likely to be tuned to a typical 1955-56 Topper repeat telecast, the figures are as follows: The chances are one in six that the home viewing a repeat had seen it during th 1954-55 season (assuming an average rating of 20 for the repeats) and one out of four if the rating average comes to 25.9.

In other words, according to ABC, the odds are about five to one that a tv home viewing a *Topper* episode this season will be seeing it for the first time.

One of the reasons for these odds is the fact that new tv homes are appearing constantly. It is estimated that 36% of all tv homes in January, 1956, did not have a tv set two years previously and, hence, were unable to see

any Topper telecast. Of course, in the case of most shows, most of the homes with tv sets do not watch a particular episode. That is, most shows get ratings under 50.

Employee promotion: Most employees of large companies using spot to film don't know (1) the name of the show, (2) the time it's on the air or (3) the channel on which it's shown.

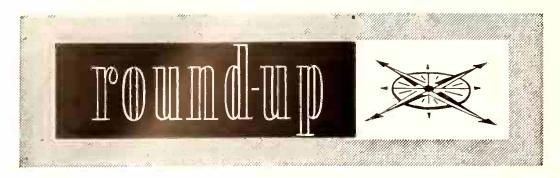
This has been brought out in a series of surveys by the Ziv Tv Research Dept. It was discovered that between 50 and 70% of employees were not aware of this information.

In the belief that the success of an advertising campaign is partly dependent on a company's employees' awareness of what it's all about, Ziv has brought out a special "Enthuse Kit" for employee promotion in connection with all future film show sales. The company states the kit was first tested out with Science Fiction Theatre, now placed in well over 150 markets, and has been used for more than a month with Highway Patrol, newest Ziv tw property.

The kit embodies suggestions and ideas on four levels:

- 1. Executive level: suggested memos, plans for previews and staff meetings to brief corporate brass on details of the show and its advertising.
- 2. Salesman-dealer level: suggested mailings, telegrams, "citation" tickets and the like to acquaint salesmen and dealers with the program series.
- 3. Office-factory worker level: Suggested cafeteria streamers, public address announcements, letters to employees, postage meter designs, payroll enclosures to generate interest among employees and word-of-mouth advertising to friends of employees of the company.
- 4. Follow-up: Additional ideas for house organ publicity, contests, meetings of employees, coordination with local ty stations are outlined.





### WING promotes auto advertisers with free ear offer

To promote some of its advertisers in conjunction with the annual picnic of the Dayton Retail Merchants, WING whipped up a novel hole-in-one contest. The station offered a \$3.000 new car to the first person to get a hole-in-one on any of the three three-par holes. All of the auto dealers who advertise on WING were offered an opportunity to have one of their cars on display for the winner to pick.

When the picnic day arrived. 10 brand-new cars were drawn up with WING signs on them awaiting the winner's choice. The models included Ford, Chevrolet, Oldsmobile, Mercury, Buick, Studebaker and Packard.

Signs were posted throughout the picnic area telling of the opportunity

KBTV uranium stock grows 2,000% since its delivery

When Denver's ABC TV affiliate, KBTV, sent uranium stock certificates out to admen recently it did not expect to enrich the recipients with much more than information about its new fall lineup. But 25,000 shares of penny stock given away are now worth 20c a share.

The first 10 shares went to Alfred R. Beckman, ABC TV's director of station relations. In the photo below Beckman, right, is shown receiving his stock certificates from KBTV's general manager. Joe Herold. KBTV didn't mention whether Herold's look of pleasure was due to the fall schedule or the stock.



KBTV's fast-growing uranium stock is issued

to win a car. The station personnel who attended all wore "hole-in-one" pins, and good-looking young gals were guards at each of the qualifying greens to certify the winner.

Although there was no winner, the station felt that the promotion was a success from the amount of favorable interest it aroused both among the picnickers and dealers who participated.

The idea for the promotion was evolved to take the place of the customary door prize WING had been contributing. After the success of this year's picnic attraction, station officials indicated that they would be interested in another off-beat promotion for next year and hope to receive a similar response from the public.

### \$64,000 Question winner to star in own new show

The \$64,000 Question has not only captured a large share of the audience in its own time segment, but now it has given birth to another show. One contestant who appeared on the show as an amateur expert in the Bible is going to have her own tv show. Mrs. Catherine Kreitzer took \$32,000 as her reward for her knowledge of biblical subjects, and in so doing captured the imagination of the viewing audience. Now under the joint guidance of Monumental Films and ERB Productions. both of Baltimore, she will be the star of her own tv and radio show called The Bible and Mrs. Kreitzer.

General format of the five-minute show will be Mrs. Kreitzer reading her favorite passages from the Bible. The shows are to be syndicated by Monumental to radio and tv stations throughout the country.

### Bavarian Brewing starts heavy tv film campaign

A tv film campaign totaling 14 weekly half hours in four markets has been launched by Bavarian Brewing Co. This buy of five NBC Film Di-

vision shows in Cincinnati, Columbus, Dayton and Zanesville is said to be one of the most intensive regional advertising campaigns in brewing history.

Properties involved include Victory at Sea; Steve Donovan, Western Marshal; Ilis Honor, Ilomer Bell; The Adventures of the Falcon.

### Briefly . . .

When WRCA, New York, announced The Bill Cullen Show, it had an edition of the New York Journal-American printed with a replated front page all about Cullen and the show. Some 1.800 issues were run off.

The effect was probably startling for some people, as the paper's style was followed exactly down to the red "fudge headline" reading "WRCA Finds Morning Man." Needless to say, the Journal-American is one of the sponsors of The Bill Cullen Show. The issue was the brain child of Max E. Buck, director of advertising, promotion and merchandising for WRCA, and Sumner Collins, promotion director of the paper.

Hedges Pontiac Indianapolis, played host to a flagpole sitter for a month recently and managed to attract a lot of attention to its used car lot in the



Ann Wagner talks by phone to pole sitter

process. Flagpole sitter Curt King clammered up to his perch above the lot in August as radio station WFBM. covered his ascent with a broadcast directly from the scene.

For three days Make Mine Music was broadcast from the lot, with disk jockey Ann Wagner describing the situation. Three times a week during King's record attempt, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, a five-minute recorded phone interview with him was aired at 4:45 p.m. This segment of Make Mine Music was used because it marked the time that King went up.

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The Magic Tree is not for sale...



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The Magic Tree is a program which re-creates the fairy stories loved through the ages.

In presenting it, WDSU-TV render real service to a large





The New Orleans TV audience has shown by its warm response that WDSU-TV's unsponsored programs not only fulfill a station's public responsibility, but satisfy a public need.

That is why the Magic Tree is not for sale.



#### ROUND-UP

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The interest in the flagpole sitter drew listeners to the lot, who while there bought many used cars. Even after King climbed back to the ground, people remembered the lot and that is what Hedges wanted them to do.

During the recent anti-Peron revolt that resulted in the ousting of the Argentine dictator, KITE, San Antonio, got a phone call through to the United States Consul in Buenos Aires, recorded his description of the rebels' tank attack, and aired it along with news of Texans in the city on business. The station scored a beat with the on-the-spot voice report, it says, though the wire services later got the account of the successful junta tank attack.

Around the country one of the ways in which Negro radio stations build the loyalty of their audiences is through beauty contests like this one.

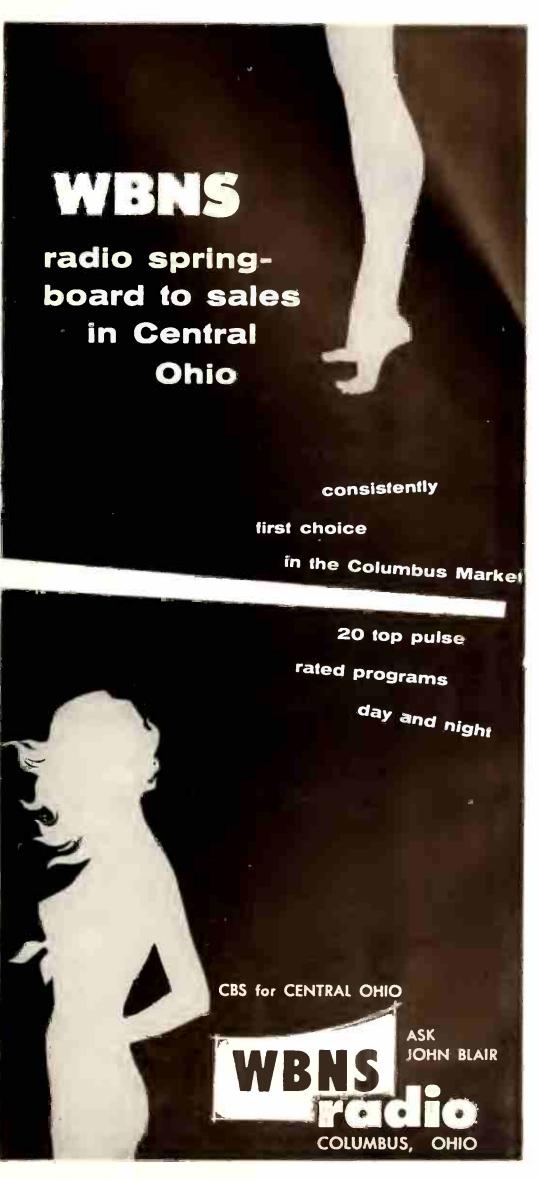


held recently at WMRY. New Orleans. Winner, dubbed Miss WMRY, is shown with two runners-up.

When Lee Jahncke visited Seattle on a tour of ABC affiliated stations, KING helped him celebrate his 43rd birthday. Singing "Happy Birthday" to Vice President and Assistant to the President Jahncke are, left to right: Mel



Anderson, director of promotion and publicity for KING; Bill Jahn, to editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer; Harvey Long, editor of the Pacific (Please turn to page 115)





To

## Local Sports

in

### ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS\*

\* 1st in FOOD SALES in Illinois

(except Chicago)

\* 2nd largest machine tool center

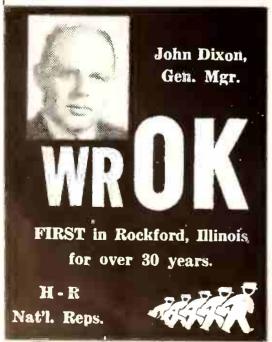


### **WROK**

is the ONLY STATION

in this \$809 million market
OFFERING LOCAL SPORTS
COVERAGE

\*10th Annual Consumer Analysis Survey



### AGENCY AD LIBS



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and more attention-holding value than what appears before us these days.

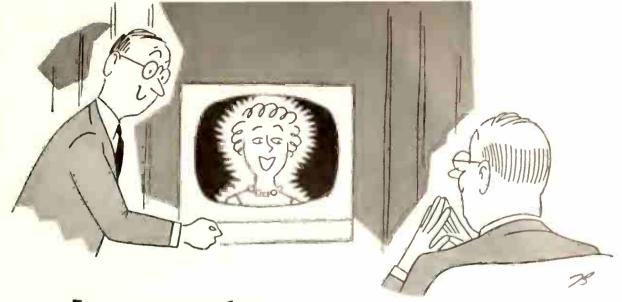
Color itself, while startling and lovely and a tremendous sales plus (the cars recently shown were gorgeous), is also a hear to work with. Unless extreme skill is used, backgrounds submerge the important close-up elements. Distractions are common. And the biggest of these, as it will be for a long time, is the very wonder of color per se.

Integration too is a big problem in these participations. Complete lack of integration puts the advertiser in the class of a spot buyer, not that there is anything unsound about being a buyer of spots since many successes have been attained via chainbreaks and minutes and I.D.'s. But in this case the products sponsored must bear sizable talent costs; also they have available to them, unlike the spot-user, a segment of a show. This does or should permit some copy flexibility which can be used in some manner to make that copy a part of the program rather than apart from it.

One of the simplest techniques of integration, far from complete, however, is the lead-in delivered live by a narrator or announcer who comes on laughing at the joke or with some verbal reference to the show-portion which immediately preceded the commercial. Unfortunately, the same gent wearing the same grin, usually follows each product participating in the program; furthermore. The Human Transition has no real part in the program so the integration is to a degree contrived.

Smoother, but more difficult to achieve, is the commercial lead-in that takes some show element and warps it to the copy (with no loss of commercial time). This technique adds relevance to the commercial copy and interest for the viewer, assuming, of course, these lead-ins are plausible. But it also means no filmed copy (unless the films are altered each time they are projected).

There are dozens of other methods of integration, each of which requires effort, ingenuity, and perhaps money. All, however, are well worth it. Ask Gallup-Robinson, Schwerin or anyone. Even your wife.



### **How adequate** nouse monitoring can HELP YOU sales-wise

MEN a client visits your office, are you able to punch up any on-air signal . . . color or monochrome..., on the channel selector of your nearest TV eiver? Or, are you limited when it comes to station monitoring? Wouldn't it re you a "selling aid" to be able to go to your channel selector and receive:

- a. Any rehearsal . . . live program . . . preview of sponsor's film
- b. Any on-air show . . . from studio . . . from transmitter
- c. Other local stations' off-air signals . . .

# YOUR OFF (3) 25 Ø,

#### sales plus in the ales Manager's office

ith a modern RCA signal distribution stem you can flip the switch and bring in ratever your customer requests. Handles studios in rehearsal, on-air signal, or any cal station. Up to seven channels are availle...tailored to your own special requireents . . . for monochrome and color.

#### ow the house 10 nitoring system works

ocal and remote signals (audio and video) e fed to a closed circuit transmitter of the onitran type. An RCA monitran handles cal signals—one monitran is used for ien signal.

he output of the monitran is then fed to an F amplifier. Off-air signals go directly to te input of the amplifier. All signals are d via a single coax eable to any standard Vreceiver. In the RCA system, the receiver eed not be "jeeped." No expensive video nonitors are required since standard eceivers are used.

#### Fully rated for color

Whether for color or monochrome you'll find the RCA house distribution systemlow in cost, easy to install and operate, and fully satisfactory for picture quality.

Your RCA Broadcast Sales representative will be glad to advise you on the equipment best suited to your needs.

### SEVEN PICTURE SOURCES TO ANY LOCATION VIA A SINGLE CABLE





Rehearsal



Show



Preview



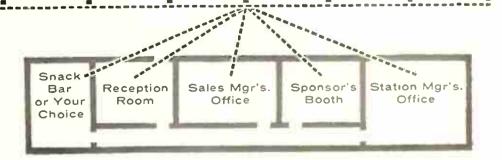




Your Signal

"Off-Air" Station 'B'

Station 'C'



Ask the Engineer —he knows



RADIO CORPORATION of AMERICA

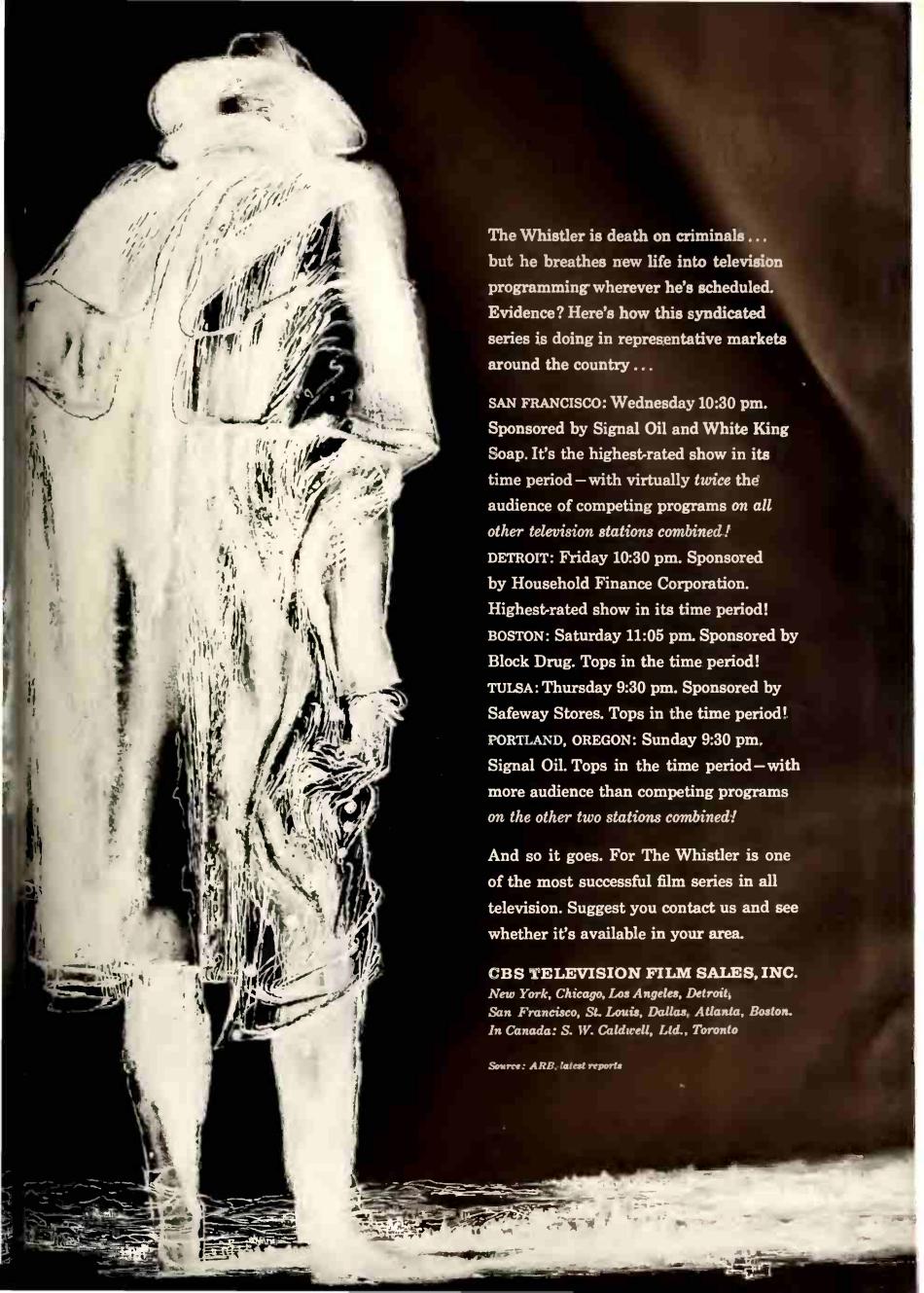
ENGINEERING PRODUCTS DIVISION CAMDEN, N.J.

In Canada: RCA VICTOR Company Limited, Montreal



and runs well wherever he goes!

David Stone Marlin



### SPONSOR Asks...

a forum on questions of current interest to air advertisers and their agencies

### How can advertisers make the most effective use of closed-circuit telecasts





Richard H. Depew Television Operations Manager, ABC-TV

### UTILIZE ITS UNIQUENESS

• With the ever-increasing expansion of advertising and the tremendous impact and growth of television, it seems only practical for the advertiser to turn the medium to his own internal use. More and more meetings, conferences and liaison are necessary for the advertiser to keep both himself and his far-flung representatives abreast of what's going on. Old fashioned meetings and get-togethers result in high costs for travel, entertainment and the ever-present detail work. Probably of greater importance is the loss-of-time element.

In this age of television and inventiveness there must be an easier way. Indeed there is.

Today the advertiser has closedeircuit television, a money saver and a time saver. Take a look at the advantages:

- 1. Selected, pin-pointed audience.
- 2. Can have more than one point of origination.
- 3. Immediate audience reaction by audio and video, if desired.
- 4. Information is fresh and first-hand.

- 5. Viewing facilities can be tailormade, as conservative or lavish as required.
- 6. The program content may be preserved on film for reference and further use.
- 7. Audience impact, created by the immediacy and presence of the tv screen.
- 8. Lower per-viewer cost than the old-fashioned conference involving travel and subsequent time loss.
- 9. Arrangements and details formerly handled by the advertiser can be made by closed circuit personnel.

These are the facts. The advertiser can best use closed-circuit television by merely turning his attention to it.



Peter J. Smith Wanager, TeleSales NBC

#### COLOR INCREASES REALISM

• Because of the nature and purpose of closed-circuit telecasts, there can be no hard and fast rules as to how one can be more or less effective than the next. An advertiser who recognizes that a closed-circuit telecast is uniquely "his own," and that each closed-circuit should be tailormade to his own merchandising goals will at least be starting properly.

However, regardless of all other considerations, the show is the thing, and showmanship should be a compelling factor in any closed-circuit plans. Whether the advertiser is introducing to his dealers a new line of cars, announcing to his entire distributive organization the new television show he has just purchased, or even holding his regular sales meeting, his manner of presenting should complement and take full advantage of the most exciting and dramatic of the communications arts.

Today the most exciting closed-circuit telecasts are those done in color. Not only does the attraction of color television insure the high pitched enthusiasm of the viewers, but the resultant trade "talk," the prestige factor of utilizing the ultimate—all have proven to be more than worth the comparatively slight extra cost of color.

Color, besides bringing a new life and dimension to the tv screen, always draws the plaudits when products are shown. And because the association of the tv picture of the product with the "real McCoy" is one of the most important factors in the advertising business, color tv becomes increasingly more important. A closed circuit in color gives the advertiser, perhaps for the first time. a chance to gain invaluable knowledge of color.

At NBC, the TeleSales Department was organized to implement Pat Weaver's and Bob Sarnoff's philosophy that it should become the network's aim to aid the client in completing his advertising and sales program by making available to him all the great resources of NBC to maximize the merchandising possibilities of his television sponsorship. Aside from the technical-facilities advantage of NBC, the client is able to draw on the talent and producing wealth of the experienced NBC staff.



Wallace A. Ross Lice president Box Office Television, Inc.

### LOW COST, HIGH IMPACT

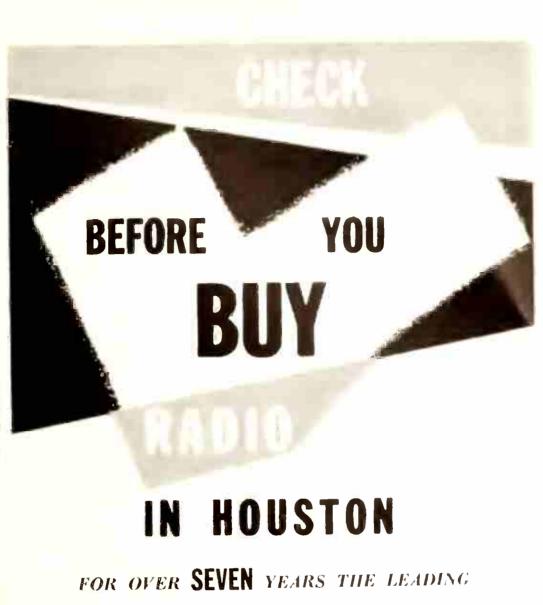
Common sense decrees that multimillion dollar consumer advertising campaigns incorporate pre-orientation of wholesalers, jobbers and dealers to insure their maximum cooperation.

Similarly, since modern advertising campaigns break simultaneously throughout the nation, they cannot tolerate antiquated, slower techniques that require many months to introduce new products to dealers' shelves.

Of course the personal contact achieved by route salesmen is valuable, if slow. How much more valuable is the personal contact between selling agents and a company's president, sales and advertising managers and other top executives that closed-circuit large-screen telecasts can achieve dramatically, authentically, simultaneously in cities all over the country?

Closed-circuit ty is today serving national advertisers in every brand category, helping them to introduce new products, kick off a new ty or radio show, or establish new policy. Ford and Chrysler have used Box Office Television for national sales meetings and contest inaugurals in as many as 39 cities. Kaiser-Willys introduced new models simultaneously to all its dealers. Dow Chemical, Pontiac and many, many other national network advertisers kicked off expensive ty shows with closed-circuit telecasts calculated to arouse dealer enthusiasm and cooperation.

Pan American Airways briefed independent travel agents with details of new foreign travel plans. Wyeth Pharmaceutical Laboratories told physicians details of a new drug prepara-(Please turn to page 112)



INDEPENDENT RADIO STATION

IN HOUSTON HAS BEEN . . .

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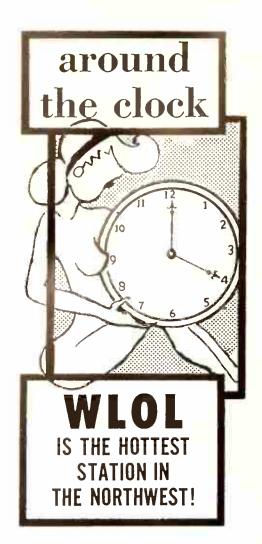
- V LOWEST COST PER 1000
- √ FIRST IN PERSONALITIES
- V FIRST IN NEWS
- √ LEADS ALL LOCAL STATIONS IN RATINGS ALL
  THE TIME . . . MOST NETWORK STATIONS, TOO.

NAT'L. REP

Forjoe & Company

IN HOUSTON.

Dave Morris . JAckson 3-2581



Whether it's five after five in the evening, or it's quarter to three in the early morn... Twin Citians always get the best in Music, News and Sports from WLOL. The "1330 Habit" is really goin' strong right around the clock. WLOL leads all independent stations and three networks in Day and Night Pulse ratings. . . Take the time now to buy WLOL for one of your important clients.

THE TOPPER IN INDEPENDENT RADIO



1330 on the dial-5000 watts

LARRY BENTSON, Pres.

Wayne "Red" Williams, Mgr.

Joe Floyd, Vice Pres. Represented by AM Radio Sales

# SPONSOR BACKSTAGE



(Continued from page 28)

attending committee meetings regularly, and laboring lightly on the paper. What this little activity has done is to bring home to me anew that things haven't changed much since the days when a nice older fellow named Leslie Anderson hired me for *The Billboard*.

Anderson and a handful of other guys did all of the work in the Association of Advertising Men, and, similarly, Bob Burton and a handful of other guys, year after year, do all the work in the RTES. Anderson and Burton and the guys who were working for the AAM then and the RTES now were and are just as busy as you and I, but they find time to do a little extra in the way of working in industry organizations, a substantial part of whose purpose is to help younger and newer people get into, and progress in. the industry.

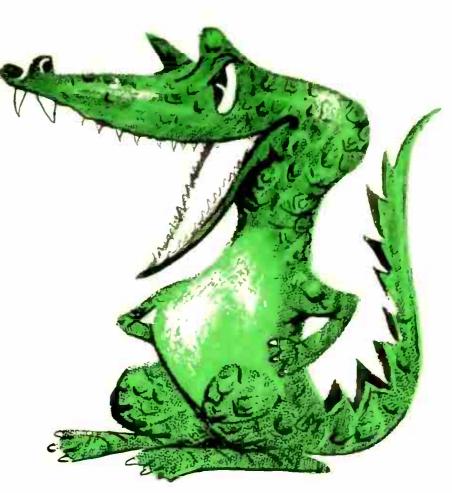
In the RTES, for example, there are three separate committees doing a really fine job of helping younger people in the industry. The first is the Listening Post (see "The industry's personnel pool." sponsor 19 September 1955. page 42) chairman of which is Roger Pryor. But to repeat or re-emphasize here, the simple task of the Listening Post. and one on which Pryor and his committeemen spend hundreds of hours, is to help people (particularly younger

people) in the industry to get jobs.

A second activity of the RTES is the Radio-Television Seminars. Here a group headed by Frank Pellegrin of H-R Representatives, Inc. and Mary McKenna of WNEW, run season-long timebuying and selling seminars. This committee didn't feel it had done enough work last year with a single course, so this year they've split the operation up into two seminars, one a basic course, and the second an advanced course on these complex phases of our business. Each of the courses runs eight weeks. Many a young man and lady will derive benefits from these seminars that will help their careers immeasurably.

A third operation of the RTES is the Radio-Ty Workshop headed up by Don McClure. Always one of the industry's hardest workers, Don has built the workshops into one of the finest sources for practical knowledge of current industry problems any group has yet devised. The workshops last season were attended by an average of 100 people per meet. ing, and there's little doubt that this year's workshops will break all previous records.

# LOUD & CLEAR



# from Gulf To Ocean . Gainesville To Okeechobee

THE COMMENTS BELOW ARE TAKEN FROM THOUSANDS OF LETTERS RE-CEIVED AT OUR STUDIOS DURING OUR FIRST TWO WEEKS OF OPERATION

(Names and addresses furnished upon request.)

<mark>"Heard your station Saturday and enjoyed it very much</mark> Mrs. S. D. S.

"Like your news and choice of music." Mrs. M. A.

Titusville

"Comes in good here." Mrs. C. C.

Tarpon Springs

"Your signal strong. Heard you on auto radio—no fading." V. C.

"Your friendly station first on the dial. It is clear and powerful." I.D.

Hollywood

"Heard your station with good volume." Mrs. W. G. S.

Tampa "You have a terrific signal in Tampa." F. N. R.

Orlando

"Your announcers are exceptionally good." Mrs. E. A. W.

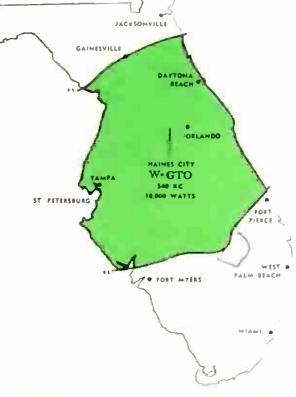
Cocoa "Reception is good and enjoyed morning news," P. G. S.

Gulfport

Very good reception." Mrs. J. F. C.

Included in our mail up-to-date are letters from 197 towns and cities in Florida, as well as Atlanta and Thomasville, Georgia, and Gulfport, Mississippi.

### 10,000 WATTS 540 KILOCYCLES





NE 6-2621

owned and operated by KWK, St. Louis. Missouri

Represented by WEED & COMPANY





Pioneer Station Representatives Since 1932

FREE & PETERS, INC.

NEW YORK
250 Park Avenue
Plaza 1-2700

CHICAGO 230 N. Michigan Ave. Franklin 2-6373

# and we can tell you why

If you really want more business and will tell us a few basic facts about your sales policy, distribution, and sales objectives, we will research your industry, competitive sales strategy and media patterns. If our study shows promise of greater impact, economy and RESULTS through Spot Radio, we will submit campaign ideas and budgets. You then decide for yourself.

Product and media research is one of the many services we offer to advertisers and their agencies. Please call or write us today.

EAST, SOUTHEAST		
WBZ+WBZA	Boston + Springfield	51,000
WGR	Buffalo	5,000
WWJ	Detroit	5,000
KYW	PhiladeIphia	50,000
KDKA	Pittsburgh	50,000
WFBL	Syracuse	5,000
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W'CSC	Charleston, S. C.	5,000
WIST	Charlotte	5,000
WIS	Columbia, S. C.	5,000
WPTF	Raleigh—Durham	50,000
WIDBJ	Roanoke	5,000
MIDWEST, SOUTHWEST		
WHO	Des Moines	50,000
WOC	Davenport	5,000
W'DSM	Duluth—Superior	5,000
WDAY	Fargo	5,000
WOWO	Fort Wayne	50,000
WIRE	Indianapolis	5,000
KMBC-KFRM	Kansas City	5,000
KFAB	Omaha	50,000
W'MBD	Peoria	5,000
KFDM	Beaumont	5,000
KRIS	Corpus Christi	1,000
WBAP	F1. Worth-Dallas	50,000
KENS	San Antonio	50,000
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KBOI	Boise	5,000
KVOD	Denver	5,000
KGMB-KHBC	Honolulu—Hilo	<b>50,0</b> 00
KEX	Portland	50,000
KIRO	Seaule	Milani

DETROIT

Penobscot Bldg.

Woodward 1-4255

ATLANTA Glenn Bldg. Murray 8-5667 FT. WORTH 406 W. Seventh St. Fortune 3349 HOLLYWOOD 6331 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood 9-2151 SAN FRANCISCO
Russ Building
Sutter 1-3798

# SALT LAKE CITY KNAK IS FIRST



### KNAK's "Uncle" Will Wright

Will conducts 2 shows daily. "Original Old Corral," oldest western show on the radio in the Intermountain area 5 to 7 a.m. Western music. Max. share of audience 46.1. "Wright side of the day" 7 to 9 a.m. Popular music. Max. share of audience 31.5.

AVAILABILITIES MON. THRU SAT.

MUSIC **NEWS SPORTS** 

24 HOURS A DAY

NOW GRANTED 5000 WATTS

LOWEST COST

Per Listener in

SALT LAKE CITY

(Hooper Feb. 1955 12 noon to 6 p.m.)

Represented Nationally by FORJOE & CO., INC.



See: What spot did for Old Spice shave

Issue: 6 October 1952, page 40

Spot radio and tv use made Old Spice lotion largest seller Subject:

Shulton's Old Spice Clipper Ship has sailed out of the shallows of 1951 and 1952 when its radio and tv budget sounded a depth of only \$300,000 and \$350,000 respectively. Today the Clipper ship is in waters sounding \$1.3 million annually: \$300,000 to spot radio and \$1 million to spot tv, according to trade estimates.

The campaign that Shulton runs today in 30 tv and 36 radio markets differs in size too from the campaign it ran three years ago. In 1952 one-minute tv commercials were used in 20 markets and radio announcements in 70 market to plug the line, especially the lotion. In 1955 30 markets are covered via tv announcements in one-minute and 20-second lengths, 20 markets are covered with a half-hour syndicated film show, and 76 radio markets get announcement schedules, though only 10 on a 52-week basis

Shulton carries the UM&M film series Paris Precinct in 20 markets on a 13-week spring and fall schedule, taking a 12-week hiatus in the summer. Other campaigns run from time to time during the year in both radio and tv to plug special events and boost products at special times. Examples are the spring and summer weekend radio saturation pushes given to Bronze Tan. a sun tan lotion: the special gift package promotion for Father's Day and Christmas sales; the April promotion for Old Spice Stick deodorant.

The extent to which these special promotions have been effective when tied to the regular advertising program is readily seen in the case of the stick deodorant. First promoted a year-and-a-half ago, it is now the company's number two seller. Shulton also has a

leading after-shave lotion in the industry.

Media Director Joe Knap Jr. of Shulton's agency, The Wesley Associates, states Old Spice's change-over from strictly morning use of radio to a combination of minutes in morning and late afternoon is based on a realization that men are more likely to take the time to buy the product when they are not caught in the rush on their way to work. Tv time is bought in both one-minute and 20second segments.



See: Timebuying Basics

Issue: 11 July 1955, page 209

Subject: Summary of the 13 RTES Timebuying seminars

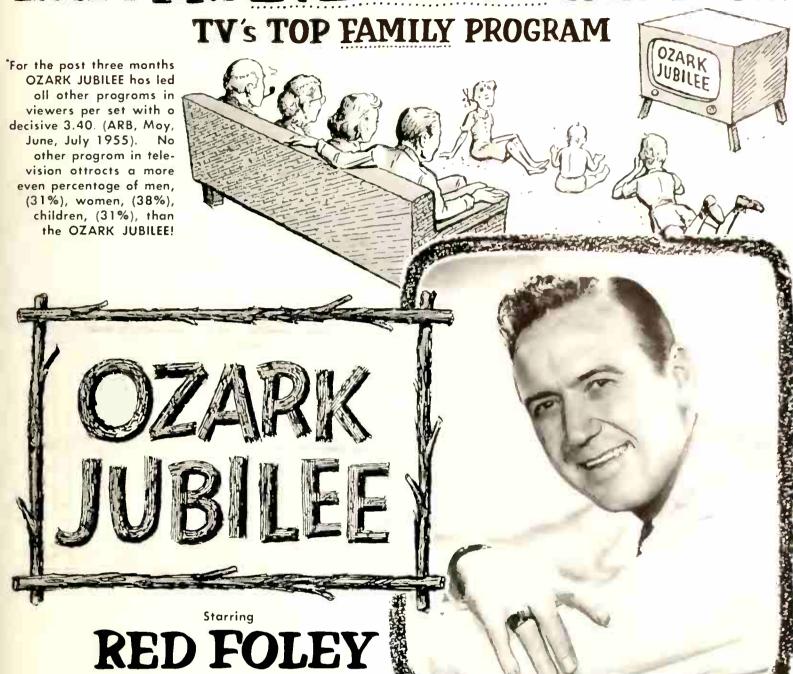
The second annual Radio & Television Executives Society Times buying and Selling Seminar will open in New York on 18 October. The aim of this year's series is the same as the first one: to reduce the confusion existing between the buyers and sellers of time and to give them both knowledge of the basic tools which they have to work with.

This year the lectures will take the form of two series of eight lectures each; last year there was one 13-week series. All lectures will be held at the Old Brewhouse Restaurant in New York.

Reason for the two series is to provide one of a more basic nature and another with more advanced courses in such subjects as color tv. specialized uses of radio, trends of timebuying and the like for the more experienced members of the industry.

Last year's seminar was condensed in the Fall Facts Basics issue and the 40,000-word, edited text of the talks has been published as a book by Sponsor Services Inc. (price: \$2.00),





ZARK JUBILEE, with it's informal format, is a relaxing kind of program . . . enjoyable to look at . . . easy to listen to. That's the secret of its phenomenal success. Headed by Red Foley, a stor who has stayed at the top in his field for over 14 years . . . augmented by a versatile regular cast and visited weekly by some of the biggest names in the business . . . the OZARK JUBILEE presents a perfect balance of country music, comedy and variety that increasing millions of people watch and enjoy each Saturday night.

There's no getting around it, the OZARK JUBILEE has "cought on"... not only in smaller towns and rural areas where you would expect it... but in cities, too. Tulsa, for instance, with a recent local ARB rating of 26.0; Minneapolis, 13.8; Denver, 23.6; Washington, 15.0; Atlanta, 17.2 and Fresno, 22.3. Twenty metropolitan areas overaged 19.6.

Late Nielsen gives Ozark Jubilee 13.6 notional rating . . . 23.6 share of audience

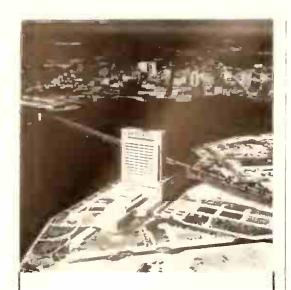
Ask your ABC-TV Representative for full particulars.

a Crossroads TV production

SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

with other top country-music artists





Jacksonville, Florida... a City whose metropolitan area now has 363,000 residents. A city that has become the insurance center of the southeast; the industrial, financial and distribution capital of a vast southeastern area. Jacksonville has grown,

### WJHP-TV

has grown too!

MORE . . . Spot Sales

MORE . . . Conversions

MORE . . . Satisfied Clients

MORE . . . Happy Viewers

MORE... Quality Programing

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# WJHP-TV

Channel 36

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA



agency profile

### William Philip Smith

V.p. in charge of radio-tv Charles W. Hoyt, New York

When it comes to putting animals on tv, Bill Smith, Charles W. Hoyt v.p. in charge of radio-tv, wishes he could forget the evening that made him a full-fledged expert. It was last spring, right in the midst of Kentucky Club Tobacco's annual contest which promised an honest-to-goodness live racehorse to the contest winner. This same horse was appearing on Steve Allen's show in conjunction with the contest announcements, and here's how Bill tells the story:

"Well," says he, "we wanted to get the horse on from the side entrance during the last possible minute because we were afraid he'd get nervous, but Steve wanted him there early, and apparently the horse did have a nervous reaction, because while I watched on my tv set, the close-ups on the horse were getting tighter and tighter, and finally the horse just grinned into the camera with a very benign, thoroughly relieved expression and the audience roared."

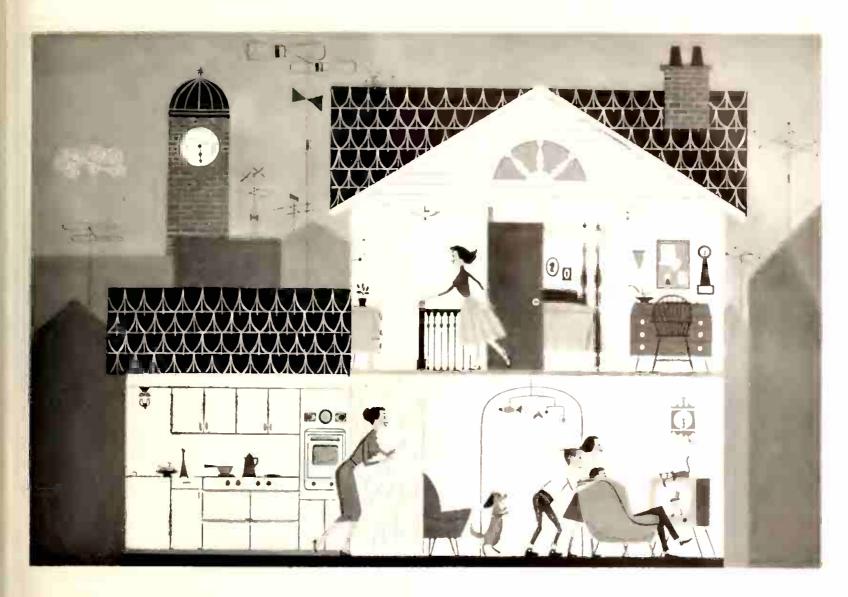
Anyway the contest pulled well for Kentucky Club, and the firm has already bought its racehorse for next year, as well as time for a six-week campaign this fall on the Steve Allen show.

Bill Smith, whose agency radio-tv men have been with Hoyt for an average of seven years or more, has seen the air media billings grow rather spectacularly from \$300,000 three years ago, to \$700,000 in 1953, to \$1.2 million in 1954 to a guestimated \$2 million this year. "Out of a total \$9 million in thoroughly diversified accounts," he says, "we figure that's fairly nice going."

Bill has his own pet theory about wise uses of the ty medium. "If a sponsor has millions to play with, he can do well either with a snow job (saturation announcements) or by sponsoring a show of his own. But if you're dealing with the smaller fellow, we feel that you often do best with participations in top-talent shows like Garroway and Allen. That way you're getting personality identification virtually for announcement cost."

A versatile showman even when not engaged in agency-ty efforts, Bill Smith has had paintings hung on 57th Street and at the Provincetown Art Association. He sums up his life thus:

"Born in New York City. Went to school there. Never left the island, except to go back and forth to Europe with my father, Consider my age and salary my own private business. Will show scripts and paintings upon request."



# Philadelphia's Sunday Best!



Ever since August 14th, when WPTZ introduced "Silver Screen Theatre," more and more people are going to WPTZ for the finest full-length feature films ever seen on television in Philadelphia! Films like "Algiers," with Charles Boyer and Hedy Lamarr—"Pardon My French," with Paul Henreid and Merle Oberon.

At 6:30 on Sunday evening it's a family time and a family audience . . . two-thirds adults, one-third children and teenagers, an amazing three viewers per set!

Commercials are carefully integrated, so that even a one-minute participation rates a big payoff. "Silver Screen Theatre" is Philadelphia's "Sunday best" in entertainment . . . Sunday best in advertising value. Get the complete scoop from Alexander W. Dannenbaum, Jr., WPTZ Sales Manager, at LOcust 4-5500, or Eldon Campbell, WBC National Sales Manager, MUrray Hill 7-0808, New York.

### WPTZ First in Television in Philadelphia

### WESTINGHOUSE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

RADIO

BOSTON-WBZ+WBZA
PHILADELPHIA KYW
PITTSBURGH KDKA
FORT WAYNE-WOWO
PORTLAND-KEX

TELEVISION

BOSTON -WBZ-TV

PHILADELPHIA-WPTZ

PITTSBURGH- KDKA-TV SAN FRANCISCO -KPIX

KPIX REPRESENTED BY THE KATZ AGENCY INC. ALL OTHER WBC STATIONS REPRESENTED BY FREE & PETERS INC.

No selling campaign is complete without the WBC stations

17 OCTOBER 1955

### AROUND FARGO

# IT'S WDAY-TV

### BY A COUNTRY MILI



HOOPER TELEVISION AUDIENCE INDEX Fargo, N. D Moorhead, Minn. — Nov., 1954										
	TV-SETS- In-Use	- Share of Television Audience								
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AFTERNOON (Mon. thru Fri.) 12 noon — 5 p.m.	28	86	1:4							
5 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.	48	88	13							
EVENING (Sun. thru Sat.) 6 p.m. — 12 midnight	65	85*	1,7*							

(\*Adjusted to compensate for fact station were not telecasting all hours)

FARGO-MOORHEAD Hoopers prove at WDAY-TV outruns all television competion by a comfortable country mile. Day and n ht. WDAY-TV gets 5 to 6 times as many M-repolitan Fargo viewers as the next state.

### Look at the TV sets-in-use—65% at niht!

With the next nearest stations 50, 185 m 200 miles away, you can be sure WDAYIV is amazingly popular throughout the healy saturated Red River Valley. Let Free & Pergive you the whole story—it's really save thing!

### WDAY-TV

FARGO, N. D. • CHANNEL 6
Affiliated with NBC • ABC



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"Pa... afore you answer... by all means take the full 30 seconds."

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### SCHICK

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Schick has been in tv steadily ever since, picking up a one-third sponsor-ship of the Jackie Gleason Show on CBS TV in 1952 and pulling out only recently when CBS TV gave full sponsorship of the show to Buick (a move the Schick brass felt was dismaying since they were well satisfied with Gleason).

Sales patterns: Sales in the electric shaver business closely parallel the seasonal pattern found in the jewelry business, according to Schick executives.

The first quarter of the year is usual-

ly pretty good, thanks to the impetus of holiday advertising and buying. Sales fall off in the second quarter, start climbing slowly in the third quarter, and shoot up to a peak in the last quarter as Christmas buying becomes a big factor, and Christmas advertising efforts hit their stride.

Schick, like others in the electric shaver industry, has tried to smooth out the sales curve into a steady year-round business. A good deal of progress has been made; Schick used to sell 80-90% of its razors as gift items. mostly around Christmas.

But. according to Sales Manager "Doc" Petty, "about 40% of Schick sales at the retail level are still made between Thanksgiving and Christmas."

Progress has also been made since the war in persuading American males to buy Schicks for their own use, not just as a present for someone else. Today, about 42% of Schick purchasers are men who are buying for themselves. But Schick would like to raise that figure several notches.

Price, of course, is a factor that keeps electric razors largely in the luxury class. A blade razor can be had for as little as 50c; a new "Model 25" Schick is fair-traded at \$29.50, with a \$5.00 trade-in allowance for a customer's present electric razor. One of the big tasks of Schick-sponsored tv is to persuade potential customers that they should spend this kind of money for something to re-

# NEW AND UPCOMING TV STATIONS



### I. New stations on air\*

CITY & STATE	CALL LETTER8	CHANNE NO.	ON-AIR OATE	ERP (kw)** Visual	Antenna (ft)***	NET AFFILIATION	STNS. ON AIR	SETS IN MARKET (000)	PERMITEE, MANAGER, R
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WASHINGTON, N. C.	WITH	7	27 Sept.	316	270	NBC	None	NFA	Headley-Reed N. C. Television W. R. Robertson, Jr., pres. & tre
ROANOKE, VA.	WDBJ-TV	7	19 Sept.	316	1,997	CBS	WLVA-T WSLS-T\		Times-World Corp. Free 4 to
HUNTINGTON, W. VA.	WHTN-TV	13	2 Oct.	316	1,270	ABC	WCHS-T WSAZ-T		Greater Huntington Radio Corp A. B. Hyman, pres. S. J. Hyman, v.p.

### 11. New construction permits\*

CITY & STATE	CALL LETTERS	CHANNEL NO.	DATE OF GRANT	ERP (kw)** Visual	Antenna (ft)***	STATIONS ON AIR	SETS IN MARKET! (000)	PERMITEE, MANAGER. RADIGE
ORLANDO, FLA.		18	19 Sept.	20.9	228	WDBO-TV	7.5	Orange County Broadcasters, log R. H. Gunckel, Jr., pres.
HAYES CENTER, NEB.2		6	19 Sept.	28.4	707	None	NFA	BI-States Co. F. W. Brewster, pres.
LAS VEGAS, NEV.		13	26 Sept.	6.38	98	KLAS-TV	21	Moritz Zenoff, o&o
PHILADELPHIA, PA.		23	26 Sept.	537	340	WCAU-TV WFIL-TV WPTZ	2,074	Herbert Mayer (o&o). d∵b∵as Ajax En:e.prises

### III. New applications

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YUMA, ARIZ.	13	23 Sept.	26.7	618	\$320,000	\$300,000	KIVA	Wrather-Alvarez Bestg. Inc. J. D. Wrather, pres. Mrs. M. H. Alvarez, v.p. & trea
PRESQUE ISLE, ME.	8	16 Sept.	11.8	354	\$178,256	\$188,000	None	Aroostook, Bestg. Corp. H. E. Umphrey, pres.
IRONWOOD, MICH.	12	23 Sept.	.370	562	\$59,004	\$80,000	None	Upper-Michigan-Wisconsin Bestg ( W. L. Johnson, pres. & gen. mgr
BUFFALO, N. Y.	59	23 Sept.	25.08	419	\$86,500	\$155,000	WBEN-TV WBUF-TV WGR-TV	Frontier Bestg. Inc. B. I. Obletz, pres. R. S. Levy, v.p.

### BOX SCORE

U. S. stations on air	413§
Markets covered	<b>258</b> §
U. S. tv sets (1 July '55)	36,477,000§

"Both new c.p.'s and stations going on the air listed here are those which occurred ween 19 September and 1 October or on which information could be obtained in that period, are considered to be on the air when commercial operation starts. "Effective radiated were Aural power usually is one-half the visual power. ""Antenna height above average term (power usually is one-half the visual power. "Antenna height above average term above ground). †Information on the number of sets in markets where not designated power mate. \$Data from NBC Research and Planning. NFA: No figures available at pillon sets in market. ¹Reprinted from the issue of 19 Sept. which incorrectly listed the the market as 74,000 rather than the correct 151,000. \*New station is to be a sate KiiOir-TV, Kearney, Neb., from which all programs will originate.



HIGH MAN on the TOTEM POLE"

in the Portland, Oregon Market



Exclusive coverage of the full 30-county Portland Market with KOIN-TV's highest tower, maximum power.

### TOP RATINGS ....

KOIN-TV has 80% of the top shows—weekly, multiweekly . . . 63% more average audience than Station B, 115% more than Station C.\*

### TOP VALUE ....

Lowest cost per viewer any way you figure it . . . in coverage, in audience delivered morning, afternoon, night.

\*June 1955 Portland ARB

# KOIN-TV CHANNEL 6

PORTLAND, OREGON



REPRESENTED NATIONALLY BY CBS TELEVISION SPOT SALES

move their whiskers, and that a Schick is indeed a long-term (five years or even longer) investment in comfort and convenience.

Warket: Certainly, the market is there. As the authoritative trade publication Electrical Merchandising stated in its 1955 "Statistical and Marketing Issue":

"The market for electric shavers is like no other market in the appliance

industry. It is figured on the number of men in the country of shaving age roughly over 50 million men, plus an estimated 1.5 million boys who reach shaving age each year.

"Obsolescence and replacement also occur more frequently in the shaver business. The constant wear and tear of daily use limits the average life of a shaver to approximately five years.

"Today, approximately one out of three men owns an electric shaver.

But approximately 62% do not own electric shavers.

Other marketing facts about Schick: Younger men outnumber older men when it comes to shaving electrically. Schick has learned. This makes the young market of key importance in Schick advertising and sales strategy.

Other surveys have shown that nine out of 10 boys of high school age who own electric shavers receive them as gifts from parents.

Although Schick "Model 25" razors couldn't be a more masculine product, probably over half of them will be bought as gifts-mostly by women.

Effect on tr: All of these marketing and selling factors influence the shape and direction of Schick television advertising, according to Advertising Director Charles Whitmer.

For example, tv film commercials (made under K&E's supervision by MPO in New York) for the new Schick model usually feature younger men using the razor, or show attractive young wives buying them as gifts.

To impress the high-school and college set with the Schick brand name, Schick is using NCAA college football games as part of its NBC TV schedule. And commercials are aimed at this age group—even though many won't actually pay for their razors but will receive them as gifts.

Schick's slick black-and-silver packaging for the new model, too, plays a role in marketing. Its bold lettering and handsome design were tailored with television in mind. But, more importantly, the package is designed to catch the eye of style-conscious women who are shopping for gifts for their menfolk.

Marketing factors also played a role in the selection of the Robert Montgomery show. Analysis of the audience by Schick and K&E revealed that it was just what Schick had ordered a sizable (the show gets ratings in the low 30's) audience, primarily young adults, with a better-than-average income picture, balanced about evenly between men and women.

Technique: On the air, Schick's tv commercials—supervised by K&E account chief Tom Fry, account executive Joe Moss, and tv film producer Jud Whiting-are fairly straightforward and contain plenty of "sell."

The commercial used on the 12 September introduction of the "Model



CHANNEL Represented Nationally by H-R Representatives, Inc.

KTVH, pioneer station in rich Central Kansas, serves more than 14 important communities besides Wichita. Main office and studios in Hutchinson; office and studio in Wichita (Hotel Lassen). Howard O. Peterson, General Manager

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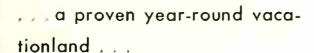
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# portrait of a market

... where these factors combine for your sales' success



...a proven high-income industrial area . . .





and network productions, one station brings dreams to life for 446,200 television families.

Serving Albany, Troy, Schenectady, N. Y. and 30 counties of New York and New England

# WRGB

A General Electric Television Station \* Represented Nationally by



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# Decision-makers who plan nation-wide sales strategy are





# Benrus and its agency, Biow-Beirn-Toigo, Inc., are Sold On Spot as a basic advertising medium

More and more advertisers are switching to Spot Radio and Spot Television. Benrus, for instance, now places 99% of its total advertising budget in Spot...52-week schedules in selected markets.

The key word is selected. Benrus, like many other advertisers, must reach varied consumer groups — men and women, young and old, in all income strata. Spot enables Benrus to select its markets, time periods, and types of audiences. In this manner Benrus sales messages are assured of reaching a wide range of potential customers.

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### Left to right:

Len Tarcher - Account Executive, Biow-Beirn-Toigo
Bill Decker-Telecision Salesman, NBC Spot Sales
Oscar M. Lazarus-Benrus Watch Company
Jack Tarcher-V.P., Account Supervisor, Biow-Beirn-Toigo
Harvey Bond-Director of Advertising, Benrus Watch Co.

25" on the Montgomery show is a good example.

It opened on the interior of a ty studio, bare except for equipment, some ty people at work, a stage manager and Schick announcer Bill Nimmo. The Schick medallion was struck with a tympanist's mallet, cameras went into a closeup of the "Model 25" display, and Nimmo went into his sales pitch:

"Now, let's take a close look at the world's newest and finest electric shaver. Take it out of the new black and silver Caddie Case. Admire its

handsome shape, ivory sides . . . new silvery look. Now, the big question how does it shave?"

A sequence in the dressing room of a tv actor on the Montgomery show answered that question in a hurry. It worked just fine.

Meanwhile. Nimmo was filling in the audience with product details and closeups of the new shaver's features:

"Let me give you the three reasons why the new Schick '25' shaves you closed and smoother than anything ever invented.

"One: Exclusive Super-Honed shav-

ing heads, precision-finished to a sharpness unmatched by any other shaver.

"Two: Schick's exclusive curved combs. The curve presses down the skin around each whisker. The combs guide them into shaving position.

"And Three: Schick's exclusive His Power motor . . . goes twice as fast as an airplane engine at 300 miles per hour, yet it's so quiet you hardly know it's on . . . zips through your toughest whiskers."

Included in the commercial was one of Schick's best sales points. Said Bill Ninmo:

"Buy the new Schick '25' on the 14-day money-back home trial—af your Schick dealer's right now. It must give you the easiest, closest, smoothest shaves you've ever had, or your money back."

Future: Like any major manufacturer in a competitive field, Schick can't afford to stand around with egg

66Generally speaking, rates have always been too low in radio; and I venture the opinion that had television entered the arena of advertising media 10 years (or perhaps even five years) later than it did, there would have been many radio broadcasters throughout the country who would have much higher rate eards today.??

HAROLD E. FELLOWS
President
NARTB

on its corporate face. New ideas, new products, new sales slants must be constantly developed.

Under wraps right now in Schick's testing section is a new Schick product that will be launched—with a major tv ad campaign—early in 1956; a women's electric razor.

It isn't really a new product; Schick made and sold a woman's razor back in 1937, dropped it, picked it up again in 1940, and dropped it again when the war came. Also, it won't be the only one on the market; Remington currently markets one, and sells it on the air.

Schick is also considering foreign markets as its next sales target—a sort of counter-invasion, since Schick now competes in the U.S. with several foreign electric razors. Schick sells now in Canada, and is eyeing the South American and European markets.

New sales outlets are being explored. Currently, Schick's biggest sales channels are, in order, credit jewelers, de-

# Obviously OUTSTANDING.

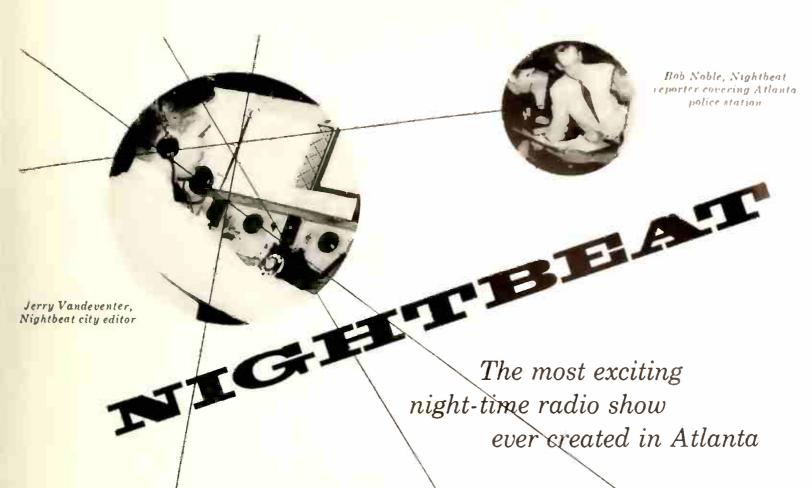
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CBS RADIO NETWORK



FREE & PETERS, Inc., Exclusive National Representatives



Nightbeat is a reflection of the energy, dreams, the happiness and sorrows of a great city.

Nightbeat deals with people who are up and around, working and playing at night, all over Atlanta.

Nightbeat walks the dark hours with the police, the firemen and the ambulance drivers . . . talks to the cabbies, the cooks, the charwomen and the cabaret singers.

Nightbeat goes to fires, to wrecks, in the air with a B-47, on the rails of the Nancy Hanks.

Nightbeat reports spot news, sports, features, fads, fancies and favorite stories.

Nightbeat goes behind prison bars, behind theater curtains — and if Atlanta ever should have any iron curtains, behind those too.

Nightbeat is Atlanta by night, brought into focus by the WSB Radio staff, and fitted into a framework of wonderful music!

The time is 10:15 to 12:15 midnight, Monday through Friday.

Contact your Petry man for information and availabilities on Nightbeat.



Jim Wesley, Nightbeat reporter at city desk, The Atlanta Constitution



ATLANTA, GEORGIA



Ted Hi<mark>ghtow</mark>er, Nightb<mark>eat</mark> reporter cov<mark>ering downtown</mark> Atlanta fire

NBC Affiliate. Represented by Petry. Affiliated with The Atlanta Journal and The Atlanta Constitution

Jerry Keane, Nightbeat reporter

covering Grady Hospital
emergency clinic

partment stores, electrical appliance and drug stores, hardware stores, gift shops and men's furnishing stores. New target: supermarkets, drug stores.

Leal: Schick executives are confident that their current tv splash will indeed familiarize practically every American male with the merits of Schick and turn an ever-increasing number from prospects into customers.

Recently, on a visit to K&E's New York headquarters, Schick President Joe Elliott was walking down a corridor with a group of K&E admen when he drew up before a picture on a wall—a large, framed portrait of the Civil War President of the U.S. Elliott looked long at the kindly, familiar, angular face with its dark beard.

There was an uneasy silence.

"Let's put a television set across from the picture," quipped Elliott. suddenly, " and see how long he can hold out." \*\*\*

At presstime Schick announced it had switched its account to Warwick & Legler effective 1 January. The change does not alter the campaign described in this article.

# Here's a Market 52% Above U. S. Average

\$8,830—after taxes—52% above the national average—that's the yearly income of the average Kansas Farm Family!\*

Kansas is booming! Kansas Farm families are buying as they have never bought before! And they listen to WIBW more than any other radio station.†

Give us the word and we'll sell 'em your product in volumes you never thought possible. We've done it before, and we've got a stack of success stories to prove it.

\*Consumer Markets, 1955. †Kansas Radio Audience, 1954.

### TOPEKA, KANSAS

Ben Ludy, Gen. Mgr.
WIBW & WIBW-TV in Topeka
KCKN in Kansas City
Rep: Capper Publications, Inc.



### RADIO SAVES A PRUNE CROP

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newspaper ads (eight 1.000-line ads in two papers in each of nine top markets); \$16,000 for transit station posters.

It's interesting to note that the fall 1955 approach to spot radio is quite different from the January-May 1955 effort. In the case of the board's first use of spot radio, the objective was to move a specific type of item, the small prune, in as many markets as fast as possible. Therefore, the \$75,000 radio budget went into singing quickie announcements on stations in 21 cities. These announcements stressed that "the small, economy prune" is the bargain breakfast food. It was mainly on radio that the board advertised this bumper crop of tough-selling midget prunes. Newspapers and transit station posters just carried on with the regular message, promoting California prunes in general. Tv also stressed foreign prunes.

This fall, to has been dropped in favor of a radio announcement schedule. The radio copy this time will coincide completely with the newspaper copy, rather than promoting any special item. Generally, the pattern is use of two radio stations in each of the nine markets for a total of nine weeks in the 1955-1956 season: four weeks this fall starting 10 October, and then from 9 January through 22 April. Newspaper advertising will appear during the same period.

Here's a profile of the radio sched-

On the average. Botsford, Constan tine and Gardner advertising agency bought 30 announcements a week per station, with a minimum of 12 weekly, maximum of 43 a week. The stations in each market are used on an alternate-week basis, one station carrying its quota of announcements one week, the other one the next. Emphasis is upon early-inorning and daytime for maximum women's coverage. In each instance, stations were picked for the type of audience and circulation they can deliver. In some markets, the announcements will be on two independents, in others on two network affiliates, in one market only one is used for 18 weeks.

These are the stations the board is using and the number of announcements weekly that will be heard on each of them: New York, WRCA



the sensational



independent stations

KLIF, Dallas - number one in both Hooper and Pulse

KELP, El Paso - highest rated station in radio history

WNOE, New Orleans - tops all independents in August Hooper

WRIT, Milwaukee - in 6 months nearly first in Milwaukee Hooper

KNOE, Monroe, La. - first by far in Hooperatings

and

KNOE-TV, Monroe, La. - Channel 8

**KOKE-TV, El Paso — Channel 13** 

NOE MAC STATIONS EWS MUSIC

KLIF, Dallas

WNOE, New Orleans

WRIT. Milwaukee

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KELP. El Paso

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KOKE-TV, El Paso

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RAY WALTON



**BOB KNOX** 



TONY BOURG



in Philadelphia

Combining STRONG LISTENERSHIP with
SPONSOR APPEAL is a MAN-SIZE JOB.
WIBG Announcers do BOTH effectively and consistently.

Every WIBG sponsor also gets EXTRA PROMOTION BONUSES

. Car Cards with sponsor credit throughout the year . .

24 Sheet Billboards blanketing the complete
Philadelphia market, Window Displays of Sponsor's Products
right on busy traffic-heavy, center city Walnut St.
PLUS hard hitting DIRECT MAIL to regularly scheduled lists.

If you want to do a TOP SELLING JOB in Philadelphia you'll jump on the WIBG bandwagon.

Just ask RADIO REPRESENTATIVES for the facts!



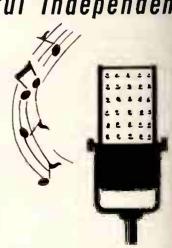
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TOM DONAHUE

WIBG 990 10,000 WATTS

PHILADELPHIA 2, PENNA. RI 6-2300



(15), WABC (15); Philadelphia, KYW (40); WIP (43); Detroit, WWJ (20), WXYZ (24); Cleveland, WTAM (21), WERE (24); Pittsburgh, KQV (20), WWSW (24); Boston, WNAC (20), WIHDH (12); Los Angelos, KMPC (28), KFWB (38); San Francisco, KNBC (22), KCBS (17); Chicago, WMAQ (21).

The major copy theme of the campaign is "Get that top of the world feelin", eat California prunes." On radio this theme is carried through with a musical jingle sung to a jazzy tane. The announcements vary in length between 20's, 30's and minutes, but each one kicks off with the jingle:

Get that top of the world feeling Eatin' California prunes

For health and verve, be sure to serve

California prunes.

Prunes give energy, pep to spare and wings to your feet So get that top of the world feelin'

So get that top of the world feelin Eat California prunes.

Actually, the jingle itself contains all the ideas the board is trying to get across in its effort to go beyond the "strictly laxative" approach to prune selling.

"The American housewife today is very nutrition conscious," Stan Swanberg, agency a e, told spoxsor. "Virtually every food product advertised that stresses vitamin contents, energy aspects and health factors have shown large sales gains. California prunes are rich in several healthful ways which have never been adequately exploited in the advertising."

"Besides," added the board's Harold Brogger, "the basic quality of prunes," (and he grinned) "has been exploited to the point where prunes could become a joke."

The recorded jingle is always followed with a live aumouncement which stresses the 1955 reasons for eating this dried fruit:

"Yes... eat California Prunes... they're so good and they're so good for you! Prunes are extra rich in iron, minerals and vitamins—the lifegiving nutrients you need to enjoy that top of the world feeling!"

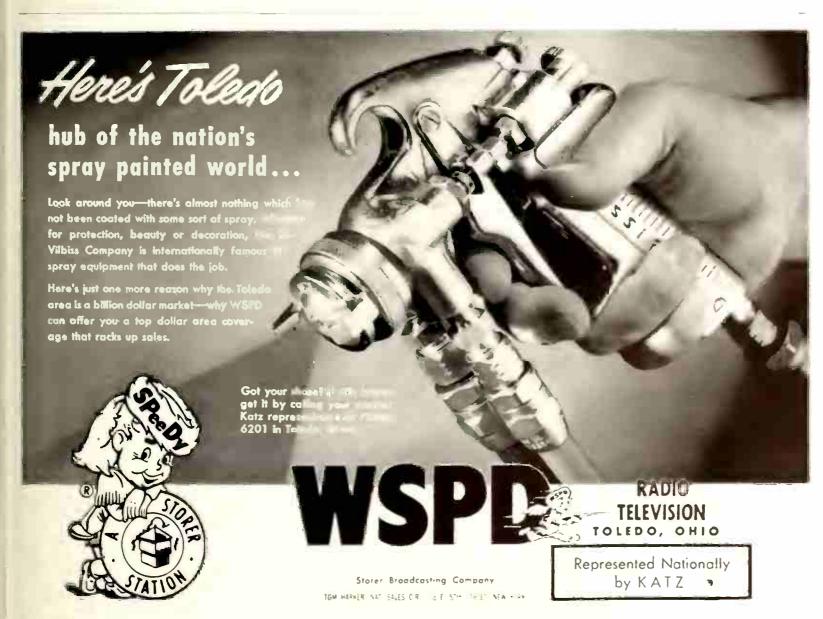
The newspaper copy translates the "top of the world feeling" into modern, story-telling, emotional 1.000-

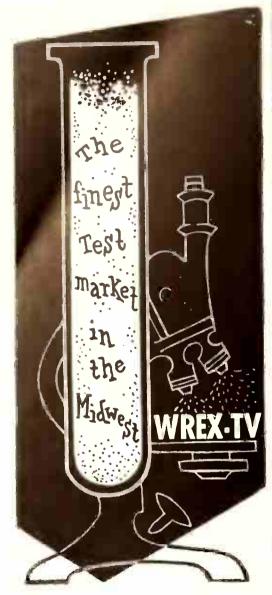
line ads. For example, there's the ad which will appear the weeks of 10 October and 24 October in such papers as the New York Daily News and World-Telegram, Los Angeles Times and Examiner, Philadelphia Bulletin and Inquirer and 16 other metropolitan newspapers:

Headlined, "How long since you felt like this?", it shows a 10- or 11-yearold boy in a Huckleberry Finn outfit, fishing rod over his shoulder, two small fish in hand, walking along barefoot with a wide grin on his face.

Among the projects for the future, but already underway, is development of new recipes that will incorporate prunes. Currently, the board is spending \$5,000 for development of such new cooking ideas. It also plans to have a booklet, "The Nutritive Values of California Prunes," printed and distributed to home economists, pediatricians, and dieticians all over the country. There are no plans for making these booklets available to conumers on a write-in basis.

Subway and in-store posters put equal emphasis on "top of the world feeling" and the implication of youth-





WREX-TV reaches the finest test market in the midwest—a perfect cross section of industrial and agricultural market potential!

1,000,000 pairs of eyes in a Billion Dollar Area! Top CBS and ABC New York shows capture the attention of this vast market and DELIVER your sales message.

For positive coverage in this area, contact H-R for availabilities!

WREX-TV channel 13
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
CBS-ABC AFFILIATIONS
represented by
R-R TELEVISION INC.

ful energy. In bright multicolors with a sunny yellow background, these posters show such photographs as a girl figure skating, a man playing tennis, and always. on the bottom, a brightly colored dish of a prune and cottage cheese and apricot salad, or a bowl of breakfast prunes.

"When you're working with a relatively small budget," Swanberg explained. "you can stretch it immeasurably by following some basic rules: (1) be choosy about your markets or you'll spread yourself too thin; (2) pick the most active-selling months of the season and bunch your entire advertising effort in short waves of saturation to get real impact; (3) make sure that all your media get across the same message, simply, strongly and memorably."

It's a formula that has already paid out for the California Prune Advisory Board.

As prunes evolved from store bins some decades ago to attractive consumer packaging, opportunities for promoting them in a big way became ripe. As far back as the 1930's the Prune Prorate, a state marketing association, used spot radio (through Lord & Thomas) to promote the consumption of prunes. During the Depression years it eventually died, to be replaced by the California Prune Advisory Board under the 1937 state law. After a laps of nine years, the board resumed an industry advertising program.

One of the fastest growing prune products today is prune juice, which has had a considerable share of the board's and private brand promotion. It recently increased distribution through newly evolved processes and fewer shipping and marketing problems. Prune juice has increased from 4.5 million case sales in 1949 to over six million in the season ending in September 1954. This year, increases are even greater, at a rate of 10 to 33% a month nationally.

"Part of the reason for it." says Brogger, "is the popularity of juice in general. Today the housewife looks for easy-to-fix products. Prune juice fits into people's search for the convenient."

As one of 32 marketing orders in California, the California Prune Advisory Board estimates that it ranks fourth in size of appropriation, behind California peaches, wine and lemon products. Its effort on behalf of the

prune industry is comparable to the large-scale advertising done by such other state marketing organizations as the Florida Citrus Commission (through Benton & Bowles), which is a heavy spot to user.

There seems to be something of a trend in fruits taking to the air. The California-Washington-Oregon Pear Bureau took to stations in metropolitan markets last spring, liked the results of its intensive two-week pitch sufficiently to return to radio in fall 1955.

The largest effort in the fruit industry is marshalled by the Florida Citrus Commission. The latest phase in the Commission's strategy is the use of an intensive campaign of ty I.D.'s via

66The public appetite for radio is on a constant increase. Here at WMGM, we are currently enjoying our biggest audiences in years with business at an all-time high for the past five years. Our over-all programing of music, news and sports has been carefully brought to new and high standards of delivery which has shown a remarkable increase of some 30% in listening audience to WMGM alone in the past year.

ARTHUR TOLCHIN Director WMGM, New York

Benton & Bowles. These tv L.D.'s are designed to sell oranges, grapefruit, grapefruit sections, etc., separately. In the past the Florida Citrus Commission had lumped its messages for the various Florida produce.

Benton & Bowles won the Florida Citrus Commission account in competition with its previous agency, J. Walter Thompson, and other agencies with its proposal for the current I.D. campaign.



"No, ye don't!" KRIZ Phoen's says we Arizonans gotta conserve water!"



BAKER, JR. utive Vice-President General Manager

**NEW YORK ATLANTA** 

CHICAGO DALLAS

DETROIT LOS ANGELES

KANSAS CITY SAN FRANCISCO ROBERT M. REUSCHLE National Sales Manager

### VIDEOTOWN

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10-through 18-year-old group. Although they have more freedom to watch to than the under-10 group, the average total hours of evening weekday viewing for the teen set is about 12.7 hours.

Said Tasker:

"Teen-agers are the least likely to be home and watching tv in the evening."

Daytime viewing is on an upbeat; 20% of all Videotowners watch some tv during the afternoon now, up from 16% in 1954 and 14% in 1952. Morning viewing is also on a steady increase, is now just about half the afternoon level.

Housewives are viewing somewhat less in the mornings this year as compared to last year's "Videotown" checkups (17% in 1955; 22% in 1954; 12% in 1953). But the basic trend is upward.

Afternoon viewing by housewives is up even over last year (27% of them viewing in 1955; 25% in 1954; 19% in 1953). The total hours of viewing on the average weekday in 1955 is

2.97 for all people and 3.54 hours for housewives.

Effects on radio: Radio usage in ty homes took a nosedive in "Videotown" in the early days of the visual medium. The percentage of people listening to radio on weekday evenings in ty homes dropped down to 5% in 1951.

Since then, the picture has gradually changed. The percentage listening to radio in the evenings has slowly crept upward. In 1952, the figure was 8%; in 1953, it was 9%: in 1954, the figure was 10%. In 1955; no significant change. The trend for the present at least has stabilized at 10%.

About one out of every four Videotowners listens to radio in the mornings—a gain of nearly 9% over last year's level. The figure for afternoons —8%—remains the same as last time, as does the 10% evening figure.

In terms of hours. Videotowners reported that they spend about the same number of hours each day listening to radio as they did in 1954—despite increases in the amount of tv viewing being done.

As they do nationally, Videotown-

ers who own to sets were more likely to have more than one radio set in their homes. Of all families, 95% had at least one set, a bit under the national average: 49% of to homes, however, had more than one radio, as opposed to 32% of the non-to homes being multiple-set homes.

Tv, as it has in the U. S. generally, has "dispersed" radio listening in radio-tv households of Videotown, C&W noted again this year.

Half of the multi-set radio homes that also have to sets, for example, have a radio in the kitchen. But only about a third (34%) of the non-to homes have a kitchen radio.

The effect of tw is most clearly seen in homes that have just one radio and which may—or may not—have a tw set as well. In the tw homes owning just one radio, only 32% reported that they had it in the living room—and even then around 13% of these radios were part of a radio-ty combination.

In a one-set radio home that didn't have a tv set, the situation was practically reversed. Two-thirds (67%) of the radios were in the living room; the rest were scattered around the house.

The popularity of car radios, however, stood up well in both ty and nontv homes, although ty homes had the edge both in number of cars and in the level of radio saturation of those cars.

Among tv owners, 76% owned a car (up from 72% last year). And 85% of the cars were radio-equipped (up from 80% in 1954). Of the nontv households, 29% owned a car (down from 33% last year) and 73% of these cars had radios (up from 70% in the previous study).

Other effects: The latest checkup in Videotown confirmed something that Hollywood has been happily observing for the past couple of seasons: movie attendance is picking up.

In the earlier days of tv in Videotown, when a tv set crossed the threshold of a home the movie boxoffice took a beating. The number of people attending a movie on a 1951 weekday evening fell off a whopping 77%, in fact. The downward trend continued until 1953 when a 17% increase over the 1952 level began to show. In 1954, the increase was substantial; about twice as many people reported movie attendance on weekday evenings as compared with 1953.

### LUCKY HOUSE NUMBER

... featured on several WAPI shows, averages a winner a week. This proves how regularly people stay tuned to WAPI.



"I was ironing a dress," says pretty Nannette Parrish. "Of course I had the radio tuned to WAPI. The program was Wright with Records. Suddenly I heard our own house number called. I put down the iron (not on my dress) and called WAPI.

Birmingham

Represented by John Bair & Co. Southeast, Harry Cummings

The next day I went up to WAPI and Bill Wright handed me the check. I have given 10% to my church and the rest is in my education fund." Miss Parrish is a 15-year old Junior High student.



### YOU MIGHT WIN 3 WIMBLEDON TITLES"-

# BUT ... YOU NEED WKZO RADIO TO "NET" BIG RESULTS

# ARCH, 1955 RIDAY IN KALAMAZOO-BATTLE CREEK AND

### GREATER WESTERN MICHIGAN!

If you want to star in Western Michigan, use the 5000-watt voice of WKZO—CBS radio for Kalamazoo-Battle Creek and greater Western Michigan.

Pulse figures, left, tell the story. WKZO is the big favorite 18 hours a day—actually gets more than TWICE AS MANY LISTENERS as the next station 75% of the time!

Your Avery-Knodel man has all the impressive facts.

# 6-COUNTY PULSE REPORT KALAMAZOO-BATTLE CREEK AREA—MARCH, 1955 SHARE OF AUDIENCE MONDAY-FRIDAY

	6 a.m. 12 noon	12 noon 6 p m.	6 p.m. midnight
WKZO	41%	37%	35%
Station B	18	17	16
Station C	10	12	
Station D	10	9	7
Station E	8	7	8
Others	14	18	24
Sets-In-Use	20.1%	20.2%	17.5%

NOTE: Battle Creek's home county (Calhoun) was included in this Pulse sampling, and provided 30% of all interviews. The other five counties: Allegan, Barry, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph and Van Buren.



### The Fetzer Stations

WKZO-TV — GRAND RAPIDS-KALAMAZOO WKZO RADIO — KALAMAZOO-BATTLE CREEK WJEF RADIO — GRAND RAPIDS WJEF-FM — GRAND RAPIDS-KALAMAZOO KOLN-TV — LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Associated with WMBD RADIO — PEORIA, ILLINOIS



CBS RADIO FOR KALAMAZOO—BATTLE CREEK AND GREATER WESTERN MICHIGAN

Avery-Knodel, Inc., Exclusive National Representatives

\*In 1920, Suzanne Lenglen of France won the Wimbledon Women's Singles and shared the title in the Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

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The latest C&W checkup shows the same trend continuing. Today, about 6767 more people are going to movies on weekday nights as compared with last year—a fact for many an adman to ponder.

Similarly, magazine reading is climbing upward. During the first big year of tv in the home, magazine reading on weekday evenings dropped off 53%. In 1953, the downward trend was reversed, and magazine reading was up 5% over tv's first year. There was an additional 70% increase in 1954, and the trend is continuing. One

big reason, according to Cunningham & Walsh: "We've noticed that house-wives will rearrange their daily work schedule in order to free themselves for evening television viewing."

Newspaper reading has been least hit by tv. In 1951, newspaper reading among adult tv owners was up about 9%. In 1952, the gain was 20%; in 1953 it was 12%. Levels in 1954 and 1955 are about the same as those of 1953.

Effects on C&W: The findings of the Videotown checkups are considered

extremely important by Cunningham & Walsh executives, particularly since comparisons with various national figures (Nielsen tv usage levels, for instance) show a close correlation.

"They're not the only yardstick we use in picking media or buying programs," said Research Director Tasker. "but Videotown certainly plays an important role."

In addition. Videotown has served as a laboratory to test out research techniques that have ultimately resulted in similar "model city" research operations.

Cunningham & Walsh now has two other "towns" functioning. The newest of these is Movietown, a large city—probably in the Midwest—in which researchers check a standing panel to determine factors of movie attendance, likes and dislikes towards stars, audience composition and other items of high interest to C&W client Universal Pictures. Movietown is now in its second year.

Another is Durable Goods Town, in which C&W makes panel studies of consumer interest, purchase intention and preferences concerning such household items as china, sewing machine attachments, home movies and the like. This project is now going into its third year.

C&W is naturally reticent about the findings of these operations, and about the results of special studies (on audience composition, to commercials, etc.) that are conducted in Videotown between the major annual surveys.

Unlike the big Videotown study, which is released to the trade as an industry service and a prestige-builder for Cunningham & Walsh, the results of the other studies are usually marked "Top Secret"—and are used in making important media decisions by C&W's various air-minded or researchminded clients.

Outside of C&W, the Videotown operation has stimulated considerable interest among researchers, and is said to be one of the models on which NBC TV drew for its recent television panel studies in Fort Wayne, Ind.

What about the effects on New Brunswick. N. J.—the real-life Videotown?

According to C&W's Tasker. New Brunswickites are peculiarly proud of the fact that they are a sort of electronic guinea pigs, to be measured annually by big-city admen intent on acquiring new ty knowledge.



Tasker's favorite story about the agency's big panel study, in fact, goes like this:

Two small-fry members of New Branswick's younger set one day were having a school-yard argument about whose family was "best."

The argument waxed hot. One youngster glared at the other, and shouted "My family has a brand-new, three-toned, automatic, air-conditioned Lincoln Capri."

With lordly disdain, the other moppet drew himself up for the Perfect Squelch.

"My family," he said. "is part of Videotown." \*\*\*

### RESEARCH

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learned something from every one of these services. All of them have a part to play in helping to make broaderst advertising more effective. But as a group, the services duplicate each other in providing a considerable amount of rating information for the major markets and all-too-infrequent reports (or no reports) on the minor ones. No individual service can economically provide a rating report on Fureka. Cal., with the same frequency as one for Chicago, But buying time in Eureka can be complex too.

There is no easy solution to this dilemma, because every organization which reports local ratings seeks to offer a complete service—although in fact a substantial number of reports in each case are for different markets. No one is going to be foothardy enough to suggest that the rating services establish a cartel arrangement to divide big and little markets among them so that the timebuyer can have a maximum of up-to-date information on all markets at all times. If this is not the answer, we should not be discouraged from looking for an answer.

One first step might be to get the services to agree informally to try to time their surveys and releases for the less-frequently reported markets in such a way that they do be spaced as widely apart as possible. Of course this would require the cooperation of stations which underwrite the surveys in the smaller cities.

5. Better basis for evaluating rating methods: The Advertising

Research Foundation's committee on the rating services has moved the discussion of this perennial problem substantially ahead by setting up criteria for appraisal. But the ARF committee's judgments of the strengths and failings of the individual services are not the last word on the topic.

There is still a surprising degree of naivete about the meaning and validity of ratings in some sectors of the broadcasting industry. We are now at a stage where what is most required is empirical research comparing or investigating experimentally the methods of the services, For example, here are some of the things that remain to be looked into:

(a) What kinds of loases and distortions, if any, arise in keeping a diary? Are certain types of viewers or listeners more prone than others to show these biases and distortions, and if so, does this affect the ratings for some types of programs more than others?

(b) To what extent, if at all, does a long-term panel begin to show bias in its composition? Do the people who stay faithfully with the panel over

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a period of time become untypical in their viewing habits, or in any other respect?

- (c) Is there a substantial difference between cooperators and non-cooperators in surveys made by the various methods?
- (d) What, if any, are the limitations of the recall method in surveys of daytime viewing or listening, where the character of individual programs may be indistinct in the minds of the audience?
- (e) What percentage of diaries are actually filled in at the time of viewing or listening?

The above are only illustrations of the range of problems to which we hope the ARF will shortly turn its attention in the form of actual research.

The biggest question advertisers and agencies ask about radio and television is the big question for every advertising medium. What is its actual dollars-and-cents effectiveness in selling a given product? Every medium has case histories of success, and NBC, for example, has convincingly documented the case for tv's sales effectiveness. But in advertising we are never called upon to judge a medium

in and of itself, without relation to other media which might be even better buys. Studies which compare the effects of various media on sales are full of methodological pitfalls.

Yet the scarcity of such comparative studies makes it hard to compare media on any basis other than costper-1.000 with oranges and apples all mixed up. The only solution, over a period of time, is to accumulate case histories in which specific comparisons are made. These will surely not tell us that one medium is superior to another by a given degree. They will, however, begin to define for us the kinds of product fields and marketing situations in which each medium performs best.

7. Effective utilization of the broadcast media: The fixed program schedule in which radio and television shows appeared at predictable times and with predictable frequency is today a thing of the past, as scheduling becomes more fluid and flexible. This is the era of the one-shot, of the spectacular, of the multiple participation plans. Isn't this worth some scrutiny from the advertiser's standpoint? What differences has it made in the pattern of television viewing and

in the association which the viewer draws between a particular product and a program?

This leads to a basic, and still unanswered, question. What value does an advertiser get out of being the full sponsor of a program as opposed to being a participant sponsor or simply a buyer of spot? We have always assumed that the U.S. Steel Hour, the

> PHILIP L. GRAHAM Publisher Washington Post, Times Herald

Calvacade of America—or for that matter Jack Benny's association with Lucky Strike or Arthur Godfrey's with Chesterfield—contributed a special value to the advertiser beyond what it brought him in air time for his commercials. It is time we examined this assumption in the light of fresh evidence

8. Qualitative research: In radio's growing years, the difficulties of conducting broad-scale quantitative surveys with the resources then available to the industry created an interest in qualitative research. Out of this interest came the pioneer studies of radio's psychology by people like Paul Lazarsfeld, Herta Herzog, Rudolf Arnheim, Hadley Cantril, and Ernest Dichter. For a while in the 30's and 40's there was vivid interest in learning what listeners got out of soap operas or quiz shows, of investigating who wrote fan letters, and of examining outstanding cases of radio's influence, like Kate Smith's marathon war bond appearance or Orson Welles over-realistic dramatization of the War of the Worlds.

At about the time television appeared on the scene, interest in this type of study declined on the part of the broadcasters, though under the rubric of motivation research it marched on to dazzling success in the general area of marketing. Probably the main reason that television re-

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search has not followed this qualitative bent is that the medium has changed things so fast that we have had our hands full just keeping our statistics up to date without worrying about their deeper interpretations.

It has also been generally assumed that what was true for radio was also applicable to tv, that the reasons why a woman listened to a radio soap opera were no different from her reasons for

\*\*Over 90 drug items were introduced in 1953. I doubt if there are 50 left. The biggest reasons for product failure, the lack of research and consumer testing, are only a part of the inevitable warning signs. Failures follow a pattern—there is the lack of sufficient funds, marketing and merchandising knowbow, even down to proper pack-aging, pricing and design. S JOSEPH UNGAR

Director of Marketing and Sales Development, Grey Advertising New York

watching a ty daytime serial. This may be so-but we cannot explain the success of the \$61,000 Question audience in terms of the answers we got for the \$64 Question.

Take television news, as an exam-Can there be any question that

the listener to radio news is after something entirely different from the viewer of a television news show? The radio news listener wants to know the latest, something he hadn't yet heard. The ty news viewer probably expects a pictorial round-up of what he already knows, so that he has a set of visual reference points to make the news real and intelligible. Most tv news shows today are a kind of cross between a movie newsreel and the old radio news format. Maybe they should basaltagether different. We can never tell without doing some research.

What utility does this kind of study have for the advertiser? Simply that it gives us a better basis, by understanding our audience, to produce the kinds of programs, and the kind of commercial messages, than can compete successfully for attention amidst the ever-growing tunnilt of demands me the public's leisure time.

If all the questions posed here seem unrealistic or over-ambitious, it must be remembered that this is a preliminary attempt to set down our agenda for the next five years or 10 years, and not a detailed proposal on which we can act tomorrow.

### ABC'S NEW SCHEDULE

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York City's Hotel Pierre and also in Chicago, possibly the same day. However, some of the details of this programing as well as some basic thinking about ABC Radio's present and future have been elaborated in conversations between sponsor and ABC President Robert E. Kintner, as well as Charles Ayres, vice president in charge of ABC Radio. (A condensed, verbatim report of these conversations is reproduced starting on page 38.)

The talks with ABC executives and a look at the programing itself makes certain things apparent:

1. ABC Radio's nighttime programing which starts 24 October, is tailored for the in-and-out listening habits of radio's audience today. This is accomplished by breaking down the twoand-a-half-hour evening schedule (7:30-10:00, Monday through Friday) into five-minute segments with a few 10-minute segments thrown in. Thus, ABC hopes, the listener will be attracted to its network shows by the assurance that he can turn off the radio at almost any time without any

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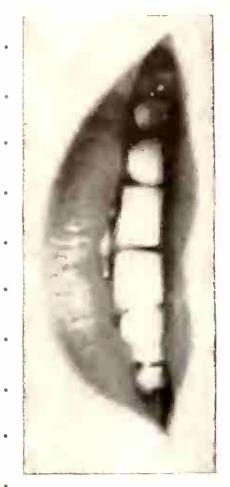
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fear of missing the rest of the show. This is particularly important in auto distening, when the end of a trip makes tune-out mandatory.

2. In a neat compromise with longer length program demands of listeners, these miniscule segments are tied together in units of 25-minutes, with a common theme dominating each unit. (The half-hour is filled out with the network's regular five-minute news shows.) Moreover, ABC takes issue with *Monitor* (and its emphasis on the "unexpected") by programing these units at the same time every night—that is, in strips. ABC feels scheduled programing is fundamental to radio listening, if only to make it easier for the listener to remember what is on.

3. The five-minute segments also serve another, and possibly more important, purpose: they permit the network to sell single announcements in a clearly defined program segment. The sale of individual announcements is certainly not new. The network principle is well ensconced in radio network practice. ABC, however, has added a new twist by surrounding each announcement with its own piece of programing.

4. The programing itself is clearly programing of the new era. It is notable for the absence of music. There is nothing coincidental about this. The network put in six months of research before putting together its new lineup. "These research studies showed," Kintner told Sponsor, "that there was a great abundance of music through the country, but in its shift away from the old radio pattern, practically all of the stations had resorted to music as a means of attracting listeners." There was no need, obviously, for more music.

But the studies also showed a demand for what Kintner calls "personalized information." This includes news and weather but also includes such information "as can satisfy the emotional anxieties of people and satisfy their desire to improve themselvephysically and can satisfy their desire to live better." Thus, the first group of segments contains news and newsfeatures: the second, visits to interesting people and places; the third devotes itself to home, family and personality problems; the fourth emphasizes the aural nature of radio by bringing "sounds" of various kinds into the home, sounds of people, stories, modern life and sounds of no importance at

all: the fifth unit provides off-beat material. including humor, science fiction and story-telling.

The cost picture: The face-lifting that is taking place this year on the various radio networks involves a variety of different program and sales

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plans but there are many similar aspects.

For one thing, all the am webs are aiming at one thing insofar as sales are concerned and that is to provide the advertiser with a flexible method of buying announcements so he can reach large cumulative audiences over a period of time and at a low cost-per-1,000.

NBC does it with Monitor and will do it with Weekday. CBS does it with its new segmentation plan. in which certain nighttime and weekend shows are offered on a participation basis. Mutual does it with its long-running Multi-Message Plan and its run-of-schedule plan under which advertisers can buy five-minute shows which the stations can play back at any time during either the morning. afternoon or evening.



"I got the idea from KRIZ Phoenix— it's advertising with a punch!"

These spot carrier plans are almost invariably in the low-price category, though, of course, cost-per-1,000 is mother question. In many cases, the cost of an individual station on the network is less than the national spot rate of the station and this price spread has been attacked, particularly by station representatives, as a factor that can undermine the economic base of station operation and thus effect the entire medium.

The final rate of ABC's new evening programing plan was not set at sponsor's presstime but it will probably be similar to the price for the five-minute news shows which are now on at night and which will be incorporated into the new nighttime schedule. These are sold at \$800 per show with frequency discounts bringing the price down to \$700.

Kintner told SPONSOR that the prices now being charged for ABC Radio during both daytime and nighttime are comparable to the prices that our affiliated stations are charging for spot. In other words, there is no real incentive other than the advantages of a network buy for an advertiser to buy the network rather than buying locally."

Ayres added he "could, perhaps, disagree a little bit with" Kintner to the extent that it is possible that stations would lose business to the new nighttime sales plan. But, Ayres said, the chances of getting new business are enhanced by the new programing.

A comparison was made by SPONSOR between what advertisers pay for ABC stations on a spot basis and what they rould get them for, assuming the tyening announcement rate on the network was set at the \$700-\$800 level.

In making this comparison, sponsor chose four typical large stations and four typical small stations. To find out what an advertiser pays for a station in a network buy, the following was done: The network's gross one-time exening rate was divided into the station's gross one-time evening rate to find out what percent of the gross network cost was apportioned to each station. This percentage figure was applied against both the \$700 and \$800 cost and this was compared with the station's published rate for oneminute evening announcements, the one-time station rate against the station's share of \$800 and the maximum published station rate against the station's share of \$700.

In the figures below, the right-hand column shows the spot rate, the left hand column the cost of the station to the advertiser in a network buy. The top of each pair of figures is the onetime rate, while the bottom is maximum discount rate:

STATION		NETWORK	SPOT
WABC	}	\$13,12	\$95,00
New York		37,73	71,25
WLS	1	27.68	150,00
Chicago		21.22	50,00
KCMO	1	11.61	30,00
Kansas City		12.81	18,00
W J W	1	9.20	15.00
Cleveland		8.05	10.50
KOAT	1	3.07	8,50
Albuquerque		2.69	5, t9
KPMC	}	2.05	12,00
Bakersfield, Cal.		1.79	5,00
WELL	1	1.02	7.50
Battle Creek, Mich.		.90	5.00
WTNT	1	.53	5.75
Tallahassee, Fla.		.47	3.35
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ABC Radio's future: The new nighttime programing offered by ABC is a clear vote of confidence in network radio's future. The cost of putting on and promoting the new schedule involves, said Kintner, the largest radio expenditure of ABC since 1944.

The network executives feel sure there is enough advertising money around for ABC Radio to exist and make a profit. As a matter of fact, they feel they have improved their competitive position visasvis NBC Radio so that there is a good possibility that ABC Radio will become the number two network: they even have their sights on the number one position. Kintner made clear in talking to spoxsor that while "basically the profits of our radio operation come from our own stations." ABC Radio is not in business merely to supply programing for the o&o's. He said he actually believed that the o&o's could make the same money as independents as they make as network affiliates. and, perhaps a little more.

Kintner also indicated that while ABC had considered the possibility of converting itself into a program service a la the Associated Press kind of operation, the idea was rejected because ABC believes the present operation combines the advantages of both a program service and a conventional network service.

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### KINTNER-AYRES

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from our own stations. However, we are not in the radio business to supply a program service for our own stations in order to let them realize a profit. We actually believe that our own stations as independents, could make approximately the same amount of money or perhaps a little more than they do as affiliates to our radio network. The reason we're staying in the network business is because we have made a profit on the radio network. We have improved our basic position as it relates particularly to NBC. We believe we have a good possibility of certainly becoming the "number two" radio network, and perhaps the "number one" radio network. We're in the radio network business to make a profit; not to supply program service for our own stations.

(JAFFE) Is is possible that you will be taking revenue from the o&o's they are now getting from national spot by segmented selling, thus losing revenue at that end?

Charles Ayres answer this more in detail, but I think there was a great fallacy growing up. particularly contributed to by the arguments of the associations for spot representation. First of all, the prices at which we are selling the ABC Radio network in the daytime and at nighttime are comparable to the prices that our affiliated stations are charging for spot. In other words, there is no real incentive other than the advantages of a network buy for an advertiser to buy the network rather than buying locally.

If you'll make a study of the spot rates through the country and the network rates you will find that they are comparable and that we are charging for stations in proportion to the prices that they themselves set upon them. I don't believe that the theory that the networks are destroying spot business is a correct one. It is true that there is only a certain amount of advertising dollars which must be divided among various media. Rather than pose spot versus the network, I think the problem should be posed in connection with all media. There are certain advantages to local buying and

national advertisers will always use local stations. There are certain advantages to buying networks for national coverage. We do not think that our local stations that we own will lose any spot business to the new ABC Radio network plan. Charlie, perhaps you would like to elaborate on this.

(AYRES) I could perhaps disagree a little bit with Mr. Kintner's last statement, in that it is possible that some of our own o&o stations could lose some spot business. On the other hand, their opportunity of getting new busi-

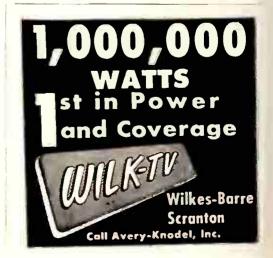
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ness via this network plan is considerably enhanced. Within the last week, for example, we have signed six new advertisers to this network on the Breakfast Club. Now, whereas we all know that the amount of revenue that our affiliated stations receive on network business is considerably lower than on a national spot, you can theorize this way: That here is some business that ABC affiliates are going to get, which, chances are, they otherwise would not have received had it not been through a segmented plan.

The same thing applies to some other five-minute operations: our news operation in the evening as well as the



experimental program that we used in testing this five-minute, or rather segmented, plan When a Girl Marries. That was the first program we used as sort of a blueprint to see whether or not this thing had enough sex appeal for advertisers to come aboard. So you can argue the pro's and con's of network versus national spot, but the fact remains that many ABC stations will be getting business that they had not heretofore received.

Q. (DAVID) Assuming that there are a number of affiliates who feel you're in competition with them for the spot dollar, have you considered the possibility instead of providing this programing to the affiliates and charging them for it? They would then sell it on a spot basis.

(KINTNER) It would obviously be possible to supply a programing service for a fee—somewhat similar to the Associated Press or the United Press. However, we have decided not to do it because we believe our present plan combines the advantage of a program service together with the advantage of the present affiliation contracts. If you look at the segmented plan that has been developed both in the daytime and nighttime on ABC, you will find certain definite periods that have been allocated to the stations for local and spot sale without payment to the ABC Radio network. We believe that a combination whereby our programing is made available locally as well as nationally and the continuation of the basic affiliation relationship is the proper course. As to the future. it's anybody's guess, but I believe we are quite aways away from this so-called program service concept.

(JAFFE) What is the status of the affiliates now as far as the new programing is concerned?

A. (KINTNER) The ABC segmented plan in the daytime and nighttime is

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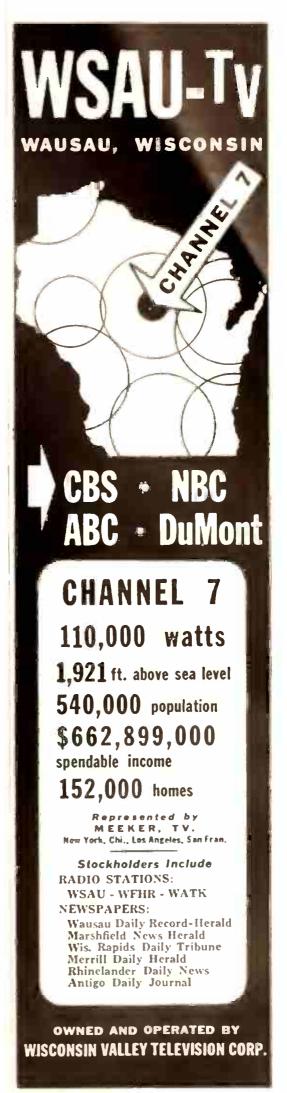
in accordance with the basic contracts between ABC and its affiliated stations, which permit the sale of five-minute segments by the network. Therefore, there is no necessity for a contractual change in our relationship. We have discussed the nighttime plan and the daytime plan with our stations' Advisory Committee, which is manimonsly favorable to the idea. We've obviously fully informed our affiliates and while there is no necessity for a response we've received approximately 100 responses from our top stations. All but a very few were favorable.

(JAFFE) How large an investment does the new programing and its promotion represent? We would assume that it's important with a new concept like this to get the entire country aware of the fact that something is happening on ABC.

(KINTNER) I don't think we should tell you the exact amount of money that we are putting into the nighttime programing and into the improvement of the dayftime, but I can tell that it's the largest radio expenditure that ABC has made since 1944. You're correct in that we believe our sales promotion extremely important, as is audience advertising.

(DAVID) Well, one question that has just occurred to me—and it may be that I am not sufficiently familiar with the new pattern—but it somehow seems to be reminiscent of Monitor. And I note that ABC has stated in the past that you are beating Monitor all-hollow on the week end. Why go into a Monitor operation therefore?

our weekend news out-rates many times the Monitor operation. It is incorrect that this new nighttime program is patterned after Monitor, although as you say, any time you break a program from a 15-minute and half-hour concept into a five- and 10-minute concept, it may be reminiscent of Monitor or of the CBS segmentation plan which has been used in the day-time on Columbia. The difference between this program and Monitor in our judgment is that we have created five basic themes and that the seg-



ments will be set as to the type of program on the same time each day, Monday through Friday. As you know, Monitor has the unexpected quality. You don't know exactly what is coming up. We believe that our concept of fixed positions is better. As you will see when you hear the program, we are devoting a great deal more attention to try to solve the personalized demands of the individual. I think when you hear the ABC night-time programing you will see how different it is from Monitor.

We feel that our research shows the people would be more satisfied if they knew of a particular time of the night a particular type of program was coming on, which, of course, is the basic concept of radio over its 28 years of history. I'd just like to add one thing: There's nothing sacred in the radio business about a 15-minute and a halfhour concept. It just grew up in that way. Basically what we are putting in are five- and 10-minute segments of half-hour theme programs, which is no different than having a show that changes its tempo and no different than having a variety show that brings on different acts because each of the five half hours will have a common theme.

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tion, thereby saving themselves some six months' time on normal methods.

Cost? About that of a one-hour network telecast to a similar number of markets.



William P. Rosensohn
Executive Vice President,
Sheraton Closed-Circuit Television, Inc.

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First, it provides the use of a threater-size screen for viewing purposes. Needless to say, the impact of any program so viewed is heightened tremendously. The fact that you san see the president of your company or your sales manager addressing you on a 15x20-foot screen makes it a most effective form of communication.

Second, closed-circuit television is a completely flexible medium. It does not require audiences of several thousand people in each city, but networks can be set up so that a handful of men can be made to feel at home. This flexibility means that cities on the network can have audiences ranging from 10 to 2,500. In addition, the telecast can provide the highlight of a meeting. The men who assemble for the closed-circuit program can remain to hear their local leaders discuss matters of local importance.

Third, one of the unique and perhaps most important advantages of the closed-circuit medium is that it offers a real opportunity for local participation. This can be done through the utilization of two-way audio lines. This would make possible questions and answers from any city on the network.

The foregoing qualities of closed-circuit have been outlined without any reference to the basic advantages in using the medium, such as the great economy that can be effected, the travel time that can be saved, the time away from the job that can be minimized, the fact that the real leaders of a company can now become familiar figures to each employee or agent of the company.

As to the best method of using the medium, my own feeling is that it should be used as a regular means of communication. It is a well established policy of many companies to hold scheduled sales meetings either once a month, once a quarter, or twice a year. Closed-circuit, if used in this manner, could well establish a highly



desirable, close-working relationship between a company's top management and its field forces.

The medium should be used not only to launch a new product. It should be used not only to discuss startling new sales plans for a coming campaign. It should also be used for a discussion of the day-to-day, week-toweek, and month-to-month problems that confront all the men in the field. As business conditions grow more competitive, the need for selling-and hard selling - will become a more dominant factor in the market. Closedcircuit offers a tremendously powerful and economical means of getting a maximum amount of selling power from one's sales force.

Interestingly enough, the power of the medium is perhaps best attested to by the fact that most of the major

\*\*Giving the public a chance to see subscription television in operation and to determine for itself whether it can have the right to pay for subscription programs such as the recent Marciano-Moore heavyweight championship fight and great first-run motion pictures which cannot otherwise be seen in the 36 million ty homes is the only way it can be decided. . . Prohibition subscription ty before the public has a chance to try it is Prohibition in its worst form.\*\*

President Zenith Radio Corp. \* \* \* \* \* \*

companies which have used closed-circuit have already come back for a second and, in some instances, a third use of the medium. In the month of September, for example, we put on telecasts for the American Management Association and Wyeth Laboratories. In each instance this marked the third time that these organizations have used closed-circuit within a one-year period.

We look forward to an expanding use of the medium by a continuously growing number of companies. It is my firm belief that closed-circuit television, because of its impact, its flexibility and its unique ability to let local audiences participate, offers a dramatic, effective and unique medium of communications. I think that advertisers who now rely on home television to sell their products to the public will soon come to rely on closed-circuit television to sell their ideas and enthusiasm to their field forces.



Fanshawe Lindsley, General Sales Manager TNT Tele-Sessions

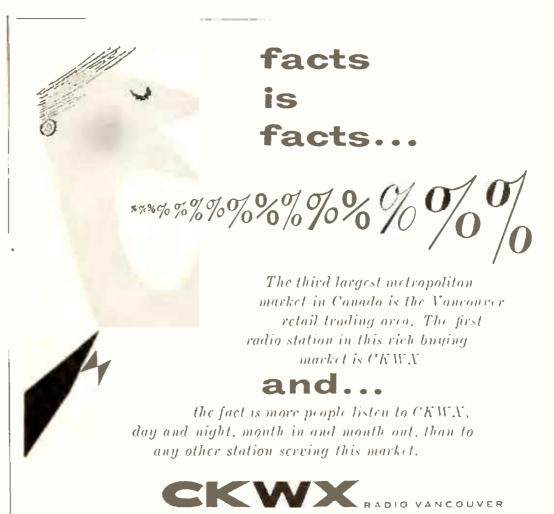
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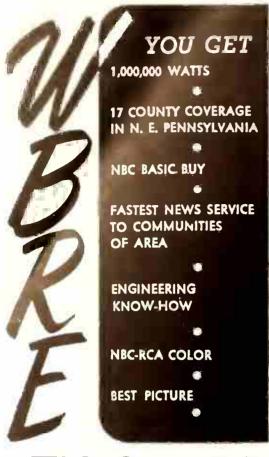
By taking people and products direct to the field whenever and wherever the sponsor desires, closed-circuit to brings a completely new and exciting tool to sales promotion and merchandising.

By bringing top management directly to salesmen, dealers, distributors and other people with whom a national company does business, closed-circuit to performs a vital and effective role in informing the field directly from the horse's mouth. As such, closed-circuit to is a completely different medium from broadcast television.

Among the most compelling elements in closed-circuit ty is the tremendons impact delivered by biggerthan-life-size pictures. And it is here that TNT differs from the broadcast networks that offer a small-size picture in studios on ordinary home sets for the primary purpose of merchandising their own programs either to potential sponsors or new sponsors who have bought programs to be televised into the home. The type of small-size closed-circuit tv offered by broadcast networks in studios hasn't brought forth either the sponsor or audience satisfaction that TNT's highly specialized and carefully tailored big screen presentations have. At the present time, TNT is the only company which owns and operates big screen facilities



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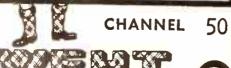
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It is fast becoming apparent that in this age of specialization, successful closed-circuit business presentations require the knowhow, experience, facilities and services of a company such as TNT that is wholly committed to building a substantial business from closedcircuit tv alone.



Morris A. Mayers General Manager Closed-Circuit Operations Du Mont Television Network

### EFFECTIVENESS WITH ECONOMY

 Closed-circuit telecasts are proving to be a most effective means of closing the gap between the advertising and sales departments in many organizations. In the days before this modern medium of visual communication was readily available, it was a common experience for an advertiser to find that while his heavy expenditures for advertising developed consumer and trade interest in his product. a desired volume of sales failed to materialize because the salesmen on the firing line were not securing the

An attempt to correct this condition

resulted in the familiar sales meeting —usually at the distributor level and, for the very-well-heeled organization, even at the dealer level. These meetings gradually became more and more costly in both money and time and, strangely enough, their effectiveness diminished proportionately. The reason for this phenomenon was that the increase in cost was due largely to non-essential trimmings - entertainment, liquor, parties, etc. which actually interfered with the main purpose of the meeting. The decrease in effectiveness was partly due to the distractions mentioned above but even more to the fact that the increased cost made it necessary to limit attendance to the distributors' or dealers' "top brass." Another factor contributing to this result was the time taken up by these meetings, not only during the meeting itself, but in traveling to and from the place at which the meeting was held.

Closed-circuit television has made it possible to maintain closer, more effective and more continuous contact with a widely dispersed organization than was possible with the old-fashioned sales meeting—and at lower



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cost in both money and its important equivalent, time.

It is almost trite to refer to the salesman's area of operation as the "firing ' If, however, we think of it as such, we will recognize the importance of keeping this front line soldier well equipped with ammunition and, of equal importance, doing everything possible to maintain his morale. Nothing is more demoralizing to soldier or salesman that to feel that he is working alone, directed by some remote and faceless commanding general who doesn't know he exists. The proper use of closed-circuit telecasts will enable an advertiser to feed sales ammunition, not just to the top brass in his distributing organization, but directly to the front line salesman. It makes it possible for these men and women to know the men who direct their destinies and to feel that they are part of a team and not a group of isolated individuals.

If anyone doubts the effectiveness of television as a motivating force, he will be interested in a statement made to the writer by Billy Graham, the well-known Evangelist who used closed-circuit television in Scotland and Canada to sell salvation. Dr. Graham said that it was found that among those people who attended these crusades, the results, in terms of "decisions" and contributions, were at a higher level among those who saw and heard him on television than among the people who were actually in the auditorium where he spoke.

It is a regrettable fact that salvation is harder to sell than toothpaste, television sets or automobiles. Advertisers would do well to take a leaf from Billy Graham's book, putting this electronic tool to work more consistently to build bigger sales. \*\*

# SPONSOR'S FOURTH ANNUAL FARM SECTION

(31 October issue)

The industry's annual analysis of farm radio and television. How admen buy time to reach farm homes, latest trends in commercials, programing for farmers.

### ROUND-UP

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Northwest edition of TV Guide; John Eichhorn, assistant to the general manager of KING; Jack Sullivan and Ed Baker, manager and assistant editor respectively of the Pacific Northwest edition of TV Guide; Otto Brandt, v.p. and general manager of KINK; Lon Guzzo, drama-tv editor of the Seattle Times; Ned Hullinger, dir. for of station relations for ABC, who accompanied Jahucke on the tour; Jack Lynch of the promotion and publicity department at KING.

A new group of radio and tv stations have formed an advertising alliance called NOEMAC. The name is derived from the names of Trinity Broadcasting President Gordon McLendon, and his father-in-law, former Governor of Louisiana James A. Noe.

Five independent radio stations and two tv stations are members of the NOEMAC group at this time, but more may be added at a later date. The stations involved include, Trinity's KLIF, Dallas; WRIT, Milwaukee; KELP, El Paso; KOKE-TV, El Paso; (which goes on the air in December) and Noe's WNOE, New Orleans; KNOE and KNOE-TV, Monroe, La.

Trinity Broadcasting recently announced its intention of acquiring other am and ty properties as rapidly as possible. Trinity's key station, KLIF, is affiliated sales-wise with KFJZ, Fort Worth.

The Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Promotion and Publicity committee recently completed a booklet called "Twin City Radio-Television Directory." This booklet is designed for local publicity chairmen anxious to get their material on the air.

The booklet describes the procedures for utilizing the public service facilities of the 11 radio and four ty stations in the area, including the proper preparations of material, persons to contact and deadlines. The purpose of the project is to standardize the material fed to these stations to enable them to do a better job.

St. Louis' KMOX received the Certificate of Merit for outstanding cooperation with the U.S. Army Recruiting Service last month. In presenting





"What are people doing with all the radios they're buying? Using them for door stops?"\*

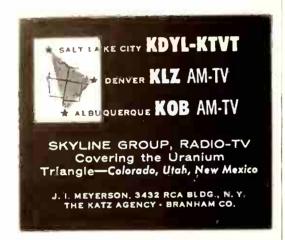
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the award, Lieut. Col. Allen M. Hunter, recruiting commander in the area, commended KMOX for its "fine contribution toward adequately maintaining our defense position with its public service announcements in behalf of the recruiting service".

The latest step in the expansion of service facilities of KWWL and KWWL-TV, Waterloo, Iowa, is the completion of the 1,125 foot tv tower which was just completed in September. The tower and the 316,000-watt transmitter were rushed to early completion.

Present at the ground breaking ceremonies when the tower was started



were (l. to r.); Lyle Harvey, public relations; T. W. Kirksey, director of engineering; R. J. McElroy, general manager; Don E. Imman, sales director of the station.

### FIVE \$64,000,000 Q'S

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public interest responsibilities more effectively with their own programing.

But \$64,000 Question makes those who have not wholeheartedly accepted network program control more hopeful. For the first time in years the networks have been seen to be eager to get something from a client (of all people). One red-hot idea has been able to accomplish what having millions of dollars to spend could not do. It's probable that the promises of NBC to Revion and the counter-proposals of CBS have been exaggerated in translation. But the irrefutable moral for the advertiser is that if you can find a property with surpassing sex appeal. and then get a slot for it, you have obtained the bargaining position of an advertiser five years ago with money to spend in television.

If the stimulus of \$64,000 Question doesn't prove sufficient to partially bring back the independent packager and the client-owned show, it's considered likely this season will mark the last occasion on which network program dominance is seriously questioned.

It's a matter, perhaps, of how long \$64,000 Question keeps Revlon in a commanding position, not to mention its agency, Norman, Craig & Kummel. The succesor to William Weintraub Co., NC&K had only a toehold left in big-stakes network television after the decline of Weintraub from its major status in network television four or five years ago. With the success of just one show, the agency is suddenly reestablished among those shops able to go to the head of the line when a time period opens up. Hence it looms as more attractive to new clients, a lesson which will not be lost on other agencies



if there's a noticeable payoff for NC&K. (Editor's note: A sign of progress in the making is the reporter's inadvertent bestowal of initials on the agency, a form of abbreviation what is usually years in coming.)

3. Will the long show be a permanent fixture? Wherever the cognoscenti gathered at the beginning of last season, it was said that the spectaculars were built with color to in mind. The assumption was that NBC wanted to light a fire under color television, and as a result decided to turn to Broadway-length shows. The poop had it as well that NBC sought to dominate the audience, and leave gaps in the Vielsen pocket piece where the other networks used to live.

The spectaculars have become established to the point where CBS has added its own 90-minute series simply because even at ratings which are only good rather than stupendous spectaculars have something certain advertisers want: namely conversation value, merchandisability to dealers, stature over and beyond their circulation.

What remains to be seen is (a)

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whether this stature will carry through a season in which the spectacular becomes a frequent part of the schedule and (b) whether the automotives which have been the major supporters of the spectaculars can continue to sell cars at a rate which encourages extravaganza advertising.

Whatever the future of the long shows, there seems little question among advertisers and agencies that the half-hour format will remain a staple on networks for many seasons to come. Most types of products, admen point out, will always depend on regular advertising impressions which a client can get from a half-hour show of his own, and which the cost of spectaculars makes prohibitive.

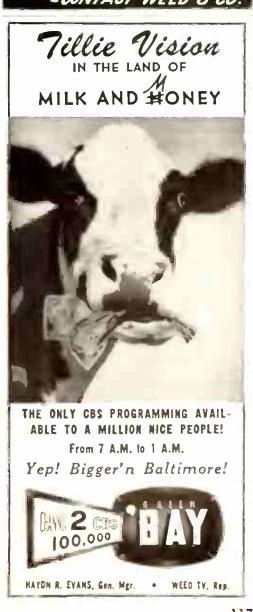
1. Will the big-money quiz cycle develop and lust? The second Lou Cowan big-money show, Big Surprise, premiered on NBC just prior to sponson's presstime. Capsule comment from sponsor: Slick reshaping of the \$64.000 Question elements a lá Goodson-Todman's multiple variations on the original What's My Line? format. But what works with a low-key panel programing may not work with emotional-appeal programing like the bigmoney quiz. In an apparent attempt to build the money excitement quickly. the m.c. on Big Surprise twice told contestants in the premiere show that he "was sure they could win the \$100,-000," if they came back to try again.

It remains to be seen whether newspaper editors will give the second round of suspense stories the same continuing play as was accorded \$64,000 Question. Missing, too, from Big Surprise is the natural story quality of paradox; in other words, the switch: the shoemaker who knows opera, the cop who knows Shakespeare. Big Surprise contestants start out answering questions about their own past, a subject they should know.

Too, Big Surprise is an early-evening program (Saturday 7:30 to 8:00) contrasted with \$64.000 Question on Tuesday night at 10. If the show overcomes these obstacles, it will encourage other imitators; there's no patent on giving nice people money. It could, moreover, help the Perry Como Show with its audience carryover. However, on its opening night, Big Surprise scored a mere 11.5 against Beat the Clock's 20.4 on CBS.

Whether Big Surprise pulls well or not, \$61,000 Question's future could be





adversely affected. The accompanying newspaper publicity is pointed to as a big part of \$64,000's phenomenal suspense buildup. If there are two suspense stories for newspaper editors to choose from, one may cheapen the other. In any case \$64,000 Question is running into tougher sledding as the season unfolds. Its Trendex the first week of October was down 9 points to 45.2 from the week before. This may be a reflection of the fact no bigwinnings were in the cards for that evening, however.

5. Will situation comedy fade as a major tv format? At NBC situation comedy has virtually washed out. Today only Life of Riley and It's a Great Life are left from a lineup which last year included the following: Mr. Peepers, Dear Phoebe, Mickey Rooney's Mulligan, I Married Joan, My Little Margie, Ethel and Albert, Red Buttons—in addition to the two Lifes.

A possible indication of the decline in situation comedy popularity may be the fact that Lucy began this season with a 33.3 Trendex—some 10 points below its 1954 fall opener. (One of the new program types being introduced this season is the "adult Westerns." They don't seem to be starting with the strength shown by the first situation coinedies, however. Their first ratings have been low.)

An even dozen situation comedies go on CBS this fall, down four from last year's peak. The dozen: Burns & Allen, Private Secretary, Lucy, December Bride, Phil Silvers' You'll Never Get Rich, Joe and Mabel, My Favorite Husband, Bob Cummings, Our Miss Brooks, Mama, Damon Runyon Theatre, and Jackie Gleason's Honeymooners.

Three of the dozen are new (compared with last season's spate of new CBS situation coinedy entries). It's in these—You'll Never Get Rich, Joe and Mabel and The Honeymooners—that most interest centers. If the situation coinedy form can't keep coming up with fresh hits, it's destined for a fadeout as older entries lose appeal.

The Phil Silvers half hour achieved a 13.3 Trendex the first week of October opposite the debut of the Milton Berle show at 30.7. Silvers is at his best as an army sergeant with more side business ventures than a squad of GIs in the Paris of 1945. But Silvers on a \$38,000 budget with a new show is outclassed against Milton Berle; Berle has a near-\$150,000 budget for a one-hour semi-spectacular which rotates with Martha Raye and the over-\$200,000 Bob Hope shows.

Joe and Mabel, scheduled to follow Silvers, had not premiered as scheduled late in September. CBS stated there weren't sufficient shows in the can to keep the original starting date, despite the fact that it had previously given Joe and Mabel closed-circuit buildup on the same press showing as the Phil Silvers show.

The show, from the sample shown the press several weeks back, is built on winsome values rather than biglaugh contretemps and as such faces tough competition in the long-running and recently revamped Jane Wyman Fireside Theatre on NBC.

The Honeymooners, Gleason's most popular characterization of seasons past, translated into a half-hour film, is still a moot question in terms of audience-appeal. Its opening night 37.2 Trendex reflected the star's popularity last season. On its second exposure, the show dropped to a 28.6

against a sharpened Como program, Como introduced Gino Prato of \$64,000 Question headline fame just at the 8:30 p.m. station break. This helped pull his Trendex from 15 the week previous to 22.1,

Whether or not Gleason holds on to his edge on Como will depend as much on the popularity of the new Honeymooners format as it will on NBC's ability to introduce top-drawing acts at the crucial switchover time.

What Big Surprise and its \$100,000 prize money will attain in the way of early-evening ratings on NBC with the possible building effect on Como; and how much the switch to film will detract from Gleason, time will tell.

In any case it seems a fair assumption that CBS will fight to keep situation comedy alive. As the network's programing v.p., Hubbell Robinson, put it recently "only bad situation comedies are dead." Said Robinson:

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### EYE, EAR ON COMPETITION

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Accuracy: One Washington, D. C. radio station reamed BAR out for allegedly submitting a completely wrong report for a half-hour period one Saturday. The program, a homemaking show interspersed with music and commercial announcements, was presented live Monday through Friday. taped on Saturday. As it turned out, the engineer had put the wrong tape on the air. BAR Exec. V.P. Bob Morris likes to cite this instance to illustrate the stark accuracy of reports actually monitored off the air, as contrasted with information obtained secondhand.

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Stations, however, with few exceptions, says Morris, have become outspoken -- and paying supporters of the service. Wrote Don Lee's Sales Vice President Norman Boggs to BAR recently: ". . . While, as a buyer of your service, I shouldn't put myself in this position, I will confess that we could continue it for a good many years on the traceable revenue it leas produced from the first three reports."

Cost: Charges for the service, or portions of it, vary with the type of coverage and the customer. Advertisers and agencies pay much less for the service than stations per market but large agencies are usually interested in the reports on a multi-market basis which ups their over-all outlay.

Reports are sold on a yearly contract, with reports for some markets with fewer stations issued only four times a year instead of six.

For a large agency the annual cost based on the current 14-market reports at \$35 per radio or tv report (55 combined) and including the weekly network radio and tv product study, is \$5,500.

Stations pay from \$250 to \$500 per report, per market, depending on the number of stations monitored and the frequency of the reports.

Recalling its early Darby days, when it aroused the suspicions of the local constabulary, BAR executives still bristle when someone jokingly calls them "touts to the trade." prefer to describe themselves as impartial reporters who merely provide their clients with an extra set of eyes and

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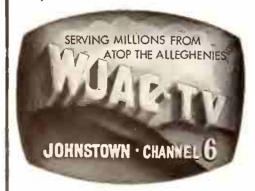
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Charles W. Godwin joins sponsor today as vice president and advertising director, having just left the post of director of ABC Radio Station Relations, which he held since October 1954. He had previously been assistant to ABC V.P. Ernest Jalincke and immediately prior to that director of Radio Station Relations for the Mutual Broadcasting System. Active in the broadcast industry since 1933, he has experience both in actual broadcasting and station management. His duties at SPONSOR will include supervision of all sales operations. He will headquarter in New York.



Wendell B. Campbell becomes new vice president in charge of CBS Radio Spot Sales. The newly created post is necessary because of the increasing importance of the spot sales operation to the radio division, CBS Radio President Arthur Hull Hayes commented. In his 17 years with CBS Radio, Campbell has held the following posts: Western sales manager for CBS Radio Sales: sales manager and general manager for KMOX, St. Louis; general sales manager of CBS Radio Spot Sales; vice president in charge of station administration. The latter, Campbell's most recent post, will be filled by J. Kelly Smith, CBS Radio administrative v.p.



William D. Shaw has been named network sales manager for CBS Radio, having been with the network nearly 16 years. He joined CBS Radio in the sales departments of KNX, Los Angeles, and the Columbia Pacific Radio Network. From 1948 to 1950 he was assistant sales manager for the CPRN and eastern sales manager for CBS Radio Spot Sales from July 1950 until his appointment as general manager of KNX and the CPRN in September 1951. He has been succeeded in both slots by Bert S. West, former general sales manager under him in both KNX and the CPRN.



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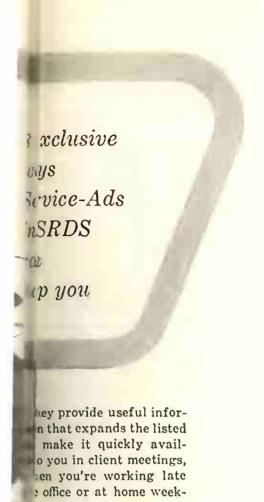
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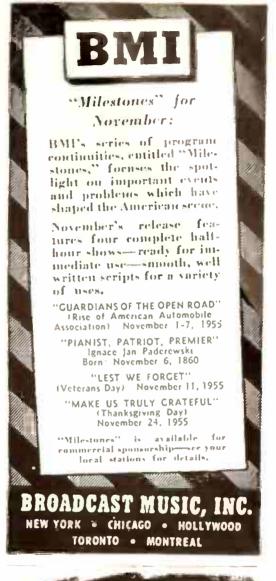
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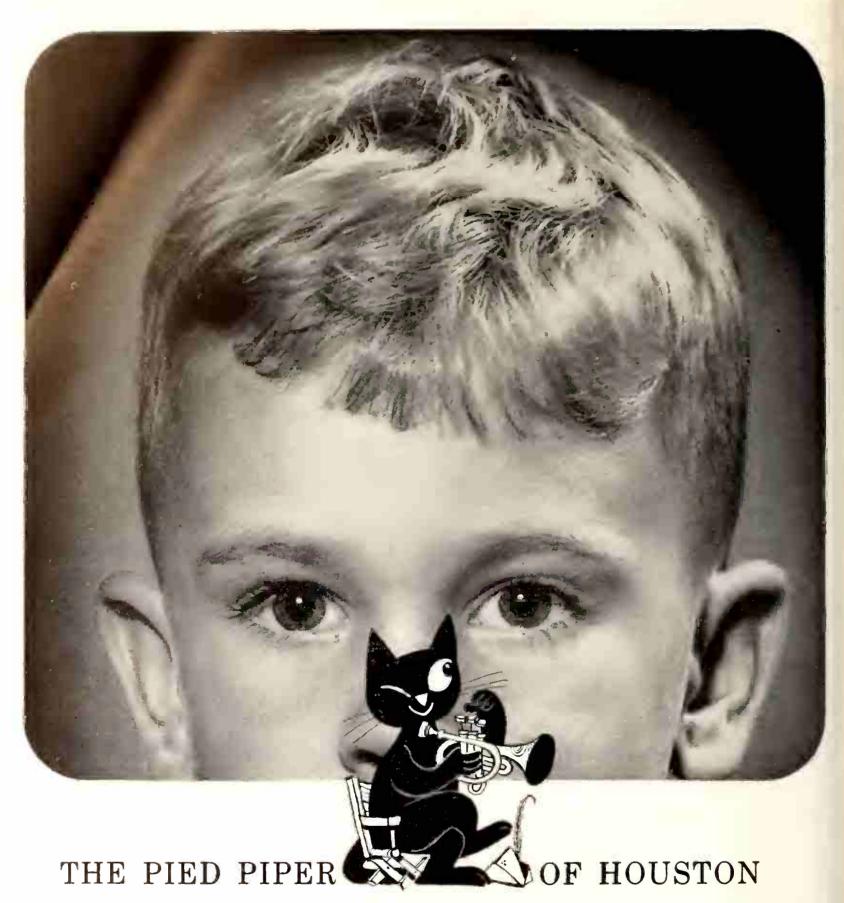




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Tv allocation merry-go-round FCC session today (17 October) on uhf-vhf de-intermixture petitions may provide tip-off on what agency will do re allocation. Common talk is that extensive de-intermixture is not likely if whf drop-in policy proves practical. One vhf drop-in plan was submitted by CBS on 7 October. Plan provides for dropping in 25 new "v's" in existing tv spectrum via mileage-power cuts with de-intermixture in 2 markets (Peoria, Madison) only. Second CBS plan would eliminate uhf if 3 more vhf channels could be obtained from government, military, fm bands. Latter plan assumes significance in light of FCC's exploring possibility of giving military 3-4 uhf channels in exchange for same number of vhf channels. ABC allocation plan, submitted same time as CBS', proposes saving uhf via extensive de-intermixture.

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Film merger complications On-and-off merger negotiations between Screen Gems, TPA have dragged so long that memo was distributed to TPA staff for guidance in answering questions. Memo expressed management's feeling that less said the better at present since no agreement has yet been hammered out. It also said that if 2 parties get together, merger could not take effect before first of year.

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start this week

New RTES talks Air advertising analysis frequently overlooks one of most basic factors in selling: markets. Markets is subject of first meeting of RTES timebuying and selling course, which starts tomorrow (18 October) in New York City's Old Brewhouse. Speakers will be H. H. Dobberteen, v.p. and media director, Bryan Houston; Eugene Petterson, v.p., Nielsen food and drug division. This season's RTES Seminar is divided into 2 parts: 8 luncheons in October-December period on general Subjects, 8 luncheons in January-February on specialized subjects.

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I.D. schedule

Products trade Saturation I.D. campaign for Maxwell House instant coffee (via Benton & Bowles) has multiple usefulness for General Foods. Same schedule is also used for Sanka (although in this case agency is Y&R). With Maxwell House tonnage I.D.'s as well as I.D. campaign for Florida Citrus Commission, B&B is probably biggest user of nighttime tv I.D.'s.

Campbell Soup spot buy

Spot radio campaign for Campbell Soup in 64 markets (via BBDO) asks stations to provide dividend of extra announcements in return for extreme flexibility in manner announcements may be scheduled. bought more than 15 announcements in each market but requires that only minimum of 15 weekly be used -- sometime between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Request that stations provide dividend brought letter of protest to BBDO President Ben Duffy from John Pearson Co. salesman, William M. Wilson. BBDO official, commenting on campaign, expressed view it was unlikely to set precedents. "It's based on faith in stations and we doubt many will want to enter a voluntary arrangement of this type."

Vitapix sales staff in offing

While Vitapix, in wake of dissolution of exclusive ties with Guild Films, will probably set up own sales staff, fall is bad period in which to start selling. Station time is committed in most cases, so big sales push may not begin until next spring. Vitapix will not make another exclusive tie with a film firm, officials state.



Are net radio billings out?

The campaign which sponsor is waging to bring advertisers the kind of dollar data on tv and radio appropriations that they get on magazine and newspapers was rewarded when TvB announced that spot television figures will soon be available.

But on the heels of that cheery report we learn that Publishers Information Bureau, as of August 1955, has dropped publication of net radio billing figures. This is a decision which we keenly regret. Our regret is based not only on our conviction that sponsors and agencies are entitled to the same up-to-date comparable dollar data on the four radio networks as on other ad media, but because the action may be grossly misinterpreted.

PIB's decision came solely because the new network rates and discounts do not lend themselves to comparable data for all four. The problem is that the ratecards of three radio networks (CBS, ABC, MBS) allow only a small gap between gross and net prices. NBC's ratecard shows a substantially larger gap between gross and net.

PIB traditionally shows only gross billings—whether the medium be magazines, newspapers, net tv, or net radio.

We don't know the answer to this one. But there must be an answer. We believe that the health of every advertising medium is closely linked to the steady flow of vital statistics which the medium makes available to its clients and prospective clients. Spot radio has suffered because it hasn't provided such data. Now net radio data is withdrawn. All other major media are fully represented.

Will radio broadcasters sit back and let this happen?

### Tv set count

Report #6: Good news to advertisers and agencies, as well as to all tv broadcasters, was contained in a release issued last week by the NARTB Committee charged with development of an industry tv set count formula.

Signed by Chairman Robert Swezey, the statement contained these points: (1) the NARTB's goal is one system acceptable to the whole industry. In this it seeks to eliminate confusion and provide the industry with the counterpart of ABC for printed media; (2) the process of getting one valid system has been a long one and the method is now being field tested by Politz; (3) the Politz results will be ready for analysis early in 1956. If the method proves sound a full-scale pilot study will be done in two markets during 1956; (4) the Committee hopes

that the NARTB's first national tw set count will be available by mid-1957; (5) The Committee pledges itself to proceed with all possible speed and to keep the industry informed.

Chairman Sweezey told SPONSOR that these three steps are the big ones: (1) develop and decide on a suitable method, (2) set up an industry corporation as soon as the tested method is ready, (3) farm out the tested method for implementation. He said that the Politz conclusions, to be ready in early spring, will go to the NARTB Research Committee for further analysis and conclusions, then to the NARTB Tv Board.

sponsor's articles and editorials calling for an industry set count were commended during the Committee's New York meeting on which the release was based. The profusion of present tv set estimates, and the danger of still more to confuse the advertiser, was cited as sufficient reason for a "full speed ahead."

The Committee contains some of the nation's top tv broadcasters, including, in addition to Chairman Swezey: Campbell Arnoux, WTAR-TV, Norfolk, Va.; Richard A. Borel, WBNS-TV, Columbus; Kenneth L. Carter, WAAM, Baltimore; Harold Hough, WBAP-TV, Fort Worth; Clair R. Mc-Collough, KGAL-TV, Lancaster, Pa.; Ward L. Quaal, WLW-T, Cincinnati; Paul Raibourn, KTLA, Los Angeles; J. Leonard Reinsch, WSB-TV, Atlanta; Donald W. Thornburgh, WCAU-TV, Philadelphia; Lee B. Wailes, Storer Broadcasting Co., Miami Beach; Hugh M. Beville, Jr., NBC; Donald W. Coyle, ABC; Oscar Katz, CBS.

# Applause

### Radio's unusual pitch

For most of October and November, timebuyers, account executives, advertisers and station representatives in seven key cities will listen to an unusual sales presentation on Southern California radio prepared by the Southern California Broadcasters Association, probably the most active group of its kind in the industry.

The presentation is unusual in its conception and presentation. It is unusual in its use of arresting techniques,

including ultraphonic sound and six speakers scattered throughout the presentation room. It is unusual in the conversational technique between Frank Crane, president of SCBA who makes the presentation, and taped comments of such personalities as Groucho Marx, Mel Blanc and Bill Thompson. It is unusual in the market and result facts it presents.

The presentation will go from New York to Philadelphia to Detroit to Chicago to Portland to Los Angeles to San Francisco. The Portland showing came about when members of the Oregon Broadcasters' Association, eager to get the advantage of this outstanding radio pitch, pledged a gathering of 1,000 and two plane loads of timebuyers from Seattle.

Four Southern California broadcasters, in addition to Mrs. Crane, will assist Mr. Crane in the presentations. We've just heard the presentation and we label it one of the most effective in radio's history.



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