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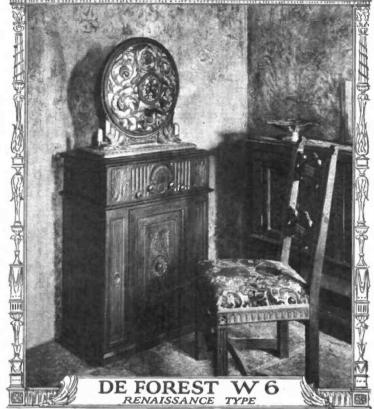


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### The Greatest Gift to Radio

By Henry M. Neely

THIS month's issue of Radio in the Home is very largely devoted to the modern method of "link" broadcasting, and takes up in turn a typical evening on the wide-spread link organized by WEAF and also to the new and different kind of chain just organized in Chicago to cover a mid-continent territory.

As an introduction to these two features I want to call our

readers' attention once again to the very wonderful gifts of entertainment and instruction that these combinations are making pos-

Broadcasting, as done by high-grade concerns of this kind, is commercial in its intent, but the good taste and judgment shown in the way the programs are handled. and the supreme excellence of the program material, lift these broadcasts far and away above any of the crude attempts that are made by smaller stations to put across bold advertising stunts on the air

Link broadcasting as now developed in these systems, has for its primary object the furnishing of such an attractive program nightly, that you and I will make every effort possible to stay home for the evening and listen to every bit of it. These are costly programs; they are given by great artists, and the services of great artists command high fees.

Nobody can afford to pay these great expenses without getting some return for the money thus invested night after night. Organizations which are sponsoring

the various numbers on these programs, are willing to spend these huge sums and ask nothing in return except that we permit them to tell us that the entertainment is given with their compliments and that we, as a reward to them, permit them to create in us such a feeling of friendship and gratitude that, when we

happen to be in the market for some such product as they manufacture, our thoughts will naturally turn to them, and we should give them the preference in deciding upon the brand to purchase.

These concerns apparently feel satisfied that the friendly feeling which their concerts are arousing is, in fact, resulting in a distinct financial gain to them. Personally, I trust that this is

the case: I should consider it most deplorable and most ungrateful on our part if we were to enjoy wonderful entertainment night after night in our homes and then refuse to give any adequate and substantial evidence of our appreciation.

If it were not for such programs as these. Radio today would be about where its was three years ago. It is impossible for several hundred broadcasting stations scattered all over the country, to run programs daily and nightly over a period of years with local talent and give the radio audience anything other than a fair grade of entertainment. No station could possibly afford the tremendous outlay of money that would be necessary to keep these programs always up to the high mark demanded by a modern cultured audience.

So the manufacturer comes in and spends hundreds of thousands of dollars to give us these programs. and I think that we should remember he is running a risk of not getting much of his money back. While realizing that his ultimate object must of necessity be commercial, we must also

allow him a very large measure of public spirited benevolence. and most certainly we must admit that he is a gambler whose nerve entitles him to admiration.

All through the last two years, the programs furnished in (Continued on Page 32)

### What Kind of Set Do You Want?

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Our correspondence shows us that the average non-technical reader is puzzled to choose among a<sup>n</sup>.—† the various ests that he nees advertised. He does not know whather the price asked for a set includes loud-speaker, tubes, batteries and other accessories, and he fails to find the answer to his most natural question, which is, "How much will the whole thing, completely installed in my home ready to work, cost me?"

For the bruefit of our readers and their friends, we have established a Bugers' Service Department just to help out in such problems. This corvice will give advice without regard to advertising, and this advice will be entirely for the purpose of making friends of you and your friends rather than making friends of any of the manufacturers.

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much money you can afford to opend for your complete radio installation. Tell us where you are located and also tell us, if you
can possibly find it out, just about what kind of reception your
neighbors get and what kind of sets they use. The matter of
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more than these in your immediate neighborhood get with firstclass sats.

Tell us just who is going to use your set, whether your prime object is supreme selectivity, great distance, bountiful quality of reproduction, or such ease of manipulation that your child can tune

It will be much better for you to go "window-shopping" first and make a note of the various makes of receivers which soom to suit your fancy. Then write us, telling us, in their order, the makes which you soom to like best, giving us the other information as well, and we will then advise you according to our best

judgment. There will be no charge for this service. If you are not in the market for a set at present, hand this to some friend of yours who is. He does not even have to be a reader of this magnine to be entitled to our advice.

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# ESDAY NIGHTon I the LINK

By Henry M. Neely





Two of WEAF's hostess-accompanists-Kathleen Stewart above and Winifred T. Barr in the circle

NEW YORK has certain attractions that are visited regularly by every one from out of town who may be interested in any particular phase of life. To the radio fan, I imagine that Station WEAF, on the fourth floor of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company Building, at 195 Broadway,

must rapidly be assuming its place among such attractions, and if the visiting fan had his choice, I have no doubt that he would want to go to this station on a Tuesday night.

Tuesday night on the "link" of stations, connected with WEAF by wire for simultaneous broadcasting, earned its big reputation some time ago. Thursday night is now coming forward as a serious competitor on this same link, and I expect this winter will bring additional interest to other evenings of the week, so that it is impossible to forecast at this time just how a popularity vote might result six months from now.

Tuesday night is, however, unquestionably considered typical of what radio holds in store for the possessor of a good receiving set.

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THE SUPER-BOOSTER

With Ross Gorman and his syncopaters leading off from the Earl Carroll Theatre, followed by the wonderfully appealing singing of old plantation songs by Goldy and Dusty, then through the uniformly satisfying Eveready Hour to the tabloid opera by the WEAF Grand Opera Company, and so to the end with an hour of tantalizing

dance music by the Vincent Lopez Orchestra, with the friendly voice of Lopez himself at the microphone, to the closing number "On the Radio," and the signing off sung to this music, Tuesday evening seems to me to present about as perfectly balanced a musical program as one could wish for.

Cards of invitation to the studio for Tuesdays are at a premium in New York. Broadcasting an ambitious program of this kind is a mighty serious business, and everything



The ever - popular announcer, Graham Mc-Namee

must go with clocklike precision, so it
would not do to admit too many people
to the studios. But
editors and office
cats are allowed to
sheak in almost anywhere, and so I am
able to give you a
little glimpse behind the scenes on
this night of nights
for the radio fan.

Some time ago we printed photographs showing the

real magnificence of the furnishings of these New York studios, and so it will not be necessary for me to give you a description of them here. In fact, I couldn't if I wanted to. I went to the station fully intending to keep my mind absolutely on the business in hand and notice everything. But I didn't. When I entered the reception room I was met by Miss Kathleen Stewart, who is known as a "hostess-accompanist," and from then on I forgot the object of my visit to the studio, and, furthermore, I didn't care. Miss Stewart certainly must know what such a dazzling smile as hers must do to the mind of a mere man. And yet, knowing that I was there to observe everything, she deliberately smiled at me. The coward! That's why I cannot describe much that happened for you.

The early part of Tuesday evening gives the artists an opportunity to rehearse or to chat with their friends, because the Ross Gorman program comes directly by wire from the theatre and does not require space in the studio. The other radio artists gather in the large studio, while Goldy and Dusty go into the smaller one and prepare for their half hour of song and patter.

The weekly appearance of Gorman and orchestra began September 8 from WEAF and five other stations (WEEI, WWJ, WJAR, WCAE and WFI). Mr. Gorman, one of the most versatile reed instrumentalists in the country, and his all-star musicians broadcast their dance music direct from the auditorium of the Earl Carroll

Theatre, in New York City, where they are appearing as one of the big attractions in the current "Vanities."

This orchestra, recruited from the ranks of the orchestras of Paul Whiteman, Vincent Lopez, California Ramblers, Ray Miller and Eddie Elkins, is probably one of the greatest aggregations of individual stars to go on the air. Every program is different, varying from the "smoothest" harmonies to the "hottest" jazz, played from original arrangements.

Ross Gorman, himself the master of twenty-one instruments, recently organized his orchestra after an association of five years with the Paul Whiteman Concert Orchestra, in which he was featured saxophone and reed instrument

> soloist. He is the son of John and Stella Gorman, famous musicians before him. His father was a member of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and later appeared as a soloist with Gilmore's Band. At the age of 10, Ross Gorman had mastered the clarinet, saxophone and drums and appeared with his parents in vaudeville under the

During the playing by the Gorman Orchestra, the small studio was of particular interest to me on that evening, because I discovered that "Goldy" was Harvey Hindermeyer, and Harvey and I sang in the same choir together twenty-five years ago in Philadelphia. I am not quite sure in my memory whether he used to borrow lunch money from me or I borrowed it from him; probably it was about fifty-fifty. However, I was mighty glad to find that Harvey does not have to borrow lunch money any more, and my only regret is that I cannot say the same about myself.

During their patter and their singing the Gold-Dust Twins have a double microphone, one hanging from each end of a crossarm on a metal stand, and under each hangs a long sheet of paper containing the cues for their songs and their speaking lines.

During their performance they are not nearly so serious and businesslike as they sound. They are constantly making fun of each other during the solos, and there is a delightful air of informality which shows that they have long since recovered from the stage fright that effects most artists the first few times they face a microphone.

The thing that impressed me most was the fact that both Goldy and Dusty have discovered that the best blending of their voices and the best transmission comes when they are singing so softly that they would hardly be heard twenty feet away if there were an audience present. Keeping close to the microphone and singing pianissimo has been found to accomplish the best results.

All during this act the Eveready artists have been gathering in the large studio adjoining, and the moment Mr. Joy signs off from the small studio for the Gold-Dust Twins, the operator in the glass-inclosed booth between the studios throys a switch and



To the left is James Haupt and below is Phillips Carlin, announcers and also singers

Leslie Joy Announcer

name of "The Kiltie Trio."

Every artist appearing in the current "Vanicurrent "Vani-ties" Orchestra is a soloist of note. The personnel is as follows: Donald Voorhes, director; "Red" Nichols, cornet, late star of the "California Ramblers"; Don Lindley, trumpet (and arranger).

recently with Roger Wolfe Kahn Orchestra; "Miff" Mole, trombone, star artist, Ray Miller's Orchestra; Tony Colicchio, violin and banjo, late of the Vincent Lopez Orchestra; Al Evans, reeds, formerly with the "California Ramblers" and Eddie Elkins; William McGill, saxophone, noted Paul Whiteman artist; Harold Nobel, reeds, novelty artist with Paul Whiteman; Jack Harris, violin, former director of the Paul Whiteman Society Orchestras; Wilton Suskind, piano, premier recording artist for the Ampico; Jules Klein, cymbalon, late of the Paul Whiteman Concert Orchestra; Bernard Aquilino, bass and reeds, formerly with Vincent Lopez and Paul Whiteman; Dave Grupp, drums, premier recording xylophonist.





Phillips Carlin is on the air, saying, perhaps:

"Here we are about to present another Eveready Hour, the period of entertainment for which the National Carbon Company, makers of Eveready flashlight and radio batteries, engages the facilities of these stations and WSAI, Cincinnati, and WCCO, St. Paul-Minneapolis, ten in all, each Tuesday evening.

"So swiftly are these summer months passing that it seems but a few days since we inaugurated our hot-weather policy of having orchestral combinations instead of group performances. Already the Eveready Chamber Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Max

Jacobs, has appeared twice as the feature of the hour, and tonight marks their third performance. The soloist for the program is Wilfred Glenn, whose deep basso has come to you many times during our former periods of group and or-chestral entertainment. Through the combined talents of singer and instrumentalists, a series of selections will be brought to younumbers chosen especially for their musical worth and simplicity, and more important still, for their qualities of appeal.

Ross Gorman and his Earl Carroll Vanities
Orchestra



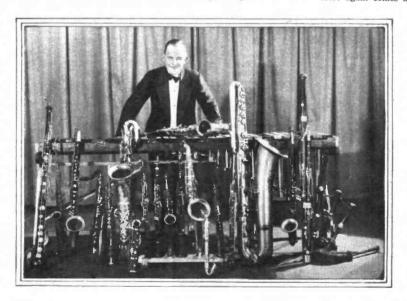
Ross Gorman, who, with his Earl Carroll Vanities Orchestra, broadcasts a program of dance music from WEAF direct from the theatre at 8:00 every Tuesday evening "The orchestra will begin the program with the 'Children's Overture' of Quilter. There are fifteen parts to this introductory selection, each one a miniature with a separate title. The names of the parts are as fascinating as the music itself, but time does not permit us to list them all. However, such quaint names as this appear throughout the suite: 'Girls and Boys Come Out to Play,' 'Upon Paul's Steeple Stands a Tree,' 'Dames, Get Up and Bake Your Pies,' 'There was a Lady Loved a Swine,' 'Baa, Baa, Black Sheep,' and lots of others just as imaginative. We will let you judge for yourselves."

Here again comes an evidence of how

n evidence of how carefully these link programs are arranged. If you have no watch with you, but have a "script" of the performance, you can almost tell the exact time at any moment during this hour.

Everything on these programs is so carefully arranged and re-hearsed that an exact schedule is followed. It the leader finds that he is slightly ahead of his schedule at any time, he will play the next selection a little slowly, or, if he is behind, he will increase the tempo.

A whole hour of constant playing in a stuffy (Continued on Page 17)





MOST of us, I think, get a bit fed up from time to time with modern jazz concerts. We are inclined to believe that there was music before the modern era of gayety, and we heave a little sigh of relief when our eardrums are getting a rest from the shrieks of the saxophone. For this reason

with tunes both old and new, "brighten

the corner where you are.

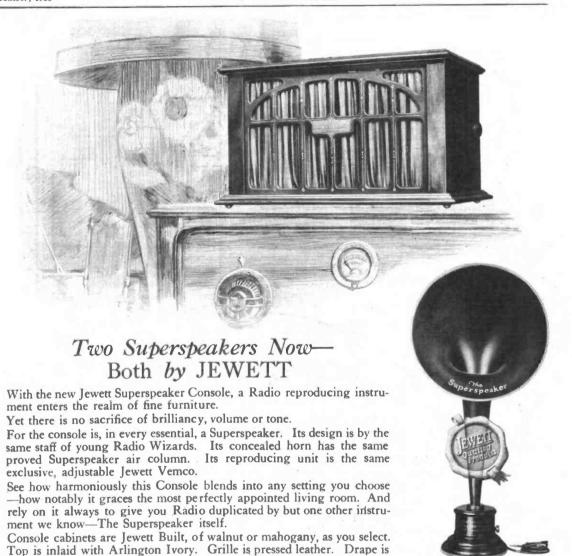
with the boys: "Good evenin' to you, white folks, An' colored folks, how do: We've worked all day, Now it's time to play,

ities with your parents or grandparents. You will have "Carry Me Back to O! Virginny" and "Lucky Moon." In fact, you are pretty sure to begin to enjoy yourself

as soon as a certain chant trickles out through your loud-speaker. You probably have already learned to sing the little tune

studio they were using a piece of music dated 1898. It was yellowed and worn and patched. I hardly dared touch it for fear it would crumble. Many of their songs come to them from listenersin. For instance, a doctor in New Hampshire wrote them that he had listened to them so long and their programs was so clean-cut that he hoped they would accept a collection of old songs which he and his wife were sending them, and which had been in their possession all their lives. One of their most popular tunes is "Kemo, Kimo." It was found in a book of songs used by the Christy Minstrels of Civil War

You get into the atmosphere of the hour with the opening announcement, "Here they are again, our husky, dusty, Gold Dust Twins, ready to bring into your homes the song which brightens the corner where you are." Then the listeners-in who tune into WEAF and its nine-station tie-up reaching



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out to Davenport, lowa, settle back and listen to a program something like this: 1, duet—I Want to Go to Morrow; 2, instrumental—By the Light of the Stars; 3, solo, Dusty—Kemo, Kimo; 4, instrumental—Why Couldn't It Be Poor Little Me?; 5, duet—My Creole Sue; 6, instrumental—Fascination; 7, solo, Dusty—When You and I Were Young, Maggie; 8, instrumental—Born and Bred in Ol' Kentucky; 9, duet, Walk—Jawbone; 10, duet—The Old Rugged Crass.

You probably have often wished that you had copies of some of their songs. The requests that come to them for these songs delight their hearts, although sometimes they are intensely amusing as in the case of the man who requested copies of all their songs because he wanted to put on a minstrel show. One of the most popular of these songs is "Dandy Jim ob Carolina." Here are the words so that the next time they sing it you may join in and sing with them.

I've often heard it said ob late, Dat South Car'lina was de State, Whar handsome darkies boun' to shine, Like Dandy Jim ob Caroline.

### Chorus

For ma ol' massa tole me so, I'm de bes' lookin' darky in de country oh, I looked in de glass an' I foun' it so, Jes as massa tole me oh.

I dresst maself fum top to toe, An' down to Dinah's I did go, Wid pantaloons strapped down behin', Like Dandy Jim ob Caroline.

De bulldog cleared me out ob de yard, I thot I'd better leab ma card, I tied it fas' to a piece ob twine, Signed Dandy Jim ob Caroline.

She got ma card an' wrote me a letter, An' ebery word she spelt de better, Fo' ebery word an' ebery line, Was Dandy Jim ob Caroline.

Oh beauty is but skin deep, But with Miss Dinah none compete; She changed her name fum lubly Dine To Mrs. Dandy Jim ob Caroline.

It is rather a sensitive point with these two gentlemen that the laudatory criticisms which they always receive sometimes include the phrase, "although they are failures as humorists." Goldy and Dusty want it distinctly understood that they don't even think they are humorists; that they have no ambition whatever along those lines. Their patter is purely to introduce that vocal and instrumental music because they aim to give not a vaudeville performance, but a half hour of music of one certain type.

I want you to meet Goldy, who is known outside the studio as Mr. Harvey Hindermeyer. Mr. Hindermeyer, as you know, is the tenor. A stocky, jolly gentleman he is, with closely curling hair and glasses, while his companion, Dusty, who is Mr. Earle Tuckerman, is a tall, slender gentleman with a bass voice.

Mr. Hindermeyer was born in Pennsylvania, although he has lived in New York for twenty years. He matriculated at Swarthmore College, but he found that the singing ability, which he had inherited from two musical parents, interfered with

his studying. His grandfather had been a good tenor when still past eighty, so he decided that music should be his profession. He had made his initial appearance when a small boy in a church choir in St. Mark's in Philadelphia. This he followed until finally leaving his position as tenor-soloist in a Roman Catholic Cathedral, he came to the Cavalry Episcopal Church in New York. He has sung all the Gilbert and Sullivan operas in New York, he appeared with the American Singers Opera Company, which did all the great operas in English except "Carmen." which was done in French to please Miss Marguerite Sylva, who sang in French. Then he appeared with Mrs. Fiske in "Nellie of New Orleans."

Concert work took him from coast to coast, and during the digging of the Panama Canal he did eight concerts for Uncle Sam. He now records solos for Edison records. One of the high marks in Mr. Hindermeyer's career is the fact that he won a scholarship at the Metropolitan Opera House from Mr. Conrad, former director, the predecessor of Gatti-Casazza. Aside from singing the twins are athletically inclined, but their golf scores are too terrible to mention.

Mr. Tuckerman comes from Watertown, New York, where he was a train dispatcher on the New York Central. His first boss was Mr. Crawley, now president of the New York Central. They are still good friends and have watched each other's success with interest. One must admire Dusty's courage. Ten years ago he decided his love of music was greater than his love of railroads, so he and his wife burned all their bridges behind them and came to New York. His sole experience had been singing in Trinity Church in Watertown, and some small concerts. In Yonkers, Mr. Tuckerman got a church job. In the spring, after his arrival, he was one of the hundred aspirants for the position of bass soloist in the Fourth Presbyterian Church in New York. He got the job and stayed there for six years, and there Goldy came as a tenor. Goldy is still there, but Dusty moved to the Chapel of Intercession of Trinity Parish. His work has been confined to concert and oratorical singing and work with the American Musical Festival, which covered three seasons. He also appeared with the Stadium Symphony at the Lewinson Stadium in New York. Both men feel that this work is far, in a way, the most interesting

> And now it is time for the listenersin on Stations WEAF, New York; WJAR, Providence; WCAE, Pittsburgh; WGR, Buffalo; WEEL, Boston; WFI, Philadelphia; WWJ, Detroit, and WOC, Davenport, to do their share. Send a note to the Gold Dust Twins, saying you like them, and will be listening for their program next Tuesday evening at 8:30. These letters raise their spirits and dispel their worries, for they prove that Goldy and Dusty have "brightened the corners where you are." Address the Gold Dust Twins, c. o. Station WEAF, 195 Broadway, New York City, or to the station through which their program reaches you.

in which they have ever been engaged. Why they feel so may be judged best from some of the letters which come to them from all over the country. I will let you read some of them for yourselves.

"Dear Goldy and Dusty:

"I am going to tell you a tiny but interesting story.

"When a wee-wee girl of less than 5, I remember distinctly the most interesting thing about my first visits to grandmothers was the box of Dust with pictures of the little dark-colored twins sitting on grandmother's kitchen shelf. That was about thirty years ago! Ahem!

"Then mother always used it, and—like mother—daughter uses it. I wonder if my children will pass it down to theirs and so on

"Old friends are best, so keep on making the corners shine. Best wishes to you, Goldy and Dusty."

"Goldy and Dusty, you brighten our hearts,
The same as the corners where we are,
You have a line that cleans 'em all—

Be they near, or be they far.

And when you are called to that land above (But not for a hundred years, we trust). You'll be placed where the corners are always bright.

And on every street you'll find Gold Dust."

Goldy and Dusty have a list of more than one thousand songs which have been requested. One man sent them a book of old Negro spirituals, copyrighted 1830. Another wrote that although he is now 80 he could remember his grandfather singing seventy-five years ago the old plantation song which they played, called "O!" Dad Watermelon."

Speaking of the choice of the Gold Dust Twins to represent the Gold Dust Corporation, Mr. Arthur C. Lang, the Director of Sales and Advertising, says: "I believe the biggest thing an advertiser has to face is the choice of his vehicle. This must be something that typifies his product. We needed a household program. The choice of Mr. Hindermeyer and Mr. Tuckerman to present this program was the result of an elimination contest. We have had no applause cards, so that any one writing their appreciation of the Gold Dust Twins program must do so at their own volition. It is interesting to note that 60 per cent of the communications come in envelopes under two-cent postage; 42 per cent are sent by women; 18 comes from Mr. and Mrs. and family, while 37 per cent are from men. The children are also represented.'

The twins send personal replies as often as they can in response to these letters of appreciation, but recently prepared attractive little yellow-and-black leaflets entitled "Chummy Chatter." These are decorated with the famous trade-mark in which the little black Gold Dust Twins are shown in various radio attitudes. In them you will find a bit of chummy chatter written by the twins and an occasional household hint. Any one interested in a special booklet entitled, "The Accomplished Housewife," may also have a copy on request.

"An' now, folks, Goldy An' Dusty Wish yo' all Good-night!"



THE Everendy Hour is developing a new form of writing—the "continuity" for radio presentation, analagous to the script for the photoplay or the prompt book for the stage. The most popular of these radio presentations yet written is undoubtedly "The Golden Wedding." It marks the high-water mark so far reached by Paul F. Stacy, of the N. W. Ayer Advertising Agency, who has done all of these continuities for the Everendy Hour. In order that our readers may have a more exact picture of the behind-thescenes atmosphere at these events, I have

STATIONS WEAF, WEEL, WJAR, WFI, WCAE, WGR, WEAR, WWJ, WOO, WCCO.

secured the finished continuity of "The Golden Wedding" and am printing it here. H. M. N.

(String quartet begins "Long, Long Ago," softly after call letters, playing through following announcement by Mc-Namee.)

Nine o'clock is striking here-and 8 o'clock where some of you are listening. Meaning that the Eveready Hour again is beginning its race with sixty minutes as the clock ticks. This is the period for which the National Carbon Company,

Paul F. Stacy, who, in writing the "continuities" for the Eveready Hour, is creating a new form of literary work akin to the movie scenario

makers of Eveready batteries, engages the facilities of these ten stations every Tuesday evening for the presentation of its radio program creations.

Early in December of last year, Paul Stacy, who arranges for the Eveready Hour programs, built a setting for an hour of old-time songs, old favorites that had been requested by the radio audience. This program became known as the Golden Wedding Anniversary. Requests for its repetition have been so persistent that the Eveready artists are all set, with cider and doughnuts and all the fixing, ready to take us back again to the wholesome pleasures of yestervear.

Imagine, if you will, John and Mary Bishop, a little disappointed because their golden wedding anniversary brought with it the most severe blizzard of the winter. In their modest farm home, the supper

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table is just being cleared. The Bishops are alone except for Hannah, their hired girl. Sons and daughters have migrated to the city. Except for Hannah and a few neighboring farm folk, the Bishops' home life is largely a matter of living upon tender memories. Their golden wedding day has reached its evening hours with only the screaming blizzard outside for its cele-

(Wind machine used with moderation during entire performance, growing forte when doors open.)

Mother Bishop has gone to the kitchen, leaving Father Bishop and Hannah together in the dining room. Apparently they share a secret-but one they have been endeavoring all day to keep from Mother. Let us listen to their conversation.

(String quartet modulates to ending naturally.)

(Heavier gust of wind just before conversation.)

Glenn: My! Sounds like a regular oldtime blizzard. Wonder if the folks will come?

Alice Smith: Pretty hard to keep young folks away from a party, Mr. Bishop. They don't mind a storm, you know. (Sound of dishes being scraped and piled.)

Glenn: Hannah, do you think Mother pects? Heard her say anything? Supsuspects? pose she knows of our surprise party for her? Eh? her?

Alice: No, ain't heard a thing-Sh-SH-



The Everendy Mixed Quartet (left to right): Tom Grisselle, accompanist; Charles Harrison, tenor; Ethyl Hayden, soprano; Rose Bryant, contralto and Wilfred Glenn, bass



SH! Don't let the cat out of the Here comes Mother now. (Clatter of dishes.)

Rose: Now, John, what

are you two up to?
Glenn: Oh, 'tain't nothin', Mother. Hannah was just tellin' as how you was singing your old songs today. Sing it again, Mother.

Rose: Seems like we both should sing something togethertoday, John. 'Tain't right to complain, but "Tain't it is too bad that this storm had to come on our anniversary. Perhaps some of the neighbors might have dropped in if it wasn't so stormy. I'd set a great store their visiting us today, John.

Glenn: Wall, who knows

Alice (quick): Wh celebrate by ourselves. Why not come along with me, Mother. I'll play for ye and you sing same as ye did this mornin'.

Rose: All right. We'll have a little party-we three and the storm. know it was lovely of our Bill to send us the present of a piano, but, somehow, tonight-I like the melodeon better. Seems a part of us, more than the piano doestonight. Play it on the melodeon, Hannah.

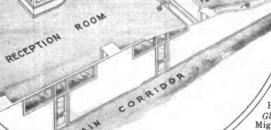
Long, Long, Ago-(Rose and melodeon)

(Only a fragment of this is played and sung. It is interrupted by sound of sleigh bells, at a distance at first—then drawing nearer—voices also during following, calling "whoa," etc.)

Alice (stops playing): Listen! Some sleigh bells passing!! Wonder who's goin' where? No, no, they've stopped. They've stopped. They've stopped here. They're comin' here!

Rose: Who do you suppose it is? Glenn: I wonder! (Chuckles as he speaks lines.)

(Knock at door. Voices calling "Hello. there," etc. Extra forte gust of wind.



A schematic diagram of WEAF's studios located on fourth floor of the American Telephone and Telegraph Building, New York City

Murmuring of mixed voices forte.)

Voices (simultaneously) Sliker: Hello, Misses Bishop. Rose: Hello, Mr. Bishop. Morgan and Smith: Congr

Congratulation, congratulations!

Coulter: How d'ye do! Hello, Hannah! Harrison: How are ye, John, evenin',

(General merriment, female voices laughing.)

Above is the complete group of artists which broadcast during the Eveready Hour from WEAF

BATTERY

Webb: Starts solo "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet.'

Smith: Joins in "With the Blue Ribbon on It." Tutti: To finish ending in laughter.

(Steady hum of chatter during dialogue.) Stacy: Couldn't let a little thing like a storm stop our celebrating this occasion with you. John. Fifty years married and lookin' like a young bride, ye are, Mary Bishop!

(Cries of No, No! Course We Couldn't! Sure!)

Rose: This is real nice of you, Henry-you and everybody. Glenn: Glad ter see you all.

Mighty fine of ye ter turn out on a night like this just for Mother and me. Here, Hannah, help 'em find a place for their wraps. Take yer things off and make yerselves right ter home.

Voices (simultaneously increase hum of chatter.)

Female voice: I'm half frozen. Sliker: Come over here by the fire and warm up.

Rose . Lemme have yer coats and hats. Tutti: Here's mine, Hannah. Here's another. And another.

Alice: Hold on there. Not too many. I ain't no plow horse.

### (Laughter)

Morgan: Here's my overshoes, too, Hannah.

Alice: I'll be back again. You hold your horses, Jake Allen.

Stacy: John, we druv into the village an' brought Max Jacobs an' his fiddlers out to play fer ye. Soon's their fingers are thawed out, they'll tune up, I guess.

Max Jacobs: We kin start any time ye



Another group of Eveready artists-Max Jacob's String Quartet

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say, squire. What'll ye have? Sliker: Give us a polka or sumpin' so's we can warm up. Voices (simultaneously): Yes, a polka, a polka.

Morgan: Come on, Sarah, me an' you's goin' ter have this fust one together.

Orchestra (Plays gavotte. Voices exclaiming and laughter during dance).

(Sleigh bells heard again as gavotte is coming to close. Dancers stop, inquiring: "Who's comin'? Somebody comin'? Who is it?" Ra Ran at door as sleigh bells stop. Wind gust louder.)

Harrison: Hello, Ma. Hello, Pa. (simultaneously): Voices It's Bishop. Well, I never. Hello, Bill.

Harrison: How are you, Ma? Guess you thought, Pa, we'd never get here, eh? Rose: Bill-my boy, oh, I'm so glad to

see vou! Glenn: Hello, boy. Glad you got here. 'Fraid you wouldn't make it.

Harrison: The snow almost stopped us. Train blocked for over two hours. But we wouldn't miss Mother's Golden Wedding for anything. No, sir, would we, Ma? And these are the friends I wrote you about. You see, they have never been outside of a city in winter-never seen a real country blizzard. Guess they're getting one tonight all right—all right, eh?

Voices: They're gettin' one all right. Yes, sure are.

Harrison: Now I want you all to know our guests. Ma-Pa-folks-meet Alice Smith and Rose Bryant.

Voices (simultaneously): How do'ye do. Glad ter know yer.

Rose: I'm real glad you could come. Hannah'll help you with your things.

Harrison: And now meet Charles Harrison and Wilfred Glenn. You've heard them sing for the phonograph, remember?

Voices (simultaneously): Glad ter meet ye, Mr. Harrison. How d'ye do, Mr. Glenn. Glenn: I was hopin' ye'd be able ter come with our Bill. Let me tak' yer duds fer ve.

(Voices continue chatter during dialogue)

Stacy: Mrs. Bishop, the boys over to our place have been practicing some songs, sort of getting ready so's they could sing for ye tonight. Sometimes they was singin' when they oughter been milkin'. Butthey want to sing their pieces now so's they kin enjoy them doughnuts and cider that Hannah's passin' around.

Voices (simultaneously)

Sliker: No doughnuts for you fellers till you sing.

Webb: Gee, we've gotter listen to Morgan and Sliker.

Morgan: Come on, boys, do yer worst. Coulter: Ho, Webb, sing pretty or no cider.

Male Quartet

"Old Oaken Bucket" and "Sweet Genevieve" Voices (applauding quartet): "Good work, boys." "That's the boy."

Silker: Now, Hannah, guess we've earned a fresh batch o' them doughnuts, ain't we?

(Laughter, and "Here give them a

drink. Sure, etc.")

Harrison: Ma, our friends from the city all sing. Want to hear them sing something'

Rose: I think it would be lovely. Harrison: All right. What would

you like to hear?

Rose: Oh, anything they sing will be nice. I'm sure. I'd—I'd—I'd like it if they happened to know "Sweet and Low."

Alice: Why, yes. We'd be glad to

To the left is Max Jacob, Conductor of the Chamber Symphony Orchestra. Below, the Male Quartet (left to right)-Charles Harrison, tenor; Tom Grisselle, accompanist; Ells-worth Sliker, bass; Arnold Morgan, 2nd tenor, and Theodore Webb, baritone





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sing it, Mrs. Bishop.

Mixed Quartet "Sweet and Low" (applause follows).

Glenn: That's just fine, folks. Won't you keep right on singin'? Alies: We will, later, Mr. Bishop. If you don't mind. You see, this cold air has made us all

hungry and those doughnuts-Rose: You poor dears. How stupid of me. Hannah, please bring some hot coffee, and—.

Voices (simultaneously): Set right down here. Hey, Lonzo, pass them doughnuts. some cider. Miss B.

Male Quartet
Starts "In the Gloaming," while dialogue is going on. Followed by applause.

Maz Jacobs: Say, Henry, we're tuned up again. Want a waltz?

Voices (simultaneously): That's the stuff, Max. Clear the room. Goin' ter dance.

Orchestra Plays Waltz Harrison: Alice Smith will sing, now, if you want, Ma. This is one of your favorites.

Alice Sings "Sweetest Story Ever Told." with violin obbl. (Quiet applause.)

Mixed Quartet Sings "Golden Slippers" (Applause follows)

Stacy: That's surely singin' folks. We're more than obliged. You remember Robbie and his guitar, don't ye, Bill? He's practiced a piece along with the boys if you want to hear it

Voices (simultaneously): Sure! Good for Carson. Come on Robby.

Male Quartet
Sings "Juanita," with guitar.
(Applause follows)

Max Jacobs: During applause, Max starts "Virginia Reel." Voices chatter, squeal and exclaim during dance, Tutti clapping and voices calling out numbers of the dance. Laughter, etc. at end.

Harrison: How many of you remember this?

Rose and Harrison Sing "Memories of the Past," followed by quiet applause. Stacy: Mr. Bishop, won't you

sing something for us? Glenn: I ain't sung much

lately. Stacy: You got lots o' music left in you, John.

Voices (simultaneously): Sure

you have. Let's have, etc.
Glenn: All right folks. Sings
"Drink to Me Only." Applause. Stacy: That's fine, John. Wish I could sing like that. Seems like a man loses something in life if he can't get outer him the music

that's in him.

Harrison: Here's an old one that I bet you haven't heard in years. Sings "Grandfather's years. Sings "Grandfather's Clock," with ticking of the clock. Applause.

Alice: Mrs. Bishop and I

have been talking and I'm going to sing a song just for her. Sings "Sweetest Story," with 'cello obbl. Applause.

November, 1925

Orchestra Plays "Heart Bowed Down." (Applause)

Glenn: I didn't know you fellers could play like that, Ma. Friend Webb here has agreed to sing a song with Miss Smith.

Webb and Smith Sing "Sister Ruth." Applause. Stacy: Let's all get around the ano an' sing. Where's those piano an' sing. song books we brought along?

Voices (simultaneously): Let's get together. Yes. Let's all sing. Goin' to use the green book or the red one? Chatter continues between the songs.

Mized and Male Fours Sing "Medley" as arranged. Numbers broken by calling pages in red or green book.

Harrison Sings "Silver Threads" (Applause) Tutti

Sings "Seeing Nelly Home" Stacy: Get your duds on folks. You see it's gettin' pretty late for country folks, Mis' Bishop. We sorter hate to break up a party like this'n. It's been fine of you to let us haul in on you this way. But we wanted you to know that your friends are wishin' ye well on your anniversary. There's a big box out in the back entry. After we've gone or tomorrow, ye have John open it. There'll be somethin' in it to remember the night by. I'll be sayin' good night to ye, Mary. And to you, John, you old rascal.

Voices (simultaneously): Webb: Good-night, Mrs Bishop.

Alice: Had a fine time. Morgan: Night, John. Sliker: Brrr. bet it's cold out-

Rose: Good-night, everybody. Any thanks to all of you.

Glenn: Thank you, folks. Good-night. Good-night. Coulter: Say, Sarah, you're

goin' to let me ride home with you, ain't you? You promised, you know.

Female voice: Sure, if you keep me warm. Laughs.

Voices: Chattering. Harrison: Ma, I'm goin' to drive Edith home. You and Hannah show our friends to their rooms. I'll be back in a jiffy.

Good-night, good-Voices: night. (Wind blows more loudly.) Sleigh bells start.
Tutti: Sings "Merrily We'll
Roll Along." Sleigh bells die

away in distance.

Rose: I'll declare, Hannah's got the lamp all ready for you. Yes, she'll show you the way. Good-night and I hope you rest well.

Glenn: Good-night, We'll see you in the morning.

Coulter, Webb, Alice, other (Castlened on Page 44)

Seated, left to right: Elsa Ward, soprano; Olive Cornell, coloratura; Devora Nadworney, contralto, and Elvira Boni, lyric soprano Standing, let to right: Charles Walker, bass; Giuseppe di Benedetto, tenor, and William Tucker, baritone

# WEAF's Grand Opera Company

(Continued From Page 9)

studio would be enough to ruin the artistic temperament of any musician, and this has also been very cleverly taken care of.

With the start of the Eveready Hour, Goldy and Dusty leave the smaller studio and the Eveready soloist takes their place. You will usually notice that, while the soloist may have one or two numbers with orchestra accompanying, he will generally have at least one with piano accompaniment, and this one is sung in the small studio, so that the microphone in the large studio may be switched off and the other artists be given a chance to stretch themselves.

So we go on through the Eveready Hour until Mr. Carlin closes with something like this:

"The Eveready Hour, sponsored weekly by the National Carbon Company, was brought to a close with the playing of Lidow's 'Dance of the Gnats.' The Eveready Chamber Symphony Orchestra, Max Jacobs conducting, presented a series of selections culled from the numberless shorter writings of great masters, and during the course of the hour Wilfred Glenn, basso, appeared as soloist.





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The substitution of one complete orchestra for another, with instruments, music and soloists, inevitably leads to confusion, but this has to be done without any break in the program, so while the shift is taking place in the large

studio there will be, in the small studio, one or two piano solos by the hostess-accompanist. Oh, yes, I forgot to tell you that Kathleen Stewart can also play the piano. That seemed so unimportant after she smiled at me.

These tabloid grand opera performances have been tremendously popular ever since they started. The musicians have come from the ranks of Metropolitan Opera House singers—not the stars, but those who are so good that they have been understudying the stars. It has been no small job to compress these standard operas into exactly one hour of time, but if you will put your watch on the job some night you will see how astonishingly accurate the timing is.

A typical cast would include the following members of the WEAF Grand Opera Company: Elvira Boni, soprano, singing Norma; Devora Nadworney, contralto, singing Adalgias; Giuseppe di Benedetto, tenor, singing Pollione; Nino Ruisi, bass, singing Oroveso.

The entire performance is always under the direction of Caesare Sodero.



Above: Caesare Sodero, director-conductor of WEAF Grand Opera Company Left: Giuseppe di Benedetto, tenor Right: William Tucker, baritone



# PLACING THE CONSOLE RADIO

By Anne Snow

So MUCH has been done, recently, in developing a very magnificent type of radio-cabinet that we are apt to overlook the decorative possibilities of the simpler console type. The past two or three years have witnessed the death of the old-fashioned

the death of the old-fashione upright phonograph which was at first considered so standardized a form that the Victor Company actually patented it. This upright was replaced by the more graceful and elastic form which we see in the up-to-date home of today.

Radio, of course, started out by being a jester, dressed in motley. It had no accepted form. It was a collection of parts which the ostentatious fans elaborated into boxes four or five feet long, and the trickster compressed in a cigar box. From this the pendulum swung the other way and we were given magnificent imported lacquered and painted models.

There were, to be sure, some consoles among this variegated crew. Little was done, though, to beautify this form; but it has been found that this is, after all, the model which has best added an unobtrusive note of beauty to the average home.

In the accompanying group of photographs, we have some excellent examples of the exact degree to which this is true. We see, for instance, under a beautiful Italian wall mirror, an Italian-carved console cabinet holding a radio. It is flanked on either side by beautiful needlepoint chairs and needs nothing on it for decorations.

Right—Here is a rich setting, Charles of London has provided the Aeolian Company with a carved walnut Italian cabinet Below—In this room the console radio is used as a davenport table



Below—The house which enjoys simplicity of line will want this stock console of the Aeolian Company



Another inexpensive console model is that designed by the Aeolian Company. It makes a decidedly artistic corner—the satin of the surface reflected in the satin upholstery—the curving dish on its top bearing out the smooth oval of the Japanese print above it.

If, however, your home calls for something more elaborate, you may still have your console model in the beautiful Jacobean piece offered by Charles of London. This is walnut inlaid

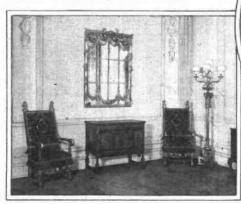
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It is, of course, especially
adapted to such a room
as the one shown here,

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and periods just
as you may in
the most massive

upright models.
Of course, most of
the models shown
here are much more
elaborate than the average home can afford,
but the manufacturers of
radio sets are producing some
of the different designs equally

attractive and much more suited to the average house that the remarks made here may be taken as a guide in placing the console almost anywhere so that the type of machine will suit the surroundings in which it is to go.



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Smiths!"

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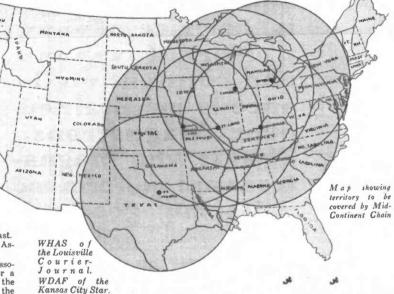
The Mid-Continent Broadcasting Associates has been chosen as the title for a "link" of six of the large stations in the Central United States, extending from the Great Lakes on the North to Texas on the South, Kentucky on the East and Missouri on the West. Sounds like a geography lesson, doesn't it?

These stations are:

KSD of the St. Louis Post-Despatch. WBAP of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.



"Pat" Barnes, Chief Announcer of WHT



WIR of the Jewett Radio and Phonograph Company, which is associated with the Detroit Free Press.

Below—The Wrigley B building houses the Execution of the Continent Chain and the Chain a

WHT of the Radiophone Broadcasting Corporation in the Wrigley Building, Chicago.

Stuart Chambers, of the St. Louis Post-Despatch, is chairman of the association, and H. J. Bligh, of WHT, is the secretary and commercial manager. Executive offices have been established at the Wrigley Building in Chicago.

It is unfortunate that you could not have been in Mr. Bligh's office, recently, as he discussed his plans for you. Good programs have been available in the past in the territorry served by the stations just named, but it is the hope of the association that their stations can furnish better programs in the future. It is their purpose to provide the best talent that money can buy, and so distribute it that all sections will have an opportunity to hear it.

The mention of a link or chain of stations at once brings to your mind a tie up, either made by wire, or by means of short waves. A different method is to be used.

In the simultaneous broadcasting of a program by a number of stations, you have to be at home at a certain time or you miss the program entirely. Suppose, for instance, that you live near St. Louis, and at 8 o'clock there is to be a program of orchestra music. You can't be home. The next morning your friends tell you all about the things you missed.

Thanks to Mid-Continent you are not going to miss the program at all! Pick up your daily paper, and in it you will find that from either WHT, WDAF, WHAS or one of the other stations in the chain, there is

Below—The Wrigley Building, Chicago. This building houses the Executive Offices of the Mid-Continent Chain and the Studio and Control Room of WHT.





being broadcast at the same hour, the same program by an orchestra trained by the same director.

You know a Paul Whiteman Orchestra is a Paul Whiteman Orchestra, no matter what city you hear it in. Similar training will be given the Mid-Continental artists. Instead of one chance to hear a program you now are going to have six. No longer can your friends gloat over the things they heard and you didn't.

Look at the map and you will see how the scheme is going to work out. A conservative range of five hundred miles has been chosen for each station. Using the location of each of

these stations in the Mid-Continent as a center, circles have been drawn on the map that have five hundred miles for a radius. You can see that except on the extreme edges of the territory—each set owner has a chance to bear two at least of the stations in the chain and sometimes more.

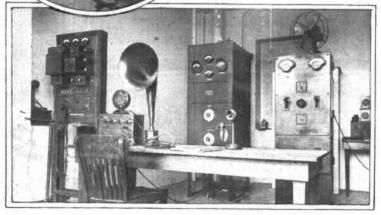
And what set owner is willing to admit that his set is only good for five hundred miles? Try tuning in on the Mid-Continent and see what is going on.

After the remarkable record made by KSD in the past year, it is difficult to see in what manner they can improve their programs. In twelve months, in addition to their regular studio programs, the station has broadcast from outside sources 258 programs in their effort to please their listeners.

Our old friend, WBAP, and the "Hired Hand" needs no introduction to the readers of Radio in the Home. We all have heard "My Old Kentucky Home" as Louisville signs on and off. WDAF is another of the "old timers." This winter you will have two new friends to play with and help you spend many a pleasant hour—WJR and WHT. Both have come on the air since the close of the last season. It would be a great

Above—"Pat" Barnes and the Gang Seated: Bernard Hanson, Zylophonist; Eleanor Gilmore, Musical Comedy Star; Eleanor Katlan, Classic Violinist; Genevieve Barry Burnham, Soprano. Standing: Jimmie Guallano, Banjoist; Jane McNonnell, Contralto; Howard Church, Banjoist; Helen Boyce, Ragtime Specialist; the boy with the smile on the bench, "Al" Carney, Organist; the boy with the white pants, "Pat" Barnes, Chief Announcer; Thora Martins, Contralto; "Buck" Weaver, Banjoist; Dorothy Wilkins, Soprano; Milton Grossman, Saxophonist

To the left is a corner of the Studio of Station KSD, St. Louis Post Despatch, St. Louis, Mo.



The Operating and Control Room of Station KSD, the St. Louis Post Despatch



The Visitors' Gallery from the Studio of WHT. "A!" Carney at the organ and "Pat" Barnes at the announcer's desk. Below is a view of the Studio and was photographed through the glass wall of the Visitors' Gallery

are there put on the air. Great care has been taken in planning the mechanical equipment and construction of the studio and the station to be sure that only the best and most modern of the broadcasting equipment is used.

If you are in Chicago, do not leave without making a trip to the Wrigley Building.
A special gallery is provided for visitors.
As you sit there listening to the program
it is hard to believe that you are not right
in the studio." One wall is a solid sheet of
glass, and the loud-speakers have been so
cleverly arranged that the illusion is nearly
perfect. Every one enjoys Al Carney and
the organ on the air, but until you have

pleasure to help you get acquainted with both WJR and WHT, but there is only just. Since WHT is slightly the older station, in addition to being the executive head-quarters of the chain it is being given slightly greater space.

The impression one gets at WHT is that everybody is having a wonderfully good time, and if it were not for the little glass sign which says: "Silence, we are on the air," which shows in red letters when the station is broadcasting, you would never realize that the staff was in the midst of the serious business of putting on a program. All of the programs from the station are sent by wire to Deerfield, Ill., and

Right—Instead of the usual "Keep Out" signs at the door of the transmitting department WHT has a sign pointing "This Way, Please!" When you get inside you find everything arranged behind glass so that you can see the works and yet not bother the operator. At the left is L. Zensen at the control desk. Standing at the panels of the transmitter are H. R. Rauson, Chief Operator, and Reeve O. Strock, Chief Engineer

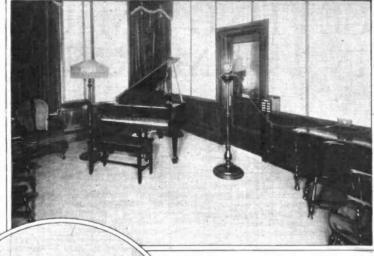
watched him play and seen him smile over his shoulder at you while he is seated at the organ bench you have no idea of what a truly interesting personality he has. Al opens and closes the programs at WHT with a short selection on the organ.

The station was due to go on the air at 10:15 the other night. Ten fourteen and a half arrived and there was no Al in sight. An orchestra, which was to give the first part of the program, was hurriedly assembled before the mike to "pinch hit" for him. Just as the sign flashed red, Al appeared from nowhere, slid onto the organ bench, and before the leader of the orchestra could raise his baton, the strains of the organ filled the studio.

This organ, by the way, contains everything that broadcasts well. The traps are complete and by merely pressing the keys, "Al" can imitate anything from a bird call to a railroad train. The beautiful appearing organ that is behind Pat Barnes and his gang is like the colored silk handkerchiefs that men used to be so fond of carrying in their coat pockets. They were

"show-ers" and not "blowers." The organ, in itself, calls for no small skill on the part of the organist. By pressing the keys half way down one note is heard and if the key is pressed all the way a different set of pipes is brought into use.

The photograph of Pat Barnes does look like Pat, but the only time he has been known to wear the expression he has in the picture was while a visiting artist was "rendering" a selection. (Render: to execute.) Pat, in addition to his duties as chief announcer, is one of the four presidents of the Your Hour Club of WHT.



A corner of the studio of Station WBAP, the Fort Worth Star Telegram

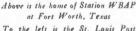
studio and the control room are in Spanish design, and are beautiful places to work. The transmitter and station are a distinct departure from the customary practice. It, too, is of Spanish architecture, but instead of being a shack stuck on the roof, or a stuffy room in one corner of the building with no attempt at anything but the most utilitarian of construction, you find a beautiful bungalow with a tile roof. In addition to housing the transmitter proper, there are a two-car garage, and rooms for the operators as well as a home for the engineer of the station and his family.

Everything about the station is as modern as any city home in spite of it being located twenty miles out in the country. There are electric ranges, electric refrigerator, shower baths, garden, and the minor details that go to make life comfortable.

Mid-Continent may not be always able to give you what you want to hear when you want to hear it, but it is willing to try. With stations of similar equipment to that of WHT they are in a position to take care of the mechanical side of the transmission. The staff of artists is capable of meeting your wishes, and if enough of you let them know what you want to hear, you will be sure to hear it.

This radio experiment in the middle of the continent is being watched with a great deal of interest by broadcasters all over the country.

It is a new idea, totally different from the one which has been made familiar by other links. Ever since the plan was first made known to those in the industry, there have been numerous arguments as to whether such an idea will better serve the public than the plan which now has become so familiar, and it is only the public who can settle these arguments. The Mid-Continent chain is on the air very largely as an experiment, and if the response from the listeners-in proves that it is what they want the future will certainly be rosy for those who have the matter in charge.



To the left is the St. Louis Post Despatch Building, the home of Station KSD

This club is well on the road to the election of vice president No. 1000. If, you listen between 11:00 and 1:00 (central standard time) you can hear if you still have a chance to become a vice president. If, you are too late, don't worry as there are to be 1000 treasurers, 1000 assistant treasurers, 1000 secretaries, and so on until the club has a complete staff of officers.

Try—just try—to get a photo of either Dean Remick or Jean Sargent! Jean Sargent is in charge of the morning program. She was formerly at WNAC in Boston. Dean Remick is the accomplished pianist so often heard from the station. The



## GETTING 'EM UP IN THE MORNING

### By Alvin Richard Plough

BILLY WATSON'S "Beef Trust" used to intrigue us. That was before we knew about radio's thrills. We used to sit enraptured in the burlesque theatre watching his galaxy of plump demoiselles cavort gayly on the stage before us. Rumor is that Billy made a million dollars through presenting his troupe of heavyweights. He was asked why he always engaged such large women for his shows, and he replied: "Well, somebody must like them fat—they marry 'em."

Since we no longer attend burlesque shows, we can look the question squarely in the face. We don't care whether they're fat or thin. If they are fat they try to get thin and if they are thin they try to get more weight, And all through the modern miracle worker—radio.

Shylock wanted to cut off the pound of flesh awarded to him by the Venetian court, but folks in this generation are content to work it off via the setting-up exercises.

There is a tremendous interest in this new feature of broadcasting. Men and women are now doing their daily dozen with extra ones thrown in for luck. Since the saloons have quit "setting them up"—

and down—it has fallen upon the physical directors to do so via radio.

"Getting-up exercises" would be a better name for them, since they are given in the wee, small hours of the morning when commuters are heading for the daily office routine and housewives are preparing to take the crinkle-paper from their shorn locks. The sun is up and so is the rest of the family—with loud-speaker turned on and windows wide open.

One physical director received a letter from a member of his class in which the writer joshed the instructor about being



Miss Emma Theye, Cincinnati, who, at the age of 52, reduced twenty-one pounds in three months' radio exercise

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Wm. Stradtmann before WLW's microphone. Photo supplied by Publicity Dept. Crosley Radio Corporation. Alvin R. Plough, manager Publicity Dept.



This is the chart which is sent by the Metropolitan to all who request it. Different exercises are selected each morning and announced by number so that all may see exactly what is to be done when the instructor starts counting. The chart is copyrighted, 1925, by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

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able to stay in a comfortable room and take the exercises while the director had to get out in the cold and go to the broadcasting. The physical director replied that the joke was on the letter writer, because the exercises were broadcast from the bedside of the instructor—and he didn't even have to get up to give them.

Setting-up exercises, however, are no joking matter. Thousands of men and women are bowing to them every morning. A man may be down but he is never out—when the hour for radio reduction work

"Fair, fat and fifty" was all right in the olden days, but not in this modern era. At least, that is what Miss Emma Theye, of Cincinnati. says and she is 52 years old. Twenty-one pounds was lost by this devotee to radio setting-up exercises in three months. She followed the class conducted by William Stradtmann. physical instructor of the Y. M. C. A., who gave his students their ups-and-down through the Crosley WLW station.

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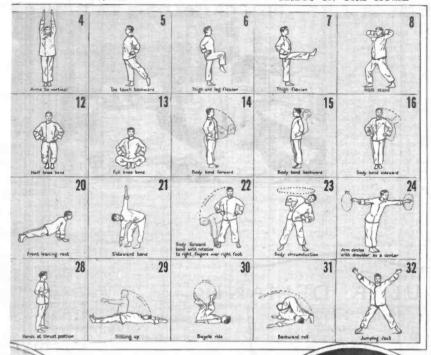
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2-Have windows open, top and bottom. 3-Good ventilation is important, but the room should not be too cold.

-Have clothing loose at neck and

5-Follow the director's instructions carefully.

6-If possible, give a full half hour to the exercises every morning.

### By Golda M. Goldman

ON THE twenty-seventh floor of the Metropolitan Life Tower on 23d street and 5th avenue, New York City, is to be found one of the most delightful broadcasting studios in the metropolis. A more gorgeous view than that obtainable from its windows is hard to be imagined. Directly in line to the south rises the companion tower of the Woolworth Building. night the Metropòlitan light gleams white and the Woolworth shines red. Below the Woolworth, New

Right-Mr. Arthur E. Baolev broadcasting the Tower Health Exercises from the studio atop the Metropolitan Life Building

# LOWER

York Harbor may be glimpsed, and on the right one looks across the Hudson, and on the left across the East River to where Brooklyn and Queens stretch away. On a clear day the burnished sun makes the river a thing of beauty.

So high above the noise of the city stands the tower that the broadcasters may leave the windows open and still nothing will go through the microphone save the sound of their own voices. From this room the voices of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company goes out to the people of the United States and brings them increased health and, therefore, increased happiness.

The first part of this new welfare program consists of the Tower Health Exercises, broadcast daily from 6:45 to 7:45 A. M., by Arthur E. Bagley. New Jersevite by birth, Mr. Bagley has specialized in Y. M. C. A. physical work for twenty-two years. Seven of these years he taught physical training in Newark, and many a

Y. M. C. A. worker received training from him in the summer schools

under" with a morning's mail commenting upon the Tower Health Exercises



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Seorge. During the war, Mr. onnected with the Fourth Engi-These brave men later tood in a breach where they vere surprised by the Germans, and fought gloriously with rench tools, but were almost unnihilated. Then he came to Camp Green, North Carolina, with the Third Division.

For many months Mr. Bagley roadcasted health talks and norning exercises purely as a abor of love from Station WOR n Newark.

When the official of the Metropolitan decided to make use of adio for the dissemination of ealth information they found iim to be, from every point of riew, just the man they needed. The purpose of the Tower proram is to improve community ealth wherever the voice of he speaker can be heard.

The Metropolitan Life Insurince Company with its twenty-

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three million policy holders is not in need of advertising, but since approximately ten million of these policy holders may be within reach of the voice in the tower, they will get the full benefit of the broadcasting.

The exercises begin at 6:45 in the morning and are divided into two thirty-minute periods with breathing spells inbetween. The first thing to be heard is the piano playing Irving Berlin's famous song, "Oh, How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning," followed by the bugle blowing reveille. One of the unique de-vices of this broadcasting feature is the set of chimes which has been placed in the studio and which synchronizes with the chimes in the tower. They are to be heard every fifteen minutes, and by them you may set your morning clocks just as the people in the vicinity of the tower set theirs daily. At night the ringing of the chimes is



Dr. Lee K. Frankel, head of the Welfare Division of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, who is in charge of the Tower Health Talks

supplemented by the hourly flash of the tower light which has earned it the title of "The Light That Never Fails.'

The exercises include a variety of body-bending stunts, but are kept as simple as possible and as free from combination as can be arranged so that they will broadcast the more successfully. You should, of course, write in for you chart as soon as you make up your mind to take the exercises, and here Mr. Bagley has pictured for you the correct positions to be taken in each of these exercises. You may also enroll in an exercise class and thereby receive special instructions which you will find particularly beneficial.

Within eight days after the tower had been opened over forty thousand communications were received from the listenersin. These give a tremendously interesting insight into the lives of the mass of people whose homes are reached by the broadcaster. One can only marvel more and more daily at the tre-mendous power for good that is in the hands of the men in front of the microphone. Nothing that has ever been broadcast before



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seems to have so direct an influence upon the lives of the people at large.

The letters come from people of all classes, sexes, ages, positions; they are cynical, humorous, serious, thankful, and I will quote you two or three of them at length so that you may see for yourselves just how farreaching a thing of this sort may be.

An old lady of 71 writes she is going to do what she can and "get an optimistic point of view." Optimism is one of Mr. Bagley's most valuable traits. He insists that part of his work should be the spreading of a cheerful spirit among the people who take the exercises and you will find constant reference to this in the letters which he receives. Here are some of them:

### Gentlemen:

I would greatly appreciate your mailing one of your health exercise charts to me at the above address.

I started taking the exercises this morning, and want you to know that one of your "customers" appreciates what you are doing for the people of the country.

### Dear Mr. Barley:

I am very much interested in you fine "health exercises," and will you please send us one of your charts that you spoke about ?

I have just finished taking the exercises with mother, and believe me I feel great; so does mother. I shall be with you every morning at 7:20.

We are sorry Daddy can't be with us, too, but he has to take the early train to Boston.

I am 8 years old, and a mem-ber of the "Boston Edison Big Brother Club."

### Dear Sirs:

After most of the radio broadcasts we are invited to write what we think of the things we have gleaned from the air. I know you have offered to send a chart of the funny stunts you were giving this morning.

As I had a few spare moments and much curiosity, I tuned in on your setting-up exercises. While I listened I tried to picture my mother and my father and me, a little child, rolling around the floor, waving our legs in the air and hugging our knees. I have a fair imagination, but it was not so vivid that I could picture such a performance as that being led by my respected parents. If I remember correctly father's setting-up exercises consisted of dressing, washing his face and teeth, combing his hair, and starting the fire in the kitchen range.

Mother did the same only she got breakfast instead of starting the fire, then she coaxed and scolded until I consented to get out of bed. She did not play 'you can't get 'en up in the morning," but they, meaning me, got up just the same. Never a leg was waved nor a knee was hugged, so you see we all started our day wrong.

Father went on to his eternal rest when quite a young man, but as he contracted his fatal illness fighting a fire, I do not see how lying flat on the floor for a few minutes and doing stunts would have prevented him from doing his duty as a fireman or save him from paying the price.

Mother went home to higher service at the age of 71, and I am too old-fashioned to think she could have passed the century mark if we had the good fortune to own a little radio to "set up" every morning.

Permit me to tell you how I started this day and have started many in about the same way. At 6:30 I left my bed under protest. Had a cup of coffee and then another for fear the first would be lonely. Then I had a bit of listening in on your wonderful stunts. Then I took a bath. As I write that line I am thinking of the days when one was supposed to take a bath at least once a week whether they needed it or not, and it would have been a bold, bad man who would broadcast such an event This morning you told those who were in a hurry to run along and take a bath. Surely the old order passeth! After my bath I dressed, brushed my teeth and my bobbed hair. No, I did not use the same brush for each. Next I assured myself that my nails wore no mourning bands, powdered my nose, put on a dab of rouge in an effort to hide the ravages of my fifty-odd years. These things attended to I was ready for work, but as I had no work I sallied forth in search of some and found it.

Please, oh, please, do not fail to send me one of your charts so that some morning when the whole world seems wrong and I am tempted to say it's no use to carry on, I can look at the chart and picture how cute the fat ones must look as they roll around and wave a leg to the tune of one, two, three. I feel sure that the picture will be enough to chase away the little gloom devils and give me needed courage for my day's duties.

### Yours truly.

P. S. I neglected to tell you that I dressed myself after I took the bath. My modesty was so great and I was so flustered at telling a lot of strange men about it that I left you under the impression that I went out this beautiful morning arrayed in a bit of powder and a

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JEFFERSON RADIO TRANSFORMERS dab of rouge. Pardon the over-sight.

HE second part of the radio work from the Metropolitan tower is the Tower Health Talks on Monday evenings under the direction of Dr. Lee Kaufer Frankel, Director of the Welfare Work of the Metropolitan. Few people, even under the policy holders, realize how amazingly far-reaching this welfare work is. It is divided into three parts. The first of these is the Free Nursing Service, which the company extends to industrial policy holders in acute cases of illness. This system covers four thousand towns and cities. In most cases the company has contracts with local nursing associations who supply the nurses while the company pays the bill. Last year about five hundred forty-five thousand patients were cared for under this service with an average of five visits per case. About onehalf of these cases were maternity cases in which the visiting nurse gives pre-natal care and instruction in the early days of the child's life, thereby saving thousands of patients.

The second part of the work is that known as demonstration work. What this consists of may best be judged from the results in two instances. The Metropolitan conducted a demonstration in a village in Quebec. where the infant mortality rate was cut down from over more than three hundred babies to ninety-six out of one thousand born. The result so impressed the Provincial Government of Quebec that they recognized the company's achievement by appropriating \$500,000 to go on with the same work in the Province. A similar demonstration in Framingham, Mass., a town of approximately seventeen thousand inhabitants, cut the infant mortality 40 per cent. This demonstration cost the company \$200,000

Returns, of course, came not from one town, but from the others who followed the example which the Metropolitan set. For instance, Framingham became so interested in the demonstration that it raised its health appropriation from forty cents to more than two dollars per capita. This was conducted under the direction of Dr. Donald B. Armstrong, then with the National Health Council, and now Dr. Frankel's assistant. Among the cities which followed this example are Syracuse, N. Y.; Mansfield, O., and New York City itself.

The third method of health propaganda is the literature method. This consists of the circularizing of a number of health pamphlets on topics selected by Dr. Frankel and compiled by experts whom he designates to do the work. We find among them such things as "All

About Milk," by Milton J. Roseneau, Professor of Preventive Medicine and Hygiene at Harvard University; "The Health of the Worker," by C. E. A. Winslow, Professor of Public Health, Yale School of Medicine; and "Care of the Teeth, a Peep Into the Future," by Thadeus P. Hyatt, D. D. S., Dental Director of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, lecturer for the Department of Education and chairman of the Oral Hygiene Committee of Greater New York.

The primary purpose of these pamphlets is their distribution by salesmen among the industrial policy holders, of whom there are sixteen million. The salesman's work takes him di-rectly into their homes for the collection of premiums and he has, therefore, an excellent opportunity to take with him each time one of these pamphlets. The pamphlet in no wise interferes with the work of the physician, but on the contrary in-sists that the physician be called immediately and proper care be given. These pamphlets have also been used at the request of teachers in more than six thousand classrooms in 1924, and many of the other policy holders send in requests for them also. In the fifteen years from 1910 to 1925, through this welfare work, the death rate of Metropolitan policy holders has fallen much more rapidly than that of the general public.

Now we have this last step which is the use of radio for the dissemination of information.

Dr. Frankel does not personally give all the Monday evening talks, but some of them are given by outside experts; for instance, Dr. Iago Goldston talked on "Noises Are Poisonous," and Mrs. Aida de Acosta Root, daughter-in-law of Elihu Root, talked on the "May Day Festival."

The radio work itself comes under the direction of Robert Lynn Cox, second vice president of the Metropolitan, who is in charge of radio and advertising, Mr. Cox, who is president of the New Jersey State Board of Education, was formerly a lawyer in Buffalo. He became intensely interested in insurance law, and combining this with his knowledge of advertising, which won him the \$1000 prize for an advertisement, entitled "One Hundred Years to a Day," be found himself particularly well equipped for the work which he directs at the Metropolitan.

It is apparent that with the tremendous facilities of the personnel of the Metropolitan, the health information now going on the air could not be surpassed, and the impetus thus given to the prometion of public health is so valuable that it is practically impossible to estimate the effect upon the general welfare of the country.







### WHO OWNS the ETHER?

UNCLE SAM is still struggling with the radio broadcast problem because the rush for broadcast licenses seems to continue unabated. From some points of view the job of assigning licenses for broadcasting stations looks hopeless. But there seems to be one real test that never fails. Fortunately this test is one which gives first consideration to the broadcast listener. Every one is beginning to realize that unless the listener gets what he wants, when he wants it, without undue interference or trouble, the industry as a whole is going to suffer.

This means that a real appreciation is growing of the common interest of manufacturers of equipment, operators of broadcasting stations, wholesale and retail stores, and the householder who enjoys anything from the home-made crystal outfit to the finest Console model. And it is quite evident that it is the broadcast listener, the general public of radio, who owns the ether rights and whose interest in the use of the ether for radio must fix all fundamental plans and policy.

Not many months ago, at an important radio conference, the various conflicting interests among broadcasters represented each argued that he had some right superior to that of the other. One man thought his station should be given preference because it was already established. Another argued that because his station served the municipality it ought to be given public priority privilege. The third, serving a newspaper, claimed to be an important agency of news distribution. Still another, because of its strategic geographic position, claimed privileges greater than those that it was willing to accord neighboring stations.

Very little progress was made in discussing these conflicting rights and claims as to who was "best" until one spirit in By R. S. McBride

Washington Representative of "Radio in the Home"

These photographs show the very fine type of cabinets that are becoming increasingly available at reasonable prices for the man or woman who wants the radio set to become an integral part of the furnishing of the home. Such cabinets are being built to house any of the standard "box" type radio receivers. The particular ones shown here are offered by the Knickerbocker Talking Machine Company of New York



the group, braver than the rest, enunciated the principle that all of them were wrong and that the only real test was whether one station gave the broadcast listener what he wanted better than the others. This may not have been a particularly popular pronouncement at the minute, but in any event it seems to be an irrefutable conclusion.

Now that we, the B. C. L's of radio, realize our power, this is the question for us to consider—what shall we do about it? If we can, as a group, but make up our minds what we want and let our decision be known, it is safe to say that Uncle Sam will do the rest for us. Certainly the desire to get us what we want exists in Washington. The only question that remains is whether the law is quite ample to cover every contingency.

Let us suppose that the postman on our route was able to carry only thirty pounds of mail on each of his trips twice daily, but that there were forty or fifty pounds of mail coming to the station that had to be distributed on his route. It would not take long for the Postoffice Department to discover the need of another carrier and they would promptly shorten the route so that we would get all our mail on time regardless of season or weather.

less of season or weather.

But in radio we cannot put on more postmen to carry the extra load of radio broadcasting whenever there is more material to be sent out. When there is a radio traffic jam of this sort some of the radio business has to wait, or, perhaps, never gets delivered at all.

If this were the case with mail it would not take long to decide that the mining stock promoters' sheets, the real estate advertising, the department store circular letters, and like material, which is alright in its place, but of much less value than



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first-class mail, is the part that would have to wait. We certainly would not tolerate a scheme that allowed this advertising material to delay delivery of important letters or prevent prompt communication with friends or distant members of the family. No more are we going to permit any interference with the kind of radio broadcasting that we really want by trash or advertising material that has little if any appeal or value to the listener.

We must not forget in this connection that the number of radio messages which can be going out through the ether in any neighborhood at any time and be usefully received on our home sets is limited. The Postoffice Department can put on more and more carriers. In fact, the more business they have the more likely it is that additional carriers can be used with profit.

But in radio, Mother Nature has fixed a limit beyond which we may not go, because after a given number of messages are on their way more simply create confusion, not additional communication.

In a recent article, the close relationship between radio and the public service companies was discussed. It was made clear that the general principles which have developed all over this country for regulating gas, water and telephone business are also applicable to radio broadcasting. Broadcasting cer-tainly is a "public service" agency, and the broadcaster who spells his "Service" with a capital "S" and makes the "PUBLIC" all capitals in his plans and policies soon becomes our favorite station operator. It is what we want and when we want it that determines what he must do.

So, too, in the street-car business. Five-minute intervals between street cars from midnight to 6 A. M. could easily be arranged because there would be very few automobiles and little likelihood of traffic delay. But the public service rendered would be almost zero, and the annoyance to those who tried to sleep as the cars bumped over crossings would far outweigh any supposed advantage.

In other words this frequent service is needed at rush hours, but is no good at times when the public does not want it. It may actually become an annoyance. Similarly extra radio service when or where it is not wanted is more likely to be an annoyance to many than it is a pleasure, even to a few.

Down in Washington at the Department of Commerce the radio inspection service of the Government is trying to figure out how best to determine for every part of the country just what broadcast service is being

rendered and how improvement There can and may be made. will be established in Washington general rules for the country, and the granting of licenses for every station, from the small radio shop or amateur with two or three watts power up to the powerful stations that nightly reach from coast to coast, doubtless must remain in the hands of these Federal officials. But no one understands better than Uncle Sam's experts in Washington that each local problem must be solved on its own merits. What may be broadcast in and near Podunk must be determined by the needs and wishes of Podunk listeners; and just as surely must the problems of New York and Chicago determine the licensing policy of these great metropolitan centers.

At present the Department of Commerce must grant a license to any one who applies for the privilege of broadcasting. The courts have ruled that the Secretary of Commerce may not exercise any discretion in this matter as to whether or not a new station can begin business. only thing that the Secretary may do is to determine through his technical experts what power and what wave length may be employed-in other words, to what class of station the applicant will be assigned.

During the first few years of broadcasting this authority was enough because the number of persons desiring to broadcast their entertainment, educational matter or propaganda was limited. But we certainly have already reached, if not much exceeded, that number of stations which can effectively serve the public.

There seems to be only one possible answer, namely that the Government must have authority to refuse licenses to some of those who come, and to compel each new applicant to demontrate what excuse he may have for existence before he shall be given the right to jazz or orate on the air. Just how the law can best be drawn to guard this privilege has not been determined, but it is certain some such law must be formulated, and that it should be passed by the next session of Congress.

In my earlier article I pointed out that those who wish to start any other kind of public service company had to get a "certificate of public necessity and conven-ience." This means that they ience." must go before the proper au-thorities and show what service they intend to render and the probable public consequence of their operations. If the new company appears able to do something useful for the public that is not already provided for, it is quite easy to grant them the necessary franchise. Or if it were a valuable prospective radio broadcaster, it would be quite easy to show the Federal

authorities that it deserved a broadcasting license. And it should be evident to any one that unless the company can show such useful purpose to be served by its existence, it is not fair to let it disturb the listeners' enjoyment of good programs now available simply because it happens to desire this right.

No one can discuss this subject long, however, without being confronted with the question of censorship. Indeed, it is very proper to ask any one who proposes the limiting of radio licenses the question: "How do you propose to determine whether the newcomer is better than those we already have?" And I must confess that that is not an easy question to answer.

Let us suppose that Uncle Sam, in the interest of highway safety, should set about fixing uniform traffic rules. It would be quite all right to seek to have a uniform system for headlights and tail lights of cars. It would also be desirable to have an nationally uniform scheme for signaling when one wishes to stop or turn right or turn left; but it is hardly possible to write into a national traffic code some such rule as "There shall be no left turn at 7th and Main streets." This corner may be very busy in our home town, but a quiet, inoffensive intersection in the nearest neighboring town.

Is it not equally true in radio? What is needed in New York may not serve at all well in Chicago, and certainly what suits these big cities is not ap-propriate for those of smaller size or for suburban territory.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to place all of the authority for radio regulation in the hands of the separate States or cities as we do traffic rules. Even if each of them did a good job by itself the result would be chaos. This is necessarily true because anything put on the air travels without regard to State and city lines. The radio wave, once started, certainly demonstrates that these marks of political subdivision are, as our old geogra-phies used to say, "artificial lines running upon the surface of the earth."

Jazz in Chicago, unrestricted, will spoil lectures from Milwaukee, education from Madison, and grand opera from Cleveland quite effectively, if on the wrong wave length or sent out with too high a power, as any nearby disturbances. Our radio traffic, therefore, needs a national traffic officer on important principles, but it also needs careful consideration of the local point of view.

If Chicago, which now has thirty-two stations within its limits or nearby territory, wants this number of stations it is really of no concern to Milwaukee, Madison or Cleveland, but it is very much of concern to these other important communities that Chicago does not occupy thirty-two out of the very limited number of radio broadcasting channels. Any such proceeding would not give the other communities any chance at all to do a reasonable amount of broadcasting.

In other words, it is not the number of stations that causes trouble, but the number of different wave lengths used. Let Chicago continue its five Class B wave lengths if it will, asking its local stations to share these in any way or in any proportion that serves the local need best. But please, Chicago, do not ask us to give up twenty-seven more wave lengths for your convenience! We doubt, even if you had all the thirty-two, whether you would be materially better off than now; and we are sure the rest of us would be much worse off.

At the present time the only way the radio business can succeed is to have more and better sets purchased every year. But it is very certain that we, the would-be listeners, are not going downtown and spend \$200 or \$300 for a new radio set, no matter how fine a piece of furniture or how perfect a reproducing unit, unless it brings us what we want. We would like to buy a fine console model from which we could get our choice of splendid programs at will, but \$200 or \$300 is far too much money to spend that way unless results —that is, good programs undis-turbed by too many stations, are going to be available.

Rest assured, therefore, that the business men in radio are not going to encourage the continued increase in number ofstations which spells only dis-aster for the trade. They are going to make it certain that our fine new sets can be purchased without fear that they will fail to give the service which we have come rightly to expect.

We listeners can, therefore, look forward to that time without any misgivings and can anticipate fair and impartial findings. And above all we can congratulate ourselves in advance that any finding will be with the idea of service to the listener. Without recognition of the listener's ownership of ether rights there can be no progress —in fact, not even permanence for the present radio business.



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### **Editorially Speaking**

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this way have become better and better; artists of national reputation have been heard quite frequently, and the entire tone of radio broadcasting has been raised with a beneficial effect upon the culture of the American home which must be felt in a better civilization in the years to come.

Just at the time that this issue of the magazine is going to press, we are in receipt of the news of the greatest of all of these public benefactions. It comes in the form of the announcement from A. Atwater Kent of the virtual completion of arrangements for a series of programs, which, it might al-most be said, surpasses any one series of concert programs ever undertaken by even the greatest of the impresarios.

On the concert platform, the artists gathered together for this series would attract hundreds of thousands of dollars to the box office and the backer of the series could depend upon making a fortune. In the case of Mr. Kent, there is no box office, and he is giving these artists to the radio public free of charge. In return, he may or may not sell some of the radio sets which his company manufactures. Personally I hope he does. I hope he sells a million; he will richly deserve it.

But this is a typical instance of what I have just pointed out -that the man or firm doing this sort of thing must be given credit for a very large measure of pure public-spirited benevolence.

There can be not the slightest doubt that this series of concerts will result in the sale of thousands of radio sets. But this does not necessarily mean that they will be the kind of sets that Mr. Kent manufactures. He cannot compel the public to buy his particular sets for the reception of these concerts; if he could, then it would be a business proposition pure and simple, and instead of calling him a public benefactor, we should simply admire him as a faraighted and shrewd business man not afraid to spend a lot of money with a fair certainty of making a lot more in return.

This series of programs, however, will simply create a tre-mendous demand for all good radio sets. Mr. Kent is taking his chances that his company will receive a fair share of this business. The thing that impresses me most favorably about the whole plan is the fact that Mr. Kent must know that his competitors are going to do a tremendous business also on his money. It requires a man of unusual vision to face a situation of this kind, and be willing to boost the business of his competitors in this way on the chance of also boosting his own.

There are organizations of manufacturers of radio sets who meet in convention and hold long discussions about the best method of stimulating business. If these men could only be brought to the Kent viewpoint. their obvious plan would be to pool all of their financial resources possible into a great fund and to place upon the big-gest link of broadcasting stations available the very best programs that money could buy.

This is the solution of the problems which are perplexing the radio industry today. This is also the solution of the muchmooted problem of how to make the interest for radio continue throughout the Summer.

Radio interest will always rise and fall with the rise and fall of the programs broadcast. Put on a real first class program in the middle of July or August and you will get as big an audience as you will in December or January.

But it costs money. If there were more Kents in the industry, the problem would be easy of solution, and the radio manufacturer and the dealer, and you and I, would all be happy in radio twelve months in the year.

### Popular Song Writer Gives His Views on Broadcasting Fees

WE ARE in receipt of a letter from a composer of popular w songs, who expresses surprise that we have taken an atti-tude "against the composer of musical entertainment for radio listeners," referring to the editorial, "Shall Tin-Pan Alley Ruin Radio," which appeared in the October issue of this magazine. The writer proceeds to give his views on the subject.

A point that we would like to make clear to the writer of the letter and others interested, is that the editorial in question in no way took exception to the right of composers to be properly rewarded for their work, but rather to the varying and exorbitant demands that have been made, and are still being made, upon broadcasting stations by the Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers. We quote from that editorial: "There is not a broadcaster in the business today who does not most cheerfully admit that the man who writes a song and the man who publishes it and all of the men who have to do with making it popular are

fully entitled to a just reward for their talents and their efforts. Every broadcaster is willing to pay his share to see that this reward is adequate. But it should be remembered that the word adequate should also be held to include the word reasonable.

Simultaneously with the receipt of the above-mentioned letter there comes to hand the Cleveland Plain Dealer with an

article on the subject. Here is an excerpt:

"Beginning today (October 2), there will be no broadcasting from the Euclid Music Company studio of WTAM, Hotel Statler, the Music Box Restaurant, Euclid Beach Park or Public Hall.

"The demand which brought this decision, according to S. E. Baldwin, manager of the radio station, was for payment of \$25 for each hour of remote control broadcasting, in addition to a fee of \$1000 yearly for the Home Studio. The demands also included a fee of \$25 an hour for courtesy programs, in which credit is given to a firm furnishing the entertainers. This caused cancellation of such features as Carl Rupp's Hollenden entertainers.

'Accession to the demands would have meant an increase in the cost of broadcasting over WTAM by nearly \$100 a day,

according to Mr. Baldwin.

The letter purporting to give the other side of the story follows:

### THE LAMBS 130 West 44th Street New York

October 3rd, 1925.

Mr. Henry M. Neely, Philadelphia, Pa. Dear Mr. Neely:

I am very much surprised that you have taken the attitude, as expressed in the magazine "Radio in the Home," against the composer of musical entertainment for radio listeners.

I have constantly performed free of charge on the air, and my songs have been sung the country over. May I add my song "Dear Old Pal of Mine," is one of the most popular on the air today.

Up to the present I have never received a cent for all I have contributed to radio. I wonder if the inventor of the "tubes" or other patents have been treated the same. My musical compositions have dropped seventy-five (75%) per cent in the sale of sheet music and phonograph records, etc.

The answer is-the public likes "Dear Old Pal of Mine" on the air, The answer is—the public likes "Dear Old Pal of Mine" on the sir, but instead of buying a copy of the song and playing it on the plane, or buying John McCormack's record of it, they have closed the plane and the Victrola—which paid me royalties—and bought a new tube or new radio set, to bear more music on the sir. The public has tired of the plane and phonograph, and adopted the radio. All your friends will tell you so.

Well it they want to hear my music that way—through radio—then through radio I must receive my money, or else stop writing. If they take it from me without paying my price for it, then surely the radio corporations of America will it to me have their patents at a price I would suggest. That's fair, isn't it?

I have written a song and I reserve the right, according to the laws of the United States, to ask any price I want for it. I am not forced to sell it to any one, whether it is the American Telegraph and Telephone Company, Eversady Batteries, Silvertown Cord Tires or all the finest hotels in the United States who are using radio for an advertising campaign. Nor is DeForest forced to sell his patents for a price. If they don't want to pay me a living, then let them use something else.

You "rap" the Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers. All I can say is that great corporations stole and stole our works until we had to do something, and the Society's chaques have been very useful and I wish them all the success in the world. We only represent the per cent (10%) of the copyrighted music in the country, but I guess it is wanted, hence this unpleasantness.

We are not starving nor pitiful. All I personally wish is that radio stop using my music until they pay me a living. That's not much

As for TIN-PAN ALLEY, I have a lot of respect for them, and so has the country we live in, since it began. Through all its wars and particularly this recent World War, I think we are very much indebted for such litting strains as "Over There," "There's a Long, Long Trail," "Where Do We Go From Here Boys?" and in fact any good song. As for TIN-PAN ALLEY, I have a lot of respect for them, and

Come to New York some time and see me and other composers, and I feel that you will not be so eager to rush the fountain of the radio—the fallows who create songs for the entertainment of the "listeners-in."

Yours very truly. (Signed) LIEUTENANT GITZ RICE.

P. S.—May I dare to expect that this letter will receive the same publicity as your recent article did.

### Morning

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"Reductionists," as Bill Stradtmann likes to call them, like to do their stuff to the tune

Getting 'Em Up in the brings a piano-player with him and together, they give the commands to "bend forward—one two—and—back," etc. He has found that playing popular music is an incentive to the timid souls who tune in for the first of some popular song-so he few times to take an interest in

the work, and they are soon sending their letter of enrollment in his large class of "benders." His work has been very uplifting.

Physicians have indorsed these exercises and several of them are taking the course. Letters have been received from members of the class in which they tell of their doctors recommending the work for the pa-

Drills are strenuous and the best gymnasts feel their effect. There is one drawback to exercising via radio, and that is the inability of the instructor to correct his pupils as he does in the gymnasium. While there are many who slight the movements simply because the director cannot see them, it must be borne in mind the full effect of the exercises will only be the result of the sincerity of the pupils.

The radio class conducted by WLW has the privilege of asking for corrective exercises. Nearly every request has to do with reduction and special exercises that will reduce everything from the neck down to the ankles so as to answer the dictates of fashion. One plump member of the class told of her experiences with the full-knee bend exercises and how, with the aid of door jambs, chairs, stepladder and other handy things, she was able to negotiate the work. A few remarks of encouragement tend to keep up the spirits of the heavier members of the class. Music, however, is most important in keeping them jolly for a class of physical-culture students working without music would be like a parade without a band.

An obesity pamphlet is mailed to all heavyweights in the class with rules for reducing and suggested menus of meals not exceeding 1400 calories daily. With these aids, it has been found that members have been able to reduce as much as twenty pounds, while the lighter mem-bers of the class have gained from two to five pounds.

It is difficult to impress the beginners with the fact that exercises will reduce those who are too plump and put on weight for thinner members of the class. It is not an easy matter to build up muscle as quickly as it is to take off fat.

It is only by letters from the members of the class that the physical director can become acquainted with them and know their problems. In some cases, the letters are answered through the radio station. Many have been benefited through the advice given, for it is easier to put a class through the work when the class is visualized by the director...

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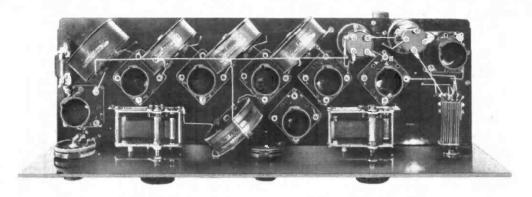
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THE superheterodyne receiver is commonly called the "Rolls-Royce of Radio" —and a lot of other names, too, that don't sound anything like Rolls-Royce.

Paradoxical as it may seem, the superheterodyne is the most praised and most damned circuit known today, and has probably caused more grief and a greater waste of money than any other known circuit or combination of circuits. Yet, basically the superheterodyne is, I believe, undoubtedly the finest circuit now available to the man who builds his own receiver. However, let me say at this time, that there are many others probably better able than I to discuss the merits or demerits of the superhet, and it must be remembered that this article is based chiefly on the results of my own personal experiences.

It is unfortunate but true that the majority of home-made superheterodynes have failed to function according to the expectations of the builders. I say "majority" advisedly, for during the past eighteen months it has been my privilege to read hundreds of letters from fans seeking technical advice, and the majority of those

By Leslie G. Biles

Technical Editor of "Radio in the Home"

who had built supers were dissatisfied with the performance of their sets.

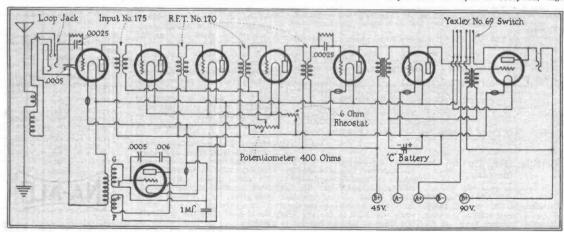
The use of inferior or substituted parts and an insufficient knowledge of high frequency current were responsible for a great deal of the trouble; others, having built their sets of high quality apparatus, were having difficulty due to minor mistakes which could be easily adjusted. The chief complaint, however, was the inability to tune in stations at great distances.

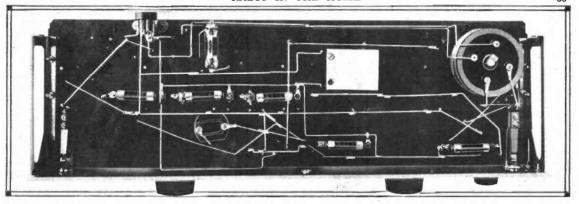
These letters provoked sympathy for the builders, many of whom could ill afford to spend a hundred dollars for a set that would not function properly. The real trouble is that the public has been fooled into believing that the superheterodyne will perform miracles. Such statements as "California on a one-foot loop," "coast to coast reception," "DX like locals" and other untruthful advertising and misstatement of facts by unscrupulous manufacturers have

done incalculable harm to the superheterodyne, and it is only now that their absurdity is beginning to be understood.

California on a one-foot loop (even from the coast of Maine) is no marvelous achievement for a superheterodyne if receiving conditions are ideal, but it cannot be done consistently. In fact, I know of no receiver—superheterodyne or any other type—that has a consistent, night after night receiving range of 3000 miles. There may be such an animal, but in hundreds of sets which I have tested I failed to find one which could boast of such performance.

During the international receiving tests last winter Madrid, Spain, and Aberdeen, Scotland, were received at my home in Delanco, N. J., with a receiver of the same make as that shown in the accompanying illustration, yet it could not truthfully be said that this set would bring in European stations consistently. The Pacific Coast stations were heard spasmodically throughout the winter months, but the consistent range of the "eceiver was about 1500 miles. By "consistent range" is meant clear and dependable loud-speaker reception, night





after night, using a loop antenna. With an outdoor antenna the DX range could be increased several hundred miles.

The prospective builder of a superheterodyne should avoid apparatus of unknown make and accept only such parts as are endorsed by reputable publications or those which he knows have proved successful in the hands of some of his friends. This advice is based on fifteen months' personal experiments with forty-one makes of superheterodynes, during which time, sixty-nine supers were constructed. In addition to these, I had the pleasure of conducting numerous experiments in conjunction with Captain H. J. Adams, Signal Corps, U. S. A. Captain Adams is considered one of the foremost authorities on superheterodynes in this country. Out of all the numerous types we tested we found but seven which, in our opinion, were worthy of serious consideration.

Some of these outfits were entirely satisfactory as far as tonal qualities were concerned, but they were utterly lacking in sensitivity and selectivity. Others were selective, but the transformers were peaked so sharp as to cut the side bands—resulting in poor quality of music. Still others were unstable or low in amplification.

A superheterodyne to be thoroughly satisfactory must have excellent selectivity—sharp enough to separate stations operating on wave lengths ten kilocycles apart. It must have volume to spare, and there should be absolutely no interstage oscilla-

There are very few long leads used in this set, and most of them are under the sub-panel. The use of automatic filament controls (Amperites) simplifies the operation of the receiver

tion—that is, the radio-frequency amplifiers should never oscillate. These three points depend upon the design of the intermediate transformers and the oscillator, and it is in only the very best transformers that these points will be combined.

Of the several types of transformers on the market, the iron core probably predominates. This is due, undoubtedly, to the fact that these transformers have no distinct resonance point and, therefore, require no matching. This type of transformer puts the burden of matching a "filter coupler" on the man who builds the set. This is truly a disadvantage, for contrary to some opinions, this coupler cannot be tuned by the use of matched condensers, as the inductance of two apparently equal coils is seldom, if ever, alike.

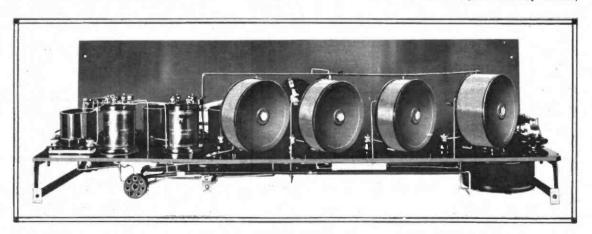
The correct matching of this coupler requires the use of a high-frequency amplifier and a calibrated oscillator, which is a difficult layout for the novice to handle, and upon the accuracy of this matching depends the selectivity of the set.

The iron core transformer, due to its

Rear view of the set showing the method of mounting the transformers heavy losses, prevents, in a measure, interstage oscillation. But due to its necessarily high impedance, it works well only with the one type of tube for which it was designed, and then, for the best results these tubes must be matched. Due also to those losses, the iron core transformer cannot be used satisfactorily above 45,000 cycles, and at this comparatively low operating frequency, the heterodyne beats are quite close together, which shows favor to higher intermediate frequencies for convenient tuning.

The air core transformer, when properly designed, presents none of the objections of the iron core, and at the same time, has many distinct advantages. The air core transformer has a resonance curve many times sharper than the iron core type, which means that the filter coupler does not have to be so accurately tuned, and that the circuit will be more selective and easier to construct. Inasmuch as these transformers may be operated on a much higher frequency, the heterodyne beats are spread apart, making tuning much more convenient. There are no core losses in an air core transformer, and consequently, the possibility of distortion due to this loss is eliminated. Due to the truly resonant characteristics of these transformers, the applied grid voltage should be higher, resulting in higher amplification.

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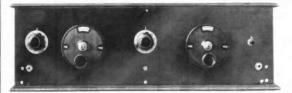
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Front panel view of the Victoreen Superheterodyne. Vernier dials are an absolute necessity on this type of receiver. The Marco dial used on the receiver shown in the illustration is an exceptionally fine vernier and makes the sharpest kind of tuning a real pleasure

but unfortunately there are very few of them matched to any stated precision.

An air core transformer, whose resonance curve has been shifted by means of a condenser across the secondary, is the ideal transformer for intermediate amplification, and providing the matching has been done at the factory, it possesses many advantages. However, it should not contain a condenser which can be varied from the outside, for if it has been properly designed, it will never require adjustment.

This type of "resonant" transformer has a much sharper resonance curve than other types.

Because of the condenser, the secondary circuit exhibits true resonance characteristics. For instance, it permits the use of a primary whose value of impedance is lower than the usual practice, which enables it to be used with either 199 type or 201A type tubes, with results equal to the relative amplification values of the tube. On account of lower inductance value of the primary, interstage oscillation is absolutely prevented. This is a wonderful improvement.

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of tubes and the length of leads, etc., of negligible importance. This is true because, without the condenser, the only capacity present, is the distributed capacity of the transformer secondary, which is naturally small in comparison, and when this value is small, a very, very small change is apt to throw the resonance curve many meters off.

The transformers used in the receiver shown herewith are guaranteed by the manufacturer to be accurate within 1-3 of 1 per cent of the frequency. These transformers are tuned to 88,000 cycles (3400 meters). At this frequency, interference from harmonics is at a minimum, and tuning is much sharper than at higher wave lengths.

Following is a list of material which we used at Station 3XP to build this receiver:

3 Victoreen RF Transformers, No. 170.

i Victoreen Input Transformer, No. 175.

1 Victoreen Oscillator, No.

2 Amsco Allocating (straightline - frequency) Condensers, .0005 mfd capacity.

2 Marco Vernier Dials. 8 Benjamin Cle-ra-tone sockets, standard base.

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1 Sangamo Fixed Condenser.

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1 mfd capacity. 1 Eveready 41/4-volt Flash-

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1 Yaxley 400-ohm Potentiom-

eter.

1 Yaxley 6-ohm Rheostat.

1 Yaxley 6-pole, 3-way jack switch, No. 69. 1 Yaxley Single-Circuit Jack.

1 Yaley Double-Circuit Jack.
2 Meloformer Audio Transformers.

1 Panel, 7 x 24 x 3-16 inches. 1 Panel, 6¾ x 23 x 3-16 inches. 1 Jones Multi Plug and Bat-

tery cable.
2 Daven Grid Leaks, 2 megs

each.
1 Pair Benjamin Panel Brackets.

5 Amperites, No. 1A.

The apparatus mentioned above is a list of the parts used in the construction of the superheterodynes shown in the photographs. Substitution of other makes of parts of equal value may be made for some of the apparatus mentioned, but if the same layout is used as that shown, the parts substituted should be of the same physical dimensions.

The sub-panel method of assembly makes a much neater looking layout than the base-board method, although the latter method is not as difficult and may be used if desired. In fact, it makes little if any difference what style or method

of construction is followed as long as the wiring diagram is strictly adhered to.

First of all, make sure that all the necessary parts are at hand before begining to lay out the panel. Place these instruments in their respective positions and then compare the temporary layout with the picture of the finished set. This method of checking will enable you to detect any mistakes in getting the instruments in their positions before drilling or assembly has been started. Make frequent reference to the pictures and diagrams.

Mount the panel instruments and sub-panel brackets first, and then fasten the sub-panel temporarily to the brackets. Place the transformers and sockets in their positions and mark the mounting holes on the sub-panel with a scriber. The input transformer is mounted at the left end of the sub-panel. The positions of the oscillator-tube socket and oscillator coupler are clearly indicated in the photographbetween the tuning condensers. It is suggested that the mounting screw holes in the sub-panel be tapped for 6-32 screws. The screws should be cut to the proper length so as not to protrude through the subpanel and cause a short circuit.

Now fasten the instruments on the sub-panel and the set is ready to be wired. Use No. 14 round tinned bus bar. Be careful with the work and the use of "spaghetti," or other insulating material will not be needed.

When making soldered connections, do not, under any circumstances, use acid flux, Rosincore solder is best for this pur-

Each soldered joint should be electrically as well as mechanically perfect. A good soldered joint should present a smooth round surface. This can only be obtained by keeping the iron at the proper temperature to make the solder flow freely. A good electric soldering iron is recommended for this work. When soldering a joint, hold the parts firmly so they cannot vibrate and then apply the iron with a small amount of solder. Hold the parts firmly until cold. Now to proceed with the actual wiring of the set: First run the wires to the

First run the wires to the grid and plate terminals of the sockets. Do not solder to the terminals—loop the wires and fasten them securely under the knurled terminal nuts. The wires should be bent at right angles with a slightly rounded curve rather than at sharp angles. Do not carry this right-angle bending to extremes. Keep the wires as short and direct as possible.

Now wire the filament circuit. If the Jones cable is used (and it makes an excellent and very convenient battery connector), run a wire from the "red" terminal





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of the cable connector to the third spring of the switch jack. Connect from the second spring of the switch jack to the posi-tive filament terminal of each socket, except the last audio, and to one side of the potentiometer. The negative filament terminals of the three RF amplifier tube sockets are connected to a common lead and fastened to one side of the rheostat. The nega-tive filament terminal of each of the remaining five sockets is connected to one terminal of an Amperite. Then run a lead from the "green" terminal of the cable connector to rheostat and each of the Amperites, and also to one side of the potentiometer. This completes the wiring of the filament circuit.

Next the high tension of "B" battery leads should be connected. In the photograph, this wire is plainly shown running over the tops of the intermediate-frequency transformers. This wire runs from the "blue" terminal of the cable connector to the "plus" terminal of the input transformer, oscillator coupler, the three intermediate transformers and to the "B" terminal of the first audio-frequency transformer.

Now connect the "B" terminal

Now connect the "F" terminal of the input and first two intermediate transformers to a common lead and fasten this to the middle terminal of the potentiometer. Connect the "F" ter-

minal of the third intermediate transformer to the positive filament lead. The one mfd. bypass condenser should be fastened under the sub-panel and connected across the "plus" and "F" terminals of the oscillator coupler.

If the antenna coupler is used, this should be fastened under the sub-panel, as shown in the photograph. The "ant." terminal is connected to the "black" terminal and the "gnd." terminal connected to the "brown" terminal of the cable connector.

The top spring of the loop jack is connected to the nearest terminal of the pick-up coil on the back of the oscillator coupler and the remaining terminal of the pick-up coil is connected to the positive filament terminal of the oscillator tube. The secondfrom-top terminal of the loop jack is connected to the "F" terminal of the antenna coupler. The third terminal of the jack is connected to the "G" terminal of the coupler. The bottom spring of the loop jack is connected through the grid leak and condenser to the "G" terminal of the frequency changer tube socket (first socket at the left). The stationary plate terminal of the loop condenser is connected to this last wire between the jack and grid condenser. rotor plate terminal of the condenser is connected to the line

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# By E. T. Flewelling

In Which I Sign a Letter

TN THE October issue of Radio Broadcast, Arthur Lynch, the editor, devotes two valuable pages to an exchange of letters concerning what he considers an unfavorable comment by Mr. Flewelling on one of the circuits published in his magazine.

These two pages are ended with a letter of very abject apology, with my name signed to it.

The fact of the matter is that I never wrote that letter. Mr. Lynch wrote it and sent it to me, asking me to sign it. I declined to do so and sent him a substitute letter which did not seem to satisfy him, so I sent him another. Apparently, Mr. Lynch does not like my style of letter writing, for, without any permission from me, he went back to his own letter and attached my signature to it.

In order to ease Mr. Lynch's conscience - if you can call it that-and also to protect him from any unpleasant legal consequences, I hereby sign that letter and, so far as I am concerned, the incident is closed. HENRY M. NEELY.

IN THE September issue of Radio in the Home my article on the Superhet Converter described how to construct a simple two-tube outfit for converting any five-tube neutrodyne or radio-frequency receiver into a superheterodyne. It may be remembered that I recommended the use of a temporary panel in order to pave the way. for any improvements in the converter that might be worked out. I believe that the problem has been carried about to its end and wish, therefore, to outline its present standing.

For superhet selectivity, ease of handling only two controls, and decidedly advantageous operating characteristics, it is recommended that the converter exactly as described in the September issue be considered a finished product. Test converters have been operated under all kinds of conditions and we do not feel there is reason for making any change whatever in the design as described.

My readers may remember that I spoke of one dial control for the converter. It

Fig. 1 The photograph above, is a view looking down on the Super-Booster, showing the place-

To the left below is the usual schematic wiring diagram, and to the right is a diagram of the output as used with the converter.

ment of the apparatus.

was hoped that we might be able to work this out in the face of well-known theories, but results were not up to the standard. With the tuning coil connected in the manner shown in the September article, but wound upon the same tubing with the oscillator coils, no oscillator coupling coil is needed as the tuning coil will then be tightly coupled to the oscillator circuit. With such a scheme it will be found that the oscillator tuning will directly affect the detector tuning and the outfit will function as a superhet converter with only one dial. The unfortunate part is that the tuning is restricted and the volume is considerably weakened. Those who like to experiment might find this an extremely fertile field.

The converter then is considered as a very satisfactory adjunct to one's present receiver, but while excellent results have been obtained with it in operation on a loop antenna, there is room for improvement. If the converter is used as a separate unit there is a most excellent opportunity to add an additional stage of intermediate amplification. Additional radio-frequency amplification is always welcome, especially so now that we have low-priced tubes, if it can be used without adding too much in the way of controls.

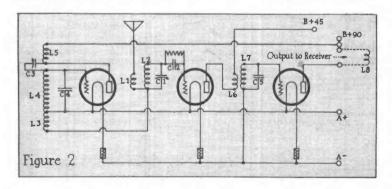
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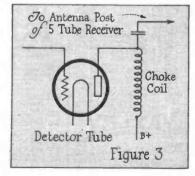
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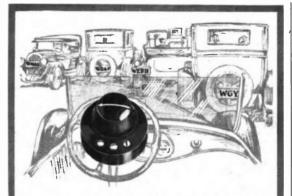
If your receiver is not as good as it might be, then the Booster will be still more valuable, because it will make your receiver far more sensitive, selective and easy to operate, than it is at present.

The converter operating from a loop antenna brought in stations from all over the country under good conditions, but the Booster just about doubled the volume so that we consider it well worth while.

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tion and is mounted upon a 17x 18-inch panel. This really amounts to having an eight-tube superheterodyne, and although we are at a disadvantage in having an intermediate amplifier operating at about 600 meters, yet the writer has seen a great many standard superheterodynes that could not equal the Booster in front of a good five-tube receiver. Incidentally this speaks remarkably well for the present commercial type of receiver.

commercial type of receiver.
Fig. 1, a photograph of the
Booster, shows the layout and constructional details very clearly. It should be again emphasized that the manner in which the parts are laid out and mounted is of extreme impor-tance, and that the design is an excellent one to follow if one contemplates constructing a superheterodyne of any type. It will be noted that special jacks are mounted upon the condensers to fit headphone cord tips that constitute the terminals of the various coils. This was done in order to secure interchangeable plug-in type coils. Plug-in coils of this type are very highly recommended, but if one lacks the mechanical means to meet such construction no harm will be done if the coils are mounted in the relative positions as shown in the photo and short, direct leads run for the connections. The points to be emphasized are simply the relative positions of the parts and the short, direct connections.

If it is desired to build the Booster exactly as shown, one simply mounts headphone or loud-speaker cord tips on the cardboard tubing, so spaced that they will enter small jacks that are mounted directly upon the condenser terminals.

The wiring diagram of the Booster is shown in Fig. 2, and while it might seem a bit complicated, it really is extremely simple if the parts are laid out as shown. Two dials and a filement switch are the only controls on the panel, because rheostate and potentiometers are not used, as can be seen by inspection of the wiring plan. Lack of space, the simplicity of design and the fact that the September article gave details of construction, make it seem unnecessary to show the construction of the Booster in accordance with the 3XP-style of building. Our time will be much better spent if we consider the operating char-acteristics of the converter and the Booster, and how it is connected to the receiver with which it is to be used.

Fig. 3 shows how, by use of a choke coil, we were able to shunt the output of the converter into the antenna input of the receiver and thus use but one wire to connect the two outfits. This method is very satisfactory and may be followed in connecting the Booster to its receiving set.

In such a case, of course, the output would be taken from the radio-frequency amplifier tube instead of the detector tube and Fig. 3 would read "amplifier tube" instead of "detector tube." The choke coil simply consists of 100 turns of wire, preferably No. 30, would single layer on a three-inch tube.

The single wire carrying the output to the receiving set is broken by the insertion of the small .00025 mf. fixed condenser in order to avoid the danger of placing the "B" battery voltage on the filament circuit of the re-

ceiver.

In the layout of the Booster we are showing the output with two wires to the receiver, so as to save the use of the choke coils and to secure the maximum transfer of energy. Connection is made from the two "output" binding posts, as shown in Fig 2, to a coil coupled to the first coil in the receiver. This coupling should be very close and can be secured by winding No. 22 or No. 24 DCC wire directly upon the first coil of the five-tube receiver or upon a tube that will fit inside of the first coil. The winding will be of approximately 20 turns (I say approximately because I shall refer to this point later in this article under the heading of regeneration).

The values of the coils and condensers, as shown in Fig. 2, are given as follows:

C1-.0005 mf. variable C2-.00025 mf. grid con-

C8-.00025 mf. variable C4-.00025 mf. fixed

C5—.0005 mf. semivariable

Condenser C4 is used to broaden out the oscillator tuning so that the two dials will read more closely alike. All coils except L8 are wound on 8-inch tubing with No. 24 DCC and all are wound in the same direction.

L1—10 turns L5—16 turns L2—50 turns L6—25 turns L3—10 turns L7—55 turns L4—16 turns L8—20 turns

All of the coils are spaced about ½ inch apart except L1 and 2 and L6 and 7. The greater the distance between L1-L2 the greater the selectivity, minimum distance ½ inch, as noted under "regeneration" below. L6-L7 are closely coupled.

It will be remembered that the dials on the five-tube receiver are all adjusted for best reception at about 600 meters which is the intermediate frequency at which the Booster is to operate. This means that our R. F. amplifier tube must be tuned to match the receiver, and this is done by the semifixed condenser C5. Once this condenser is set for best reception it need not be touched again, and for this reason the more compact type of semivariable condenser is specified. There are several such condensers on



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Inasmuch as I feel that the directions for building the Booster are very easily understood and because I believe the Booster to be a very valuable addition to one's present receiver I am rather anxious to have my readers thoroughly understand just how the subject of regeneration enters into the case rather than to take more time on constructional details.

In exactly the same manner as it affects all receiving sets, re-generation will affect the Booster. Use regeneration to the utmost and you secure maximum results; neglect it and you secure practically nothing. It is unfortunate that regenerative effects vary as the frequency is inreased or the wave length shortened. This action forces us to choose a happy medium if we are to reduce our controls to a practical point. It is, however, one of the strongest reasons for the use of the Booster because we operate most of our apparatus at one frequency and need not change as we tune in various waves. The varying effect does, however, influence the Booster detector because it must meet the requirement of tuning over the broadcasting band of 220 to 535 meters. With our detector circuit then, we must try to secure the happy medium.

Regeneration leads to oscillation or squeals. Increase the resistance of the input circuit L1-L2-C1 by using a high resistance antenna and the effect is to reduce the tendency to oscillate, weaken the regenerative effect and broaden the tuning. Reduce the resistance of the antenna and the tuning circuit and the

reverse is true. Substituting a loop for the coils L1-L2 means as a rule much less resistance in the grid circuit; this means greater tendency toward oscillation because regeneration has not so much resistance to overcome. Regeneration in the Booster is affected by the plate coil L6 of the detector tube. We specified 25 turns for this coil because that seemed best to suit our loops and antenna, 35 turns was better over 325 meters, but the receiver oscillated badly under this wave. The coil L6 should, therefore, be wound with the idea of using more or less turns in proportion as one may wish to secure the maximum. It is quite often thought that loop tunes broadly, but this is not really the case inasmuch as the broadness will be overcome in proportion as regeneration is used. Increase the turns of coil L6 and you can easily sharpen the loop-tuning to the point of oscillation. The same line of thought applies to the output coil L8, although this coil has only to meet the requirements of one frequencyi. e. the intermediate frequency

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The antenna is coupled more closely to the receiver as the number of turns in L1 is increased or the coil is brought closer to L2. This means that this coil will affect the sharpness of tuning and affects the number of turns used in L6. It may be necessary in cases of severe interference to reduce the number of turns in L1 to 3 or 4, and if this causes oscillation, to reduce L6 a few turns to stop it.

The above remarks, while made with particular reference to the Booster, also apply to the design of a standard superheterodyne. They are really the underlying reasons for the trouble experienced by the amateur in building a superheterodyne.

It is the writer's humble opinion that we should pay far more attention to the study of regeneration, its causes and effects, because it is undoubtedly the controlling influence in all present-day radio reception; the heterodyne principle being the one outstanding exception. I have emphasized this matter of regeneration because I wish you to have success with the Booster, and I know that in this case at least, success is very dependent upon its proper use.

If, when the Booster is put into operation, one experiences trouble, it is comparatively easy to locate the cause if one is familiar with the effect. The two dials are turned, as in tuning, so as to have about the same readings; they will not match exactly but will run fairly close. If, when they are run as described, short snappy whistles result as they are tuned, one can be sure that the detector-tube is oscillating. It is assumed that the Booster is operating on the loop or antenna that one intends to use and if so the remedy for the troublesome oscillation will be the removal of a few turns from the coil L6. It is recommended that 2 or 3 turns only be removed at a time.

If turning the dials or start-ing the set with the dials ap-proximately together produces a continuous whistle, the indication is that the coupling coil L8 has too many turns and the same procedure may be followed. In the opposite case of clear reception with insufficient volume the number of turns on these coils may be increased.

If the condenser C1 tunes broadly, coil L1 may be reduced as described above or L6 may be increased.

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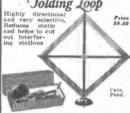


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Glenn: Why don't you, Mother. Just as we used to years ago. Now, you sit right at the melodeon-just like that. That's right, and I'll stand here -with my hand on your shoulder—the way we sang so many times. Now you play. What do you want to sing most, Mother?

Rose: This (organ begins "When You and I Were Young, Maggie.") Rose starts singing, Father joins in. Sing several phrases together. Rose's voice breaks and with sob she cries-I can't go on John!

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Directions for connecting the second and third spring of this jack have been given above. The first spring is connected to the filament terminal of the last tube. The fourth spring is con-nected to the "P" terminal of the second audio-transformer. The fifth spring is connected to the plate of the first audio-amplifier tube socket. The sixth spring of the switch jack is connected to the plate of the last audio-amplifier tube and also to the top spring of the speaker jack.

The "pink" terminal of the cable connector is connected to the bottom spring of the speaker iack and also to the "B" terminal of the second audio-frequency transformer. The "F" terminals of both audio-transformers are connected together and then soldered (underneath the subpanel) to the negative terminal of the "C" battery. The positive terminal of the "C" battery is connected to the negative filament line. Fastening the "vellow" terminal of the cable terminal of the cable connector to the positive filament lead completes the wiring.

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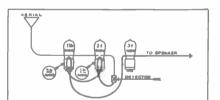


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