



GATES STUDIO REVIEW

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WNYC Operating With Gates Master Control

Early in March radio station WNYC placed into operation a new completely Gates equipped Master Control. Station WNYC is owned and operated by the city of New York on a non-commercial basis. Since 1924 this station has provided an excellent Public Service outlet for the New York metropolitan area. At the



Above we see Chief Engineer Bill Pitkin in action at the Master Control Desk with all five speech input racks pictured in the back and on the side.

present time, its programs are aired through a one kilowatt AM and a ten kilowatt FM transmitter.

The basic audio and control layout for station WNYC is quite extensive. Programming is originated and controlled in six studios, each with its own control room. The six sources in addition to remote and network programs are all fed to one master control room for processing and dispatching.

Mr. Pitkin, Chief Engineer, and his staff spent many months in formulating the basic design specifications. The flexibility and the extensive facilities of the master control equipment testifies to the soundness and thoroughness of Mr. Pitkin's design.

The master control equipment is housed in the master control desk, and in the five accompanying rack cabinets. All of the meters, switches, and attenuators are located in a very functional pattern on the three front panels of the control desk. The preset relays, the relay power supply and the associated pads, and transformers are all located behind the front panels, or in the desk itself. The remainder of the equipment, including the Gates new plug-in amplifiers, patch panels, equalizers, pads and transformers are located in five Gates type RAK-1 rack cabinets.

The heart of the master control room is the 19 by 6 preset switching system. Completely relay controlled, this switching system makes possible the routing of any of the ten input sources to six dual output lines. A total of 84 relays are used in this system. The six dual output lines provide feeds for AM, FM, two recorders, AM cue and six for networks.

Monitor facilities include separate speakers for each of the preset channels, in addition to 19 multi-input monitor speaker feeds. In addition to the custom built master control equipment, station WNYC is also equipped with the Gates SA-40 consoles, special announce booth equipment and Gates custom built tape recording facilities.



Here we find from the left S. N. Siegel, Director WNYC; Henry Wei, Chief Supervisor; John De Prospo, Executive Officer; and Bill Pitkin, Chief Engineer, with the front view of the Master Control Desk complete with Gates SA-40 console on the right.

Howard Young Promoted To Plant Manager

The fellow pictured here has several good reasons for that broad smile. First of all, Howard Young was promoted to Plant Manager on March 23, 1953. Second, Howard and Kay became the parents of a new daughter, Durinda Jo, on March 28. Congratulations, folks!

Howard joined the Gates organization as Draftsman on October 1, 1945, following his discharge from the army.



Bill Brady New Sales Engineer

Meet Bill Brady! The young fellow pictured here is the latest addition to the Gates Sales Force. Our many fine

customers in the North Texas, Mississippi and Eastern Oklahoma area will be particularly interested since he will be calling on them shortly.

While Bill is a native Chicagoan he has lived in Houston for several years. Peggy (Mrs. Brady) grew up in Boston. However, the last two of the five daughters of the Brady family, are native Texans, since they were born in Houston.

Bill majored in engineering while attending Armour Institute, Iowa State and Northwestern U. He, like so many radio men, served in the navy. Just prior to joining the Gates Sales Staff, Bill represented the Minnesota Mining Company in the sales field. His sales of recording tape and other items used by broadcasters brought him into close contact with the electronic industry.

We all join in welcoming the Bradys into the Gates family. Bill, a genial but hard worker, will be a valuable addition to our Sales Engineering Staff and the customers in the territory he serves.

Latest Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hronicek are the parents of a new little boy, Fred, Jr., born April 27.

His great interest in electronics, particularly from a company standpoint, soon lead to his promotion to Head Draftsman. During the past several years Howard has been doing a swell job in his capacity as Mechanical and Design Engineer. He still finds time to bowl and do a bit of boating and fishing on the good old Mississippi.

Howard has a whale of a job in supervising our production to meet the ever increasing demand for Gates equipment. We know he will have the full cooperation of all Gates employees in getting the equipment our customers order out on schedule.

STRIKES AND SPARES

For the past thirty-three weeks, the 6:30 shifts on Monday and Wednesday nights at the Casino have found the Gates men and women bowling leagues in action. This first year of league competition has been a most successful one and everyone is looking forward to another year of league action starting next fall. There is talk of increasing the men's league from six teams to eight, and perhaps the gals will have more teams too.

Men

There has been much good-natured razzing and kidding all season and for the most part, the competition has been keen and close. The No. 1 spot has been monopolized by the Live-



Strat and John ready to fire.

wires for many weeks with usually a very comfortable lead. The other teams have been having bitter battles for the other spots, and without identifying the writer, we are sorry to see the Gridleaks slip the last few weeks.

However, the Livewires were quite happy to see the season end on April 20 because they lost their last nine games . . . Father Time saved them from ending up in some other spot.



Check up on them Hal!

The final standings for the men are as follows:

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| 1. Livewires | 4. Gridleaks |
| 2. Short Circuits | 5. OZ-4's |
| 3. Miki-Mix | 6. Hi-Q's |

High Three Games

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| 1. Hi-Q's |
| 2. Livewires |
| 3. OZ-4's |

Hank Anderson Gets Hot
About three weeks ago, Hank Anderson of the Welding Department was



after one of those "perfect games". He kept adding strike after strike until he had nine of them — then came that big split in the tenth . -/?-. Hank went right after it and came very close to making it . . . He still had 266 for high game of the year.

High Individuals

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| 1. Carter | 6. Ballow |
| 2. Beckgerd | 7. Rice |
| 3. Veach | 8. Weinreich |
| 4. H. Anderson | 9. H. Young |
| 5. Laird | 10. Decker |

Women

The women too had an exciting bowling season. Week after week the girls looked forward to the stiff competition on the bowling alleys every Wednesday night. It was the first year for most of the women to bowl



Can't you get any help, Betty?

in a league but there are very good women bowlers working at Gates, which will make next year's season even more interesting.

For the last few weeks, the Transcripettes and Consolettes have had some mighty breath-taking experiences in their battle for first place. When it came time for the challenge of these two teams, the ten girls bowl-



Whoa — Marvin, how did you get in the women's league?

ing were either very loud or very quiet awaiting the final count of the total number of pins. (And the poor score-keeper is about daid!). The Transcripettes finally settled the matter April 22 with a three-game winning margin.

The final standings for the women are as follows:

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| 1. Transcripettes | 3. Studioettes |
| 2. Consolettes | 4. Antennettes |

High Three Games

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| 1. Transcripettes | 2. Consolettes |
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3. Studioettes

High Individuals

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|-------------|-----------|
| 1. Newberry | 6. Taylor |
| 2. Rice | 7. Pryor |
| 3. Kahs | 8. Anders |
| 4. Hayden | 9. Balzer |
| 5. Weiman | 10. Baker |

LATEST SCOOP FROM SHEET METAL AND ALLIED DEPARTMENTS

By Virgil Hall

Frank Bruening recently underwent surgery. From all reports, Frank is getting along fine. We all miss him and hope to see him back to work again soon.

Mrs. Olive Schulte and her husband are getting settled in their new home at 607 North 22nd Street. Olive operates a machine in the Machine Shop.

Otis Tyler, Lewis Phillips and Harold Bennett were transferred to the new plant a few days ago. These boys are going to do as much as possible to ready the new quarters for operations.

Our man Roger Cave is sporting a new Ford these days.

Kenney Weed and his wife are the proud parents of a second son, born April 4. They named this little man Rickie (Richard Michael).

Art Miller's wife was lucky enough to win \$50.00 on a local telephone-radio quiz program Saturday night, April 25.

HAPPENINGS IN WEST SUB-ASSEMBLY DEPARTMENT

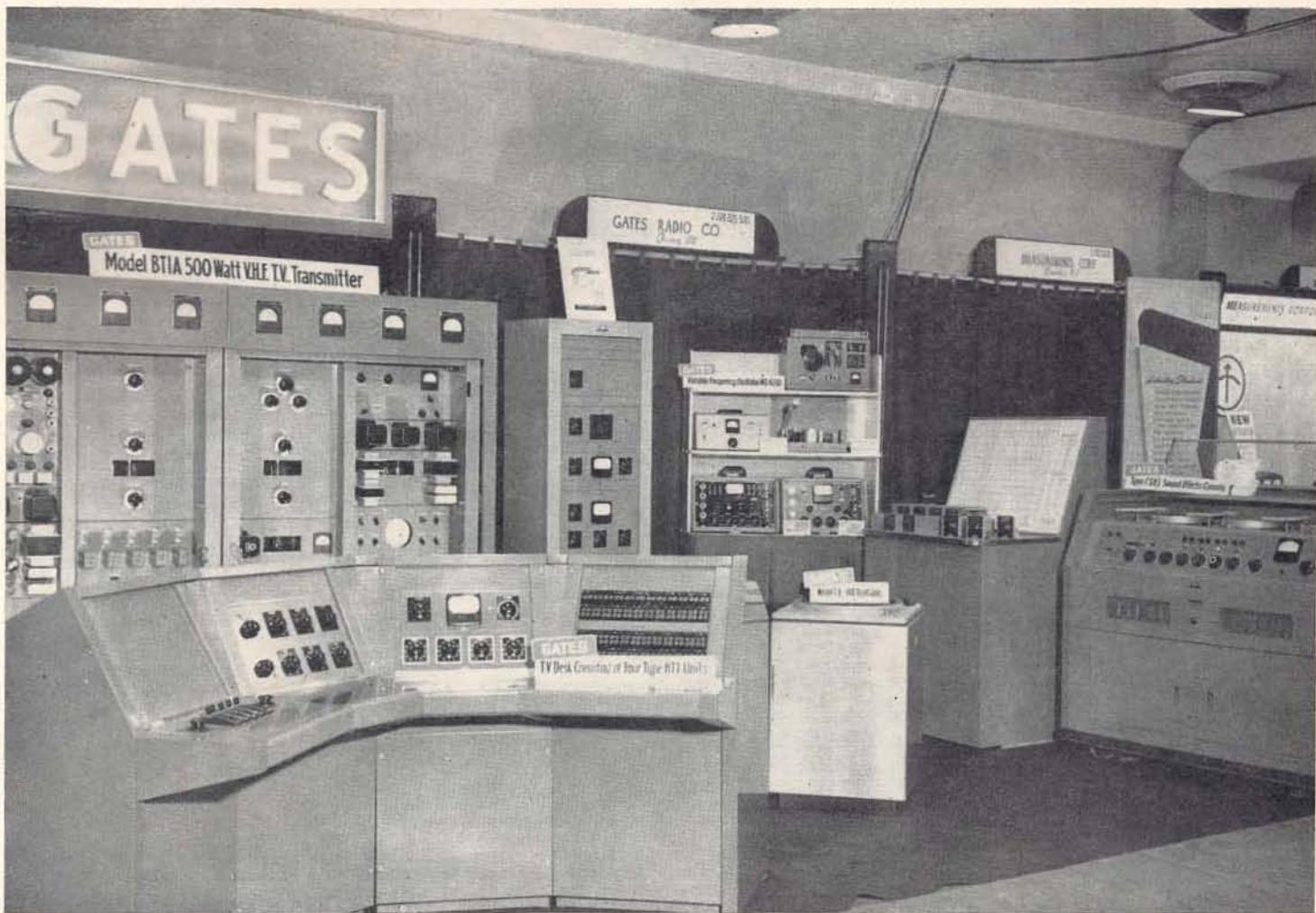
By Mary Ellen Rupp

Clarence Kinder was telling us today, he recently relocated at 421 Chestnut Street here in Quincy; and Lavinia Fahey promptly commented that she moved too, from downstairs to upstairs in the same building, in LaGrange, Missouri.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. Harold Laws and family on the death of his father; to Mrs. Olive Guenseth and family on the death of her mother; and to Mr. Robert Stahlhuth and family on the death of his mother.

GATES DISPLAY AGAIN AT THE NEW YORK I. R. E. SHOW



**By Wally Kabrick,
Audio Department**

Gates Radio Company was highly complimented on the fine display of actual equipment in contrast with the many picture displays seen at the National I.R.E. show this year. The show was held in the Grand Central Palace on March 23, 24, 25 and 26. It was very successful and drew much larger attendance than expected. Two days of liquid California sunshine failed to dampen the spirit of the affair or thin the crowd.

Most of the equipment on display appears in the photograph. The equipment shown consists of the TV accessory desk, the 500 watt VHF TV transmitter, a rack full of SA amplifiers, the variable frequency oscillator for the BC-5, the SA-136 remote amplifier, the SA-134 remote amplifier, the HC-60 and CB-65 remote amplifiers, the CB-14 turntable, the filter and equalizer display, and the CSE-1 mobile sound effects console. Equipment not shown in the picture includes the AN/URN-5 beacon transmitter, the CC-1 speech input console, a rack of plug-in amplifiers and the Ta Pak portable tape recorder.

The equipment that drew the most interest in our display was the TV transmitter, the CC-1 console and the

sound effects console. Of course, all of the equipment received much attention, including the lever attenuators on the TV desk which was entirely new to most people. Other exhibitors too gave our booth much attention this year—many with a flash camera—no nylons either!

There were many technical questions asked as well as price and delivery information. The transmitters and audio products both seemed to be well accepted at the show, and I might add, . . . we had many fine comments about Gates Equipment already in use. Many people stopped in seeking information about our products, and in many cases I learned much about our equipment from them since they had actual experience from hours of operation.

It was certainly agreed by all that the show was a big success for Gates and we enjoyed attending it. I hope to be there next year, especially if it is set up as well as it was this year.

Dick Eickmeyer, of the Sales Department, was the boy with the most headaches connected with this. He opened the truck doors and worked all through the show, then helped load up again and send the displays home. Good work, Dick! Larry Cervone, Sales Engineer for the New York

territory, did a very good job of organizing the display and scheduling time for our various individuals to spend in the booth. Ed Wilder, another of our Sales Engineers for the New York territory, lost ten pounds pushing equipment into position and wiping off the fingerprints. Bill Hoyt, one of our Television Engineers, and I walked into a booth that was nearly complete and ready for the show to start—for this, we were very grateful. Mr. Gates, President, and O. J. McReynolds, Sales Engineer from the Washington office, completed the crew present. I don't know if they had to help pack equipment or not since Bill and I left before the actual closing time.

We had many inquiries about some of our other engineers who have attended many previous shows—we don't want them to get puffed up, but we can assure them that they were missed. It was a pleasure to make new friends and meet old friends at the show. It was an ample reward for the aching feet and bloodshot eyes at the end of the day. This is the last time the show will be held in the Grand Central Palace, but no matter where it is held next year, we hope to see all (and more) of you there.

GATES FAMILIES WITHIN OUR GATES FAMILY

We are quite proud of the fact that within our expanding Gates family there are many smaller families working. We have about every combination available—husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, fathers and sons, brothers, etc.

We here at Gates, feel quite proud of the fact that the work of one member of the family has attracted others. We think that this builds for a good sound relationship.

The Ballow's



One of our more recent husband and wife combinations is Rose and Elvin Ballow. Elvin started to work in the Sheet Metal Department in August 1951 and after spending several months there was transferred to Dusty Rhodes Radio Assembly Department. In addition to carrying on his regular duties in this department, "Blue" rolls a pretty fair bowling ball in the winter and shoots a rather mean game of golf.

Rose started to work in May 1952 in the Cabling Shop and has been doing a fine job there ever since. She is also interested in sports and has been bowling on one of the ladies bowling teams this winter.

The Ballow family also consists of Kenneth who is attending Notre Dame High School and a married daughter, Mrs. Dale Rhea of Quincy.

Fahey's



Our Missouri family is Ed and Lavina Fahey of La Grange. Ed joined us in the Packing Department in September 1948 and was transferred to the Maintenance crew in July 1952. Recently, he has been busy helping get our new plant ready.

Lavina listened to Ed's reports for almost three years before she joined the Gates family in April 1951. In the beginning she worked as a Wireman and for some time now has been working in the Cable Shop.

According to all reports, the Fahey's are sports enthusiasts and in addition to following the high school sports in La Grange, they do considerable fishing on their own.

In addition to Lavina and Ed there is also Charlotte, their daughter, a Freshman at La Grange High School.

Chris Fuller's



The largest family in our organization is the Fuller family. The first Fuller to arrive on the scene was the mother (Faye). She joined the Office force in December 1946 and for several years now has been filling the job of Secretary for our General Manager, Mr. McEwen.

They always say that the mother influences the whole family and apparently that was true here. In August, 1947, Chris, Jr. joined the Stock Department shortly after graduating from Quincy Senior High School. For almost four years Chris, Jr., did a fine job here before Uncle Sam decided he needed him. At the present time he is located in Germany and we are all looking forward to the time he will be back with us.

It took a little longer for mom to influence Chris, Sr. but she got the job done on March 17, 1952. Since that time, Chris has been working in the Packing Department and having a great deal to do with the fine job done there in getting Gates equipment shipped in the proper way.

Last December, Dick Fuller finished his stint with Uncle Sam in the U. S. Army, and as you can well imagine was interested in joining the Gates family too. On February 9 of this year he started to work in the Stock Department and is quite responsible for getting the family to work on time each day in his new 1953 Ford.

Sister and Brother



Our sister-brother combination is made up of Gail Moore and Carl Gray. They both have been members of the Gates family a good many years.

Gail joined us first in February 1945 and after leaving for a short time returned in February 1948. She has worked in several different capacities but has spent most of her time in the Stock Department handling the inventory and stock control records.

Just recently she moved into the

Production Control Office to continue to work with the same records under the new production control system.

In addition to keeping busy from 8 to 5 each day at Second & Hampshire, Gail is also kept busy after work with her three children, Cynthia, 13; Phillip, 10; and Michael, 7.

We don't know if Gail had any influence with her brother or not but Carl started to work in June 1946. He has spent practically all his time in the Radio Assembly Department and is now acting as one of the Assistant Foremen in charge of the BC-1F line.

In addition to Mrs. Gray and Carl there is little Karen, 6; and Carl II, 3.

Havermale Bros.



The Havermale family has been known in Quincy for many years for their interest and ability in radio work. Jim was the first of this family to join us . . . in fact, he receives a 10-year pin July 26, 1953. During these ten years he has worked in many different capacities in all phases of radio wiring, testing, assembling, etc.

Jim has been quite active in the past on the Gates softball team. He also tells us he is a bowler. During the past year, Jim and Mrs. Havermale have been in the process of completing their home on East Broadway—making comfortable living quarters for Betty, 9; Sandra, 8; Barbara Jo, 6; Patsy, 2; and Johnnie, 1.

Joe, possibly with the influence of Jim, started to work September 29, 1944. He too has worked in practically all phases of radio assembly, wiring, testing, etc. At the present time he is busily engaged in TV development.

In addition to Mrs. Havermale and Joe, their family is made up of Fred, 10; Mickie, 8; and Pat, 3.

The Hudnut's



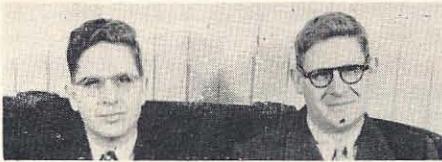
There seemed to be almost a race between Ray, Jr. and Ray, Sr. as to who was going to start to work first. According to the records, Ray, Sr. started April 5, 1945 and Ray, Jr. started the very next day.

Since that time Ray, Sr. has worked practically constantly in the Shipping Department and because of his years of service has helped handle practically all packing jobs whether they be for export, commercial, etc. At the

present time he is in charge of handling some special work in our shipping warehouse at Third & Delaware.

After working a short time, Ray, Jr. served in Uncle Sam's Navy and rejoined us in April 1950. He has spent most of his time in the Stock and Receiving Departments but just recently was transferred to one of the Radio Assembly Departments.

Jochem Bros.



Norbert (Nibs) was the first of the Jochem's to arrive on the scene. Nibs started to work in 1940 and with a short break in his work-record rejoined the company again in 1943 before leaving for the service in 1944. After helping Uncle Sam get the job done, he returned in 1946 and since that time has been busily engaged in the audio division of the Engineering Department.

Nibs' family consists of Mrs. Jochem, Carol, 10; Janie, 5; and Danny, 2.

Sharing the other half of the duplex on Broadway is Ray Jochem and his family—Mrs. Jochem, Donald, 9; Allen, 4; and Sharon, 9 months.

Ray was with us a short time in 1946 and returned to work in March 1947. He served in many different capacities in radio assembly work and in supervising some of the sub-assembly floors, as well as the heavy Radio Assembly Department.

Several months ago he was promoted to the position of Assistant Purchasing Agent and has been doing a fine job in expediting the material needed for production lines.

Moritz Trio



Another ten-year man is our Fireman and Janitor, Henry Moritz. Henry celebrated his tenth birthday here this past March. During his years of service, Henry has seen many changes in the company and can tell several stories about our operations in this building as well as in other locations. Even through it means several miles of driving, Henry continues to live on his little farm at Ursa and also continues to be a good source of supply of fresh eggs for several of our people.

Henry's son Clarence, has had several years of service with the company but for various reasons has had to break his employment record at different times. During his years

of work he has handled many different jobs in radio wiring and assembly work, and since he returned on February 4, 1953, he has been helping on some of the special assembly jobs.

Up until a few months ago, the Moritz family was further represented by Clarence's wife, Clementine. For the past several months she has been recuperating from a recent illness and we are all hoping that Clem can be back with us in the near future.

The other members of Clarence and Clementine's family are Judith Ann, 10; and Morris, 9.

The Rices'



Once again we have another case of the Mrs. being the first of the family to be working with us. After Alvina Rice spent several years with us she resigned in June 1949 and then returned to work again in August 1950. Since that time she has been helping in the Shipping Department with the parcel post and smaller packages.

Alvina is a very ardent bowler and this past winter served as Secretary in the Women's Bowling League.

Her husband, Marvin, joined the Stock Department January 15, 1951. He too is quite a bowler and has helped a great deal this past winter with the records of the Men's Bowling League. We don't know if he is as good with a shotgun as he is with a bowling ball but they tell us that the ducks aren't very happy to find him in the blind.

We don't know whether it was the brother or sister-in-law that influenced Archie to join us but nevertheless, he started April 9, 1951. Archie has spent all of his time in the Radio Assembly Department and there has been able to apply some of the years of experience he picked up in the Navy as an Electrician. From all reports, Archie can tell some pretty good Navy stories because of his twenty years with them.

Other members of Archie's family is Mrs. Rice, Bill, 3; and Jim, 1.

Van Velkinburgh's



It is rather unusual to have a mother and son working for the same company but we have two of these combinations. In October 1946, Vernon Velkinburgh started to work in the Packing Department and since that time has helped handle all

types of shipments. At this time he is engaged in supervising the packing of spare parts for a recent job. This requires special handling and special packing according to government regulations.

The Van Velkinburgh family was further represented up until a few months ago when Van's wife, Rosella, left the company to take up the duties of housewife on a full-time basis.

Van's mother, Mrs. Hazel Van Velkinburgh, joined us as Matron just this past March. We are glad to welcome her to our family and we feel sure she will continue to maintain the good record of the Van Velkinburgh name in the Gates organization.

Weed's



Our Sheet Metal Department is well represented by the Weed family. Bill, Jr. started to work in the Machine Shop section in February 1947. Since that time he has developed to the point where he can handle most of the operations of various machines.

Bill, Jr.'s family consists of Mrs. Weed, Robyn, 5; Pam, 3; and Roger, 1.

Apparently this is a case of son having influence on Pop because Bill, Sr., joined us in January, 1951. He had been in the tool and die business for many years and consequently joined the Machine Shop right along with Bill, Jr. Bill, Sr. has been handicapped a little because of illness but with that exception can be found day after day at his machine, doing his usual good job. Of course, he is quite proud of the fact that he and two of his sons are working together. The other members of his family are Mrs. Weed and another son, Wayne.

The third member of the Weed family is Kenneth, who joined us last September at our Airport operation. Just recently he was transferred to the Paint Section of the Sheet Metal Department and some day has hopes of following in the footsteps of his father and older brother in the Machine Shop. Ken is also following the family tradition of having a Jr. and Sr. in the family because he and his wife named their first son Kenneth, Jr. Just a few days ago little Rickie arrived as a new member of the Ken Weed, Sr. family. We understand that Mrs. Weed and the baby are doing fine.

On March 18 Dick Eickmeyer was seen shopping at Montgomery Ward's Women's Lingerie counter!



OUR HAM OPERATORS



The term "ham" is quite a common one in the radio business but in all probability it is used rather loosely at times. Because of the nature of our business, we actually have many "ham operators" and we want to use this opportunity to let everyone get better acquainted with them.

These fellows have a very enjoyable hobby but at the same time in many cases have performed some very valuable deeds in times of emergency. Our hats are off to our "hams".

The following article has been written by Bob Gray, one of our more enthusiastic members of the inner circle.

Virgil Alderton

Before joining Gates Radio, Virg was a member of the USAF and an active ham. He was licensed KR6AZ and J9ADA, while on Pacific duty, principally Okinawa. Virg was active in handling traffic to the states through phone-patch procedure. As we may expect there was no lack of DX while using the KR6 & J9 calls. Virg is licensed WOBFP, Durham, Missouri, and expects to be back on the air again shortly.

John Anderson

John is an active ham and has been licensed for 17 years. His call is W9NVP and home QTH is Payson, Illinois. The rig runs 250 watts phone and CW on 80, 40, 20 and 10 meters. The final uses PP 826's modulated with 811A's. At present, John is trying to generate local interest in two-meter activity.

During the last war, John was active in WERS as WKPZ-38 in Indianapolis, Indiana, using a mobile installation. John's experience will be very useful in local CD work.

John Birch

John Birch was originally licensed as W8SEN, 15 years ago. At the present time his call is W5UVL and we expect shortly to hear that John has a W9 call. A 40 watt, 40 meter rig will be on the air soon from John's new QTH here in Quincy. Rebuilding plans are in the mill. We



hope to see John at the regular amateur radio club meetings and the annual field day.

Art Brown

W9QFH is experiencing a phase of amateur radio that is well known to all hams. It seems that Art is surrounded by TV receivers and he is generating some nice herringbone patterns. We understand that his TVI is well on the way to being cured.

Art runs 200 watts phone and CW on all bands as well as having a mobile installation. He is a member of the Illinois Emergency Network.



Clint Carter

Since 1937 Clint Carter has been an active ham with a W9ZWN call. He was also a member of WERS, in Indianapolis, along with John Anderson. Clint and John are the two-meter enthusiasts. Clint's rig operates at 500 watts to a PP 813 final on 80, 40 and 20 meter CW. DX contacts stand around 50 and with



a WAC certificate. Clint will be active during the local field day contest. We understand that one year, Clint and a few others shared with a few horses, a local pasture as their field day site. During the wee hours W9FAU put on a good equine imitation and stampeded the other sleeping amateurs. We also understand that W9FAU is on a diet and future demonstrations won't be as realistic.

Parker Gates

Several years ago the vicinity of 23rd and Jefferson Street here in Quincy was a bastion of heterodynes and BCI. The source of this QRM was a 200 watt ham rig licensed to Parker Gates. Parker received his ticket along about 1925 as W9DZT. We understand that many W9DZT QSL cards were circulated in the intervening years. The QSL card was of particular interest. It seems that Parker had these cards printed up and included all the necessary data but in addition there was a photograph and a title which read, "NU's gift to the YL's." At that time



Willard Lindsay

Willard Lindsay is another of the old timers and dates his call back to 1929. W9FAU runs a full KW on 80, 40 and 20 CW. DX contacts amount to 120 countries and he lacks a few QSL's for DXCC. Willard has WAC, WAPE, WAPR, WAJD, RCC and OTC certificates. He also has a 1st class mobile installation that runs 50 watts and will be put to good use this summer and on vacation. In case you haven't figured out Willard's call of W9FAU, we're told it stands for Fat and Ugly.

NU stood for North America. Parker has not been active lately and we wonder if it's not because of the parts situation. It seems that all factory parts are tagged for particular productions and it is quite difficult to talk the supply room personnel out of material and parts. Seriously though, we would like very much to see W9DZT active again.

Bob Gray

Mobile operation is the principal amateur activity for Bob Gray. The mobile operates 30 watts on 80, 20 and



10 meters phone and CW with a W910K call. Bob operated mobile in Newfoundland using a AK2RG MARS call. While there, the mobile installation was useful during a practice invasion.

He also mentions that the first fighter jet crossing the Atlantic was aided by MARS operation. Bob also operates a fixed station of 100 watts on all bands, phone and CW. Bob's mobile operation is well identified by either his 12 or 15 ft. aerial whipping around on the back of his Ford.

Harold Laws

One of the old timers is W9VTI, Harold Laws—active since 1927. Harold has a 500 watt rig on 40, 20 and



10 meters, using a three element rotary beam on ten. DX stands at 91 countries with WAC and WAS certificates. Harold is trying to coerce a few QSL's to make DXCC. He is also a member of the

Old Timers Club and RCC. Harold will be active in the field day contest along with W9QFH and W9FAU.

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Ralph Patterson

W9IZK, Ralph Patterson, has held a ham ticket for 15 years. Previous calls have been W8RVO and W4LUQ. Pat was quite active before the war on 160, 75 and 40 on phone and CW running 200 watts. He is interested in two-meter work and has plans for such a rig as well as a rig for the lower frequency bands. We expect Pat to show up in the near future with a healthy signal.

Les Petery

Les Petery's call dates way back to 1924 and his present call is W9SGZ. Back at that time, Les constructed all



of his equipment and derived a great deal of pleasure from ham radio when it was a real accomplishment to work DX. At the present time, W9SGZ is not too active but one of these days we will probably hear him running a full KW.



FIVE AND TEN YEAR SERVICE PINS PRESENTED



Norbert Jochem—10 Years

Congratulations to Norbert (Nibs) Jochem upon his completion of ten years uninterrupted, except for military duty, service on April 1. Nibs actually started working in the Gates organization back in 1940. Following a brief break in employment he returned to the company on April 1, 1943.



Since completing his service in the navy, Nibs has served the company as a Radio Engineer, heading the Audio section. Since last September he has been head of the Audio section of the Sales Department. No doubt many of our fine customers, as well as all Gates employees, will recognize the above picture of this fellow whose work has been so important to our fine line of audio gear.

John Beckgerd Promoted to General Sheet Metal Foreman

Recently John Beckgerd, who has been working as Assistant Foreman in the Machine Shop, was promoted to General Foreman in the Sheet Metal Department which includes sheet metal, machine shop, welding, and paint.



John is well qualified to take over this new work because of his many years of experience in that phase of our work. He joined the company as a machine operator in 1944 and for some time now has been in charge of the machine shop.

Frank Bruening, Assistant Machine Shop Foreman

Each promotion leaves a vacancy and in this case, the vacancy didn't last long. Frank Bruening was immediately promoted to Assistant Foreman in the Machine Shop. In fact, Frank heard about this new position when he was in the hospital recuperating from a recent operation.

Frank also steps into his new job well qualified to take over. He has had many years of experience in this work and in fact he will be celebrating his tenth birthday with the company in November of this year.

Everyone wishes both of these men the best of everything in their new work.

Always do right. This will gratify some people, and astonish the rest.

Henry Moritz—10 Years

On March 19, a 10-year service pin was presented to Henry Moritz. Henry started with the company before we

located at 2nd & Hampshire as fireman and janitor and moved with us right down the hill when we came to this building.

In addition to taking care of his work, which during the winter sometimes requires seven days a week, he also has quite a hobby of raising chickens on his farm at Ursula.

We also understand that Henry is quite a St. Louis Cardinal baseball fan. He also occasionally does a little hunting for recreation.

Congratulations Henry, on your first ten years—the next pin is due in just five years.



Gilbert Allen—5 Years

Just recently Gilbert Allen was presented his 5-year service pin. Gib's five years of service started back in



1948 in the Sheet Metal Department.

Late in 1950 Uncle Sam decided he needed another good man so Gib spent 1951 and most of 1952 in the U. S. Army. His army training started at Fort

Leonard Wood, Mo., and ended in Japan after being wounded in the Bloody Baldie Battle in Korea. Gib was awarded the Bronze Star Medal while in Japan.

Gib, we are glad to have you back on the job and well on your way to receiving more service pins in the years to come.

Stock Room Notes

By Earl Ryther

Spring weather is about to catch up with the official season from all indications. Human nature is taking it from there.

The thoughts in the back of everyone's mind is turning to gardening, moving and fishing.

Art VandenBoom is looking for a bumper crop of endive and is taking future orders.

One of the most astounding incidents this reporter came in contact with is how a certain Missourian can raise tomatoes on pea vines. (Some of the stories that are told during noon-hour are out of this world.)

Marvin Rice is taking time out from keeping bowling statistics for the Gates men's league to prepare his boat for this summer's use.

By the time this goes to press, the Loren Bohannan's will be moved and settled in their new home at 1314 Chestnut Street.

One and Three Year Pins

In addition to the people that have reached five years or more of service with the company, there have been others during the past couple months who have received their 1 and 3-year pin awards.

The 1-year group is as follows:

- Dallas Swearingen
- Clarence Moritz
- Eloise Mattoon
- Kathleen Kahs
- Helen Metzger
- Roger Veach
- Chris Fuller
- Ruth Edens
- Patricia Taylor

The 3-year people are as follows:

- Norma Buck
- Dorothea Lahrman
- Marjorie Pippenger
- Ray J. Hudnut

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