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PASSAGE OF RADIO LEGISLATION IN SPECIAL SESSION DOUBTFUL

Even if the Republicans should succeed in widening the scope of matters to be taken up by the special session of Congress called by President Truman for mid-November, it is a question as to whether or not pending radio legislation would have much of a chance for consideration. Speaker Joe Martin, Senator Taft and Senator Wallace White contend that Congress could take up any domestic issue that might be considered necessary and this would include radio but, of course, the emergency legislation for which the Senate was called would have the right of way.

The most important price of radio legislation now pending is the White-Wolverton Bill with which the radio industry is far from pleased but which aims to bring the antiquated Communications Act up-to-date. Here, however, is a snag that this particular piece of legislation may encounter in the Senate. Senator White, in addition to being the sponsor of the bill, is also Chairman of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee which is considering it. Furthermore, Senator White is likewise majority leader of the Senate. If he had nothing to do but the last named job, he still would be one of the busiest men on Capitol Hill and probably wouldn't have much opportunity to work on radio and communications.

While he gave considerable time to rewriting the bill at his home in Maine during the Congressional recess, it is understood the Senator was not able to complete this task.

The bill had a very stormy reception when introduced and later during the Senate hearings many changes were suggested by the broadcasters and the Federal Communications Commission. One of these was to raise the pay of the Commissioners from \$10,000 to \$12,500.

A complication has arisen on the House side through Representative Evan Howell (R), of Illinois, being appointed to the District Court of Claims. Representative Howell was Chairman of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and was prepared to introduce a bill more in line with the industry's idea of its needs - in fact the broadcasters were believed to have about written their own ticket but now with Representative Howell out of the picture, it is not known who, if anyone, will carry the ball for them.

At the close of the last session even though Senator White knew that Mr. Howell was preparing a new bill, he did not seem to be discouraged over the fact that there might be two House bills to consider and still predicted that there would be a new Communications Act this session. It is the belief since Senator White is slated for retirement in 1949 after almost two score years of service in the Senate, he hopes for a revised Communications Act to be one of his monuments.

There are indications that Petrillo may come in for a trouncing during the extra session perhaps in a demand that the Lea Anti-Petrillo Act be amended to take in Petrillo's broadcast recording ban.

Rep. Edward J. Devitt (R), of Minnesota, in a statement to Stanley Hubbard of KSTP, St. Paul, who long has had his axe out for the music czar, declared last week Congress must take constructive steps to curb unwarranted and excessive powers Petrillo exercises over musical destinies of U.S. "He has so restricted free expression of musical abilities . . . that future growth and expansion . . . is seriously jeopardized to detriment of musicians and public", Representative Devitt said.

"He (Petrillo) has sponsored enactment of Federal law which classes musicians along with Communists, anarchists, and immoral persons as undesirable potential citizens of U. S. Law deprives musical profession of . . . exchanging talents between nations and . . . welds more closely power Petrillo exercises over union . . . Law should be repealed. I intend to sponsor bill to accomplish that end. . . . Caesarism in musical arts must be terminated."

Another thing that is liable to come up if the Republicans succeed in getting by with additional legislation to that indicated for the special session by President Truman is the resolution introduced by Representative William Lemke (R), of North Dakota, to move FM back from the 100 mc to the 50 mc band where it was originally. There may be some developments on this Monday, November 17th, the day the special session opens, in the FCC hearing as to the permanent disposition of the 50 mc band. One story is that this was a move on the part of the Commission to settle this matter in its own way while Congress was in recess but the calling of the special session may complicate matters.

Another radio matter heretofore not considered important though it has been coming up for years may have more serious attention when the mill begins to grind is a revision of Senator Arthur Capper's bill to ban all press and radio liquor advertising from interstate commerce. The reason for this is that Senators Edwin M. Johnson (D), of Colorado and Clyde M. Reed (R), of Kansas, declaring the Capper bill too drastic have hit upon the idea of recommending that instead of drafting a new law such as that, better results might be achieved by an amendment to the old Federal Trade Commission Act.

The amendment would forbid the publication or broadcast of advertisements which "by word, device or sound" imply that the use of liquor is beneficial to health, would increase social or business prestige, or is traditional in American family life. Senator Johnson wants to put more teeth in it and since he also expects to retire from the Senate hopes to do it soon.

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"TV'S FUTURE BRIGHTEST OF NEW INDUSTRIES", FOLSOM, RCA

No other new American industry holds such a bright economic future as television, Frank M. Folsom, Executive Vice President of the RCA Victor Division, Radio Corporation of America, said in Boston last week, addressing the Marketing Club of the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration.

"Television is the future of radio; it is a new tool for the alert and aggressive merchandiser", Mr. Folsom asserted. "Now, in radio we have both sound and sight to market and to aid in marketing. Whether you enter the radio field, or some other industry or business, you will find radio and electronics ready to serve you and to help in marketing whatever product you sell from razors to radios, from sapphires to soap."

"By the end of 1947", he continued, "it is estimated that there will be between 150,000 and 175,000 television receivers in the United States; by the end of 1948, about 750,000, and from there on the number will increase rapidly as mass production gets under way at an accelerated pace."

"Television will be supported by advertising, for it is unsurpassed as an advertising medium having both eye and ear appeal. Therefore, the gradual fusion of sound broadcasting with television is destined to come, just as sight and sound joined in motion pictures."

"Television also will become a coast-to-coast service, and possibly by 1950, there will be a nation-wide network in which stations will be linked by coaxial cable and automatic radio relay stations."

Mr. Folsom said that applications of television are unlimited, and he pointed out a number of its possibilities in medicine, education, industry and merchandising.

"Television is not limited to entertainment", he said. "Industrial television, with its panoramic views of entire factories, of dangerous chemical processes, of mines, tunnels, and submarine operations, offers new opportunities in the modernization of industry. In manufacturing plants, television makes possible the centralization of inspection; the assembly line can be observed at one or at many points, thus facilitating visual control of distant operations. Increased coordination all along the line is facilitated; delivery of parts can be watched and properly timed, and the movement of the belt regulated for utmost efficiency."

"We also foresee great possibilities for television in department stores. There the managers may sit at their desks, with an eye on the entire store. By pushing buttons, executives will watch the functioning of their organizations. Intra-store television will present dramatic visual displays of merchandise. Seated in comfortable viewing salons, which we call 'telesites', shoppers will see fashion

shows and the goods on sale in all departments. Television will provide a display window to the entire nation; people will shop by television and then telephone their orders."

"Consumer demand has far exceeded our most optimistic expectations. As a result, we have recently doubled our production of television by opening additional plant facilities at Indianapolis."

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GOV. FOLSOM OF ALA. CRACKS BIG CITY RADIO PROGRAM EMPHASIS

Gov. James E. Folsom of Alabama would have the country at large furnish radio programs instead of New York, Chicago and Hollywood. It would please him "if for a change we could get our culture, comedy and criticism" from other places.

Regarding this, Governor Folsom said in a statement presented to the Communications Commission, a survey by the Agriculture Department showed that "while news broadcasts ranked first among rural men and women in matter of preference for radio listening, sermons and religious programs and old-time music are more important to rural men in the South than such programs are to men in the North and West.

"Southern farm women placed religious programs second to news in listening value, while rural women of the North and West ranked soap operas next to news broadcasts."

The Governor joined farm organizations in urging more radio "primarily for rural listeners".

"With the present allocation of clear channels in the United States, a few people in the large cities are in a fair position to dictate the radio listening habits of over half the people of this country", Governor Folsom said.

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RMA SEEKS TO IMPROVE RADIO SET SERVICING

From a proposed New York City Ordinance to license radio servicemen and technicians, the Radio Manufacturers' Association is developing an industry plan to provide improved servicing of radio sets through "authorized" servicemen of the radio trade.

Action on the New York City municipal licensing ordinance for servicemen, and possibly other radio technicians, may be deferred pending RMA industry action, designed to stabilize and improve radio service and prevent overcharges to the public through the designation of "authorized" servicemen by radio dealers and distributors. City Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs of New York, author of the proposed municipal licensing ordinance, has indicated a willingness to defer action on his broad licensing proposal pending industry action to improve radio service.

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FCC FORMALLY SAYS GOOD-BYE TO CHAIRMAN DENNY

The Federal Communications Commission last week unanimously adopted the following statement on the resignation of Chairman Charles R. Denny, presented by Vice-Chairman Paul A. Walker:

"I think that the record of this meeting should not close without an expression of appreciation on behalf of the Commission to the retiring Chairman, Charles R. Denny.

"Chairman Denny first came to the Commission in February, 1942, as Assistant General Counsel in charge of Litigation. From the outset, he displayed unusual abilities and wholehearted devotion to the work of the Commission. Recognition of these abilities led to his selection as General Counsel when that position became vacant. And the distinction with which he performed the duties of that office, during one of the most trying and difficult periods of the Commission's history, made his designation to the Commission an obvious and natural choice.

"As a member of the Commission, as Acting Chairman, and as Chairman, he has displayed not only breadth of understanding and decisiveness of judgment but also a marked capacity for cooperation and leadership. We, his colleagues, are certainly not alone in recognizing and appreciating these qualities; they have won him the respect and warm regard of the Commission staff and those engaged in the communications field. Nor is this respect and regard confined to this nation alone. For, as Chairman of the recently held International Telecommunication Convention, he again demonstrated these qualities in an impressive fulfillment of a delicate and difficult assignment.

"I move that these remarks be incorporated into the minutes of this meeting together with our expression of appreciation for his services to the Commission and our best wishes for the future."

Mr. Denny, now on vacation, will assume his new position of Vice-President and General Counsel of the National Broadcasting Company in New York on or about November 15th.

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FCC SEEKS COMMERCIAL PUBLICATION OF RECORDS FOR PUBLIC SALE

To meet an increasing number of requests for copies of antenna patterns and related documents filed with broadcast applications, the Federal Communications Commission is inviting bids to have this work done commercially for sale at reasonable cost to those who desire them. The duplicating company obtaining this contract will prepare master copies of all directional antenna patterns within 24 hours after they are filed with the Commission. Master copies of other public records will be prepared as requested. Copies of these records may then be obtained from the duplicating company at the per page price specified in the competitive bids.

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U.S. DEVELOPS NEW AUTOMATIC IONOSPHERE RECORDER

A new instrument for automatic recording of ionospheric phenomena, which are of great practical importance in radio propagation, is now in operation at the National Bureau of Standards's ionospheric research station at Sterling, Virginia. The prototype model of the recorder, developed by the Bureau's Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, was completed in time to participate in the recent Army Air Forces—National Geographic Society Eclipse Expedition in Brazil. In addition to special records during the May 20 eclipse of the sun, valuable data were obtained on general ionosphere conditions. Plans are being made to install these recorders in all the ionosphere stations operated by the Bureau.

Long-distance radio transmission would be impossible if it were not for the ionosphere, a series of ionized layers in the atmosphere 50 to 250 miles above the earth that reflect radio waves back to earth. The new recorder will provide automatic and continuous measurements of the heights of the various layers and of critical frequency, that is, the maximum frequency that is reflected back to earth rather than passing off into space.

The model C2 recorder was designed to utilize the so-called multifrequency technic of investigating the layers of the ionosphere. It is the first completely automatic recorder to use, in continuous heavy duty, the heterodyne pulse transmitter arrangement recently described by P. G. Sulzer. In this arrangement the entire frequency range from 1.0 to 25.0 megacycles per second is covered continuously without switching bands. The receiver is tuned with the transmitter throughout its frequency range. Pulse transmissions are used similar to those employed in radar except with varying probing frequency. The frequency is plotted against the time delay of the echoes from the ionosphere, an interval that corresponds to twice the height of reflection. One sweep in frequency from lower to upper limits produces each ionosphere record in a time interval of as little as $7\frac{1}{2}$ seconds.

Details of the Electron Tube Research may be had in the October issue of the Technical News Bulletin, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

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BRITISH GUIDE TO WORLD'S RADIO GOES INTO THIRD EDITION

A third edition of the "Guide to Broadcasting Stations" (Iliffe and Sons, Ltd., 1s Od. net) has been published in London to coincide with the Radio Exhibition at Olympia. It again lists some 300 long- and medium-wave European stations, and over 1,000 world short-wave stations, of a power of one KW and upwards.

Overseas listeners will welcome the inclusion in the short-wave list of the frequencies officially allocated to the respective stations, as well as those in use at the time of going to press.

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COY, WINX, REPORTED SET FOR FCC HEAD; OTHERS STILL MENTIONED

A Tuesday rumor was that Wayne Coy, in charge of the Washington Post FM station had been offered a recess appointment as Chairman of the Federal Communication Commission to succeed Charles R. Denny. This was in line with an assertion by Drew Pearson over ABC Sunday night. Mr. Coy has been frequently mentioned for the post. He is 44 years old, a native of Indiana, a former newspaper reporter, and formerly a New Dealer, previously was Assistant Director of the Budget serving in the Executive Office of the President.

Other aspirants, however, apparently haven't given up hope. A name added to the list last week was former Senator D. Worth Clark (D), of Idaho, who endeavored to give Petrillo a spanking by calling him to Washington several years ago. He was later defeated in a close election by Senator Glen Taylor, former radio cowboy.

Among those mentioned for the chairmanship have been Leonard Reinsch, President Truman's radio advisor, Senator Hugh Mitchell, of Washington, and former Senator James Mead (D), of New York.

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WQXR, NEW YORK TIMES STATION, SEEKS 50 KW POWER

Two officials of the Interstate Broadcasting Company, Inc., operator of radio station WQXR, New York, testified Monday in support of an application to increase the station's power from 10 to 50 kilowatts, unlimited time.

John V. L. Hogan, President of Interstate, a subsidiary of the New York Times Company, said that it was of utmost importance to distant listeners that clear channels of independent high-power stations such as WQXR should be protected from any interference.

Mr. Hogan said WQXR programs were heard throughout the eastern third of the United States.

Earlier, Arthur W. Scharfeld, attorney for the station, said that he had filed with the Commission a protest against a temporary authorization issued by the Cuban Government to CMBH, Havana, permitting it to operate on 1560 kilocycles, the same frequency used by WQXR, on five kilowatts power.

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Senator Claude Pepper (D), of Florida, this week accused the House Un-American Activities Committee of censorship in violation of the Bill of Rights.

"If censorship begins with the movies it will next reach the press, the radio, the painter, the musician - and, in time, the pulpit", Mr. Pepper said.

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HARTLEY, OF TAFT-HARTLEY, TO GUN FOR PETRILLO, JOHN L. LEWIS

Representative Fred A. Hartley, Jr., co-author of the Taft-Hartley labor law, said in El Paso Tuesday, he would press in the next regular session of Congress for new legislation aimed at such union chiefs as John L. Lewis and James Caesar Petrillo.

Addressing the metal mining convention of the American Mining Congress, the New Jersey Republican said, according to the Associated Press, that he had two proposals to make, both to bolster the Taft-Hartley Act.

The first, he said, would outlaw labor violence and guarantee the right of an employee to remain on the job without fear of intimidation or bodily injury. This would not protect strike-breakers, he said, "but the fellow who has a job and wants to keep on working."

It would apply in cases such as he observed recently in Detroit, Mr. Hartley said, where "I saw goon squads in steel helmets go from filling station to filling station to drag out workers and beat them."

The Taft-Hartley Act's sections on mass picketing and the use of force and violence are inadequate", he added.

His second move to bolster the Taft-Hartley law would be to outlaw strikes against the public health and safety.

In this connection, he struck at Lewis and Petrillo, describing them as abusers of power.

"Lewis not only can shut down the coal industry but also can wreck the nation's economy", he said.

"To Petrillo, who recently announced he would not permit the manufacture of more records, I would apply the Sherman anti-trust act, just as it applied to business."

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Nina Lunn, a familiar figure at Washington parties last season, now has a role with William Powell in Universal's forthcoming film, "The Senator Was Indiscreet". Not only that, she's keeping tabs on Powell's portrayal to see that it contains nothing indiscreet. As the granddaughter of Maine's Senator Wallace H. White, Jr., her Capital knowledge has come in handy to the comedy producers.

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DREW PEARSON'S "FRIENDSHIP TRAIN" PROMISES TO GO OVER BIG

Although no one seems to be leaning over backward to give him credit for the idea, the proposal of Drew Pearson, ABC radio commentator, that the Citizens Food Committee send a "Train of Friendship" from the West Coast to the East Coast to collect food gifts for hungry Europeans, apparently is very near realization. Chairman Charles Luckman, in announcing that the Committee would send the train, said it would "show the people Europe that the people of the United States are anxious and willing to assist them."

The train is scheduled to leave Los Angeles Nov. 7 and arrive in New York City Nov. 18. When it arrives, said Mr. Luckman, it will be loaded with grain and other foodstuffs picked up from more than forty cities and towns in twelve States. It is expected to start with five carloads of food and to have about eighty cars when it arrives in Chicago.

Representatives of the French and Italian Governments, motion picture and radio stars, and news-reel, press and radio personnel will be on the train. Governors, Mayors and members of citizens committees will ride it through their communities, with ceremonies being held at each stop.

An idea of the "pull" of Mr. Pearson's broadcasts was learned in quite another way when he revealed that a single regular ABC Sunday night mention of a name brought in 20,000 letters and post-cards. It was in connection with Mr. Pearson's suggestion that Dow White, professional rat catcher, in an effort to aid the food conservation program, would give his method of rat-catching to anyone who wrote in and sent a stamped envelope. As a result White telephoned Mr. Pearson that he was deluged with requests but would keep his promise, but to please tell the radio listeners not to forget to send the stamped envelope.

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IN CHINA IF A STATION ACTS UP, IT'S "SEALED"

Broadcasters who think they are having their troubles here should get some comfort from an item just received from the Commerce Department which reads:

"Shanghai radio station XHMD, which was instructed on September 3 to cease broadcasting in the English language, was sealed on September 18 by the Shanghai-Woosung Garrison for non-compliance.

"The seals are now removed, and the station has resumed operations in the Chinese language. XORA is now the only station broadcasting in the English language in Shanghai - and possibly in China, with the reported exception of one station in Chungking.

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GEN. R. R. COLTON ELECTED VICE-PRESIDENT OF FEDERAL RADIO

Maj. Gen. Roger B. Colton (retired) has been elected Vice President of the Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation, domestic manufacturing affiliate of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. General Colton, who has completed more than thirty years of service with the United States Army, has had extensive experience in communications research and development.

General Colton was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, in the Regular Army in 1910, after his graduation from Yale University in 1908, and transferred to the Signal Corps in 1930 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He was placed in charge of the Plant and Traffic Division in the Office, Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., in August, 1932, and of the Research and Development Division of that office two years later. Upon his graduation from the Army War College in 1938, he was made Director of the Signal Corps Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

General Colton's long and distinguished military career included service as Chief of the Signal Supply Services, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., and later as Air Communications Officer of the Air Technical Service Command at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. He retired from active service with the Army to enter private business last year.

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FURTHER CLAIMS THAT FM REACHES FAR BEYOND THE HORIZON

Further reports come in of FM being heard well beyond distances originally claimed. The latest is from J. T. Dalton, General Sales Manager for Radio and Television, Bendix Radio Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation.

"Originally considered as limited in range, FM radio has during the past Summer proved itself capable of static free, full fidelity reception over distances of 150 miles. For example, in areas where popular baseball games were broadcast over FM, the new type of radio suddenly grew up", said Mr. Dalton.

A map of reception in the St. Louis area debunked all that has been said about FM distance limitations, Mr. Dalton pointed out, referring to the areas of service in excess of 200 miles.

Bendix Radio's claim to distant FM performance centers on the operation of its exclusive treatment of the ratio detector. Mr. Dalton claimed that the fewer tubes and parts in the Bendix circuit provide even greater sensitivity free of limiting action plus full automatic volume control. The stability of the circuit has further enabled Bendix to use mechanical pushbutton assemblies for automatic tuning on AM and FM.

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SEVEN NEW FCC APPLICATION FORMS TO REPLACE 20 OLD ONES

New application forms tailored to the convenience of prospective broadcasters as well as to regulatory requirements have been adopted by the Federal Communications Commission and are expected to be available in about a month. They pertain to all classes of broadcast services except international, facsimile and experimental.

The new forms help to standardize the application procedure and reduce detail insofar as possible. Seven unified and compacted forms will replace 20 different forms used for the broadcast services affected.

In particular, applicants for new standard, FM and television stations will use the same form instead of separate forms as now. The only difference will be in the engineering portions. Applications for licenses and renewals, assignment of construction permits and licenses and transfer of control, are likewise unified.

Substantial relief in submitting detail is afforded. As one example, if an applicant feels that it would be too much of a burden to furnish an unusually large listing of all parties involved, he may petition the Commission for a waiver of the strict terms of this requirement.

Just as it simplifies the filling-out procedure, what is described as "the business-like format" will expedite the processing procedure.

The seven new forms are designated as follows:

FCC Form 301, Application for Authority to Construct a New Broadcast Station or Make Changes in an Existing Broadcast Station.

FCC Form 302, Application for New Broadcast Station License.

FCC Form 303, Application for Renewal of Broadcast Station License.

FCC Form 313, Application for Authorization in the Auxiliary Broadcast Services.

FCC Form 314, Application for Consent to Assignment of Radio Broadcast Station Construction Permit or License.

FCC Form 315, Application for Consent to Transfer of Control of Corporation Holding Radio Broadcast Station Construction Permit or License.

FCC Form 321, Application for Construction Permit to Replace Expired Permit.

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RCA BRINGS OUT THREE NEW TELEVISION RECEIVERS

RCA Victor this week announced three new television receiver models bringing its line to a total of eight models. The addition of these three models now makes the RCA Victor line the most complete one in television history, according to Henry G. Baker, General Sales Manager of the RCA Victor Home Instrument Department.

The three new models, ranging from a table model with a 10-inch picture tube at \$325 to a de luxe television FM-AM phonograph combination console at \$675, are being introduced in time for franchises television dealers to have sets in stock on the anniversary of "T(Television) Day", November 3rd.

"These receivers fill in gaps in the price and quality range of the first five models in the RCA Victor television line", Mr. Baker explained. "Thus the retailer can match an RCA Victor television receiver to almost any consumer's price bracket."

The new 19-tube Model 721TS at the suggested price of \$325, falls between the 621TS (table model with 7-inch picture tube generally retailing at \$250 and the 630TX (27-tube and three-rectifier, table model with 10-inch picture) at \$375. The two new television-FM-AM-shortwave-phonograph combinations, Model 730TV1 and 730TV2, at the suggested retail price of \$595 and \$675, fall between the 630TCS (television sight and sound console) selling at \$450 and the 641TV (television-FM-AM-shortwave-phonograph combination) at \$795. Both new consoles have 27 tubes and three rectifiers each.

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VOICE OF AMERICA IN FAR EAST 6000 MILES CLOSER

Under an agreement concluded on September 4 between the United States and the Philippine Republic, the Voice of America is broadcasting to the peoples of the Far East from a recently completed transmitter located in Manila, the Department of State announces.

With the addition of the Manila relay station, the beam to the Far East is, in effect, moved 6000 miles closer to its listeners since the only relay previously used was the Honolulu station. The Voice of America is maintaining a regular broadcasting schedule to the Pacific and the Far East in eight languages which include English, Chinese, Korean, Siamese, Annamese, French and Malay. The countries and areas receiving the broadcasts are Japan, Korea, China, Siam, French Indo-China and the Netherlands East Indies. The new transmitter will broadcast on a six hour daily program schedule.

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If Petrillo Had Headed the Buggy And Carriage Makers' Union
 ("Editor and Publisher")

We wonder what James C. Petrillo would have done 40 years ago if he had been head of the "Buggy and Carriage Makers Union, AFL". Would he have foreseen the threat of the horseless carriage and thus forbidden his stalwarts to make any more bodies for the new fangled thing?

Right now, Petrillo and his attitude to the advance of technology looks strangely like King Canute and his attempt to hold back the tide. Just as surely as Canute got wet, Petrillo is going to get caught in the tide.

Petrillo has already slowed down the progress of FM and television. Now he wants to stop them completely. And he wants to stop the use of recorded music in any form. These new gadgets of modern science reduce the demand for "live" musicians, he claims. He wants all music henceforth produced by "live" musicians.

Is it possible that if the "Buggy and Carriage Makers Union" had been a strong union it could have stopped the manufacture and development of the automobile by similar tactics?

Such thinking in a modern world is ridiculous - yet doubly dangerous because its proponents are in deadly earnest.

When a monopoly of the labor supply can interfere with other businesses, make rules and pass judgment on other enterprises, isn't it logical that such a monopoly should be prosecuted under our anti-trust laws just as a similar business monopoly would be?

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Lotteries Seen Spreading Like Wildfire; Radio Company Cited
 ("Chicago Better Business Bureau Report")

Like epidemic disease, spreading like wildfire, one lottery or near lottery begets another. All beget confusion and all reflect unfavorably on the good name of business.

Two of these lotteries are described in detail in this issue. Another, designed to stimulate sales of a prominent manufacturer's particular make of radio, through secret rewards to dealer salesmen, is now being nationally promoted. In supplementary material to its own sales representatives, it warns them a second angle of the scheme is a lottery and that to send anything about it through the mails is risky. By its own statement, therefore, it sets a pattern in guilty knowledge which American business as a whole would do well not to emulate.

With the American business system under attack by subversive elements, both within and without the country, legitimate business can ill afford to bring disrepute upon itself by its own acts. Good intentions are no excuse.

The legitimate competitor who would abide by the law rather than violate it is faced with the choice of losing business or con-

cocting an illegal lottery of his own. Business, otherwise legitimate, thus sets in motion an epidemic which whets the public's appetite for lottery prizes instead of honest merchandise in exchange for well-earned dollars.

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U.N. World-wide Network Set-up Estimated at \$6,000,000
("International Review")

From headquarters and from the twenty projected field offices the U.N. network should provide an up-to-the-minute service for all the press associations and national radio networks of the world. Bulletins of United Nations news, interviews with Delegates, the entire proceedings of important meetings and feature programs on the manifold aspects of human endeavor with which the United Nations and the associated agencies are concerned - all these can be carried by the feeder network in many languages to the peoples whose hopes are set on the new organization. Apart from that, in times of emergency or crisis the network would be able, under the direction of the Secretary-General, to provide for, direct communication with all member governments. Program plans showing in detail the proposed service of broadcasts to member states are in course of preparation and will also be laid before the General Assembly.

Everyone working in the field of communications must hope that the General Assembly will give its approval to what has come to be called The Stoner Plan. If the plan is in fact approved by the Assembly, at least two years will be required for procuring and installing the necessary communications equipment. The total investment required for the facilities provided under the plan is \$6,000,000 spread over a period of three years. During the war the Allied government spent on international communications alone over one billion dollars - to say nothing of the untold billions of dollars, pounds, francs, rubles, yet and all other currencies spent.

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Calls "Labor Trust" Biggest Trust Of All
(E. J. Gallaher, Army Ordnance Association Business Letter, Mills Building, Washington, D. C.)

When we consider that the greatest and most overpowering trust in the country today is the labor trust, immune from the anti-trust laws which control industry; that this labor trust can combine not alone locally but also on a nationwide basis; can fix its prices and force the Nation to accept them, we have the real underlying reason for the high prices we are suffering from today.

The average percentage of total income paid to labor by the six industries listed is 89 percent, which leaves 11 per cent for everything else including profits (before taxes). It stands to reason that more could be accomplished by squeezing 89 per cent of an orange than by squeezing 11 per cent.

Is the labor trust too powerful for the Government? Or, possibly, are the votes of its members of too much importance?

Here is a job for Congress when it next convenes, and it is hoped it will do the job completely. Labor has no more right to combine against the American people and fix prices than has industry, and Congress should see to it that both labor and industry are brought under the same antitrust laws.

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A decision of the FCC proposes to grant the application of the Radio Corporation of Cedar Rapids for a new station at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to operate on 1450 kc., 250 watts, unlimited time, and a denial of the applications of Cedar Rapids Broadcasting Corp., Inc. and Moline Dispatch Publishing Co. seeking the same facilities at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Moline, Ill, respectively. (Commissioners Walker, Jett and Jones dissenting.)

A later report of the conflagration at Bar Harbor listed the home of A. Atwater Kent, former radio manufacturer, of Philadelphia, as undamaged.

Ira T. Kitzmiller, for over 14 years associated with RCA, has been appointed Controller of United States Television Mfg. Corp. With the Radio Corporation of America, Mr. Kitzmiller was Assistant Controller in charge of Works Accounting. He was also with Ken-Rad Tube and Lamp Co. as Assistant to the President.

The School Broadcast Conference Tuesday in Chicago voted Clifford J. Durr, Federal Communications Commissioner, as the man of the year for his "outstanding and meritorius service in the field of educational radio." The award was presented to Mr. Durr at the eleventh annual school broadcast meeting. George Jennings, Chicago, conference director, said "for seven years Mr. Durr has been a staunch supporter and friend at court of educational radio."

The FCC Monday announced its Order granting petition of Lycoming County Broadcasting Company to reopen the hearing regarding the applications of the Lycoming County Broadcasting Co. for new station at Williamsport, Pa. and Williamsport Radio Broadcasting Associates for new station at the same city for the purpose of admitting newly discovered evidence concerning unsatisfied judgments against a former partner of the Williamsport Radio Broadcasting Associates. The Commission will hold a further hearing on December 1st to permit the taking of evidence with respect to the matters alleged in the petition.

"Chick" Mileham, Athletic Director at the University of Cincinnati has requested a television set for the use of Cincinnati University coaches, since W8XCT, Crosley Broadcasting Corporation's experimental station, plans to televise the remainder of the UC team's home games.

Says Mileham, "Line coaches, watching the game from field level, are likely to miss many important plays. But, if they can watch a television set, they can see all plays as the camera sees them - from high over the field."

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