

HIGHER POWER WILL BE USED BY STATION

Government Grants Permission to WOK to Operate With 5000 Watts

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—With the granting of government authority to station WOK to increase its power to 5,000 watts Chicago now has three of the most powerful stations in the country, besides having many of the best.

There are only eight 5,000 watt stations in the United States and no other community has more than one of them. The only station which broadcasts a greater power is KDKA the Westinghouse station at East Pittsburgh.

The other two Chicago region stations on 5,000 watts are WORD at Batavia, Ill., and WCBD at Zion, Ill. WORD's studio is in Chicago. WOK's station is at Homewood, Ill., and it broadcasts its programs from the Morrison Hotel, Chicago.

WOK stepped up from 1500 to 5000 watts on Thursday night. As this station was already coming in regularly as far away as the Pacific coast, its officials believe that under the increased power and its low wave length of 217.3 meters, its signals will be picked up frequently in Europe this winter. It is one of the three battery operated stations in Chicago and said to be the largest of this type stations in the world.

Being the three Chicago stations these on 5000 watts are WSAI, Cincinnati; WCCO, Minneapolis; WLV, Harrison, Ohio; WOC, Davenport, Ia., and WHO, Des Moines, Ia.

CHILD KILLED BY TRUCK

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 25.—Dickie Tjomsland, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Tjomsland of Vashon, near Tacoma, was instantly killed today when he was run over by the Vashon school truck. Witnesses of the tragedy declared the lad run out from a group of children into the path of the machine.

"Anglo-Saxophone" is a word coined abroad to describe the speech of Americans who know but one language and who raise their voices to foreign waiters as if the noise would increase their intelligibility.

AMBIDEXTROUS RADIO MUSICIAN



Some people are content to do one thing well. Here is Clifford Lang, shown in the Crosley broadcasting studio, playing the organ with his left hand while he accompanies himself upon a piano with his right hand. Radio audiences have heard this artist, but few have seen his photograph before.

BELGIAN AMATEUR SETS NEW RECORD

Communication by Radio Is Carried on With Station in New Zealand

VERVIERS, Belgium, Sept. 26.—For the first time in the history of amateur radio transmission a Belgian station has succeeded in overcoming the distance halfway around the world to New Zealand and the New Zealand station has answered. While New Zealand and English stations had been in communication several times before, this was the first time that the Belgian-New Zealand link has been closed.

Station 4YZ, owned and operated by Engineer A. Courtois of Hodimont-Verviers holds the distinction at this end while Ivan O'Meara of Gisborne, New Zealand, successfully handled the other end of the record breaking distance test. It is of interest to note that O'Meara has already made several records in his two-way work with English stations.

Engineer Courtois, who is vice-president of the Radio Club Belge started work on 45 meters using

Three of a Kind



Radio interests these pedigree greyhounds. They are listening in on their owner's Crosley "Pup" receiver.

64 watts power. At 5:30 a. m. Greenwich meridian time, or in broad daylight in New Zealand, he received his first reply from O'Meara.

In the course of several minutes conversation, O'Meara reported that he could distinctly hear Belgian station 4RS, owned and operated by R. Pirotte of Verviers. M. Pirotte is secretary of the Radio Club Belge. No effort was made to reply to 4RS, although the Belgian signals were easily read in New Zealand. The three principals in this work are affiliated with the American Radio Relay League and the International Amateur Radio Union.

HOUDINI, BURIED IN GRAVE, NEAR DEATH

King of Magicians Tells How He Saved Himself From Perilous Situation

In performing the amazing tricks with which he has mystified the world, Houdini, the master magician, has had many a narrow escape from death. More than once, when he has been thrown into the water or buried alive, he has been in actual physical danger, and has saved himself only by his quick wit and his marvelous skill.

Some of these thrilling experiences are described vividly by Houdini himself in the first of a series of articles in the October Popular Science Monthly, in which he bares many hitherto unrevealed secrets of the mystic world in which he moves.

"Of course, I perform no tricks without rehearsing them," says Houdini; "yet there is always the danger of some little thing going amiss and not only spoiling the trick, but spoiling me as well—permanently. The former has happened several times, and as a result I've had some very narrow escapes."

"I permitted myself to be shackled hand and foot and buried alive in California some years ago. I had previously escaped successfully from graves from one to five feet deep, but when I was placed in a six-foot grave I lost my self-possession temporarily. As a result instead of proceeding calmly and carefully about the work of freeing myself, I began to struggle frantically, and aimlessly, and I attempted to call for help. My efforts sapped my strength; my attempts to shout caused me nearly to be suffocated. Luckily I mastered myself in time, and managed to squirm to the surface more dead than alive. And if it rests with me, that is the last time that particular trick ever will be performed."

"Another time, I nearly brought my career as an entertainer to a sudden end by doing the Chinese torture chamber trick (in this trick Houdini usually is locked in a metal cylinder filled with water) in a cask of ale. The fumes of the ale intoxicated me, and I have no recollection to this day of completing the trick."

"In Buffalo, N. Y., several years

ago, a gang of longhoremen from the lake front accepted my challenge to any one to tie me up so that I could not escape. They came to the theater armed with the chains, cables and other apparatus they used in loading cargoes on steamers. I thought I had seen about everything in the line of bonds and shackles, but those fellows produced a brand new assortment. I managed to free myself eventually, but I have never forgotten the experience, for a heavy chain that they tightened about my waist with levers crushed one of my kidneys, necessitating my sleeping with a pillow under my back ever since.

"Once, in the middle of winter, I permitted myself to be shackled hand and foot and dropped through a hole cut in the ice in the Susquehanna River, near Pittsburgh, Pa. In prospect there was nothing terrifying about this feat. I had made hundreds of handcuff and rope escapes in water; so when they dropped me into the hole I was quite as calm as though merely going through my stage routine.

"However, I had failed to take into consideration one tremendously important item—the swift current of the river. As a result I was carried downstream, and when my body rose I was under the ice, which was several inches thick. I had no idea where the hole in the ice was located. I could not, of course, cut another hole through the ice; nor was there any way in which I could signal my plight to those who were waiting for me to emerge. "My only hope of saving my-

RADIO LISTENERS MAKE SELECTIONS

Innovation in Preparation of Programs Is Announced by Hollywood Station

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl Branson have moved to Salem.

Auburn Sunday school will be closed September 27, as several of the members will attend the Hayesville District Council of Religious Education, which will meet at Hazel Green church for an all day session.

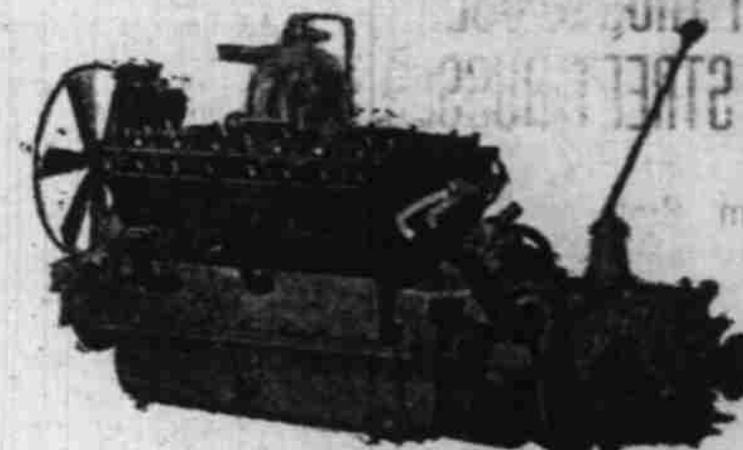
The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Hardy wish to express their sympathy in the loss of their baby daughter, Ellen. Mrs. Hardy grew to womanhood here, and the little daughter was born here in the old home. Besides the father and mother, she leaves to mourn her loss, her little sister, Wilma.

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