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FIRST ANNIVERSARY

of

The World's Largest Service Organization

RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE

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8,138 Approved Members
All With Testing Equipment

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Regional Headquarters in 217 cities in every state in the United States, every province in Canada and 81 other foreign countries.

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THE FIRST YEAR OF RADIO

URING the past year the radio service industry has witnessed the establishment and phenomenal growth of Radio Manufacturers Service. Within this comparatively short time R. M. S. has achieved a larger membership than any other radio service organization, and the number is growing every day, because servicemen in all parts of the world realize that they cannot afford to be without Radio Manufacturers Service.

A year ago there was obviously a need for such an organization. The radio service industry was cutting prices and resorting to all kinds of trick advertising to obtain business. Many high-grade servicemen were forced to do service work at practically no profit in order to compete with many so-called servicemen, who were, in reality, only "tube jerkers." This condition is gradually being overcome through many contributing factors, one of the most important of which is Radio Manufacturers Service. The success of Radio Manufacturers Service in establishing the service industry on a more stable basis is shown best by the decreased amount of advertising of fifty-cent service calls. At the present time this type of advertising is practically out of the picture, simply because every good serviceman realizes that he cannot expect to stay in business when he resorts to such unfair practices. Radio Manufacturers Service has been received gladly by every serviceman to whom the plan has been explained. It is something which he has needed for a long time, and he realizes that at last here is a real organization which can be of tremendous help to him.

Radio Manufacturers Service, during its first year, has done many things for the serviceman which at this time can be pointed out very definitely. A year ago, when the organization was first started, all of these items were promises on the part of PHILCO. Today they are facts; PHILCO has produced—the world's largest radio manufacturer has not failed the serviceman. These servicemen, on the other hand, have not failed PHILCO, for they realize that PHILCO is trying in every way conceivable to assist them.

One of PHILCO'S most important contributions to the service industry has been the publicizing of the serviceman. Through its advertising facilities PHILCO has placed the serviceman and his work on a higher plane, and at the same time has impressed upon the minds of thousands of radio set owners the fact that they can obtain good service at a reasonable price from any member of Radio Manufacturers Service.

As mentioned above, one of the greatest benefits of Radio Manufacturers Service during the past year has been PHILCO'S suggestion of standard prices which could be charged for service work. These prices are in no way binding to any member, but they do give him the opportunity of working on a definite cost and selling price basis for his service. In the event of any question on the part of radio set owners, the Radio Manufacturers Service member can show his Standard Labor Charge Sheet and can thus show the customers that they are not being overcharged for any work.

Boake Carter has been plugging Radio Manufacturers Service consistently and with remarkable success for the serviceman. The first Radio Manufacturers Service broadcast over the Columbia Chain was made on September 18, 1933. Since that time Boake Carter has been telling millions of radio set owners about Radio Manufacturers Service and has been giving the servicemen the largest amount of free advertising they have ever known.

Newspaper advertising has appeared in many of the daily papers throughout the country. PHILCO distributors are co-operating with Radio Manufacturers Service members in running such ads to obtain service calls. Invariably wherever such advertising has appeared, it has produced wonderful results for the servicemen members. People listen to Boake Carter on the radio, and immediately upon seeing a newspaper ad concerning Radio Manufacturers Service they connect the advertising with Boake Carter.

During the past year, in the case of each and every radio receiving set that has been shipped from the PHILCO factory, the customer's in-



R. M. S. Standard Labor Charge Sheets



Boake Carter



Newspaper Advertising



Philco Instructions

MANUFACTURERS SERVICE



R. M. S. Membership Certificate



R. M. S. Printed Matter



R. M. S. Lessons

struction sheet told the PHILCO owner the story of Radio Manufacturers Service, and asked him to call upon a member of R. M. S. when in need of service for his radio set. It is thus easy to obtain an idea of the tremendous amount of Radio Manufacturers Service advertising which has gone out from this source alone. When a customer is looking for a good serviceman he will naturally call upon the one recommended by the manufacturer. This means that members will continue to get service calls during the coming years from the advertising which PHILCO has done, without cost to you, during 1933-34.

The Radio Manufacturers Service Membership Certificate has been of great assistance to every member. It has enabled him to show his service customers and his prospects the fact that he is a duly authorized serviceman member of Radio Manufacturers Service, and that he has the backing of the greatest known radio manufacturing organization—PHILCO. The R. M. S. Certificate is something which is valuable to every man in Radio Manufacturers Service because it represents, to him and to his customers, a New Deal in radio.

Radio Manufacturers Service headquarters has made available to members all of the printed material, office supplies and advertising literature at the actual cost of production. Over a half million pieces of this literature have been sent out during the past six months, and every one of these Radio Manufacturers Service ads is bringing more publicity and greater national acknowledgment of R. M. S. Invariably those members who have used the advertising material have been able to identify themselves in a way which places them far above the ordinary service men, simply because R. M. S., in the mind of the public, is associated with the biggest things in radio.

The lessons, three of which have been issued to date, have been supplied to every member of Radio Manufacturers Service as well as to thousands of radio dealers. These lessons enable the serviceman to obtain, at the actual cost of printing, information which he could not possibly get in any way except through his membership in Radio Manufacturers Service. This technical data has enabled many servicemen to take on additional work which they could not have handled without the information provided. It has given thousands of members many new ideas on radio servicing and has enabled them to obtain more profits from service work. The R. M. S. lessons are written in a clear and understandable manner, which every serviceman appreciates, regardless of whether he is a highly trained technical engineer or whether he is somewhat limited in his theoretical radio knowledge. The lessons will continue to be published at intervals of approximately one month, and every member can be assured that each Radio Manufacturers Service lesson will be another step forward in advancing the status of the serviceman.

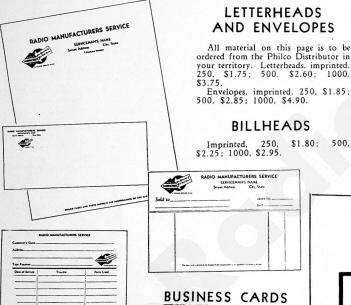
Radio Manufacturers Service has just started. Anything as big and as powerful in an industry as R. M. S. must, naturally, require a considerable period of time to become thoroughly established. Radio Manufacturers Service is in the radio industry to stay, just the same as PHILCO is in the industry to continue business for years to come. Those men who have identified themselves early are already reaping the many benefits of membership. It must be remembered, however, that the advantages of Radio Manufacturers Service will be appreciated in a financial way far more a year from now, and two years from now. than they are at the present time. Every day there are thousands of additional people all over the country who are learning of R. M. S. and are realizing that they can turn to this group for quality service work. If you are not a member at the present time, you should get your Membership Certificate to your PHILCO distributor without further delay. To the present members, PHILCO extends its most cordial greetings on this first anniversary. We predict that one year from this time you will be more prosperous, which position you can trace directly to Radio Manufacturers Service.

IDENTIFY YOURSELF WITH THE

R. M. S.

Office Supplies

Carry on your business in a businesslike fashion. People don't like to deal with a slipshod serviceman. Simply get a supply of this office material, use it and you will have a real "big-business" set-up.



SERVICE RECORD CARDS Furnished unimprinted only, 250, 55c: 500, \$1.10; 1000, \$2.20.

Imprinted 250, \$1.35 500, \$1.70 1000, \$2.60



INEXPENSIVE NEWSPAPER ADS Readers (for News Page)

EXPERT RADIO REPAIRS

Phone us for quick service on any make radio. Modern testing equipment. Guaranteed repairs. Reasonable rates. We are members of Radio Manufacturers Service. Name, address and phone number.

RELIABLE RADIO SERVICE

Is your radio working properly? Call us for best service in town on any make radio. As members of Radio Manufacturers Service we are thoroughly trained in all repair work. Special "Tune-Up" only \$2. Call phone number. Name and address. Adv.

Classified Ads

RADIOS REPAIRED. All makes. Finest, guaranteed, service at rea-sonable rates. Member of Radio Manufacturers Service. Name, address and phone number.

EXPERT RADIO repairs on all makes of radios. Special Radio Manufacturers Service. "Tune-Up" only \$2. Guaranteed service. Call phone number. Name and address.

PHONE NUMBER for expert radio repairs by member of Radio Manufacturers Service. Guaranteed service. Name and address.

ONLY \$2 for Radio Manufacturers Service "Tune-Up" of any radio. Guaranteed service. Name, address and phone number.

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Front

Handbill, "2 in 1" offer on Philco Three Prices, including imprint, are as follows:

DISPLAY ADVERTIS LOCAL NE

Let Us "TUNE-UP" Your Radio!

Yes, only \$2.00 for a complete check-up of your radio! Guaranteed repairs on any make, any model, any year! Phone for quick, expert service!

Telephone NUMBER SERVICEMAN'S NAME and Address Here



2 cols. x 11/2 inches

RADIO REPAIRS!

Call us for expert, guaranteed, service on any radio—any make, any model, any year! Latest test-ing equipment, rapid service and reasonable rates. We are members of Radio Manufacturers Service!



STANDARD TUNE-UP Only \$2

Telephone vmber SERVICEMA and Address Here

2 cols. x 2 inches

BIGGEST THING IN RADIO SERVICE R. M. S.

NEY-MAKER

TUNE-UP

BIG TWO-IN-ONE OFFER



Back

-Purpose Antenna and R. M. S. tune-up. 1000, \$4.75; 500, \$3.10; 250, \$2.45.

Advertising and Promotion Helps

The best business insurance you can have is an advertising and promotion plan. Invest part of your profits in advertising and watch the results. Look over the suggestions below and START NOW!

SERVICE LETTER WITH TAG

Letter supplied complete as shown, with your imprint at top of page, also in typewriter type at end of letter. 250, \$2.30; 500, \$2.85; 1000, \$4.20.

Tags, printed on both sides, imprinted, and furnished complete with thumb tacks, ready to mail. 250, \$2.75; 500, \$3.75; 1000, \$6.25.

THREE-PURPOSE AERIAL LETTER

This letter (not shown here) sells the Three-Purpose Antenna System. Letter supplied complete, with your imprint at top of page, also in typewriter type at end of letter. 250, \$2.35; 500, \$2.90; 1000, \$4.30.



PHILCO RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE

SERVICE FOLDER

This folder may be used in place of a let-ter or as a handbill for house-to-house distribution. The inside spread sells the value of calling an "R. M. S. Serviceman." the benefits of a "Tune-Up" and general Radio Repairs. The back page sells YOUR ORGANIZA-TION and shows your imprint. 250, \$1.80; 500. \$2.50; 1000, \$3.50.



TIRE COVER

A new idea in tire covers. Lettering reflects light from approaching headlights. One size fits all tires. Price, each, including your imprint. \$1.25. (F. O. B. Canton, Ohio.)





SERVICE POSTCARD

Ready for you to address, stamp and mail. Imprinted, 250, \$1.95; 500, \$2.60; 1000, \$3.75.

STICKERS

To be placed on back of radio as a reminder. Imprinted, 250, \$1.30; 500, \$1.55; 1000, \$2.40.



ORDER ALL MATERIAL FROM YOUR PHILCO DISTRIBUTOR

EMENTS FOR YOUR WSPAPERS

Complete mats of these ads are available from your Philco Dis-

tributor at 6 cents each. Take any

of these mats to the newspaper of

fice, they will fill in your name, address and telephone number.

Telephone NUMBER SERVICEMAN'S NAME

and Addrees Here

RADIO REPAIRS -

Call us for quick, expert

service on any radio.

Latest testing equipment.

We are members of Radio

Manufacturers Service -

your guarantee of satis-

Telephone NUMBER

SERVICEMAN'S NAME and Address Here

RADIO REPAIRS Phone for quick, guaranteed, service. We are members of Radio Manufacturers Service.



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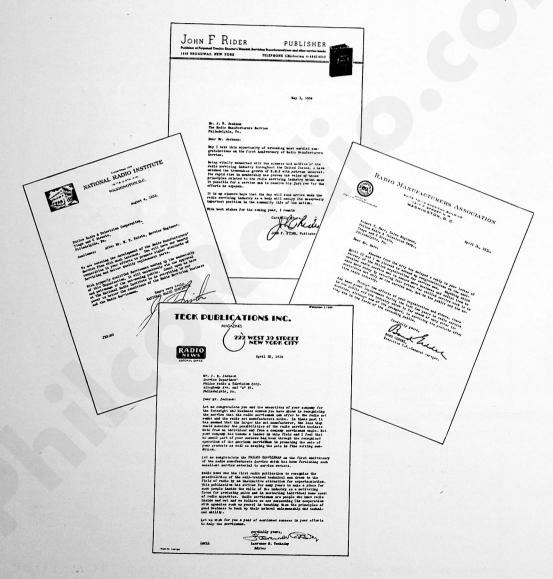
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Some of the Leaders Send Birthday Greetings to Radio Manufacturers Service

Radio Manufacturers Service was recognized from the very beginning by leaders in the radio industry as an organization which would be of the greatest help to servicemen. We reproduce on this page several of such communications received in response to the Radio Manufacturers Service first birthday.



Congratulations from the Servicemen

Many letters from servicemen have been received by the PHILCO factory and by PHILCO distributors in which the men expressed their appreciation of Radio Manufacturers Service. Some of these interesting letters and some quotations from others are reproduced on this page.

GENTLEMEN:

I am writing you to tell you I am very proud to be a member of the Radio Manufacturers Service. It cnables me to contact with the PHILCO owners that I could not do before, and owners of other makes of radio receivers also. When I show them my certificate they do not question me at all, so I want to say thank you for organizing a service organization like that because it sure has helped me and my customers

Your member No. 4741.

A. J. JACKSON.

Box 53, Kaneville, Ill.

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Every customer realises the importance

of reliable service men and then recommended by Iniles they have confidence in the man at once. To service and ere very grateful to

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I would like to thank you for the pleasure of being one of your service members, but I don't believe that there is anything I could say or write that could come near enough to my appreciation for this service. It is, in my opinion, the greatest thing in the life of a serviceman, and if every manufacturer did this it would simplify many a good headache a serviceman can create.

Very sincerely,

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DEAR SIR:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Radio Manufacturers Service that the Radio Manufacturers Service is an excellent plan. I have benefited greatly by it. The many helps and suggestions have improved me as a serviceman. It has furnished me with additional service work. It has helped me to make some real money in that service work. My thanks go to the whole PHILCO organization for what they are doing. are doing.

Very truly yours. J. S. STANTON. Philos for your efforts in establishing the "feile Establishment Service Flan"-high is beginning to RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE

DEAR SIR:

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Yours of the 9th inst. on hand and contents noted.

Thank you very much.
Just what I have been looking for.
I was over at the Service Station.
Twenty-fourth Street and Fairmount Avenue, Monday; purchased some necessary supplies and Lesson No. 1.

Met a few of the boys, and I assure you they are response fellows: in fact, every one I have come in contact with so far connected with R. M. S. are also.

So you can rest assured I will co-operate with PHILCO in every

respect. So until I hear from you again I beg to remain.

Very thankfully yours, PHILIP JAMES WALSH. 2219 N. Thirteenth St.

Laying the Cards on the Table

Most of the members of Radio Manufacturers Service have been connected in some way with PHILCO for the larger part of their time in the radio business. Every radio serviceman is familiar with PHILCO because there are more PHILCOS in the homes than any other set. feel, therefore, that we can talk frankly, and that we can be understood.

There have been some opinions voiced among servicemen to the effect that Radio Manufacturers Service is merely a smoke-screen to conceal the fact that PHILCO wants to sell more parts and tubes. We would like to take this opportunity now to allay any such feelings and to assure every member of Radio Manufacturers Service that the real purpose of the organization has always been and always will be to help the serviceman. We make no secret of the fact that PHILCO needs the full cooperation of every serviceman to increase the PHILCO radio business. fairness to these servicemen. Radio Manutacturers Service. getting more jobs and more money for you. makes it only fair for the serviceman to help us sell PHILCO.

This attainment will be reached by helping the serviceman to become a better technician and merchandiser, and thus a better business man. He will make more money in this way, and it is reasonable to assume that PHILCO will benefit by having PHILCO radios serviced better and by having more PHILCO parts and tubes used as replacements. The more important consideration to the serviceman, however, is the fact that his status will have been improved from both the technical and merchandising standpoints. Radio Manufacturers Service can help you to make more money, is it not to your complete advantage to be an active member?

Questions and Answers

- 1 Q. How can the serviceman profit most through his connection with Radio Manufacturers Service?
- A. The best way for the serviceman to gain the advantages of Radio Manufacturers Service is by identifying himself in his business with this national organization. Radio Manufacturers Service is sponsored by PHILCO and is known to the public as a national organization, behind which is the reputation of the world's largest radio manufacturer. Through the use of R. M. S. advertising material and stationery it is possible for every member to identify himself readily with the organization and to profit accordingly.
- 2 Q. What is the cost of being a member of Radio Manufacturers Service?
- A. There are no costs of any kind in connection with the initiation or membership in R. M. S. The only costs at any time would be for material, such as the R. M. S. printed matter or some of the R. M. S. booklets. In all cases this printed material is supplied at actual cost of production and handling.
- 3 Q. Who are the writers of the Radio Manufacturers Service lessons?
- A. Various members of the PHILCO Service Department. Later some of the lessons will be written by members of the Engineering and Factory Executive Departments and will be edited by the PHILCO Service Department.
- 4 Q. What does PHILCO gain by Radio Manufacturers Service?
- A. PHILCO has nothing to gain through R. M. S. except the increased good will and possibly an increased parts and tube business from servicemen. PHILCO's idea is to cooperate with the serviceman and to place the PHILCO resources behind him, so that he in turn will be friendly to PHILCO. The serviceman is an extremely important factor in the radio set industry, and his recommendations carry plenty of weight with customers. PHILCO is the outstanding radio set on the market today. We want servicemen to recommend PHILCO radios, and we know that they will do so, for through

- their R. M. S. connections they will appreciate the $\ensuremath{\text{PHILCO}}$ advantages.
- 5 Q. Are the local headquarters of Radio Manufacturers Service intended to be clubs and associations in the ordinary sense?
- A. No. The various local headquarters are intended pri marily as sources of information where servicemen can go when they want service data and any service assistance. There are no executive officers of any kind in R. M. S. It is purely a national organization, with the backing of PHILCO, and is intended to assist servicemen in every way possible.
- 6 Q. Is membership in Radio Manufacturers Service restricted in any way?
- A. Yes. Membership is restricted to radio servicemen having complete test equipment and men who are approved by the local distributor's Service Manager and by the PHILCO Service Engineer. Membership is open to independent servicemen, as well as dealer servicemen. It is not open to anyone who is unfamiliar with radio service or who is not proficient in this activity.
- 7 Q. Are the Radio Manufacturers Service Standard Labor Charges binding to members?
- A. No. The Standard Labor Charge Sheet is intended as a guide for the assistance of the serviceman, but it is not necessary that he maintain these rates at all times. There are various conditions under which a different rate than that specified should be charged, and it is entirely up to the serviceman to be the judge. On the other hand, the Standard Labor Charge Sheet is something which gives the serviceman a justifiable reason for charging the amounts specified. This is particularly desirable in those cases where certain customers have been led to believe, through the advertising of service gyps, that their radio sets can be serviced for fifty cents or seventy-five cents. The Standard Labor Charge Sheet is intended to assist the serviceman in obtaining a fair charge for his work.

Can You Afford to Be Without RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE?

After reading this issue of the PHILCO SERVICE-MAN, the advantages of Radio Manufacturers Service are clearly evident.

We want every qualified serviceman as a member, and every man who is so qualified will want this profitable connection with the world's largest service organization. If some of your servicemen

friends have not heard about Radio Manufacturers Service, tell them, and see that their membership application is made out and returned to the PHILCO distributor without further delay.

Remember that Radio Manufacturers Service is for the sole purpose of assisting and advancing the servicemen.

Philco Radio & Television Corporation of California

218 Fremont Street

San Francisco, Cal.

I. I. FARWELL, Service Manager