

Commercial Television Year Book and Directory. 2d Ed. Published (1957) by Business Publications Ltd., Mercury House, 109-119 Waterloo Rd., London, S.E. 1. 5½ × 8½ in. 272 pp. Price: \$5.00. This reference book to British commercial television has been considerably enlarged since the first edition appeared. In addition to the usual directory listings of TV stations, advertising rates, etc., it now contains an artists' who's who, agents' addresses, a bibliography of television, and a number of special articles and maps.

Noise Control, a monthly periodical of the Acoustical Society of America, is being expanded in its field of coverage to include shock and vibration control. The Acoustical Society is a member society of the American Institute of Physics, 335 East 45 St., New York 17.

The new policy was inaugurated with the September issue which featured articles on vibration and shock, including an article by Dr. Walter Ramberg, Chief of the Mechanics Division, National Bureau of Standards. Subsequent issues will have discussions of device and materials used to isolate vibration and articles on current problems in industrial and military installations.

The magazine, now in its third year is of special interest to engineers, architects and hygienists. Recent issues of the publication have considered noise problems in motion-picture, radio and television studios; in heating and ventilating and air-conditioning systems; industrial zoning and

community noise and conservation of hearing in industry.

An index of RCA technical papers for the year 1956 is available upon request from Radio Corp. of America, RCA Laboratories, David Sarnoff Research Center, Princeton, N.J. The Index lists substantially all technical papers by RCA employees published during 1956. A limited number of indexes covering the years 1919-1945 (Vol. I), 1946-1950 (Vol. II) and 1951-1955 (Vol. III) are still available.

The Technical Book Co., 253 South Spring St., Los Angeles 12, has issued a "New Books" list of professional and scientific books, including publications in such scientific fields as communication and management; mathematics; electronics; electrical engineering; and radio and television are included. The list is available from the company upon request.

The American Society of Colleges for Teacher Education, 11 Elm St., Oneonta, N.Y. has issued a series of bulletins on *Television in Teacher Education*. Release No. 4 discusses "Points of View Regarding Television in Education." A statement by the Committee on Television of the American Council on Education warns against the extremes of an uncritical acceptance of television in education and the equally serious mistake of failing to explore its full possibilities as an educational tool.

Interscience Publishers, Inc., 250 Fifth Ave., New York 1, has been appointed exclusive, world-wide distributors for publications of the Microwave Research Institute of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. The publications include the Symposia Series, edited by Jerome Fox, and the two-volume *Handbook of Electronic Measurements*, reviewed in the July Journal, p. 442.

SMPTE Test Films

Test films planned by the Society's technical committees and produced under the Society's exact supervision are available from the headquarters office at 55 West 42 St., New York 36. Catalogs containing brief descriptions of each film are obtainable on request.

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