



The Society's new permanent display. First shown at the International Photographic Exposition in Washington in March, it was photographed at the Society's Spring Convention at the Shoreham Hotel. It will be used at SMPTE conventions and other appropriate technical exhibits to illustrate the various services offered to the industry by the SMPTE.

stituted to work with the Society's officials in helping to establish general policy with regard to future exhibits and to cooperate in the planning for each exhibit as it comes

along. The members of this committee are: Oscar Fisher, Oscar Fisher Co., Peekskill, N.Y.

Arthur Florman, Florman & Babb, New York  
 Paul Klingenstein, Kling Photo Corp., New York  
 Harry Teitelbaum, Hollywood Film Co., Hollywood  
 James L. Wassell, Bell & Howell Co., Chicago

The first action to be undertaken by this committee will be the preparation of a questionnaire, to go out jointly from the Committee and the SMPTE to all former exhibitors at SMPTE conventions, calling for expressions of opinion on such basic policy matters as frequency of exhibits, preferred locations and opening times.

It is intended that this shall be a continuing and mutually helpful cooperation between the industry and the Society which will help to put the exhibits in proper perspective and give due emphasis to the important part they play in promoting the interest and success of the conventions. Great care is given to the planning of the technical sessions that form the meat of the program; equal attention must be paid to providing adequate and suitably located space for the equipment exhibits, to planning the convention schedule so that sufficient time is available for viewing them, and to providing, wherever possible, a link in subject matter between the equipment shown and the technical papers presented that will enhance the value of both.—D.C.

## SMPTE Engineering Committee Manual

This booklet, which was first prepared a couple of years ago in order to present a clear picture of the committee structure by which the Society's engineering activities are carried on, has now been revised to bring it up to date.

Although it is primarily intended as a guide for committee members and especially for new appointees, members of the Society in general will find this a most convenient reference for this important part of the Society's functions. It describes the way in which the engineering committees and subcommittees are set up, the role that committee members and chairmen play, how the exchange of information is carried on by meetings and published reports in the *Journal*, and the Staff Engineer's position as co-ordinator and helper to all the committees under the administrative supervision of the Engineering Vice-President.

A particularly useful feature is the clear step-by-step account of how engineering proposals in our field are processed with the eventual aim of publication as American Standards. This is illustrated by a block diagram.

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