

**The Television Puzzle****Baird Co. Assume Secrecy**

REPORTS have been current in England that the British Broadcasting Corporation is now willing to provide facilities for furthering the Baird experiments. These have been promptly denied by the B.B.C. in an emphatic statement as follows: "On October 17 we stated that a demonstration of the Baird Television Development Company on October 9 had failed to fulfil the conditions which would justify trial through a B.B.C. station, but that any claim of improvement would be examined. The Baird Television Company has not yet intimated to the B.B.C. any claim to improvement. Any such improvement would be examined by the B.B.C. with a view to determining whether the above decision should be modified."

THE Baird Company feel that the B.B.C. has not treated them fairly, for, it is asserted they never communicated personally with Mr. Baird on the matter. Those closely in touch with the developments believe that further negotiations have since taken place between the Post Office authorities and Mr. Baird. It is even stated that the P.M.G. has personally witnessed an experiment and has expressed his approval.

"It would seem," states Capt. O. G. Hutchinson, managing director of the Baird Telephone Company, "that other countries in Europe, not to mention Australia and New Zealand, were sufficiently impressed to order transmitting sets with a view to considering broadcasting in the near future." Capt. Hutchinson added that the real facts he is unable to reveal, and is surprised at the statement issued by the B.B.C. Important negotiations have been concluded with several of the continental broadcasting stations. The German Government is particularly interested in the developments of the Baird Company. Capt. Hutchinson, in view of what he described as "his secret negotiations," is confident that the B.B.C. will not remain adamant much longer.

**Television Experiments**

TELEVISION experiments, made by two Sydney radio amateurs, Messrs. W. G. Nichols and W. C. Pinnell, have yielded results which are arousing much interest in wireless circles. Messrs. Nichols and Pinnell constructed a television receiver, but found that American, British, and European stations were too far away to tune in. They are constructing a television transmitter, but in the meanwhile have tuned in the ordinary signals of 2BL.

As received through the television, these signals are transformed into light, and Mr. Nichols states that they show exceedingly beautiful designs. A violin solo, for instance, causes beautiful transverse rods of light to pass across the television aperture in an undulating motion. Then, changing suddenly, they will take on a curved motion like incoming ocean waves.

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