



Last Minute Christmas Gift Suggestions

'Tis said that the greatest joy of Christmas is that of giving and receiving presents. Yet what a worry it is selecting just the right article for mother, father, brother, sister, or whom it may be. Somehow we seem to leave it right till the last moment and then make a decision which we immediately criticise. Friends may advise us, but in the end we please ourselves; nevertheless, suggestions are always welcome. Have you thought of Radio and Electricity as possibilities? Both are essentially modern and in each there is a multitude of ideas. Presents, pretty, useful and uncommon are to be found—and they are inexpensive. Glance through the pages and you will have some new ideas for that present.

New R.C.A. Models

THIS season R.C.A. Radiola models are available at prices to meet all pockets. Number one on the range is the R.C.A. Radiolette. This is a beautifully designed little four-valve set, and is wonderful value at £18/10/-.

In the Radiola Superette model. R.C.A. have produced a set which they term "A Pigmy in size, but a Giant in performance." R.C.A. justly claim that the public are offered a midget set which compares favourably with the average full-size set. The Superette is an eight-valve superheterodyne, using the new super control Radiotrons and push-pull pentode in the output stage.

The new R.C.A. console model Radiola R-9, is R.C.A.'s latest superheterodyne fitted in an engaging cabinet of compact lines. The cabinet is not only of unusually attractive appointments but has been built with special regard to acoustical properties. The R-9 has sensitivity that knows no barriers of distance, selectivity that really is selective, and unusually efficient volume and tone controls.

N.Z.-made Radio

THAT New Zealand can and does produce good radio receivers is ably demonstrated by the Radion Seven, a mantel-type superheterodyne made by Collier and Beale Ltd., Wellington. Radion Seven has 50 per cent. chassis and parts actually made in the Dominion and is specially built to suit New Zealand conditions. This all-electric superheterodyne requires no aerial or batteries. At £29 it represents unusually good value. The saving on

duty, of course, is now a great inducement in favour of New Zealand-made radio, but on performance alone this set is a winner, and all who have the welfare of New Zealand industry at heart should hear Radion Seven. H. W. Clarke Ltd., Wellington, are the distributors.

A New Lyratone

MESSRS. CRAWFORD AND FINLAYSON LTD. announce a new Lyratone—Model 66. This new model is a six-valve set of the T.R.F. circuit and is remarkably silent and very selective. The valves used are three 235 variable-mu, one 224 screen-grid, one 247 pentode, and 280 rectifier. The set is fitted with a gramophone jack and has full-vision vernier control, and the cabinet is of handsome appearance. Supplies of this model will be available just before Christmas.

Electrical Gifts

AVOID the danger of giving the usual and trite this Christmas—hundreds of people do it—but you can be original and different by giving something practical and useful in the way of electrical or radio goods from the Electric Lamp House this Christmas. Remember, a gift carefully chosen is always a gift appreciated. Turn, then, to pages 20 and 21 of this journal and scan the list of Lamp House gift suggestions. There you will find the very ideas to solve your difficulty.

Change to Superheterodyne

NO one who has enjoyed the benefits of radio in the home would ever wish to be without it. Likewise no one would go back to an ordinary set after enjoying the superior power and tone of superheterodyne. Why not

pool the family presents this Christmas and buy a Gulbransen seven-valve superheterodyne mantel or console receiver?

The Gulbransen name stands for trouble-free service. Remember two out of every five workers in the Gulbransen factory are inspectors, paid solely to detect flaws and errors, so that no faulty set can possibly be sent out to dealers. A Gulbransen will please consistently—not only on Christmas morning.

Cairmor Home Recording Outfit

ENDLESS hours of amusement and entertainment can be had with an electric home recording outfit. The new "Cairmor" outfit, an English production, will make records of the family talent. The outfit is meant to be used in conjunction with a battery or electric set of three valves and over and an ordinary gramophone. The microphone is supplied with a battery and transformer, and full instructions are given. The tracking device for moving the recording pick-up across the record is very ingenious and practically fool-proof. The records can be played back immediately and will last indefinitely. The "Cairmor" outfit should appeal to those who want some novel entertainment over the Christmas holidays. The attachments are obtainable only from Mr. G. S. Anchor, of Radio House, Hamilton, who has just announced a reduced price.

Radio Parts

HARRINGTON'S can supply your gift requirements—Speakers—Aerial Wire—Receivers—Valves—all make excellent gifts. Harrington's (N.Z.), Ltd., Wellington, Auckland and Christchurch.

Any radio enthusiast would welcome

a present of a few Pilot radio parts. Call in at one of the branches in Auckland, Wellington or Christchurch, and let our assistants make suggestions.

Wireless Literature

WITHOUT suitable literature the steady progress of radio in this country could not maintain its present development, and the whole Dominion is well catered for in that respect by the Te Aro Book Depot, Wellington, which has for years specialised in that class of reading matter, supplying the requirements of Government departments, wireless colleges, dealers, amateurs and broadcasters. We have frequently availed ourselves of the service of this firm as they are up-to-date in the latest publications on the subject, and will, if necessary, obtain any textbook or journal on the subject from overseas publishers. This firm's business in radio printed matter has grown so much of late that they have found it necessary to establish agencies in the larger towns.

Johnson's Wireless School

THIS school, since its establishment a number of years ago, has pursued a constant and steady progressive policy, both in its growth and methods, under the supervision of its principal, Mr. E. C. Johnson, A.M.I.R.E.

The school is thoroughly up-to-date in equipment, and in the subjects taught, the students having the actual apparatus at hand from which to obtain their practical knowledge after obtaining a thorough theoretical grounding at the lectures.

The courses offered by the school are:

Wireless operators: Day, evening, and correspondence classes.