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*Christmas*  
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*Season's Greetings  
from the  
J. P. Seeburg Corporation*

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# SEEBURG *Remote* SPEAKERS

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maximum approval of patrons, location owners and operators alike. Not only do the impressive Seeburg Speaker designs add life to location appearance -- the brilliant sound qualities prove to

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patrons' attention to, and hold it upon the rich store of entertainment available in stores, whatever they may contain. Installation of one or more Speakers, Wall-O-Matix and a Seeburg Symphonola

## RESULTS

for patrons, in greater measure of pleasure during their visit to the location . . . for location owners, in extra revenue and increased popularity . . . for operators, in a permanent, profitable business at a top spot location!

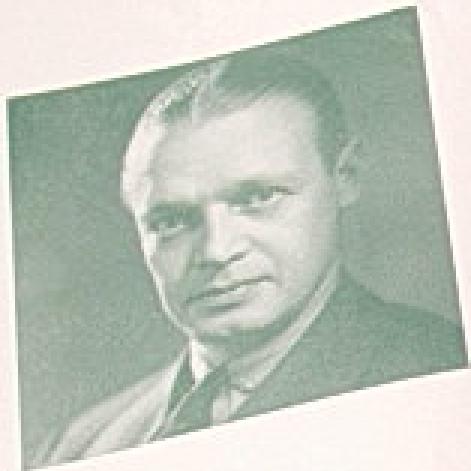


SEEBURG SPEAKERS  
Top Broadcast, Portable and  
Mobile Models  
SEEBURG "TOP SPOT" SYSTEMS  
The Industry's only low cost dealer system  
See them at your Seeburg Distributor's display rooms



Again we are come to that special season of Good Cheer and Good Will, and it again becomes my great pleasure to extend my personal Yuletide Greetings to each of you. For all of us who have enjoyed the fruits of our labor in our chosen field, Christmas is much more than a time for self-service to a tradition. For us, let it be a time for thoughtful rejoicing. Let it be a time to renew our faith in ourselves and in the strength of the freedom that permits us to love the work of our choice and to profit therefrom. And, whatever each man's need, let us make this season an occasion to strengthen the resolution that we continue in our adherence to the Golden Rule and thus continue in the Peace and Prosperity that is our good fortune.

J.D. Seeburg



Most cherished among the gifts that Christmas brings to us this year are the memories of the pleasant relations with those whom we have been privileged to serve and the warm friendships that have arisen from those associations. It is with all sincerity that I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

N. Marshall Sabey

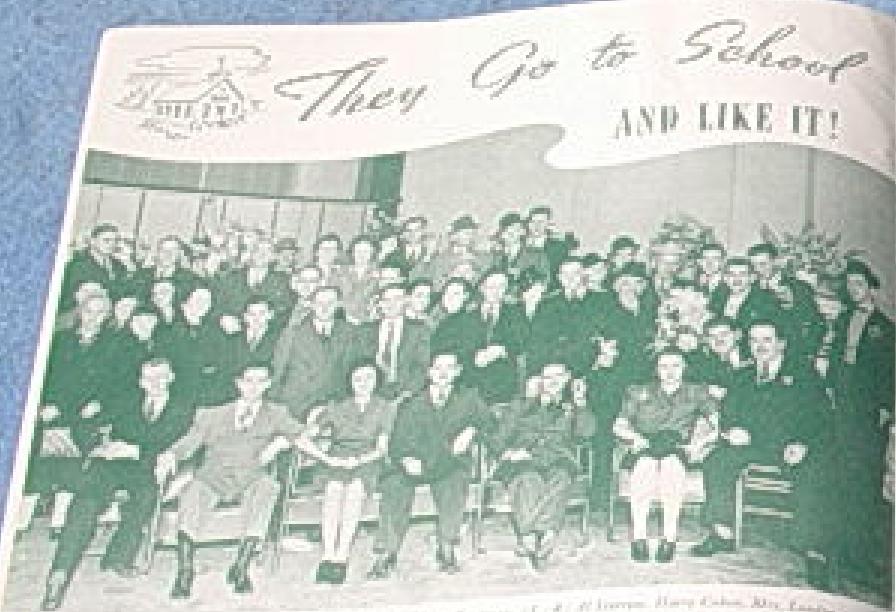


With a genuine appreciation of your cooperation and of our pleasant relations, we extend to you the Season's Greetings. We wish you all the Holiday Joys, with an abundance of Happiness and Prosperity in the New Year.

M.C.G.R.

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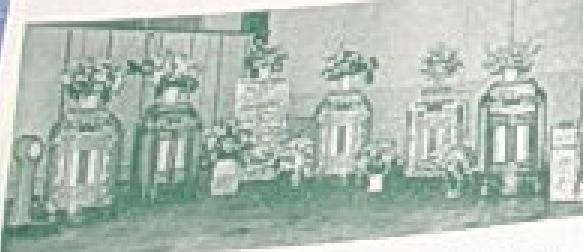
J. L. Barron



Some of the many men who attended Milwaukee's annual Coin Party. L. R. Thompson, Harry Cohen, Mrs. Landon, Tom Landon, Mrs. Purdon and Dorothy Stevenson. Standard exhibit shows are from the various companies and their new products.

#### MILWAUKEE COIN MACHINE CO.—MILWAUKEE, WIS.

In this page we present a few selected views from the best of the annual show of Feeding Service Meetings.



A view of the official new division of Milwaukee Coin Machine Company.

The lower continuation of this page and this page is typical of that found at most feeding bars or vending kiosks in many locations in America. These companies have all been incorporated with unusual ingenuity in the service departments that have been set up. This clearly indicates a desire on the part of these groups to make better use of all the power and machinery now available. It is evident from all of these that no effort is spared to keep up with the times.

From the following photos and words it is evident that the Milwaukee Coin Party was a success. Tom Landon, Mrs. Landon, Mrs. Purdon, Dorothy Stevenson, Harry Cohen, etc., were the principal speakers at the Coin Party.

#### PY-O GAMES—MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



Speakers at the Py-O Games July 2nd, 1933, included Harry Cohen, Mrs. Landon, Mrs. Purdon, Dorothy Stevenson, Tom Landon, etc.



To put off their map covered seats many M&P drivers had a banquet for the wives of Minneapolis Ring City Club. Here are just a few of the girls. Left to right are: Dorothy Landon, Mrs. Landon's baby and Pauline, Gladys Knoll, Anna Mae Clinton, Mrs. H. Paul, Maxine, F. J. Karp, Barbara Anderson, Freda Kaplan, Billie Givens, Myrtle Johnson, Mrs. Anna Mae Clinton, Mrs. H. Paul, Barbara Anderson, Freda Kaplan, Billie Givens, Myrtle Johnson, Mrs. Anna Mae Clinton, Mrs. H. Paul, Barbara Anderson, Freda Kaplan, Billie Givens, Myrtle Johnson, Mrs. Anna Mae Clinton.

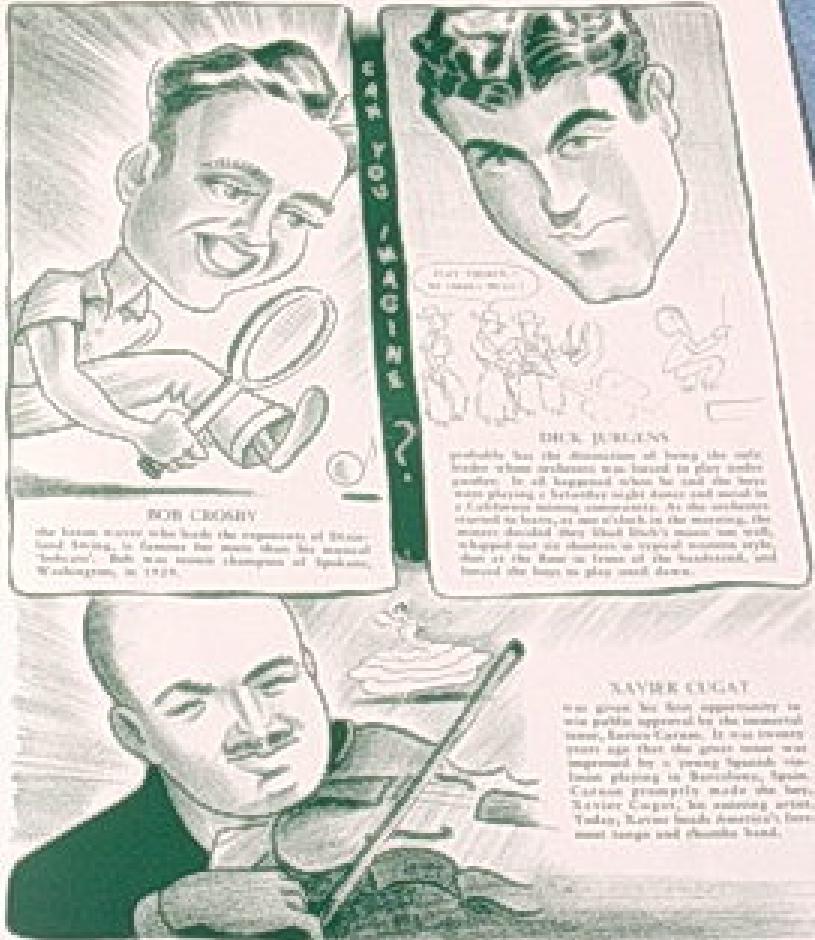
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The unauthorized USE, as well as the manufacture and sale of rifle ranges of the kind covered by these patents, is INFRINGEMENT!

The patent owners have agreed to prosecute suits against infringers. In the case of Phoenix Corporation et al vs. Fred Amusement Devices, Incorporated et al, the Griffith Patent, No. 2007083, (now re-issue No. 28544), was held valid and infringed in the United States District Court at Chicago. In that case, the defendants were enjoined from using or selling the infringing rifle ranges.

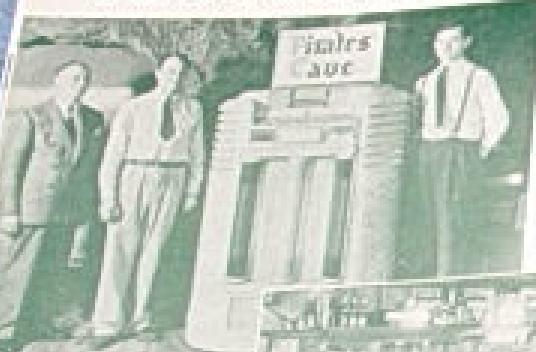
FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION, BE SURE YOUR RIFLE RANGE IS A RAT-O-LITE MANUFACTURED BY THE J. P. SEEBURG CORPORATION.



Courtesy, Music Department of America

## THE PIRATES CAVE where

another Seeburg Operator  
found a Treasure Chest!



A one of the most unusual and commanding locations in the country is found in the Playing Club of Dennis and Dennis' Famous Five-O-Matic. Owner, Mr. Charles Lynch, the owner of the "Pirates Cave" has been known to obtain the best kind of business, just right for Five-O-Matic's when located here.



Fast service of all patrons presented on these two recent installations, here the "Friedrichs" Restaurant, formerly known, has converted the "Pirates Cave" into a complete "Treasure Chest" with a complete Seeburg Remote Control installation.



In addition to the Seeburg Restaurants and 40 "Five-O-Matics", there are two Multi-King-O-Lite Tube Systems in the "Pirates Cave". One is operated by the "Friedrichs" Restaurant, and the other by "Duffy's" Music Shop. It is our information that these two "Five-O-Lites" are about 90% in each year's work.

Comments by Mr. Lynch and Mr. Ed. Dunn say to the effect that the "Pirates Cave" is one of the most unique and productive night businesses they've ever visited.

THERE'S A TREASURE FOR EVERY OPERATOR WHO MAKES COMPLETE INSTALLATIONS OF SEEBURG SYMPHONOLAS AND SEEBURG REMOTE CONTROL

## Hi-Lites and Short Subjects

**PLAZA MUSIC CO.**



Many new features planned. Work continues on the building of the new Plaza Music Company building.



Youngest member of the band, John H. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Johnson, has just joined the band.



Capital Distributing Co.  
200 West Huron Street  
Chicago, Ill.

Photo from Chicago Tribune, Capital Distributing Company, division of Herbog Equipment.

### BUCK JONES RIDES AGAIN!

The last Buck's movie is Eddie Cibrian's "Lone." The people at this picture saw the recent Buck's ride in Chicago. Eddie's horse was carried in several scenes and did right well for his general status, which is an exception of the old days.

Kansas City.

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Photo by W. G. Smith



Wanda Jones, Mrs. M. L. Johnson, who has been one of the leaders in piano work.



A full line of  
SYMPHONOLAS  
MICHIGAN SPINNING & WEAVING CO., INC.  
Dunlap & P. S. Schlesinger Corporation, Chicago  
For STEELWALLS, wire mesh, etc.

Photo from Chicago Tribune.



Photo from Chicago Tribune. The leading manufacturers of wire mesh and steel walling.



Mr. RAY (left), Peter M. Lampert (center) and their friend, Fred K. Winkler of Winkler Bros. Machine Co., and a factory director, received their old friendship award, when Bill made a personal appearance at the Roosevelt Theatre, where Mr. Lampert played the Classics in the theater today. Bill is with Winkler director records, and announced one change he had in mind in the family for 1938. Here Bill shows one of his records for Mr. Lampert's approval.

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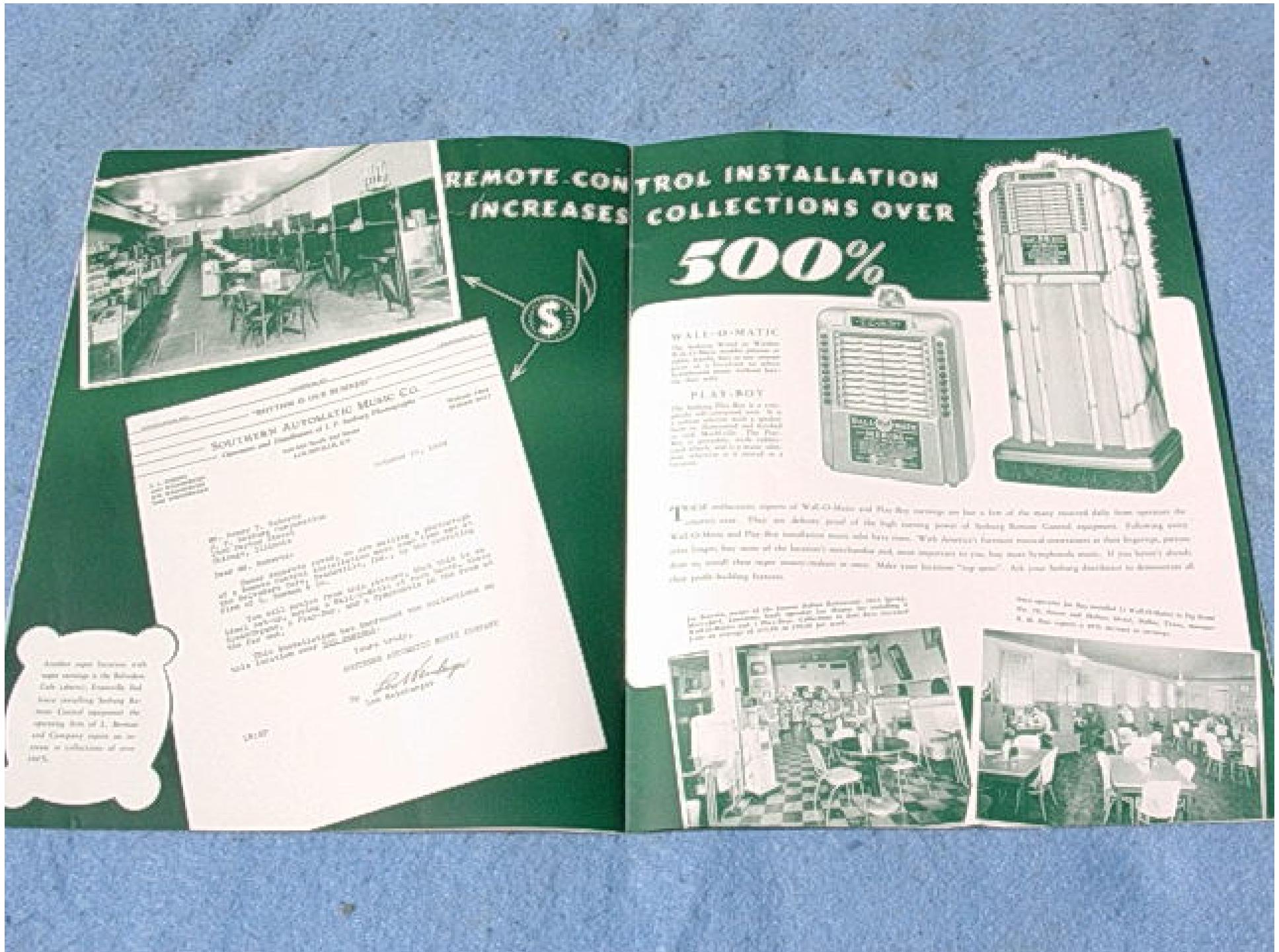
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*Born & Raised*



# YESTERDAY



YESTERDAY has brought many changes in movie operation as well as in other forms of business. For example, the changes in the physical appearance of business themselves.

Many years ago a typical location usually consisted of one medium-sized room with tables and chairs indiscriminately placed around a carpeted floor. Patrons were more or less proud to be seen entering this type of establishment. In fact, a slight air of respectability was rarely used with the adoption of a separate, and usually inconspicuous, "female entrance". We can all recall fond memories and incidents which, at the present time, appear "oldfashioned and picturesque".

With the progression of time, more modern influences have been injected into the construction, decoration and furnishings of locations. Locations have become multi-themed. Modernity has become the keynote of decorative motifs. Furniture and furnishings have become "up to the minute" in style and comfort. Locations have become the last word in beauty.

Out of these changes and developments comes a need for advancements in space — to keep pace with the growth and expansion of locations. You, the operator, recognized this need long ago. Your judgment has been the guiding factor and impelling force that have enabled

# and TODAY!



the J. P. Seeburg organization to outdistance other phonograph manufacturers. It is the education which you have provided, and your suggestions, which have inspired us to bring you automatic music's only complete line of accompanying auxiliary products. These products, when used in conjunction with a Seeburg Synchroplex, have greatly increased the operator's revenue. This is a fact that has been proven over and over again, in every section of the country. These Seeburg products — the Wall-O-Matic, Play Box, SoundOrgan and Top Spot SoundOrgan — have helped you transform average locations into super-serving, super locations.

Twice as long ago there were fewer locations and most locations were alike. Today, competition is fiercer among locations for there are more of them. With so large and so varied a choice of locations, people always select the "Top Spot" — those locations that "dress up", and provide pure atmosphere, better entertainment and greater convenience. "Top Spot" locations today, reflect upon only the finest of necessary equipment. That is why "Top Spot" locations accept without question, complete Seeburg "Top Spot" music installations.

Ask any Seeburg "Top Spot" operator. He'll tell you that today, more than ever before, it pays to operate Seeburg — all the way!

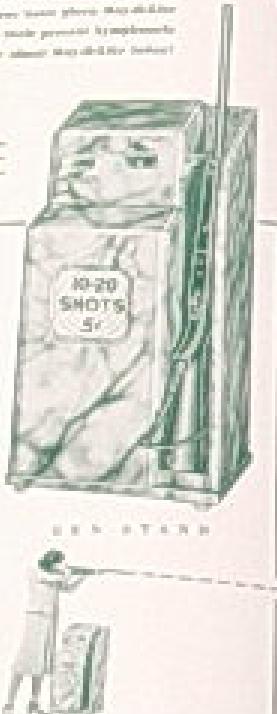
**THESE LETTERS TELL THE STORY  
OF RAY-O-LITE PROFITS . . .**

In more profitable or better known operations elsewhere than ours there would be little thought to make a Ray-O-Lite dealer... or in other word-of-mouth conversations from our many other operators about their Ray-O-Lite sales. These operators make money selling this new in-the-entertainment field to others, largely by word of mouth. These operators prove the success of the marketing plan... the new profit-making opportunities mentioned... the operating appeal to players. These names have given me solid recommendations... have succeeded others since I in Ray-O-Lite on their present improvements... improve upon previous efforts of others... provide your business direction clearly marked for future!

**SEEBURG  
MULTI RAY-O-LITE  
RIFLE RANGE**



WALL MURAL



RIFLE RANGE



CONSOLE MODEL

*In dollars  
and cents!*

Dr. H. A. HEDDING CO.  
Newark, New Jersey  
Date 1929

DECEMBER 14, 1929

PLAYBOY BILL CO.  
1000 Madison Avenue  
Dallas, Texas  
Dear Friends:

I am pleased to give you a report on the Ray-O-Lite game that I purchased from you approximately one year ago.

A year ago I was not familiar with the game, and had never received even directions and instructions on how to operate it in a million ways, of which there thousands, profits and this morning just ran two sets of rolls. This last time for days I have been working with the machine without results.

On my return to town all of my local acquaintances were wondering what they have received in return for help along worth the trouble.

Very truly yours,  
Dr. H. A. HEDDING CO.

*Elmer G. Price*

DR. H. A. HEDDING CO.  
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PLAYBOY BILL CO.  
1000 Madison Avenue  
Dallas, Texas  
Dear Friends:  
After I started the machine I began to learn how to operate it, and after a few days I found out that it was a very good game. I have sold it to several different dealers in Dallas, Texas, and the first few days I made over \$100.00. I am now trying to get another one, but I have not been able to find one yet.

Very truly yours,  
Harold W. Thompson

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*Top Spot*  
Locations are yours  
to Have and Hold  
only with  
*Seeburg Instruments*



THE MOST COMPLETE LINE  
IN AUTOMATIC MUSIC!