

WYANDOTTE MEN AT 45TH INTERNATIONAL YMCA CONVENTION
 A trio of Wyandotte Y.M.C.A. officials are attending the 45th International Convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the United States and Canada at Atlantic City, N. J. The three are Wilfred F. Newell, executive secretary of the Wyandotte Y; Larry Eglund, president of the Phalanx club and Ray Hunter, Jr., treasurer.

Trenton Sets Poppy Sale Date
 May 23, 24 and 25 have been set as the dates for Trenton's annual Buddy Poppy sales, according to Henry Vickery, commander Trenton Post 1888, VFW. Richard Gibbs, recently returned Army captain, and his father, Charles N. Gibbs, assistant Trenton postmaster and World War I veteran, will be co-chairmen of the drive.

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Electron Tube Nothing More Than Glass Bottle, Tin Can And Piece Of Window Screen Engineer Tells Rotary

A glass bottle, a tin can, a bent hairpin, and a piece of window screen are about all there is to electrons, members of the Wyandotte Rotary Club were told at luncheon Tuesday.

Translating the much publicized science into terms easily understandable to the layman, Gordon Volkenant, Coordinator of New Products Research for the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, explained and demonstrated "that electronics offers a method of doing in a simple manner — a very simple manner — things that otherwise would be difficult, or often impossible."

Speaking from a table crowded with small and large tubes, sirens that blew when anybody approached them, whirling gyroscopes, a bombight and a model airplane, Volkenant told club members how electronics played a hitherto unpublicized, although important part in the United Nation's bombing program.

AUTOPILOT BEGAN WITH THERMOSTAT
 The electronic Autopilot, which his company developed for all precision bombing aircraft, had its beginnings in a thermostat, he explained, while "through the over-

cast bombing," radar, automatic engine control and many of the other "amazing" weapons of victory were nothing more than specialized variations of control devices developed by industry long before Pearl Harbor.

Between Pearl Harbor and V-J Day, Minneapolis-Honeywell completed 441 separate development projects for the Air Forces, he said; most of these were electronic.

FROM FLY POWER TO ELEPHANT POWER
 Speaking well over his allotted time at the insistence of his audience, the young engineer continually stressed the simplicity of the new science and criticized those who attempt to surround the electron with an aura of mystery. "The science of electronics began about 30 years ago," he continued, "when someone became curious to know just what happens to electric light bulbs as they age and burn out. Why does the first of the bulb blacken with age?" he asked, and then explained that as the little tungsten filament within the bulb disintegrates it throws off tiny particles that form the blackening. "Each particle is potent with a millionth of a fly power of ener-

gy capable of developing into one elephant power," Volkenant continued, and, "each tiny particle or ion carries with it a charge of electricity—hence the term electron—which means simply a charged ion of metal."

The Trenton Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its first in a series of lectures April 25. Don Roper, program chairman, announced. The lectures, which will continue throughout the year, will be held in the Slocum Truax high school.

Dr. Charles L. Smerling, Riverside drive, Trenton, with offices in Wyandotte, returned from Cleveland where he attended a post graduate course in advanced Chiropractic, sponsored by the Ohio Chiropractic association.

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Back to Dentistry



Dr. J. F. Schultz

Recently discharged from the U. S. Navy, Dr. J. F. Schultz has resumed his dental practice at 105 West Jefferson, River Rouge.

An alumnus of Roosevelt high school, Dr. Schultz was graduated from the University of Detroit, dental school in 1935 and practiced in the Reno building, River Rouge, until he was commissioned as a dental officer in the Navy Dental Corps in 1943.

Electronics is just another word for control, the scientist who has studied in 13 countries in Europe as well as at American universities, stated. "Automatic controls are where my company lives—we make more than 3,000 of them. And today the circuits of the Autopilot, the blind bombing devices and some of the other weapons we made for the armed services are being modified for peacetime living.

"You never know where you're going to end up in our business," he concluded. "We were asked by the Army to develop a gasoline gauge for the B-29 program. It was quite a problem, but we solved it with electrons and came out with a gauge that reads within two per cent accuracy as compared with a 15 per cent error in the best of all previous gauges. The funny thing about that gauge, however, is that we have already found about ten different industrial uses for it. Just for example, people in the grain industry have told us they would like one version of the gauge to

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Penn Salt Head Commends Fire Department Work

Commending the Wyandotte Fire Department for their work during the recent Werner G. Smith explosion, W. F. Mitchell, superintendent, Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company, wrote to Fire Chief Gustav Anselm:

"We wish to express our most sincere appreciation for the prompt response to the fire alarm as a result of the fire in the buildings occupied by the Werner G. Smith company on the evening of February 28, 1946.

"We are confident that the damage, which was serious, would have been much greater if your department had not given us such excellent and prompt cooperation."

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