

Indiana Operators Form New Association

On March 31st about ten local operators met in the office of Manhattan Sales Co. for the purpose of organizing to combat unjust taxation and police interference with coin-operated machines. At the meeting J. D. Racener of Evansville was elected President; Louis Berman of Evansville was elected Secretary and Treasurer and J. M. Walton of Mt. Vernon was elected Vice-President. The name of the new organization is the Southern Indiana Vending Machine Association.

At the last session of the Indiana Legislature a bill was introduced taxing coin-operated amusement machines from \$10 to \$25, which would have put practically every operator out of the business had the bill been passed.

The Southern Indiana Vending Machine Association is interested in hearing from operators and other organizations in other parts of the state with the view in mind of organizing a state-wide association. Correspondence may be addressed to the Secretary, Louis Berman, 115 N. W. 1st St., Evansville, Ind.

The official stationery of the Association carries the following slogan:

"The Association has gone on record as opposed to advertising the price of machines in a magazine of general circulation," says Mr. Berman.

Machine Designers Enter Field

"Charm" is the name of a machine offered in this issue by the Chicago Coin Machinery Company of Chicago. This company entered the field nearly a year ago and began by making accessories for pin game machines, according to H. R. Nelson and C. J. Sandberg, partners of the firm. Both these men have been in the machine design field for about twenty years, and have more recently turned their attention to coin machines. Mr. Sandberg is the man who designed the original Puritan Baby Vendor a few years ago. They are marketing "Charm" after several months testing on location.

Giant Pin Games Going Strong

Fred McClellan of the Pacific Amusement Company of Los Angeles is introducing his giant pin games to operators throughout the country as a result of the sensational success he has had with these games on the West Coast. These machines were operated in Portland for over a year where they have a branch manufacturing office. He has thus far created a wide acceptance of these large games by having men call on operators in various sections of the country.



Louis E. Wolcher of San Francisco, one of the largest distributors of coin machines in the West, is shown here in his display room. We will wager he made the sale. How about it Lou?