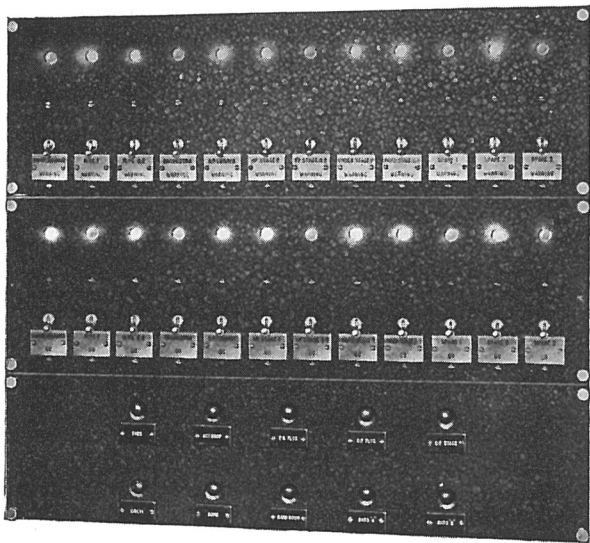


# STRAND CONTROL

## SIGNAL BOARDS

Quite apart from the actual control of the lighting installation, another but equally important form of control is required, if the show is to run smoothly.

To enable the Stage Manager to give his all important cues, a really reliable and compact signal board must be installed in the prompt corner. Such a signal board is the Strand. Made up of sheet steel, it consists of two 2-way switches and two lamps mounted behind red and green glasses per station.



*Cue Board at Palace Theatre, London.*

The operation procedure is as follows :—

To warn, say, orchestra, the "Warning" switch is used. This lights a red lamp in the orchestra pit and one in series on the signal board. These are then switched out by the conductor's two way switch to show that he has received the signal.

The same procedure is adopted for "Go."

The signal boards are fitted with silent switches, clearly labelled, and are finished black crystalline enamel. They are well ventilated, and easy access is provided for wiring. They are generally supplied for wall mounting.

Pushes to each station operating on buzzers are sometimes fitted. These serve to draw attention to the signal lamps during rehearsals, when attention may be flagging.

Single way switch working will be supplied if preferred.

*Prices on application, on receipt of requirements.*

## ARC CONTROL PANELS

Modern projector room practice has abolished the old arc switch-board and its associate series type resistance regulators. Arc control is generally effected from a switch on the wall behind the machine, and regulating resistances are of the parallel type, housed in an adjacent room. The resistance steps are brought in from a small control panel mounted under the projection port for the particular machine. Increase of arc current is brought about by paralleling more sections of resistance, a very logical method.

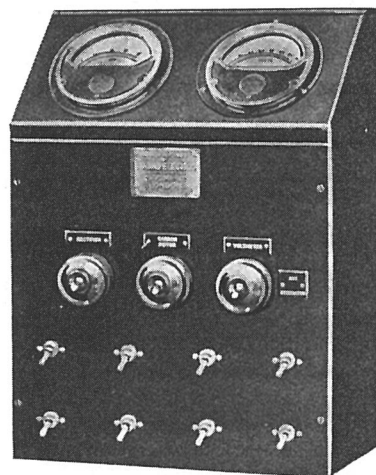
Strand arc panels incorporate 15 ampere quick break switches of the correct number to give the desired steps. (These are of such a type that they cannot get knocked on or off accidentally.) An ammeter and voltmeter with fuses and switch. (These instruments are tilted for easy reading.)

Push buttons for curtain controls, automatic dimmer, magnascope screen, and signal lights can be incorporated, giving complete control from one position.

Finished black crystalline or white enamel, with nickel-plated fittings. Arranged for surface or flush mounting, as desired.

Strand also manufacture panels for contactor operated resistances.

*Prices and specification will be forwarded on receipt of requirements.*



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