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FRANK HESTER VISITS HOME FOLKS

Frank Hester, who is employed by RCA at Camden, N. J., is visiting his parents here this week. He is employed in the research department of the largest radio and television company in the world and at present several hundred employees of that department are working entirely on U. S. A. projects. Work on radio and television are suspended during the present emergency.

The men are first put under oath not to divulge nor communicate nor even talk to any one outside of the laboratory about their work. They are not permitted to bring anything in or take anything out with them. The smallest scrap of paper is forbidden. Plenty of guards stationed on the premises enforce these regulations.

Frank says radio will soon be in every home in the U. S. A. and that television sets will soon be as common as radio. He sat in his office last autumn, heard and saw a football game televised as it was snowing where the game was played. The Giddings News has previously stated that Thomas A. Edison, the wizzard of electricity, desired that a phonograph be in every American home. Edison did not envision the radio, television or the photo-electric cell, all of which have come on the scene since Edison's day, but Edison's inventions paved the way.

Frank took his B. A. degree from the Univ. of Texas in 1938 and his M. A. there in 1939, taught there one year and spent the past year at Camden to where he will return next week. He specialized in the science of physics and hopes some day to take his doctor's degree in that science. As a high school boy he became interested in the subject and would often give demonstrations before social and church meetings.