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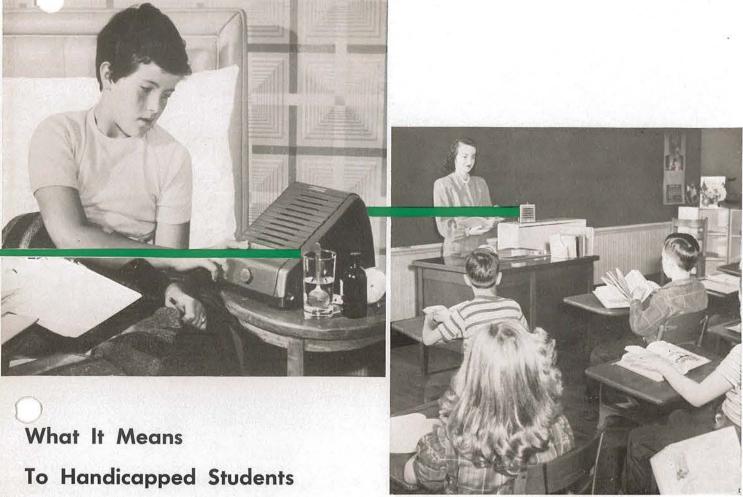
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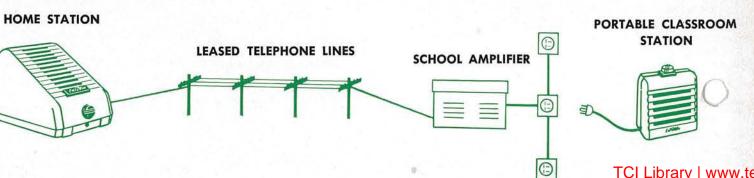
# **TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR "SHUT-INS"**



### What It Is

School-To-Home Telephone Service is two-way communication between classroom and home or hospital, providing the sick or handicapped student with actual participation in the work of his class. Using microphone and loudspeaker at both ends, this telephone circuit enables the shut-in student to hear classroom sounds and discussions. He answers to roll call like the others. The teacher can call on him to recite, and the entire class can hear his recitation.

By means of a "Listen-Talk" switch, the handicapped student controls the speaker and microphone in the school room as well as his own. The school equipment is portable and can be carried from one classroom to another and plugged in. Several shut-in students in the same class can be served from one school set.



First of all it means that the severely handicapped or temporarily incapacitated student can receive the same schooling though confined to home or hospital that his more fortunate classmates receive.

Important, too, is the effect of his school "attendance" on his physical health and morale. Being a participating member of his class stimulates his mind, focuses his attention on things other than his condition, provides emotional release and inspiration to excel ... incentive to recovery. The mental therapeutic value of this bedside classroom has been ted high where the system has been given thorough trial.

# What It Means to **Home Instruction Programs**

It is not contemplated that school-to-home telephone service would replace the home instructor. Rather, it would supplement her work and permit fewer visits to each student, thus making it possible for each instructor to serve additional students. In addition to increasing the effectiveness of the educational program for the handicapped, it is probable that it would provide an overall reduction in costs.



#### HOME STATION

Walnut finished cabinet 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" high, 8<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" wide and 11<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" deep.

# The Equipment

#### SCHOOL AMPLIFIER

Brown wrinkle finish metal cabinet,  $7\frac{1}{2}''$  high, 9'' wide and  $6\frac{1}{2}''$  deep.

The School-To-Home system consists of three units. There is an amplifier located at the school and a portable cabinet containing a combination speaker-microphone for use in the classroom. At the home location there is a cabinet containing an amplifier and a speaker-microphone equipped with a "Listen-Talk" switch. Jacks may be provided at any desired locations in the home for plugging in this equipment.

The classroom equipment and the home equipment are interconnected by means of a private telephone line.

The portable classroom unit weighs only four pounds and is usually placed on a shelf or other suitable location at the front of the classroom. It requires no "Listen-Talk" switch since its change from microphone to speaker is controlled by the switch on the student's set.

#### CLASSROOM UNIT

Bronze finished metal cabinet  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " high, 6" wide,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " deep.

# Cost and Arrangements for Service

For cost and other information concerning School-To-Home service just call or write the nearest Telephone Business Office. Full information will be provided without obligation.

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