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equipment must be furnished to any U. S. resident not controlled by foreign interests, by the firms at a reasonable charge, the Justice Department said.

The Government's 1949 antitrust suit against AT&T and Western Electric charged that the companies had monopolized the making, distribution and sales and installation of telephone equipment. The complaint alleged operating companies of the Bell System bought most of their equipment from Western Electric, their affiliated manufacturer and supplier. In addition, the Government charged Western Electric had illegally acquired various competing manufacturers.

Craig Statement

In the 1949 complaint, the Government said Bell System's strong patent position had been "abused" in such a way as to protect the Bell System from competition.

AT&T President Cleo F. Craig had this prepared statement to make on the U. S. Department of Justice antitrust decree: "During the seven years since this suit was brought, the Bell System has furnished the Government with extensive information. While the terms of this decree are stringent, they do recognize the position we have held from the beginning that supervision by Federal and state regulatory bodies safeguards the public interest. We believe the long standing relationships among the manufacturing, research and operating functions of the Bell System are in the public interest and under the decree they remain intact."

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CPRA, Northern California APCO and California IMSA will hold their annual Joint Conference at Bakersfield on April 12, 13 and 14.

The Four-State Chapter APCO will hold their annual spring meeting May 15 and 16 at Rochester, N. Y.

Members in these areas are urged to make note of the dates and locations.

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