

Francis J. Brott 1890-1955
Obituary

Francis J. Brott, director of engineering for radio station KOMO, died May 11, 1955 in a Seattle hospital after an illness of less than four months. Mr. Brott, a radio and television pioneer in the Seattle area becoming interested in radio during a visit to the 1915 World Fair in San Francisco obtaining his first amateur license a year later.

He was the city's first announcer on station 7AP, broadcasting music in 1920. He also telecasted the first pictures in the Pacific Northwest from his home at 609 Lake Washington Drive North on W7NK having a wavelength of 160 meters.

Mr. Brott became chief engineer for radio KOMO when it organized in 1926 and a member of Institute of Radio Engineers and member of Radio Pioneers. His most famous broadcast was Thanksgiving Day, 1948 of a football game on station KRSC.

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