

his own affairs in his own way, to the same harsh discipline. Consumers are not organized as pressure groups, and quite likely will not be organized in that fashion; they do not have any wish to dictate any particular course or courses of action, and yet sooner or later they find their own way of breaking anyone or any group

which carries on its operations in a tough, racketeering, unfair, or unjust fashion, or prevents their being served with reasonable effectiveness, so as to benefit from the inherently efficient American system of mass production and big-scale distribution. Consumers are particularly likely to express in forceful and effective ways

their displeasure with those who, not content with failing to work themselves, determine that others not even remotely connected with their controversies shall also not be permitted to work and earn their living and produce the things which all of us need for safe, economical, and comfortable living.

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THE Aquatron (Kruse System, Inc., Indianapolis) is a water purifier, so-called, which operates by electricity. Priced at \$37.50 (reasonable value, under \$5), it consisted of a glass gallon jar or jug with a screw top carrying two aluminum electrodes. To use the Aquatron, the jar is filled with the water to be treated and the electrodes then connected to the house current. This process was asserted by a salesman to take care of the contamination of the water due to various causes; he mentioned particularly the dan-

gers from bodies of persons committing suicide and animals that fall into the stream. The white particles produced by the action of the current through the aluminum electrodes were alleged to be the impurities removed from the water. Actual tests by the Indiana State Board of Health indicated that a city water sample was scarcely changed either bac-

The Aquatron "Water Purifier"

teriologically or chemically; that a grossly polluted water sample was improved bacteriologically but not rendered sterile, and was certainly not safe for drinking purposes after treatment. The device was very objectionable from the consumer's standpoint because it did not, as claimed, purify impure drinking water to an extent that would make it safe for drinking purposes. We are indebted for the above information to the Oct. 1945 Journal of the American Water Works Association.

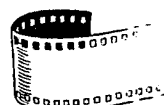
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indicates that listings of names or brands are included.



Ratings

THIS section aims to give a digest of opinion from a wide picture reviews, including the motion picture press, leading newspapers and magazines, and different periodicals in all. The ratings which follow thus do not represent the judgment of a single person, but are a synthesis of critics' reviews.

The sources of the reviews are:

Box Office, Chicago Daily Tribune, The Christian (N.Y.), The Exhibitor, Harrison's Reports, Motion Picture Herald, National Legion of Decency List, News-Tribune, New York Times, Parents' Magazine, Review Committee, Successful Farming, Time, Variety, Opinions of Current Motion Pictures which includes Federation of Women's Clubs, the American Legion Film Music Council, and others.

The figures preceding the title indicate the number of critics who have rated the film A (recommended), B and C (not recommended).

Audience suitability is indicated by "Y" for young people (14-17) and children, at the end of each line.

Descriptive abbreviations are as follows:

adv—adventure	hist—historical
biog—biography	mel—melodrama
c—in color (Technicolor, Cinecolor, or Magnacolor)	mus—musical
car—cartoon	mys—mystery
com—comedy	war—war
cr—crime and capture of criminals	rom—romantic
doc—documentary	soc—social problem
dr—drama	trap—travel
fan—fantasy	thr—thriller
	wes—western

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