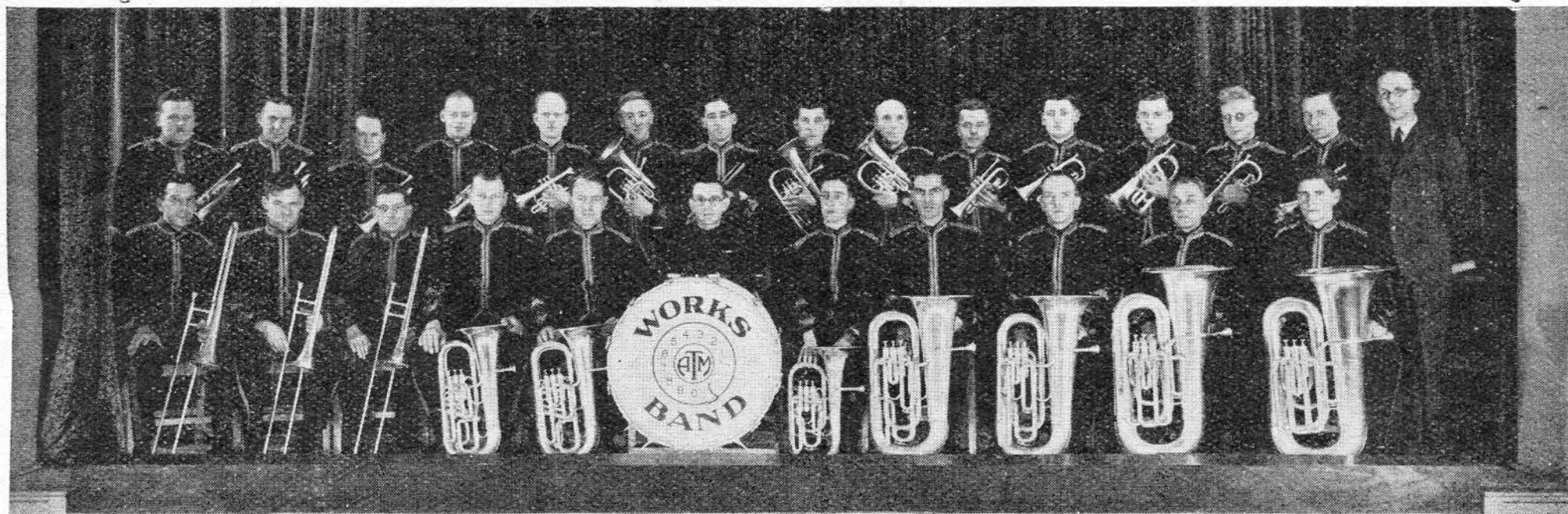


A.T.M. WORKS BAND



Left to right—top row. H. Preston, C. Cork, C. Yates, W. Shaw, R. Curwin, E. Booth, L. H. Whitlow, S. T. Dunne, W. Heath, F. Corrin, E. Cowley, A. Heyes, G. Cheshire, J. Whalen, J. D. Crook (Secretary).

Bottom row. J. Bowyer, C. Crowe, L. Lewis, W. Webster, F. Pinnington, B.M. G. Gardner, B. Gresty, J. Coupland, W. Furlong, A. Southall, W. Lorenz.

The A.T.M. Works Band was formed in September, 1941, from employees of Messrs. Automatic Telephone & Electric Co., Ltd., under the auspices of Mr. F. C. Burstall, one of the company directors. His helpfulness and ready assistance gave the band that necessary impetus to carry them forward at a speed which surprised everyone. The first bandmaster was Mr. W. Heath, who spent some busy hours in moulding the band, and under his baton they gave their first concert, about three months later, in the works' canteen. He reluctantly had to pass the baton on

to Mr. George Gardner, the present bandmaster, due to ill-health. However, he still plays as a bandsman, being their solo tenor horn player.

Many concerts, parades, and other functions have seen this band advance by leaps and bounds under the able conductorship of Mr. George Gardner, and are making their mark in the Liverpool area. Now in their 3rd year with many an engagement satisfactorily completed, they look forward to a Belle Vue with the A.T.M. Works Band as a worthy competitor.

Mr. J. D. Crook, the company's labour officer, has acted as organising secretary since the formation of the band. The many performances given have been for the services, hospitals, camps, charity parades, parade services, park performances, and last but not least, in the canteens and gardens for the workers.

Towards the end of 1942 the management of the company of Messrs. Automatic Telephone & Electric Co., Ltd., very generously purchased for the band a fine set of silver-plated instruments, which are seen in the picture, from Messrs. Boosey & Hawkes, Ltd., London.