"The spring weather,' he continues, 'always brings forth some native brides and grooms, and at out-of-the-way places on our route we'll find them waiting for us to tie the knot. I have the pleasure of performing these ceremonies myself.'

"Commander Scammell informed his questioner he is a regular United States Commissioner during the cruise, and the Northland's executive officer acts as Deputy United States Marshal. They are the only representatives of the law some of the Alaskan people ever come into contact with, and it devolves upon them to settle criminal cases, serve as coroners, and enforce U.S. tax and customs laws. The cutter's crew also chart the drift of icebergs, sink floating hulks, and stand by for rescue work of any kind.

"The Northland has recently been equipped with a new and powerful short-wave radio trans-



COMMANDER WILLIAM KIRK SCAMMELL OF "THE NORTHLAND"

mitter and it is expected that another broadcast from her decks will be heard in August when she is well up in the Arctic Circle."

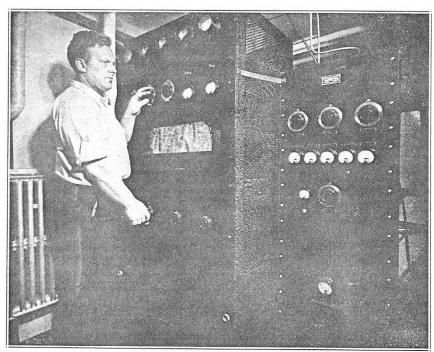
The Northland was recently equipped with a COLLINS 20B—1 kw. transmitter. This installation is identical with the equipment furnished the Byrd Antarctic Expedition II and was selected principally because of the striking suc-

cess achieved by COLLINS equipment at Little America.

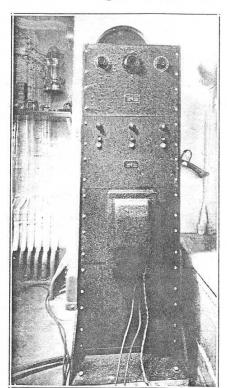
The NORTHLAND will broadcast two sustaining programs during the summer wherein the activities, duties, etc. of the Coastguard will be described. The equipment which the Collins Radio Company has provided will be used under the regular call letters of the NORTHLAND, NURL.

The first of these broadcasts was given, as described in the above news item, on May 15. The second will occur on August 15.

The NORTHLAND is now well on its way to the Arctic Circle, having sailed from Seattle early in May. Upon its return at the close of the season we expect to have some very interesting information regarding the operation of COLLINS equipment in the Arctic Circle. Meanwhile short wave listeners will, no doubt, await with great interest the August 15 broadcast.



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