

**NATIONAL**



**WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—A SERVICE OF  
GOVERNMENT TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF  
BUYERS AND SELLERS OF COMMODITIES**

# The Third Man

When you make a purchase at the food store, fill your tank with gasoline at the service station, or buy any merchandise by weight or by measurement, you think the transaction is only between you and the vendor. It may be a surprise to know that every such transaction is participated in by a third man even though he is not present in person.

The "third man" is the Weights and Measures Official who checks all weighing and volume measuring devices used in sales made to the public. This "third man" is always present in spirit, protecting both buyer and seller. He is a dedicated man working quietly and tirelessly to save customers money . . . and to safeguard vendors' businesses. Errors in either direction, over or under, will cause someone to suffer.

The public and merchants look upon him as a friend. Because of this friendship, everyone wholeheartedly joins in celebrating National Weights and Measures Week March 1 thru 7. This is one week that the "third man" drops his anonymity and steps into the spotlight of appreciation for the job he does in behalf of the public and merchants. After all, what he stands for is just "good business."

Reprinted by:

Colt Industries



Fairbanks

Weighing Division