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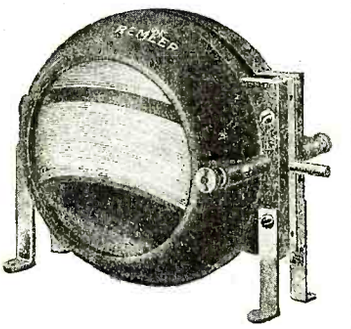

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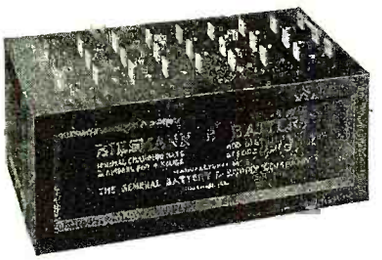

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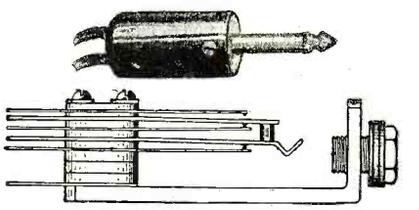

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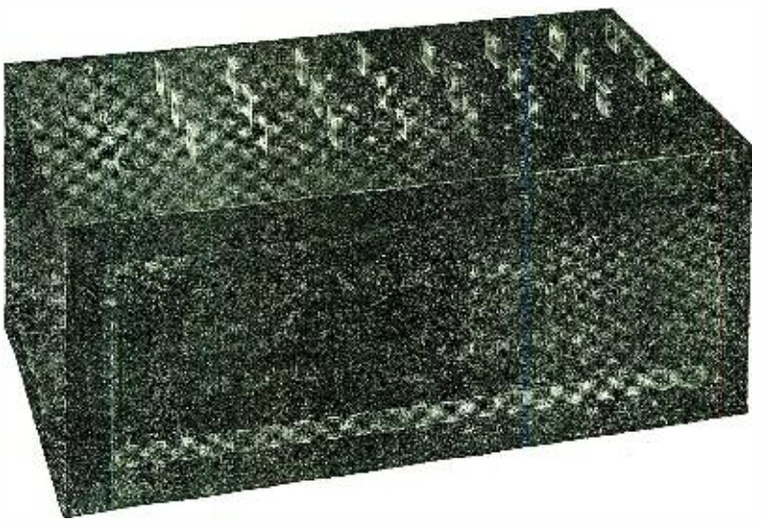

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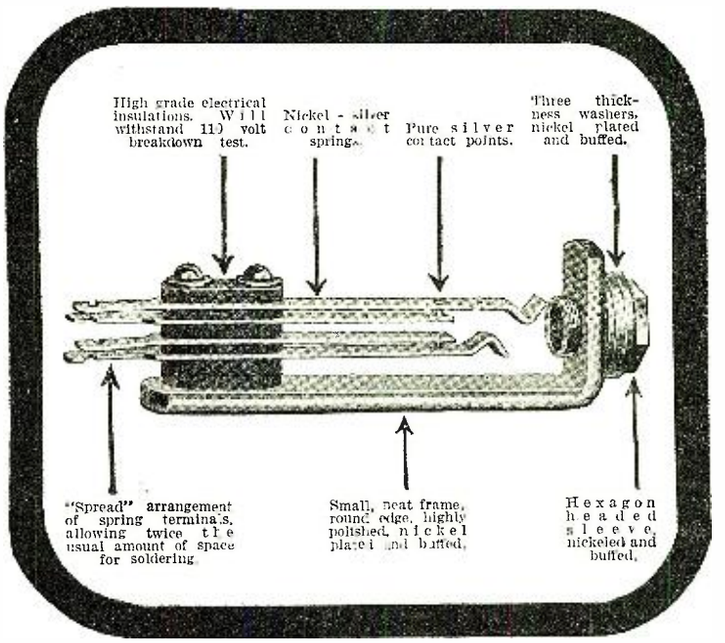

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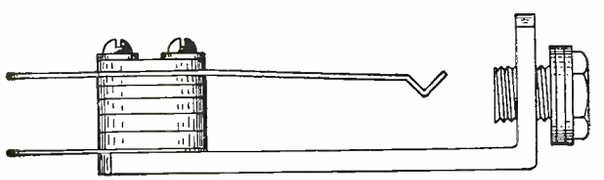

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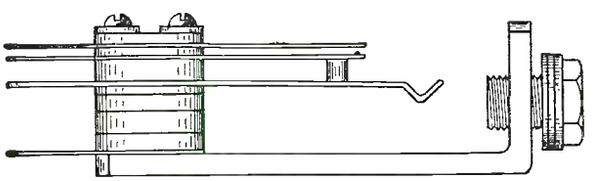

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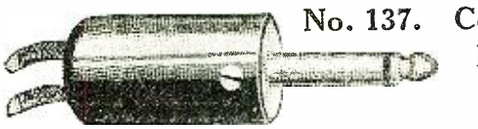

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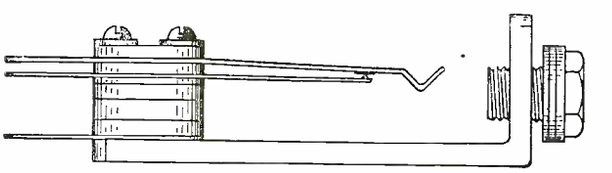

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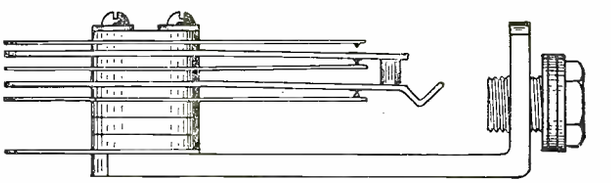

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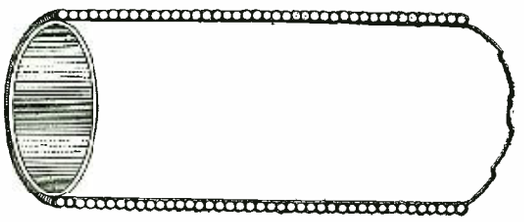

Assume that the above single layer coil consists of 1000 turns and that the capacity between turns is Y. Then 1000 Y is the total self capacity of this inductance.

2

20 layers high
50 turns per layer
20 x 50 = 1000 turns

Reduce the length of coil 1 by winding a multi-layer compact inductance of 1000 turns (20 layers of 50 turns). The inductance will be greater than coil 1 due to the greater mean diameter of the turns. The capacity between turns is still Y, but an additional capacity between layers equal to 50 x Y (the mean of the number of turns in each two layers) has been added. This increase in internal capacity makes the coil unsuited for use as an inductance.

3

The capacity between layers and between turns is reduced by spacing, but this results in a loss of inductance.

4

Maximum inductance is obtained by winding the turns close together. This is the method used in the new Giblin-Remler Inductance, combined with a new method of separating the layers.

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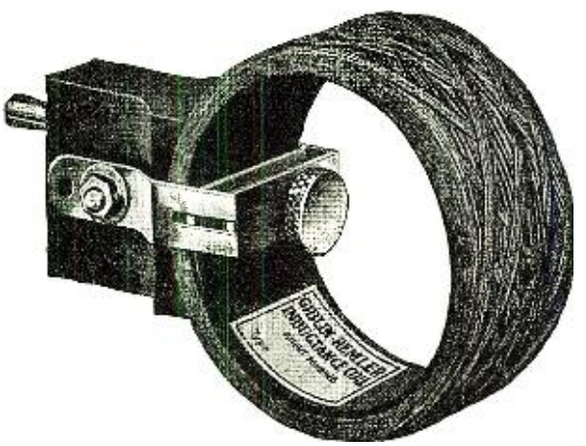

Made by an entirely new process, Giblin-Remler Inductance Coils are infinitely more effective in operation and superior in workmanship to any coil on the market today. Its performance for concentrated inductance cannot be approached—it is equally efficient on all wave lengths. The self capacity of the new Giblin-Remler Inductance is 100% less than any previous compact inductance—this low self capacity gives selectivity and sharp tuning for a given coil. This is especially advantageous to the amateur who usually has an antenna of low capacity. The high frequency resistance is lower than any previous type.

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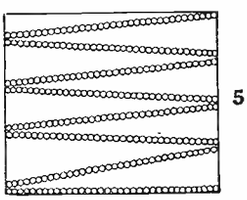

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In the new Giblin-Remler Coil *Cotton Yarn* is wound into the form of a lattice and simultaneously the wire is wound into the coil in parallel turns. The cotton yarn separates the layers of wire with cotton and *air cells.* The air cells are extremely important in reducing the high frequency resistance. This method of winding gives maximum copper space and insulation space in a given volume. The insulation between layers is greatest at the points of maximum potential difference.

Type and Number of Turns, Mounted	Price, Mounted	Type and Number of Turns, Unmounted	Price, Unmounted	Inductance in Millihenrys at 1000 cycles Accuracy ½%	Natural Wave Length in Meters, Accuracy ½%	Distributed Capacity, in micro-micro-farads, Accuracy 1%	Wave Length Range in Meters using Condenser of .001 max. and .00004 mfd. min.		High Frequency Resistance in Ohms at Wave Length Shown			
							Minimum	Maximum	200	500	1000	2000
RG 20M	1.50	RG 20U	.70	.030	39	14.3	63	334	.....	1.1	.....	.....
RG 25M	1.50	RG 25U	.70	.041	47	15.2	75	389	.....	1.5	.....	.....
RG 35M	1.50	RG 35U	.70	.083	87	25.4	128	550	.....	3.5	.....	.....
RG 50M	1.60	RG 50U	.80	.169	114	21.6	185	785	.....	8.8	4.4	.....
RG 75M	1.65	RG 75U	.85	.377	163	19.8	266	1170	.....	28.3	12.1	6.2
RG 100M	1.70	RG 100U	.90	.666	217	19.9	358	1550	.....	80.3	26.8	12.6
									1000	2000	5000	10000
RG 150M	1.75	RG 150U	.95	1.503	281	14.8	512	2320	69.8	23.8	7.1	.....
RG 200M	1.80	RG 200U	1.00	2.68	374	14.7	690	3110	.....	50.6	12.5	.....
RG 250M	1.90	RG 250U	1.10	4.20	424	12.1	860	3880	.....	87.5	19.9	.....
RG 300M	2.00	RG 300U	1.20	5.11	494	11.2	1030	4680	.....	141	29.3	13.8
RG 400M	2.10	RG 400U	1.30	11.04	618	9.7	1380	6300	.....	.....	54.6	22.3
RG 500M	2.30	RG 500U	1.50	17.50	747	9.0	1730	7900	.....	.....	93.1	34.9
									2000	5000	10000	20000
RG 600M	2.40	RG 600U	1.60	29.2	1024	10.1	2260	10250	.....	111	43.8	.....
RG 750M	2.65	RG 750U	1.85	39.0	1249	11.3	2660	11850	.....	.....	64	.....
RG1000M	3.40	RG1000U	2.50	71.6	1620	10.3	3570	16000	.....	.....	123	.....
RG1250M	3.80	RG1250U	2.90	108.0	1930	9.7	4380	19700	.....	.....	.....	.....
RG1500M	4.40	RG1500U	3.50	159.8	2300	9.3	5300	23800	.....	.....	.....	.....

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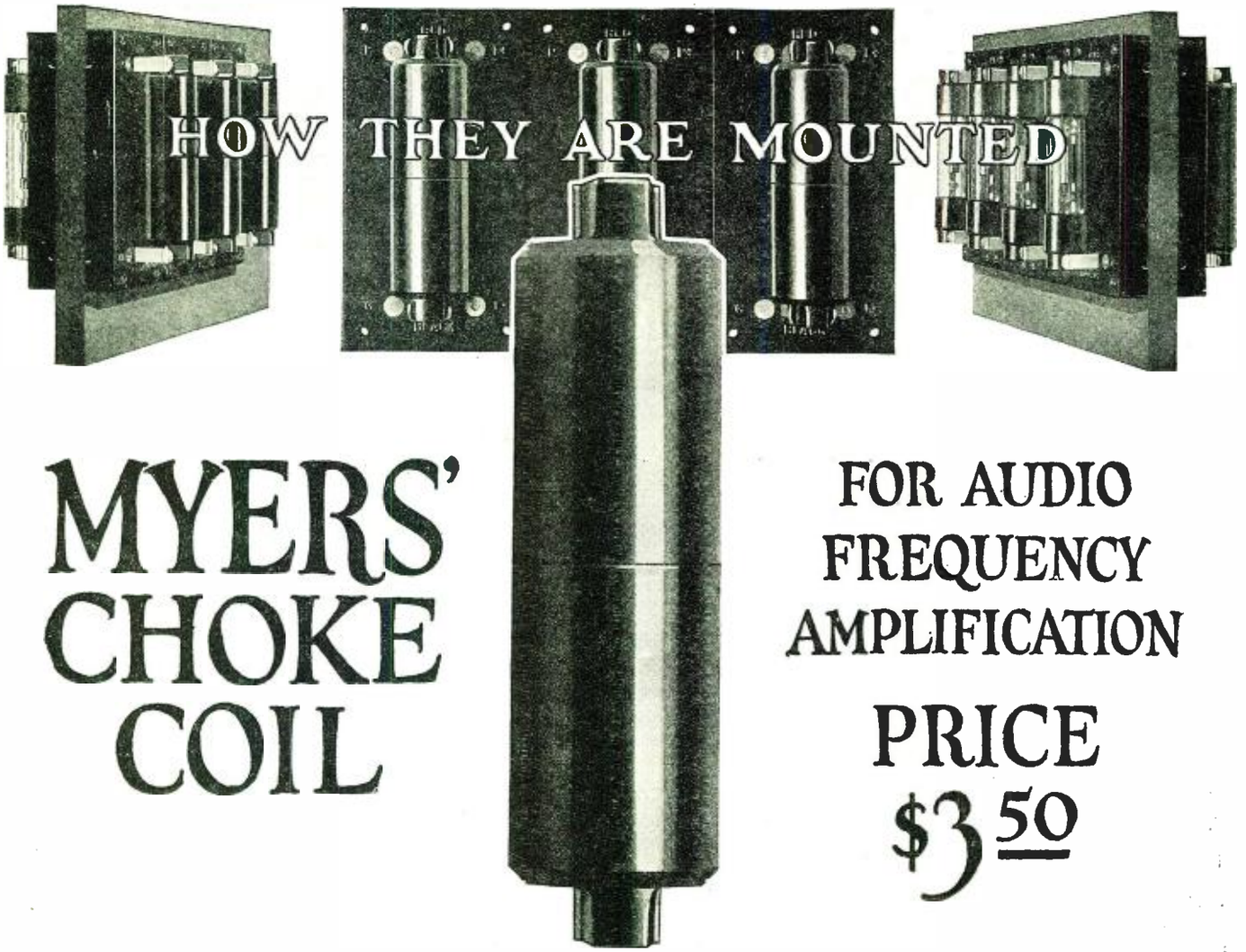

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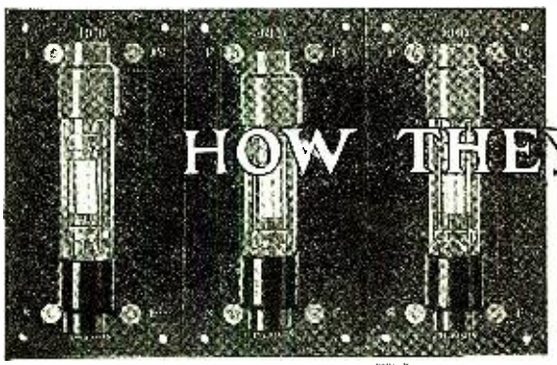

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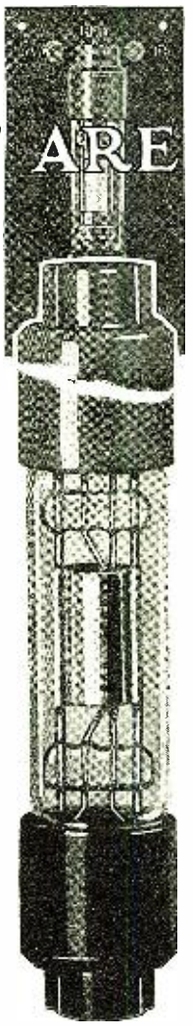

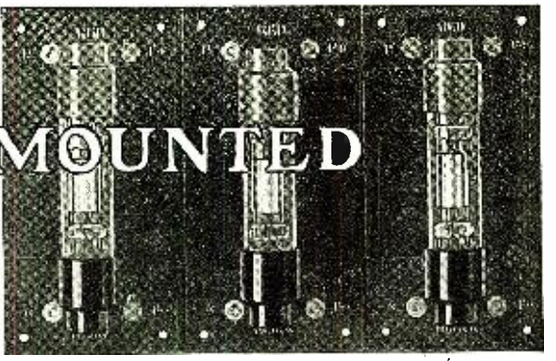

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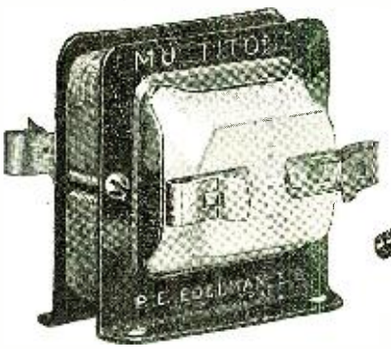

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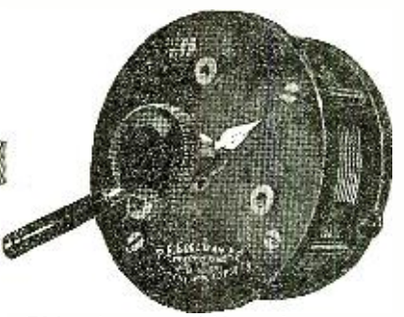

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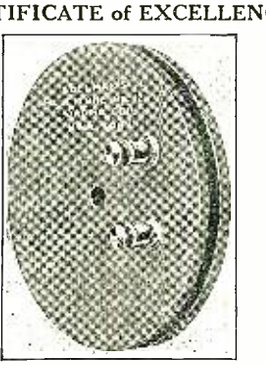

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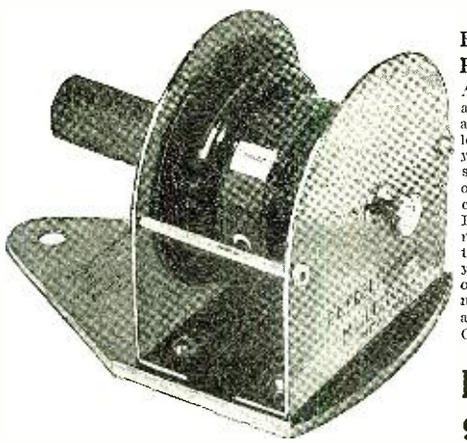

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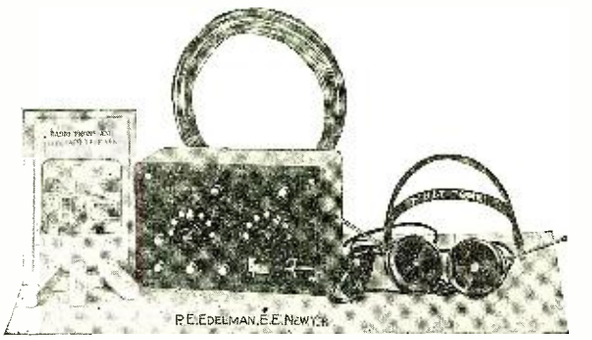

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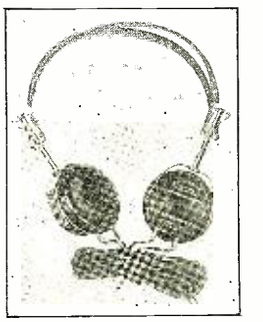

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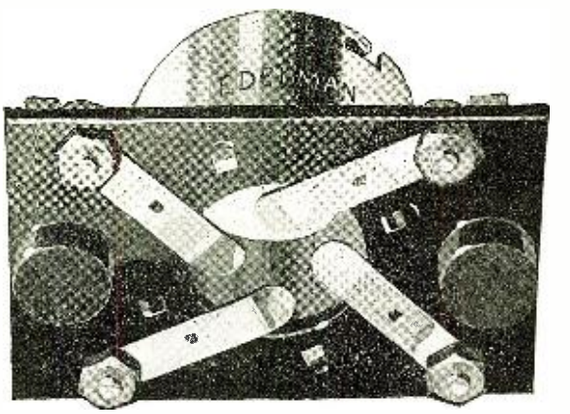

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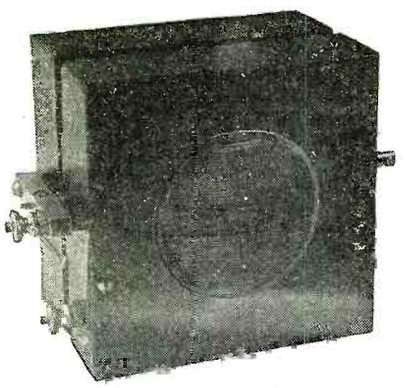

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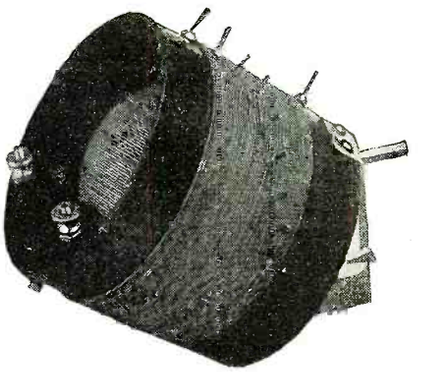

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The Radio Business

IN our March, 1922, issue, we said as follows:

"The question which the writer is most often asked today is, how long will the boom last? When will the storm of prosperity blow over, leaving everyone prostrate with huge stocks on his hands?

"It is our opinion that the present conditions will last for at least another year and that the radio business will be a very healthy one for several years to come. There will probably be the usual summer slack—although much less pronounced—and then a great rush for the fall and winter. Indications are that within the next six months there will be enough apparatus to go around. Tremendous efforts are being made by manufacturers to meet the situation, and with all the new capital being poured into the business, we estimate that within six months at the most the supply will exceed the demand. In other words, everyone, unless he buys carefully, will be overstocked, and the usual hardships will follow.

"This not only holds true for the dealer who will find himself loaded with material on his shelves that he cannot move rapidly, but for the small manufacturer as well, who will have all his money tied up in merchandise for which the sale is not as brisk.

"We will then witness the next cycle: price cutting, when real competition will begin in earnest. This condition, however, is at least six months distant, and perhaps a little further. It is due to come, however, at any time, for some of the supplies."

The prediction is rapidly coming true, and as a matter of fact the eastern section of the country is already experiencing a phase of over-production. Millions upon millions of dollars have been poured into all sorts of radio enterprises, and several hundred new manufacturers have sprung up, all feverishly turning out goods to full capacity.

It is now possible to obtain merchandise almost everywhere and there is little actual shortage of any instrument at the present time. As we also predicted, the summer slack has already set in for some sections of the country, as for instance in the east, where the usual decline in the radio business is already apparent. To those who have been in the radio business for many years, this was foreseen. They know that in the summer time, the interest in radio matters is not as keen for the reason that many people are leaving the city, going on vacations. Also in those localities where evenings are uncomfortably warm, people do not care to stay home as much and work on their outfits, as during the cooler months.

All this was expected by those who knew, and only newcomers in the business who thought fortunes could be made almost overnight feel keenly disappointed. This is true mostly of the dealers who have little business at the present time, but not of the manufacturers who are still behind in filling their orders. If all this sounds pessimistic, we have no intention of its being so construed. We merely wish to point out to those newcomers that as far as the writer can remember—he himself having started in the radio business as far back as 1904—there was *always* the summer slack.

It is thus with many lines of business which are seasonal, and it will probably be always thus. Take for instance the phonograph business, which is always slack during the summer despite the heroic efforts of the dealers as well as manufacturers to change the trend of the public. So far, they have not succeeded and it is not likely that they ever will.

The most dangerous phase that the radio business is now confronted with is poor merchandise. It seems that every man in the country who has had a few thousand dollars lying loose has suddenly contracted the radio fever and has become a manufacturer somewhere, in an up-to-date loft, or in an attic. These people know little or nothing of radio matters, and as a rule take the word of some amateur that he has a world-beating invention that will revolutionize the radio business. Many such people are beginning to manufacture and many of them are turning out goods that are apt to take away all confidence of the public that is buying radio instruments.

There are at present a number of radio outfits on the market which violate every principle of sound radio engineering and each one of these outfits will kill a dozen sales of good instruments. When an innocent buyer, not at all versed in radio matters, buys one of these atrocities and promptly throws it into the nearest ash-can in disgust, he will not talk well of radio and his friends will believe him. It is this phase that is of tremendous importance at the present time. Not only are most of these goods designed incorrectly, but they are assembled in such a careless manner that even if the design were fair, it will hardly work.

There is still another important phase of which the new radio manufacturer knows absolutely nothing. The backbone of public radio is now, and probably will be for a long time, the radio amateur. Usually, when a man buys a radio outfit, he has some friend who knows something about radio, or who was a radio amateur at one time or another. It is well known by every radio dealer that a radio instrument, no matter what its description, is made or killed within a month of its appearance, by the radio amateur. If the radio amateurs—those who know—do not take to an instrument no matter how well designed, the manufacturer can make up his mind that it will not sell. If this statement is doubted, ask any radio dealer who has been in business for a number of years; but do not ask a new radio dealer, who has had no experience along these lines, because he would not know.

Before a manufacturer puts out a new instrument, and spends a great deal of money for patents and materials, he should make it his business to show a working model to a number of radio people who know the game. Then he should show it to reputable dealers of long standing experience. If he abides by their verdict, he will rarely make a mistake.

There is also to be considered the patent situation. Many circuits such as, for instance, the Armstrong regenerative circuit, nearly all crystal detectors and practically all vacuum tubes are patented articles. This phase should be carefully investigated by the new manufacturer because it will give him continuous trouble if his products infringe on these patents, as most of them doubtless do.

As to radio business in general, there is no question that there will be a very great mortality of dealers as well as manufacturers during this summer, due mainly to inexperience, and also to insufficient capitalization. Only those new concerns, whether manufacturers or dealers, having sufficient capital, will be able to survive, due to the fact that the radio business, as we have before mentioned, is always slack during the summer.

We are, however, emphatic in stating—and this may not be taken as a prophecy but as a positive fact—that from all indications the radio business, commencing this fall, will be even larger than that which we have just experienced. Let those concerns which are becoming discouraged take heart and try with all their resources to stay in business, even if they lose money, as many will do during the summer. Their reward will come after September 15. Those newcomers who say that radio is a fizzle and is petering out, are only voicing their ignorance in radio matters. The radio business is here to stay, and from present indications there will be over $100,000,000 worth of radio goods sold during the next radio year starting September 15.

H. GERNSBACK.

Important Notice

In accordance with the above editorial, the publishers have decided to open a free advice bureau for Radio manufacturers. Any manufacturer who is bringing out a new radio instrument or a new radio apparatus is invited to send in a sample of the actual product to the Editors. We will, beginning with the next issue, list articles which have been tested. Only such articles as our experts consider to be sound in all respects will be published, and no announcements will be made of apparatus which is not meritorious. Such apparatus will be returned to the makers with our advice as to how the devices can be bettered to make them marketable. This new departure does not only hold good for new manufacturers, but any manufacturer who desires can send in his apparatus for test, if he so elects.

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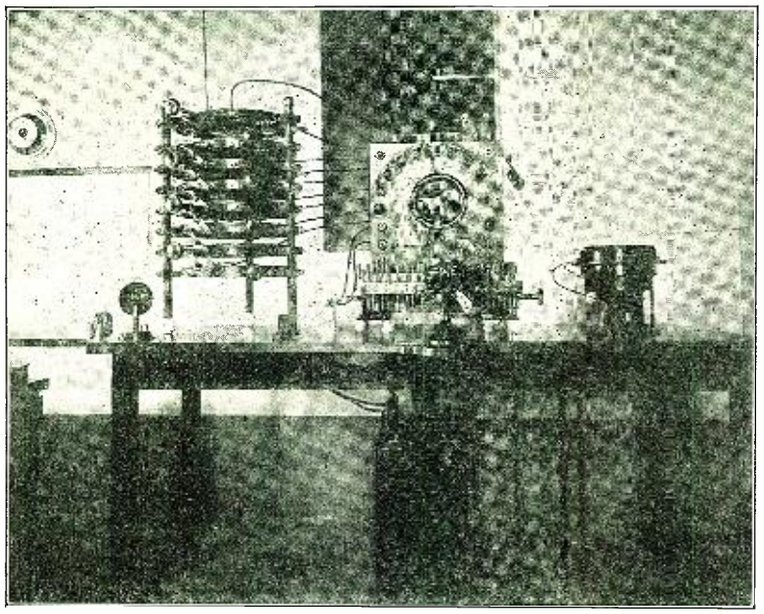
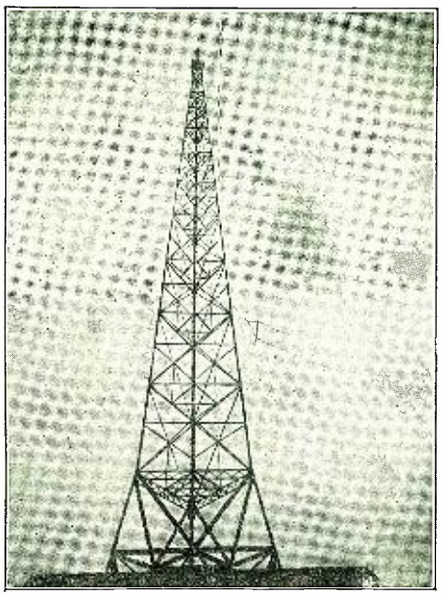
Chaparra "PWD" Coastal Radio Station

By U. MUNIZ*





On the left is the neatly installed transmitter with quenched gap and wave-changing panel. On the right is a view of the tower supporting the aerial.

IT is a remarkable achievement for a 2-k.w. spark station to obtain communication and reliable traffic exchange with points thousands of miles distant. As per latest data, this relies upon several details, such as the location, altitude, overall efficiency, etc., and so this low power, standard type transmitter at PWD has already received test telegrams and afterwards daily service with Nassau, Cape May, New York, to the north, and US, the Swan Island United Fruit's station, Venezuela Government stations and ships over 800 miles away in the Atlantic.

In the year 1917, in the Chaparra Sugar Mill, property of a former President of the Republic, there was installed a set constructed in composee garb, giving excellent short distance work, but lately the importance of the place was such as to make the Cuban Radio Department think of erecting something better at that end.

The engineer of the Department, Mr. J. L. Valladares, was sent in advance to study the location and better development of the official plans. At a side of the roadway to Chaparra Sugar Mill and two kilometers and a half from same, in a property about 4,000 square meters, were laid the first works under the personal supervision of the erecting engineer, Mr. Valladares, also designed by the Government for this important work.

Once the hard toil of installing, connecting and placing the transmitter and receiver in the eight-room concrete and brick one-story house was finished, the first commercial broadcast was given to the ether announcing to everyone the official establishment of this eastern wireless station on the north coast of Cuba.

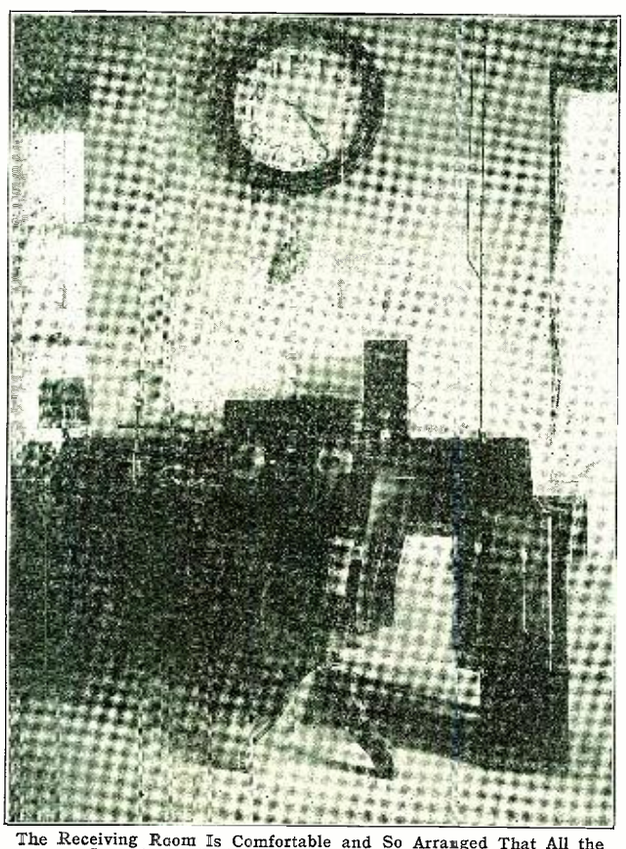
Following details gladly submitted by Mr. Valladares we find in the first room a waiting room for the people depositing service with the station. At the other side, the chief operator's dispatch, in front of which are the transmitter, receiver, control boards, and telegraph (land line) table. Behind this is another salon containing the motor generator group, general power switchboard and storage battery service mains. The remaining rooms are living ones for the chief operator, his family and operators.

The transmitter is a wireless specialty 2 k.w. quenched spark one, modified by the constructor of the station. Instead of the three standard wave-lengths of 300, 600 and 952 supplied by the maker, there are 300, 378, 476, 600, 756, 952, 1200, 1512 and 1905 meters with the circuits accordingly modified. Dubilier mica condensers are used throughout, with three sets of spares; the high potential transformer delivers 11,300 volts in the secondary, and is duplicated, with a special switch for using either in case of breakdown.

The quenched gap is the standard type, with a ventilating fan, for the air blast supplied with the set was inefficient and very troublesome. There is also a switch for operating the quenched or the rotary gap, easily seen in one of the photographs. The second gap has a high pitch, but is used for short distance work only, as it is well known the coupling with this type of gap cannot be so close as with the quenched one, and the energy radiated by the antenna system is necessarily less.

Testing devices are used here; one of them is standing by the loading coils.

Coming to the receiving table, a standard Wireless Specialty 300 to 6,800 meters tuner with Bureau of Standards Detector and Marconi commercial two-step amplifier, with the "juice" coming from an Edison storage battery outside this room. Western Electric tubes and phones are employed therewith.



The Receiving Room Is Comfortable and So Arranged That All the Controls Are Within Reach of the Operator on Watch.

In this table are also located the changeover switch, the starting box and control rheostats for frequency and voltage regulation, as well as a telegraph sounder and line key connecting with the official telegraph system in such a way that the radio operator can dispatch when there is not much wireless work, the land work from and to official sources. Handy about this are lightning switches for disconnecting transmitter and receiver in thunder storms.

On the following is the land line operator's work. Two sounders and corresponding keys are for his use and daily communication with Chaparra Sugar Mill and the nearest telegraph office, Delicias.

Going to the outside, we pass the master power and storage battery room. A large control board can be seen there, and wires bringing power from Chaparra's mains at 220-v., 60-cycle, 3-phase current merge into conduit tubing and neat connections out of sight lead them to the 10-H.P. motor moving the 500 Cycle Crocker Wheeler alternator and exciting dynamo with two direct current windings, one for the generator field and the other to the charging panel of the storage battery set. This is an Edison 100-ampere hour type, six volts for the filaments of the receiving tubes and 50-volt smaller type for the plates of detector and amplifier bulbs.

Further on the outside, the large extension of the aerial wires comes

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*Cuban Correspondent for RADIO NEWS

Portraits Radiated Through the Ether

By Dr. ALFRED GRADENWITZ
Berlin Correspondent, Radio News

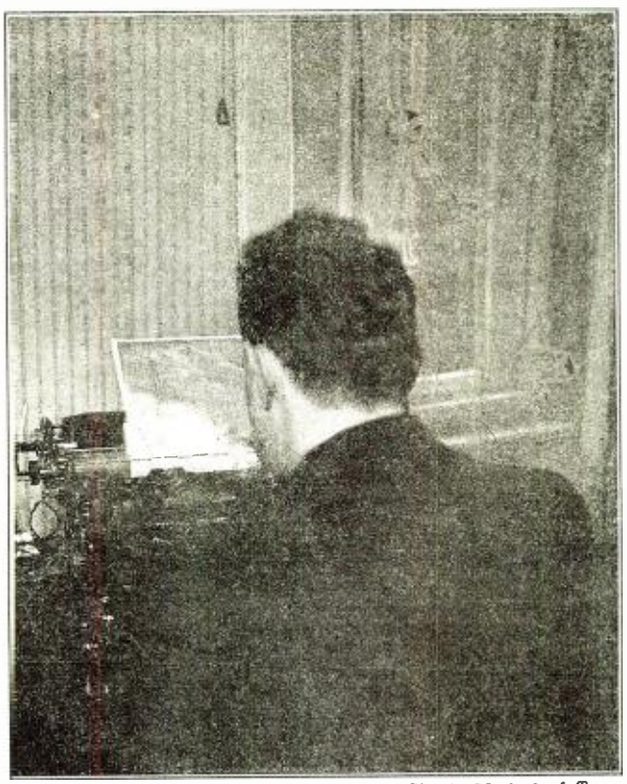
Portrait of the King of Italy Transmitted by Radio by Dr. Korn in Experiments Conducted at the Request of the Italian Government

THE story of many an achievement of modern science sounds more romantic than the wildest products of human fancy; reality often is more marvelous than boldest fiction. Let me tell you the tale of the portrait sent out into ether on the waves of electricity, picked up anywhere within the range of the sending outfit and reconstituted within a minimum of time.

Some days ago, I had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Arthur Korn, Professor of Physics at the Berlin Technical High School, who had just come back from Rome, where, on an invitation by the Italian Government, he had submitted his methods of Tele-Photography to severe, and most successful tests. He gave me an account of these tests, handing me at the same time some excellent telephotographic prints for reproduction in this magazine. The following is the substance of his report:

Prof. Korn's method for the wireless and cable transmission of photographs had, truth to say, already been worked out in principle in 1914, and the first practical tests between Europe and America were to have taken place in connection with the San Francisco World Fair. The construction of the experimental outfit to be used to this effect was delayed by the war. Though laboratory tests, as far back as in 1915-1917, gave excellent results, the first opportunity of making tests between remote stations was afforded some weeks ago, when from the Centocelle (near Rome) radio station, photographs were sent by wireless to ships on the high sea as well as to Massaua (Abyssinia, Red Sea); the presence of the King of Italy with the first transmissions lent additional solemnity to the inauguration of this method, which is now being used for wireless picture transmission between Rome and the United States.

Inasmuch as the receiver—apart from the usual wireless receiving outfit—only requires a special typewriter, no material difficulty had to be overcome at the receiving end. The sender, which is the most important and most interesting part of the plant, was installed in Rome by Dr. Korn himself and his assistant, the Italian engineer, Carazzolo. In the case of tele-photographic transmission to ships, an Italian marine officer would take the special typewriter with him on board the vessel where pictures were to be received. One picture was received on board the armored cruiser "Andrea Doria" off Spezia, another on a torpedo-destroyer cruising on the high sea. In connection with radio-telephotographic transmission from Rome to Massaua, the picture being sent (the King's portrait, shown here) was at the same time recorded on a checking typewriter in Rome; in order to make sure that the radiogram representing the picture had been received correctly at Massaua, this radiogram was sent back by wireless from Massaua. These tests actually showed the typewriter method to be admirably suitable for cable as well as for wireless transmission to any distance.



Dr. Arthur Korn, Inventor of a Practical and Simple Method of Transmitting Portraits by Radio or Other Telegraph Communication, Operating the Special Typewriter which Reproduces the Portrait

Though the method itself has been discussed at length in my article on the "Cabling of Photographs," published about two years ago in the ELECTRICAL EXPERIMENTER, it will be well to briefly recall the underlying principle as well as any alterations resulting from the substitution of radio for cable transmission:

At the sending station, there is installed a glass cylinder rotating around and advancing along its axis, on which the original picture —in the form of a translucid film—is wound. The light from a Nernst lamp (which is a very bright and constant illuminant) is, by a convenient lens system, concentrated on a small element of the picture; owing to the rotation and progression of the cylinder, the various picture elements will thus in succession come into the focus of the lighting system.

After penetrating through the photograph and the glass cylinder, the light will strike a selenium cell, traversed by the current of a constant battery. Inasmuch as this light is more or less intense, according to the variable graduations of successive picture elements, the electrical conductivity of the selenium cell will vary in proportion, and along with it the current intensity passing through the line. The sensitiveness of the arrangement is greatly increased by substituting a pair of selenium cells to a single cell.

Whereas in the case of Korn's telephotographic method, these currents varying in intensity in accordance with the various shading of picture elements are, at the receiving station, by inverting the stages of this process, used to reconstitute the original picture, they, in the present case, serve to produce what the inventor terms a "provisional record," representing the sequence of picture elements in a perforated tape or in a series of letters, the various combinations of holes (or letters of the series) constituting a predetermined scale of shades. Let us suppose, for instance, that an "A" corresponds to the lightest shade and a "Z" to the darkest, the other letters corresponding to intermediate shadings. Prof. Korn has, for the first time, by means of a remarkably sensitive relay, thus succeeded in automatically converting the original photograph into a letter telegram. This can, independently of the tele-photographic outfit, be sent by radio to the receiving station, in order there to be reconverted into a picture. To this effect, a special typewriter is provided at the receiving end, where each type, in the place of the letter marked on the key-

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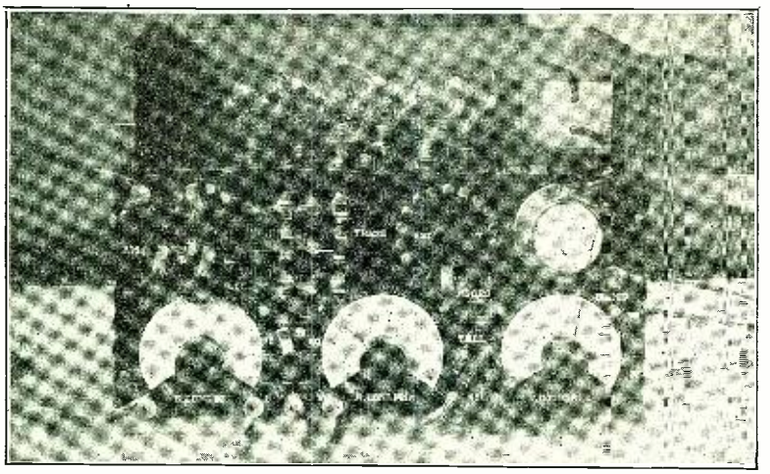
This Portrait of Mrs. Arthur Korn, wife of the Inventor, Was the First to Be Transmitted by This System

The Development of Radio on Airplanes in France During and Since the War

By the Paris Correspondent of Radio News



A combination C. W. and phone transmitter and receiver used aboard airplanes. Three of the tubes are used for sending, one as a detector and two as amplifiers.

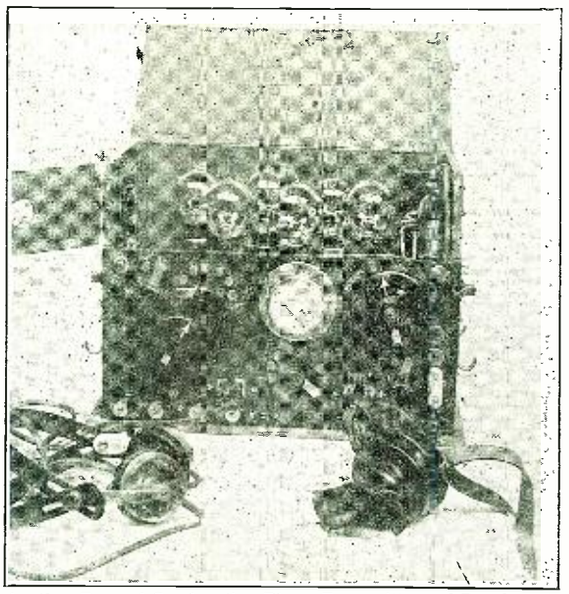
WE intend to describe in the present article the progress of airplane Radio, as developed during the war and the actual tendencies of Radio telegraphy and telephony on board air crafts for commercial purposes, the use of which becomes every day more necessary.

The first Radio apparatus for airplanes were designed in France at almost the same time as the Military airplane. As early as 1910, when the experiences of Wilbur Wright were not even two years old, the Military Air Force tried Radio communication between an aircraft and the ground. The type of apparatus which was used at first was somewhat similar to the ordinary land station used on trucks by the Signal Corps. That same type of apparatus was also installed on the dirigibles. This station was composed of an alternator driven by the engine, and an oscillating circuit connected to a step-up transformer. The spark was blown out by the wind produced by the propeller and the metallic parts of the aircrafts constituted the counterpoise.

The aerial, which was designed at the time, was used afterward during the war, and was composed of a copper cable at the end of which was attached a lead weight. The aerial wire could be wound on a hard rubber drum, so that any length of wire could be unwound for any particular wave-length. This provided a very fine adjustment and acted somewhat like a variometer in the aerial circuit. The connection from this aerial wire to the transmitting set was made by means of a highly insulated cable running through hard rubber conduits, preventing any short circuit with the counterpoise.

With this type of apparatus furnishing 500 or more watts, but weighing over 60 pounds, it was possible to reach ground stations 60 miles away. At this time no amplifier existed, and the receiving set made use exclusively of a crystal detector. The aerial was of the umbrella type supported by a 90-ft. mast. It was thought at the time to make it possible for the aviator to communicate directly with Headquarters while in flight over the enemy positions. The Military Aviation was considered at the time only as a means of observation, and the tests given to this system by both the Air Force and the Signal Corps, proved successful. However, it was later found that much more information was obtainable through the photographs taken by the aviators than by the short reports sent by Radio.

During the war it was found that the observation planes for both the Artillery and Infantry, as well as the bombing and hunting planes, needed Radio sets for various purposes. This necessitated the designing of special apparatus for each type of airplane, and was done by the Signal Corps.

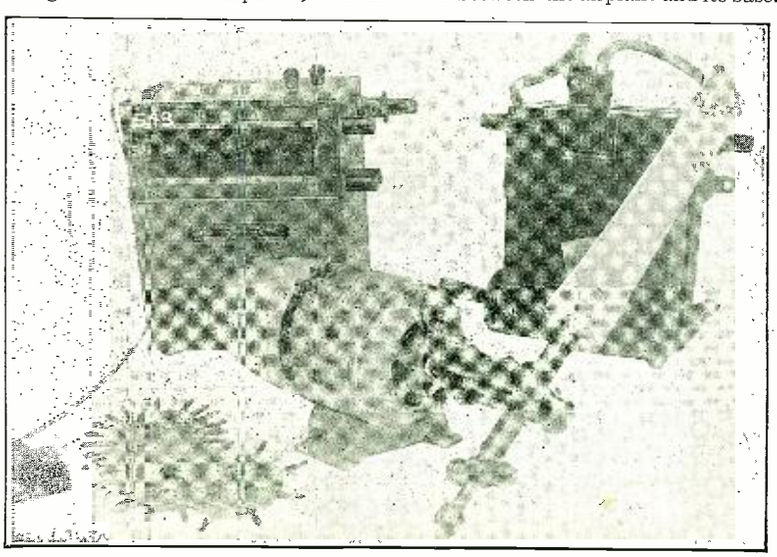


Another Type of Combination Phone Transmitter and Receiver, in Which the Same Tubes Are Used for Sending and Receiving.

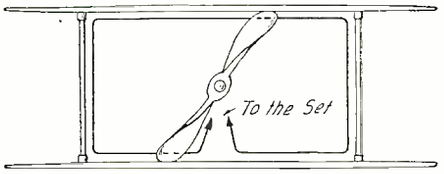
At the beginning of the war the airplanes, checking the fire from the Artillery over the enemy lines, used some colored rockets having special significations, which could be seen from the battery by means of field-glasses. Very soon this system proved quite inefficient and was replaced by Radio. In October, 1914, the first Radio-equipped airplanes were put in use and were found to be much more efficient than those using optical signals. Since the range to be covered was not very long, low-power transmitters were used. These consisted of a spark coil with separate interrupter and a spark gap directly connected in the aerial; the source of power was a storage battery. This kind of transmitter was used for over a year, as it was found possible to operate two and even three of these plain-aerial transmitters over one mile of front without interference. Different wavelengths and tones helped considerably in preventing jamming and efficient portable receivers permitted a very sharp tuning.

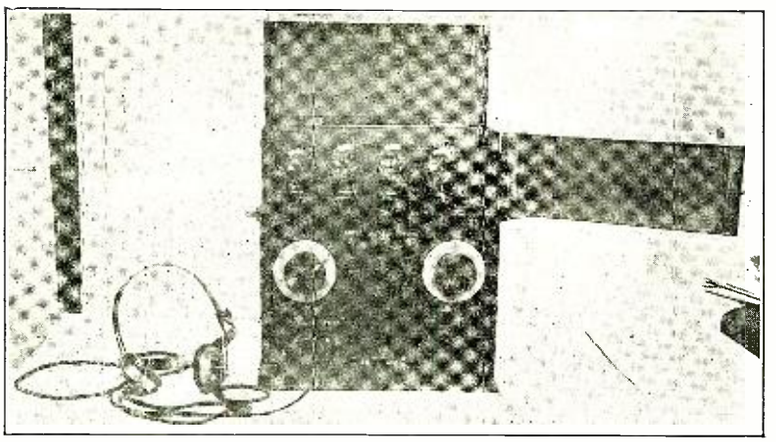
Although this arrangement was efficient, it became necessary in 1915 to improve both the selectivity and the range of the transmitters, as the number of airplanes operating close to each other and at greater distances was constantly growing. The first improvement in the sets was the removal of the storage battery, which was a source of trouble especially in various sections where recharging possibilities were poor. Instead, a small alternator operated by a propeller was mounted on one of the wings of the plane. Later, a special type of propeller replaced those previously used; these were automatic regulators and made the alternator run at the same speed, whether the airplane flew fast or slowly.

With these alternators furnishing about 125 watts of power an oscillating circuit which could be tuned sharply, was employed in conjunction with a synchronous spark gap mounted on the alternator shaft. By varying the number of teeth of the gap disc, various notes were produced which made possible the use of five or six airplanes over a mile of front, without interference for the receiving stations. When the big guns, having a very long range, were put in operation at the front, it was found best to equip the airplanes checking the shots with continuous wave transmitters. The Artillery batteries, which were mounted on trucks, were equipped with a similar set, which made possible constant communication between the airplane and its base.



A complete airplane spark transmitter composed of an oscillating circuit, a variometer and a 900-cycle alternator with automatic speed regulating propeller. Note the extra rotary gap discs.





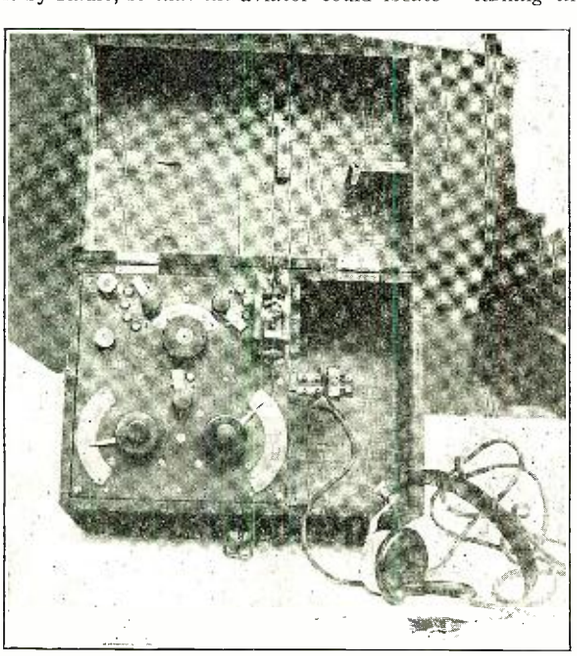
On the left the diagram shows how a fixed loop aerial is installed on a plane for the purpose of directing it. On the right is a compact receiver amplifier used on airplanes.

The reception on board the airplanes which in 1910 seemed impossible when there were no amplifiers, became possible, thanks to the vacuum tube. Fig. 6 shows one of the receiver-amplifiers combined, in which four tubes were used, one as a radio-frequency amplifier, one as a detector and two as audio-frequency amplifiers. One of the first apparatus in use on airplanes was a special device which made it possible for the observer to see the signals through a glass plate, over which the shadow of a mercury drop moved, reproducing the dots and dashes sent. This device had the advantage of not being influenced by the vibrations or noises of the engine, but it was soon abandoned on account of the difficulty of reading the signals with the eye. Later, special telephones mounted in the aviator's cap enabled him to read the signals in the ordinary manner without being interfered with too much by the noises of the engine.

When in 1918 groups of airplanes forming squadrons flying together were used for bombing or observation purposes, it was found necessary to equip all the planes with sending and receiving sets so that they could keep in constant touch with each other and with the airdromes. A special combination set was designed for this purpose as shown in Fig. 7. It may be used for continuous waves or telephony, and has a range of about 30 miles. This little transmitter was extensively used for communication between the airplanes, as it was found highly efficient for telephony over about eight miles.

To permit the aviators to find their exact positions when flying at night, or in a fog, radio compass stations were installed on the ground, which could ascertain the position of the airplane and send it by Radio, so that the aviator could locate his position on the map. However, this system did not prove accurate on account of the swiftness of the airplane which was far from the location given by the transmitting station when it was received. This led to the use of loop aerials on board the planes themselves. By turning the loop, the operator may at any instant locate the transmitting stations on the ground and ascertain the exact position by listening for the minimum of intensity in the signals from these stations.

The Radio Installation in a Modern Plane Carrying Passengers.



A Portable Receiver Designed by the Signal Corps of the French Army. It Has a Range of 100–600 Meters

Another system which was also successful for direction finding work on board airplanes consisted of a fixed loop wound between the two planes, as shown in Fig. 8. The two ends of the wire were connected to the receiving set and the airplane pilot could follow a route by listening to a certain station, the signals of which would fade, or become fainter as soon as the plane was turned at an angle. Although this system was not so accurate as the one mentioned previously, it was nevertheless sufficient to help an airplane pilot find his way toward a certain point without the manipulation of a rotating loop aerial.

Another problem which presented itself during the war was the use aboard the hunting planes of fixed aerials, which permitted the airplane to do acrobatic stunts without having the aerial wire hanging under and catching in the propeller or other parts when looping the loop. On account of the small size of these airplanes and the close proximity of the aerial and the counterpoise, a very poor radiation was obtained, which necessitated much research on the part of the engineers carrying on the tests. The solutions found to be the best consisted of the use of short aerials with the wires stretched in the shape of a "W," as shown in Fig. 10, or "V" shaped, with two or more wires stretched from the edge of the top wing to the rudder. The transmission with a loop aerial was also tried, but without great success.

The problem of radio control is also near its realization. In France, as well as in the United States, numerous experiments have been carried on to control an airplane in the air, without anybody being on board. It is possible, at the present time, to control an air craft with absolute security. The difficulty consists less in controlling the rudder and stabilizers than in preventing them from being accidentally operated by other signals. Thanks to a system of relays designed by Mr. Chauveau, it is possible to control one or more organs at the same time, with the possibility of preventing them from being accidentally operated. The description of this system is out of the scope of this article but we will endeavor to give to the readers of RADIO NEWS some interesting details about it in a future issue.

Since the war the problem of airplane radio telegraphy and telephony, has presented itself at different angles, as the commercial airplanes, which travel every day between the large European cities, need equipment of different design from that used for the military airplanes. In most of the big planes carrying passengers are found powerful C.W. and telephone transmitters, with loop aerials and special amplifiers for direction-finding work. A smaller transmitter, which can work even when the airplane is on the ground, constitutes the emergency set.

The standard type of telephone and C. W. transmitter used aboard the airplanes is supplied with current by a special machine coupled with a propeller which turns by the pressure of the wind when in flight. The transmitting set itself is constituted by big vacuum tubes supplied with about 1,000 volts on the plate, which give a range of about 200 miles. These sets enable the airplanes flying between Paris and London to keep in constant touch with both airdromes during a great part of the flight. The reception on board airplanes is somewhat more difficult on account of the noises which, until recently, it

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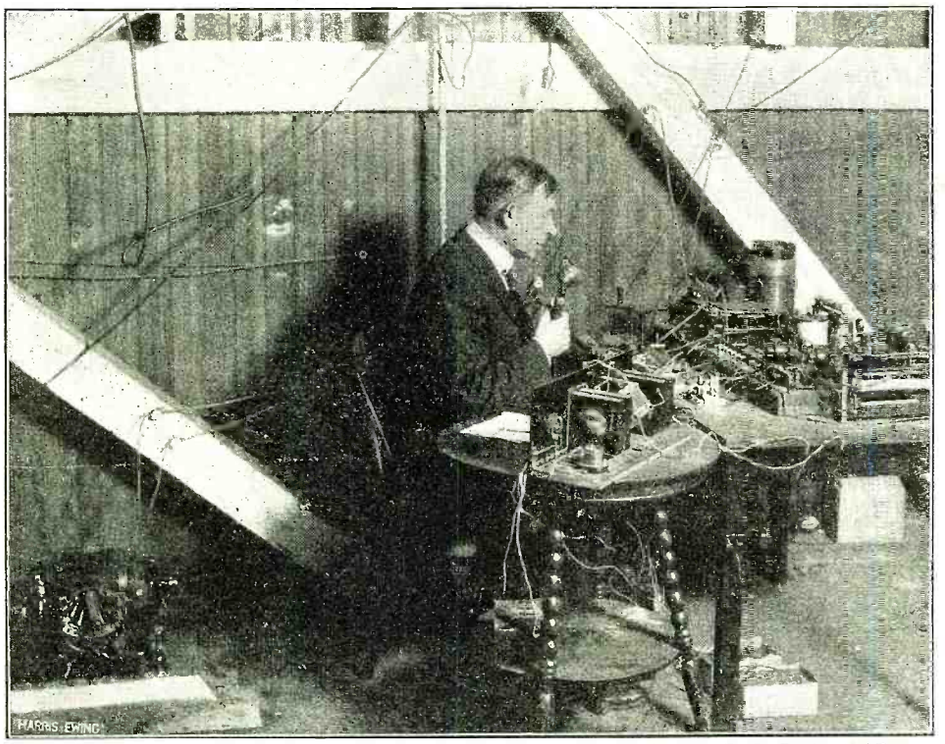
When the Sexton Turns Radio-Telephone Operator

By S. R. WINTERS



The Radiophone Transmitter Installed at the Church of the Covenant in Washington, D. C., During the Tests Carried on to Determine the Effective Range.

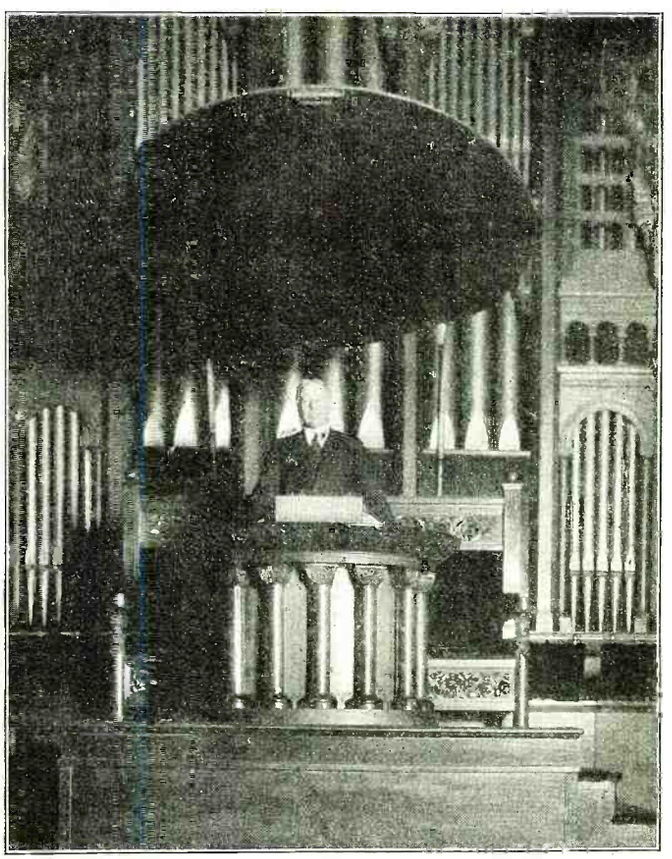
FROM time immemorial the duties of a sexton have varied little—tolling the church bell, sweeping the house of worship, building fires, and otherwise attending to the physical needs of an edifice dedicated to religious services. Innovations, however, may be expected in this century of remarkable scientific progress. Thus, it may occasion no startling surprise to know that the time-honored tasks of the sexton are subject to variation. Indeed, William E. Collier, official in charge of the Church of the Covenant, Washington, D. C., has made a departure in acting in the capacity of radio telephone operator in broadcasting the services of this Presbyterian church, located in the National Capital. He is probably the first sexton in the United States to familiarize himself with the intricacies of wireless and assume the responsibility of distributing the sermon and auxiliary services through ether to an invisible congregation for a radius of 350 miles.

The Church of the Covenant, located at a point in Washington where three streets, —Eighteenth, N, and Connecticut Avenue —touch elbows, is the first house of worship in the National Capital to enlarge its congregation by means of a radio telephone transmitting outfit. Reverend Doctor Charles Wood, pastor of this flock of the Presbyterian faith, introduced this departure recently. The three services on Sunday—at the hours 11, 3:30, and 8 o'clock—are flung into space on a wave-length of 360 meters, radiating its message for a distance of 350 miles. Not only are the deliverances of the pastor broadcasted, but the vocal and instrumental music of the choir may be heard by an invisible audience whose numbers and interest can merely be conjectured. Even the offertory hymn is radiated into space and the contributions offered by the visible audience may be made known to the widely separated and unseen congregation.

The pulpit of the Church of the Covenant is not subjected to the unseemly view of a radio telephone transmitting apparatus, as a photograph of the minister in the act of delivering a sermon indicates. An acousticon, an instrument barely discernible in the illustration, is located on the pulpit stand for the purpose of harnessing the voice vibrations of the preacher, whence they are conveyed by a wire to the loft of the church where the radio telephone transmitter proper is installed. Here, the sexton is seated and relays the church services to that invisible congregation within a radius of 350 miles of the National Capital. The primary source of the current for bearing vocal speech and music on electromagnetic waves is the city electric lighting system. This alternating flow of the popularly-designated mysterious fluid operates a motor, located in a corner to the left of the combination sexton and radio telephone operator, as portrayed by one of the photographs. This electric motor converts alternating "juice" into direct current, the sustaining power of the radio telephone transmitter.

The church belfry, whose single-minded purpose has been preserved through the ages, in this instance serves in a dual capacity. Other than housing the church bell, the square tower on this Presbyterian edifice lends itself to the formation of an antenna. Two wires projecting themselves from the tower form a V-shaped antenna. A specimen of the services of the Church of the Covenant, as observed on Sunday, April 23, 1922, consisted of: A sermon by Rev. Charles Wood, pastor, at 11 o'clock in the morning; at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, community instrumental and vocal musical service and an address by the regular minister on the subject, "Reasons For and Against Immortality;" at 8 o'clock in the evening, sermon by Rev. Charles Wood—"Messages from Books, Sacred and Secular"—"Concerning History: Samuel, Herodotus, Gibbon and Green." The evening choir is composed of 100 voices. Services during the week may include a discussion of radio telephony and radio telegraphy or presentation of other secular subjects. Recently, Dr. Louis Cohen, consulting electrical engineer of the Signal Corps, United States Army, and professor of electrical engineering at George Washington University, delivered an address subject to the broadcasting service of the Church of the Covenant.

The increasing recognition of the radio telephone as a medium for insuring an enlarged congregation for religious services renders opportune speculation as to its development in this direction. Is it too visionary to contemplate a centralization of the Scriptural lessons whereby a centrally-located pastor would exhort to a varied and remote audience—even to the far ends of the earth? Interesting speculation, to be sure. Certainly, radio communication is daily demonstrating its unbounded flexibility!



The Microphonic Device Installed on the Pulpit Is Located in the Box in Front of the Speaker and Invisible to the Audience. The Picture Shows Dr. Charles Wood Delivering a Sermon Which Is Broadcasted in a 350-Mile Radius.

Notes on Radio in China

By E. T. LOCKWOOD

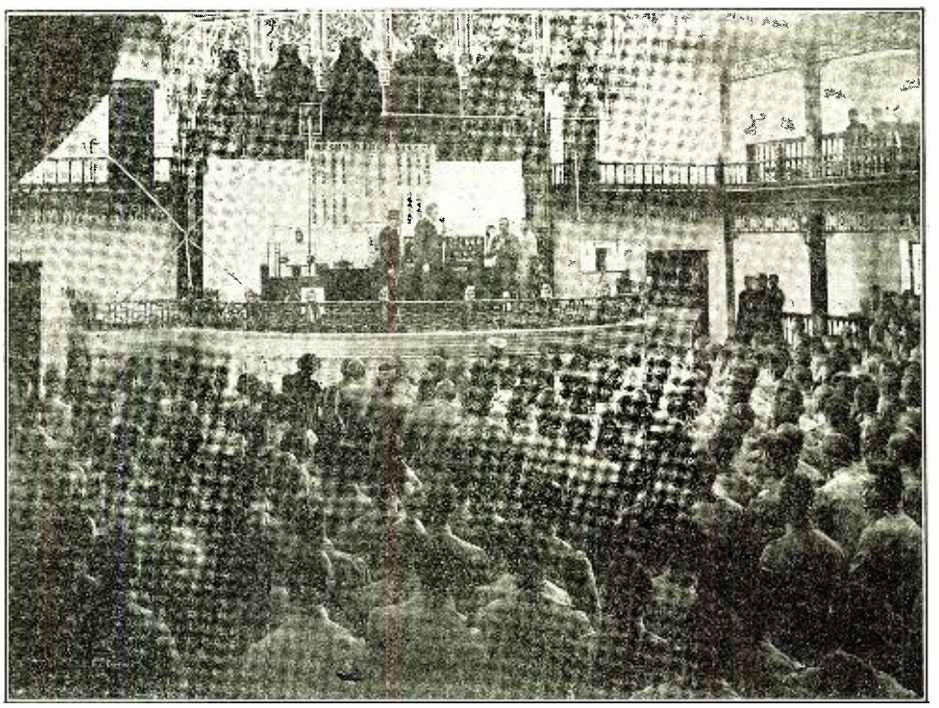
"IT'S time for you to take to cover under the blankets," was what greeted the ears of a Shanghai amateur who was getting rather uppish with his 1 k.w. The operator of the local French station was giving him this gentle toning down for causing considerable interference on 600 meters. If a ham called up a Government station in the United States he might have his license taken away and a few other disagreeable things might happen. But this was Shanghai, China. Quite a difference!

SOMETHING MORE THAN LAUNDRIES IN CHINA

The average American Boy has the idea that, if he bored a hole straight through the earth he would hit a country which would be hot all the time and in which most of the people would be laundrymen with missionaries scattered here and there. As a matter of fact, it isn't squarely on the other side of the earth, it isn't hot all the time, and people do something more than wash clothes.

On the new Shipping Board steamers it takes only 20 days to go to China from San Francisco. The port of call is Shanghai, the most promising and largest Chinese port. The foreign settlement of this city is in every way modern, streets paved, high buildings, trolley cars, electrical appliances and the conveniences which are to be found in any American city. This is one of the most cosmopolitan cities of the world. There are about 15,000 white people here, of whom about 3,000 are Americans. The total population is a million and a half. Even Chinese cities are undergoing gradual modernization, and small cities now have electric lights, telegraphs, and telephones.

The climate of China varies, of course, with the latitude. In Shanghai it is hot in the summer, although very little worse than New York City. In winter it is a damp cold and there is usually a little snow. The climate has been compared with that of Charleston, South Carolina, with which city it is approximately in the same latitude.



Professor Robertson (Standing with Transmitter) Lecturing Before 1,200 Students of the West Point of China, at Paotingfu, Chihli. Note the Receiver and Loud Speaker. The Radiophone Transmitter Panel Is Behind Professor Robertson. Note the Large Loop on the Left, Which Is Used for Telephone Transmission and Reception. The Other Station Was Placed Several Hundred Yards Away.

The Custom's Permit, Which Was Necessary to Import Radio Apparatus. The Underlined (or Side-lined) Characters in the Fourth Row from the Right Say "Three Variable Condensers for Wireless Telegraphy." The Original Measures 16 by 25 Inches. Chinese Reads from Top to Bottom, from Right to Left.

GOVERNMENT RADIO

The Chinese Government has a few spark stations of moderate power, most of which carry on commercial business. They are efficient stations as far as they go, but at present, the Government radio facilities are very inadequate. They do not have in operation a single station capable of transmitting regularly over a thousand miles, although many are in contemplation.

JAPANESE ACTIVITIES

The best stations in China are those that the Japanese Government has established. There are several powerful stations at strategic points in China. The Japanese are constructing a large station near Peking for the Chinese Government at the present time.

NEW CHINESE-AMERICAN STATIONS

The Federal Telegraph Company of America has contracted with the Chinese Government for the erection of several high power radio stations, notably one at Shanghai, to be one of the largest in the world. This will be of great value to commercial interests in China because of the irregularity of the cables.

PEKING-TIENTSIN RADIOPHONE

Because of the difficulty of maintaining the regular (or irregular) long distance wire telephone, the China Electric Company, in coöperation with the Chinese Government has put in operation two stations to be used in lieu of the land line between Peking and Tientsin. Speech travels from house telephone in one city, via land wire, then radio, and then land wire again to the house telephone in the other city, a distance of over 70 miles. Both stations are easily heard in Shanghai, a distance of 650 miles. *This is the largest service of its kind in the world, and it's in China!*

NUMBERS FOR CHINESE CHARACTERS

Chinese writing is hieroglyphic and so the Chinese have had to compile a code book of characters and corresponding numbers. Thus each character is designated by a number in telegraphic communication. The standard Chinese dictionary contains something like 40,000 characters, but the ordinary number used does not exceed 5,000.

FRENCH RADIO SERVICES

The French have established a system of stations throughout China and Indo-China. They deserve much credit for the way in which they have for years rendered weather forecast service and time signals. The time signal is of the letter type, not beating off seconds, and is accurate to within a few seconds. The signals are relayed from the French observatory in Shanghai to the local station FFZ.

JAPANESE QRM

Much has been said about Japanese interference, intentional and otherwise. The main difficulty seems to be that the transmitters are directly coupled, of course, producing high decrement and a broad wave. The main difficulty with the Japanese themselves seems to be that they have an ingrained liking for repetition, which, with their cumbersome and lengthy alphabet, makes the whole Japanese Navy a nuisance to amateurs, as well as to professionals. Naval ships of various countries are allowed to use full power in the port of Shanghai.

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Some New Radio Apparatus

An Automatic Filament Current Adjuster

Fig. 1.—Aspect of a Tungsten Filament Seen Through a Microscope.

Fig. 2.—A Ductile Wire Is Composed of Small Grains.

Fig. 3.—When Heated Slowly the Structure of the Wire Changes, as May Be Seen Above.

THE vacuum tube upkeep is the most expensive item in the modern radio receivers. Tubes are expensive, and their life is comparatively short. The latter is more true with the entrance of the general public into radio.

In spite of the vacuum tube trouble encountered in radio reception, little attempt has been made to find a remedy. The reason for this is the highly theorctical knowledge required to get to the bottom of the problem, and from the cause develop a remedy.

Look at the tungsten vacuum lamps burning in your home or office. Irrespective of their voltage or wattage, they all burn at the same temperature. This is not merely a coincidence. Every tungsten lamp is carefully designed to operate at that definite temperature. Why?

The life of any tungsten vacuum tube depends upon the life of the tungsten filament. Tungsten has the highest melting point of all metals, 3350 degrees centigrade. It can be obtained in the form of fine wire which may be bent and twisted like any other wire, or it may be as brittle as an eggshell. In vacuum tubes the ductile form is required.

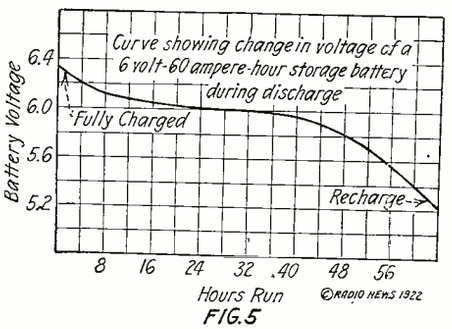
If you look at a brittle tungsten wire through a high-power microscope, you will see something similar to the structure shown in Fig. 1. That is, the wire is composed of large blocks. Attempt to bend or vibrate the wire and it will immediately break at the boundary of the adjacent blocks.

Now replace the brittle wire by a ductile wire. It appears as shown in Fig. 2. A ductile filament is composed of small grains.

What makes tungsten brittle? Take the tungsten filament shown in Fig. 2. Heat it up slowly by gradually increasing the current, as done with the ordinary wire wound rheostat. Place it under the microscope and it will appear as in Fig. 3. Bend it—it breaks. You have changed the ductile tungsten filament to a fragile and brittle structure. The structure in Fig. 1 was obtained by burning the filament several hundred degrees below its proper operating temperature.

Therefore, contrary to popular conception, the vacuum tube should be flashed to its proper temperature as done in our ordinary incandescent lamps. This is a fundamental principle. Similarly operating the tube below its proper operating temperature tremendously decreases the life of the tube.

Now let us discuss the question of over voltage—operating the tube above its proper temperature. In this case two things may occur.



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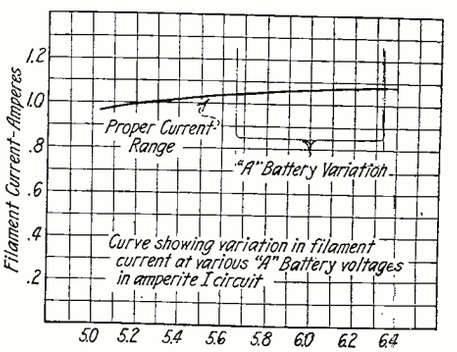

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Fig. 5 Is the Discharge Curve of a Filament Battery and Fig. 6 the Normal Current Regulation Through the Filament of the Tubes.

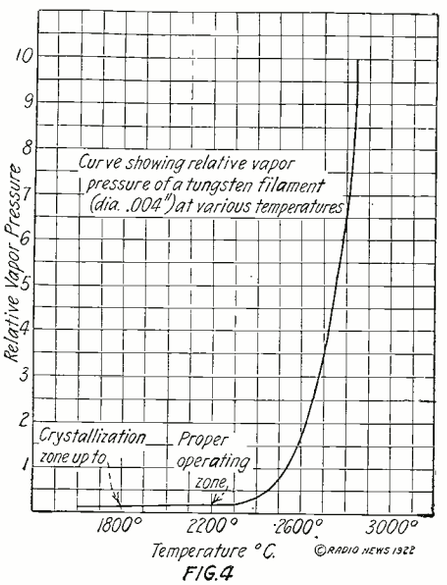

FIG. 4

This Curve Shows the Proper Temperature at Which a Filament Should Burn to Last the Maximum Length of Time.

1. If sufficiently overloaded, the filament is actually melted.

2. If operated only a few hundred degrees above its proper temperature, the filament rapidly vaporizes. Its diameter is decreased and its life is greatly shortened. The universally observed increase in the resistance of the tube follows.

Now to explain how easily one can increase the temperature of the tube several hundred degrees. Turn the knob in the ordinary rheostat half way from its zero position. The tube filament has a red glow. From this point you will observe rapid increases in temperature, with a slight turn of the rheostat knob. By one-eighth turn the temperature is increased from approximately 800 degrees centigrade to 2200 degrees centigrade. Above 2200 degrees centigrade the temperature increases even more rapidly. Overloading the tube with the ordinary rheostat cannot be prevented without the use of meters.

Fig. 4 is a summary of the whole situation. Heating the filament below 1800 degrees centigrade crystallizes it and makes it brittle. Above 2200 degrees centigrade the filament is rapidly vaporized. The proper operating zone

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Two New Radio Essentials

THOSE who use radio receiving outfits know how troublesome and unsatisfactory it is to pass a single pair of phones about, so that more than one person can listen in. If two sets of phones are available with only one jack on the receiver, they can be placed in the circuit only after much trouble and inconvenience. This problem has brought about the need of a "Twin Adapter" which will allow two phone connections or a phone and a loud speaker connection to be made with a single jack. To fill this need, the Pacent "Twin Adapter" has been brought forth, and with it one jack can be made to serve the purpose of two. Thus the receiver can be tuned with the phones, and the loud speaker can be plugged in. The "Twin Adapter" will also be found very serviceable when making rapid connections and changes in C. W. work. It is provided with heavy phosphor bronze spring connections and is finished in polished brass and a velvety black composition.

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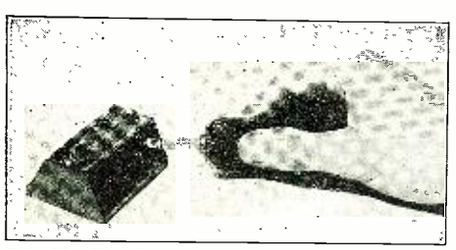

The Multijack Is a Practical Unit in Which Three Plugs May Be Inserted so That Several Pairs of Phones May Be Used at the Same Time.

$500 in Prizes in this Issue

RADIO NEWS now gives monthly prizes to readers. In this issue will be found prizes totaling close to $600. Look for these prizes in the following departments: "With the Amateur", page 42; "Wrinkle Prize Contest", page 61; "Special $375 Pocket Radiophone Prize Contest", page 64.

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Watch for our next issue for new special prize contest, in which everyone, even a layman, can join.

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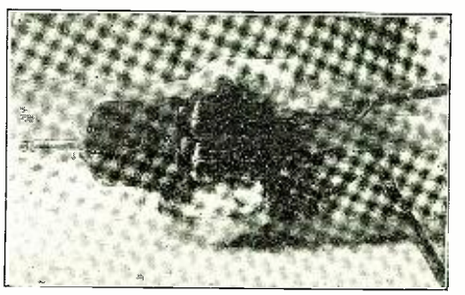
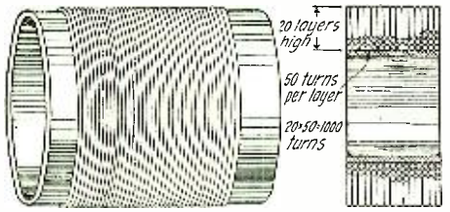


When It Is Desired to Connect Two Instruments Through a Single Jack, This Twin Adapter Will Solve the Problem.

A Compact New Inductance Coil

By THOMAS P. GIBLIN



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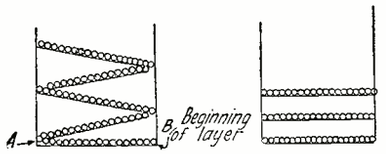


Fig. 4

IN the old days of not so long ago we wound coils several feet in length to receive on long waves. There have been several attempts made to reduce the size of these coils and still obtain the necessary amount of inductance, without, at the same time, increasing the distributed capacity of the coil. The most successful of these attempts was the design of coil known as the honeycomb coil. From this was developed the duo-lateral coil.

The most recent development is the type of coil illustrated on this page. It is of an entirely new design with an air space between turns.

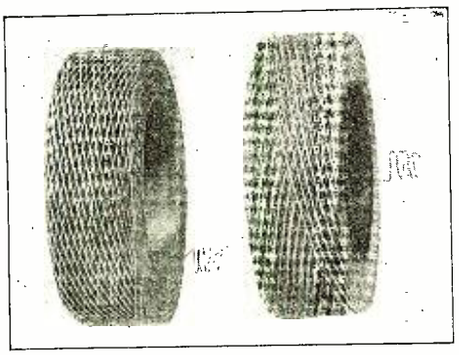
If the tube, Fig. 1, contains 1,000 turns of wire wound in one long layer, the inductance equals X, the capacity between turns equals Y, then $1{,}000Y$ equals the total self capacity.

Let us put this same inductance into multi-layer form, see Fig. 2.

Then inductance will be about the same only greater in this case, since each layer of wire is becoming larger in diameter. The capacity between turns is still Y, but between layers it equals $50 \times Y$ or the mean of the number of turns in each two layers. This capacity becomes great for the total number of turns and layers, and thus makes this type of coil of no value.

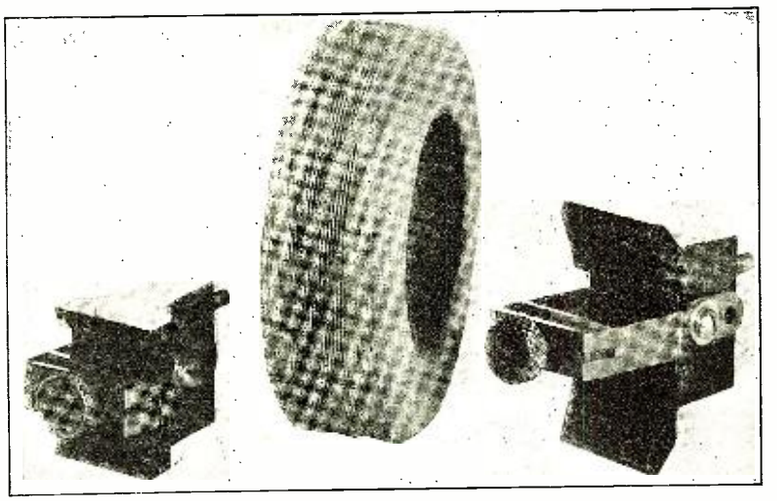
This capacity between layers can be overcome to a great extent by spacing the layers, but this must not be done at the sacrifice of inductance or resistance.

In my honeycomb and duo-lateral, I wound the turns with a space between each,



The Honeycomb and Duo-Lateral Types of Inductances Concentrate in a Small Space a Large Amount of Inductance. Note the Different Methods of Winding

This new type of inductance coil is wound in parallel turns, but the layers are separated by cotton yarn wound in honeycomb style. The mountings are also of an original design as the coil can be easily removed and replaced by another coil, the same mountings being used for several sizes of coils.



so as to get space or air cells between layers, but this space kills inductance, see Fig. 3.

In the honeycomb and duo-lateral, you cannot get the spacing between layers if you wind the turns close together and you must have this spacing between layers to reduce capacity in multi-layer winding.

In the new coil we wind *cotton yarn* into the form of a lattice containing air cells, as the wire is wound in a honeycomb coil, but while this yarn is being wound in this way, the wire is going into the coil in parallel turns, as in spool winding, close together, side by side, the cotton yarn performing the "stunt" of separating the layers of wire with cotton and *air cells*. These air cells are very necessary in order to keep down the high frequency resistance. One other important feature is that, as the potential between the layers increases, so does the spacing, thus giving maximum copper space and maximum insulation space.

The method shown in Fig. 4 gives maximum copper space and insulation space in a given volume. If wound as in Fig. 5, you sacrifice copper space for insulation space.

The Fig. 4 method keeps down natural period because it takes less linear feet of wire also since the self capacity of the coil (which is 200 per cent. less than in honeycomb or duo-lateral) is reduced.

Thus, honeycomb coil minus inductance of 17.6 M. Henries Dis. Cap. equals 23 M. M. Farads

New coil minus inductance of 18.8 M. Henries Dis. Cap. equals 8.8 M. M. Farads.

This low natural period gives greater turning range for a given coil. The low self capacity gives selectivity and sharp tuning for a given coil, which capacity should be low, especially so with the amateur who generally has an antenna of low capacity.

Now as to the high frequency resistance, this, of course, depends upon the kind of wire, that is, Litz or solid conductor. It also depends upon the air cells in the coil, as air is better for the skin effect which exists in a conductor subject to radio frequency.

As you may see, a coil which, with its remarkable characteristics cannot be surpassed for a concentrated inductance, is equally efficient on all wave-lengths. This cannot be wound by hand as is the case with the honeycomb and duo-lateral coils.

L_o 1,000 cycle inductance in millihenries..... Accuracy ½ percent.
λ_f Natural wave-length, in meters..... Accuracy ½ percent.
R High frequency resistance, in ohms, at 500, 1,000, 2,000, 5,000, 10,000 meters..... Accuracy 1 percent.

The quantities calculated were

C_f Distributed capacity, in micro-micro-farads calculated from L_o and λ_f..... Accuracy 1 percent.
λ_{min} Wave-length range, in meters, using a condenser of maximum and minimum capacity of .001 and .00004 uf respectively,
λ_{max} and distributed capacity Cf, and 1,000 cycle inductance L_o.. Accuracy 2 percent.

GIBLIN-REMLER COILS SOLID WIRE

	Turn	L_o	λ_f	C_f	λ_{min}	λ_{max}	H. F. Resistance			
		mh.	m	uuf	m.	m.	200	500	1,000	2,000
20	20	.030	39	14.3	63	334		1.1		
25	25	.041	47	15.2	75	389		1.5		
35	35	.083	87	25.4	128	550		3.5		
50	50	.169	114	21.6	185	785		8.8	4.4	
75	75	.377	163	19.8	266	1,170		28.3	12.1	6.2
100	100	.666	217	19.9	358	1,550		80.3	26.8	12.6
							1,000	2,000	5,000	10,000
150	150	1.503	281	14.8	512	2,320	69.8	23.8	7.1	
200	200	2.68	374	14.7	690	3,110		50.6	12.5	
250	250	4.20	424	12.1	860	3,880		87.5	19.9	
300	300	6.11	494	11.2	1,030	4,680		141	29.3	13.8
400	400	11.04	618	9.7	1,380	6,300			54.6	22.3
500	500	17.50	747	9.0	1,730	7,900			93.1	34.9
							2,000	5,000	10,000	20,000
600	600	29.2	1,024	10.1	2,260	10,250		111	43.8	
750	750	39.0	1,249	11.3	2,660	11,850			64.0	
1,000	1,000	71.6	1,620	10.3	3,570	16,000			123	
1,250	1,250	108.0	1,930	9.7	4,380	19,700				
1,500	1,500	159.8	2,300	9.3	5,300	23,800				

H. F. Resistance is in ohms, at the different wave-lengths given in meters.

A New Loud Talker

THERE has recently been produced and placed on the market a Loud Speaker Horn under the trade mark name "Audiophone" for receiving radio concerts, speeches, etc. While the Audiophone is a comparatively new development in the radio field, it is not an experiment, but the result of thirty years' experience in the development and manufacture of precision recording and indicating instruments, and six years' research work in sound reproduction. It is the result of long and careful research work carried out to develop a loud speaker for use with new talking moving pictures, which are soon to be placed before the public. The result of this research produced a loud speaker which gives a large volume of amplified sound, and yet faithfully reproduces the original.

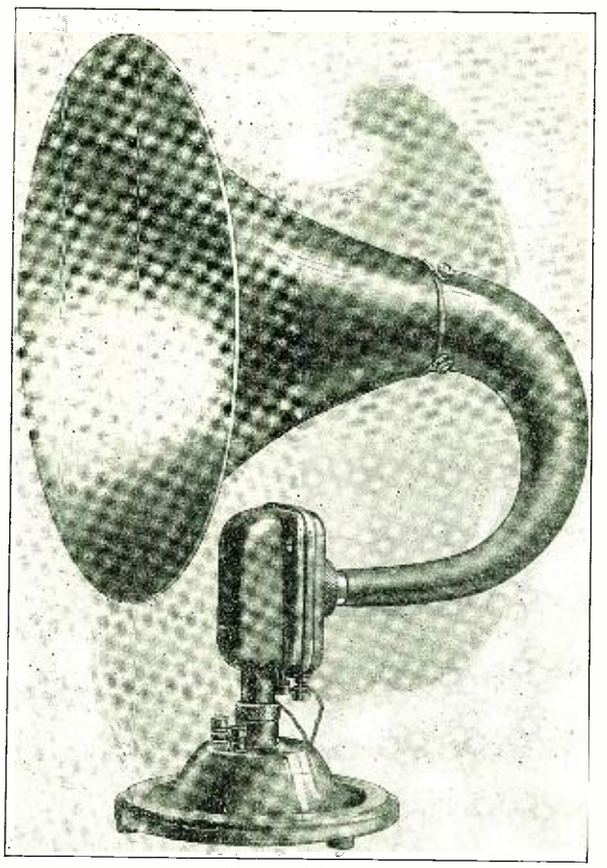
The Audiophone, as shown in the illustration, is of a compact and artistic design finished in bronze. The bell of the horn is 15" in diameter. The design of the bell, neck and electrical characteristics of the receiver box, together with materials used, are such as to produce a loud speaker remarkable for its rich, natural and clear tone. Songs, speeches, announcements, conversation and instrumental music are reproduced by it with a clearance and audibility which has not been the case with the majority of radio receivers.

It is rugged and simple in construction, thus insuring durability. It requires no separate storage battery or magnetizing current. In order to make the horn suitable for all types of radio amplifier circuits, a transformer is mounted in the base, which provides the impedance about equal to that of the vacuum tube amplifier, into the plate circuit of which the horn is connected. When connected to a third stage of amplification operating on 100 volts or over, the volume of sound is sufficient to be easily heard in a room seating 500 people. For smaller rooms, such as in private homes, good results are obtained from the Audiophone when connected with a two-stage amplifier.

One watt is required by this loud speaker to give full volume, therefore, the amplifier must be designed to have a high voltage in at least the last stage or better still to operate with high voltage on all tubes.

This loud speaker of novel design reproduces music and speech in a remarkably clear tone.

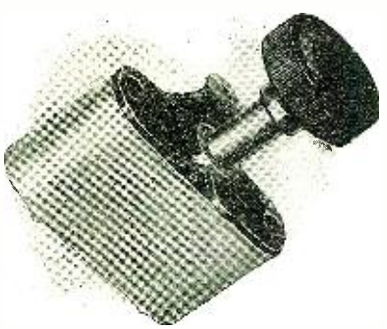
The Audiophone can also be used in connection with the special phonograph record transmitter and control box, for amplification of the voice or on phonograph records. This transmitter and control box will soon be placed upon the market, thus affording a double use for the Audiophone. It can be readily applied to any style of phonograph to electrically reproduce from the record the music, voice, etc., with the true musical quality, which was used in making the original master record.



(Photograph by courtesy of the Bristol Co.)

A New Filament Rheostat

ONE of the essential requirements for the so-called "soft" vacuum tubes, is that the regulation of the filament be very fine, even to the point that the means of regulation will provide for a smooth control of the filament current without any "steps" or "jumps" when varying the current. The ordinary wire-wound coil with a slider contact has limitations because there is a decided change in resistance when the slider moves from one turn of wire to the next. This has been overcome to a degree with the vernier attachments, but the latter usually require either two adjusting knobs or a special operation in one knob that slows up the action and interferes with quick tuning for the best audibility.



This New Carbon Rheostat Provides Very Fine Adjustment of the Filament Current of a Tube.

The ideal rheostat is one that will give an absolutely smooth variation in current with a simple one-way adjustment. The most natural way to accomplish this is by the use of a compression type rheostat. A rheostat of this nature, especially designed to meet the requirements of one-half and one ampere receiving detector and amplifier tubes and the 5-watt power tubes, has just been placed on the market by a Milwaukee concern. A column of specially treated graphite discs assembled in a porcelain container form the resistance element in this new device. The resistance of the graphite discs varies with the pressure applied through means of an adjusting knob and pressure screw. It will

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"Loop Coupler"—New Receiver

SIGHTLINESS, compactness and efficiency are the admirable qualities conserved in a radio-receiving loop designed by L. M. Dunnam of Washington, D. C., whose invention justifies the belief that an application for a patent will be granted as a cloak of protection for this product of an inventive mind. When the trend of developments in the designing of appliances of radio-telephony and radio-telegraphy is constantly in the direction of robbing antennæ of their cumbersomeness and unsightliness as well as the exercising of a stubborn effort to banish that bugaboo known as static or atmospheric disturbances, this convenient and serviceable design for the reception of wireless signals should elicit widespread interest.

Like other individuals who have wrestled with seemingly insurmountable difficulties, this invention of Mr. Dunnam had its inception at the crucial time when despair was struggling for supreme recognition only to be crowded out by the proverbial silver lining in the cloud. After two years of intermittent effort to vary the working arrangement of the loop in the reception of radio-telephone communications, Mr. Dunnam was about to

This loop coupler is especially designed to be used in a barrage circuit in which a loop is connected in the secondary of the receiver.

profess undying allegiance to the theory that nothing less than an Armstrong superheterodyne circuit had the virtue of making effective the loop receiver. Then it was that a series of trying circumstances—notably, aggravating atmospheric disturbances—prodded the operator of "3ZY" to exert his su-

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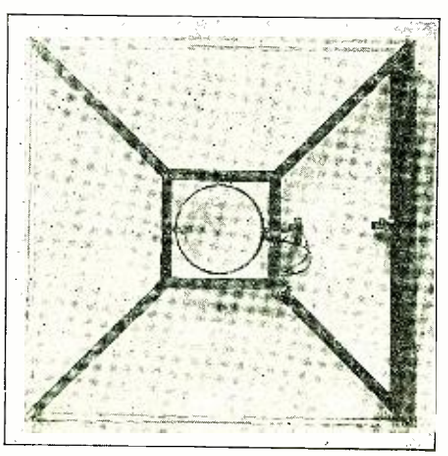
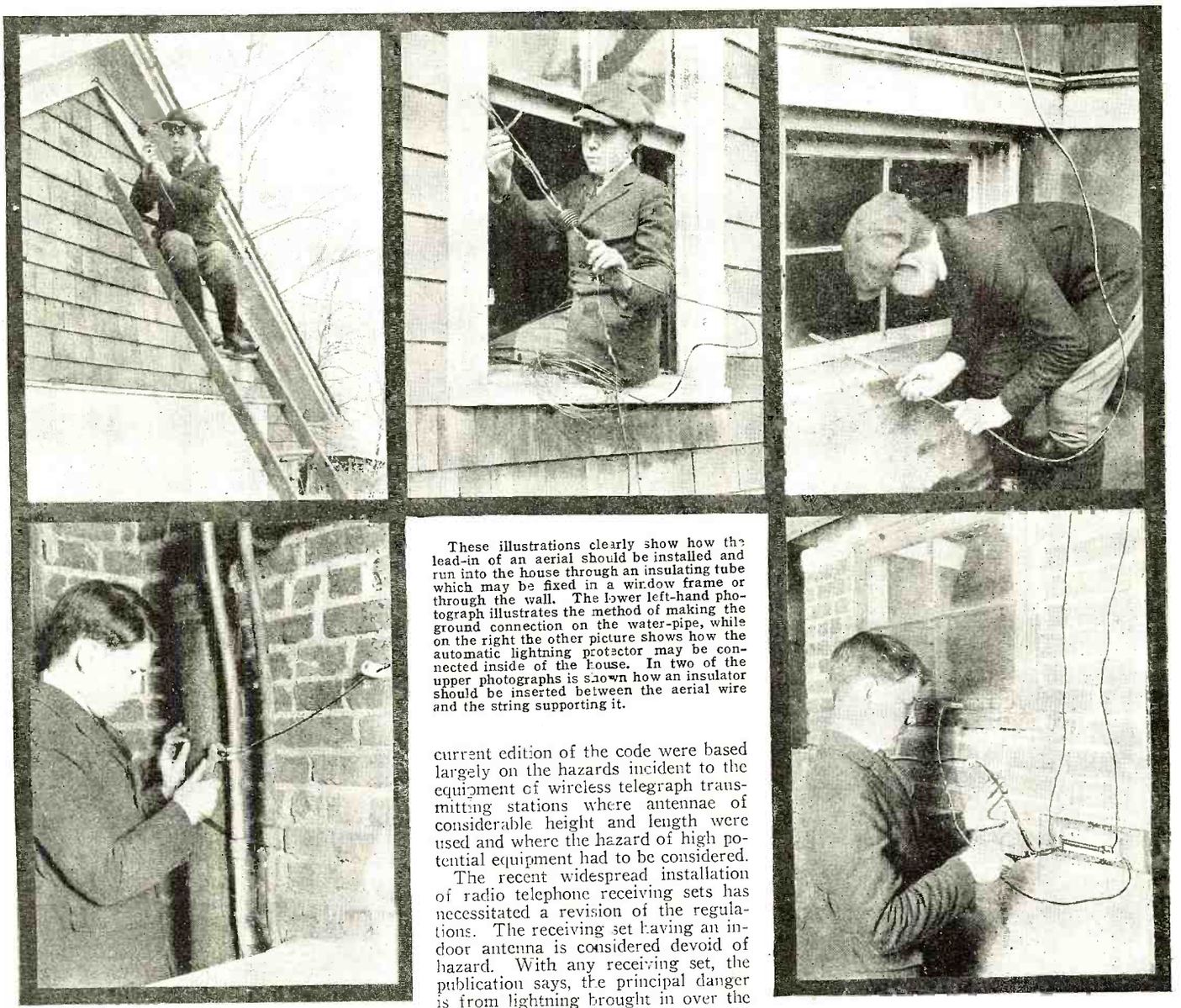


Underwriters Modify Radio Regulations



These illustrations clearly show how the lead-in of an aerial should be installed and run into the house through an insulating tube which may be fixed in a window frame or through the wall. The lower left-hand photograph illustrates the method of making the ground connection on the water-pipe, while on the right the other picture shows how the automatic lightning protector may be connected inside of the house. In two of the upper photographs is shown how an insulator should be inserted between the aerial wire and the string supporting it.

THE National Board of Fire Underwriters has made public, through its bulletin, *Safeguarding America Against Fire*, tentative regulations covering radio receiving installations that disclose considerable modification as compared with the requirements previously issued by the fire underwriters.

The specifications that follow were drawn up by a special committee of the National Fire Protection Association, which is the authority for the National Electrical Code and whose findings are standards of engineering practice. Besides the underwriting organizations represented upon this special committee, engineers acting for the American Radio Relay League, American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Radio Corporation of America and the Independent Telephone Association also participated.

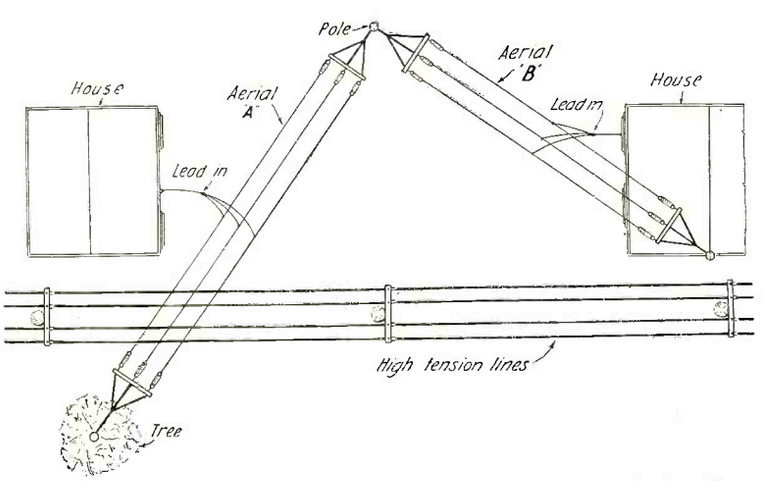
The new rules are being published as proposed amendments to be included in future editions of the Electrical Code. It is stated that the requirements contained in the current edition of the code were based largely on the hazards incident to the equipment of wireless telegraph transmitting stations where antennae of considerable height and length were used and where the hazard of high potential equipment had to be considered.

The recent widespread installation of radio telephone receiving sets has necessitated a revision of the regulations. The receiving set having an indoor antenna is considered devoid of hazard. With any receiving set, the publication says, the principal danger is from lightning brought in over the antenna to the equipment, or to some part of the building. Where there is no exterior antenna this hazard is removed.

The following specifications are for receiving stations only:—

Rule 86—National Electric Code

Specifications: (For Receiving Station Only)



An Aerial Should Never be Erected Over or Under a Power Line, Such as Aerial "A", as They May Come in Contact. The Correct Way to Install It is as Shown by Aerial "B" in This Sketch.

Antenna

a. Antenna outside of buildings shall not cross over or under electric light or power wires of any circuit carrying current of more than six hundred volts, or railway trolley or feeder wires, nor shall it be so located that a failure of either antenna or of the above mentioned electric light or power wires can result in a contact between the antenna and such electric light or power wires.

Antenna shall be constructed and installed in a strong and durable manner and shall be so located as to prevent accidental contact with light and power wires by sagging or swinging.

Splices and joints in the antenna span, unless made with approved clamps or splicing devices, shall be soldered.

Antenna installed inside of buildings are not covered by the above specifications.

Lead-In Wires

b. Lead-in wires shall be of

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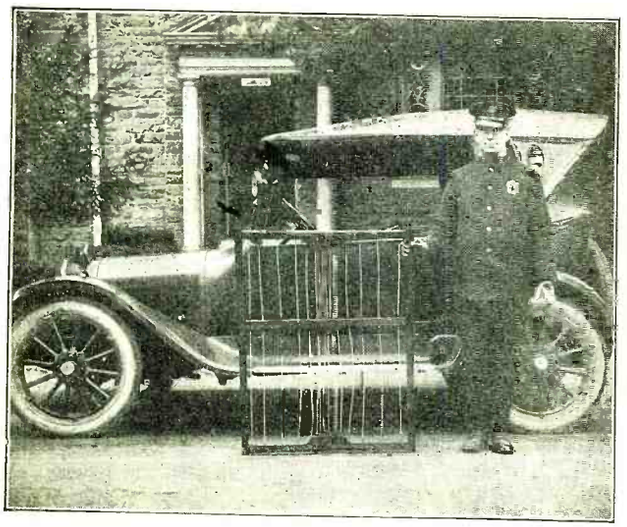
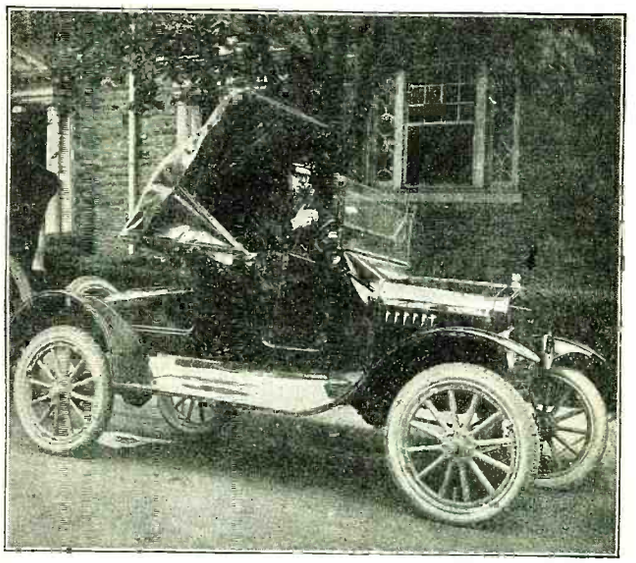
Ogontz Police Auto Now Carries Radio



A new system of audio frequency telephone has been installed in this automobile, enabling the driver to keep in touch with a base.



THROUGH a wireless telephone apparatus installed in the Cheltenham township police station in Ogontz, it is now possible for police to keep in direct touch with headquarters and to carry on a conversation from a stationary point along their beats or from the department's automobile, which also has been provided with a sending and receiving set.

The apparatus is the invention of William W. MacFarlane, Church Road, Elkins Park. It is a refinement of the "stovepipe wireless" that was given wide publicity three years ago.

At that time, the apparatus consisted of the usual telephone transmitter and receivers, a twelve-pound box which contained the secret batteries and coils, and an aerial consisting of three upright pieces of stovepipe on a board. Mr. MacFarlane astounded scientists by carrying on a conversation from a rapidly moving automobile with his wife who was in their garage at Elkins Park.

The automobile is equipped with a small aerial fastened inside the top of the car, ordinary telephone receivers and transmitter connected to it by a single wire, and a box not much larger than a cigar box containing battery and coils. The set weighs about five pounds, and is grounded on the ignition key on the dash.

The set is always ready for instant use, as it requires no delicate adjustments to get the proper wave-length. All the power necessary to transmit a message is furnished by a 12-volt dry battery. An ordinary umbrella will serve as an aerial, Mr. MacFarlane has dis-

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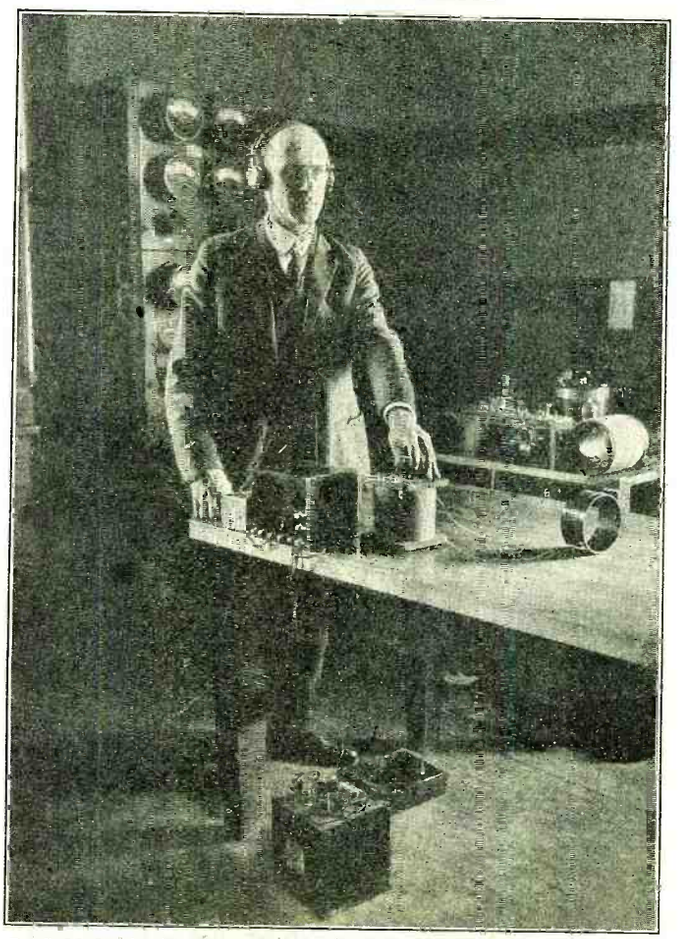
Universal Amplifier Invented

By S. R. WINTERS

AMPLIFY is derived from two Latin words, *amplus* and *facio*, which in conjunction signify to make large. Amplifier and amplification—the former apparatus for enlarging the signals transmitted by radio-telephony and radio-telegraphy and the latter term employed to indicate varying degrees of enlargement of vibrations of sound—are bandied about with such frequency today as to permit of their entry in the lexicon of household words.

Deprive a radio-receiving outfit of its stages of amplification and you have robbed the apparatus of its sustaining strength and rendered a broadcasting service futile. To employ analogies, it is like taking the heart out of a watermelon or eliminating Hamlet from Shakespeare's drama of that designation. The increasing popularity of the services of broadcasting stations causes an interested public to express the desire that the volume of vocal speech and music thus distributed be equal to or approach that of a common phonograph.

Hence the introduction of any discovery of a new form of amplifier is not lacking for an audience. All of which brings into formal review an invention of Dr. J. M. Miller of the radio research laboratory of the Bureau of Engineering, United States Navy Department. A radio frequency amplifier which embraces a wide range of wave lengths employed in wireless signaling, and insuring uniformity of enlargement of these signals, are among the virtues claimed for this newly built apparatus. With deference to its peculiar merits, the term "universal amplifier" is applied to the device.



Dr. J. M. Miller Operating His New Amplifier. Note on the Table the Coil Which is Used As a Loop Aerial.

It functions between a wave length range of 800 to 20,000 meters, and within this circumscribed area yields a uniform amplification equal to the maximum enlargement of signals afforded by the transformer design of amplifier. It was not designed to magnify low frequencies and is, therefore, classified as an extremely quiet amplifier. Despite this tendency, however, at wave lengths below 800 and even as short as 150 meters, the signals may be amplified at a correspondingly reduced volume. Modifications or further improvements of the vacuum tubes employed in this new amplifier will likely make possible its effective operation at abbreviated wave lengths.

The type, subject to manufacture in quantity production for use by the United States Navy Department, employs eight stages—five of radio frequency amplification, a detector, and two of audio enlargement. The vacuum tubes used, described as peanut tubes by reason of their similarity in size and formation to this underground growth, involve the consumption of a small filament current. To be exact, the filament supply for the whole amplifier requires only two amperes at two volts. The plate supply is 22.5 volts. The instrument is quite stable in operation, the model on display having been subjected to as many as six stages of radio.

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Radio Everywhere

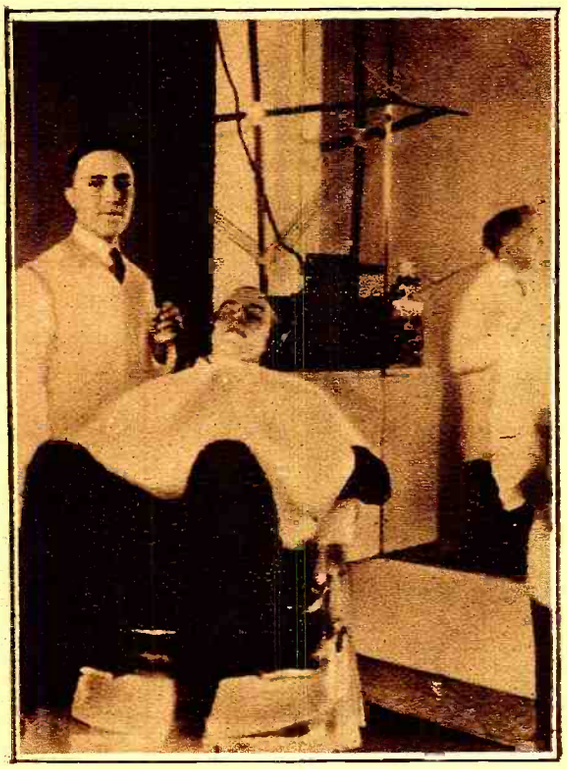
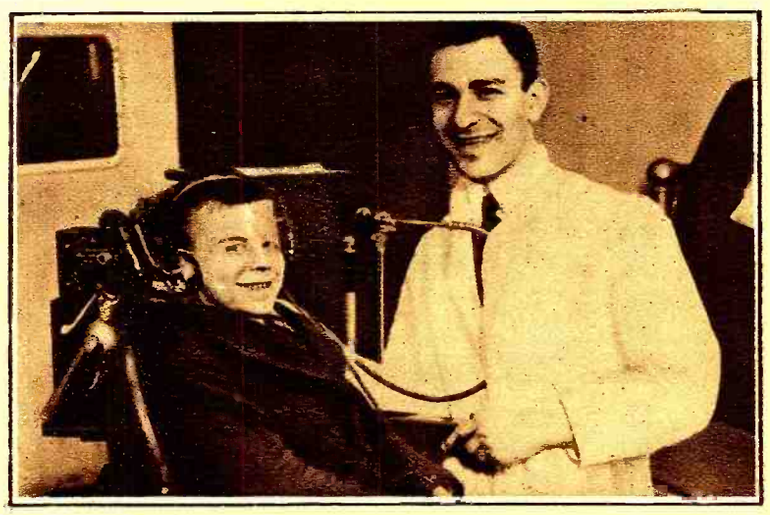


Photo by P. & A.

Radio Follows Wherever One Goes. The Barber and Bootblack Entertain Their Customers by Radio and the Kiddies Don't Mind the Pain When the Dentist Lets Them Hear the Wireless Music.

Photo by Underwood & Underwood

DR. De Forest claims that in 1927 there will be 23,000,000 people listening in to radio concerts, but if things keep on at their present pace, there will be more than that number in a few months. Radio appears daily in new and in the least expected places. An enterprising bootblack in Oakland, California, lately installed a receiver and now gives free concerts to his patrons. One customer had three shines in succession while he listened out some particular selection. So far, we have not heard of anybody becoming so enthralled in the radio music that he absentmindedly let the dentist pull all his teeth



out, but, nevertheless, the old "laughing gas" of the dentist's chair has given place to a new form of mild amusement. It is more pleasing to take and a pair of receivers on the ears replace the old gas-mask. The patient is so interested in the radio music that he forgets about the dentist and the pain. Even those who have been forced to suffer in silence or mild acquiescence the rambling gossip and advice of the barber may soon find relief in radio. Already one barber has installed a receiver in his shop and the baseball fans will be able to get the scores up-to-date while being shaved.

Photo by Fotograms

Protection Against Danger From Atmospheric Electricity

By G. K. THOMPSON*

IF your radio installation is not already installed according to regulations, you should attend to the matter at once. The regulations are in force the year round and should be complied with as far as possible. That they are not complied with is a well-known fact, but this negligence means that, after the first thunder clap, thousands of people will storm dealers in radio equipment for protective devices and their meager supplies will be exhausted within a few hours.

One of the first questions which comes into the mind of the would-be radio user concerns lightning. "Will my antenna attract lightning and cause my home to be struck?" he asks. To the general public wireless and lightning seem to be twin brothers—probably because the manifestations of both are uncanny and mysterious. Hoisting a radio antenna over your property does not endanger your dwelling, your instruments, or your family if a few simple precautions are observed. You have never felt apprehensive over the presence of the telephone wire running from the pole on the sidewalk to your house. You do not regard the bell wire circuit running from the front door to the kitchen as a lightning conductor, nor have you been nervous over the presence of a wire clothes line in your back yard, the tin roof over your head or the metal gutters and leader pipes. All these common and familiar metal surfaces and conductors will convey electricity from point to point. The average radio antenna differs very little from these other conductors and objects, and in so far as lightning is concerned the radio antenna is much less likely to be struck during a heavy thunder storm.

Let us consider the electrical action which takes place in the antenna before and during a summer thunder storm. There is always a certain amount of atmospheric electricity present in the air. In cold weather the amount is very slight and manifests itself in the radio set by what is familiarly known as

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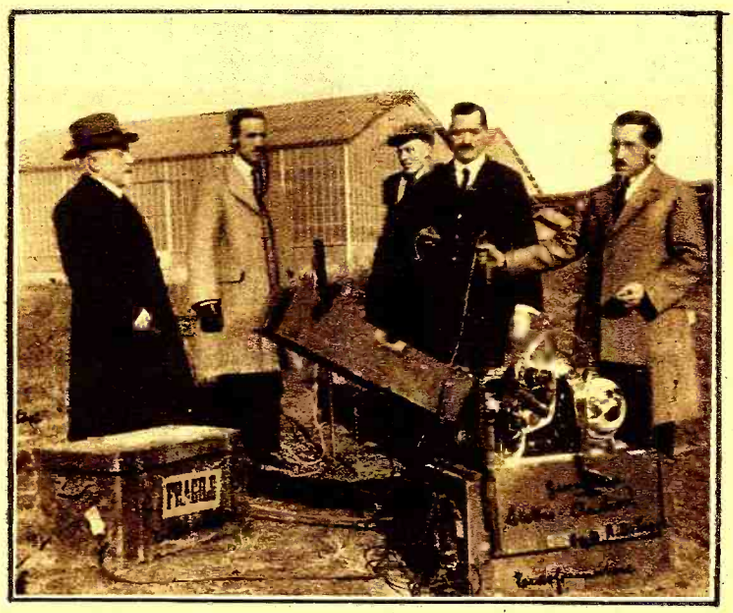
*Radio Superintendent of the Amrad Company.

Prospecting by Radio



By Means of This Apparatus it is Possible to Locate Mineral Deposits Under the Earth by Radio

A NEW application of a well-known principle has lately been made in Europe for the location by radio of mineral deposits under the surface of the earth. Hitherto, apparatus for this purpose has transmitted damped waves, but the new scheme utilizes continuous waves. From the transmitting apparatus, two wires are extended in either direction a considerable distance. The end of each wire connects to a metal plate held by insulators just above the surface of the earth. These metal plates are known as diffusers. When continuous waves are generated by the transmitter, the earth acts as the opposite plate of a condenser formed in conjunction with the diffusers. The oscillations are propagated through the subterranean strata at a variable depth which may be as much as one thousand meters. On account of the patent situation, full details of the apparatus are not available, but in general, the principle involved is the recording of the variations of this capacity, caused by the presence of minerals under the surface. If the waves meet a mineralized vein or any kind of deposit, which is a good conductor of electricity, the phenomenon of reflection takes place and part of the waves is reflected back to the surface. This is recorded by special instruments.

The theory of this method of locating minerals is not new. It has long been known and applied by inventors. This, however, is a new application of the theory and shows promise of being the most sensitive and practicable yet advanced.

In experiments in the Pelvo mountains, at an altitude of ten thousand feet, an important iron vein was recently discovered by this apparatus. The experiments were under the supervision of Mr. Cesare Rovere, mining engineer of an important mining company. In another official experiment before engineers, the presence of water was shown in the Valley of the Stura and in another place on Mt. Duluc a spring was discovered. At the present time, experiments are being made in the presence of University professors and mining engineers to demonstrate the use of this apparatus.

Department Store Broadcasting Station

By HERBERT WARREN DODGE

"HELLO! Hello! This is KSL, the Emporium in San Francisco, broadcasting." These words may be heard within a radius of about seven hundred miles from San Francisco whenever the station at the Emporium, San Francisco's largest department store, is transmitting.

The installation at KSL includes a five-watt transmitter and a two-stage amplifier for reception. Excellent results have been obtained since the station has been in operation, reports that the signals were loud having been received from Vancouver, Washington, and other distant points along the Pacific Coast.

The antenna, located on the roof high above Market Street, is a four-wire, 70' long, T type with an 80' cage lead-in. An added advantage is a 12-wire counterpoise constructed immediately beneath the aerial. The broadcasting wave of the antenna is 360 meters.

Using 500 volts on the plate circuit, a radiation of one and a half amperes is obtained; this apparatus employs the Heising Circuit. The radiophone was designed and built by Harold R. Shaw, a local radio operator, who has charge of the Emporium's equipment. Shaw, assisted by Harrison Holliway, the operator of the set, has arranged a regular program, and every morning between 10:00 and 11:00 o'clock phonograph music and press news from the San Francisco *Chronicle* are transmitted. At this hour also Mrs. L. Holcombe, food expert for the store, speaks on the preparation and care of food and gives a tested recipe daily.

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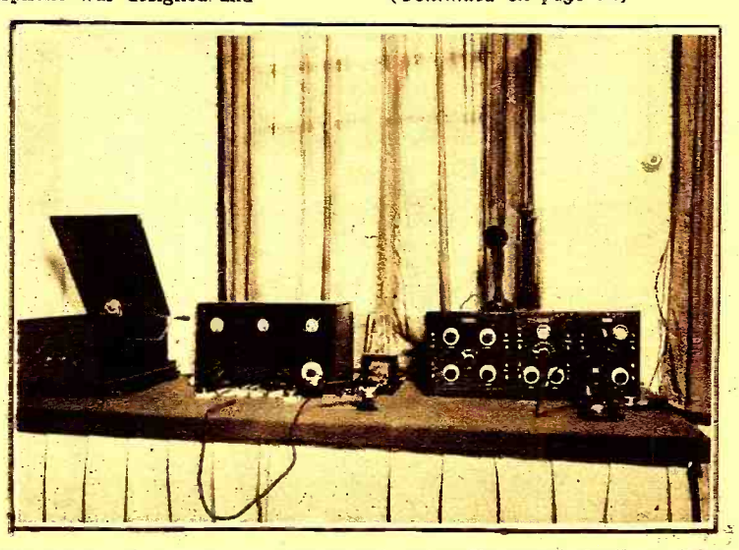

The Well-Appointed Studio of a San Francisco Department Store, From Which Music and Speeches are Broadcasted, and a Close-up of the Transmitting and Receiving Apparatus. The Transmitter is Only a Low Power One, But Has Been Heard Fairly Long Distances; Many Prominent Men Have Addressed the Radio Audience From This Studio.

Broadcasting by Wired Wireless

By CARL H. BUTMAN

MAJOR GENERAL G. O. SQUIER, Chief Signal Officer of the Army, has recently extended his experiments with "wired wireless," using the wires of an electric light system as a receiving antenna. This system, which he terms the "fish pond" method of receiving, was explained in an exclusive interview recently.

The ordinary commercial electric light lines always have a return wire running in close proximity throughout the circuit, giving a distributive capacity, and such a line may be considered as a reservoir comprising all values of antennæ. The receiving instrument, when plugged into a socket, possesses the power of "picking out" or choosing from this reservoir the particular antenna necessary for resonance at any particular wave-length. This may be called the "fish pond" theory, General Squier says, in which one can either take from the pond a whale or a minnow, depending on the particular wave-length being received. The longer wave-length might be considered whales and the shorter ones minnows, the receiving operator adjusting his instrument to maximum loudness as usual.

Photo by Harris Ewing

Major General Geo. O. Squier, Demonstrating His New Invention for Broadcasting Locally by Means of Wired Wireless on the Electric Light System. General Squier Is Starting and Stopping the Radio Telephone Messages by Pulling the Light Chain on His Desk Lamp.

The use of the lighting circuit—eliminating unnecessary wires—instead of aerials for receiving broadcasted messages, serves to reduce static very materially. In the summer this static becomes very much more active than in the winter, and makes receiving with aerials difficult, if not impossible.

There is no necessity for any wires at all except the lighting circuit and the usual flexible lamp cord to the ordinary socket. This method will be a benefit to our skylines, as it will eliminate the necessity of all receiving antennæ which now literally cover the roofs of apartment houses and private dwellings, meeting with the disapproval of architects and community beautifiers. The elimination of aerials also precludes certain dangers from possible contact with high-power electric lines.

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Summertime Radio

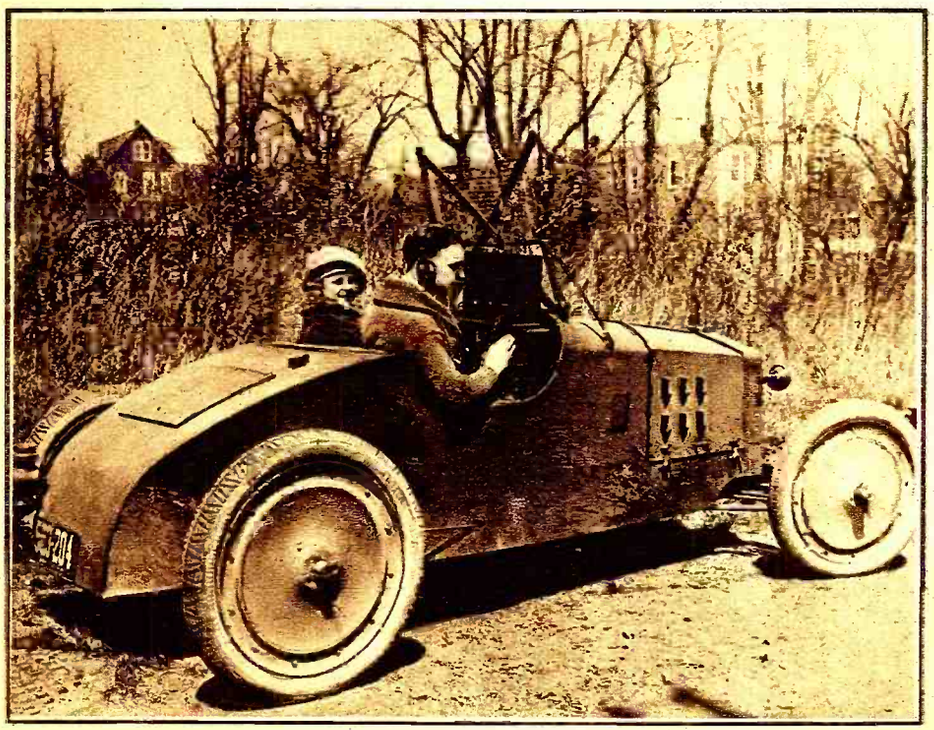

Photo by Keystone

When You Go Away This Summer Don't Forget to Take a Radio Set Along, and, Like the Boy on the Right, String Up an Antenna and Listen In. If This Cramps Your Style, Fix Up the Wind Shield of Your Automobile With a Loop Aerial and You Can Receive the Concerts While Speeding Along the Country Roads.

Radio Minerals

Or a Short Mineralogy of Radio

By DR. E. BADE

ALTHOUGH plants are more or less restricted by climatic conditions, and animals are influenced both by environment and the existing vegetation, minerals are not dependent upon any such conditions. They are found just as well in dry, barren wastes as in the most moist and damp soils. Then, too, as one goes deeper into such mines, the seepage of water is such, that, were it not for the eternal vigilance of the pumps, they would soon be flooded, and covered with water. Still other minerals are found below the waters of lakes, rivers and ocean beds. The type of mineral may be the same in both places, but not its form. The physical-chemical action must be different in the dry, desert-like region from those of a moderate or heavy rainfall, but the difference in such weathering, decomposition and decay, are not sufficient to warrant a regional classification.

In spite of this, certain types of minerals are more or less restricted, not only because of physical-chemical characteristics, but by a freak of nature. Monazite sand, containing thorium and cerium are found principally in North and South Carolina and in Brazil. Tellurium, sometimes used as a detector in radio, is just as rare and is restricted to Colorado and Transylvania, while yttrium is principally mined in Sweden. And so it is with a large number of minerals, not only of economic importance but also of scientific value, and in addition many of them are most important because of their electrical properties which make them much sought after for radio work.

It is a peculiar fact that many minerals become electrified under the most unique conditions imaginable although the stone, ordinarily, may be a non-conductor. Any kind or type of mineral may be made electric by simply rubbing it vigorously, and, if care is taken to insulate it perfectly, the stone can be made to lift bits of paper. Others develop electric charges when heated and on some of these, the positive pole becomes the negative pole and the negative the positive, upon cooling. This can easily be proven by iron dust or filings sprayed on insulated and perfect hemimorphic crystals. In the same way still other minerals become electric through pressure, cleaving, tearing, etc., and the quantity which a given mineral may generate is sufficient to be perceptible, if care is taken to prevent grounding, to be detected by the crudest of apparatus.

Under such conditions it is not at all surprising that still other minerals were found which had the inherent property of allowing an electric current to flow more freely in one direction than in another. This unilateral conductivity rectifies high frequency waves. If such a crystal is inserted in a radio receiving station as a detector, the intercepted energy of the aerial is rectified by the mineral and the resulting current actuates the phones.

Magnified Views of Various Crystals Having Rectifying Properties. The Upper Photographs Show, on the Left a Sample of Galenit and on the Right a Piece of Markasit. The Lower Pictures are, on the Left a Carborundum Crystal and on the Right a Piece of Silicium, also called Silicon.

The most common of these crystal detectors are the sulphur compounds of the heavier metals of lead, copper, iron and molybdenum.

The sulphide of lead (galena) is widely distributed in nature, being not only commonly found in massive cleavable masses, but also in cubic crystals. Strange to say, this vein mineral is not mined so much for its content of lead as for the silver which is associated with it, the lead produced being only an incidental product of manufacture. The greatest importance of galena does not lie in its value as a detector for which a crystal or a small fragment is taken, but as one of the ingredients in the manufacture of soft glass, and as a glaze for pottery. It is also extensively used for pipes, and one third of the annual production of lead is used in making paint and is permanently lost.

The sulphides of iron, pyrite and markasite, also exhibit unilateral conductivity and are, therefore, employed, to a small extent, in radio. The former are cubic, while the latter give spear-shaped groups. These two types of minerals are of little value, either scientifically or commercially, although both are used in the manufacture of sulphuric acid and copperas.

The sulphides of copper used in wireless are always chemically united with iron. Chalcopyrite and bornite, both important ores for copper, although rarely found in crystals, are widely distributed, one half of the world's supply being mined in Montana, Michigan and Arizona. Another sulphide used for the same purpose is molybdenite, an important ore of molybdenum which is widely distributed. It is seldom found in quantities sufficiently large to be commercially mined. The greatest value of this element lies in its property of hardening steel, as a fireproofing material, as a coloring for leather and rubber, and as a reagent for the detection and determination of phosphorus in fertilizers. Certain oxides, namely those of zinc, copper, and lead, are also used to rectify the high frequency currents that are introduced in a receiving circuit by the radio waves.

Zincite, the zinc oxide is rarely found in crystals, being much more common in its massive state. It is principally mined in New Jersey and its use is more or less restricted to the production of zinc white. A tiny crystal of this substance is occasionally arranged so that a point of it will form a contact with either bornite or chalcopyrite. Such a combination is known as a pericon detector.

More profuse in the formation of crystals, although they are not any too plentiful, is copper oxide, cuprite. Although the ore is usually massive, fine specimens of cubic, octahedron and dodecahedron crystals are found, and these come from such widely scattered places as Bisbee, Arizona; Cornwall, England; Chessy, France; and the Ural Mountain region. The transparent crystals are ruby-red and have a high index of refraction, which gives them a brilliant luster. The softness of this stone is all that prevents it from becoming a beautiful gem material.

Lead carbonate, cerussite, which is lead oxide plus carbon dioxide, has been widely employed as a detector by the Marconi Co It is commonly found in crystals, which vary in form. It is a secondary mineral being formed by the decomposition of galena by waters charged with carbonic acid gas, and as such it is found in the upper oxidized zone of lead veins. It is a mineral of wide distribution and of great economic importance as a source of lead.

Then, too, certain elements such as silicon, tellurium, boron, and arsenic, are also used as rectifying detectors. Some of these are native minerals, others are artificial products.

The most common type of these detectors is silicon, which does not occur free in nature although next to oxygen it is the most abundant element. It is chiefly found as the oxide, quartz. This mineral is taken in the form of sand and, after mixing with coke, it is heated to a very high temperature in the electric furnace. Carbon monoxide is given

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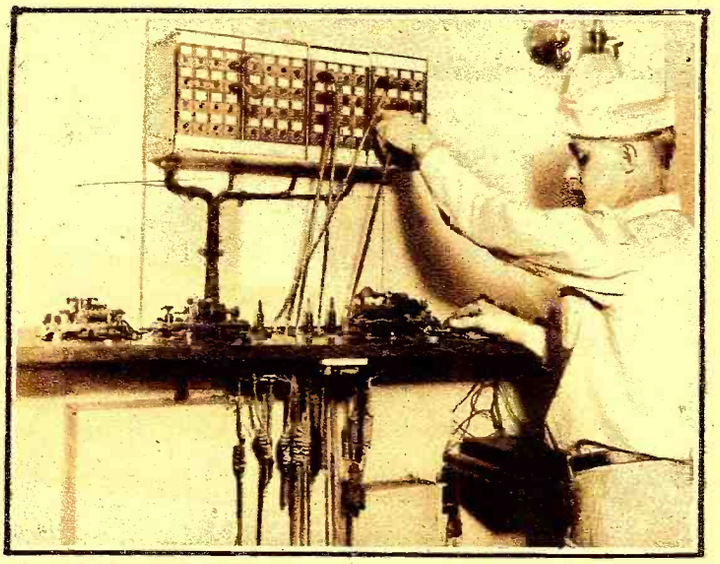
WHAT IS IT?

Can You Guess What This Is? It Looks Like an Old Village of the Incas in the Mountains Seen From an Airplane, a Dead Greek City, or an Eagle's Nest-like Convent of Thibet Inaccessibly Perched on Top of a High Peak. It Might Also Be a Quarry, or the Result of an Earthquake. To Find Out Exactly What it Represents Turn to Page 203 and You Will Learn. From an Actual Photograph.

How Time Signals Are Broadcasted by Radio

By S. R. WINTERS



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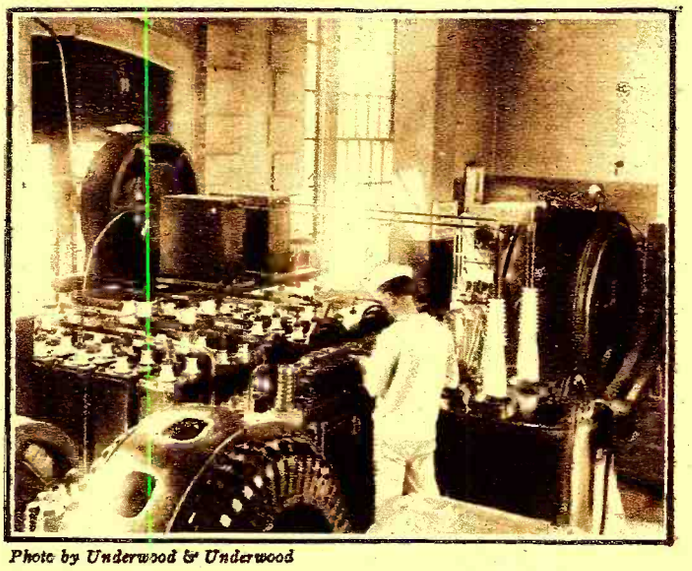
Connecting up the Relay to Send Out the Time Signals from the Naval Observatory Clock. The Signals are Sent Automatically.



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This "German Telefunken" 60-k.w. Spark Set, Used by the Germans Before the War at Sayville, L. I., is Now Held in Reserve at the Naval Radio Station at Arlington, Va., in Case the Large 100-k. w. Set Breaks Down.

MUSIC, results of baseball games by innings, bed-time stories, Government market and weather reports, current events as told in press dispatches, and probably another melodious rendition or musical composition. With slight variations from day to day and allowances for speeches and sermons, this variety of things as mirrored by life is representative of an evening broadcasting program through the medium of the wonders of wireless waves. Climaxing this schedule of offerings, is the prosaic announcement—"9.55 to 10.00 P. M.—Arlington Time Signals."

Probably, the beneficiaries of the 500,000 radio receiving sets—or shall I compute the number at a round one million when this article makes its appearance—never made inquiry as to the fountain source of standard time which may be received by means of radio-telegraphy and radio-telephony. Really, the term "Arlington Time Signals" is a misnomer; equally misleading is the phrase "Annapolis Time Signals." Pertinent to this popular conception that the science of time has its source either at Arlington or Annapolis, is an observation of Captain W. D. MacDougall, superintendent of the Naval Observatory, that if these notions persist there is apt to gain currency a belief that time signals transmitted from Arlington and Annapolis are at variance. As a matter of fact, the signals transmitted from these two points are identical, both having a common origin at the Naval Observatory. And thereby hangs a tale!

Situated on a commanding hill, at Thirty-fourth Street and Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C., is the Naval Observatory, where Father Time is a subject of scientific treatment. A white dome that rears itself upward identifies the Observatory to the visitor on his original quest of the scientists and physical equipment dedicated to the determination of that fleeting period we know as Time. Here, on this elevated point, removed from obstructions that would mar the view, time is reckoned by the observation of certain stars as they cross the meridian of Washington. Three master clocks are retained in an underground vault as a means of gauging the progress of Father Time; these timepieces being maintained in subterranean quarters as a means of insuring their operation at a constant temperature. Absence of fluctuations of heat and cold is essential to a constant rate of ticking-off the seconds, minutes and hours.

Sidereal time—meaning observations made by the apparent motion of the stars—is carried by these master clocks. Faithful records are preserved of these Riefler timepieces, their errors and daily rates of movements being accurately known. No attempt is made to have them carry the correct time, as their errors and rates are known at all times. These are readily applicable to the clock readings. A year consists of 365¼ solar days or 366¼ sidereal days. Thus a sidereal day is shorter than a solar day—a difference of three minutes and fifty-seven seconds, to be exact. At the Vernal Equinox, occurring about March 21 during each year, the sidereal and solar times coincide. Then, the correct local sidereal time at the Naval Observatory having been determined, the corresponding local mean time is readily obtained. To this is applied the difference in longitude—eight minutes and 15.17 seconds—between the Naval Observatory and the 75th meridian giving Eastern standard or 75th meridian mean time. As is well known, there are four time zones in the United States, their allocations being with respect to geographical divisions. The Eastern zone is allotted the time of the 75th meridian, the Central zone assigned the 90th meridian, the Rocky Mountain zone that of the 105th meridian, and the Pacific zone the time of the 120th meridian.

So much for the methods of reckoning the progress of Father Time and the allocations of his fleeting qualities to certain geographical limitations. Now, to pick up the main thread of this story, we will repeat the title of this article, "How Time Signals Are Broadcasted by Radio," and proceed with the explicative text. Eastern standard or 75th meridian mean time is kept by the Naval Observatory on two transmitting clocks located on the first floor of this time-observing institution. These two timepieces are paired; in the event of one being put out of commission there need be no disruption of the service. This is in recognition of the proverb, "Time and tide wait for no man." Actually,

Time Signals from Other Radio Stations Throughout the World are Received at the Naval Observatory and Comparisons Made.

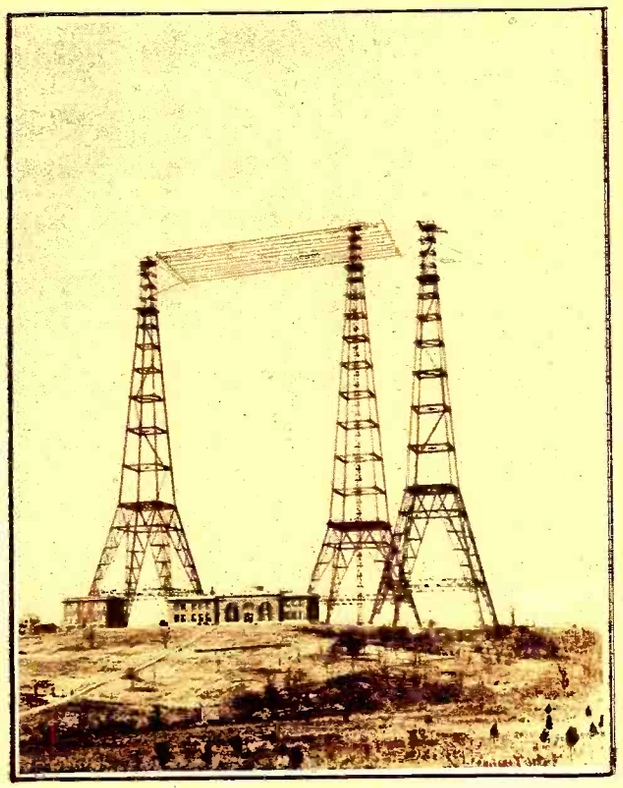
only one of these clocks at a time is employed in transmitting time signals, the transmission being effected through the operation of a relay. The ticks of this transmitting clock are broadcasted by both radio-telegraph and common telegraph systems from 11.55 A. M. to Noon and from 9.55 P. M. to 10.00 P. M. daily.

A chronograph in the Naval Observatory records the signals dispatched by the transmitting clock and also notes the ticking of one of the standard master clocks, in the underground vault, which serves as a comparison in the interests of accuracy. By automatic electrical connections with Annapolis, Arlington and Key West, the daily time signals are transmitted from the Naval Observatory to these radio stations. Also, the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies receive the signals for distribution to all parts of the United States. Simultaneously, with the broadcasting of the time signals from Annapolis, Arlington, and Key West, the chronograph in the Naval Observatory is functioning and this instrument may be assigned to the task of receiving the outgoing signals, recording the periods of departure of the latter from the radio-telegraph sending sets. This information may be recorded on the same sheet of paper with the data relating to the behavior of the clocks in the Naval Observatory.

Not only are comparative records of the actions of the clocks maintained, but the lag in the relay between the Naval Observatory and the arc-transmitters at Annapolis, Arlington and Key West is determined. In advance of the beginning of the transmission of the time signals from the Naval Observatory, the operator measures with a finely-divided metal scale the variation between the ticks of the standard master clock, in the underground vault, and the ticks of the transmitting timepiece on the first floor of the Naval Observatory. Having previously determined the correction to apply to the clock in the vault to make the transmitting timepiece read accurately, the latter may be speeded up or slowed down as preciseness may indicate by the operation of an electromagnet acting through the pendulum of the timepiece. Its beat is thus increased or retarded. In this way, the transmitting clock will indicate the precise time at the moment of dispatching the time signals. The three master timepieces, maintained in the constant temperature of subterranean environments, are electrically wound every 28 or 29 seconds. Contrary to the office and household practice, when an error is discovered in its keeping tab of the march of Father Time, these master clocks are not subject to change. Any interference with them is likely to vary their rates of movements. Of course, the error thus revealed is applied to the one employed when the time signals are sent to Annapolis, Arlington and Key West. When observations of the stars are not feasible, in the event of cloudy weather, these rates of movement may be applied to the different clocks and accurate time gauged with almost negligible error.

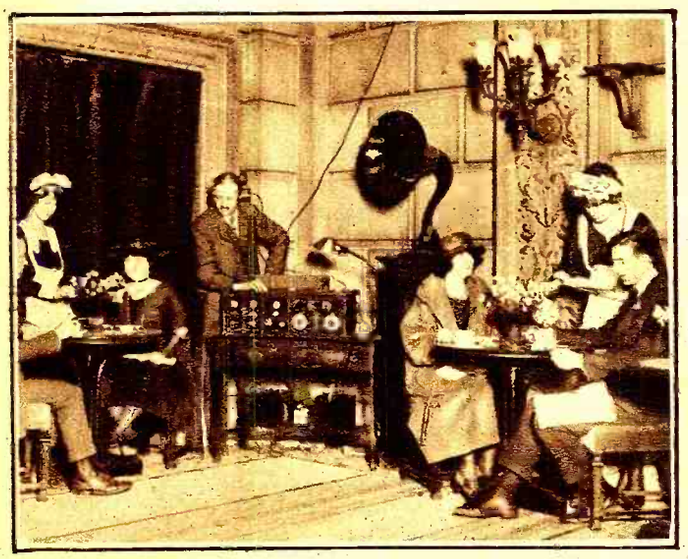
The time signal consists of telegraphic dashes every second, with these omissions or exceptions: The twenty-ninth of each minute; the fifty-fifth to fifty-ninth, inclusive, of the first four minutes; and the fiftieth to fifty-ninth, inclusive, of the last minute. Subsequent to the ticking-off of the fifty-ninth second of the last minute there is a long dash beginning at the outset of the incoming hour or the expiration of the old one. Radio-telegraph signals issuing from Annapolis, employing a wave-length of 16,900 meters, have been received in Australia, nearly half way around the world. Instances have been noted where these signals negotiated by the wonders of wireless waves, have been heard coming around the world both ways. The velocity of electromagnetic waves—186,300 miles per second—makes it possible for a radio-equipped ship, at sea, 3,000 miles away, to receive the time signal with a variation of less than one two-dredth of a second. The most accurate timepiece in existence is not sensitive to a fraction of time less than one-fifth of a second.

Radio-receiving apparatus in the Naval Observatory makes it possible for Paul Sollenberger of the Time Service of this government bureau to obtain time signals from European countries for comparison with those of the United States. He has exchanged signals with Australia, nearly half way around the globe. A standard Navy Department amplifier is in use, but the other receiving units are of special design or modified apparatus adapted to the purpose of using in conjunction with the chronograph. Time signals dispatched from the Naval Observatory, when compared with those of foreign countries, indicate a negligible error. During the last fiscal year, of all the signals transmitted, the error was only 0.03 second. Navigators of vessels of the United States Navy Department, as well as other ocean-plying ships, are almost daily applying the time service of the Naval Obseravtory in comparing their chronometers, a timepiece of precision. Likewise, many experiments have been conducted by radio-telegraphy in determining the longitude of remote places of the globe.



View of the Naval Radio Station at Arlington, Va., With Its Massive Towers. The Exact Time is Broadcasted Twice Daily from this Station.

Results of Sporting Events by Radio



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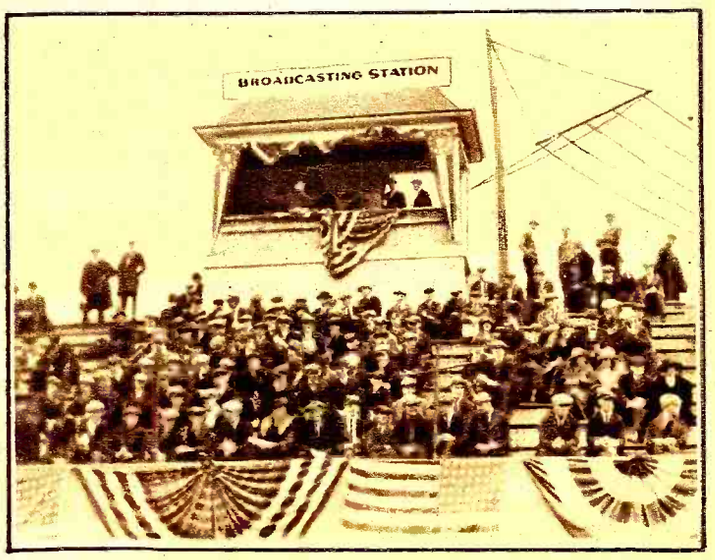

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The Results of the Athletic Sports are Broadcasted Directly from this Station by Radio as Each Event Takes Place. In a New York Hotel the Results are Followed While the Listeners Drink Afternoon Tea Miles Away from the Discomforts of the Grandstand and Ticket Sellers.

A Celestial Audion

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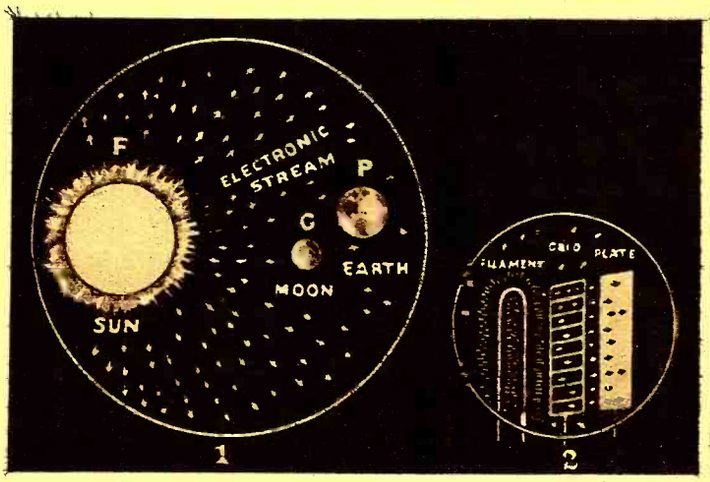
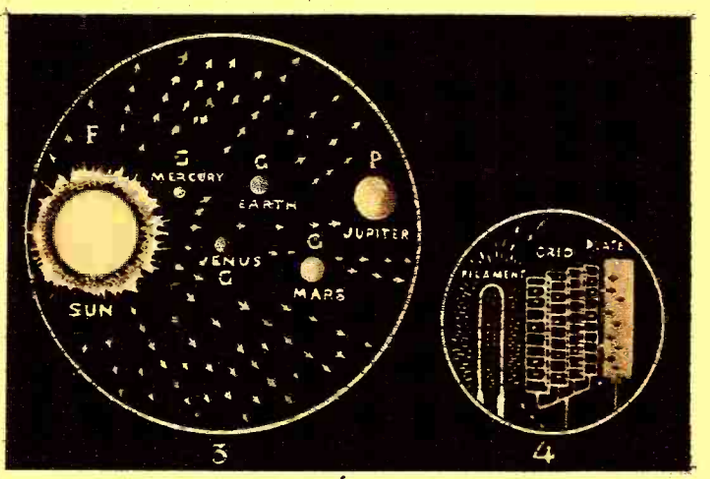


Everything That Happens in a Vacuum Tube is Duplicated in the Solar System. The Sun Corresponds to the Filament, the Earth to the Plate and the Moon to the Grid of an Audion.



The Various Planets of the Solar System Correspond to a Vacuum Tube in Which There are a Number of Grids. The Sun Constantly Sends Out Streams of Electrons.

"THERE is nothing new under the sun" goes the old saying, and the older it becomes the truer it is. We are wont to think, for instance, that the audion as developed by Fleming and DeForest is comparatively a new invention of not more than twenty years' standing, at the utmost.

It will probably come as a shock to most people that the audion principle is one of the oldest in the world, and dates back at least several billions of years. It shows as usual that man after all his ingenuity finds his peer in omniscient Nature.

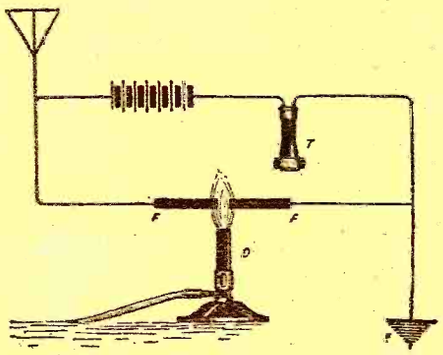
The exact counterpart of the audion or vacuum tube is found in the heavens, as will be made clear in the following:

In the audion tube we have first a filament, a grid and a plate. This will be seen from Fig. 2. The filament has the office of sending out electrons, i. e., highly charged electrical particles, which passing through the open grid, strike the plate P. This electronic bombardment goes on as long as the filament F is in full incandescence and the plate at a positive potential. We make use of an incandescent filament in the vacuum tubes of today because it is the simplest means of controlling the electronic flow.

The filament, however, is not absolutely necessary. Any glowing body heated to incandescence will do the same trick. Indeed DeForest, in his early experiments, used an ordinary Bunsen burner, as shown in one of our illustrations, to obtain an electronic flow. He found that this worked exceedingly well, the only trouble being that the gas burner was not steady enough for practical purposes.

In Fig. 2 we also find that for best results the three elements, namely the filament, grid and plate, should be enclosed in a glass vessel, the latter to be exhausted of all air. While the device works under ordinary atmospheric pressure, as demonstrated by DeForest's Bunsen burner audions, it has been found that for best results an evacuated vessel which has a very good vacuum should be used.

Now let us lift our heads from our experimental tables, heavenward. If we refer to Fig. 1, we find that all the conditions of the vacuum tube shown in Fig. 2 are duplicated in our own solar systems. The sun now becomes the filament, or the glowing body. The earth becomes the plate, while the moon, which is between the sun and the earth, becomes the grid. Nor does the analogy stop here by any means.



One of the Earliest Types of Audions Designed by Dr. DeForest. A Bunsen Burner Was Used for the Filament Which is the Most Primitive Form of Producing a Flow of Electrons.

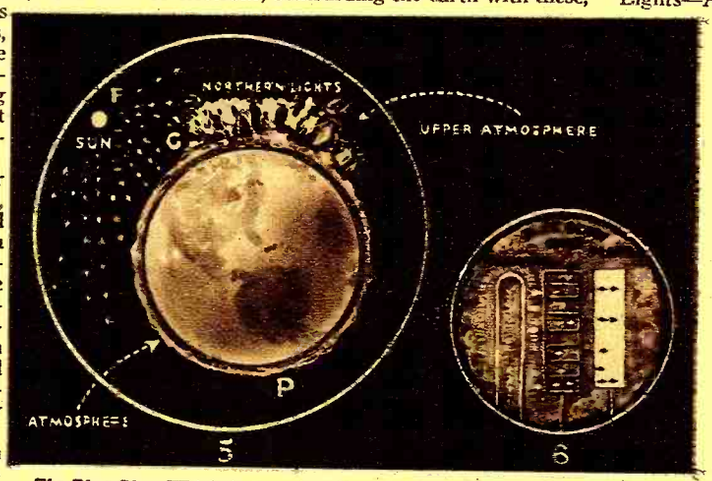
As we know well, for many years the sun has been sending earthward a constant stream of electrons, bombarding the earth with these, exactly as the filament bombards the plate. The effect is not only analogous here, but it is literally so as well. As a matter of fact, the electrons sent out from the sun to the earth are not at all different from the electrons sent out from the filament of the vacuum tube. Both are identical, and both have exactly the same physical character.

The sun and its planets are moving in a vacuum, as we well know. This vacuum, scientists tell us, is far more perfect than the best vacuum we have in our vacuum tubes. For this reason, if for no other, the electronic transmission between the sun and the planets is far more efficient than that in our vacuum tubes.

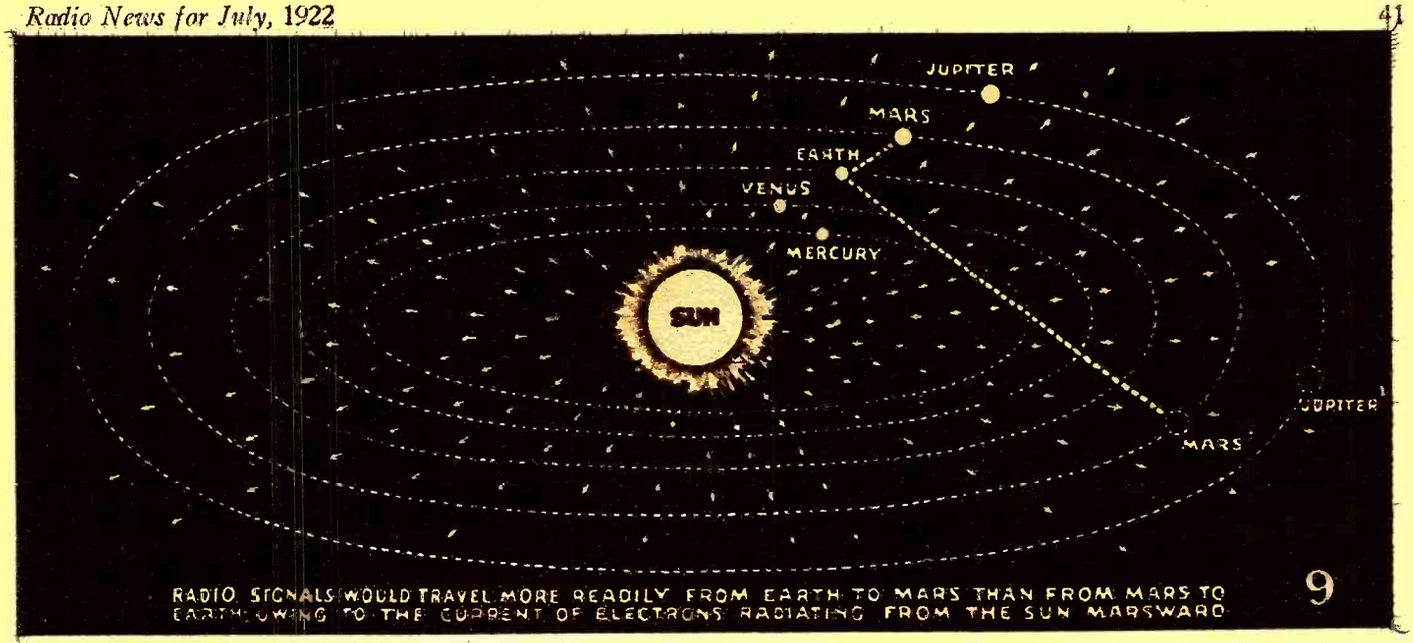
In Fig. 3, we consider the sun with the various planets as a whole, and the counterpart would be a vacuum tube with many grids, as shown in Fig. 4. If, for instance, you were located on the planet Jupiter, you could consider that Mercury, Venus, the Earth, and Mars were part of a grid, as shown in Fig. 4.

We can go still further citing another analogy. We know what happens in the average vacuum tube when the voltage becomes too high. The entire inner tube becomes enveloped in a blue glow. In technical parlance this is called "slopping over" or "running over" due to excessive voltage. This blue glow is due to the rarified gases inside of the vacuum tube. The same are our Northern Lights—Aurora Borealis—as shown in Fig. 5. These Northern Lights, as is known today, are nothing but an electrical phenomenon, the same as that which occurs in a vacuum tube. Not only that, but the cause is identical, that is, excessive voltage. On Earth, whenever we have Northern Lights they can usually be traced back to solar upheavals such as sun spots and the like. Whenever this sun spot activity starts upon the sun, the electronic flow from sun to earth becomes very much larger than usual, and the immediate effect upon the earth some hours or days later is that the rarified atmosphere extending about 200 miles beyond the poles becomes highly electrified and the blue glow is the result.

Consider now Figs. 7 and 8. In this case, when the moon comes directly into the path,



The Blue Glow Which Appears in a Vacuum Tube When the Plate Voltage is too High, Finds a Parallel in the Aurora Borealis, Which is Explained by the Increased Flow of Electrons from the Sun, Due to a Sun Spot.



On Account of the Direction of the Flow of Electrons from the Sun it Would be Practically Impossible to Transmit Radio Signals from Mars to the Earth, Although Transmission Would be Possible in the Opposite Direction.

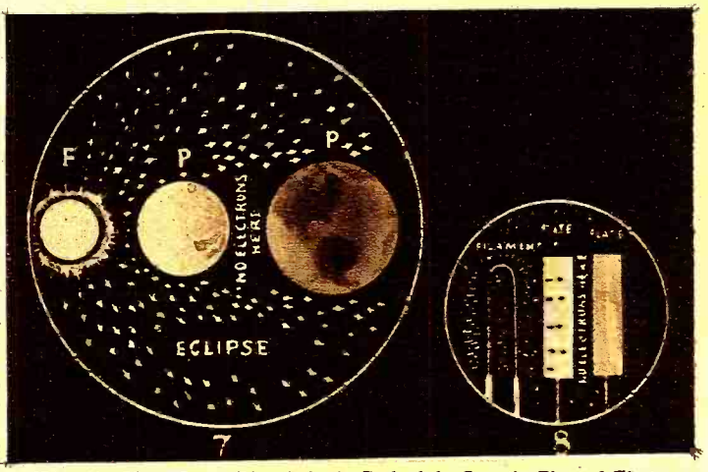
hiding the sun, we have what is termed a solar eclipse. The sun is entirely blotted out, and all electronic flow from the sun to the earth is stopped. We have the counterpart in a vacuum tube constructed as shown in Fig. 8. We know very well that if we have a positively charged plate P-1 midway between the filament and the plate P, but little current will reach the plate P. Hence the necessity of the grid.

This condition has its counterpart in the solar eclipse when not only darkness covers the earth for the path of the eclipse, but it has been actually proven that all other phenomena on earth caused by electronic transmission, are cut off as well, for the reason that the electrons cannot pass through the heavy body of the moon. As soon as the moon moves on, the old relations are established again, and we then have the true condition of filament, grid and plate.

What practical results can we take from this discussion? It would seem as though there would not be any, but there is no doubt that in years to come, practical use will be made of the idea. Just how it will come about, no one can tell. One result may be interplanetarian communication.

Consider Fig. 9. We notice that here we have the Earth and Mars opposite each other. This condition is reached during the month of June of this year when the two planets will be in opposition. It goes without saying that electro-magnetic transmission of intelligence should be relatively easy from Earth towards Mars, for the reason that *the electronic flow is in the direction of the Earth toward Mars.* Just as we are using continuous waves (carrier waves) upon which we implant speech currents in radio telephony, just so will we use in future years the sun's electronic flow as a carrier upon which to impress our radio waves, to be carried out into space.

From this diagram it will be understood that if there is a superior intelligence upon the planet Mars, why it is so tremendously difficult for them to get into communication with us. It makes no difference at which point of the orbits Mars and the Earth respectively are, Mars can never be in any position where the condition will be reversed. Mars will always have to send intelligence against electronic streams, which is almost impossible.



When the Moon Comes Directly in the Path of the Sun, the Flow of Electrons from the Sun is Stopped, Which Corresponds to an Audion in Which There is a Positively Charged Body Between the Filament and Plate.

It is as if you were trying to send the electrons in a vacuum tube from plate to filament, a thing that is almost impossible to do with a small amount of energy. Consider that the sun is sending out a tremendously large flow of electrons, and it will be realized how difficult it is for the Martians to work against the stream. It is as if an ant were trying to swim up Niagara Falls.

The same is true of all the exterior planets, as for instance Jupiter or any of the others. Wherever located in their orbits when signalling to us, they would always be sending against the stream of electrons. On the other hand Venus should be in a favorable position to send intelligence earthward, just as the earth is in a favorable position to send Marsward or to the other ex-

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Physicians at Sea Give Diagnosis by Radiophone

A RECENT survey of the medical situation in the great fleet of vessels operated by the United States Lines brings out many startling and interesting facts with respect to the greatly enhanced service of ship surgeons as a result of the perfection of wireless communication.

Today the surgeon is not only on duty constantly in caring for the ills of the passengers and crew of the the ship with which he is attached, but he is being made more and more available for consultation with all vessels within wireless call.

The surgeons of the United States Lines vessels have a more or less ocean-wide practice. In the days before the perfection of wireless the surgeon confined his activities to the vessel on which he served. Nowadays, however, he is liable to find himself aroused in the middle of the night to hasten to the wireless room and there listen to a diagnosis through the ether to which he must give his best advice.

Within the last few years investigation shows that the surgeons of the United States Lines fleet have been called upon to prescribe for a score or more cases which were brought to them through the medium of the wireless. Now that the wireless telephone has passed the experimental stage it is expected that the ship surgeons will be called upon even more extensively than heretofore.

It was aboard the steamship "America," of the United States Lines, that the first wireless telephone was installed and in two voyages it was completely demonstrated that it was a success.

Through the wireless telephone, the ship surgeon, Dr. Roy B. Henline, was told one night to give specific directions to a sick captain of a freighter 300 miles away. Dr. Henline had been aroused by the wireless operator and told that the commander of a small freight boat, who believed himself to be dying, decided he needed the services of a physician. Over the wireless telephone Dr. Henline asked for the symptoms and being informed, diagnosed the case to be one of ptomaine poison. He prescribed remedies normally carried in the medicine chest of all small vessels, and having given his medical advice, retired to his disturbed slumber. In the morning he was greeted with a wireless message of thanks from the ptomaine-smitten commander who stated that the remedies prescribed had relieved his trouble.

Among the surgeons of the Unites States Lines fleet is one who is a pioneer in wireless surgery. This is Dr. William S. Irwin,

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THIS Department is open to all readers. It matters not whether subscribers or not. All photos are judged for best arrangement and efficiency of the apparatus, neatness of connections and general appearance. In order to increase the interest in this department, we make it a rule not to publish photographs of stations unaccompanied by a picture of the owner.

We prefer dark photos to light ones. The prize winning pictures must be on prints not smaller than 5 x 7". We cannot reproduce pictures smaller than 3½ x 3½". All pictures must bear name and address written in ink on the back. A letter of not less than 100 words giving full description of the station, aerial equipment, etc., must accompany the pictures.

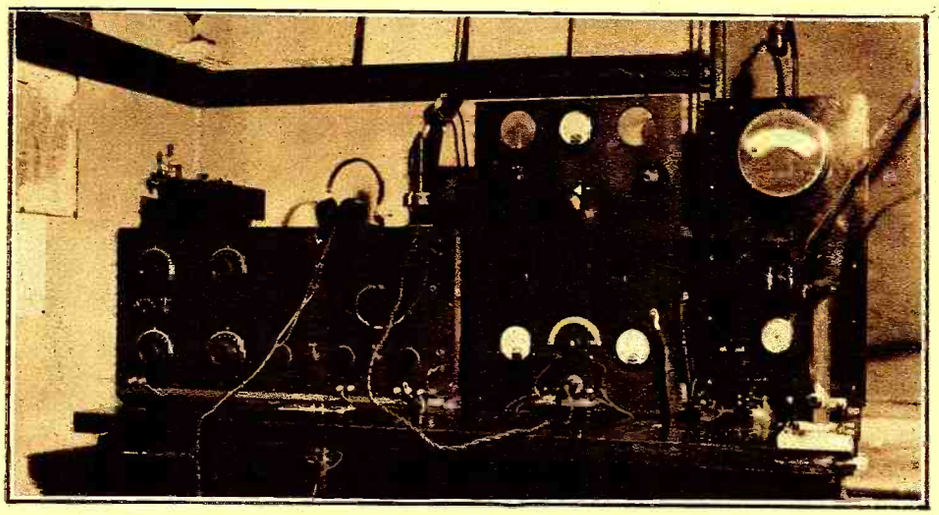
PRIZES: One first monthly prize of $5.00 All other pictures published will be paid for at the rate of $2.00.

Louis Falconi's Station 5ZA

This Month's Prize Winner

DUE to the many requests for a description of the C. W. and radiophone now used at 5ZA, this article has been written.

The present transmitter is built to take four 50-watt tubes and one 5-watt speech amplifier. For C. W., all power tubes are connected as oscillators,, for phone, two as modulators and two as oscillators, with addition of the 5-watt speech amplifier. The circuit is the Hartley. It has a common plate-antenna coil and a separate grid coil,



The New Station of 5ZA Looks Good. Bet He Will Break Some Records With His C. W. Set.

which latter is variable in coupling to the former and is adjustable in inductance. By making the grid coil adjustable in coupling and inductance, variable condensers can be eliminated and the set that much simplified. The Heising method of modulation is used. The set is designed so that it can be tuned instantly to almost any wave from 200 to 400 meters and the results seem to be equally efficient on all waves. The only disadvantage experienced with a C. W. transmitter is the trouble in calling the station desired. It is almost impossible to call any station and get an answer, unless that station happens to be right on your wave. Hence the desirability of a set that can be instantly tuned to any wave, for in that case it is only necessary to find out the wave the station you want is working on, change your set to that wave and call. Then tell him to QSY to your working wave.

To date only two 50-watt tubes have been used with addition of the 5-watt tube as amplifier for phone. With both power tubes as oscillators, the radiation is 4¼ amps. on 200 meters and 5 on 375 meters, using 1000 volts D. C. on the plates and 225

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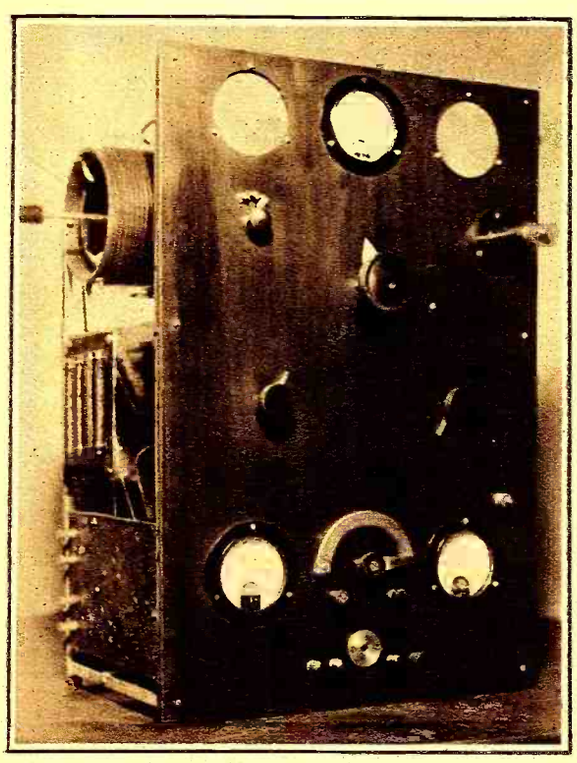
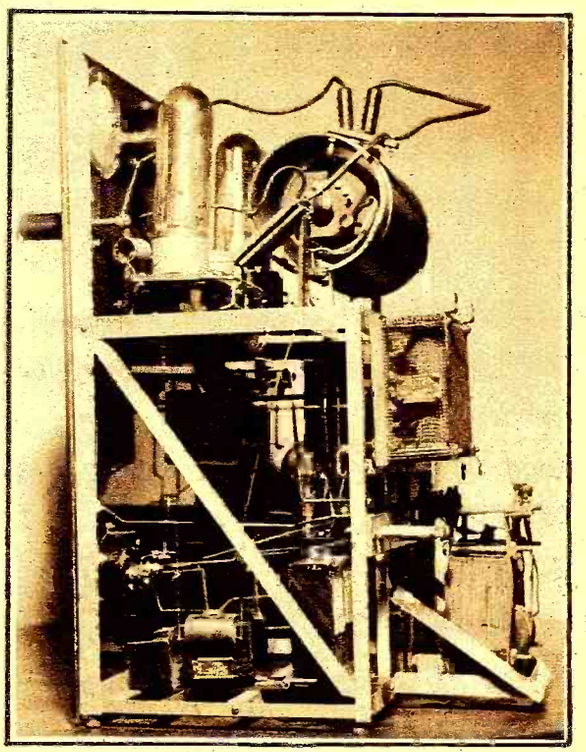


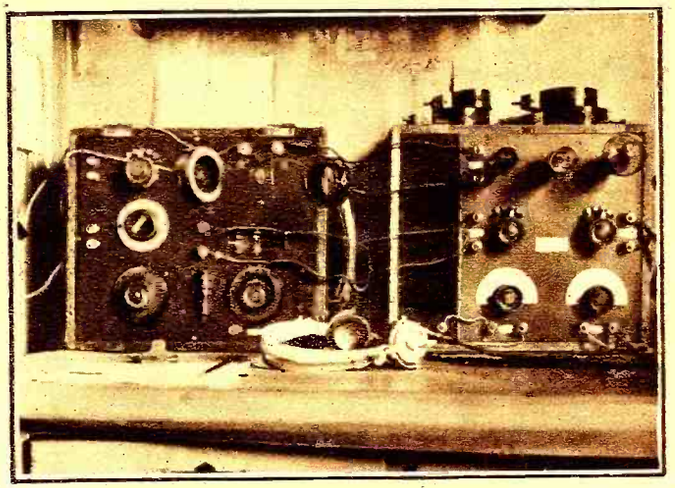
Front View of the 200-watt C. W. Transmitter Built by the Owner.



Back View of the Set in Which Four 50-watt Tubes are Used with a 5-watt Speech Amplifier.

An English Amateur Station

By Alfred Cooper



In Spite of the Restrictions on English Amateurs, Mr. Cooper has Succeeded in Designing and Constructing a Very Efficient Station. With Duo-Lateral Coils and High-Frequency Amplification He Copies Long Distances. The Transmitter Output is Limited to 10 Watts, but 50 Miles is Covered Consistently.

THE photograph shows the corner of the wireless cabin of an English amateur, whose apparatus is self-designed and constructed. English Post Office restrictions stipulate a maximum length of 100′ aerial at a maximum height of 100′. This means that amplification is desirable, and high-frequency methods have proved the most efficient under varying conditions of static which are met with in the British Isles.

Amateur transmitting stations are allowed the use of two wave-lengths: 180 and 1,000 meters. The majority of experimenters, not wisely perhaps, have chosen the latter wave for general use, and so this offers no difficulty in the design of high-frequency amplifiers which can be used for the reception of medium and long-wave messages.

The receiving set consists of a tuner panel, and three-valve panel, which are fitted in mahogany canvas-covered cases, with lids and handles for portability. To the left of the tuner panel is a short wave, five-pointed tuning inductance with rotary magnetic reaction coil. This tunes from 100 to 700 meters with .0005 mfd. variable condenser in shunt. To the right is a triple DeForest coil holder, below which is a double-pole throw over series shunt condenser switch. The condenser used is an ex-Military standard of .0015 mfds., which is extremely well made and accurate. A "perikon" crystal stand-by is brought into use by plugging phones in sockets to right of condenser dial and throwing over a switch in the center of the panel.

The valve panel is fitted with ES4 valves for amplifying and Marconi-Osram for detector, both being fitted with separate filament resistances. Sullivan's tapped air-cored transformers are connected to the four-point switches, and these prove very efficient—amplifying on all wave-lengths from 100 meters to 30,000 meters. The "B" battery is fitted in partition to the left of A. T. I. and "REACTION" terminals.

Brown's "A" type phones have proved their sensitiveness and comfort.

Further to the right is the transmitter. With a limited power output of 10 watts, some thought has to be expended on the efficient construction and operation of this instrument. The high tension necessary for the plate is obtained from an ex-Military 30-watt, induction-coil type generator. This gives tonic-train emission, and with a six-volt accumulator and .1 ampere in the aerial at a height of 50′, a consistent range of 50 miles is obtained. Telephony transmissions from Holland, France, and Germany are clearly readable, and conversations on the London-Paris air route are frequently heard.

U. S. high-powered stations such as NSS, WII, WGG, WQK, give good signals throughout the day.

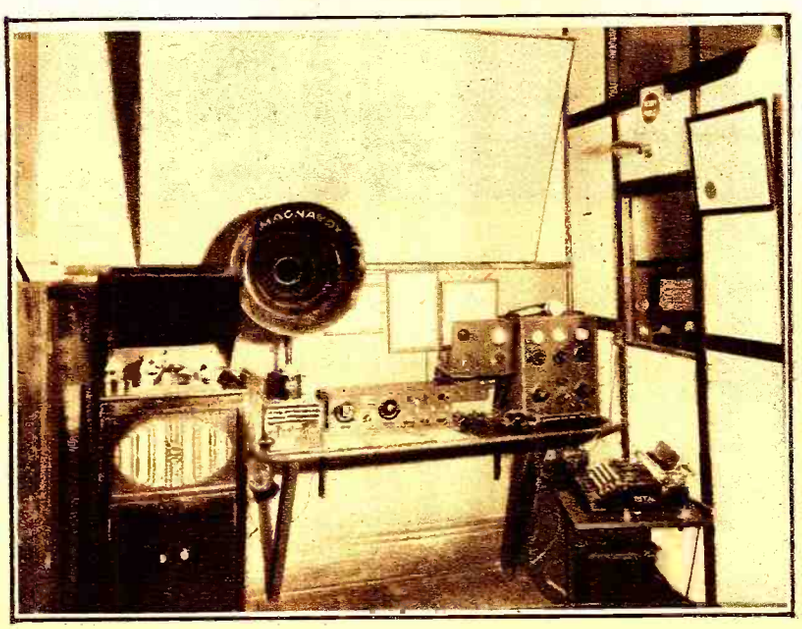
Frank D. Fallain's Station 8AND

at Flint, Michigan

MY antenna is a four-wire, inverted L, 75′ long and 56′ high, with spacing of 2′ between wires. It is located on top of an office building with lead-in of about 30′. Ground connection is made to the water pipes and steam radiator, which works better here than a counterpoise.

Receiving equipment is Grebe CR-9 and for loud-speaker I use the large size of Magnavox.

The transmitter on extreme right is of my own make, using hook-up and data given in RADIO NEWS of June 1920. For phone work I use one 5-watt Radiotron with 360 volts on the plate. Plate current is 100 M. A. This high-current does not cause the tube to become red at any time and can run for hours, only showing red when turned off. Antenna current with above arrangement is .6 amperes. One tube on the phone seems fine, as I am heard 60 miles away. With only a loop for reception they dance to the music 35 miles away. In addition to the transmission of phonograph records, concerts are put on twice a week by well-known local artists. Modulation is reported as perfect and very clear. For phonograph music I use the Magnavox Tone arm, and a Magnavox hand transmitter is used for speech.



Concerts are Sent out Twice a Week from this Station and Phonograph Records at Other Times. The Transmitter is Entirely Home-Made.

For straight C. W., I use two 5-watt Radiotrons with which an antenna current of about 1 amp. to 1.1 amp. is obtained. Plate voltage 440 D. C. Plate current 160 M. A. While working on .7 amp. I have worked as far East as Bristol, Conn., and Savannah, Georgia, and have been reported as far as Little Rock, Ark., and Pierre, S. D.

The control panel can be seen between transmitter

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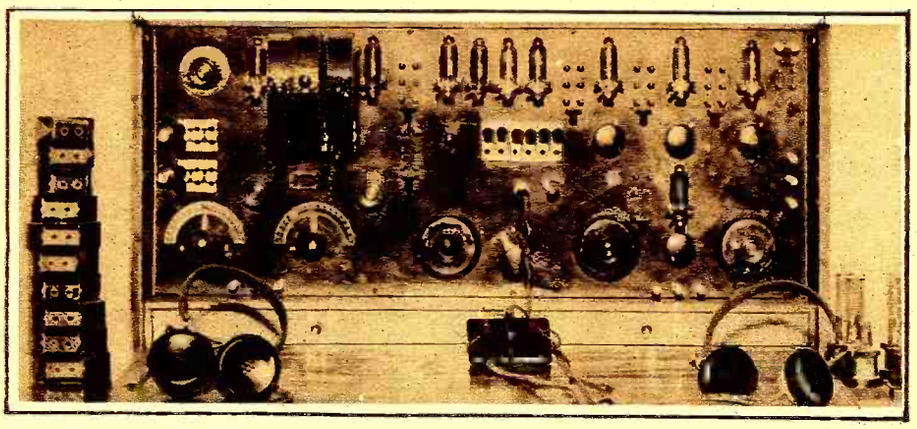
E. Hannah's Station at Montreal, Canada



Means are Provided in This Well-Designed Receiver to Amplify Any Wave Length at Radio Frequency. Signals from Distant Stations are Copied on a Loop.

HERE is a picture of my combination receiver, which is a six-in-one outfit. In the cabinet are included a four-step resistance coupled amplifier and a three-step transformer coupled radio frequency amplifier, with detector and separate heterodyne. This arrangement enables me to receive, and amplify at high frequency, any wave length. Duo-lateral coils are used for tuning. By means of anticapacity switches, any of the amplifiers may be connected, providing an instantaneous change.

Marconi V-24 Vacuum tubes are used throughout, with a special set of tapped honeycomb coils for long-wave reception. A loop aerial 4 inches square, wound with 90 turns of No. 28 wire, is used in conjunction with this set, most of the time, as reception with the out-door aerial is often difficult.

The complete cabinet, including the "A" and "B" batteries, measures 29"x12"x8", and cost me $512. It was constructed mainly from articles and data found in Radio magazines, and took me two months to build. The farthest record on short waves, with my loop, was the reception of signals from Annapolis, Ind., for about two minutes.

E. HANNAH,
5069 Sherbrooke West,
Montreal, Canada.

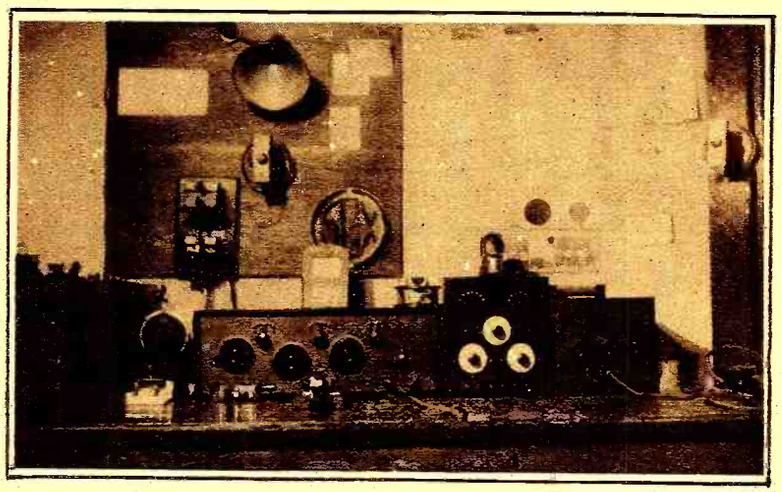
G. Bulger's Station 5CX

At Prince Rupert, Canada

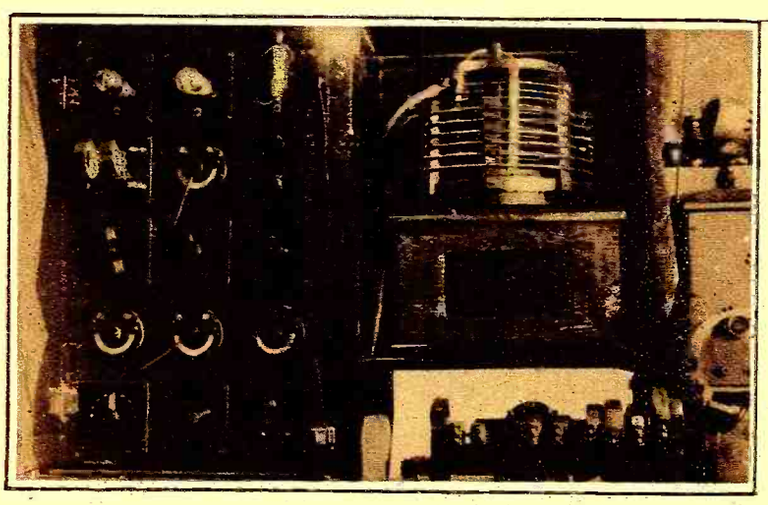
THE attached picture is of my radio set, which I would like you to publish. The aerial is a three-wire, "T" type, 90' long and 60' high. The ground is composed of water pipe, and buried rod and gasoline cans.

The transmitter consists of Murdock rotary, Murdock O. T., Thordarson ¼ K.W. and condenser. Radiation is about 1.1 amperes. The receiver consists of a Duck regenerative receiver and detector, and by means of switches mounted in top of table, I can switch in the Proudfoot Detector and two stages so as to make a three-stage for short waves. For long waves I use a Tresco tuner and the detector and two-stage. There being only two more amateur transmitters in town, I have not much transmitting to do, so my efforts are concentrated in the receiver. The greatest D.X. records of my receivers are 5ZA, Roswell, New Mexico, and 7YG, Y. M. C. A., Portland.

This is Another Canadian Amateur's Station. It Has a Fine Appearance and Gives Good Results.



D. L. Brown's Station at Kittanning, Pa.



Mr. Brown Has a Good Home-Constructed Set. The Unit Panels Are on Hinges and can Swing out at the Front.

BEING interested in your Amateur Department, I thought I would send you a picture of my radio station.

The transmitting set is all home-made except the spark-gap, which is a Sayvill. The transformer is one KW. At the present time the sending outfit is not in use as I have not a suitable aerial for it.

My receiving outfit is of the De Forest Unit type, with panel on hinges so that I can swing it out to make any changes. It is a home constructed outfit. The small panels are made from old storage battery jars. The honeycomb cells are home-made, including the mountings. I have coils to receive from 180 to 20,000 meters. A two-stage amplifier is included in the outfit. I use a loud speaker which I made, with a Baldwin receiver and an old phonograph horn. I get fine results with it. My aerial is about 500' long and 75' high, composed of one single wire (annunciator-wire). The picture explains the general layout. I am

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The Beginning of Wireless Telephony

By EUGENE J. DWYER

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL, inventor of the telephone, after much study and many experiments succeeded in developing a method by which telephony without wires could be accomplished.

Bell and Tainter constructed the first wireless telephone (not radio) which they called the photophone. Fig. 1 shows a diagram of the apparatus used in the original photophone.

"A" consists of a mica or silvered mirror diaphragm placed over a mouthpiece; "B" is a selenium cell placed in the reflector "E"; "C" is an ordinary telephone receiver connected in series with the batteries "D" and the selenium cell "B."

To work this arrangement the transmitter "A" is fastened at an angle so that the sun's rays can reach the mica diaphragm. The receiver, consisting of "B," "C," "D" and "E," is placed so that the reflected light from "A" can reach the selenium cell "B."

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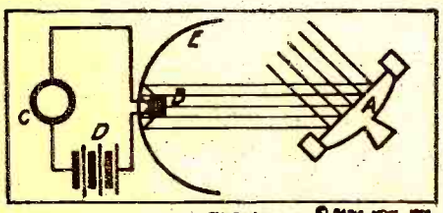
Alexander Graham Bell, Inventor of the Telephone, Listening in to the Radio Concerts



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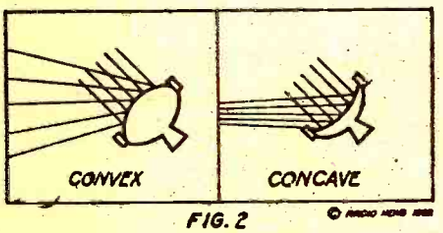


FIG. 2

Apparatus Used in the Earliest Attempts at Telephony Without Wires

When a person talks into the mouthpiece at "A" the mica diaphragm becomes alternately concave and convex, causing the rays of the sun to rapidly draw together, and then to extend (this is shown more fully in Fig. 2).

When the diaphragm is concave, more light is focused on the selenium cell, lessening its resistance and causing more current to flow through the head phone. When the diaphragm is convex, just the opposite occurs. Thus the light waves are converted into sound waves.

Another arrangement used by Bell and Tainter is shown in Fig. 3.

The sun's rays are reflected by the mirror "M" to the lens "L1," which concentrates them onto the mica diaphragm "D." When a person talks into the mouthpiece "T," the diaphragm becomes alternately concave and convex as described above, sending the light waves through the lens "L2," which renders them again parallel.

With the above apparatus, Bell and Tainter made a great number of experiments, telephoning at one time 213 meters, showing that telephony by light waves was possible for short distances.

Artificial light, such an arc lamp, rendered parallel by a mirror or lens, may be used.

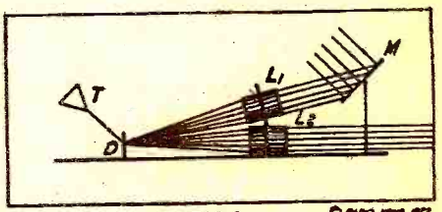
THE THERMOPHONE

Another apparatus used by Bell, called the thermophone and based on the radiation of heat waves, is shown in Fig. 4.

The light from the arc "A" is focused on the silvered mirror diaphragm "D" by the lens "L." When the mouthpiece is spoken into, the diaphragm causes a variation of heat waves to be thrown off, which are focused by the parabolic mirror "M" into the thermophonic tube "T" which consists of a small glass bulb containing a little charred piece of cork. From this glass bulb rubber tubes lead to the ears of the observer.

The variations of the intensity of the heat waves cause similar variations in the volume of the cork, and therefore variations in the air around it. These variations go through the rubber tubes as sound waves.

The apparatus described above was proved by Bell to be capable of transmitting speech a distance of about one hundred meters.



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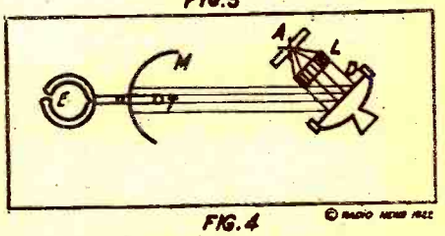

FIG. 4

Telephony Over Short Distances Was Accomplished in the Early Days by Means of Heat and Light Waves

Radio Music to Moving Train

By L. C. McINTOSH

THE Southern Pacific Railroad Company Creole Special, leaving Los Angeles at 8:35 A. M., April 9, was equipped with a radio receiving set the night before departure and tuned in and tested to the Kinema 50-watt broadcasting station controlled by the Western Radio Supply Company of Los Angeles, Cal. Music from records on the phonograph were clearly audible 1,000 feet to the rear of the open door. The experiment was placed in charge of Radio Engineer V. M. Bitz of the Manual Arts Radio Shop, 4154 So. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, Cal., assisted by L. C. McIntosh, of the Southern Pacific Telegraph Dept., and special correspondent of the *Telegraph and Telephone Age*, 253 Broadway, New York, and Ray Brainard, Carlighting Dept., Southern Pacific Telegraph Dept., and Angeles, California.

A 40-foot, two-strand antenna was placed 14 inches above the roof of the car. The two strands were tapped at the center of the car and the taps joined inside the car and connected to the receiving instruments.

A special concert for the benefit of the passengers was arranged by Mr. H. P. Monahan, Passenger Agent for the Southern Pacific at Los Angeles, with the Kinema 50-watt broadcasting station, using an antenna surrounded by many tall steel structures.

The receiving set consisted of a two step Magnavox audio frequency Power amplifier. A type R-2 Magnavox Amplifying horn and a Western Electric two step amplifier and detector. 200 volts of "B" battery, six volt filiment battery. Four wires were laid on the cement floor of the car under the carpet and brought to one common terminal at the set.

Fifteen minutes before departure of the train, we picked up the Kinema operator's voice calling our station as follows:

"Messrs. McGinnis, Monahan, Newspaper reporters, Bitz, McIntosh and passengers aboard the Southern Pacific Creole Special, leaving Los Angeles Arcade Station at 8:35 A.M., today and their relatives and friends on platform in rear of car.

"This is the Kinema Theatre Broadcasting Radio Station, located at 642 So. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal., operated by the Western Radio Supply Co., Los Angeles,

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Dr. Lee de Forest Predicts 20 Million Radio Listeners By 1927

Photo Underwood & Underwood

Doctor Lee de Forest Just Before Leaving for Germany. He Predicts the Increasing Popularity of Radio.

THE day of Radio is at hand, according to Dr. Lee de Forest, radio pioneer, who, before leaving for Germany recently, left a message to be read at the Radio Exposition which was in progress at Boston. The present published estimate of a radio public, a million, Dr. de Forest considers highly conservative; his own figure is that within two years there will be 5,000,000 and by 1927, 20,000,000.

Dr. de Forest's message said:

"Allow me to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me through your request for a few words to be included in the public ceremonies attending the opening of the Boston Radio Exposition. Your request is one that, even in the present press of research and experimenting, I am personally unable to refuse, for, as you know, the subject of Radio and Broadcasting, after so many years of what might be called pioneer effort, is too close to my heart to be ignored.

"It is not often the happy lot of a prophet to witness within a few years, or even in his lifetime, a full and sudden fulfillment of his prophecies, made before a world of indifference, a world of skeptics.

"Yet in the world of Radio, our dreams have come true. Like a tidal wave the attitude of press and public, of government officials and trust directorates, toward Radio Telephone Broadcasting, toward the Radio Telephone itself, has mounted within a few months to a magnitude of interest. This rather late though sudden conversion is certainly heart-warming to those who have spent so many years in what appeared, in those early days, to be fruitless effort; for, let it be said that the transmission of the news and music by Radio is in itself by no means new.

"It was in the summer of 1907 that I had the pleasure and the thrill of first sending out music such as that being now daily broadcasted. This was from a little laboratory in which I was at work in the old Parker Building, corner of 19th Street and Fourth Avenue, New York City—upon the topmost floor; from my roof an antenna was stretched between two flag-poles. In that same little old laboratory, many months earlier, I had conceived and tested out the first three-electrode vacuum tube—first with the "Control-Electrode," a simple band of tinfoil wrapped around the outside of the bulb; then, with two plates, one on each side of the filament, one the anode, the other the control; and finally with the third electrode in form of a grid, or a perforated plate located between the filament and anode.

"There, also in that same little upper room, I had the added thrill of discovering that this grid tube, which had just been christened "Audion," would actually amplify telephone currents. In that room there was born the tiny little glass baby which was destined to rule the world of electrical communication,—the modern Aladdin's lamp, the present transmitter of news and music, and of untold happiness to come.

"Unfortunately, in January, 1908, a great fire completely gutted the Parker Building, wiping out of existence note-books and many precious samples, of the earliest Audion bulbs—which would have today shown the history of its revolution in a most interesting way.

"But the memory of that early struggling period still lives; a pleasant memory no doubt, shared today by many who in one way or another contributed to the development of the Art of Radio.

"It was in testing out some 20 small telephone transmitters for installation on Admiral Evans' battle-ships and destroyers prior to their historic round-the-world cruise, however, that the phonograph was first used to actuate their microphone. Dur-

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The Radio Car

ONE of the latest radio developments is the radio car. The Chevrolet Motor Company has proved that radio equipment operates satisfactorily in an automobile without the use of a "ground."

The possibilities that this portable radio receiving station offers include an almost limitless field of use, and with such tremendous strides as these made in its development, it is bound to become one of the indispensable utilities of modern civilization.

With a car equipped in this fashion it is possible for a family to drive anywhere within 100 miles or so of a broadcasting station and picnic while the radio in their car amuses or instructs them with music, sermons, or wireless telegraphy. Education and entertainment can be transported to wherever people congregate. With a few cars equipped as this one, a minister could talk to a dozen congregations at once. If the United States Department of Agriculture had similar radio equipment in the hands of its county agents, department experts could talk to thousands of farmers at once and thus bring the tremendous added benefits to our agriculture that would be made possible through a greater broadcasting of its work.

If the political candidate had a broadcasting station available he could send a radio equipped car to every voting area in his state, and talk to all of his constituents at the same time, thus saving his vocal cords and making it possible for his hearers to stop listening when they become tired.

The installation of this equipment in the Chevrolet car is so simple that it is possible to adapt it to many uses, and, therefore, we may expect to see many cars similarly equipped in the future. It is also only a matter of a few moments to remove the radio equipment from the car when it is not desired for use there. It can then be used in the home or the office, or any other place desired.

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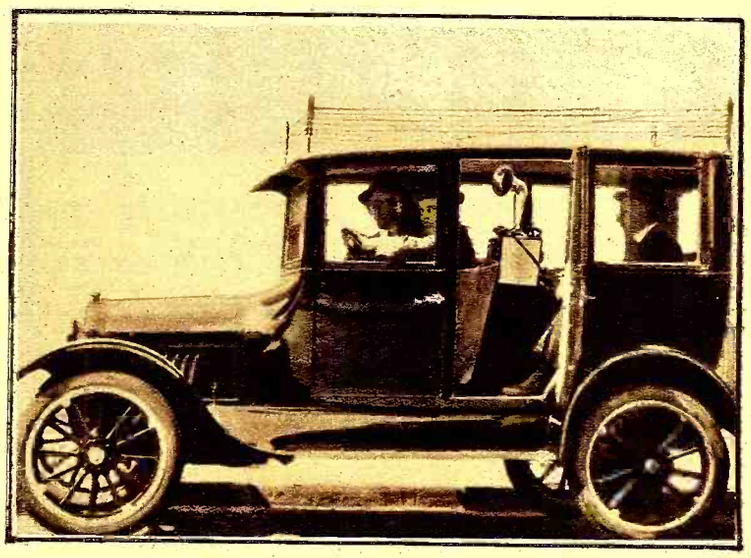

Good reception has been obtained with this receiver mounted in an automobile. Many of these will soon be seen on the streets.

Gunbarrel Radio

By H. M. SUTHERLAND

WE had just ordered dinner at "Beefsteak Henry's" when Dan Collingame entered. There could be no mistake about his identity. It was only necessary to see his arms once and you would recognize them again no matter where you saw them. For twenty years, while chasing moonshiners in the Southern highlands, he had carried a heavy revolver under each armpit. This had necessitated keeping the elbows at a forty-five degree angle from the shoulder. Not only did that relieve the pressure on the guns, but enabled him to get in action a few seconds sooner.

Collingame had a habit of turning up at unexpected moments and in widely divergent fields. Four months previously I had seen him supervising the moving of equipment captured in a counterfeit raid on Houston street just off Seventh avenue. A year before that, I watched him stagger down the main street of a little town in South Carolina with a negro captive chained to his wrist. That negro was "Black Diamond," the most notorious moonshiner and killer in the South, and Collingame, raving in the delirium of fever, dragged his prisoner twelve miles through almost impenetrable swamps to jail.

He was general "clean-up" man in the Internal Revenue department and his duties carried him all over. When department agents ran up against a proposition that was too tough to handle, Dan Collingame and his picked squad were sent into action with the inevitable result. The man had seen more swift action, passed through more hair-raising experiences than befalls the lot of the select few, favored by fortune in the game of man-chasing. He joined us and we prayed that his dinner would be to his liking, for sometimes, after a thoroughly satisfying repast, he would grow talkative, reminiscent. And when he told a story he rarely had any difficulty in holding his hearers, and he never told the same story twice.

With the coffee the conversation drifted around to the development of the radio and the possibility of the wireless telephone. That was a lucky move on our part. Collingame drained his cup and lighted a pipe. Leaning back comfortably he blew a couple of preliminary rings ceilingward and we drew closer.

"You know, the wireless messages are not so new as you think." His voice was slow and drawling, for he came originally from the mountains of Eastern Tennessee. "Those mountaineer clans—moonshiners for the most part—have had a system of wireless messages ever since they chased the Indians out. I'm speaking of the hillsmen of Southern West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky. I've run into that wireless a few times and believe me it's about the most efficient I ever saw." He was silent for a minute, but we didn't dare speak for fear we'd get him out of his story-telling mood.

"For a long time I didn't pay much attention to this radio stuff," he continued. "I figured it was like this spiritualistic, medium dope, all fake. In fact I don't think I ever saw one of the outfits until some of my own men rigged one up. We'd been ordered to a wild section of North Carolina called 'No Business' to clean up a gang of moonshiners who had picked off a couple of special agents. One of my best men was a 'nut' on radio—Al. Lambert was his name.

"Al. showed another of the boys how to send messages on the thing by a special code. The darn thing worked and we had a lot of fun out of it during our stay here and elsewhere, but still I didn't take much stock in it. I figured that it was a good thing to play with when there wasn't any business to attend to, and when we left 'No Business' I forgot all about it.

"Not long after that, I got a hurry-up order from the Chief telling me and the boys to go and get the Farley gang on the headwaters of Knox Creek in Kentucky. We'd been expecting that order and we knew before we started that it was going to be the biggest and toughest proposition we'd ever been up against.

"The Farleys were a bad bunch. They placed revenuers and rattlesnakes in the same class. And shoot? I'll bet that clan, man for man, could outshoot all the rifle record holders in the world with one hand tied behind them. The chief gave me fifteen of his best men so that we could work in relays, and I knew that I'd need all of them.

"It was early summer when we hit the Farley's stamping ground. We established regular headquarters in a deserted cabin about ten miles from where we thought the gang was operating. As usual Al. Lambert rigged up his wireless the first thing. He had made a lot of changes in his apparatus and had his wires stretched in a tree top, and his receiving set in the cabin. He was tinkering about the thing almost all the time he wasn't scouting.

"I Stepped on the Key With the SOS for All It Was Worth. I Didn't Know Enough About the Thing to Be Absolutely Certain It Was Working Right, But It Seemed to Be Acting Like It Always Did. I Cussed Myself for Not Paying More Attention to What Al. Had Told Us About the Insides of the Thing."

"We worked in two squads of eight men each and we combed those hills with a fine-toothed comb. Each day we got a bit further back into the hills and each mile proved rougher and more difficult to search, if such a thing is possible. We were careful to work under cover so that our presence would not be discovered by the Farley clan, for once warned, they would bury their stills, get their alibies all ready and prove conclusively that they never saw a drop of moonshine in their lives. Oh, they were a canny bunch.

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"---And It Came to Pass"

A Description of Radio Types and Divers Other Matters.

By S. P. W.

On Meeting Nights He Presideth With Dignity and Misgivings. The Junior Members Findeth Amusement in the Size of His Feet, and Great Joy in Various Other Matters of Personal Appearance. They Rejoiceth Exceedingly When the Chair Wherein the President Sitteth Giveth Way, and They Taketh Delight in Divers Other Matters Which Shall for the Time Remain Undisclosed.

AND it came to pass in the fulness of time that a certain man who dwelt in the land where the Eights and the Nines filleth the ether with their buzzing and their warbling was elected to the post of President of the local Radio Club. It gratified him exceedingly.

He assumeth his duties with joy, he striveth mightily to struggle through an Order of Business. He listeneth with attention to fool ideas, and squelcheth them with tact. He taketh counsel with the wise ones, and enforceth their decisions, even to the establishment of a listening hour, wherein the squeak-boxes restraineth themselves, and the owner of the I. K. V. A. around the corner scratcheth an itching finger in vain.

On meeting nights he presideth with dignity and misgivings. The junior members findeth amusement in the size of his feet, and great joy in various other matters of personal appearance. They rejoiceth exceedingly when the chair wherein the President sitteth giveth way, and they taketh delight in divers other matters which shall for the time remain undisclosed.

Yea, the President suffereth long, yet lo, the means is at hand whereby he shall be revenged, for he hath taken his typewriter unto himself, and he poundeth out his impressions of the types he observeth from the Chair. And those who readeth will take unto themselves a description and say "Lo, he meaneth ME!" and they will be exceedingly angry. But they will know not whom to smite, and the President will go unsmitten. For he is wise, and signeth not his name, which is the part of wisdom!

The types that the President observeth are in this wise, and who shall say that there are not others also?

Dan Darling—the Only Son

He rangeth in age from twelve to eighteen, he weareth fine clothes in the presence of regular "hams." He knoweth too much for his own good; he attempteth to speak in the presence of his superiors of things he knoweth not. He persuadeth his fond and usually wealthy parents to buyeth him high-powered sending apparatus, and lo, he useth it at all hours, and turneth on full power to converse with his friend two blocks away. He getteth angry when he is rebuked, for he reasoneth, Am I not an only child, and is my father not a man of much importance? And he goeth on his way till he groweth up and meeteth the world. The change then either maketh or breaketh him, and it mattereth little which!

William Wiseman

He sitteth always with a look of wisdom upon his face; he smileth to himself with superior wisdom when a paper is being read by some other member; he knoweth all things that are to be known, and he admitteth it himself. He correcteth his fellow-members when they maketh statements that he deemeth incorrect, and he argueth with anyone at the drop of the hat.

Yet withal he maketh a fine member, for he stirreth up things and giveth "pep" unto the meetings of the Club. He maketh his friends careful in their speech, and he is an influence for good—but beware that you have not two such members, for lo, two such members argueth continually, and the Order of Business getteth not past the Report of the Membership Committee.

Parliamentary Procedure Pete

This bird readeth Robert's Rules of Order by the light of his V. T.'s, and he learneth that the President goeth not according to the strict interpretation. He useth phraseology in addressing the Chair whereof the Chair, in its ignorance, knoweth nothing, and he maketh motions whereof the President knoweth not the purport. He createth glee in the heart of the members, and consternation beneath the vest of the President. He calleth out "Shades of Robert's Rules of Order!" and groaneth unto himself, when the Chair ruleth a motion out of order, or accepteth an amendment to a motion when the amendment should not be accepted. He beareth not with the ignorance of the Chair, but curleth his lip in scorn. Yea, he faileth to realize that it taketh a guiding hand to put through the business; that it frequently becometh necessary to exercise discretionary powers, even unto the point of abandoning the "Rules of Order."

But ye who have served knoweth that it is so, even as has been stated!

Silent Steve

He attendeth every meeting with commendable regularity; he is a fine member in every way except one, which is to say he speaketh not, neither does he offer suggestions. The limit of his vocabulary is "Secon' the motion!" and at rare intervals, upon request, "Move we adjourn!" He hath good ideas, and knoweth much that is practical about radio. He buildeth himself a fine set, and hath a good "fist" and a good idea as to when to exercise it, which is of exceeding importance. He worketh for the good of the club, and holdeth himself ever in readiness to pitch in and help.

If it were only possible to arouseth him, to waketh him up that the club might have the benefit of his knowledge and his good judgment, he would be the ideal member. Let us hope that he will even yet abandon his shyness and blossom out as a speaker, even as he is fitted to do.

The Kid

Though he is listed last, he cometh first in importance, if numbers are considered. He taketh up the first two rows of seats at Club meetings, he readeth radio magazines during meeting time, and swappeth hook-ups with his brothers. He knoweth a little about radio and thinketh that that little is much. His age mattereth little; sometimes he weareth short trousers, and in other cases he hath

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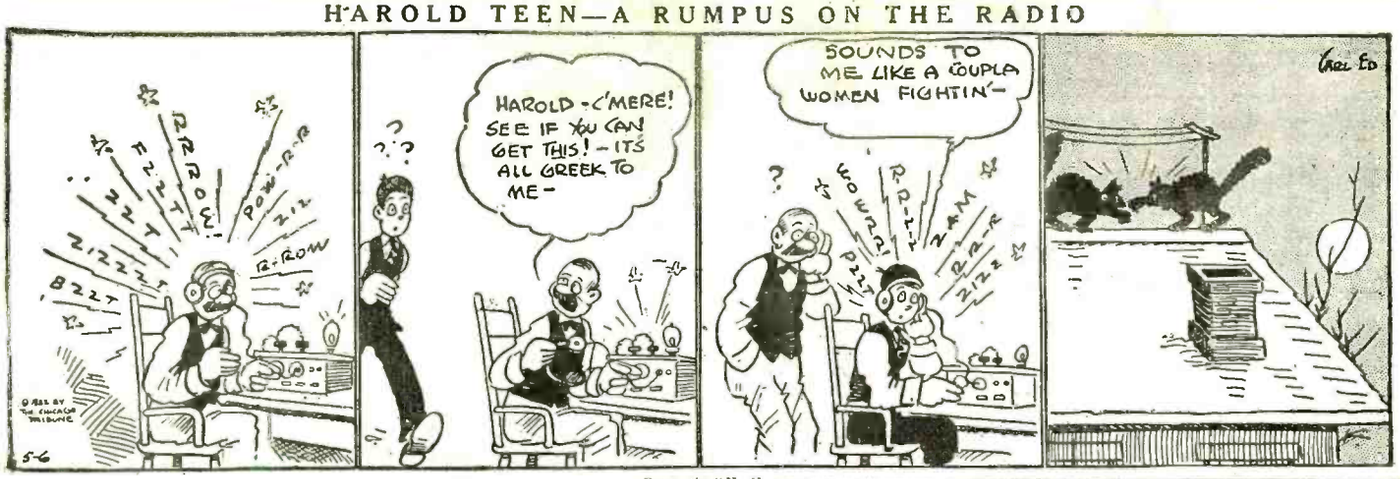
Radio Humor

HAROLD TEEN—A RUMPUS ON THE RADIO



From the "N. Y. Daily News"

The cartoonist above has some ideas of his own on static. Rubbing a piece of amber on hair produces static electricity, so one cat's claw through another cat's fur should produce the same effect, shouldn't it? A little involved, but the idea's there.

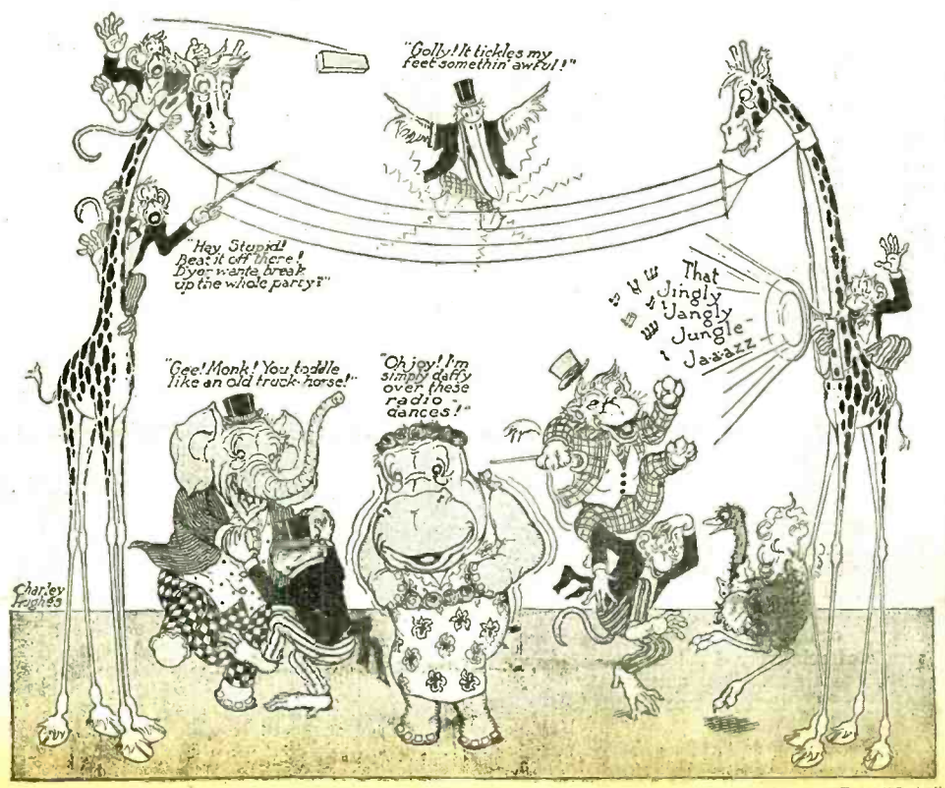
"Judge" gives some new designs of broadcasting and receiving stations and below there is a suggestion for a new type of antenna mast if you happen to possess a couple of stray giraffes.

A BROADCASTING STATION

From "Judge"

MERRILL SHUDDERS EVERY TIME HE THINKS OF IT

From the "Rockford, Ill., Morning Star"



From "Judge"

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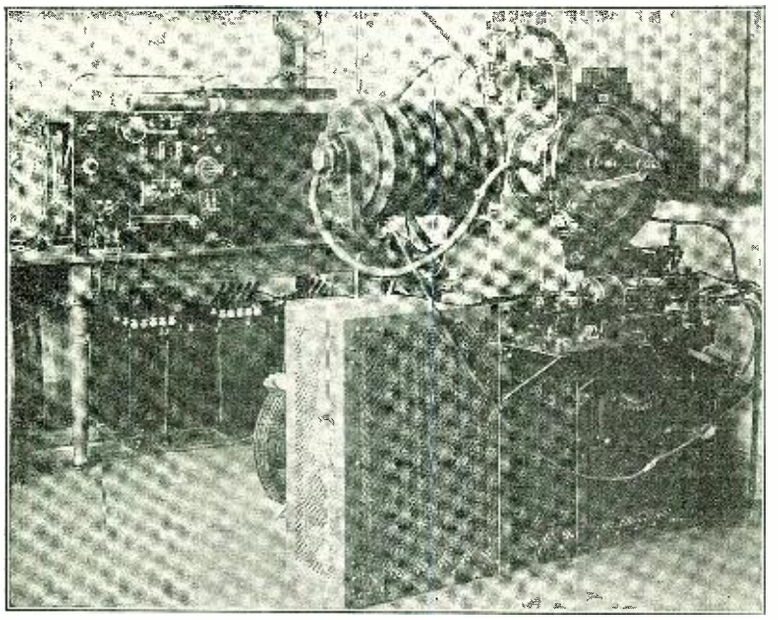
A RECEIVING STATION

The Pungs-Gerth System of Wireless Telephony

By Dr. ALFRED GRADENWITZ*



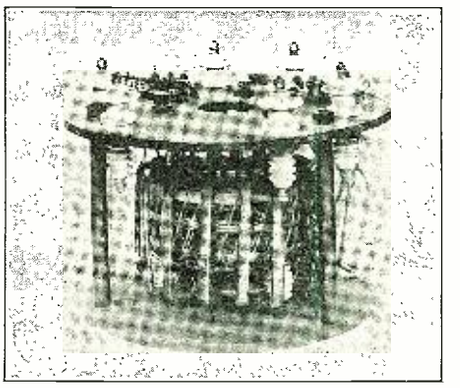


Fig. 3 on the left shows the special arc transmitter installed at the Königswusterhausen station in 1920, for telephone communication with Moscow and Copenhagen.

On the right, Fig. 1 shows the first type of magnetic modulator used with this transmitter.

At a recent meeting of the Berlin Society of Electrical Engineers, Dr. L. Pungs, chief-engineer of Messrs. C. Lorenz, gave an interesting account of recent developments in radio telephony. After a short historical survey he dwelt at some length on the development of undamped oscillations by the Danish engineer, Valdemar Poulsen, whose work first brought wireless telephony within the range of practical possibilities. In fact, the first stations for wireless telephony installed in actual service for the German marine were designed on this system.

With these earliest types of wireless telephone outfits, the microphone, which, the same as in the case of wired telephony, serves to transmit the sound vibrations of human speech to the radiated antenna energy, was connected up immediately to the antenna. Such arrangements, however, could obviously be used only for low-power stations, i. e., over short distances. How should, in fact, a microphone be able to control antenna currents which in the case of up-to-date high-power stations, work out at 30, 50, 100 or more amperes, altering the rhythm of these currents in accordance with the sound vibrations of human speech?

Solutions of this problem, on which the whole recent development of wireless telephony is based, have been found in two different ways. First, by what is called a magnetic control and, second, by means of cathode tubes. Dr. Pungs, as far back as in 1913, took up the wireless telephone problem, at first alone, afterwards in conjunction with Dr. Gerth, trying to devise a magnetic system.

The first magnet coil for acting on wireless senders by means of human speech is represented in Fig. 1 and comprises in its interior a magnetizable horizontal iron ring surrounded by a special winding, through which the high frequency current is thrown. Around this ring there is provided a vertical microphone current (direct current) winding, by which the iron core is saturated more or less, in accordance with the variable current intensity. This coil, however, would give rise in the microphone current winding to extreme high frequency tensions so that defects of insulation were liable to occur. This is why the coil comprising two separated magnetizable iron cores, represented in Fig. 2, was substituted for it. These two cores are arranged horizontally, the high frequency coil being placed on the outer portion of each core, while the direct current winding is placed on the inner portion of each, encompassing both cores together. The high frequency windings on both cores are so arranged as to have the high frequency current magnetize the two cores in opposite directions. This arrangement was found to do away with the drawbacks mentioned in connection with the first coil, the high frequency fluxes in the direct current winding compensating one another.

The working of both arrangements can be summed up as follows: As long as there is no direct current flowing, the high frequency current in the iron will give rise to considerable losses, the iron cores behaving as though a very high resistance were inserted into the high frequency circuit. The magnetizability of the iron (and accordingly these losses) are counteracted more or less by superimposing a direct current. If now the direct current be altered by a microphone in series with the direct current winding, the losses produced by the iron will be altered. This is how considerable amounts of high frequency energy can be controlled by means of relatively small direct current energies. The antenna energy will, in accordance with the size of the station, vary by 10, 20 or even more K. W. in time intervals which, according to the sounds of human speech, may be fractions of 1/1000 second. Whenever even higher amounts of energy are to be controlled, the microphone current is reinforced by a special amplifier. Attention should be drawn to the fact that this arrangement will, with perfect faithfulness render even the most delicate shades of speech, its timbre, etc.

This system, developed by Pungs and Gerth, in conjunction with a Lorenz-Poulsen Arc Sender, was in 1920 first used with excellent results for radio telephony communication between Königswusterhausen (near Berlin) and Moscow, over a distance of 1,700 kilometers, further in connection with mutual wireless telephone tests between the Berlin and Copenhagen city telephone systems (Fig. 3) and, finally, for the wireless transmission of opera performances in the summer of 1921. The outfit has now been in continual operation for nearly three years in Königswusterhausen, in connection with the Poulsen sender installed there, without any hitch ever occurring. Moreover, it affords the very material advantage of being suited for any undamped system. In fact, the same radio telephone system has been used with excellent results in connection with a Schmidt high frequency machine, for wireless telephone tests. This high frequency machine, which has recently been improved by fitting a special speed regulation, is represented in Fig. 4.

Dr. Pungs further dealt with the other method of wireless telephone, viz., the cathode method, which would seem to be especially suitable for small or medium outputs. The distinctive feature of this sys-

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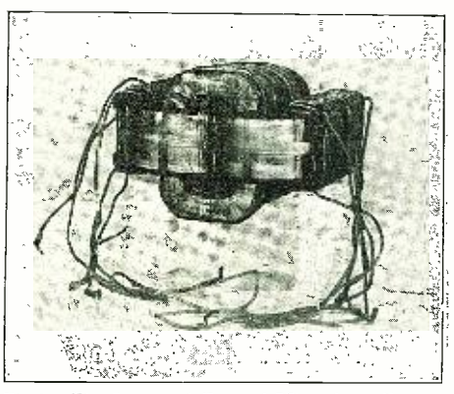

Fig 2. The Improved Type of Microphone Transformer Actually in Use Comprises a Closed Core With the Primary in Two Sections.

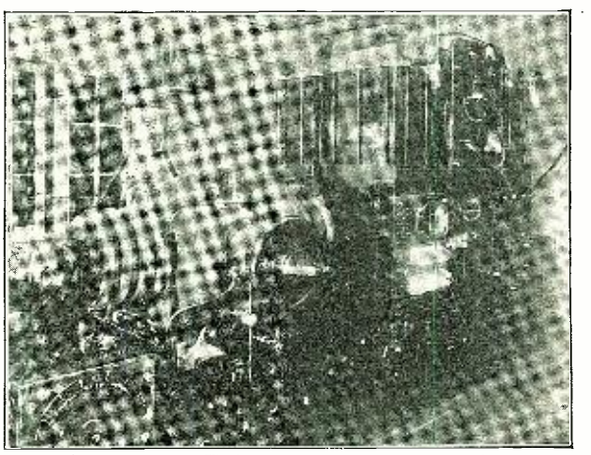

Fig. 4. This Schmidt High-Frequency Machine With Automatic Speed Regulator, Keeping the Frequency Constant, is Used For Radio Telephony.

**Berlin correspondent of Radio News.*

A Relay Recorder for Remote Control by Radio

By F. W. DUNMORE*

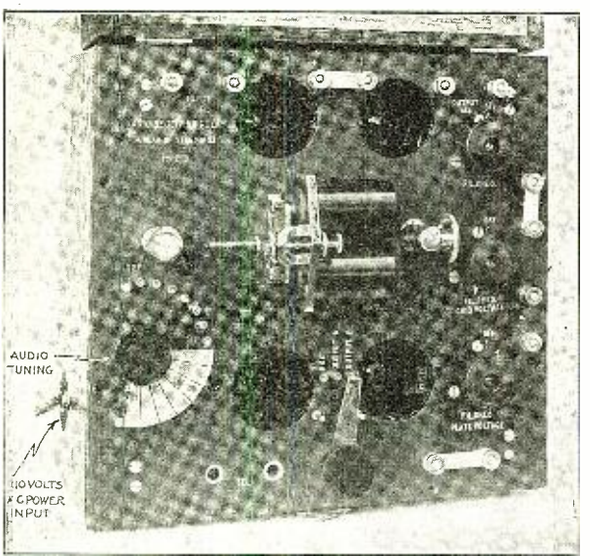

Fig. 6. Type B Relay Recorder for Use on the 110-Volt A. C. Supply

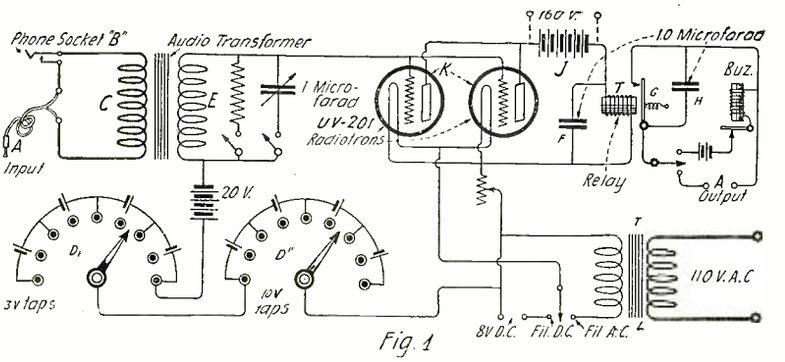

Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram of the Relay Recorder for Use with a D. C. Source

TYPE A—FOR USE WITH BATTERIES

1. *Object of Development.*—The object of this investigation was to develop a relay which should operate by received radio signals.

2. *Requirements.* To be satisfactory as a relay recorder the device should have the following characteristics: (1) it must be of simple construction with few adjustments; (2) it must be easy to adjust and capable of being put into operation quickly; (3) it must be selective and as free from static and such disturbances as possible; (4) it must be capable of operating at a speed of at least 12 times per second; (5) it must respond to weak signals; (6) it must be of strong design, durable and capable of maintaining its adjustments; (7) it must be portable.

3. *Circuit Used.* In order to avoid the use of a very sensitive relay designed to operate on currents of a milliampere or less, with delicate adjustments and light contacts and spring tension, advantage was taken of the radio-audio amplifier (which has now become a reliable radio instrument) to increase the input voltage to the relay circuit, thus making possible the use of a simple ordinary high-resistance telegraph relay. The relay device has therefore been developed to operate from the output circuit of any suitable amplifier in place of the ordinary telephone receivers.

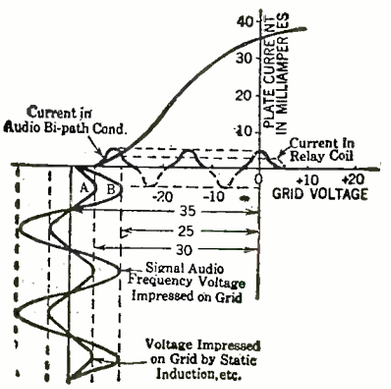

Fig. 3. Method of Eliminating Static and Induction Noises, Which are Not Stronger Than the Signal

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The only adjustment necessary is that of an ordinary telegraph relay.

Fig. 1 shows the wiring diagram. *A* is a telephone plug for connecting the relay device to the amplifier output. *B* is a phone socket, so that if desired the operator may listen to the received signal in the ordinary way. *C* is an audio transformer of the type used in audio amplifiers, the type used at present being a Signal Corps Type C-21. *E* is a two-megohm, grid leak. *Q* is a 0.0006-microfarad variable condenser or 0.0003-microfarad fixed condenser. *D* is a 60-volt variable "C" battery variable in steps of approximately three volts. *J* is a 160-volt dry "B" battery self-contained within the set. *K* is a type *UV*-201 Radiotron. *F* and *H* are each a one-microfarad paper condenser. *T* is an ordinary telegraph relay rewound with 12,000 turns of number 38 S. S. C. enamel wire. *A'* is the output to be connected to the apparatus to be controlled. *L* is a step-down transformer for operating the tube filaments from the 110-volt a-c. supply when such a supply is available.

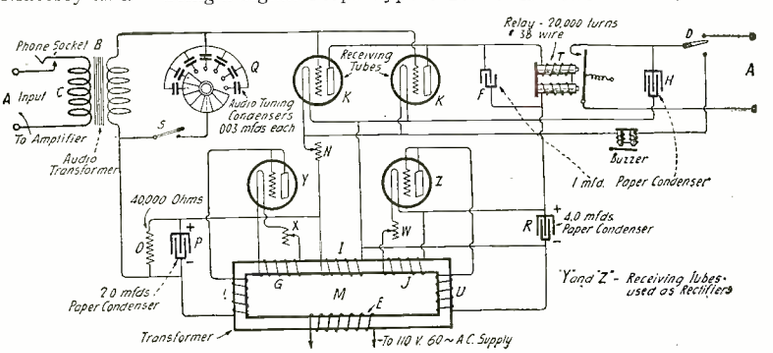

Fig. 5. Hook-up of Relay Recorder for Use On the 110-Volt A. C. Supply

4. *Principle of Operation.* The principle of operation is illustrated in Fig. 2. By means of the variable "C" battery *D*, the grid voltage is adjusted to approximately 30 volts at which value the plate current is zero, as shown at *A*. The incoming audio-frequency voltage impressed on the grid varies the grid potential, for example, from −30 to −20 volts. The 10 volts decrease from −30 to −20 causes an increase, for example, from 0 to 10 milliamperes, while the increase from −30 to −40 volts is not effective in causing a plate current to flow due to the fact that −30 volts is already sufficient to reduce the plate current to zero. The result will be a pulsating direct current of 10 milliamperes, maximum amplitude, in the plate circuit. This current, flowing through the plate circuit and condenser *F* causes an increase in the plate current at the keying frequency, which change, passing through the relay coil, will pull the relay armature over, making contact at *T*, which contact may control any mechanism desired. With the "C" battery grid voltage adjusted for maximum sensitivity it was found that static induction, etc., operated the relay. When these disturbances are not as strong as the signal their effect on the relay may be overcome as shown in Fig. 3. For example, the "C" battery is shown increased to −35 volts, the critical value for maximum sensitivity being −30 volts. The disturbances due to stray currents, etc., merely reduce the "C" battery voltage to −30, which is not sufficient to cause plate current to flow. However, the signal, being of greater intensity than the stray currents, reduces the voltage to −25, which causes a plate current of five milliamperes. It will be seen therefore that all disturbing effects, if of less intensity than the signal, do not affect the relay.

5. *Method of Increasing Sensitivity and Selectivity.* During the development of this relay it was found that the rectified audio-

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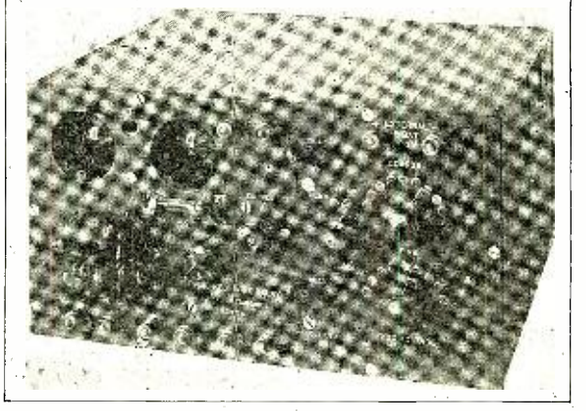


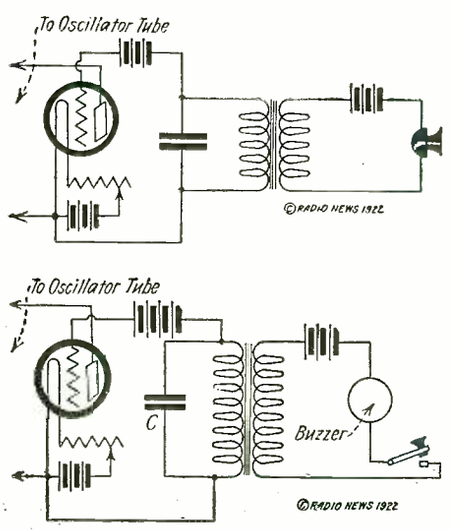
Fig. 4. Type A Relay Recorder for Use with Batteries

A Lady (Radio) Bug

By S. R. WINTERS

Miss Mary T. Loomis, Principal of a Radio Engineering College, In Her Workshop. A Good Many Amateurs Would Like to Be Let Loose In This Workshop With Its Array of Tools and Apparatus.

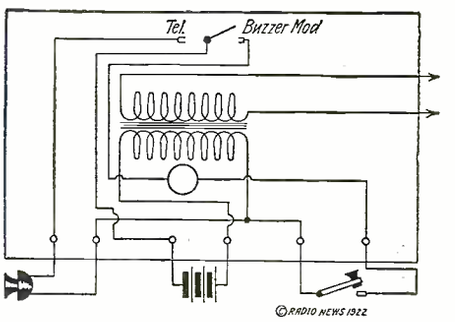
ADMINISTRATIVE ability, mechanical ingenuity, and a knowledge of radio telephony and radio telegraphy are demonstrated to an uncommon degree by the versatile achievements of Miss Mary Texanna Loomis, principal of a College of Radio Engineering. She is credited with being the only woman in the world who conducts a school of learning devoted to the propagation of the science of wireless telephony and telegraphy. Her identity with this institution, however, has already been widely heralded in the press and her success as a teacher of radio engineering is made known from the housetops by students having the privilege of her tutelage. These accomplishments alone entitle Miss Loomis to well-earned recognition, but her latest triumph is likely to add luster to the laurels already achieved. She has lately invaded the realm of invention and designed a radio telephone transmitter.



Above are the Connections for Speech Modulation and Below, the Connections for Buzzer Modulated C. W.

The Loomis progeny was built in her own workshop, where this woman's talents may demonstrate in practice the use of a lathe, hand-saw, monkey wrench, or drafting instruments with quite the facility she lectures on radio telephony and radio telegraphy. The newly-built apparatus is capable of functioning as a continuous-wave transmitter, a buzzer modulated continuous-wave transmitter, and as a radio telephone transmitter. It has a wave-length range between 200 and 600 meters, with an antenna vested with an approximate fundamental value of 200 meters. A 50-watt power tube generates the continuous oscillations, while a 5-watt unit of power acts as a modulator. The outfit is mounted on a marble panel. One hundred and ten volts of direct current is the source of electrical supply, the generator affording from 750 to 850 volts. The motor-generator is mounted on a marble shelf, and the field rheostat for the generator is agreeably situated at the center of the bottom of the panel. The face of the latter is a base for containing the row of control switches, the rheostat handles, contacts for the filaments of the bulbs, a voltmeter for each filament, a current ammeter, and the radiation ammeter. The back of the panel is a resting place for the fuses—two for each circuit—and various units essential to the operation of this transmitting equipment. Accommodation on the back of the panel for containing these units consists of three shelves. The resistance for the bulbs are placed on the lower shelf, and the bulbs, grid leak resistance, the condensers, and a radio-frequency choke coil, have reservations on the second shelf. On the left-hand side of the lower shelf is the filter circuit panel, and on the right-hand side of the lower shelf is the modulating panel.

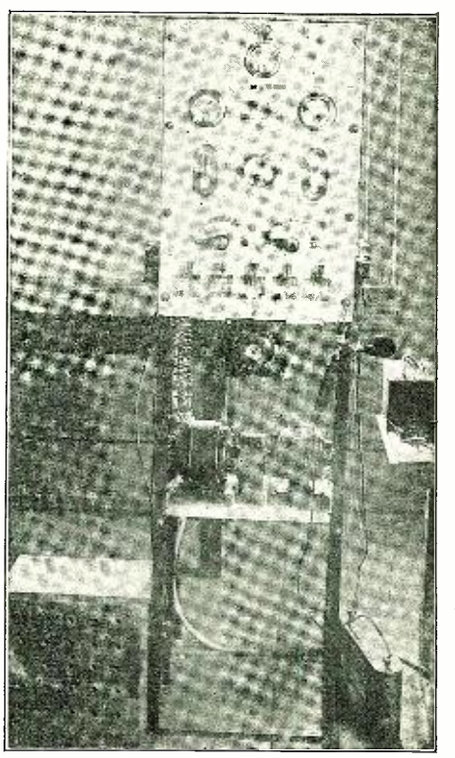
The Loomis radio telephone transmitter consists of an antenna circuit with a provision for generating continuous high frequency oscillations. Likewise, means are available for superimposing the voice current on these continuous oscillations in such a fashion as to vary their amplitude. These modulated movements to and fro are gar-



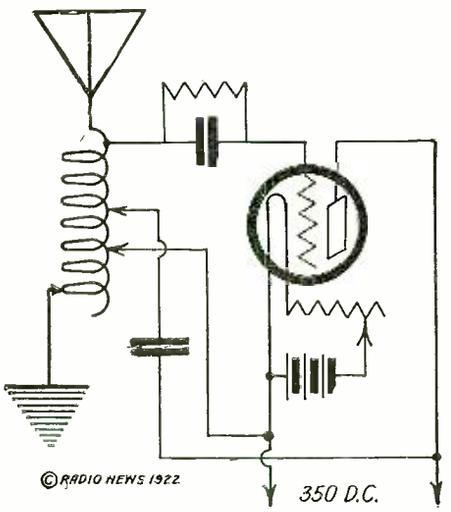
A Single Pole D. T. Switch Is Provided to Change from Voice to Buzzer Modulation.

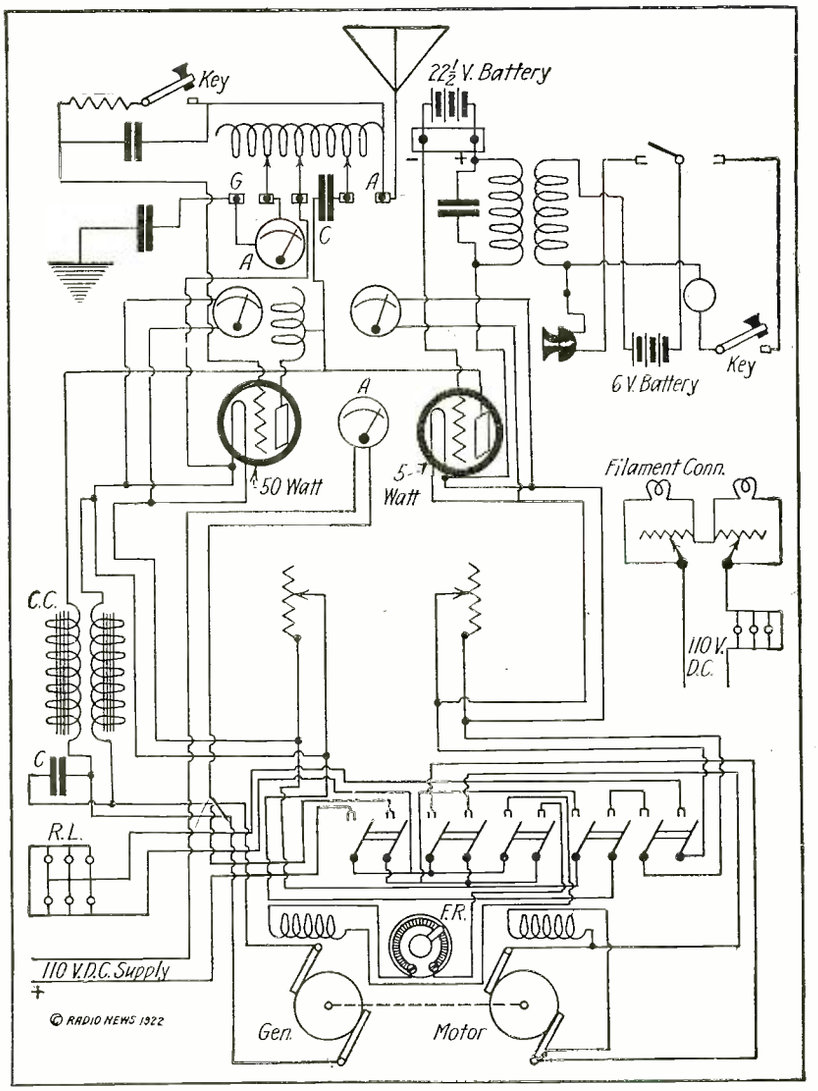
nered out of space by any distant receiving radio telephone set within the range of 200 and 600 meters. When rectified by use of a detector, the diaphragm of the receiving outfit is operated in unison with the spoken word or speech waves impressed on the diaphragm of the radio telephone transmitter. The plate circuit when coupled to the grid circuit through the inductance creates a high-frequency current in the antenna circuit.

The connections of the filaments are made by the following specific instructions of this woman inventor, who personally drafted the plan of set-up for the 50-watt radio telephone transmitter. A voltmeter is linked across each filament. The 50-watt power tube operates at greatest efficiency at a 10-volt drop and the 5-watt power unit functions to best advantage at a 55-volt drop. The resistance for each tube has the proverbially unlucky number of thirteen taps. The 50-watt unit of electrical strength draws 5 amperes, and the 5-watt tube 1.2 amperes. The resistance across the 5-watt unit bi-passes the extra current. The direct-current ammeter in the center of the board registers the volume of direct current employed by this radio telephone transmitter. Suggesting its versatility, this ammeter can also be used in



The Complete Radio Telephone Transmitter Designed and Constructed by Miss Loomis.





On the Left is the hook-up of the oscillating circuit and on the Right all the connections of the complete transmitter are shown.

the capacity of measuring the current of each bulb on the motor or the generator field by throwing in the main switch. This is possible when only the piece of apparatus subject to the needs of the moment is in operation.

Instructions for the actual operation of this new radio telephone device are quite as specific as those governing the connection of the filaments. Once the transmitter is in tune, be sure that all the electric switches are open and in receptive mood. The proper fuses are inserted in clips on the back of the transmitting outfit; bulbs are installed in sockets and the resistance lamps are connected; the grid battery and modulator battery are connected, and the buzzer modulating key from intimate association with the transmitter. Having established beyond a doubt that the lever or the continuous-waves key is closed, its proper connection is then effected. The bulb rheostats are shoved completely over to the left position.

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Now the Farm Radio Club

By J. FARRELL

TO reach by radio the largest possible number of the 32,000,000 people in rural sections of the country with daily agricultural and general news, it is now proposed to organize farm boys and girls into radio clubs. This is the first organized attempt at a nation-wide radio news service. The United States Department of Agriculture is back of the movement.

For more than a year the Department has been broadcasting agricultural news from stations of the Post Office Department in various sections of the country. A number of amateur operators receive the reports and pass them on to farmers in their locality. But there has been no organized method of reception and the number of farmers served is small as compared with the total number of farmers in the United States.

A number of farm radio clubs are already in existence, and it is hoped eventually to have at least one club in every county in the United States where radio reports can be received. Farm radio clubs will be plentiful and not only will they render a regular daily news service, but through them the practicability of radio on the farm will be demonstrated. A radio receiving set in every farm home will be the inevitable result.

Coöperation in the organization of such clubs is being had with State agricultural colleges and other local agencies. Agricultural colleges which have broadcasting stations are particularly interested in the movement, and in several instances have employed radio experts to instruct the farm boys and girls in radio and to assist in the selection and installation of equipment. Instructions have also gone out to county agents with regard to methods of organizing and conducting radio club work.

The first club of the kind to be organized is the Ocean County Wireless Club at Toms River, New Jersey. The club has 56

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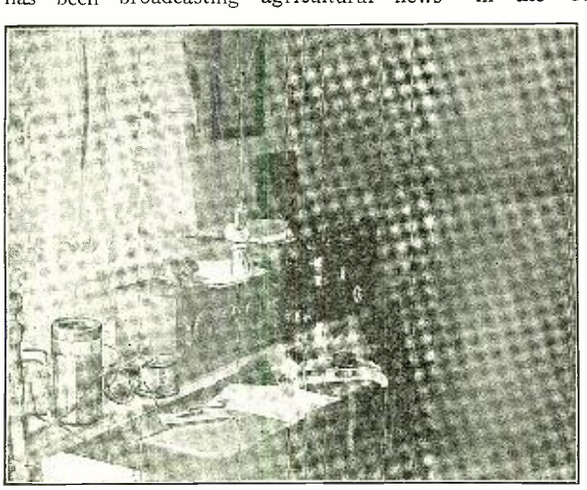

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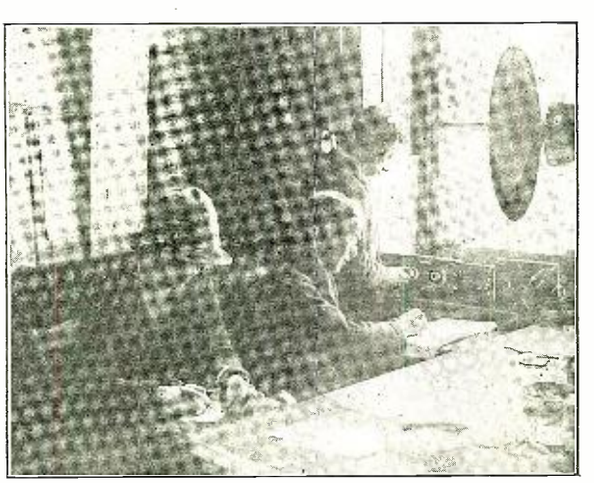
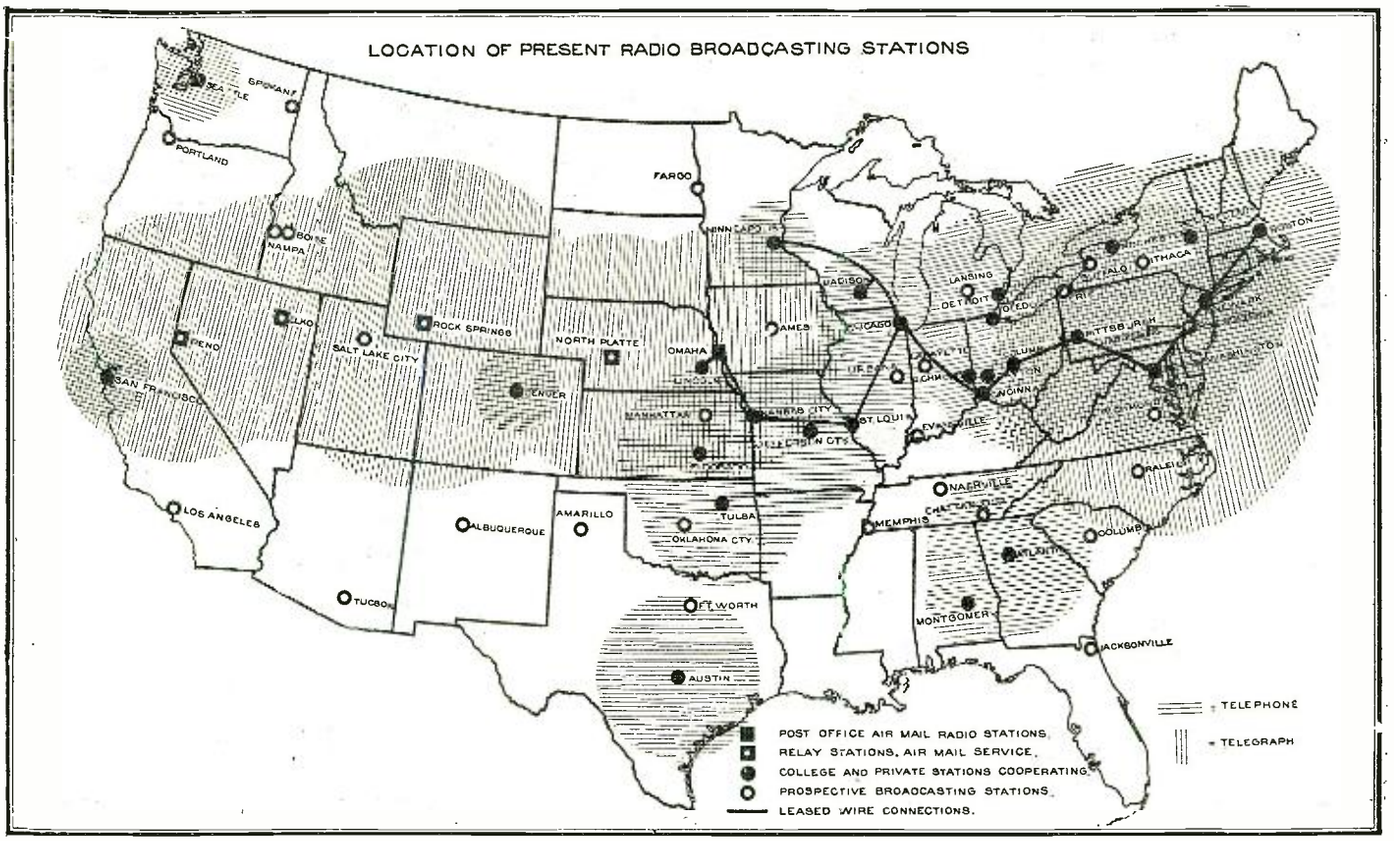


The Receiving Station at a Country Newspaper Office. The Market Reports are Received Directly by Radio and Published in the Paper.

The Radio Market News Service



Map of Radio Stations in the United States Which Are Broadcasting Crop and Market Reports. The Approximate Area Covered by Each Radio Telephone Station Is Indicated by Horizontal Lines and That Covered by Each Radio Telegraph Station Is Indicated by Vertical Lines.

THE radio market news service of the Federal Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates is an effort on the part of the Bureau to make its market news more immediately available and more effective than it can be made in any other way. Ever since the inauguration of the first market news service on fruits and vegetables in May, 1915, the specialists of the Bureau have given continuous study to the problem of supplying market news on agricultural commodities to those who may have use for such information as quickly as possible after it can be obtained. The market news services of the Bureau cover live stock and meats; dairy and poultry products; fruits and vegetables; hay, feed and seeds, and some other commodities associated with these four general groups. The information is supplied to and is utilized by producers, shippers, dealers, brokers and commission men, manufacturers, warehousemen, demonstration and extension workers, banks, transportation agencies, chambers of commerce, buying and selling organizations, and other commercial, extension and educational agencies.

It is the function of the Bureau to gather or assemble market information from reliable sources and distribute it in such a way as to make it available to the greatest possible number who wish to use it. In performing this function it utilizes and cooperates with all agencies possible. It affiliates with State agencies which may or may not have similar functions with respect to the State as the Federal Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates has to the Federal Government. It utilizes the railroads for information relative to shipments and movements. In one way or another, it assembles information from every available source where such information can be obtained.

BROADCASTING BY RADIO

In utilizing radio communication as a means of disseminating crop and market information, the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates is taking advantage of one of the agencies which has certain possibilities possessed by none that has been used in the past. This new method makes it possible for all who wish this information to help themselves to it, if they will but equip themselves to receive it in the form in which it is sent. The advantages of broadcasting information by radio are: (1) that the information can be intercepted or copied by means of suitable equipment at any point within certain approximate limits whether or not such point is connected by railroad, telegraph or any other of the ordinary means of communication; and (2) that the transmission of the news is instantaneous.

These two factors in radio communication make it possible for any one, whether he is located in a congested city or in the country a hundred miles from the railroad or telegraph wire to receive the information with equal dispatch. Radio transmission can be effected either by the international telegraph code, using dots and dashes, or by radio telephone. The radio telephone has the greater possible range of usefulness and will probably become almost as widely used as the ordinary telephone or the phonograph.

RADIO RECEPTION OF CROP AND MARKET REPORTS

Crop and market reports sent out broadcast by radio can be received by any agency having suitable equipment. With the development of broadcasting by radiophone there has developed a demand for receiving equipment from many sources. Not much greater technical knowledge is required to receive the reports by radiophone than to use an ordinary telephone.

The broadcasted reports are being utilized by various marketing agencies and agricultural organizations in giving to farmers national crop and market reports which are often combined with local market information. These agencies and associations act as centers for information for the county or locality and include farm bureaus, banks, shipping associations, commercial exchanges, chambers of commerce and newspapers. In addition to these agencies the reports are being received direct by farmers, country elevators, dealers, shippers and many others who use the information in the conduct of their business. In some instances it may be to the advantage of the community or to individuals or an organization to enlist the aid of a local radio amateur to get the news and the weather, crop and market reports.

STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE RADIO MARKET NEWS SERVICE

Since the radio market news service was begun experimentally by the Federal Bureau of Markets, on December 15, 1920, it has developed very rapidly so that, at the present time, the national market news is not only being distributed by the Bureau but other agencies are extending the distribution of the national crop and market reports as well as local market reports. The service was begun in December, 1920, at Washington. One report was sent out at 5:00 p. m. each day from the station of the Bureau of Standards through the cooperation of the U. S. Department of Commerce. This was continued for four months to determine the practicability of the method. When it became apparent that this method would not only be practical, but also more economical and efficient for certain kinds of distribution than any other agency, the Bureau of Markets accepted the offer of the Post Office Department to utilize the radio stations of the Air Mail Radio Service in the dissemination of crop and market reports.

At the present time the Air Mail Radio Service is broadcasting the crop and market reports from six of its stations. Of these six stations two of them, Washington, D. C.,

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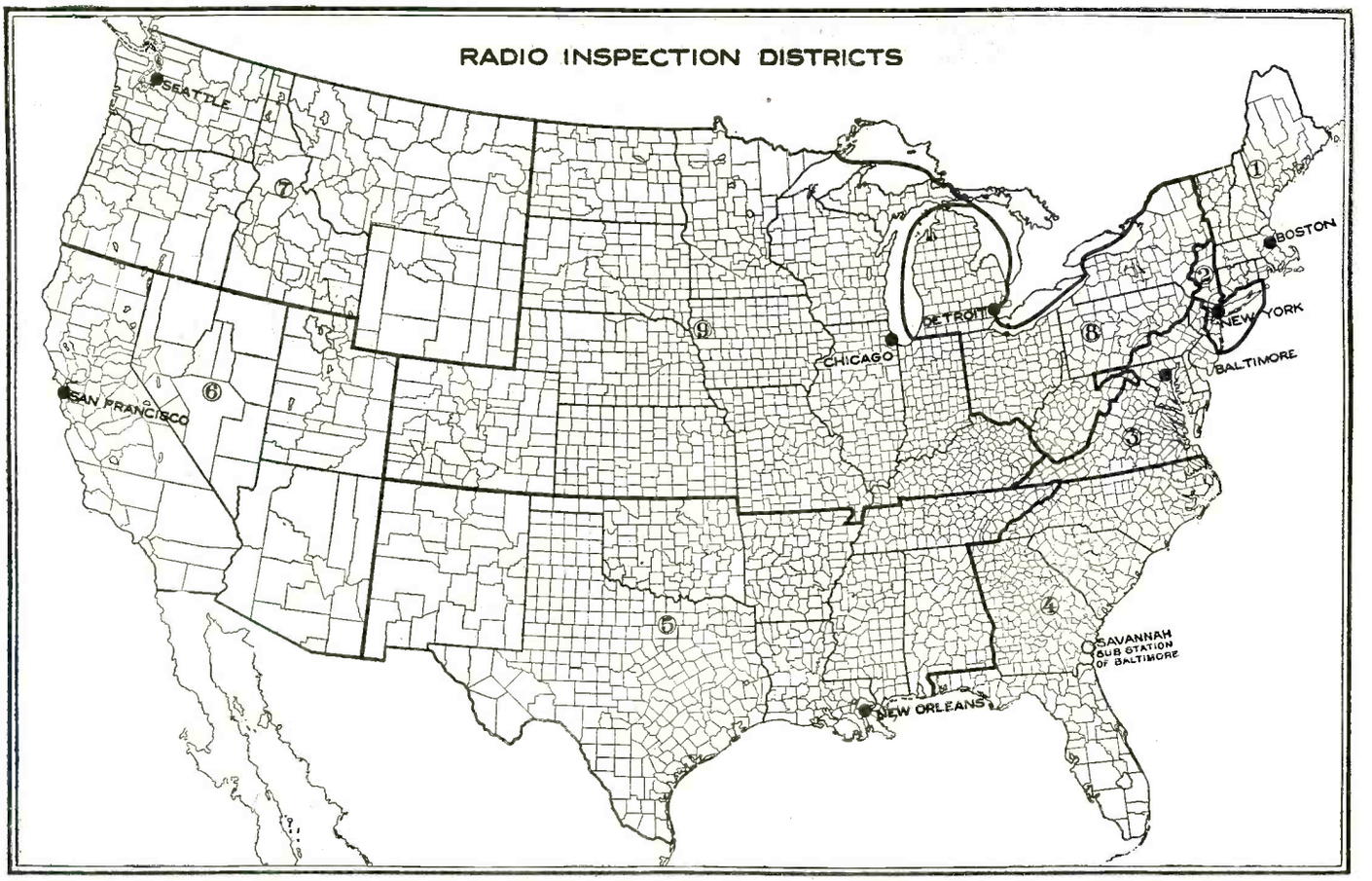


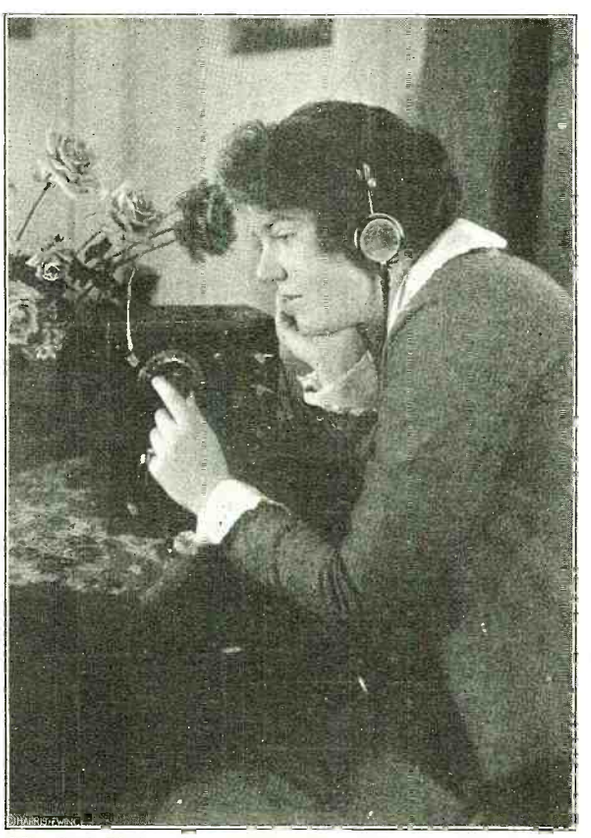
Map Shows the Various Radio Districts of the United States. Districts Are Enclosed in Heavy Lines and Numbered in Accordance With Numbers Designated for the Districts by the Department of Commerce. The Cities Are Shown at Which the Chief Radio Inspectors of the Districts Are Located.

The Benefits of the Radio Telephone in Rural Communities

"OBVIOUSLY, if broadcasting is to be developed and the interests of agriculture served, some of the bands in the wave spectrum that have formerly been occupied by marine, aerial, and other kinds of communication must eventually be transferred to broadcasting," asserts W. A. Wheeler, in charge of the radio news service of the United States Department of Agriculture in an interview for RADIO NEWS. He has taken up the cudgels in behalf of an enlarged recognition of the interests of the countryside through a more liberal assignment of operating wavelengths and consequently a wider application of radio telephony.

"These assignments," referring to the allocation of wave-lengths as recommended by the conclusions of the radio telephone conference recently held in Washington, "do not appear to be nearly adequate for the proper development and expansion of public radio broadcasting in the interior of the country in the near future," declares Mr. Wheeler. He represented the Department of Agriculture at the conference called by Secretary of Commerce Herbert C. Hoover, at the request of President Harding, to consider the regulations and uses of radio telephony. His discordant note, with respect to the deliberations of this conference, which are in the form of tentative recommendations, is likely to be echoed throughout the rural communities of the United States where the benefits of radio telephony are beginning to rob farm life of its isolation and monotony. Mr. Wheeler told the writer that long after the city-dweller has discarded his wireless equipment, when the novelty of operation has faded, the farmers of America will be operating radio telephones with zest and in increasing numbers.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry C. Wallace, apparently, is of the same opinion as to the vast benefits accruing to rural communities from the application of radio telephony. In the first message ever delivered by a Secretary of Agriculture, through the agency of the radio telephone, to a group of farmers located a thousand miles away, Secretary Wallace stated: "That this can be done successfully gives promise of what we may expect in the future. It will not be long until individual farmers everywhere can install receiving sets at small expense and get frequent daily reports from the principal grain and live stock markets, weather forecasts, and important news." This message was spoken by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace at his home in Washington, D. C., to 4,000 farmers gathered in a convention at Lansing, Michigan. The deliverance was transmitted by the Naval Air Service and many other groups of farmers and individuals in the Middle West heard the speech by radio telephone. The Secretary of Agriculture has recently had installed in his home a radio telephone.



Miss Ruth Wallace, Youngest Daughter of Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Henry C. Wallace, at the Receiving Set in Their Home. Secretary Wallace Is Confident of the Utility of Radio for the Farmer.

"There is no single use of radio, except for marine and aerial purposes, that should take precedence over its utilization for the benefit of agriculture," continues W. A. Wheeler. "There are more than 32,000,000 people on farms, comprising nearly one-third the total population of the United States. Most of these people are located where they are practically cut off from immediate contact with the outside world. The radio is the only means of getting to them quickly, at small cost, the economic information necessary in the proper conduct of their business." A movement being

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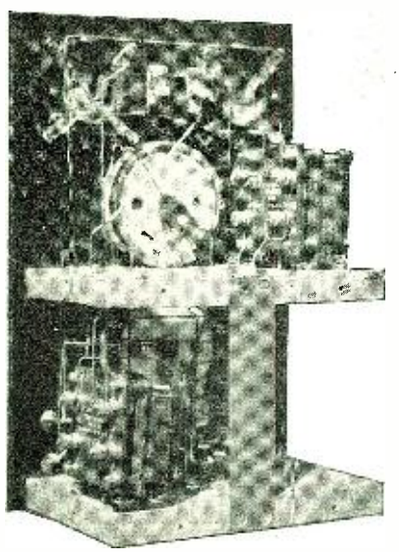
Construction of an Audio Frequency Amplifier

By PAUL G. WATSON



Rear View of the Amplifier Showing How the Various Pieces of Apparatus are Assembled and Mounted.

THE details for constructing a two-step audio frequency amplifier follow: The original, shown in the photographs, was made from standard parts, available in any radio supply store, and involves no difficult construction work. The original has the appearance of the old type "De Forest" amplifier, but differs electrically from that piece of apparatus in many ways.

This instrument is an audio frequency amplifier; that is, it amplifies only the signals picked up by the detector. To secure further amplification of signals, it is necessary to amplify the incoming signals before reaching the detector. This system is known as "Radio Frequency" amplification and involves more complicated construction work. The audio frequency amplifier is the one in common use today, and for all practical use is sufficient for most cases. An amplifier of this type is used to make the radio broadcast music loud in most all stations where signals of any volume are received at present.

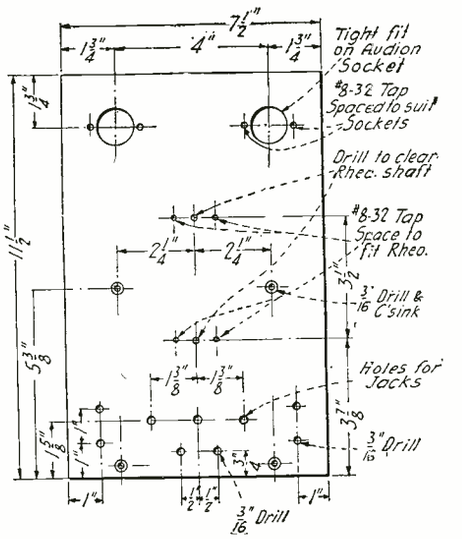
The dimensions of the instrument are large, much larger than many of the newer types of amplifiers, the panel being 7½"x11½". It was found by experimentation that the large panel was justified by the quietness of the amplifier, compared to the same apparatus mounted on the smaller panel. Many of the howling and grinding noises come from over condensing the amplifier parts.

A great many of the construction details can be taken directly from the photos of the apparatus. A detail drawing, giving the spacing and dimensions of the panel, is shown, also a diagram of connections.

The receptacles or sockets for holding the tubes are mounted by 8–32 machine screws, run into the tapped holes at the side of the large socket hole. In selecting sockets, jacks and rheostats, extreme care should be used to pick only those which will not give noisy contacts, and create a noisy amplifier. The holes for the receptacles are located in the panel details, and should be bored slightly under size, and filed or reamed to make a snug fit around the side of the receptacle. Ragged edges, or a poor fit here, will deduct greatly from the appearance.

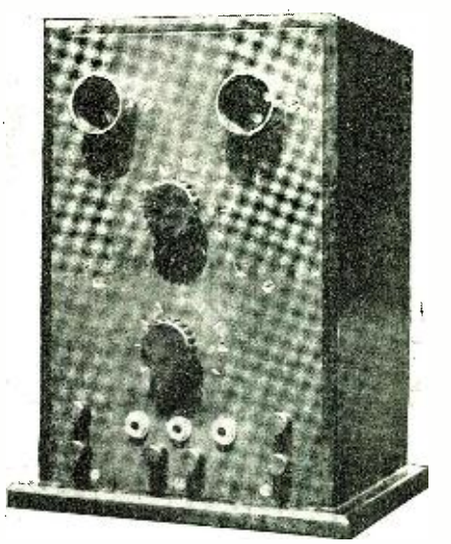
The rheostats can be of most any type, several good ones being on the market. The main features of the rheostats are smooth running and good contacts, ability to resist the action of the heat, and to give a fairly close adjustment of filament current. Much of the noise from the filament circuit centers in the sliding contacts of the rheostat. The rheostats should have an "Off" position, to avoid the use of a switch in the filament circuit.

The most important pieces in an amplifier are the tubes, then the transformers. In this amplifier transformers, with a three to one ratio, were used. The relative position of these transformers is very impor ant, if the amplifier is to be quiet, and is shown clearly in the back view of the apparatus. The transformers should be spaced as far apart as possible.



Plan of the Front Panel Indicating the Exact Positions and Sizes of all Holes to be Drilled.

The two horizontal or mounting boards are ¾" pine, 7" wide, and 6" deep. They



Front View of the Two Stage Amplifier in Its Cabinet.

fasten to the panel with flat head brass screws through the countersunk holes in the panel. The lower board is cut away in the center to clear the pair of binding posts placed in the center of the panel, and the upper board is cut away to clear a rheostat. The lower board forms a sub-base for the apparatus, and is strengthened by a brace of brass, to the upper board. This construction is heavy, but adds materially to the efficiency of the amplifier.

The jacks used were two circuit jacks, and are inserted in the circuits, as shown in the diagram of connections. Some circuits, in amplifiers, place the phones in series with the primary of the next transformer, when plugged-in on any but the last step. This method inserts useless impedance in the phone circuit, while the method shown here disconnects all unused apparatus and connects the phones direct on each step.

Three pairs of binding posts are mounted on the panel, one pair for filament or "A" battery, second pair for "Input" and the third pair for connecting a loud speaker. The filament connection is simple and needs no explanation. It is connected to a six-volt storage battery, care being taken to get the right polarity. The "Input" terminals of the amplifier are connected to the "Telephone" binding posts of the audion panel,

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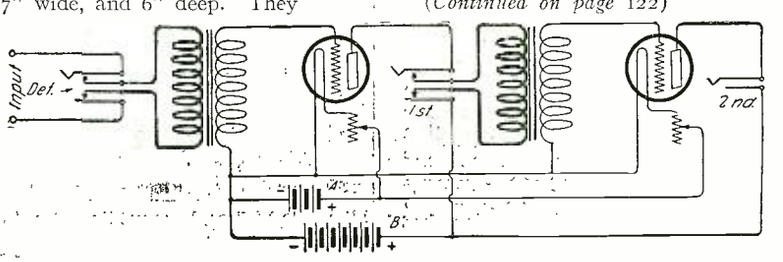
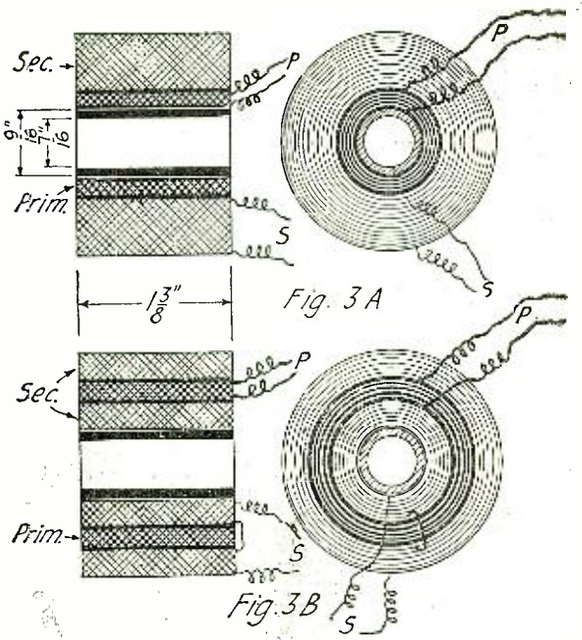
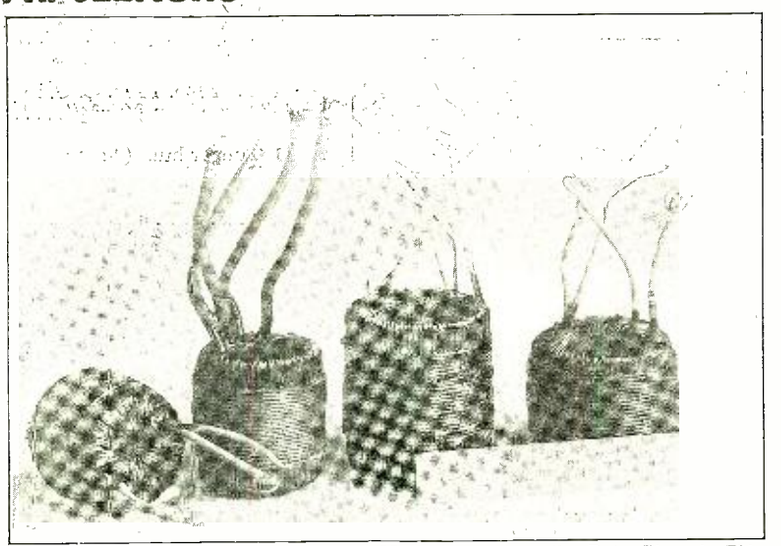


Wiring Diagram of the Two Stage Amplifier. The Jacks Are Used to Insert the Phones in the Output of the Detector, First or Second Stage.

An Efficient Audio Frequency Transformer

By D. R. CLEMONS





Above Are a Few Complete Transformers Made According to the Data Given in This Article. On the Left, the Sketch Shows Two Methods of Winding the Primary of the Transformers. Fig. 3A Shows the Common Method While Fig. 3B Illustrates the System of Sandwiching the Primary Between Two Sections of the Secondary to Obtain Tighter Coupling.

DURING their radio experience, operators often resort to odd appliances to aid in distinguishing signals too faint to be readily copied. This may be in commercial work, or in the civilian station. Sometimes we have plugged wooden wedges into windows, jar racks, doors, and other vibrating parts; finally resorting to a blanket wound around the head in order to receive long distance transmissions. Any operator desires a greater range and more sensitive receiver.

In former years, many microphonic devices and adjustable amplifying relays were tried with varying success, but with the development of the vacuum tube, there came a revolution in the field of amplifiers; for, in the tube itself, we have a thoroughly reliable and efficient amplifier. By using several tubes within amplifiers remarkable sensitiveness may be obtained, so that it is now possible to detect and strengthen signals thousands of times where before they would be unheard.

The construction of efficient amplifiers is not difficult where the accessories are offered on the market as they now are, the assembling or mounting being all that is necessary. However, in developing these separate parts, considerable work and experimenting is required. Theoretically, it is possible to design parts for greatest efficiency by mathematical computations, but for practical application, these will sometimes require minor changes for reasons which will be the substance of this work.

Assuming that one desires an amplifier; it is reasonable to also assume that the most efficient general purpose instrument is wanted; one functioning well on either telegraphic signals or speech. The usual limitation is, of course, the cost of the apparatus.

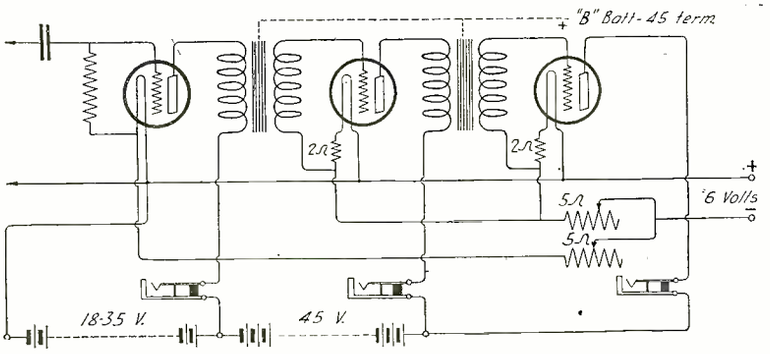


Fig. 6

Diagram of a Two Step Amplifier Connected to a Vacuum Tube Detector. Note That the Iron Core of the Transformers Are Connected to the Positive of the "B" Battery.

After the purchase, the maintenance is very low, providing that the operator uses caution after blowing out his first tubes by having burned them above normal. It seems that many radio people like to construct their own apparatus where possible, even though they may be able to purchase the finished product on the market. In this article, data for the construction of a very efficient and useful inter-tube transformer for audio frequency amplifiers will be illustrated and described.

The characteristics of a vacuum tube are those of a rectifier and amplifier combined. Very weak potentials may be impressed upon the grid-filament circuit and cause a much greater variation in the plate-filament circuit. It is desirable that final telephone potentials should be great, so if very weak signals are to be amplified, several tubes may be used to amplify by stages. In this case it is evident that the output of one tube must be connected in some manner to the input of the next tube in the series. The method of coupling the tubes for repeating gives the amplifier its name, as resistance, reactance or transformer coupling for radio frequencies, or for audio frequencies. In the radio frequency types the incoming signals are first strengthened and then detected for audibility. Resistance coupled types of this class do not operate well on low wave-lengths unless used with special apparatus for intermediate change of frequency. On its most efficient range it is very sensitive to weak signals, even though they are not made abnormally loud due to the liability to rectify within the amplifier itself and thereafter repeat at audio frequency. Transformer coupling is excellent upon wave-lengths for which they are designed, but are very critical and not flexible where one receives over a broad range of tunes. The more popular type seems to be the audio frequency transformer coupled amplifier, which amplifies tone frequency signals.

Consider Fig. 2: The plate circuit, including the transformer primary, conducts a

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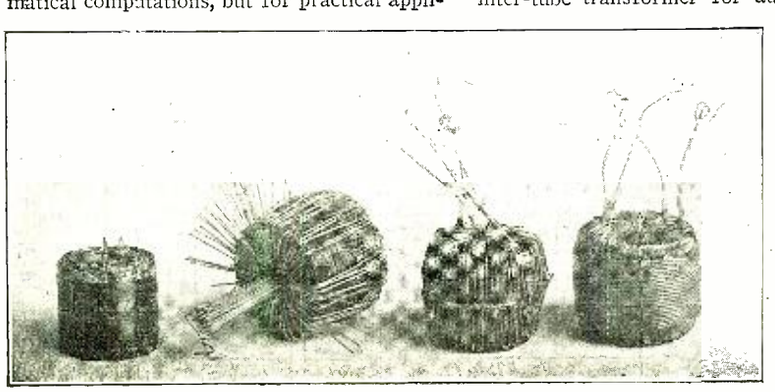


Fig. 1. In the photograph on the left may be seen the different steps in the construction of an amplifying transformer. Note how the iron core is formed.

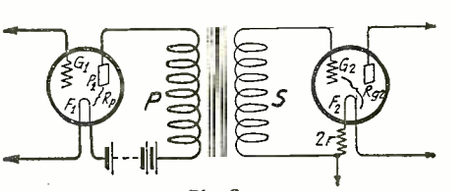
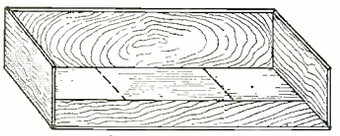


Fig. 2

Construction of a Tungar Rectifier

By CECIL W. GUYATT



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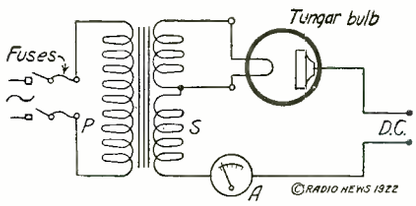

FIG. 2

Fig. 1 Shows the Assembling Box for the Iron Core and Fig. 2, the Hook-up of the Rectifier.

WE Radio experimenters sometimes find it a great deal of trouble to keep our batteries charged, even if we happen to know a battery man who is perfectly honest. We might as well admit that one of our greatest desires is to possess a device that could be plugged into 110 volts, 60-cycle supply and deliver direct current of proper voltage at the other end. The following is a description of a Tungar Rectifier for battery-charging purposes.

The transformer is made up of a core, a 110-volt winding for the line, a secondary winding and necessary clamps. One of the first things an amateur wants to know is the cost. Therefore, a list of parts required to complete the rectifier is given herewith.

10 lbs. of Silicon steel .016 thickness..	$1.00
2 lbs of No. 18 D. C. C. magnet wire	1.40
1 lb. of No. 14 D. C. C. magnet wire	.50
40" Strap Iron 3/16"x3/4"	.40
4–1½"x3/16" machine screws	.10
1 Tungar bulb (2-ampere type)	3.00
1 Porcelain lamp socket	.25
1 Clip (Eureka)	.12
1 D. P. S. T. switch	.50
2 Rolls of tape	.20
1 Ammeter 15–0–15 amperes	1.75
	$9.22

First build the core, which measures 8"x5" (outside measurements), cross section 1¼"x 1¼", see Fig. 3. If silicon steel .016" is used, about 300 pieces will be needed, or one stack 6¾"x2½" containing 150 pieces and another stack 3¾"x2½", containing 150 pieces. A plumber can cut the material into long strips 1¼" wide, which can then be cut into pieces of proper length with tinsnips. If the plumber will do all the cutting with his machine, so much the better.

A right-angle box should be made with an 8" inside measurement. (Fig. 1.) Then pile up one leg of the core by placing first one 6¾" strip to left and then one to the right, until you have a pile that, when compressed, measures 1¼" deep. Take this pile out, carefully compress in a vise and bind tightly with friction tape.

The primary winding into which 110 volts are impressed is composed of No. 18 D. C. C. copper wire, 400 turns being required. The primary should be wound on a slightly tapered wooden form, a little larger (⅛"–¼" all around) than the core cross section and whose length should be about 4". Square pieces of

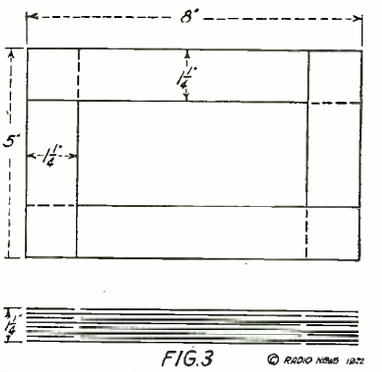

FIG. 3

The Dimensions of the Iron Core for the Transformer Are Given Here. Note How the Corners Are Assembled.

wood should be fastened on each end of the winding form and a couple of pieces of wire laid lengthwise along the form before winding, will serve to hold the winding together when being removed, if the ends of the wire are tied together before removing. The primary should be taped longitudinally; that is, over the outside and through the center.

The secondary is next wound, consisting of 100 turns of No. 14 D. C. C. wire, wound on the same form as the primary with a tap taken off at the tenth turn by making a loop about 3" long. It is a good plan to soak thoroughly the wire in a hot bath of paraffin before winding, as this lessens the danger of the wire charring. As each layer is wound, it should be thoroughly shellacked and allowed to dry. Remove from form and tape.

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The Modulation Method of C. W. Reception

By ROBERT E. LACAULT

IT is a well known fact that none of the detectors actually in use, be they crystals or vacuum tubes, are perfect rectifiers. In spite of much work and many experiments, no vacuum tube has been produced as yet which has a real straight characteristic curve; therefore this type of detector is inefficient for the reception of very weak signals. On the other hand, the crystal detectors, which are about seven or eight times more sensitive than the vacuum tubes, present such difficulties of adjustment that they are abandoned when real work is to be done, the operators having no time to spend in fussing with the well-known "cat whiskers."

Another defect of the detectors is that the intensity of the rectified current is about proportional to the square of the applied difference of potential; consequently, as mentioned above, a very weak signal fails to be efficiently rectified, unless a separate heterodyne is used. This increase of the sensitiveness seems to be due to the fact, pointed out by Major E. H. Armstrong, that it is possible to adjust the intensity of the heterodyne effect so as to make the detector work at the most favorable point, although even in this condition it is not as sensitive as may be desired. For these reasons, radio engineers have been led to seek other and better means of detecting signals than the rectifying method.

Considering the reception of C.W., we know that this is done by reducing the frequency of the received oscillations by means of other oscillations generated locally, of a slightly different frequency, producing by interference beats, which in turn may be rectified. In this case, although the sensitiveness is enormously increased, rectification still takes place, which has all the inconveniences mentioned previously.

There is a new method of reducing the

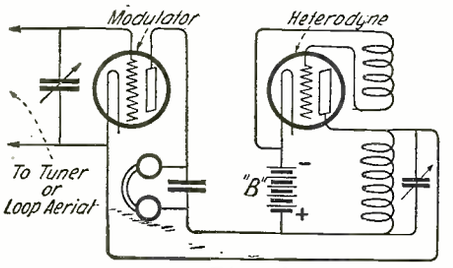

Fig. 1

In This Circuit for C. W. Reception the Signals Are Impressed Upon a Modulator Tube in the Same Way as the Speech in a Phone Set. Separate A Batteries Are Used.

frequency of C.W. to audio frequency, which is more efficient; this is modulation. Mr. R. Jouhaust, in a recent communication to the French Academy of Sciences, pointed out that some of the modulating systems used in radio telephony may be advantageously applied to the reception of continuous waves, giving much better results than the usual methods. In this receiving system, a detector tube is no longer required, as the incoming signals are made to modulate the output of a local oscillator in the same manner as a modulator tube modulates the output of the oscillator in a radio telephone transmitter. The circuit, Fig. 1, shows the connection of such a receiver in which the modulator tube acts as an absorption shunt to the oscillating circuit of the heterodyne, which must, of course, be adjusted so as to produce beats when C.W. signals are received.

The writer has conducted several experiments with this circuit, which is very sensitive, and which has proved really superior to the usual hook-ups. In Fig. 1 are shown the connections of a set which was used with a 4' loop aerial. The plate of the modulator tube is supplied with high frequency only while the received oscillations are applied to the grid and filaments. The condenser shunting the telephones has a capacity of about .001 MF. The heterodyne must of course be designed to produce oscillations of the proper frequencies.

At the present time experiments are carried on with some circuits of the type shown in

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This is the Same Circuit as in Fig. 1, but with Two Stages of Radio Frequency Amplification.

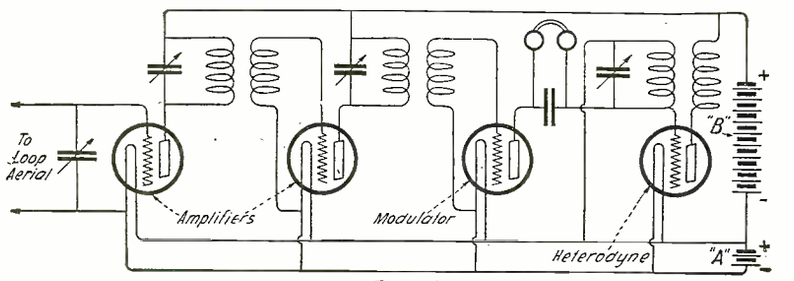

Fig. 2

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RADIO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETS IN WASHINGTON

The Second Session of the General Radio Telephone committee, headed by Dr. S. W. Stratton of the Bureau of Standards appointed by Secretary Hoover to prepare a draft of an agreement of wave-length assignments for amateurs and commercial transmitting stations, met on Monday, April 17, at the Department of Commerce at 10 A. M., to raise the laws and regulations.

Recently this committee recommended that radiophone sending stations be grouped into 20 different wave bands between zero and 6,000 meters, as follows: Transoceanic telephone experiments, 5,000 to 6,000 meters; Fixed service radio telephony, 2,850 to 3,300; Mobile service radio telephony, 2,500 to 2,650; Government broadcasting, 1,850 to 2,050; Fixed station radio telephony, 1,550 to 1,650; Aircraft radio, 1,500 to 1,550 exclusive; Government and public broadcasting 1,050 to 1,500; Radio beacons, exclusive, 950 to 1,050; Aircraft radio, exclusive, 850 to 950; Radio Compass, exclusive 750 to 850; Government and public broadcasting, 700 miles inland, 700 to 750; Mobile radio telephony 650 to 750; Mobile radio telegraphy exclusive, 525 to 650; Aircraft radio, exclusive 500 to 525; Private and toll broadcasting, exclusive, 310 to 435; Restricted special amateur radio telegraphy, 310; City and state public safety broadcasting, exclusive, 275 to 285; Technical and training schools (shared with amateur) 200 to 275; Amateurs (exclusive, 150 to 200) shared with technical and training schools, 200 to 275 meters; Reserved below 150 meters.

It is understood that as soon as the committee definitely agrees upon the standard allocation of wave-lengths, Representative W. H. White, Jr., of Maine, will introduce a bill in the House of Representatives to provide the legislation for Secretary Hoover to control legally the allocation of radio waves and administer the operation of all radio transmitting stations.

The names of those serving on the committee follow:

GENERAL COMMITTEE ON RADIO WAVES—

Dr. S. W. Stratton, Chairman (Director of Bureau of Standards).

Major General George O. Squier, War Department.

Capt. Samuel W. Bryant, U. S. N., Navy Department.

Mr. J. C. Edgerton, Supt. Radio Service, Post Office Dept.

Mr. W. A. Wheeler, Bureau of Markets and Crops Estimates, Department of Agriculture.

Representative Wallace H. White, Jr., of Maine.

Mr. R. B. Howell of Omaha, Nebraska.

Dr. Alfred N. Goldsmith, Secy. Institute of Radio Engineers, N. Y.

Mr. Hiram Percy Maxim, Pres. American Radio Relay League, Hartford, Conn.

Prof. L. A. Hazeltine, Stevens Inst. of Technology, Hoboken, N. J.

Mr. D. B. Carson, Commissioner of Navigation, Dept. of Commerce.

Prof. C. M. Jansky, Jr., University of Minnesota.

Senator Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota.

Mr. Edwin H. Armstrong, Columbia University, New York.

NEW RADIO STATION IN RUSSIA.

Work on the construction of the new radiotelegraph station at Dyetsky village is approaching completion. The old station was destroyed in 1919 in the Yudenitch advance. All that remained were the workmen's dwellings some distance from the station. A special railway branch was made to aid in the reconstruction which was begun in September, 1920. A new building for the machines, etc., and five 125-meter masts have been erected. The machines are nearly all installed. Siemens-Schuckert made the electrical machines and distributing apparatus; Siemens-Halske & Ericsson the radiotelegraphic parts; Nobels the Diesel motor; and the "Pharphorovni" concern the insulators.

RADIO FOR FRENCH PILOT BOATS

France has established wireless telegraph posts at Rouen and pilot boats on the Seine which will be used to transmit messages relating to maritime affairs and the promotion of port services according to the Department of Commerce. The pilot boats, it is reported by Consul M. B. Kirk of Rouen, will transmit by wireless the arrival of all vessels coming up the Seine on every tide to the Post office and the P. O. will instruct the pilot vessels where to place the ships upon their arrival.

Three pilot boats have been equipped with radio using continuous waves averaging 520 meters. Ground stations employ 720 meter with an intermittent spark, except at night when 600 meter waves are used, as in commercial work. When merchant vessels are not equipped with radio, urgent messages are transmitted for them to their brokers, via the post office, for 40 centimes per word. The public radio station at Belleville handles all other radio messages not affecting the port.

Radio Articles Appearing in June Science and Invention

Electric Farm de Luxe
By H. Winfield Secor, E.E.

Dr. Hackensaw's Secrets—No. 6—The Secret of the Telautomaton
By Clement Fezandié

Church Broadcasts Own Sermons
By Archie Richardson

A Vacation-time Radio Receiver
By Robert E. Lacault

Radio for the Beginner—No. 4—Shooting Trouble in the Radio Receiver
By Armstrong Perry

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By Arthur H. Lynch

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SHIP'S POSITION TO BE ANNOUNCED BY WJZ.

Through arrangements concluded by the Radio Corporation of America, the Newark radiophone WJZ broadcasts daily at 8:00 p. m. positions of vessels at sea as reported to the corporation's several stations along the Atlantic Coast and forwarded to the Marine Radio Bureau, 64 Broad Street, New York City.

It is expected this additional service will be of real benefit to everyone interested in ships and their movements.

TAXI COMPANY WILL USE RADIO

The Yellow Taxicab Company will use radio to expedite the handling of its fleet of 1,500 yellow cabs in the Chicago district. Construction of a radiophone transmission plant on the roof of the company's main garage and installation of receiving stations at outlying garages, as well as portable receivers on the cars used by traveling superintendents, has been started. According to reports, the Western Electric Co. has undertaken the job.

Central office can in this way keep in touch with the superintendents, notify them when boats and trains are late, what hotels and railway stations need cabs, and many other details peculiar to the rapid handling of the public taxi trade.

CLEARING THE PACIFIC AIR

After considerable difficulty in reaching a wave-length which does not interfere with the transmitting of the British and Japanese radio stations on the Pacific, the Naval Communication service has determined upon a wave-length of 13,700 for east-bound messages from the Naval Station at Cavite (NPO). A two weeks' test between Cavite and San Francisco (NPG) showed that with this length the signals from the Japanese station sending from Iwaki did not interfere as was previously the case. Originally the Cavite station sent eastern messages on 14,200 but that length interfered with the English stations and 13,900 was tried out with interference from Iwaki. Today, however, NPO comes through to San Francisco on 13,700. Westbound messages from San Francisco and San Diego are not sent direct to Cavite, but relayed through Pearl Harbor.

NATIONAL RADIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FORMED

At a meeting just held in New York, the newly organized National Radio Chamber of Commerce definitely outlined plans and elected temporary officers. The officers elected at this meeting are: President, Alex. Eisemann of the Freed-Eisemann Radio Corporation; First Vice-President, Charles Keator of the De Forest Radio Telephone and Telegraph Company; Second Vice-President, William Dubilier of the Dubilier Condenser Co.; Secretary, Frank Hinners of the Home Radio Corporation; and Treasurer, Joseph D. R. Freed of the Freed-Eisemann Radio Corporation.

The purpose of the National Radio Chamber of Commerce is to remedy certain conditions which have arisen in the radio industry as a result of its tremendous growth within the last few months; and to group together manufacturers whose radio products are of such dependable character as to maintain favorable public opinion toward the radio industry.

It is stated that all radio manufacturers, whether large or small, will be eligible for membership. The original group consisted of about 15 manufacturers. To this body there will be added, by invitation, about 20 additional concerns whose business standing and whose products are known to be of high order. New concerns will be eligible after their apparatus has been passed upon by a Board of five members. This Board will be appointed at the next meeting after new members, whose products have already been passed upon, are added to the membership list.

It is planned to exclude from the membership various concerns which have been organized purely for stock-jobbing purposes, and to exclude also manufacturers who are now turning out radio apparatus which has been found to be untrustworthy and which will eventually bring radio into disfavor on the part of purchasers of such undependable apparatus.

It is also stated that a large number of persons have entered into the business who

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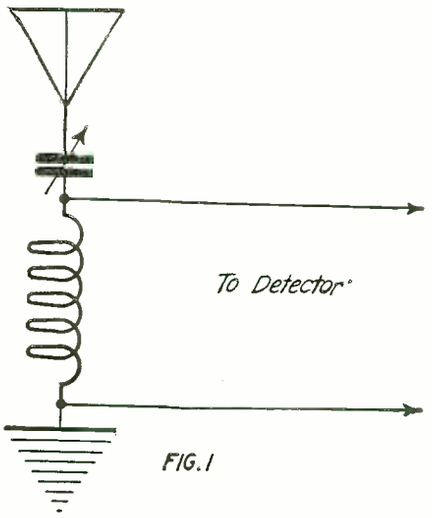
Practical Information on the Reception of Radio Signals

By A. F. VAN DYCK*

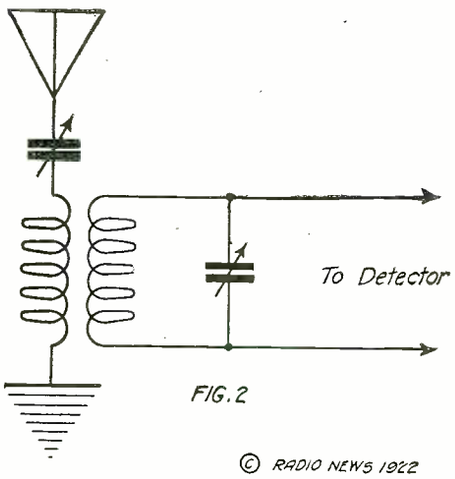


This Is the Simplest Tuning Circuit. The Wavelength is Varied by Adjusting the Variable Condenser.

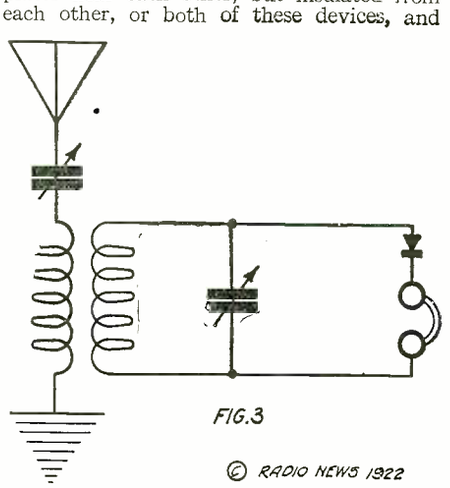
UNTIL recently communication by Radio has been confined chiefly to two classes: First, commercial and military service between points which could not be connected easily by wire lines, such as ship to shore, aircraft to ground, etc.; and second, the use of Radio as a pastime by amateur experimenters. Recently, however, the development of Radio telephony to commercial practicability has made it possible for persons not familiar with telegraph codes to send and receive Radio signals without any study or practice. Furthermore the possibility of sending out telephone concerts, news items, etc., from central Radio stations has interested a very large number of people who do not care to experiment with Radio apparatus, and this forms a third and new class of Radio communication. It is the object of this article to explain the principles of Radio sufficiently to make clear to such persons how Radio communication works.

First, we should consider what a Radio transmitting station is. If we erect a wire in the air above the ground and by some means cause an alternating current to flow in this wire, disturbances are produced in the ether around the wire, which travel away from the wire in all directions. Alternating currents of ordinary commercial frequencies such as 60 cycles might be used, but would not work very well. The disturbance in the ether will be greater the higher the frequency, and very high frequencies are used to get practical results. Radio transmitting stations use alternating currents of frequencies from 15,000 cycles to about 1,500,000 cycles per second. Of course special means are necessary to generate these very high frequency currents. We do not need to study just how these currents are generated in order to understand Radio reception. It need be understood only that alternating currents of very high frequency, when flowing in an elevated system of wires, send out ether disturbances, or waves, which constitute Radio transmission. Communication by means of these waves is accomplished by telegraph or telephone. If telegraph is desired, the alternating current in the elevated wire or antenna is started and stopped by means of a key, according to certain dot and dash symbols in the same way that wire telegraphy is carried on. If telephony is desired, the alternating current is arranged to flow in the antenna wires continuously, and the amplitude or strength of this current is varied in accordance with the variations of the speaker's voice.

These disturbances or waves in the ether travel in all directions, and if they strike any wire during their travels, they generate in that wire electric voltages of the same frequency as that of the alternating currents in the transmitting antenna which produced the waves. It is very important to notice this point. A receiving station is fundamentally nothing but a wire erected in the air, which will have voltage generated in it by waves passing through the ether, and further, that the voltages generated will have the same frequency as the frequency of the transmitting station from which the waves come. After the voltages are present in the receiving antenna, it is necessary to do two things: First, to make the currents which flow in the antenna, due to the voltage, as large as possible; and second, to provide some means for using or indicating these currents to make intelligible signals. The first of these requirements, that is, making the current in the receiving antenna as large as possible, is accomplished by the process known as tuning. Tuning consists of connecting in the antenna circuit a coil of wire, known as an inductor or condenser, which has a few metal plates near each other, but insulated from each other, or both of these devices, and adjusting the size of them (they are so made as to be conveniently adjustable) so as to make the current flow at a maximum. This results because turns of wire have one effect on opposing the flow of alternating current and condensers have another effect, so that when the two are made equal, they neutralize each other and the current becomes as large as the pure resistance of the wire will permit. So that the first part of any Radio receiver is the tuning part, whose function it is to make the current from the received wave as large as possible. In other words, tuning is simply adjusting the receiving apparatus for the frequency of the transmitter to be received so that it will get maximum current from that transmitter.



For Better Results the Primary and Secondary Should Consist of Separate Coils Forming Distinct Circuits Which May Be Tuned Individually.



This Complete Receiver Circuit May Be Tuned Sharply, Thanks to the Variable Coupling and the Variable Condenser.

The second requirement in reception, which comes into the problem after the current is as large as possible, is to convert this current, which is an alternating high frequency current, into direct current or low frequency alternating current. This is necessary because high frequency current will not operate a telephone receiver and low frequency or direct current will. This additional device is practically a rectifier, and is called a detector. There are two kinds of detectors now in use: One is the crystal detector which consists of a small piece of mineral resting on it; this requires no batteries to operate, but does require adjustment of the point on the mineral crystal to get a sensitive spot. The other type is the vacuum tube which is a better detector, and easier to keep in adjustment, but which is more expensive and requires batteries to operate. Either type of detector can be used for receiving Radio telephone signals. The current which comes out of the detector operates the telephone receivers producing the audible telegraph or telephone signals, which were sent out by the transmitting station.

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*Radio Engineer, General Electric Company.

Awards of the $50 Radio Wrinkle Contest

First Prize

A VERNIER CONDENSER

By W. A. CORVEY

The prize winning suggestion for a vernier condenser combines simplicity and utility. It is easily constructed and certain in operation. It is better than a mechanical vernier as the latter is usually not so staple and reliable, unless it is exceedingly well designed. Any amateur can make this vernier condenser which is shown in Fig. 1.

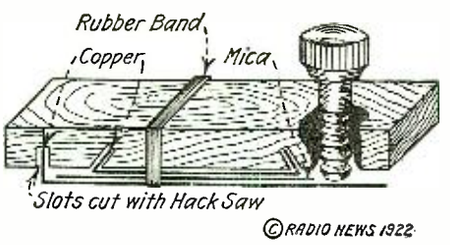


Diagram of the Vernier Condenser Submitted by the Winner of the First Prize. This Little Condenser is Very Simple in Construction But is Useful and Reliable in Operation.

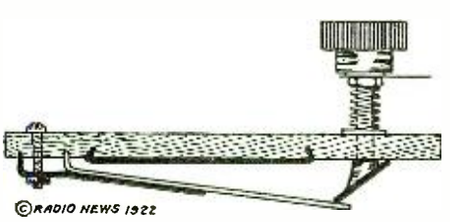
It consists of two small copper plates separated by pieces of Mica. A screw passing through the little panel on which the condenser is mounted, bears upon one of the plates, raising it away from or lowering it nearer to the other plate. The capacity of the condenser is very small and the control permits very fine adjustment. The rubber band acts as a spring to keep the movable plate pressed against the screw.

The fixed copper plate measures .9″ by 1.3″. Saw-cuts, as shown in the diagram, are made in the panel, which may be a piece of hard rubber or hard wood. The fixed plate is bent over .1″ at each end, and slid into the saw-cuts. A piece of mica is pasted over the plate to completely cover it. The movable plate measures .9″ by 1.5″ with .1″ bent over at one end to enter the slot in the panel.

The screw is a machine screw of any size with knob attached, and the hole in the panel is tapped to take the thread on the screw.

Mr. Corvey submitted another similar design of vernier condenser. This is not quite so simple to construct as the other, but, for the sake of those who are handy with tools, we also show this design in Fig. 2.

The dimensions are the same as the first. The difference lies in the method of varying the position of the movable plate, and obtaining tension. A piece of ⅜ inch brass 1.1″ long is used as a spring to hold the control, and there is a cam to raise or lower the plate. The brass spring is bent over .1″ and inserted in the slot, as indicated. It is held in position by a screw and bolt through the panel. The cam control consists of a machine screw with a large deep head. The head is filed down on one side so that the circular pieces measuring .4″ in diameter may be soldered to the screw at an angle of about 40 degrees. The screw passes through the hole in the panel, a washer is laid on, then a spiral spring, and next, a nut; finally, the knob is screwed on. When the knob is turned the cam raises or lowers the movable plate.



A Similar Design of Vernier Condenser Suggested by Mr. Corvey with a Cam Arrangement for Raising and Lowering the Movable Plate.

Second Prize

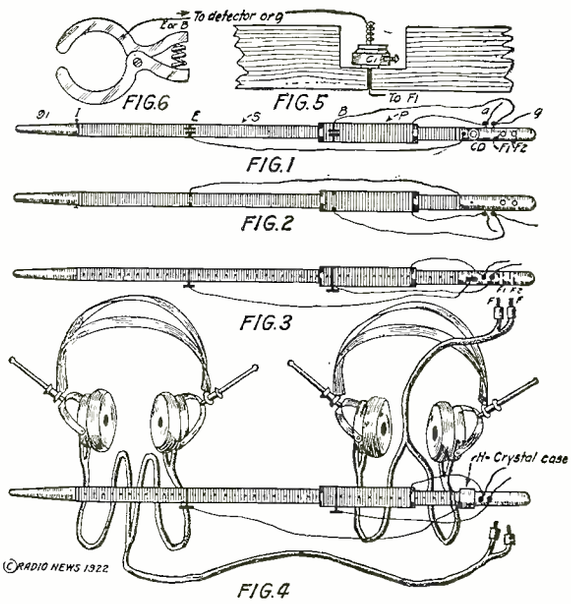
A WALKING-STICK RECEIVER

By Z. SEKINE

This is a simple, portable, and unique radio receiving set with a crystal detector and loose coupler. It is entirely constructed on a walking cane. The secondary coil is wound directly on the cane as shown in Fig. 1. The primary coil is wound on a cylinder made of cardboard just large enough to slide over the secondary. The secondary coil wire is magnet No. 26 and has 1100 turns. The primary coil wire is No. 24 with 200 turns. The crystal is placed in the handle of the cane at C D in Fig. 1, and the details can be seen in Fig. 5. In Fig. 3 F1 and F2 are holes lined with a thin sheet of brass and F and F1 are connected for operation.

The taps are taken every ⅞ of an inch on the secondary, and every half inch on the primary. The clamps E and B in Fig. 1 are used for tuning and they are made of copper wire which may be seen in Fig. 6 for construction. The entire hookup may be seen in Figs. 1, 2 and 3, and Fig. 4 shows the complete set. In Fig. 1, G is shown ground wire which may be used for outdoor operation by sticking it in the ground and, in this case, G may be connected on I.

This little set receives music and signals over a distance of about forty miles.



This Unique Design of Portable Crystal Receiver is in the Form of a Loose Coupler and Possesses the Advantage of Being Practical.

PRIZE WINNERS

First Prize, $25

Mr. W. A. Corvey, Fulton, Missouri.

Second Prize, $15

Mr. Z. Sekine, 192 Maple Avenue, Red Bank, New Jersey.

Third Prize, $10

Mr. Irwin C. Stoll, 2259 Leland Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Third Prize

AN ORIGINAL TUNING COIL SLIDER

BY IRWIN C. STOLL

With the slider illustrated in the diagram, it is possible to obtain very fine adjustments. It is particularly adapted for small tuning coils, as it might not be convenient on large coils. It is intended to be used on the secondary coil of a small loose coupler, although it may be adapted for other purposes.

A long piece of ¼″ square brass tubing, with one side removed, is used as a path in which the slider moves on a threaded rod. By turning the rod at one end, the slider, held in position by the brass tube, moves up or down the thread on the rod. The brass tubing is cut the same length as the tuning coil and is held in position by the end pieces shown in the diagram. These two end pieces are cut and drilled as indicated, and screwed to the ends of the tuning coil. The top of each end piece is bent over and a small screw passed through the hole and a corresponding hole drilled in the top of the brass tubing. A small bolt on each of these screws holds the tubing firmly to the end pieces.

The threaded rod consists of a length of brass rod turned down at each end, as shown, to pass through the remaining holes in the end pieces. The long end is threaded with an $^{8}/_{32}$ die to take the knob. The main thread on the rod may be large or small, according to the needs of the experimenter. If a very fine variation is desired, the thread is made small. An $^{11}/_{24}$ die will probably be found best. The slider consists of a piece of ¼″ square brass stock ¾″ long, drilled and tapped to take the thread on the rod. A piece of phosphor bronze is soldered to the base of the slider to make contact with the tuning coil.

(Editor's Note: The contest for which these prizes are now awarded was announced in the April-May issue of RADIO NEWS. No results were published last month as nothing sufficiently novel or interesting was entered in the contest. Hereafter, these awards will be made each month and the best offerings will receive the prizes, as announced on Page 63 of this issue.)

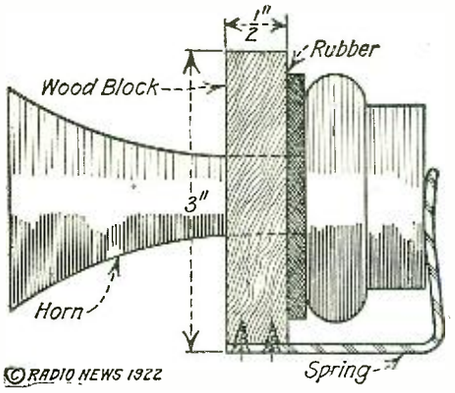
When the Knob on the Right is Turned the Slider Slowly Moves Along the Threads of the Rod, and a Very Fine Adjustment of Tuning is Obtained. This System is Particularly Suitable for Small Tuning Coils.

Useful Hints for Amateur Constructors

PHONE ADAPTER FOR LOUD SPEAKER

The phone adapter shown is easily made at practically no cost. It will work as well as any adapter which may be purchased. Separated by a piece of rubber, the phone is held to the wooden block by a simple spring. One feature about this attachment is that the receiver can be easily taken out and used elsewhere.

Contributed by CARL DILLMAN, Englewood, Calif.



An Easy Method of Connecting the Phone to the Loud-speaking Horn. The Phone Can Be Slipped In and Out With No Trouble.

SWITCH KNOB FROM A SPOOL

A simple switch knob may be made from an old spool and used for small sets.

The top of a spool is cut off at the groove and sand-papered until it is smooth. This forms the knob which should be painted with several coats of black enamel. The machine screw is inserted through the hole in the knob and a lever, made from a piece of brass, tightened to the knob with a nut.

Contributed by A. L. BYGDEN, Jamaica South, Long Island.

SIMPLE VERNIER RHEOSTAT

A close control of the filament current is sometimes a great convenience, especially with some types of detector tubes which require critical adjustment. If the vernier rheostat illustrated is used in series with the ordinary type of rheostat it will greatly facilitate this.

To construct this vernier, procure a wooden base about 2½" square, two screws, two binding posts, a switch lever and a piece of resistance wire.

Assemble the parts as shown in the diagram, connecting A and A′ to B and B′. The resistance wire is merely fastened to the screws, A and C, and allowed to spring upward, thus pressing upon the switch lever. This device will be a help in tuning for C. W. and phone.

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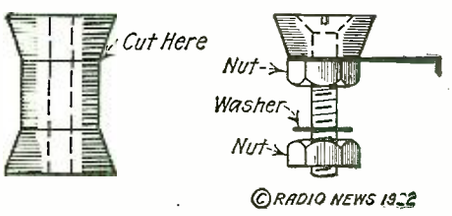
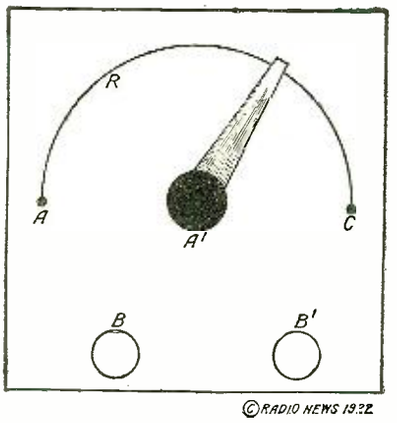


Why Pay Money for Knobs When an Old Spool Will Do the Trick? Sand-papered and Enamelled They Have a Good Enough Appearance for Most Purposes.



Detector Tubes Are Sometimes So Critical That It Is a Great Convenience to Use a Vernier Rheostat Like This One.

RAIN SHIELD FOR THE LEAD-IN

Most radio men using outside aerials have experienced trouble in preventing the grounding of the antenna in wet weather by rain running down the lead-in. The shield shown in the diagram will assist in avoiding this trouble.

The funnel is an ordinary one such as that used by garages for pouring oil or gas into a car. A cork is obtained which will fit in the top of the funnel from the inside. The aerial lead-in is brought through the funnel and a hole made through the middle of the cork. The cork is pushed tightly up into the funnel, and the end of the funnel is about one quarter filled with sealing-wax to make it water tight and free from wobble.

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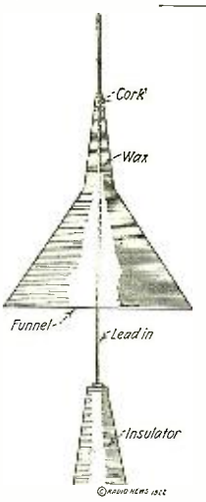

Often the Rain Trickles Through an Antenna Lead-in Insulator and Reduces the Efficiency, Particularly When Transmitting. This Simple Shield Will Prevent This.

VERNIER ADJUSTMENT ON DIALS

A vernier adjustment to be used on the dials of condensers may be easily made with the following parts:

3/16" rod
¾" rubber stopper
Knob to fit on rod
Cuff to fit rod

The rod is set out about three inches from the front of the panel which assists in eliminating the hand capacity effect when tuning for C. W. The rod passes through the panel and is inserted in a hole at the back of the cabinet. The cuff on the rod is brought close to the back of the panel. The rubber stopper is cut in half and a hole drilled through the middle. The rod is passed through with the larger end of the stopper towards the panel. The dial bears against the tapering rubber.

Contributed by W. B. JONES, JR.

A NEW LEAD-IN

From a piece of 1½" brass or copper strip, as used on Oscillation transformers, cut 2 strips 15" long. Drill one hole at each end of both strips. Lay the strips across the window sill and close the window. The strips will be formed, and allow the window to close. Tack the strips to the sill with small tacks and give them both a very light coat of paraffin to insulate them in case water gathers on the sill. At the outside end of each strip, connect double binding posts. The antenna is connected to one and the ground to the other. In the second holes of each of these binding posts insert a piece of No. 4 wire to make a safety gap as shown in the sketch.

It is just the thing for the unfortunate man whose landlord will not allow him to drill a hole through the window sill.

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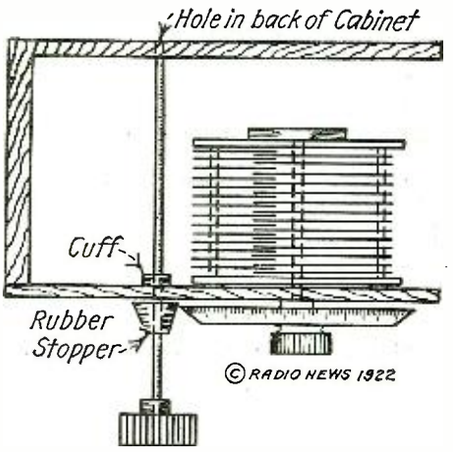

This Mechanical Vernier for Dials Will Reduce Body Capacity Effect and Permit Close Tuning.

BULB SHIELDS

My amplifier squealed so loudly when I put my hand near the vacuum tubes that it greatly retarded radio reception. A metal shield was placed on the panel but it did not help much. Then I made a paper tube which would slip over the vacuum tube and project about ½" from the top. The paper tube was painted with aluminum paint. I made these tubes for all of my bulbs and the results were remarkable. The squealing almost disappeared, permitting much better reception than before the bulbs were shielded. The aluminum gilt can easily be obtained at any hardware store.

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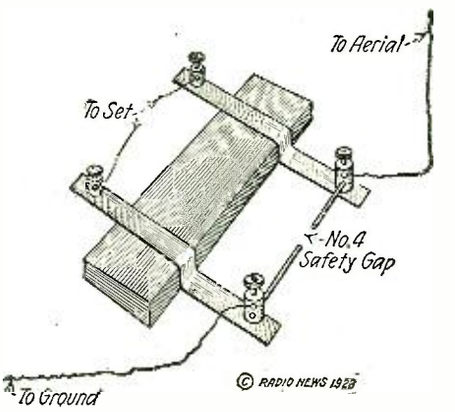
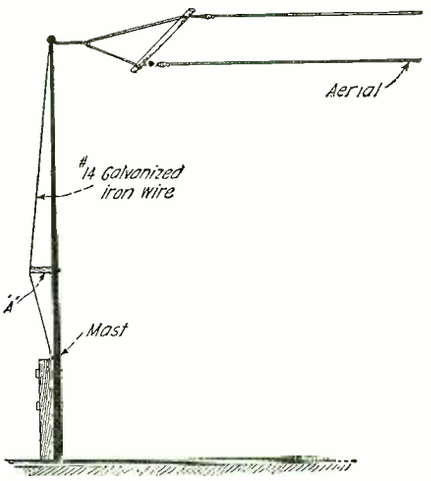


The Landlord Sometimes Objects to Holes Being Made Through the Window Sash. In That Case Use This Kind of Lead-in.



With this Arrangement the City Dweller Can Hold His Antenna Poles Rigid Without Stringing Guys to Adjoining Property.

A BRACE FOR THE AERIAL MAST

In almost every community a visiting amateur generally finds a few unsightly, sagging poles that give radio a "black eye." It happened that a friend of mine had a very thin pole he wished to erect that was about 25′ high. Now, a mast of these dimensions is easily bent by the slightest pull of the aerial or wind, but it was found that if a piece of heavy galvanized guy wire was stretched as a sort of truss, as is shown in the illustration, the mast was held straight.

It is best to fasten the wire securely to the top of the mast and then stretch it to the bottom and fasten it there with nails or bolts. Then a short piece of wood, "A," is forced between the pole and the wire, as shown. This piece of wood should be securely fastened to the pole with nails or screws and a large staple should be hammered over the wire at the other end.

When the wire and stick "A" are in place it may be found that the pole bends backwards, due to the tension of the wire, but when the aerial is erected the strain will be neutralized and a straight pole will result.

Using this method, poles 25′ to 30′ high can be held rigid without the aid of external guys which makes this type of bracing especially desirable in crowded cities where it is impossible to secure permission to string guy wires on the adjoining property.

Contributed by HARRY LUBCKE,
Alameda, Calif.

MOUNTING SPIDER-WEB COILS

So many amateurs have honeycomb coils and mountings that I conceived the idea of adapting the honeycomb coil mounting for use with home-made spider-web coils. This was accomplished by connecting the latter coils to the plug in the manner shown in the diagram. The coils must be wound on a bakelite or hard rubber form. Two pieces of brass to secure the form to the plug are cut in the shape indicated; two holes are drilled in the strip and corresponding holes through the honeycomb coil plug. In drilling these holes, care should be taken not to touch any of the metal points in the plug. The spider-web coil form is held to these brass strips by two bolts through the holes at the end of each strip. In mounting the coils the metal strips on the middle coil should be bent to bring it to the exact center and the other two coils are mounted with the side holding the coil plugs toward the center.

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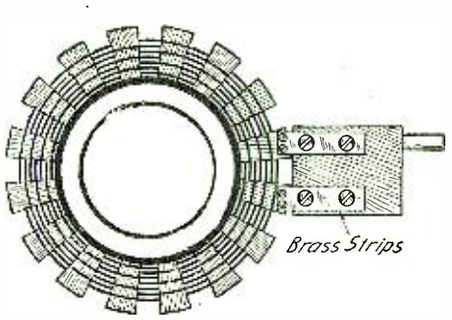


Spider-Web Coils Can be Connected on Honeycomb Coil Plugs in this Manner, and the Same Mounting Used for Either Type of Coil.

$50 in Prizes

WE have inaugurated a special prize contest for radio amateurs and beginners. There will be three monthly prizes, and all other ideas published will be paid for, at the rate of $2 each. The prizes will be as follows:

First Prize	$25.00 in gold
Second Prize	$15.00 in gold
Third Prize	$10.00 in gold
Total	$50.00 in gold

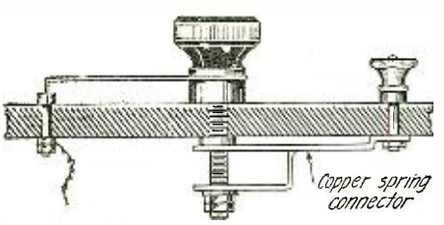
The closing date for this contest will be the first of each month, and results will be published the second month following. For instance, the closing date now will be July 1, and the names of the prize winners will appear in the September issue of RADIO NEWS.

We desire simple ideas exclusively for the beginner and the novice, the simpler the radio idea the better the chance to win the prize.

There are lots of valuable little stunts that you amateurs run across every month, and we mean to publish these for the benefit of the entire Radio Fraternity.

If possible, a clear photograph should be sent with the idea, but if that is not possible, a good sketch will do.

This prize contest is open to everyone. All prizes will be paid upon publication. If two contestants submit the same idea, both will receive the same prize. Address all manuscripts, photos, and models to *Editor Radio Wrinkle Contest,* care of this publication.

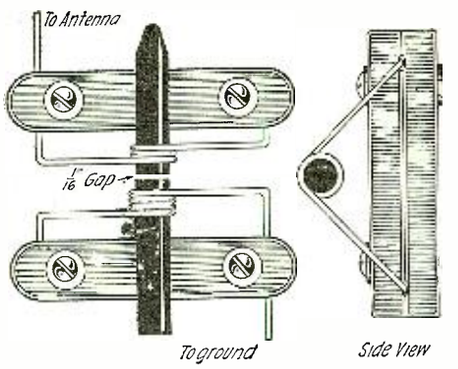


Permanent Contact is Maintained with this Type of Switch. The Piece of Bent Copper Connects the Center of the Switch to the Binding Post.

PERMANENT CONTACT FOR SWITCH

A common trouble in some receiving sets is a loose or broken connection on movable parts. This suggestion for the design of a permanent spring contact switch is made to eliminate this trouble. The essential part of the switch is a copper strip connecting the lever to the binding post. This does away with a wire connection which is apt to become loose or broken. The contact of the copper strip is maintained by bending it in the manner shown to form a spring action, and it is held in place by lock-nuts. This arrangement prevents loosening of the switch. I have used this very successfully, and have found it very practical and efficient.

Contributed by FREDERICK AYER,
New York.



A Lightning Spark Gap is Easily Made with Four Porcelain Cleats and Two Pieces of Carbon.

LIGHTNING SPARK GAP

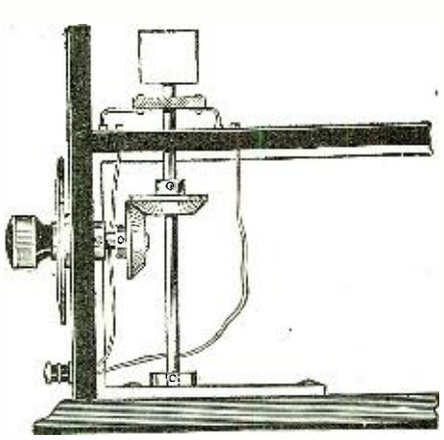
The protective device shown in the drawings is easily constructed and will conform to the rules of the underwriters for receiving stations. It will also provide added protection to the lightning switch of the transmitting station.

It consists of two short pieces of carbon such as are thrown away daily from street-lamps. Some of these are copper plated, which are preferable; four glazed two-wire porcelain cleats are arranged in pairs as indicated in the illustration. A few turns of bare copper wire of suitable size and stiffness hold the carbons in place. The carbons are separated 1/16". The wires are clamped between the cleats. In case the cleats do not "bite" hard enough, wind the wires with tape. The whole outfit need not cost over fifty cents and most of the material can be found in any amateur's junkbox.

Contributed by HARRIS C. HARVEY,
Buffalo, N. Y.

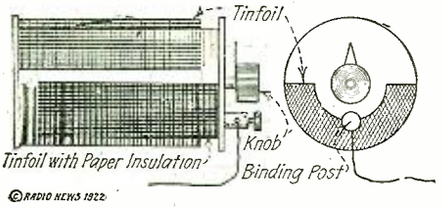
PANEL MOUNTING FOR LOOP AERIAL

The arrangement suggested by the diagram is a panel mounting for a loop aerial. By means of the dial on the front of the panel, a record may be kept of the directions of certain stations or the angle at which it is necessary to turn the loop in order to receive strongest signals from any particular station. A simple method of turning a loop without handling the wires and entangling the leads has sometimes been a problem to the experimenter. This method controls the loop by a simple gear arrangement. When the front dial is turned the gear at the end of the rod passing through the panel engages with the gear on the upright which supports the loop, and the loop is revolved. The ends of the loop wire are brought to two switch levers held to the upright and revolves with the loop. Each makes contact with a circular brass strip on top of the cabinet. From each of these strips wires are led to two binding posts on the front of the panel.



An Ingenious Method of Mounting and Turning a Loop Aerial. A Record Can be Kept of the Directions of Stations.

A VARIABLE CONDENSER



A Variable Condenser Can be Constructed Out of Two Round Pasteboard Containers and Some Tinfoil in this Manner.

Two round pasteboard boxes, such as oyster containers, a knob and pointer, tinfoil, and two binding posts are needed. One of the boxes should be slightly smaller than the other to fit inside.

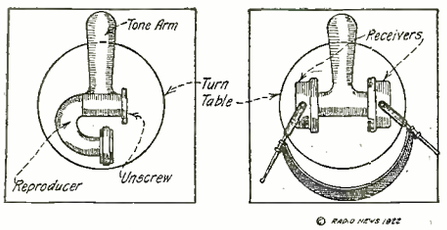
A piece of tinfoil is fastened to the inside box to cover just half of it, as shown in the drawing. A knob is fastened to the front of this box to turn it, and a binding post, which makes contact with the foil. A thin sheet of paper should be pasted over the tinfoil to insulate it. The outside box is covered in the same way as the inside, although, if the pasteboard is very heavy, it is better to fasten the tinfoil on the inside of the outer box.

Contributed by C. W. LAHMAN,
Franklin Grove, Ill.

USING THE SOUND BOX OF THE PHONOGRAPH AS A LOUD-SPEAKER

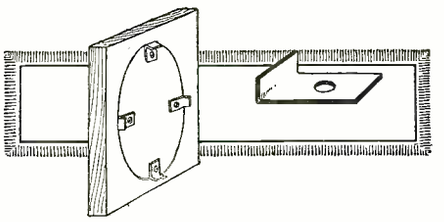
I have seen advertised for $3 a device by which a telephone receiver is attached to the phonograph in place of a loud-speaker. I accomplished the same result in a very simple manner. I removed not only the reproducer but the semi-circular arm which supports it. A double head set was laid on the turn-table with one receiver on each side of the tone arm. Both receivers were thus utilized and excellent results obtained. This stunt may be used with nearly every type of machine.

Contributed by WINTHROP M. LEEDS,
Germantown, Pa.



A Special Adapter is Not Necessary to Use the Phonograph Horn as a Loud-Speaker. If the Arm Which Supports the Reproducer is Removed the Phones Can be Held on Each Side of the Tone Arm.

HOLDING THE TUNING COIL IN PLACE



An Easy Method of Holding the Tuning Coil in Place Against the End Pieces of the Coil.

While I was making a tuning coil, I found an easy way to fasten the coil to the two end pieces without carving a ridge in the ends for the coil to rest upon. I cut eight little brackets measuring 1⅜″ by ½″ from a piece of tin. One end of each bracket was turned up and a hole drilled in the middle of the bracket for the screw in the position shown in the diagram. To mount the tuning coil, the circumference of the coil is marked with a circle on both the end pieces. The four brackets are screwed on each end piece around the circumference. The brackets clip over the tuning coil to hold it in place. When the slider rods are attached everything is secure.

Contributed by CARL STEINMETZ,
Jersey City, N. J.

$375.00 Pocket Radiophone Prize Contest

(RADIO NEWS' Sixth Prize Contest)

WE present a new $375 prize contest to our readers, entitled

POCKET RADIOPHONE PRIZE CONTEST

We wish to say right here, in order not to mislead our Radio experts that we are using the word "Radiophone" advisedly. In popular parlance, a radiophone outfit these days means anything that can receive broadcast entertainment. In reality, and in technical language, a radiophone is an outfit which *transmits* radio telephony.

This contest has to do with a radio receiving set small enough to be placed in the pocket. At the present time, particularly, there is a lively interest being displayed for such outfits not only for vacation purposes, but for automobile work, motor boats, hiking trips, for the home, etc. The time is drawing near when the big, bulky outfit will be a thing of the past.

RADIO NEWS has always wished to advance the Radio art as much as possible and always tries to encourage new developments in the various Radio phases. Hence this prize contest.

As will be remembered, we ran a contest similar to this one in 1920, which was our third contest entitled "$100 Portable Radio Prize Contest." This contest differs from the former in that we restrict the size of the outfit so that it becomes a true pocket outfit. Remember that the Editors are not looking for freaks. The outfit must work and in order to prove it, it is necessary that the contestant MUST build it, as no entries can be considered unless each is accompanied by photograph, or the actual outfit.

This contest will give our Radio enthusiasts a chance to show their ingenuity. When we say pocket outfit, we mean just that. As long as the outfit can be slipped into an ordinary coat pocket, it is eligible. If it can be made smaller, as for instance, to fit into a watch case, or still smaller for that matter, the Editors will have no objection to this, as long as the outfit works.

It makes no difference what style of detector is used; it may be a crystal set, or it may be a vacuum tube set.

AERIAL: A pocket Radio set naturally cannot be used with a bulky aerial. If you go on an automobile trip, or go camping, the outfit must be able to bring in the radio entertainment without the addition of bulky poles, spreaders, and the like. We all know that a single wire anywhere from 60′ to 100′, is, as a rule, sufficient to bring in the broadcast entertainment reasonably clear. We, therefore, need besides the outfit, an antenna outfit, and this too must be small enough to fit into the pocket. That means, of course, that we must have a separate box or container to house the aerial wire, insulators, and other necessary paraphernalia. Of course, if the constructor can encompass the entire radio outfit, instruments and all, plus aerial in a single box or container, so much the better.

On the other hand, it would be almost impossible to build a vacuum tube set and fit it into the dimensions which we give below, and which must be surpassed. Such an outfit needs batteries, and it would, therefore, be allowable to have two separate boxes or containers, one to contain the Radio instruments with its tubes, while the other would contain sufficient batteries, aerial wire, etc. We appreciate that we do not allow much room for the batteries, but there are tubes made at the present time which may work without "B" batteries, using only the voltage drop from the "A" battery, which may consist of four dry cells to a voltage of 6, or thereabouts.

PRIZES
$375.00 IN GOLD

First Prize -	**$150.00**
Second Prize	**100.00**
Third Prize -	**75.00**
Fourth Prize -	**50.00**
TOTAL -	**$375.00**

In publishing the various ideas, all the rights revert to the publishers, the latter also reserve themselves the rights to publish all manuscripts sent in to this contest, although not prize winners; in that case full space rates will be allowed.

As will be noticed, the publishers offer prizes totaling $375 on the best idea for the most practical and efficient radiophone receiving outfit that will fit in the average coat pocket. Several radio experts will act as judges, and all judges will pass upon the manuscripts submitted so that all contestants will be treated fairly and impartially.

From the very nature of this contest, we are quite certain that it will not only bring out the very best there is in the American radio amateur, but that it will advance the art for small radio receiving outfits considerably.

RULES FOR THE CONTEST

The receiving set to be eligible must be of the usual receiving type, vacuum tube or crystal detectors can be used at the option of the builder.

Some new constructional feature embodied in the outfit not used before will be necessary to win a prize.

It is necessary that the set has been actually built and must be either in use, or formerly used.

Mere ideas or patent descriptions, as well as commercial Radio outfits, are strictly excluded from this contest, which is only for individuals.

Where standard instruments, such as condensers, tubes, etc., are used, the make of such instruments must be stated.

A good diagram of the connections, well executed in ink, must be furnished.

A good photograph not smaller than 5″x7″, giving at least two views of the outfit is necessary.

A photograph of the builder is also required.

The size of the outfit itself cannot be larger than 4″ wide, by 6½″ long by 2″ high; these are the outside dimensions. It is allowable to have in addition to this, an extra container or box for the aerial, batteries, insulators, etc., but not more than two containers or boxes of this size are allowed.

Telephone receivers are not included, and can be separate, that is outside of these dimensions. It is, however, allowable for constructors to use a single telephone receiver and build this directly into the outfit so that the entire outfit can be held against the ear if such a construction is preferred.

All photographs, diagrams, and other data sent in by contestants, which are not used, will be returned at the publishers' expense.

Where the judges seem to have doubt as to the practicability of the instrument, they reserve the right to inspect and test the set. Insured parcel post charges for expressage at the publishers' expense both ways. Such instruments will be returned promptly to the builders.

It is better to submit the outfit with the entry wherever possible. More than one outfit may be entered by contestants. The contest is open to everyone, Radio Clubs included, except manufacturers of Radio apparatus.

Manuscripts must not be longer than 1,500 words.

All prizes will be paid upon publication.

THIS CONTEST CLOSES IN NEW YORK AUGUST 15, AND THE FIRST PRIZE-WINNING ARTICLE WILL APPEAR IN THE OCTOBER, 1922, ISSUE. ADDRESS ALL MANUSCRIPTS, PHOTOGRAPHS, ETC., TO EDITOR, POCKET RADIOPHONE CONTEST, CARE OF THIS PUBLICATION.

Who's Who in Radio

ELMAN B. MYERS

No. 17 — An Interview With the Inventor

IN Radio development, as in automobiles or aeroplanes, it is the man who does the "stunts" who becomes the hero of the hour and occupies the center of the stage. On the other hand, men who give years of tireless effort to the development of the machine or apparatus which enables the hero to accomplish his wonderful feats are often lost sight of.

It is often these men who have gone through the trials and struggles of creative effort who really deserve the greatest credit. This is peculiarly true of Radio development, and possibly one of the most outstanding figures among this group of scientists who have never sought publicity is Elman B. Myers, of Jersey City, N. J.

On visiting him in his laboratories I was greeted by a man of modest mien who was very reticent until he found that I was a radio fan myself. On asking some questions regarding certain experimental work in progress, his face brightened with an expression which proved that after his many years of investigation he still retains his original enthusiasm.

At heart he is still a boy showing the keenest interest in anything relating to Radio investigation and even to answering my questions, which must have been very elementary to a man of his broad knowledge. He still has the greatest interest in the Radio Amateur and all through the present great demand he has seen that all individual orders from amateurs for material were given first attention.

Possibly few amateurs know that Elman B. Myers was the first to use the Galena crystal as a detector. He laughed as he told me of his discovery, saying that at the time he took a piece of the crystal to a Mr. White, who was then operator of the old Manhattan Beach station and was at the time using carborundum as a detector. Mr. White broke all receiving records in the next two weeks through use of the newly discovered material in radio application.

Few of the amateurs of today who nightly use their vacuum tubes realize that Mr. Myers manufactured the first audion tubes in America.

It was while acting as engineer for Dr. de Forest that he designed the present audiotron tube and equipped the first audion manufacturing plant in America, Dr. de Forest paying him a royalty of 30c. per tube.

MR. ELMAN B. MYERS

Back in 1909, when he was employed by the Poulsen Wireless Telegraph and Telephone Co., Mr. Myers designed and built the first Poulsen arc constructed in this country.

Right here I might relate some of the things Mr. Myers spoke of in connection with his experience while with the Poulsen company. They may give the reader some idea of the early struggles out of which our present Radio grew. At this time the Poulsen plant was housed in an old garage equipped with one old lathe and drill press. In common parlance of the street the company was "broke."

Mr. C. F. Elwell, then head of the company and now a Radio Engineer, pawned his diamonds to buy food for the men whose daily rations consisted of a bottle of milk and a loaf of rye bread. Mr. Myers said that at one time the men went without food for four days. Out of such purpose to succeed and indomitable will to do was our present Radio development accomplished. It is little short of a marvelous accomplishment when one considers the tremendous size to which the Poulsen company has grown.

It was while with the Poulsen company that Mr. Myers, associated with Mr. Logwood, observed the first beat note of the heterodyne circuit, brought about by the interference between two Radio telephone lines which he was then operating between Stockton and Sacramento, Calif., a distance of 50 miles. Later on, returning to the Atlantic Coast, he conducted the first Transatlantic tests made with an audion oscillator.

As early as 1912 Mr. Myers, at an expense of $35,000, erected and operated a high-power, broadcasting station at Albany, N. Y. From here he broadcasted regular programs nightly to a comparatively small audience. So much attention was created by this broadcasting that the New York *World* and other papers ran several illustrated articles concerning it and the Pathé Frères made a long film of the station in operation as a part of their news events.

It was about this time that the German liner, "Imperator," made her maiden voyage and Mr. Myers held Radio Telephone conversations with her operator while the ship was still far out at sea.

It was while operating the broadcasting station at Albany that Mr. Myers, working with Mr. Armstrong, supplied the energy with which Armstrong conducted several of his experiments with his regenerative circuit.

It may interest some to know that the great steel tower erected in New Jersey, from

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Suggestions for the Summer

By HOWARD C. WILEY

THE QST* of the good old summer time is heard very QSA* at this season of the year and this call will cause considerable QRM* with radio unless we all QRX* and offset it in some way.

What shall we do to keep up the interest in radio during the summer? Someone answers that we don't have to do anything; that radio itself will not permit the interest to lag; that the broadcasting programs will continue to do all that is necessary, so, why worry? That is all true enough, but how about our friend (?) static. All powerful during the summer months! Think what a thunderstorm miles away is going to sound like in your Baldwins or on your Magnavox! No, after a few experiences with static spoiling perfectly good programs, the lights will be turned low and the dust will collect on the nice mahogany cabinets. My, what a "crepe-hanger" this fellow static is! Well, then, here is the bright side: The poor, overworked manufacturers of radio equipment will have a chance to catch up on their orders; by the fall we may be able to get a U.V.-200, even if we do have to part with most of our small change. The storekeepers will have enlarged their stores and their stocks and everything will be all set for one big time next winter.

What are we going to do this summer? As hinted above, we are going to have plenty of static. Why not practice on it? I do not mean cultivate it or encourage it in the least little way, but rather find some simple, easy trick which will reduce its horrible habit of mutilating a perfectly respectable signal or a classic violin solo. Just train those habits in the way they should go, i.e., where it is warm. It is not the purpose of this article to tell how this may be done; the pleasure is all yours.

Then, again, perhaps you live within receiving range of two or three broadcasting stations and know how any nice program can be turned into worse than jazz by not being able to tune each one separately. The writer, not long ago, had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Wm. J. Bryan, at KDKA, a minister preaching at WBZ and conversations to and from the "America," at the same instant. Deal Beach got first place, KDKA second, and WBZ came in when the others stopped. Why not study your set and find out what can be done to increase the selectivity. It is said that we may receive signals coming in on the same wave length from two or three stations and tune in the desired station according to its power and distance. "'Tis a consummation devoutly to be wished" as our friend Hamlet used to say to himself. We have all known the experience of building or buying a piece of apparatus in a hurry; installing in a hurry and getting the results as soon as possible. If we got any results at all, we were extremely fortunate and usually let it go at that; if we did not get any results we had to go painfully over the ground again, take more time, study the thing out and in the end probably get much better results than we would have if the thing had worked the first time. How lucky the fellow is whose experiments do not work the first time! How much better acquainted he is with his problems if he gets a few bumps on the road to success! All of which is intended to suggest to the gentle reader that the coming winter will be enjoyed very much more if your outfits are in the pink of condition. Do you remember your vacation last summer? How you lay on the sand for your breakfast to digest or waited for the tide so you could enjoy a swim? Do you remember the rainy days when life was a dreadful bore? Why not study up on this radio thing a bit? The Government Printing Office sells a book entitled, "Principles Underlying Radio Communications."

There is still another way to improve the summer months and one which will bring returns far in excess of anything you have experienced in radio yet, provided you are

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Correspondence From Readers

ACCEPTED WITH PLEASURE

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

About a year ago I wrote you, what I fondly imagined, a very sarcastic letter in reference to certain "Correspondence From Readers," and your comments. It had to do with the A. R. R. L. and I am unfortunate enough to be hot-headed. After I sent it and ever since, until now, I have felt decidedly ashamed of my childish action.

I think I can see things more clearly now and I do not believe that two such factions as the R. L. O. A. and the A. R. R. L. should be antagonistic forever.

No doubt you have long since forgotten the above mentioned incident, but you will do me a great service by letting me know that my apology has been accepted. Also I desire very much to again be a member of the R. L. O. A. I sent in my membership certificate, but if possible or convenient I should like it returned.

C. E. MILLER.

Champaign, Ill.

CAN THIS BE ?

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Having read Geo. C. Haseltine's article in the March issue of RADIO NEWS concerning his splendid galena record, I have decided to send you my record.

On the night of April 1, (this is no April fool joke), I received four different radiophone stations: KDKA, Pittsburgh, WWJ, Detroit, KYW, Chicago, and 2XJ (listed in call book as Elberon, N. J.). All of these were heard on galena.

I do not hear all of these every night, but always hear one or more. Part of the time when Detroit or Chicago was sending out the news I could hear Pittsburgh sending music. I think that if all of the large broadcasting stations would each send out on a different wave-length there would not be so much interference.

Let us hear from some more galena records.

JOHN M. SHANNER.

Oakland City, Ind.

ARE CANADIANS BECOMING AMERICANIZED BY RADIO ?

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Everybody has heard of the many wonders of the radiophone. However, few people have ever thought what a tremendous influence the American high-powered radiophones are having and will have on Canadians.

As yet there are no regular nightly radiophone concerts given in Canada, so the only and most natural thing to do is to turn to the States for them.

There we hear music, talks, sermons, etc. These sermons and talks tend to teach the Canadians the American way of speaking and thinking, which is not always our way.

Take for instance the letter z. You pronounce it zee while we pronounce it zaid. Also the word theatre. In the States it is pronounced 'thee-ate-er,' while in Canada it is pronounced 'thee-a-ter. In time these words, along with many others are bound to work their way into Canada and one will hear them in every-day talk.

Also when one reads your magazines, and, in fact, any of your magazines, he notices that a number of words are shortened. An example of this is the word phone, also through; sometimes these words are spelled by you as fone and thru.

When a boy hears these high-powered stations for the first time he wants to find out where they are located. In doing this he is gaining a wonderful geographical knowledge of the States. After a fellow has heard several dozen stations he probably has a more accurate knowledge of the country across the border than he has of his own country.

The radio fans usually are boys who will be Canada's future men. Now if these boys are educated to think and talk like our friends over the line, our future men will be partially Americanized, which will not be the best thing for Canada.

There is but one thing that can curb this: Canadians must not be so narrow-minded and tight-fisted. Surely we can see that radiophone broadcasting stations are a necessity to the country, and most profitable to the owners. As RADIO NEWS stated recently, a broadcasting station nearly pays for itself in forty-eight hours. This is, of course, slightly exaggerated, but it means that it is highly profitable, and one wonders why there are not a number of electrical concerns in Canada with as large stations as there are in the States.

Long before two years are over we must have our own ether filled to overflowing with Canadian voices, Canadian music and Canadian news. Otherwise, we may suffer.

Suffer—how suffer? Doesn't it at once become clear to you? We hear American voices thronging the ether, American news and American thoughts. We at once begin to think and to talk as Americans. We become very friendly with Americans. We might go so far as to move to the States.

So, Canada, take heed, and don't lag behind in the greatest gift the Lord has given to mankind.

W. E. WEAVER.

Hespeler, Ontario, Canada.

WE DON'T WANT TO TAKE THE BLAME

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

While reading RADIO NEWS, I saw your article on "Radio Broadcasting." I am an amateur and have built my own apparatus, but have no transmitting apparatus as yet. However, I expect to have a 100-watt phone set by the Fall. I have used the standard three honeycomb coil hook-up. I have heard WWJ, Detroit, KDKA, KYW and WJZ, all on 360 meters and all broadcasting at the same time, and have not been able to tune any of them out. I have had to listen to one of them while the others were squealing, and when Canute Field transmits I cannot hear anything at all. I believe he transmits on 485 meters. I think these stations should be strung out as you have stated; the spark ham is not always to blame.

MERWIN CROWL.

Gibson City, Ill.

CHANGE THE WAVE LENGTHS

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

I have read very carefully your article in RADIO NEWS entitled "Important New Radio Legislation."

Recently I have been listening to the various concerts broadcasted from Pittsburgh, Newark, etc., and the only interference that I had, other than static, was from commercial spark stations which were on low wavelengths. One was very loud and shut out all others and I tuned him in sharply on two points below Pittsburgh on the Westinghouse R. C. set. I get Pittsburgh on 25½ on the tuner.

Numbers of them come down as low as 30, and there is no possible way to tune them out. The only thing is to sit and wait for them to stop.

One night I was listening to the Point Breeze service and during the sermon some one started, throwing the voice completely out.

Therefore, let me suggest that some legislation be applied to make the spark commercial sets keep within a given range and put some device on their sets so that they can not be picked up on such a wide range of wave-lengths. I am not in a position to say if the latter can be done or not, but it is certainly needed.

Have received my first copy of RADIO NEWS and one article in it has been worth the year's subscription to me, provided it works as well as its writer says it will.

Would it be of any service to you to know the parties who send on such low wavelengths? The Government has a radio station near here and I can probably get some of the boys there to assist me and read the spark signals, as I can not, and in that way find out who they are.

A. G. TRENHOLM.

Georgetown, S. C.

BROADCASTERS, NOTE THIS

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

In RADIO NEWS, which I take regularly, I often see requests for suggestions; also nearly every broadcasting station asks for suggestions as to how they may better their programs and management.

I have a receiving set that I built from standard parts, with which I hear distinctly concerts as far distant as 1,000 miles, but I am not *always* able to hear the announcer sign off. Some repeat their Radio call letters, which is a good idea. Another suggestion is that they give these letters before and after each selection, and give them slowly and loudly. I have heard over 20 stations in the last three weeks and could only get the letters or locations of 15. Sometimes another station might interfere just when the letters were being given, or a crash of static might drown some of the letters, while a few seconds later I could hear the words of a song very distinctly.

Nearly every one who has a receiver wants to know to whom he is listening just as much as he wants to hear the speech or music. It took me a week to get the signing of WLK, WWJ and KGI, while I heard their concerts very clearly.

I heard WLK, who is about 900 miles away, very plainly, while KGY, who is 28 miles away, was in operation. I hear KDKA

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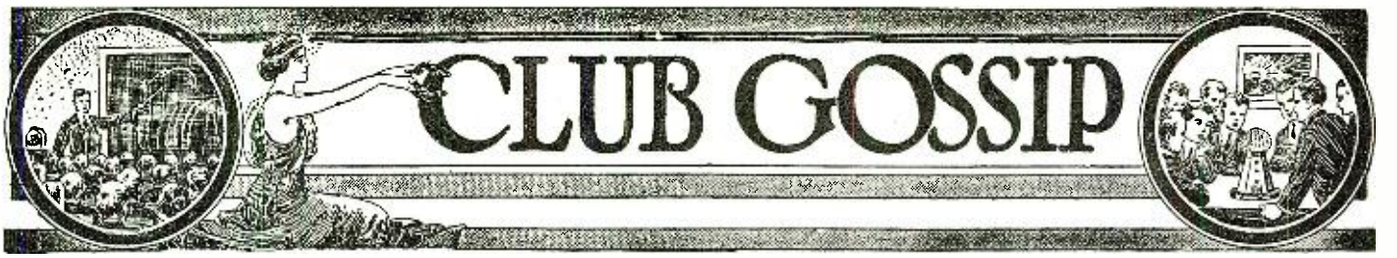

VANCOUVER ISLAND RADIO CLUB

This Club was formed in December, 1921, with an initial membership of 12, and has since made steady progress, the membership now being 22. A start was made under favorable conditions when the Pacific Salvage Company gave the members the use of a large, well-lighted and well-heated room in the upper story of the building on their wharf for use as a club room. An acrial was run from the top of this building to the top of the post office, a distance of about 400' and as soon as sufficient funds were accumulated a tuner panel using honeycombs and spider webs and a separate V. T. detector panel were installed. With this the music from San Francisco Bay was brought in clearly and distinctly. Subsequently two more panels were assembled, one being a single stage of radio frequency and the other being two stages of audio frequency. Putting the radio frequency panel between the tuner and detector and the audio frequency panel outside of that and using a loud speaker made from a phonograph horn and a Type "C" Baldwin phone, first class results have been achieved. This apparatus was all purchased with Club funds and the next unit will probably be either a 10 or 20-watt C. W. transmission panel.

The use of a 200-meter wave for C. W. phone and key transmission, hitherto confined to the Eastern Provinces during the winter months, but for which general authority was recently given by the Department of the Naval Service, will undoubtedly result in relay work being taken up in earnest throughout Canada. It is hoped that when the new regulations which are in course of preparation by the Navy Department are completed, provision for 150 meters, minimum for spark stations, will be included.

Three C. W. transmission outfits are now under construction, 5DH, H. B. Elworthy, Victoria, with 10 watts, will be in operation by the time this reaches print, while Reeves at Duncan and Frampton at Mt. Tolmie will be in operation later. Burton, 5DX Victoria, the youngest and one of the most successful members of the Club, will have a ½-K.W. rotary spark in commission within the next two weeks, and Cooper 5AA of James Island has a ¼-K.W. rotary set well on the road to completion. A number of other good transmitting sets are projected and if they materialize will help to swell the number of relay league possibilities. There are any number of small spark sets and plenty of good receiving outfits on the Island, especially around Victoria, and some of these will probably develop during the summer.

On Thursday, March 9, a splendid lecture on the vacuum tube was given by Mr. K. G. Moffatt, the Government radio engineer, the club room being filled to capacity; the lecture committee is arranging for others at regular intervals. The first of a series of public concerts was given on Thursday, March 23.

The President of the Club is H. B. Elworthy and the Secretary-Treasurer is A. L. Pondrier; all communications should be addressed to P. O. Box 472, Victoria, B. C.

WOMEN'S RADIO LEAGUE OF AMERICA

The Women's Radio League of America, Inc., held its first annual meeting on Tuesday evening, May 2, in Room 907 Y. W. C. A. Building, 53rd Street and Lexington Avenue, New York.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Abbie Morrison; Vice-President, Mrs. Eleanor G. Regan; Secretary, Mrs. J. Koch; Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Rhodes.

The regular meetings of the League are held on the first and third Tuesday evenings of every month at the above address. Code practice for those who wish it is at 8 P. M., business meeting at 8:30 and the speech of the evening at 9:00.

At the meeting held on May 16, Mr. A. H. Hebert, an official of the American Radio Relay League and member of the Second District Executive Council, spoke on "Cooperation and Organization."

All women interested in radio are invited to attend these meetings and if desired, courses in radio telegraphy or telephony can be arranged for.

THE FRESNO RADIO CLUB

The radio fans of Fresno, California, at a recent radio mass meeting, organized a radio club to be known as The Fresno Radio Club, with a membership of 30. The club has established permanent headquarters at 1849 J St., Fresno, Calif., and has ordered a complete 10-watt phone and C.W. set which the members expect to have in operation within a short time, as well as one K.W. spark set. The station will be in operation every night during the week under a regular schedule and it is hoped to make Fresno one of the leading relay points in California.

The club will be glad to hear from other radio organizations throughout the Pacific coast with the purpose in view of establishing a dependable means of communication between Fresno and other Pacific coast cities. Please address all communications to Jas. R. Harding, President Fresno Radio Club, 1817 Tulare St., Fresno, Calif.

THE NORTH EASTERN COLORADO RADIO CLUB

The North Eastern Colorado Radio Club was organized Friday, April 14, 1922. The object of the club is to promote "The Study of the Theory and Operation of Radio Communication." We have 32 members at present, but expect to run over the one hundred mark soon. Meetings are held every Friday night at eight o'clock. The program consists of about 30 minutes of radiophone reception, followed by papers from different members of the club, or an outside speaker. After this, those interested have 30 minutes for code practice.

We have a splendid receiving set, consisting of a Type 110 Universal Regenerative Receiver with a three-step power amplifier. We intend to install a 100-watt C. W. transmitting set soon.

The North Eastern Colorado Radio Club has a splendid reference library, with all of the current radio magazines, and latest books.

The officers are as follows: H. T. Van Valkenburgh, president; Niel Curlee, vice-president; K. C. Morse, consulting engineer; C. A. N. Armstrong, secretary-treasurer.

We would be glad to communicate with any other radio club. Address all communications to C. A. N. Armstrong, 227 N. 2nd St., Sterling, Colo.

FARGO-MOORHEAD RADIO CLUB

The organization of the Fargo-Moorhead Radio Club was completed April 14, 1922, at the Fargo Commercial Club. The following were elected officers to serve one year: E. C. Reincke, president; Bertrum Wick, vice-president; K. M. Hance, secretary-treasurer.

After adopting a constitution, a set of traffic rules were approved, which will effectively control the operation of transmitting apparatus within the two cities so as to cause a minimum of interference with the radiophone broadcasts.

Bertrum Wick was appointed Traffic Manager and given the authority to enforce these rules.

The regular meetings will be held at the Fargo Commercial Club on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 8 P. M.

Those desiring to communicate with the Club can do so by addressing the secretary, K. M. Hance, Box 245, Fargo, North Dakota.

THE FOREST RADIO CLUB

The Forest Radio Club of Forest Avenue High School, Dallas, Texas, was organized March 27 with 55 charter members. The membership is now 75 and at special meetings there have been as many as 100 present. Our officers are Robert Glass, 5MJ, president; Charles Baker, vice-president; Sam Terranella, secretary-treasurer; Nerome Neisler, sergeant-at-arms; and Manuel Yonack, publicity agent. The purpose of the club is to further the knowledge of radio among its members. The club was organized and owes much of its knowledge of radio to Mr. Gray Moore, chemistry teacher of the school and owner of a three-stage set. With the aid of this set and a Magnavox, the club gave a radio concert to the entire school body which numbers 1,400. This is probably the largest body that has heard a radio concert in the Southwest. The concert was sent out by WRR, the local broadcasting station. The club meets every Monday afternoon and on the other four school days, a code practice is held for 30 minutes after school. Since its organization the club has advanced from the study of the crystal set to vacuum tube sets and transmitting sets and hopes to do better next fall.

Fading

By RAYMOND B. BLOCK

ABOUT two years ago the Bureau of Standards carried out some fading tests, the object of which was to get some information which might ultimately lead to the discovery of the cause of fading. Except for a few articles published in "Q. S. T" and one paper published by the Bureau of Standards, nothing ever resulted from the tests. Even in the papers mentioned no serious attempt to explain the cause of the phenomenon was made. For the most part, they merely discussed the results of the tests and left the reader to draw his own conclusions. In this paper I shall try to show that fading is in full accordance with the most modern ideas of wireless transmission.

I think that fading is caused by the refraction of the radio waves upon entering a cloud or a fog bank. I say refraction and not reflection because the fading tests disclose that the waves are not reflected. Since wireless waves and light waves differ, as far as is known, only in their lengths, it is reasonable to assume that they are governed by the same physical laws. Long light waves are refracted least, and short light waves are refracted most, but the amount of their reflection does not depend upon their lengths. The tests evidence that long wireless waves fade least, and short wireless waves fade most. If fading were caused by the reflection of the radio waves, they all would fade equally. Upholding the theory that clouds cause the refraction is their motion and the known difficulty of sending through a thick fog bank, which is nothing but a cloud near the ground. The refracting medium must move in order to produce the swinging of the signals. If it did not move, the signals would always be weak or would always be strong.

The tests show that fading is most erratic in New England and gradually decreases to the southwest. A good relief map of the United States east of the Mississippi reveals that the topography of New England is very mountainous and that the mountains decrease to the southwest until the Great Central Plain is reached, where there are no highlands at all. As air rises to pass over a mountain, it becomes colder. When this rise in temperature reaches a certain point, the water vapor in the air condenses and thus forms a cloud. Hence there must be more clouds where there are highlands than where there are no highlands, because the water vapor in the air in a mountainous place has more chances to condense than in a non-mountainous place; and by the same reasoning, there must be more clouds in a very mountainous place than in a not so mountainous place. This fact, and the one that New England is near the Atlantic Ocean, indicate that there are more clouds in New England and that they decrease to the southwest. Hence we should expect fading to be more erratic in New England and diminish to the southwest, because the refracting medium is more prevalent in New England and lessens in the direction already stated. The tests, as before mentioned, show

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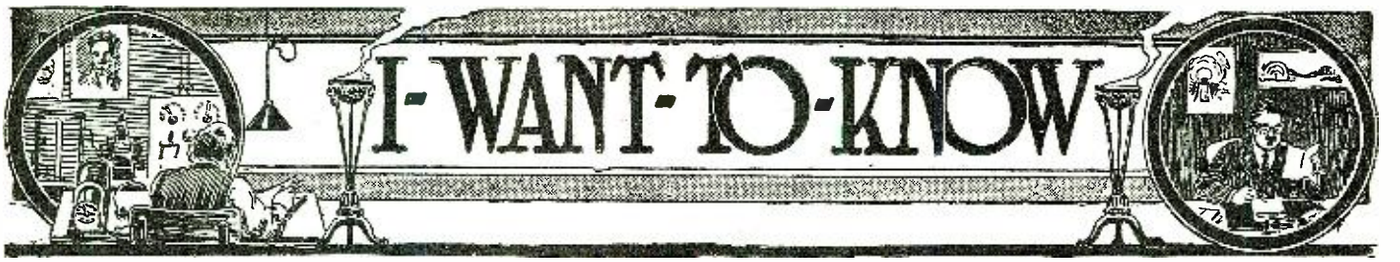
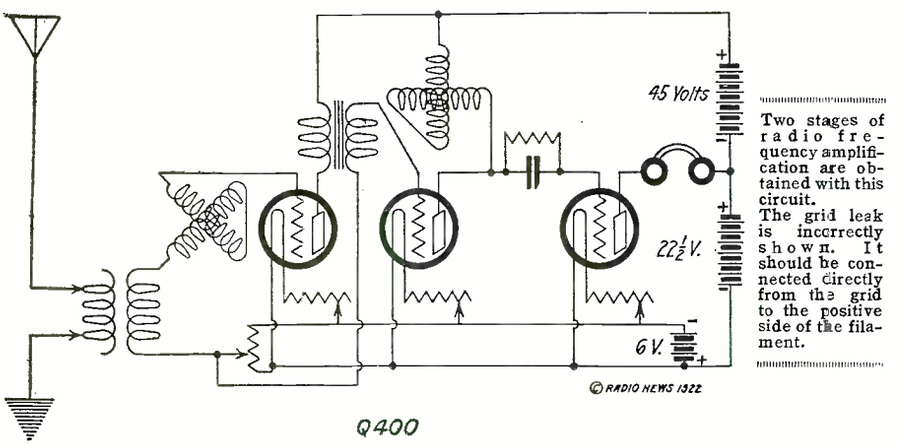


THIS Department is conducted for the benefit of our Radio Experimenter. We shall be glad to answer here questions for the benefit of all, but we can only publish such matter of sufficient interest to all.

1. This Department cannot answer more than three questions for each correspondent.
2. Only one side of the sheet should be written upon; all matter should be typewritten or else written in ink. No attention paid to penciled matter.
3. Sketches, diagrams, etc., must be on separate sheets. This Department does not answer questions by mail free of charge.
4. Our Editors will be glad to answer any letter, at the rate of 25c for each question. If, however, questions entail considerable research work, intricate calculations, patent research, etc., a special charge will be made. Before we answer such questions, correspondents will be informed as to the price charge.

You will do the Editor a personal favor if you will make your letter as brief as possible.



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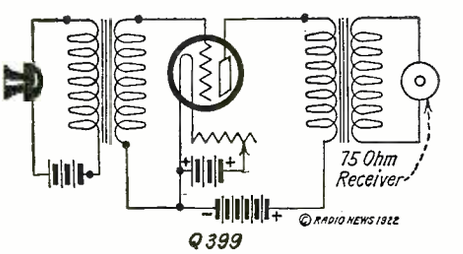
Two stages of radio frequency amplification are obtained with this circuit. The grid leak is incorrectly shown. It should be connected directly from the grid to the positive side of the filament.



Q 399

In this Circuit the Variations of the Microphone Current Are Amplified by a V. T. and Passed Through a Step-down Transformer to a 75-Ohm Receiver.

AMPLIFYING MICROPHONE CURRENT

(399) Mr. Earl R. Sanders, Warren, Ohio, wants to know:

Q. 1. Please show me how to connect up a microphone transmitter, using a 6-volt battery and V. T. so that I can amplify the microphone current.

A. 1. Diagram requested by you is published on this page. The microphone current is passed through a step-up transformer with a ratio of 50 to 1 and applied to the grid and filament of the vacuum tube. The output of the V. T. is connected through a step-down transformer to a 75-ohm receiver. The primary of the step-down transformer should have a resistance of 1,000 to 2,000 ohms and the secondary about 75 ohms.

RADIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFICATION

(400) Mr. R. K. Woodson, Liberty, Mo., asks:

Q. 1. Please publish hookup for a regenerative receiving set using two stages of radio frequency amplification, two stages of audio frequency and detector, all stages to use the same storage battery and plate battery.

A. 1. So many correspondents have asked this question, we will answer it in detail. Hookup is given in diagram at the bottom of this page. The diagram is divided into three sections to indicate the three divisions of the circuit. The tuner consists of the necessary inductances and condensers for tuning to the wave-length which it is desired to receive. The inductances may be in any suitable form—either a loose coupler with condensers or a variocoupler with variometers. Honeycomb coils may be used if desired. The condenser in series with the ground lead may be omitted and tuning accomplished by varying the inductance with taps alone. The aerial, ground and tuner may be substituted by a loop aerial shunted by a variable condenser, connected directly to the radio-frequency amplifier.

In the two-stage radio frequency amplifier, iron core transformers are used. This type of transformer is now on the market. Each transformer covers a limited band of wave-lengths, and amplification can only be obtained on wave-lengths within this range. If it is desired to receive and amplify on wave-lengths outside this range, different transformers must be used. Some types have convenient arrangements for plugging in other transformers. Another type short-circuits a portion of the turns to receive on lower wave-lengths. The potentiometer across the filament battery should be about 200 to 400 ohms resistance and is used to vary the potential on the grids of the two tubes in order that best advantage may be taken of the amplifying portion of the characteristic curve of these tubes. One rheostat is indicated to control the filament current of these two tubes. This is sufficient but two may be used if desired. The tubes used in the radio frequency amplifier should preferably be tubes with small internal capacity such as the A. P. or the RAC-3 Audion.

The detector and two stage amplifier is fairly familiar to most amateurs. The transformers are designed for amplification at audio frequency. The detector may be any type of soft detector tube which is not too critical; the amplifying tubes are of any make. The grid condenser and grid leak are variable according to the type of tube used; the two terminals in series with the plate circuit of the detector tube may be connected to a variometer or tickler coil for additional amplification by regeneration or these terminals may be shorted.

Another type of circuit employing two stages of radio frequency amplification in connection with a short wave regenerative receiver is indicated in the second diagram. Only one iron core radio frequency transformer is used; the output of the second tube is coupled to the detector tube by means of a condenser and a variometer is used to tune the plate circuit of the second tube.

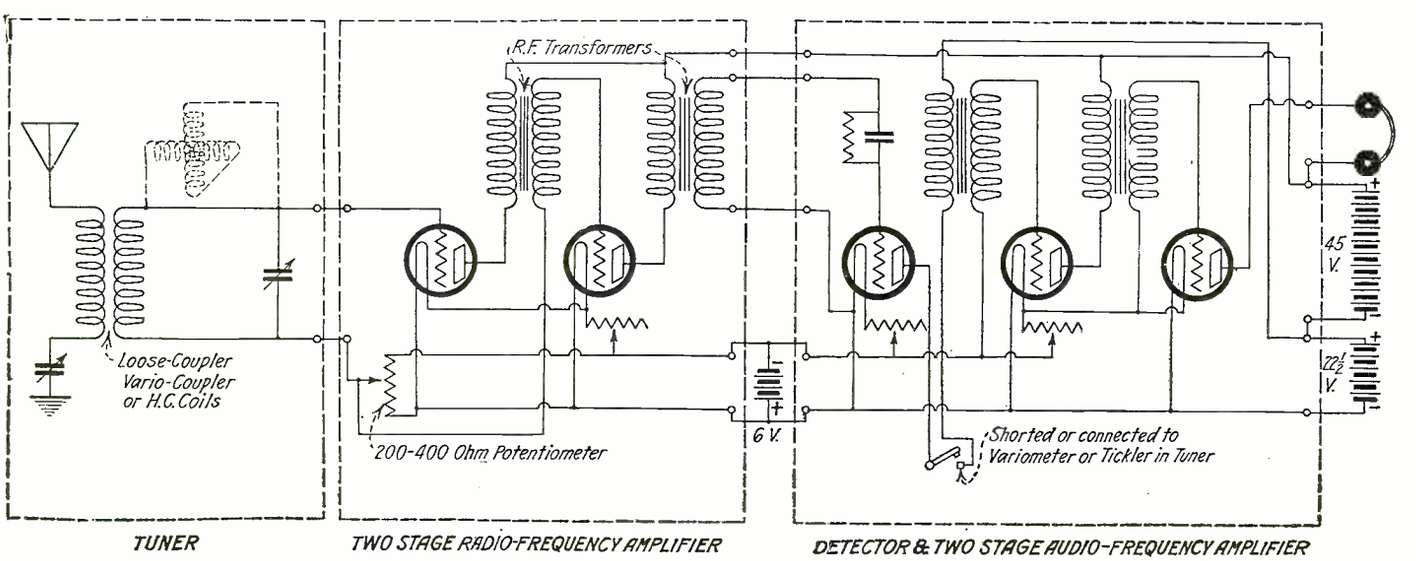
FRENCH TUBES FOR RADIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFICATION

(401) Mr. Robert Diehl, Defiance, Ohio, requests:

Q. 1. Please publish hookup for a loose coupler, two variometers, one step of radio frequency and one step of audio frequency with detector.

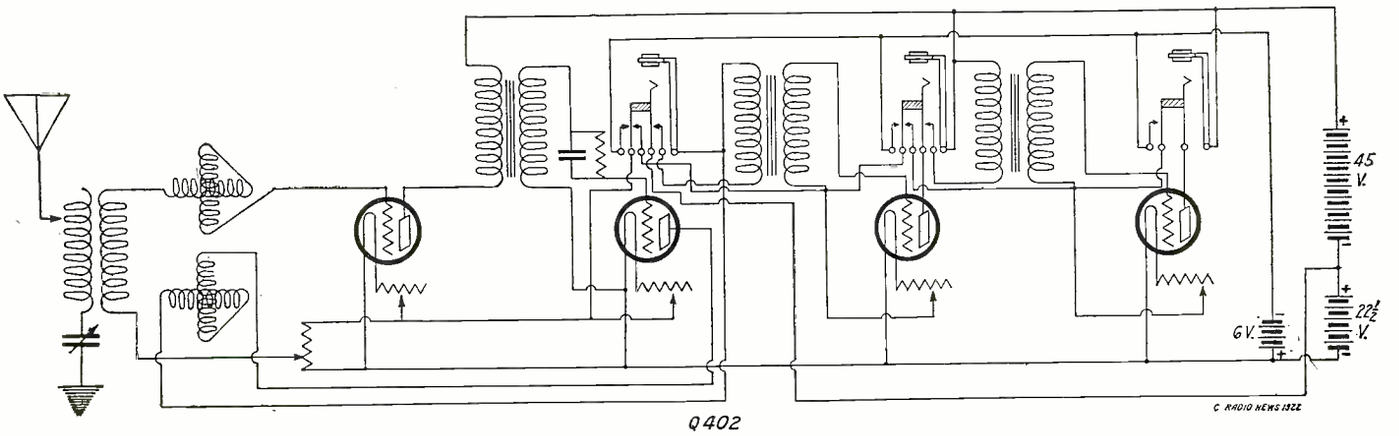
A. 1. The diagram of this circuit is given on the next page.

Q. 2. Which are best for this circuit, French tubes or Radiotrons, and where may French tubes be obtained?



Q 400

Make a Copy of This Circuit or Cut It Out and Keep It. It Is Very Sensitive and May be Used With a Loop Aerial by Disconnecting the Tuner and Connecting the Loop Directly to the Grid and Filament of the First Tube.



Q 402

This Shows How to Connect a Short Wave Regenerative Receiver Consisting of Variocoupler and Two Variometers to One Step of Radio Frequency Amplification, Detector and Two Steps of Audio Frequency Amplification Using Filament Control Jacks.

A. 2. Radiotrons may be used for the detector and audio frequency amplifier but French tubes will give better results in amplifying at radio frequency. These tubes may be obtained from the Mullard Radio Valve Company, Ltd., Clay Brook Road, Hammersmith, London, W6. They cost 15 shillings each in England and may be imported on the payment of about 20% duty.

AMPLIFIER WITH FILAMENT CONTROL JACKS

(402) Mr. Clayton E. Organ, Galion, Ohio, wants to know:

Q. 1. Will you kindly publish a good hookup of a set comprised of two variometers, variocoupler, condenser, etc., with one stage radio frequency amplification, detector and two stages of audio frequency amplification using automatic filament control jacks?

A. 1. Circuit requested by you is published on this page.

ADAPTING RECEIVER FOR RADIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFICATION

(403) Mr. Frank Wehman, Richmond Hill, New York, asks:

Q. 1. Please publish a hookup using two steps of radio frequency amplification in conjunction with Grebe CR5.

A. 1. Hookup you request is published. A Grebe, or other type of short wave regenerative receiver in which the detector tube is included in the same cabinet with the tuner, may be adapted for use with radio frequency transformers. This can be done by making the tube socket in the receiver contain the first amplifying tube. The grid condenser must be shorted or removed from the circuit and connection taken directly from the antenna condenser to the grid. The wire which connects the center of the inductance switch to the filament terminal on the tube socket should be disconnected and brought out to the center of a potentiometer as shown in the diagram. The output of the first amplifying tube (in the cabinet) is applied through a radio frequency transformer to the input of a second tube outside the tuner; the output of this tube is applied through another transformer to the input of the detector tube.

C. W. AND I. C. W. TRANSMITTER CIRCUIT

(404) Mr. Ervin A. Eichlom, Pearl River, New York, asks:

Q. 1. Please publish a hookup for a C. W. or I. C. W. set using four 5-watt tubes.

A. 1. Diagram requested by you is published on these pages. A motor-driven chopper is used to break up the high frequency oscillations. Condenser of 4 M. F. capacity should be connected across the high-tension source.

CRYSTAL AUDION SWITCH

(405) Mr. J. B. Findle, Detroit, Mich., wants to know:

Q. 1. Please publish a hookup with wave-lengths from 200 to 5,000 meters with switch to cut in either crystal detector or V. T. detector.

A. 1. This hookup is shown. A loose coupler may be used for tuning. The primary should be wound on a tube 4" in diameter with about 300 turns and the secondary on a tube 3½" in diameter with about 400 turns. The secondary should be tapped and shunted by a .001 M. F. condenser.

STORAGE BATTERY CHARGING CIRCUIT

(406) Mr. H. G. Siebins, Pekin, Ill., asks:

Q. 1. Please publish data of a rectifier for charging a storage battery.

A. 1. Diagram of the charging circuit is shown on next page. The size of the lead plates of this type of rectifier is 4" by 6". The aluminum plates may be the same size or slightly larger. The solution in the jars may be any one of the following:

Saturated solution of sodium phosphate,
" " " bicarbonate of soda,
10 per cent. " " sulphuric acid.
10 " " " hydrochloric acid.

Brine may also be used. The lamps in series parallel with the power line should pass about 2 amperes.

A. 3. A. P. are best adapted for radio frequency work; the Audiotron can only be used satisfactorily for detection purposes and the Western Electric or Radiotron are best suited for rectification or amplification at audio frequency.

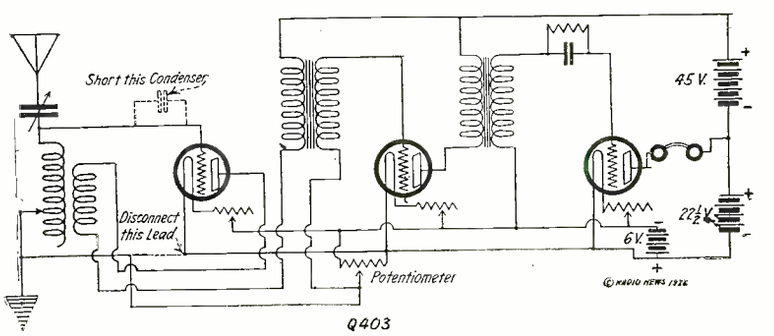
SHIELDING RADIO FREQUENCY TRANSFORMERS

(408) Mr. George C. Chandler, Cereal, Alta., Can., wants to know:

Q. 1. If a radio frequency transformer was enclosed in a tin covering which in turn was grounded, would it prevent induction with other transformers and honeycomb coils?

A. 1. In the case of the radio frequency transformers in which an iron core is used it should not be necessary to shield in the manner you suggest. If an air core radio frequency transformer is used, the various stages must either be very widely spaced or some shielding arrangement made. The shield, however, must be perfect, or it will possess undesirable capacity effect.

Some regenerative receivers have the detector tube in the same cabinet. A tuner of this description can be adapted for radio frequency amplification in the manner shown in this diagram.



Q 403

TYPES OF TUBES TO USE FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES

(407) Mr. John Morrow, Los Angeles, Calif., asks:

Q. 1. Please give me a hookup of a standard short wave regenerative receiver. Two stages of radio frequency and two stages of audio frequency amplification with detector.

A. 1. See answer to question 400.

Q. 2. What is the wave-length of an aerial fifty-five feet long, forty-five feet high, with four wires placed two feet apart?

A. 2. This antenna will have a natural wave-length of approximately 160 meters. The natural wave-lengths of aerials may be obtained from the charts published in this department in the April-May issue of RADIO NEWS.

Q. 3. Which of the following amplifier tubes do you consider the best for all-around work—A. P. Western Electric, Audiotron or Radiotron?

Q. 2. Please publish a hookup of a one stage radio frequency amplifier and a detector, to be used in connection with a short wave regenerative set.

A. 2. The connections desired may be obtained from the diagram given in answer to question 401. If you do not wish to use the additional stage of audio frequency amplification, the third tube is omitted and the telephones connected in place of the primary of the audio frequency transformer.

CANNOT USE JACKS WITH RADIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER

(409) Mr. H. J. Meeder, Girard, Pa., asks:

Q. 1. Please publish a hookup for one, two and three steps of radio frequency amplifier, the number of stages variable by jacks.

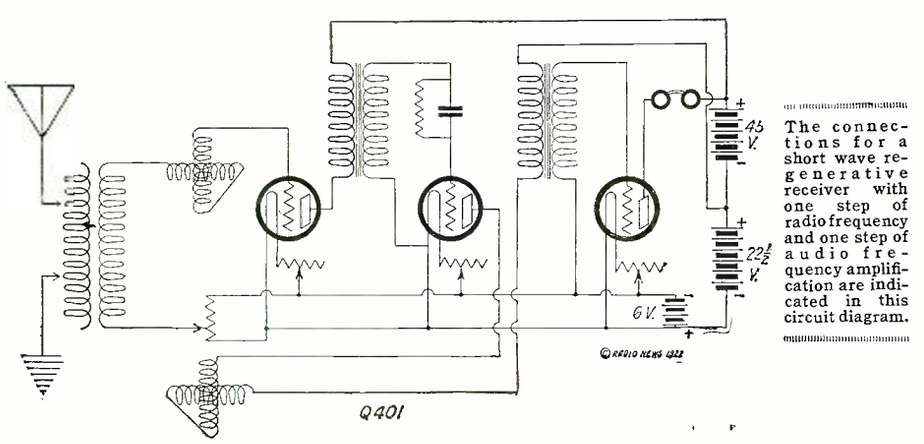
A. 1. Jacks cannot be used in the various stages of a radio frequency amplifier. The tubes and transformers amplify at radio frequency and rectification does not take place until these high frequency oscillations are impressed upon the detector tube. Since no rectification takes place before the detector tube, the telephones cannot be plugged in before the detector. The circuits you request may be found on these pages. Additional circuits showing the hookups for various combinations of radio frequency amplification may be obtained from the articles on this subject on pages 590 and 594 of the January, 1922, issue of RADIO NEWS.

HOW TO ELIMINATE STATIC

(410) Mr. Leonard Miller, Columbus, Nebraska, asks:

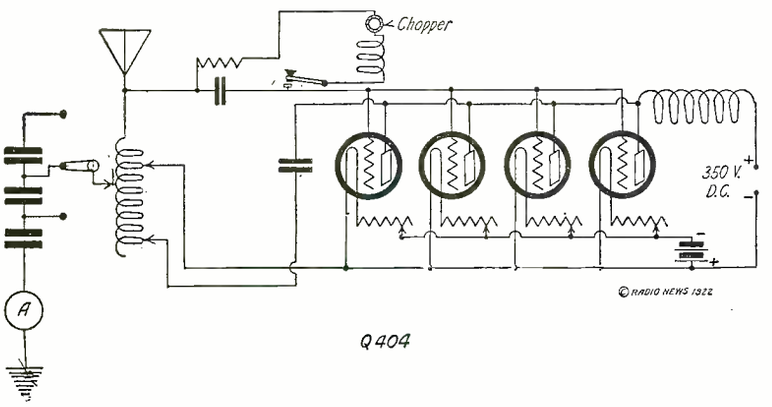
Q. 1. Is there any possible way of eliminating static from a receiving set while receiving concerts?

A. 1. The most effective and practicable way of reducing static interference is to use a loop aerial for reception with suitable amplification at radio frequency. Another method is to use a Beverage antenna, but the length of wire necessary for this antenna usually renders it impractical for amateurs. With an ordinary antenna and ground it is difficult to avoid static; a loose coupled regenerative receiver will, however, be less affected by static than the single circuit receiver; similarly, tuned radio frequency amplification will assist in reducing static.



Q 401

The connections for a short wave regenerative receiver with one step of radio frequency and one step of audio frequency amplification are indicated in this circuit diagram.



Q 404

Wiring diagram of an I. C. W. transmitter using four 5-watt tubes in which a chopper is used to break up the high frequency oscillations.

CAGE AERIAL FOR RECEIVING

(411) Mr. Russell Wightman, Gunnison, Colo., wants to know:

Q. 1. Is the cage aerial better than the flat top aerial for reception?

A. 1. It is our opinion that there is no advantage in using a cage aerial for reception purposes. The inverted "L" type will give as good results. There is some advantage, however, in the use of a cage aerial for transmission, especially in C. W. transmission.

CONSTRUCTING A LOADING COIL

(412) Mr. Philip Eysman, New York, wants to know:

Q. 1. Please give instruction for the construction of a loading coil intended to add about one thousand meters.

A. 1. The inductance of a loading coil is measured in henries or in centimeters, a centimeter being the billionth part of a henry. The wave length of a coil is a variable quantity depending upon the capacity which is shunted across it. If there is no condenser across the coil, it possesses a certain wave length depending upon the distributed capacity of the coil itself. When the coil is introduced into a circuit, however, it adds considerably more than its own natural wave length, on account of the capacity across the circuit into which it is introduced. Therefore, in designing a loading coil to add a certain wave-length to a circuit, it is only necessary to determine the additional value of inductance in centimeters which would be required in the circuit and then construct the loading coil to provide this value of inductance. The value required may be found from the equation:

$$\lambda = 59.7 \sqrt{LxC}$$

Where λ=wave-length in meters
L=inductance in centimeters
C=capacity in Mfds.
and in which L is the unknown quantity.

The number of turns on a single layer solenoid necessary to obtain a certain value of inductance may be determined approximately from the equation:

$$L = \pi^2 d^2 n^2 l$$

Where L=inductance in centimeters
d=mean diameter of coil in centimeters
n=No. of turns per centimeter
l=length of coil in centimeters

N depends upon the thickness of the wire used and I is the unknown quantity of the equation.

Q. 2. How is a loading coil connected to a loose coupled circuit with condensers and crystal detector?

A. 2. Two loading coils would be required with any loose coupled circuit, one in series with the primary and the other in series with the secondary circuit. The secondary condenser should be shunted across both the loading coil and the secondary of the loose coupler.

Q. 3. Can this set receive radiophone signals and how far?

A. 3. Any radio receiver is capable of receiving radiophone transmission. With the exception of a few stations, however, radio broadcasts are transmitted on 360 meters and loading coils would therefore be unnecessary. The normal receiving range of a receiver with crystal detector is not over 40 miles.

ATTACHING LOOP TO AMPLIFIER

(413) Mr. Hyman Goodbody, Toledo, Ohio, wants to know:

Q. 1. What is the best hookup for a honeycomb coil set using variable condensers with one step of radio frequency, audion detector and one step of audio frequency amplification?

A. 1. The circuit given in answer to question 401 may be used. The second honeycomb coil takes the place of the secondary of the variocoupler and the grid variometer; the tickler honeycomb coil takes the place of the plate variometer.

Q. 2. How could I attach a loop aerial to this circuit?

A. 2. A loop may be used with this circuit by omitting the inductances entirely and connecting the loop directly to the grid and filament of the first tube. A variable condenser should be shunted across the loop

RECEIVING RADIOPHONE WITH LOOSE COUPLER

(414) Mr. W. J. Carnes, Johnstown, Pa., asks:

Q. 1. Can I use a loose coupler rated at 1200 meters wave-length to receive radio concerts with one or two steps of amplification? With my present aerial and crystal detector, I occasionally hear Pittsburgh concerts. 78 miles away, but very weak.

A. 1. It will be possible for you to receive the radiophone broadcasts with a loose coupler and audion detector. The majority of broadcasting stations transmit on 360 meters and you will be able to tune down to this wave-length with your loose coupler. The circuit to use was given in answer to Question 346, April-May issue of RADIO NEWS. You are obtaining good results with a crystal detector, as, with this type of detector, it is not usually possible to receive radiophone transmission farther than forty miles.

SINGLE CIRCUIT RECEIVER

(415) Mr. F. W. Farmer, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada, asks:

Q. 1. What distance will the given hookup receive?

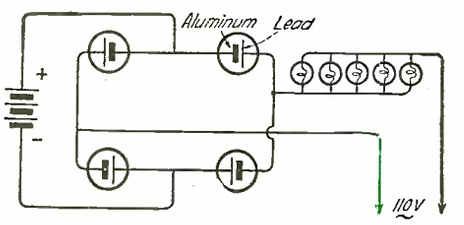
A. 1. Your hookup represents the standard single circuit regenerative receiver. Under good conditions it is usually possible to receive radiophone transmission about 200 miles with this type of receiver; conditions vary greatly, however, and it may be possible to receive much greater distances.

Q. 2. What is the wave-length range?

A. 2. This depends somewhat on the length of the antenna, but with a .001 M.F. condenser in series, and 180 turns on the inductance an approximate wave-length range of from 200 to 1000 meters should be obtained.

Q. 3. Should the feed back coil be larger or smaller than the inductance?

A. 3. A tickler coil wound with about 60 turns will be satisfactory to provide regeneration with this receiver.



Q406

Diagram of the Circuit to Use for Charging a Storage Battery from 110 Volts A. C. With an Electrolytic Rectifier.

CHOKE COIL AMPLIFIERS

(416) Mr. Arthur Collins, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, wants to know:

Q. 1. Are choke coil amplifiers a proven success or are they in more or less of an experimental condition? I am planning a one step amplifier with which I want to obtain the best possible results. Would you advise the use of choke coils? If so please tell me the correct make of tube to use.

A. 1. A well-designed transformer will usually give better results than a choke coil for audio frequency amplification. A choke coil gives maximum efficiency over a limited range of audio frequencies only, but it does not provide the voltage amplification obtainable with a transformer. Good results, however, have been obtained with choke coil amplifiers and the construction cost is very low. Choke coils may be used with any type of amplifying tube.

REGENERATIVE RECEIVER AND SINGLE STAGE AMPLIFIER

(417) Mr. E. G. Watts, Miami, Florida, wants to know:

Q. 1. In what manner would a radio frequency transformer with rheostat and bulb be connected to a detector and two stage amplifier?

A. 1. See answer to question 402.

Q. 2. How could a filament voltmeter be inserted in the above circuit?

A. 2. A filament voltmeter may be used in this circuit by shunting it across the filament terminals.

Q. 3. In the article "How to Make A Regenerative Receiver and Single Stage Amplifier," how is it that the variocoupler has 12 taps taken off instead of the usual six, and how is this effected? The article appeared in the April-May issue of RADIO NEWS, page 938.

A. 3. The primary of the variocoupler of the receiver described is tapped on each turn for the first six turns and each sixth turn thereafter. The first six taps are brought to the switch points of one switch and the last six taps are brought to the switch points of another switch. The antenna is connected to the center of the first and the earth to the center of the second. In this manner a single turn adjustment of the primary inductance may be obtained.

RECEIVING STATION DOES NOT REQUIRE LIGHTNING SWITCH

(418) Mr. Leo Chanano, Cumanayagua, S. C., Cuba, asks:

Q. 1. Are the vacuum aerial protectors advertised lately as efficient as a lightning switch?

A. 1. For transmitting stations it is still necessary to use a lightning switch leading to an outside ground. Additional protection should be provided by shunting a vacuum gap protector across the aerial and ground. According to the new Underwriters rules for the United States, the receiving station only requires a vacuum gap protector, which may be connected to an inside or outside ground; this affords sufficient protection from lightning and the lightning switch is not absolutely necessary.

Q. 2. Is it any advantage to use the new basket wound variometer instead of a wooden one?

A. 2. In the reduction of distributed capacity effect the basket wound variometer is supposed to possess some advantage over the ordinary variometer wound on a wooden form.

Q. 3. Can I use enameled wire for variometer and variocoupler wiring instead of D.C.C. wire with equal efficiency?

A. 3. Enameled wire could be used, but D.C.C. wire of fairly large diameter will give better results as there will be less capacity between the turns.

RADIO OR AUDIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFICATION

(419) Mr. Dale Stoddard, Amos, Iowa, wants to know:

Q. 1. Please give me a hookup of a short wave regenerative tuner with one step of radio and two steps of audio frequency amplification.

A. 2. See answer to question 402.

Q. 2. Is this very much more satisfactory than three steps of audio frequency, which I have been using?

A. 2. You will find that the addition of one stage of radio frequency amplification will add considerably to the sensitivity of your receiver. You will be able to receive signals from greater distances and better selectivity will be obtained. Tube noises will also be reduced and possible howling eliminated.

Q. 3. Does radio frequency require 45 or more volts on the plate as does audio frequency?

A. 3. It is necessary to use at least 45 volts on the plates of tubes for amplifying at radio frequency. Greater amplification will be obtained with higher voltages and 60 volts is nearer the correct value.

LOOSE COUPLED OR SINGLE CIRCUIT RECEIVER

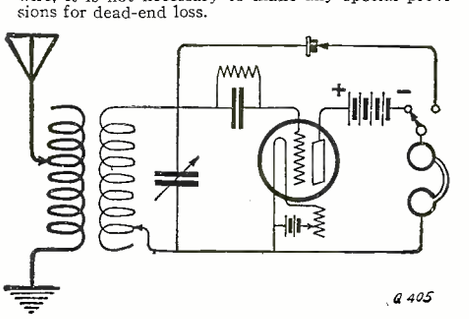
(420) Mr. H. E. Graham, St. Louis, Missouri, wants to know:

Q. 1. I want to use one stage of radio frequency amplification, detector and one stage of audio frequency amplification on my set and want to know if this can be wired for a regenerative effect.

A. 1. The circuit you require, showing a variometer in the plate circuit of the detector tube to furnish regeneration, is given in answer to Question 401.

Q. 2. To obtain the best results on short wave phone receiving, I want to use the most efficient hookup for phone work and use the honeycomb coils for long waves. Please state if the variocoupler is the best I could use for phone receiving on this set and how should I wind it for the best results with as little dead-end loss as possible.

A. 2. A variocoupler will give very good results on the short waves on which radiophone transmission is made. The circuit given in answer to Question 401 shows variocoupler with variometer in the grid circuit of the first tube to tune this circuit. Very good results are obtained in this manner, as the capacity of the circuit is kept at a low value and the inductive coupling between primary and secondary circuits can be made very loose. The variocoupler primary may be wound with 36 turns of No. 22 D. C. C. The first six turns should be brought to the switch points of one switch and each fifth turn thereafter brought to the switch points of another switch. The middle of one switch is connected to the antenna and the middle of the other is connected to the ground. In this way it is possible to obtain a one-turn variation of the primary inductance. As there are very few turns of wire, it is not necessary to make any special provisions for dead-end loss.



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By Means of a Single Pole Double-throw Switch It Is Possible to Change from Crystal to Audion Detector.

List of Stations Broadcasting Market or Weather Reports (485 Meters) and Music, Concerts, Lectures, Etc. (360 Meters)

Owner of Station	Location of Station	Wave Lengths	Call Signal
Alabama Power Co	Birmingham, Ala	360	WSY
Allen, Preston D	Oakland, Calif	360	KZM
Altadena Radio Laboratory	Altadena, Calif	360	KGO
American Radio & Research Corporation	Medford Hillside, Mass.	360	WGI
Atlanta Constitution	Atlanta, Ga	360, 485	WGM
Atlanta Journal	do	360, 485	WSB
Atlantic-Pacific Radio Supplies Co	Oakland, Calif	360	KZY
Bamberger & Co., L	Newark, N. J	360	WOR
Bible Institute of Los Angeles	Los Angeles, Calif	360	KJS
Church of the Covenant	Washington, D. C	360	WDM
Chicago, city of	Chicago, Ill	360	WBU
Clark University	Worcester, Mass	360, 485	WCN
Columbia Radio Co	Youngstown, Ohio	360	WMC
Continental Electrical Supply Co	Washington, D. C	360	WIL
Cosradio Co	Wichita, Kans	360, 485	WEY
Cox, Warren R	Cleveland, Ohio	360	WHK
Crosley Manufacturing Co	Cincinnati, Ohio	360	WLW
Daily News Printing Co	Canton, Ohio	360	WWB
Dallas, city of	Dallas, Tex	360, 485	WRR
DeForest Radio Telephone & Telegraph Co	New York, N. Y	360	WJX
Detroit News	Detroit, Mich	360, 485	WWJ
Detroit Police Department	do	360	KOP
Doerr-Mitchell Electrical Co	Spokane, Wash	360	KFZ
Doron Brothers Electrical Co	Hamilton, Ohio	360	WRK
Doubleday-Hill Electrical Co	Pittsburgh, Pa	360	KQV
Do	Washington, D. C	360	WMU
Duck Co., William B	Toledo, Ohio	360	WHU
Dunn & Co., J. J	Pasadena, Calif	360	KLB
Electric Equipment Co	Erie, Pa	360	WJT
Electric Lighting Supply Co	Hollywood, Calif	360	KGC
Electric Power & Appliance Co	Yakima, Wash	360	KQT
Emporium, The	San Francisco, Calif	360	KSL
Erie Radio Co	Erie, Pa	360	WSX
Examiner Printing Co	San Francisco, Calif	360	KUO
Fair, The	Chicago, Ill	360	WGU
Federal Institute of Radio Telegraphy	Camden, N. J	360	WRP
Federal Telephone & Telegraph Co	Buffalo, N. Y	360, 485	WGR
Ford Motor Co	Dearborn, Mich	360	WWI
Fort Worth Record	Fort Worth, Tex	360	WPA
Foster-Bradbury Radio Store	Yakima, Wash	360	KFV
General Electric Co	Schenectady, N. Y	360	WGY
Gilbert Co., A. C	New Haven, Conn	360	WCJ
Gimbel Brothers	Philadelphia, Pa	360	WIP
Gould, C. O	Stockton, Calif	360	KJQ
Hallock & Watson Radio Service	Portland, Oreg	360	KGG
Hamilton Manufacturing Co	Indianapolis, Ind	360	WLK
Hatfield Electric Co	do	360	WOH
Hawley, Willard P., Jr	Portland, Oreg	360	KYG
Herrold, Charles D	San Jose, Calif	360	KQW
Hobrecht, J. C	Sacramento, Calif	360	KVQ
Howlett, Thomas F. J	Philadelphia, Pa	360	WGL
Hunter, L. M., and G. L. Carrington	Little Rock, Ark	360	WSV
Hurlburt-Still Electrical Co	Houston, Tex	360, 485	WEV
Interstate Electric Co	New Orleans, La	360	WGV
Iowa Radio Corporation	Des Moines, Iowa	360	WHX
J. & M. Electric Co	Utica, N. Y	360	WSL
K. & L. Electric Co	McKeesport, Pa	360	WIK
Karlowa Radio Co	Rock Island, Ill	360, 485	WOC
Kennedy Co., Colin B	Los Altos, Calif	360	KLP
Kierulff & Co., C. R	Los Angeles, Calif	360	KHJ
Kluge, Arno A	do	360	KQL
Kraft, Vincent I	Seattle, Wash	360, 485	KJR
Lindsay-Weatherill & Co	Reedley, Calif	360	KMC
Love Electric Co	Tacoma, Wash	360	KMO
Loyola University	New Orleans, La	360	WWL
Maxwell Electric Co	Berkeley, Calif	360	KRE
May (Inc.), D. W	Newark, N. J	360	WBS
McBridge, George M	Bay City, Mich	360	WTP
McCarthy Bros. & Ford	Buffalo, N. Y	360	WWT
Metropolitan Utilities District	Omaha, Nebr	360, 485	WOU
Meyberg Co., Leo J	Los Angeles, Calif	360, 485	KYJ
Do	San Francisco, Calif	360, 485	KDN
Midland Refining Co	El Dorado, Kans	485	WAH
Do	Tulsa, Okla	485	WEH
Missouri State Marketing Bureau	Jefferson City, Mo	485	WOS
Montgomery Light & Power Co	Montgomery, Ala	360, 485	WGH
Mulrony, Marion A	Honolulu, Hawaii	360	KGU
Newspaper Printing Co	Pittsburgh, Pa	360	WPB
Noggle Electric Works	Monterey, Calif	360	KLN
Northern Radio & Electric Co	Seattle, Wash	360	KFC
Northwestern Radio Manufacturing Co	Portland, Oreg	360	KGN
Nushawg Poultry Farm	New Lebanon, Ohio	360	WPG
Oklahoma Radio Shop	Oklahoma City, Okla	360, 485	WKY
Oregonian Publishing Co	Portland, Oreg	360	KGW

REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE RADIO BROADCASTING OF WEATHER, CROP AND MARKET INFORMATION

1. Forecasts, warnings, and weather reports issued by the Weather Bureau and crop and market reports issued or approved by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates shall be broadcasted only from radio stations authorized and licensed to do so by the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce.

2. Broadcasting of weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports shall be confined to radio stations properly equipped for the work and operated by persons holding a commercial second-class or a higher grade of license.

3. No plant will be licensed by the Bureau of Navigation to disseminate weather forecasts and information or crop and market reports, except on the approval of the Chief of the Weather Bureau and of the Chief of the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, respectively.

4. The call letter and location of the station and the official authenticity of the information shall be announced preliminary to each broadcast, and is approximately as follows:

This is.....located at..... ..... The weather forecast and reports issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau are as follows; or, market and crop reports, approved by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, are as follows:

5. The laws pertaining to the issuance of weather forecasts shall be observed. Violators of the following law will be prosecuted.

SEC. 61. Whoever shall knowingly issue or publish any counterfeit weather forecast or warning of weather conditions falsely representing such forecast or warning to have been issued or published by the Weather Bureau, United States Signal Service, or other branch of the Government service, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both. (Act of March 4, 1909, C 321, 35 Stat., 1088.)

6. All broadcasts shall be according to schedules approved by the Weather Bureau or by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates. No forecasts based on a. m. observations shall be broadcasted after 7 p.m. of the same day; no special warnings based on special observations shall be broadcasted after midnight of the same day; and no forecasts or warnings based on p. m. observations shall be sent after 7 a. m. of the succeeding day, 75th meridian time applying in all cases.

7. Stations authorized to broadcast official weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports will use a wave-length of 485 meters unless otherwise licensed to do so by the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce. This special wave-length shall be used for no other purpose.

8. License to broadcast weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports shall be revocable at any time that it may be in the public interest to do so.—*Submitted by Department of Agriculture.*

RADIO BROADCASTING

At the present time two wave-lengths are assigned for broadcasting—the wave-length of 485 meters for Government reports, such as crop and market estimates and weather forecasts furnished by the Department of Agriculture; the wave-length of 360 meters for important news items, entertainment, lectures, sermons, and similar matter.

Stations conducting this service must have limited commercial licenses and be operated by radio operators licensed by the Department of Commerce holding commercial second-class licenses or higher.

Applications for licenses should be made

through the radio inspector of the district in which the station is situated.

The radio inspection districts are as follows:

1. Headquarters, Boston, Mass. (radio inspector, customhouse): Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut.

2. Headquarters, New York, N. Y. (radio inspector, customhouse): New York (County of New York, Staten Island, Long Island, and counties on the Hudson River to and including Schenectady, Albany, and Rensselaer) and New Jersey (Counties of Bergen, Passaic, Essex, Union, Middlesex, Monmouth, Hudson, and Ocean).

3. Headquarters, Baltimore, Md. (radio inspector, customhouse): New Jersey (all counties not included in second district), Pennsylvania (counties of Philadelphia, Delaware, all counties south of the Blue Mountains, and Franklin County), Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia.

4. Headquarters, Savannah, Ga. (the work of this district is being performed by the radio inspector of the third district, customhouse, Baltimore, Md.): North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Porto Rico.

5. Headquarters, New Orleans, La. (radio inspector, customhouse): Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico.

6. Headquarters, San Francisco, Calif. (radio inspector, customhouse): California, Hawaii, Nevada, Utah, Arizona.

7. Headquarters, Seattle, Wash. (radio inspector, 2301 L. C. Smith Building): Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming.

8. Headquarters, Detroit, Mich. (radio inspector, Federal Building): New York (all counties not included in second district), Pennsylvania (all counties not included in third district), West Virginia, Ohio, Michigan (lower peninsula).

9. Headquarters, Chicago, Ill. (radio inspector, Federal Building): Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan (upper peninsula), Minnesota, Kentucky, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota.

INTERFERENCE BY BROADCASTING STATIONS

Broadcasting stations should shut off transmitters when not in actual operation to prevent unnecessary interference from carrier wave.

Care should be taken not to extend schedules resulting in interference with the schedules of other stations.

Transmitters must be adjusted so as not to produce unnecessary interference. It has come to the attention of the bureau that some stations have interfered over a band of from 200 to 500 meters which may be reported as a violation of the law.

RADIO ANNOUNCER'S VOICE BROADCASTED FROM KDKA RECORDED BY DICTAPHONE AT DISTANT POINT

It is not often that a man's voice is returned by parcel post, but such was the unusual experience of H. W. Arlin, announcer at KDKA, the East Pittsburgh radio telephone broadcasting station.

On April 5, Mr. Arlin was on duty at KDKA and, in addition to announcing the musical program, gave out the news and talks on his schedule. The same evening W. E. Weaver, of Hespeler, Ontario, several hundred miles north of East Pittsburgh, Pa., was listening in on his radio receiver. Struck by a happy thought, he wheeled a dictaphone in front of his loud speaker and registered part of the concert on the record.

This record he sent to the radio department with an invitation to listen to it and see how KDKA is received in Ontario. It is unnecessary to say that everybody connected with the radio division at various times put the head-piece over his ears to hear the canned wireless.

Owner of Station	Location of Station	Wave Lengths	Call Signal
Palladium Printing Co.	Richmond, Ind.	360, 485	WOZ
Paris Radio Electric Co.	Paris, Tex.	360	WTK
Pine Bluff Co.	Pine Bluff, Ark.	360	WOK
Pomona Fixture & Wiring Co.	Pomona, Calif.	360	KGF
Portable Wireless Telephone Co.	Stockton, Calif.	360	KWG
Post Dispatch	St. Louis, Mo.	360	KSD
Precision Equipment Co.	Cincinnati, Ohio	360, 485	WMH
Precision Shop, The	Gridley, Calif.	360	KFU
Radio Construction & Electric Co.	Washington, D. C.	360	WDW
Radio Corporation of America	Roselle Park, N. J.	360	WDY
Radio Telephone Shop, The	San Francisco, Calif.	360	KYY
Radio Shop, The	Sunnyvale, Calif.	360	KJJ
Register & Tribune, The	Des Moines, Iowa	360	WGF
Reynolds Radio Co.	Denver, Colo.	360, 485	KLZ
Ridgewood Times Printing & Publishing Co.	Ridgewood, N. Y.	360	WHN
Riechman-Crosby Co.	Memphis, Tenn.	360, 485	WKN
Rike-Kumler Co.	Dayton, Ohio	360, 485	WFO
Rochester Times Union	Rochester, N. Y.	360, 485	WHQ
St. Louis University	St. Louis, Mo.	485	WEW
St. Martins College (Rev. S. Ruth)	Lacey, Wash.	360	KGY
San Joaquin Light & Power Corporation	Fresno, Calif.	360	KMJ
Seeley, Stuart W.	East Lansing, Mich.	485	WHW
Service Radio Equipment Co.	Toledo, Ohio	360	WJK
Ship Owners Radio Service	New York, N. Y.	360	WDT
Shotton Radio Manufacturing Co.	Albany, N. Y.	360	WNJ
Southern Electrical Co.	San Diego, Calif.	360	KDPT
Southern Radio Corporation	Charlotte, N. C.	360	WBT
Strawbridge & Clothier	Philadelphia, Pa.	360	WFI
Stubbs Electric Co.	Portland, Oreg.	360	KQY
Tarrytown Radio Research Laboratory	Tarrytown, N. Y.	360	WRW
Union College	Schenectady, N. Y.	360	WRL
United Equipment Co.	Memphis, Tenn.	360	WPO
University of Illinois	Urbana, Ill.	360	WRM
University of Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	360, 485	WLB
University of Texas	Austin, Tex.	360, 485	WCM
University of Wisconsin	Madison, Wis.	360, 485	WHA
West Virginia University	Morgantown, W. Va.	360	WHD
Wanamaker, John	Philadelphia, Pa.	360	WOO
Do.	New York, N. Y.	360	WWZ
Warner Brothers	Oakland, Calif.	360	KLS
Wasmer, Louis	Seattle, Wash.	360	KHQ
Western Radio Co.	Kansas City, Mo.	360, 485	WOQ
Western Radio Electric Co.	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KOG
Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co.	East Pittsburgh, Pa.	360	KDKA
Do.	Chicago, Ill.	360, 485	KYW
Do.	Newark, N. J.	360	WJZ
Do.	Springfield, Mass.	360	WBZ
White & Boyer Co.	Washington, D. C.	360	WJH
Williams, Thomas J.	do.	360	WPM
Wireless Telephone Co. of Hudson Co., N. J.	Jersey City, N. J.	360	WNO
Yeiser, John O., Jr.	Omaha, Nebr.	360	WDV
Young Men's Christian Association	Denver, Colo.	485	KOA
Zamoiski Co., Joseph M.	Baltimore, Md.	360	WKC
SUPPLEMENTAL LIST FROM APRIL 1 TO APRIL 15, 1922			
Aldrich Marble & Granite Co., C. F.	Colorado Springs, Colo.	485	KHD
Anthony, Earl C.	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KFI
Arrow Radio Laboratories	Anderson, Ind.	360	WMA
Auburn Electrical Co.	Auburn, Me.	360	WMB
Beacon Light Co.	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KNR
Benwood Co.	St. Louis, Mo.	360	WEB
Blue Diamond Electric Co.	Hood River, Oreg.	360	KQP
Braun Corporation	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KXS
Buckeye Radio Service Co.	Akron, Ohio	360	WOE
Bush, James L.	Tuscola, Ill.	360	WDZ
Central Radio Co.	Kansas City, Mo.	360	WPE
City Dye Works & Laundry Co.	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KUS
Commonwealth Electric Co.	St. Paul, Minn.	360	WAAH
Cooper, Irving S.	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KZI
Eastern Radio Institute	Boston, Mass.	360	WAAJ
Electric Supply Co.	Clearfield, Pa.	360	WPI
Elliott Electric Co.	Shreveport, La.	360	WAAG
Fergus Electric Co.	Zanesville, Ohio	360	WPL
Findley Electric Co.	Minneapolis, Minn.	360	WCE
Gimbel Brothers	Milwaukee, Wis.	360	WAAK
Groves-Thornton Hardware Co.	Huntington, W. Va.	360	WAAR
Herald Publishing Co.	Modesto, Calif.	360	KXD
Hollister-Miller Motor Co.	Emporia, Kans.	360	WAAZ
Holzwasser (Inc.)	San Diego, Calif.	360	KON
Howe, Richard H.	Granville, Ohio	360	WJD
Kansas State Agricultural College	Manhattan, Kans.	485	WTG
Los Angeles Examiner	Los Angeles, Calif.	360	KWH
Minnesota Tribune Co. and Anderson-Beamish Co.	Minneapolis, Minn.	360	WAAL
Modesto Evening News	Modesto, Calif.	360	KOQ
Mullins Electric Co., Wm. A.	Tacoma, Wash.	360	KGB
Nelson Co., I. R.	Newark, N. J.	360	WAAM
New England Motor Sales Co.	Greenwich, Conn.	360	WAAQ
New Mexico College of Agriculture & Mechanical Arts	State College, N. Mex.	360, 485	KOB
Prest & Dean Radio Research Laboratory	Long Beach, Calif.	360	KSS
Purdue University	West Lafayette, Ind.	360	WBAA

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No. 2000 OHM COMPLETE DOUBLE SET $5.00

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Murdock Phones are the standard bearer for a complete line of "Made-by-Murdock" radio parts and instruments. This includes the famous Murdock condensers, and the new Murdock Rheostat at $1.00.

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tem mainly consists of the variable resistance of the cathode tube being substituted for the variable resistance of the iron coil. The current feeding the tube which, in the antenna, sets up high frequency vibrations, is, by a special cathode tube connected up in series to the sending system proper, altered at the rhythm of human speech.

The experimental part of the lecture aroused especial interest, wireless transmissions of speech and music being made audible to an auditorium of about 300 in the large hall of the Technical High School, so as to produce a nearly perfect illusion of the speaker or musician being in the hall. This success was due to the combination of a novel loud-speaking telephone receiver with the Lorenz-Poulsen sender of the Königswusterhausen Wireless Station, equipped with the magnetic system above described. An antenna frame 1.5 meters square, suspended over the lecturer's desk, was used for receiving. A masterly violin concert formed part of the performance.

Notes on Radio in China

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GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION ON AMATEURS

Like most Governments, the Chinese Government intends to be strict with regard to radio regulations. Private radio stations on Chinese territory are frowned at by the authorities and in many instances, they have had to be dismantled, causing the foreign consuls much inconvenience. However, Shanghai is an international settlement, the government being carried on by a Municipal Council, elected by the people of all nations, exclusive of Chinese. Under these conditions the Chinese Government has not attempted to exercise radio jurisdiction as to wave-lengths, power, etc. The amateurs of Shanghai, for the most part, would welcome legislation on the part of the Chinese Government, providing the rules were not too strict, for it would give the amateurs their own realm. The Chinese Government seems to be too busy running more important affairs and has not had time to enforce regulations on amateur wireless.

NOT MUCH AMATEUR TRANSMITTING

As a matter of fact, however, since there are no amateurs to send to outside of Shanghai, there has been very little transmitting on the part of amateurs. At present, the few who have powerful transmitters use pretty much whatever they please, as did the one mentioned in the beginning of this article.

Although the writer is informed that there are at present over 100 amateurs in Shanghai, they have never organized a club, but it is anticipated that such an organization will be formed in the near future. Such a radio club would be an innovation in the way of nationalities represented in that it would include Americans, British, French, Dutch, Portuguese, Chinese and possibly several others. It might be able to do a great deal toward putting amateur radio in China on a firm basis.

HALF A YARD SQUARE

Herewith is published a picture of the permit which the writer had to obtain at the cost of $1.50 in cash and about $100 worth of time and energy chasing around, in order to import three variable condensers. Can any of the readers pick out the exact characters which say "variable condensers"?

FROM COAST TO COAST

Because of its central location, Shanghai is an admirable place from which to cover the

The Concert Was 1100 Miles Away

Colorado Springs, 2-28-'22.

"About three weeks ago I purchased a Clapp-Eastham H. R. Receiving Set from the Reynolds Radio Company . . . I know nothing about radio, and this is my first receiving set. When Reynolds told me that under good conditions he had heard San Francisco from Denver, I was rather skeptical.

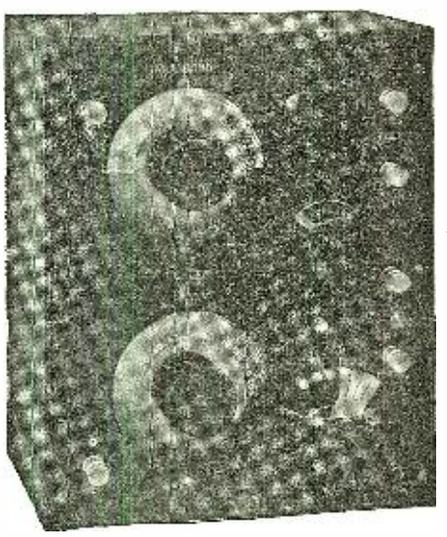
"However, last Friday night, I happened to pick up a concert of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra sent out by the Detroit News. Toward the latter part of the entertainment . . . the music and announcements came so clearly that we could understand perfectly with *only one phone*.

"The fact that Detroit is about *eleven hundred miles* from here in a straight line, seems so incredible that I wired Detroit to verify the facts. Since then we have gotten Detroit three times. I was not using an amplifier."

J. H. P. (Name on request)

WE have specialized exclusively in radio for more than fourteen years. Every one of those years has contributed something important to our latest Type H. R. Regenerative Receiving Set. We sincerely believe it to be the best set of this type on the market today—regardless of price.

Novices and experienced radio men alike praise its simplicity of operation, its sharp, clear tones, its wide range, its careful workmanship, its neat appearance. And invariably they express surprise at its unexpected performance. Regenerates perfectly wave lengths of 180 to 825 meters.



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N. B. If, owing to the phenomenal demand, your dealer is out of Clapp-Eastham sets, write us. 6c stamps will bring you our new Radio Catalog—containing full information regarding this set and other radio equipment. Clapp-Eastham Co., 139 Main Street, Cambridge, Mass. *Oldest and Largest Exclusive Makers of Radio Equipment.*

SPECIFICATIONS

Cabinets: Solid mahogany, dull finish.

Panel: Condensite, dull finish, machine engraved, white lettering.

Dials: Indestructible metal, black with white lettering.

Condenser: Balanced type, built as a Vernier; 2 rotary, 3 stationary plates.

Antenna Inductance: Wound on formica tube.

Plate Inductance: Wound on molded ball.

Binding Parts: Black rubber covered.

Switch: Fan blade.

Rheostat: Clapp-Eastham type H 400.

Circuit: Single circuit regenerative.

"B" Battery: Contained in inside compartment or external, as desired.

Price: $40.

Clapp-Eastham

Type HR

Regenerative Receiving Set

world by radio. It is a convenient thing to remember that London and Paris, Shanghai and Manila, and San Francisco are equidistant points around the world. European stations come in strong here, both large and small. Pacific Coast American stations also come in well. Even Atlantic Coast stations have been heard in Shanghai. It is a coincidence, and many of you may have heard, Pearl Harbor and Nauen sending time signals at the same time, one at noon and the other at midnight. Their wave lengths are such that they both can be heard at one adjustment. The air in Shanghai is practically free from static in winter, but in hot weather it is likely to be very heavy.

A short time ago the writer was astonished to hear perfectly good Peking Chinese language floating around the ether. "The ole world do move!" He was interested to read in a recent number of RADIO NEWS that Chinese was "just a gurgle." If it is in life a gurgle, over a wireless phone it's a strangling performance.

Nanyang College, at Shanghai, one of the leading Chinese technical schools of the country, has instituted a course in Radio Engineering. They have been fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. T. C. Chang, an American trained radio engineer, who, as head of the department, is rendering great service to radio in China. At present there are about 20 students taking up this line. It is a full-fledged engineering course, not merely a school for operators.

One of the most interesting radio enterprises in China has been the popular educational movement under the direction of Prof. C. H. Robertson of the Lecture Department of the Y. M. C. A. He purchased, while in America a short time ago, the two complete radio telephone stations which were used in the Victory Way in New York City during the Victory Loan drive. These he has cleverly mounted in trunks, so that in a few minutes' time, the two stations can be set up for lecture purposes. On one tour of about 12 cities, 100,000 people heard him speak. To see some old Chinese Governor with the phones clamped to his ears, as interested as a kid, is a sight to make one think that China has got to wake up. He has given lectures to the leading generals of the country and even before the President of the Republic himself.

It would not be surprising if China was one of the first countries in the world to establish a satisfactory commercial network of wireless telephones, because land lines have never been installed. Because of the great distances to be covered and the difficulty of procuring land even to plant telephone poles, the wireless telephone may solve one of the greatest communicational difficulties between China's 1,900 walled cities.

Who knows but what in a few years from now, Americans in Shanghai will be sitting down to breakfast with the strains of the Metropolitan Opera Company concert, of the evening following, floating through the house? Sounds rather nice, doesn't it?

A Celestial Audion

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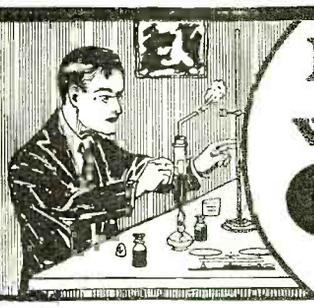
terior planets. Here the expert steps in and says that it is impossible for our radio waves ever to leave the earth, due to the so-called heavy-side layer. It is our opinion that the heavy-side layer presents no great obstacle for radio waves. It is our firm belief that the thin blanket of air only measuring about 30 miles is not sufficient to stop the radio waves, even though our experts may tell us that the upper layers of the atmosphere of the earth are constantly ionized. It is our belief that our atmosphere is no thicker in proportion than the gases adhering to the surface of the grid or plate, and perhaps vastly less.

We know that in a vacuum tube nearly all gases cling in a thin film to the grid



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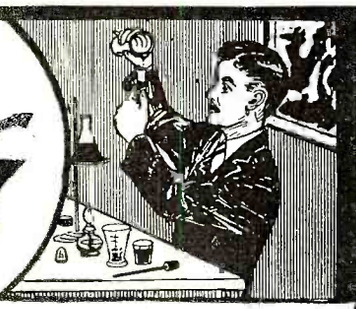

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and plate as well. Does this make electronic flow impossible? Certainly not! The diameter of the earth is 8,000 miles and the film of air on the surface—our atmosphere—is 30 miles thick. It is almost certain that the layer of gas on the plate of an audion is greater in proportion than the atmospheric layer on the earth.

Physicians at Sea Give Diagnosis by Radiophone

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surgeon on the Steamship "Centennial State," which plies between New York and London. Some nine years ago Dr. Irwin, then serving on a vessel plying between New York and Central American ports, was summoned to the wireless room one day and informed that the keeper of a lighthouse on a lonely island in the Caribbean was suffering as a result of an injury to his leg, and that immediate medical attention was necessary. The island had five persons as its population, this being the lighthouse tender, his wife, a wireless operator and two other workmen, one of whom acted as cook. Dr. Irwin asked for a complete history of the case, and across 800 miles of sea the details were given him in dots and dashes. The lighthouse keeper had fallen, broken a leg, and gangrene had developed. From the facts provided him Dr. Irwin came to the conclusion that an immediate amputation was necessary to save the life of the sufferer. It was out of the question for the ship to get to the island, for the surgeon well realized that the time consumed would be too great. He inquired whether or not the others on the island would be willing to attempt the necessary amputation, provided he gave them specific directions. Receiving an answer in the affirmative, Dr. Irwin detailed through the ether the process necessary for the taking off of the injured man's limb. The surgical portion of the operation was performed by the cook, using as his instruments a butcher knife and a kitchen saw. Inasmuch as no anaesthetics were available, the injured man had to grin and bear it, but fainted before the operation was concluded. During the next two or three days Dr. Irwin received wireless communications regarding the state of the patient and found that he was doing well, having a robust constitution. Several months thereafter, when Dr. Irwin's vessel was within wireless talking distance of the island, he communicated with his patient and found that he was well on the road to recovery. Only a few weeks ago Doctor and patient met for the first time, and that was on the arrival day of the Steamship "Centennial State" in the Port of New York. A message that came from the pier informed Dr. Irwin that a gentlemen with one leg desired to see him. When Dr. Irwin reached the pier the one legged man grasped him by the hand and said "Doctor, you don't know me, but you ought to, inasmuch as you are responsible for taking off my leg." Then followed a rehashing of the historic case.

Recently Dr. W. S. Ford, of the Steamship "Potomac" of the United States Lines, aided and abetted the stork by wireless. Late one night Dr. Ford was aroused to read a message which came from a freighter in mid-Atlantic which read as follows: "Captain's wife on board. Expect arrival of stork before we can reach port. Please assist." This was a stumper for the doughty Doctor, but it was an emergency and he could not fail. He therefore detailed in language that could be understood by a layman the necessary directions to the far-off freighter over which the stork hovered. Two days late Dr. Ford received another message which read: "Now have a new son. Don't know your name, Doctor, but will call him Napoleon

Ford. A thousand thanks! God bless you."

The development of wireless has greatly enhanced the responsibilities of the ship surgeon. He stands no particular watch, but is ever on duty and ever at the service of ailing humanity, whether it be on his own vessel or those within "talking distance."

Dr. Michael Rebert, of the Steamship "Lone Star State," upon its recent arrival in New York, announced that he was going to sleep for two days consecutively as a result of the number of night calls to which he had been subjected through wireless applications for aid from passing freighters. Late one night the Doctor was aroused by the wireless operator who informed him that 12 members of the crew of a Norwegian freighter were in terrible agony and desired medical attention. Dr. Rebert inquired as to the history of the ailment and found that the crew had partaken quite freely of canned lobster. He diagnosed the trouble as being ptomaine poisoning, and when the 12 sufferers had finished with the Doctor's directions, they had exhausted their entire supply of Rochelle salts, and reported progress at dawn.

The work of the ship surgeons of the United States Lines has been so greatly enhanced that the company has decided to supplement them with graduate nurses. These nurses, all of whom are duly registered, have had long experience in hospitals and all of them were in the Government service during the war. With their aid it is expected that even greater service can be given passengers aboard the liners and to those who call for aid across the void.

Dr. Lee de Forest Predicts 20 Million Radio Listeners by 1927

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ing those busy nights and days, the ether around New York was kept thoroughly agitated with music from 'Il Trovatore,' and more than one ship's operator working with his, then new, carborundum crystal detector had sudden doubts as to his sanity, or sobriety, when above the rattle of the 60-cycle spark he heard, distinct and clear, real music or human voices.

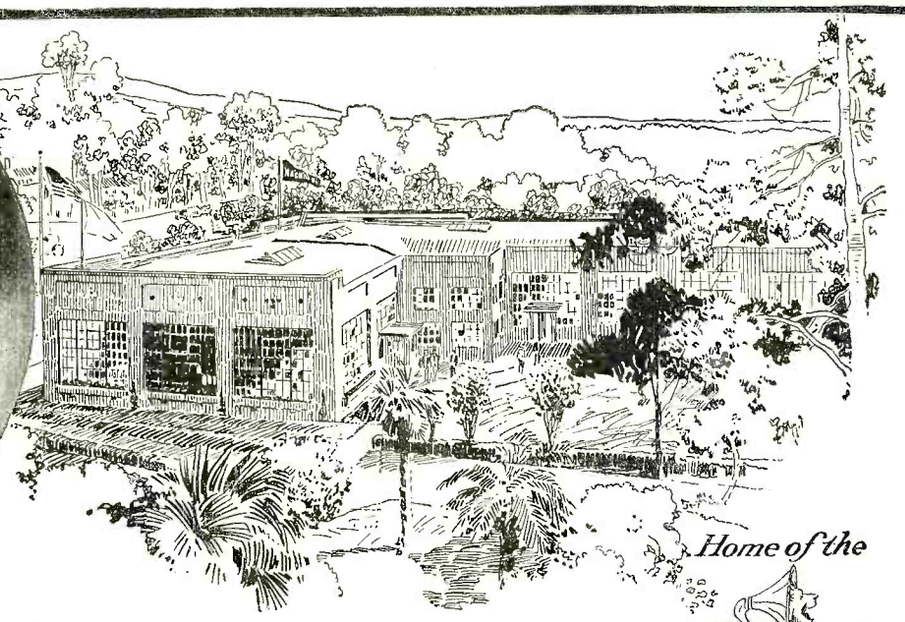
"There are indeed many names to be included in the honor roll recording the development of the modern Radio Telephone—not forgetting the still earlier period of Marconi, and today, if there is any one thought I should like to suggest to the new comers in the public field of Radio, through the Boston Radio Exposition, it is this: In our concern for the ever present let us not forget to pay due honor to those who in their laboratory research have made their contribution to this new field of activity and progress—Edison, Tesla, Stone, Fessenden, Carty, Squire, Alexanderson and many others yet to be publicly recognized.

"At the same time, let us be duly grateful that Radio is beginning to come into its own. I say beginning, because I still feel that we are only at the start of the Wonderful Age of Radio.

"Today it is estimated that in the United States there are a million Radio listeners. Personally, I think the figure conservative. But I am positively certain that within two years, there will be five millions, and by 1927, twenty millions of radio receivers; with their antennæ, like twigs in the forest, draining the ether of its music, its spoken information and amusement, over the length and width of our land."

A THOUGHT OF THE DAY.

The only two publications we have run across lately that have no regular Radio Departments are the *Milliner's Journal* and the *Stamp Collector's Monthly!*



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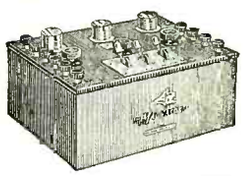

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MAGNAVOX Radio

The Radio Car

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Just as anywhere on the high seas ships can keep constantly in touch with ports and other ships through the use of the radio, now the automobile—the land ship—can immensely facilitate distribution of information to the great benefit of mankind.

One ingenious amateur, by utilizing the power of the generator on his car, not only receives messages, but also transmits them.

Such equipment makes possible the use of motor cars as scouts or reporters of crop, weather or news messages from any part of the country.

The news reporter need no longer be obliged to beat his rivals to the wire. With a car equipped to talk instantly and directly with the radio office of his paper, he is free of all restrictions or competition.

Correspondence from Readers

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and WJZ in a medium sized room with a home-made loud speaker, and transmit WGY 10 miles over the telephone. Still I am sometimes unable to hear some of them sign, but could if they would repeat or sign more often.

G. W. PERKINS.

Thomson, N. Y.

A Lady (Radio) Bug

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The main electrical switch is thrown in action, which energizes the control switches with current. Number two switch gives momentum to the motor, while the unit labeled as number three is for field of generators. Switches numbered four and five are reserved for bulb filaments. The series of switches are thrown in consecutively. Once they are in operating position, the rheostat handles are moved to the right—clockwise—until the voltmeter on the 50-watt power tube reflects 10 volts and the voltmeter on the 5-watt unit reads 5.5 volts.

The voltage through the primary of the telephone transformer is varied by the voice impressions on the microphone diaphragm. The transformer steps the voltage up and varies the grid current. This, in turn operates the plate current, and as the plate circuit or output of the modulating tube is connected across the plate circuit of the oscillating tube, the continuous oscillations are varied or modulated. The inductance is a radio-frequency choke of 2.2 millihenries, to forestall the flow of oscillations back into the plate of the modulating tube, thus causing loss of current. The filaments of the bulbs are energized from the 110-volt direct-current source of supply. The two filaments are linked in series and burn on the drop of the potential across the resistance.

Miss Loomis, other than acting in the role of inventor of radio instruments and as a teacher on the subjects of radio engineering, has written a text-book on radio telephony. The contents are concerned with the historical significance of the subject and its present-day ever-expanding applications. The book will come from the press about the middle of May. The subject of this sketch is in possession of a first-grade radio license granted her during the World War by the United States Department of Commerce. She claims that a cousin, Dr. Mahlon Loomis, demonstrated the use of wire-

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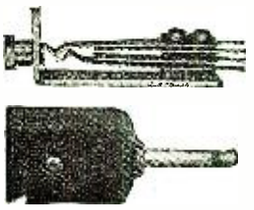

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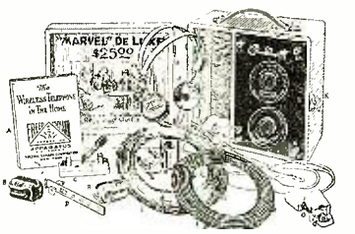

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less telegraphy some years before Marconi was born. Be that mooted question as it may, Miss Loomis has demonstrated unusual talent as inventor, teacher, and as a principal of a radio engineering school. Strange to say, her early predilection determined her life pursuit in the fields of music and languages. She can speak French, Italian, and German. Moreover, in the parlance of the street, she knows still another "language"—that of the technician, for she is quite as well versed on the fine points and technic of radio telephony and radio telegraphy as on the simpler things of life. In other words, she has mastered her profession.

Protection Against Danger From Atmospheric Electricity

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static. When warm weather comes atmospheric electricity is generated in much larger quantities. The intense heat of the summer sun evaporates the moisture on the surface of the earth and water from ponds and lakes very rapidly. This evaporated moisture or vapor, becoming heated, rises to the upper atmosphere and upon reaching the higher levels where the temperature is lower, the water vapor condenses into minute drops of moisture and forms clouds. Each moisture particle becomes charged with a very small amount of electricity. As the moisture particles in the upper air become more dense the particles crowd together and one particle combines with another. This combination increases the electrical charge on each particle until finally a thunder cloud is formed which is very highly charged with electricity.

It is a known fact that when thunder storms are in formation electric discharges occur within the cloud. These discharges are popularly known as sheet lightning. Every time such a discharge takes place, radio waves are emanated and these waves impinge upon your antenna, causing a sharp crash or crackle in the telephone receivers if you happen to be listening in.

A thunder cloud must be regarded as a huge bubble containing electricity. Discharges are constantly taking place within the bubble and increasing in size. When a certain critical point is reached, the bubble bursts, the pent up electricity discharges in one swoop to the earth, and we hear a mighty thunder clap. If this lightning bolt strikes within one-half mile of your antenna, considerable current will be induced in your aerial system. This induced current will pass harmlessly to the ground and you will be unconscious of its presence if you have taken the proper precautions.

Let us consider the great bubble once more. If we prick tiny holes in this bubble while it is in process of formation, the pent up electricity will gradually discharge. If we prick enough holes in the bubble, the electric charge may leak away so fast that the quantity of electricity within may never reach the point where the bubble will burst. The function of the common lightning rod and the properly grounded or protected antenna is to prick holes in the great electric bubble in the sky, and convey its charge silently to the ground. For this purpose the average radio antenna is exactly as effective as the lightning rod.

"What will happen if a lightning bolt actually strikes my antenna?" is a familiar question. Let us consider the nature of a lightning bolt. The heavy thunder clap which attends its appearance gives the impression of tremendous energy. It is true that lightning is destructive, but as a matter of fact its bark deceives one of its might. The average lightning bolt contains about as much energy as is represented in a pint of gasoline. The only difference is that the energy of lightning

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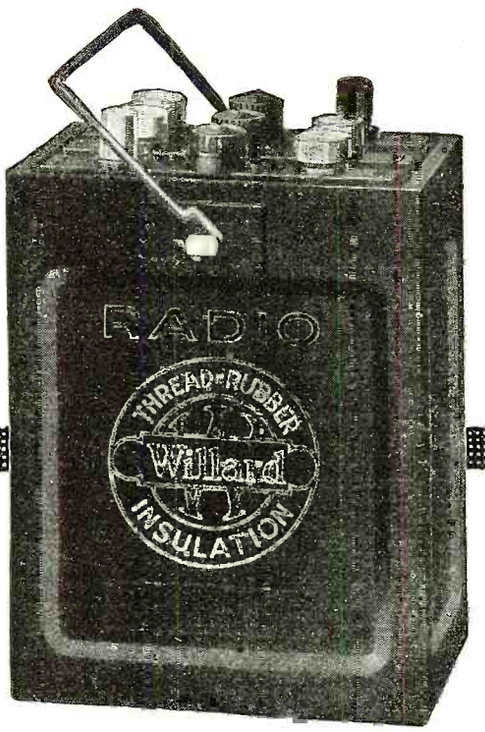

You'll have to admit it's annoying to have a radio concert or a conversation interrupted by noises that sound as if all the animals in the zoo had cut loose at once.

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is exerted instantaneously. Take, for instance, a cupful of gasoline and ignite it under a saucepan containing a tallow candle. The heat of the burning gasoline will melt the candle. The phenomenon is silent and harmless. Take another cupful of gasoline and dump it into the gas tank of the family flivver, crank up, and drive thirty miles an hour, head-on into a concrete wall. The effect is startling. Even Henry himself could not put together the remains and make them rattle once more, yet the energy involved was no more than that necessary to melt the tallow candle. The essential difference lies in the fact that in the first case the energy was released gradually and in the second case the energy was released instantaneously. A bolt of lightning represents an electrical collision. This accounts for its many strange antics, such as stripping the soles from shoes of persons struck, smashing crockery, or ripping off the wall paper.

The average lightning bolt never plays according to Hoyle, and if it does ever strike your antenna it will probably not follow the direct low resistance path to ground which you have carefully provided, but instead may jump to the chicken coop, causing the feathers to fly, or wreck the gas stove or refrigerator. The lightning, if it ever strikes, will be blissfully oblivious to the fact that you ever had a radio set or antenna or ever thought of having one. You may have a fine nickel-plated bumper on the front of your automobile, but if you collided with a locomotive going 60 miles an hour, it would be difficult to find the remains of the car let alone the nickel-plated bumper.

So far as your radio installation is concerned, you should harbor no fear that it will attract lightning. The chances of lightning striking your home this summer are no greater than the chances last summer. You should make it a point, however, to install such safety devices as will render harmless the currents induced in your antenna by lightning bolts striking in the neighborhood.

We will consider separately the precautions necessary to protect your home, yourself and your radio set against any slight derangement from atmospheric electricity. With your home in mind, take the following procedure:

First, install a lightning switch or a grounded short gap of approved design. Avoid the purchase of slate base switches, gaps, or any other devices which do not support the ground conductor at least five inches out from the wall or building.

Second, install a ground conductor running as directly as possible to a good ground connection. A ground connection may be a water pipe, several galvanized pipes driven in the soil and connected together, or metal plates buried two or three feet below the surface of the earth. The water-pipe connection is generally regarded as satisfactory and sufficient. The ground conductor running from the lightning switch or grounded short gap to the earth connection must be of sufficient size to conform with the regulations, which specify that the periphery of such a conductor be at least three-quarters of an inch. To comply exactly with the specifications you should use a No. 2 copper wire, copper tubing one-quarter inch outside diameter, or copper ribbon three-eighths of an inch wide. Of the three, copper ribbon is the least expensive. The ground conductor must clear the wall of the building at all points by at least five inches and should be mounted on insulators which provide this amount of clearance. All connections should be soldered.

Third, have the installation approved by your local inspector so that in case any damage to the building by lightning ever comes to pass, the validity of the radio installation will not be questioned.

Many people are at a loss to decide between a lightning switch and a grounded short gap. Both of these devices, properly constructed, are approved by the National Electric Code. Let us compare the merits and demerits of both.

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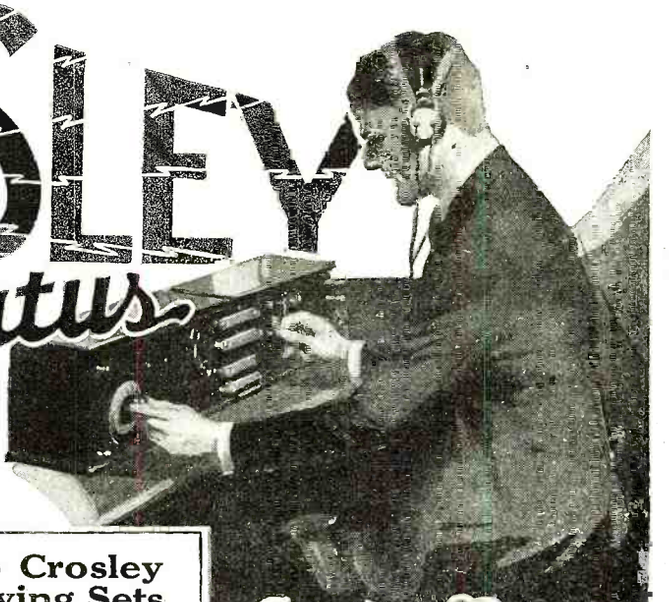
Radio Apparatus



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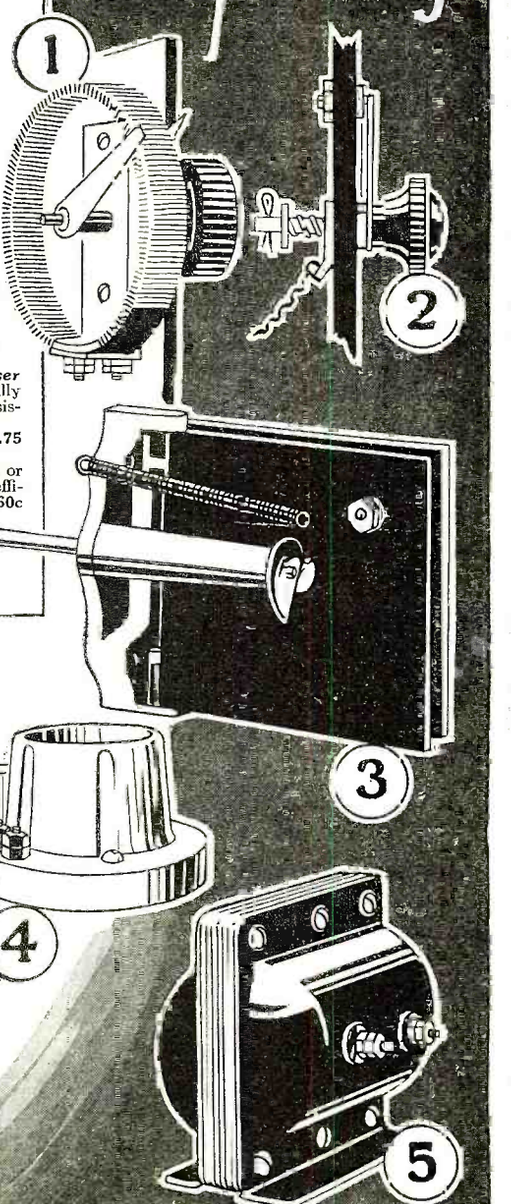

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The lightning switch costs more to buy. It must be operated manually to provide the proper protection, but when thrown to the grounded position it provides a more positive protection than the grounded short gap. With the lightning switch in a closed position, a heavy electric surge induced in the antenna by a bolt of lightning striking near by will pass swiftly to ground and damage to your property will be a very remote possibility indeed.

The grounded short gap costs less to buy and its operation is automatic. It does not, however, discourage a discharge from entering the building, as the wire leading to the receiving set is permanently connected directly to the antenna. When a grounded short gap is employed, high potentials are often built up within a receiving set when a thunder storm is in progress and the insulation within the set is subjected to heavy strains. On the other hand, if one must operate his set when a thunder storm is in progress, it is safer to operate it when connected to a grounded short gap than when connected to a lightning switch.

We will now consider the protection of the radio set itself against possible damage from heavy electrical discharges. The best precaution to follow is to disconnect antenna and ground lead wires from the terminals of the set before the thunder storm breaks. If you do not care to disconnect the set, a protected gap should be purchased and connected across the antenna and ground terminals on the instrument. A substitute for such a gap can be provided in the form of a burnt out flashlight bulb screwed into a miniature base, the terminals on the base being permanently connected to the antenna and ground terminals on the receiving set. If the latter terminals are mounted close together a discharge gap may be provided by clamping two ordinary sewing needles in the terminals, separating the points by the thickness of a piece of paper. For maximum protection, however, complete disconnection of the receiving set from antenna and ground connections is advised.

As for self-protection, we again emphasize the remote possibility of a personal encounter with lightning due to the existence of radio equipment in your home. For safety's sake, however, respect these few "don'ts," and you need never suffer discomfiture:

Don't attempt to operate the set while a local thunder storm is in progress. You can hear nothing but static discharges anyway, the elimination of which is entirely beyond your control.

Don't touch the ground wire or the antenna lead wire while the storm is in progress.

Observe these precautions also: If you use a lightning switch throw it over to ground before the storm strikes. Do not touch the switch while the storm is in progress even though it may not be set in the grounded position. Keep the window next to the lightning switch or grounded short gap closed until storm is over. If your antenna lead wire is brought in under the window without any insulating tube, disconnect it from the receiving set and throw the free end out of the window until the storm is over.

There is much criticism of the present regulations respecting protective devices for the radio antenna. In many instances it is impossible or at least impracticable to comply with all the specifications in the regulations. Some of the requirements serve no useful purpose. Others require the purchase of unnecessarily costly protective devices. The framers of the regulations realize already that some revision must be made. Meantime you should make every effort to comply with the spirit of the regulations as they are framed in your personal interest and in the interests of the community.

The chances of you, your set, or your property ever being injured by lightning are very remote. This summer lightning will play its pranks just as if radio sets in 500,000 Ameri-

can homes were undreamed of. If, however, lightning should cause damage where radio is installed, the incident will call for a scare head in the newspapers, simply because radio at this time is so sharply focused in the public eye. Do not, through neglect, become involved in sensational reports which only encourage the false belief that radio antennæ attract lightning.

The telephone company installs its instrument in your home with simple, inexpensive, approved protective devices. But you are warned not to use the telephone during a thunder storm. Regard the use and installation of your radio in exactly the same way and you will be as safe as a cricket in the Mammoth Cave.

*(*See article on the new Underwriters' Regulations on page 31 in this issue.*—EDITOR.)

Now the Farm Radio Club

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members and serves the farmers in 11 different communities with market and other news received by radio. This is the principal object of the club. From time to time the farmers are also invited to attend the radio concerts. The club has become extremely popular. In disseminating market reports, news items, weather forecasts, lectures and music the members of the club feel that they are making a material contribution to the prosperity and happiness of the community.

Each member has a receiving set and as soon as the market and other news is received it is sent to the farmers by telephone, posted on local bulletin boards, and the like. The club also has three C. W. transmission sets for relay work. One of these is 2AAB operated by Richard Huggard of Lakewood, New Jersey. This transmitter is a 5-watt tube C. W. set operating on alternating current at 350 volts, and 500 miles is consistently covered. Messages sent with this set have been heard in daylight in Houma, Louisiana, a distance of about 1,200 miles. It has also been reported by ship operators at Haiti and by a ship 1,650 miles N. E. of New York City. To work through the heavy interference caused by the congested amateur wave, Huggard recently installed a 50-watt set.

Another set is that of Bartlett Havens of Toms River, New Jersey. This is a 5-watt C. W. transmitter. Using one tube, Havens gets 1.7 amperes radiation, and can use straight C. W. or buzzer modulated C. W. For receiving messages he uses a regenerative receiver and detector and two-step amplifier. Using a Tresco tuner he gets all the long-wave C. W. stations in both America and Europe.

Three members of the club were recently appointed by the Agricultural Extension Service a committee to demonstrate the use of radio at the Eastern State Exhibition at Springfield, Mass. Demonstrations have also been given at Trenton, N. J., and Toms River. At Toms River, with the use of a four-step amplifier and Magnavox, signals and music were literally heard all over town, and amateurs in Canada were heard half a mile from the receiving set.

"The farmers of every community," officials of the Department of Agriculture state, "have long been in need of accurate and current information on weather forecasts, crop conditions, and market quotations to guide them in their daily farm operations. Information on these matters, which comes through the mails, often loses much of its value because of the time consumed in reaching the reader. Radio communication reduces the time consumed to a minimum. It has developed to such an extent that it has become a practical convenience for the farm, but before it will be widely used its practicability will have to be demonstrated.

"This opens a splendid opportunity to the county extension agents. To conduct radio

demonstrations through boys and girls is to grasp this opportunity and contribute to the solution of a problem that is universal. Such clubs receive and disseminate daily information. Each member sets up and uses a receiving outfit, thus demonstrating its usefulness. The outside world in this way is brought to the farm home doorstep. By disseminating the information received to other farms by telephone or through notices, the radio club member serves his community and adds to the desirability of farm life."

In instructing county agents in methods of organizing farm radio clubs it is suggested that local leadership be placed preferably in the hands of boys who are already familiar with the rudiments of wireless operation.

The other members of the club need have no knowledge of radio but should be not less than twelve years of age and should be in a position to secure the necessary radio equipment. A president, secretary and manager should be elected. A club may draw its membership from the entire county, but there are numerous advantages in confining membership to a single community.

The next step is to study and discuss at regular club meetings the laws regulating wireless operation, and codes; also to witness demonstrations in the setting up and use of receiving and sending apparatus. A number of text books for the beginner and advanced student in radio are recommended for study. Several radio magazines including RADIO NEWS, are also suggested for contemporaneous reading. Methods of sending and receiving messages are explained, and it is stated that descriptions of types of instruments will be furnished by the United States Bureau of Standards upon request.

When the members of the club have become sufficiently skillful in the accurate sending and receiving of messages, a regular service for receiving market reports and other news is established. It is suggested that the reports be posted each day in some public place where the people interested may read them. This place may be the office of the county extension agent, the post office, general store, or road crossing. Disseminating the news by telephone is also suggested.

According to the instructions, each member should make a duplicate of each wireless report received and at the end of the week forward the duplicates through the local leader to the county agricultural agent. Provision is also made for keeping a record of each report received on weather, crops and markets, so that the records may be studied and compared at club meetings.

The Department of Agriculture is endeavoring to establish the radio market news service on an efficient basis. It recognizes that there are many obstacles in the way of making it an immediate complete success, but so far as these have been considered up to the present time, it is felt that they are not insurmountable, and it is thought that with the coöperation of State and local agencies and suggestions from radio operators located throughout the country who are receiving the reports, the Department may be able soon to put the service on an entirely practical and substantial basis.

The farm radio club idea has tremendous possibilities. It is expected that within the next two years hundreds of these clubs will come into existence. Federated into a national association the farm boys and girls will have a radio organization second to none in the country in size and usefulness.

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MR. SMITH: "No—I paid cash for it."

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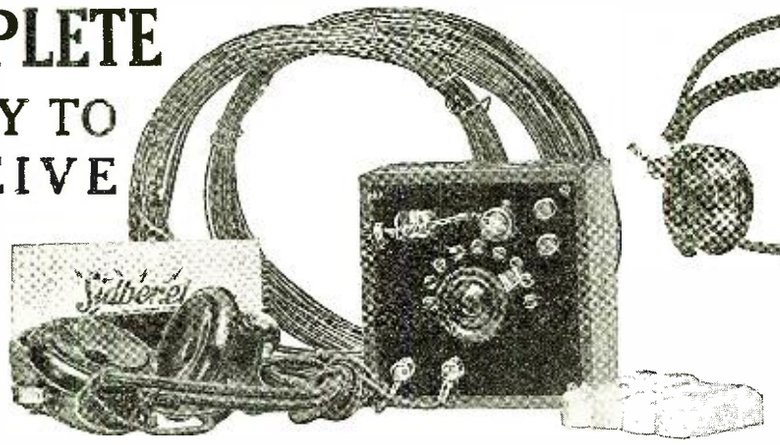

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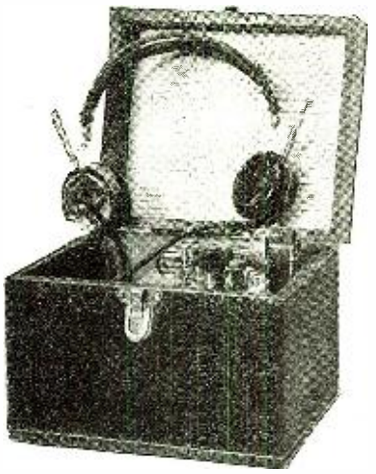

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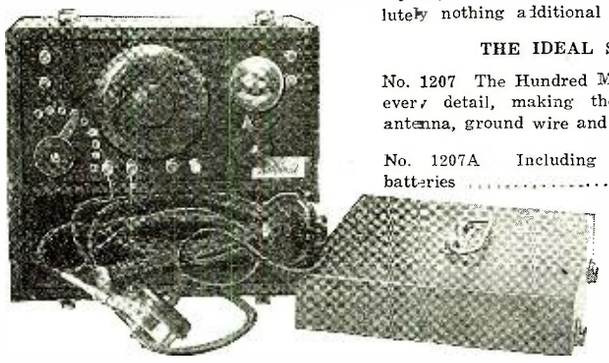

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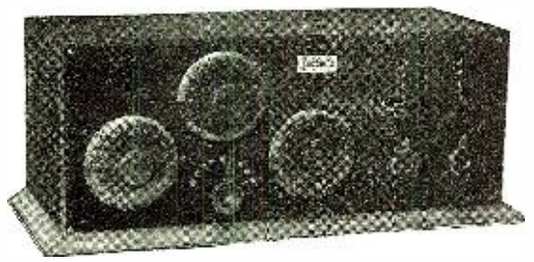

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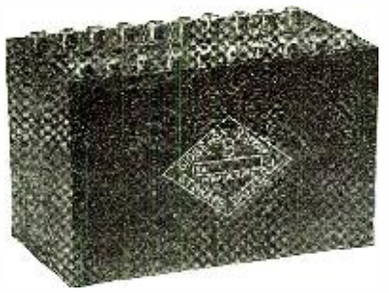

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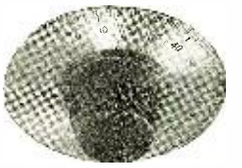

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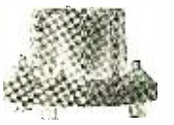

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Department Store Broadcasting Station

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At 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon the Emporium again has the right of way in the air and lectures by prominent people are delivered.

According to Mr. B. F. Schlessinger, general manager of the Emporium, the idea of the radio station at the store is to obtain real local talent, instead of resorting to the use of the phonograph entirely. This has been accomplished by securing many of the singers and actors from theatres in San Francisco to speak and sing over the air from the radio room. A Steinway Duo Art piano, loaned by the Sherman Clay Music Co., has been used in this respect and numerous concerts are given by well-known artists. Several of the members of the Chicago Grand Opera Co. entertained the listening public recently when the Opera Company was playing in San Francisco.

This is somewhat of an innovation, as most of the radio telephone stations in and near San Francisco make use of the phonograph only in giving concerts. To music lovers this new method offers the opportunity to hear the best music obtainable, whereas the "canned music" in time becomes monotonous.

Shortly after the station was opened a junior construction contest was held to stimulate designing and building of apparatus by the younger adherents of wireless. This contest was a decided success and many new forms of sets were built by the participants.

The transmitting room is located on the seventh floor of the Emporium Building, in a large room where the speakers are invited to talk over the phone. The interior is finished elaborately and everything is at the convenience of the speakers.

On the fourth floor the sales room and public receiving room are situated. The public is invited to come in and listen to the radiophone music in the reception room and a large crowd is always on hand listening to the phone stations around the Bay. A two-step amplifier and Magnavox afford everyone the opportunity to listen to music and announcements with ease.

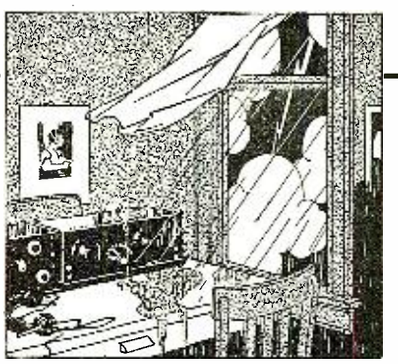
The installation at the Emporium is by far the most up-to-date of any in the Bay Cities, and it is an extreme pleasure for the tired business man to ensconce himself in one of the luxurious arm-chairs and listen to the strains of his favorite melody.

Among the prominent speakers who have delivered talks at the Emporium station are the following:

Marshal Joffre, who gave a short talk in French when he visited the city; William Hassler, health officer; Mr. Creed, President of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Chief of Police Dan O'Brien; Chief Murphy of the Fire Department; J. M. McCandless, Deputy Potentate of the Honolulu Shrine, and many others including actors and singers from the playhouses.

The program for speakers is arranged ahead for several weeks and every day a new speaker entertains the thousands of listeners. Letters of congratulation from all over the state have been received complimenting the Emporium's station and operators for the splendid programs offered.

That San Francisco and the entire United States are wireless mad is evidenced by the fact that the radio stores have difficulty in keeping their stocks replenished, so great is the demand for all kinds of apparatus. Even the Emporium with their large supply of radio apparatus, is having difficulty supplying the radio amateurs, who buy everything from a cat-whisker up to a two-stage amplifier and Magnavox.



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Chaparra "PWD" Coastal Radio Station

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to sight. An umbrella antenna, sustained by a tower, 300′ high on a heavy concrete base, perfectly balanced to the extent of having no need of stays, with four branches, each 500′ long, insulated by a row of eight yards of insulators between the tower and four wooden masts, 50′ high. It is used solely for transmitting.

The receiving type is of the flat top class, stretched on to the halfway of the tower and two masts, 400′ of the former, and consists of two wires only. Both transmitting and receiving antennae are duly connected to the control apparatus in the power house. The ground system is of the direct fashion, being composed of 20 wires radially spaced from the base of the station, buried 12″ deep in moist earth and perfectly soldered and set up with efficiency.

We cannot but congratulate Mr. Valladares, the engineer, for the improvements and remarkable results obtained with such a station, which in average work, would not supersede the standard range of 650 miles daylight.

The writer has seen reliable reception from Nueva Gerona, Isle of Pines Radio Post, La Fée, Pinar del Rio, Haiti, Bermudas. Is. Bahamas, Nassau, Miami, Cape May (previously mentioned), New York, N. Y., Savannah, Georgia, Charleston, and down to Panama and Venezuela. These corresponding stations are not just around the corner, and I am quite sure a radiation of 22 amperes at 1200 meters wave-length is good for a standard type instrument of good make.

Reports on how far this station has been heard will be appreciated by the Cuban Government, Radio Department.

Radio Music to Moving Trains

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Cal. We have arranged a special concert for your benefit on this Sunday morning and will give you an hour of the finest music we can select on the first 100 miles of your long journey and hope that your efforts to establish a record for reception of broadcasting music by radio on the rear car of a passenger train while in motion will be a pronounced success. The first selection will be a piece on the player piano entitled 'Smilin' Through.'"

The music was very clear and audible to all passengers in the car and to their friends and relatives on the platform in rear of car and was distinct and clear to those left at the station until the train was well on its journey. Several records were played on the phonograph at the Los Angeles Kinema Station and we were in touch with the music at all times during many variations of speed and rounding of curves during the entire concert and could distinctly hear the operator's announcement of the various selections of music.

With a higher and better insulated antenna it is quite probable that these broadcasting stations can be kept in tune for a considerable distance from the city.

As is the usual experience in telephoning, the higher pitched tones of women's voices

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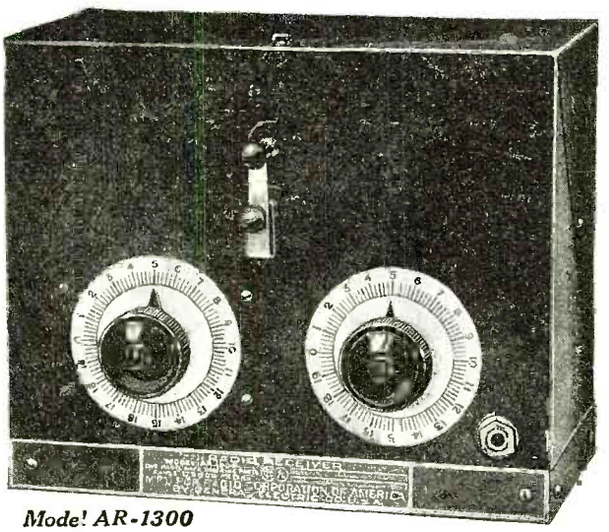
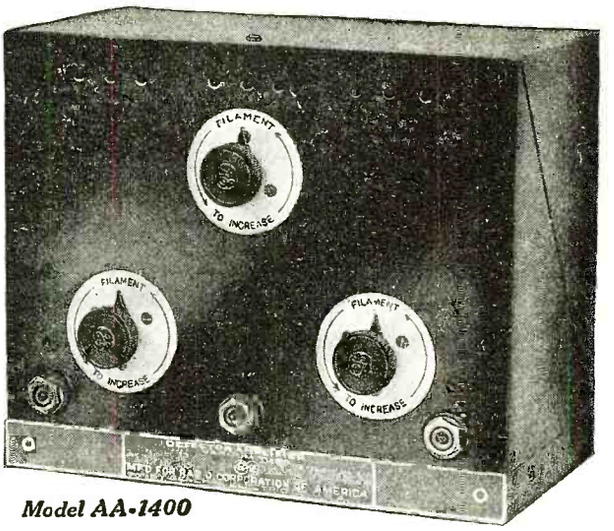


Model AR-1300



Model AA-1400

These two sets (radio receiver Model AR-1300 and Detector Amplifier Model AA-1400) meet the demand of the novice who wishes to start with a simple crystal detector and later to pass on to vacuum tube detection and amplification at minimum cost.

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Portraits Radiated Through the Ether

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board, will record a minute square of corresponding shade, thus reconstituting, element by element, the original picture.

About one thousand words are required for a portrait; a special code, however, enables this to be reduced to three hundred words. From a wireless station, a given photograph can simultaneously be sent to any number of other radio stations (also to ships on the high sea), if these, in addition to an ordinary radio receiver set, comprise a typewriter such as above described.

This method will find useful applications in the illustrated press, in banking and other lines of commercial activity, for the broadcasting of meteorological bulletins, for advertising and, alas, for military purposes as well. One of the most important uses, however, will be for the purposes of the criminal police, portraits of criminals being, in a minimum of time, circulated broadcast in all directions and to any distance, and being even received on board ship.

A Relay Recorder for Remote Control by Radio

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frequency current in the plate circuit caused the relay armature to chatter rapidly and make a poor contact with the fixed contact point through which the circuit is closed. This was overcome completely, however, by the addition of a one-microfarad condenser across the relay coils. This served the purpose of an audio-frequency by-path for the highly inductive winding of the relay, thus greatly decreasing the resistance of the circuit. The change of plate current due to this audio-frequency caused a second change which occurred at the keying frequency. This latter change passes readily through the relay coils and exerts a strong steady pull on the relay armature without chattering.

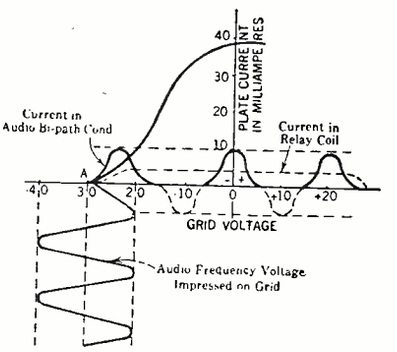

Fig. 2—Tube Characteristic Showing Principle of Operation of Relay Recorder.

It was also found that the 0.0006-microfarad variable condenser, Fig. 1, across the secondary of the input audio transformer made possible audio tuning, which increased the selectivity considerably. This tuning was very sharp and it was found that European stations could be made to operate the relay while a high-power station here in the United States would fail to operate it, although the high-power station was coming in on the same wave-length and slightly stronger. This was made possible by adjusting the heterodyne note of the European station to a frequency different from that of the local station and then tuning the secondary of the audio trans-

former to that frequency. The 0.0006-microfarad variable condenser may be replaced by a 0.0003-microfarad fixed condenser and the audio tuning accomplished by adjusting the heterodyne note to the resonant frequency. By means of this audio tuning one of three stations transmitting simultaneously has been selected and caused to operate the relay, although all were of equal intensity.

By the use of two relay recorders connected in series across the output terminals of a single radio receiving set, two messages sent on practically the same wave-length, but of different audio frequencies, have been accurately received simultaneously.

6. *Speed of Operation.* Tests showed that with a signal strength sufficient to produce a plate current of 10 milliamperes the relay could be operated at a speed of 48 contacts per second, the contact being sufficient to operate a buzzer. With three milliamperes in the plate circuit a speed of 27 contacts per second was obtained. With one milliampere a speed of 19 per second. In each case the relay armature spring tension was adjusted for the best operation.

7. *Sensitivity.* As stated above, this relay was designed primarily with the intention of obtaining a device which should be durable, simple in operation, and strong in construction. Sensitivity is obtained by means of radio-audio amplification thereby increasing the voltage input to the relay circuit and eliminating the necessity of extreme sensitivity in the relay. Tests at 600 cycles showed that the relay circuit was fairly sensitive, as approximately 1.3 volts at the input terminals of the audio transformer in the relay circuit caused a current of five milliamperes to flow through the relay coil in the plate circuit.

8. *Durability.* As the relay instrument used in this recorder is of the ordinary telegraph type its durability is well established. The only elements requiring occasional renewal are the two electron tubes, the 60-volt "C" battery, and the 160-volt "B" battery.

9. *Portability.* The complete recorder with the exception of the filament lighting battery is contained in a cabinet 7″ by 13″ by 11″, as shown in Fig. 4.

10. *Uses.* 1. As an ordinary receiver it has advantages over reception with telephone receivers, for one may receive by buzzer or sounder with all induction and interfering noises eliminated (if not louder than the signal).

2. A tape or drum-type recorder may be used and a copy made without a trained radio operator.

3. Time signals may be recorded.

4. A call system may be worked by a time switch connected to close the filament circuit for a given time at set calling intervals.

5. Any form of mechanism may be operated by an incoming signal.

6. A receiving station may be located remotely from the transmitting station and the radio signals relayed by wire to the operating room some miles distant.

In conclusion it may be stated that a relay of this type should operate satisfactorily, *without attention*, on an airplane where mechanical vibration may be excessive as the pull on the armature with three milliamperes, or over, in the relay coil makes possible the use of a spring tension on the relay armature sufficient to keep it from moving due to mechanical vibration of the relay.

It would seem that the above-mentioned feature makes this remote control relay more serviceable than those now on the market which require delicate adjustment of spring tension, contact points, and suspended vibrating elements.

Type B—For Use on the 60-Cycle, 110-Volt, A-C. Supply

This recorder is similar in construction and operation to the Type *A* recorder, except that the plate and grid voltages (B and C battery) are supplied from the 60-cycle, 110-volt a-c. supply. The current for operating the tube filaments is also obtained from this source,

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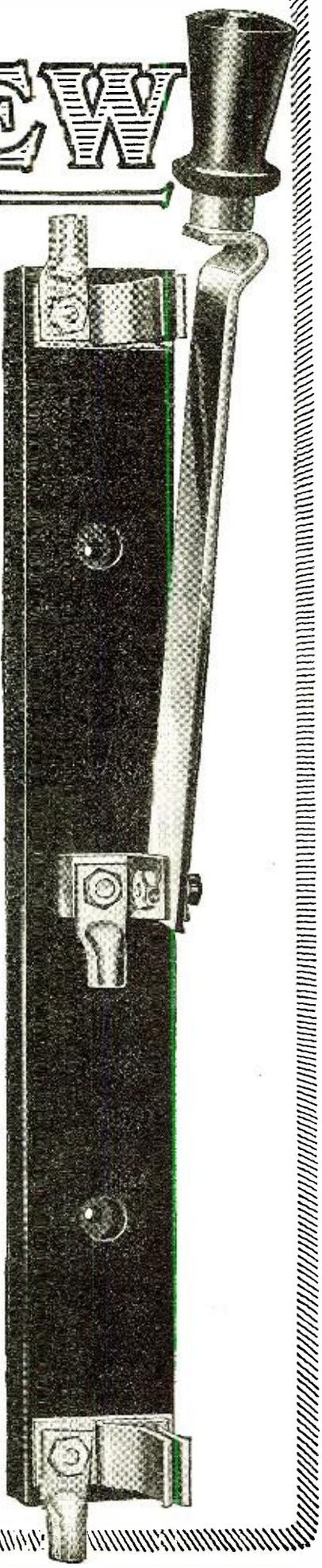

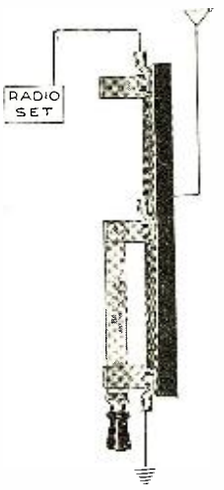

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so that the recorder is operated entirely independent of any form of batteries. It is only necessary, therefore, to connect to the 110-volt a-c. line and the recorder is ready to operate.

The method of operating the recorder from the a-c. supply consists in the use of the two receiving tubes as rectifiers as shown in Fig. 5. The tubes *Y* and *Z* are used as half wave rectifiers, one supplying the plate voltage, and the other the grid voltage. When used as rectifiers, receiving tubes should have the grids and plates electrically connected together. A special transformer *M* with six windings is used. Two of the windings *G* and *J* supply the filaments of the two rectifier tubes. A third, *I*, the filaments of the recorder tubes. A fourth, *U*, the high voltage for the plate. The fifth, *L*, supplies the grid voltage, and he sixth, *E*, is the 110-volt primary winding. The rectified alternating current is smoothed out by means of four microfarad condensers *P* and *R*, connected across the output terminals. As the currents in the grid and plate circuits are small, smoothing out inductance was found unnecessary. It was found necessary to put 40,000 ohms as shown at *O*, across the output circuit of the rectifier tube supplying the voltage to the grid, as the grid is otherwise insulated from the filament of tubes *K* by the rectifier tube. By means of the filament rheostats, *X* and *W*, the grid and plate voltages may be varied over any ranges desirable for the most efficient operation of the recorder. By the use of binding posts with straps as shown in Fig. 6, the type *B* recorder may be operated from *A*, *B* and *C* batteries for supplying the filament, plate and grid voltages respectively in cases where the a-c. supply is not available.

In cases where very high-speed operation is desired, the ordinary relay may be replaced by one designed for high-speed operation.

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Universal Amplifier Invented

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The experimental unit has demonstrated its efficacy in the reception of communications from spark stations, of medium power consumption, as far distant as Boston. And, strange to say, a coil only five inches in diameter was effectively employed as the receiving antenna. This small coil is seen on the table along with the amplifier in the photograph reproduced herewith. The signals when thus transmitted from Boston to Washington were audible several feet from the head telephones. The model, which will serve as a copy for quantity production, is on exhibition in room number 407 of the East Building of the Bureau of Standards, where the naval radio research laboratory was recently provided equipment and space for studying vacuum tubes.

"While the amplifying qualities of the three-electrode vacuum tube have long been known and used," to quote an official statement of the United States Navy Department, "yet heretofore the amplifiers obtainable would amplify only incoming signals over a narrow band of wave-lengths. It is desirable, however, to have apparatus which will receive over a very wide range of wavelengths, and the amplification should be as strong in one region of wave-length as in another, if it is to be universal." The amplifier designed by Dr. J. M. Miller, according to claims, successfully answers this criticism lodged against former designs of amplifiers. The details of this mechanism, other than those disclosed in this article, are not forthcoming until the patent that is pending has been granted, or otherwise disposed of.

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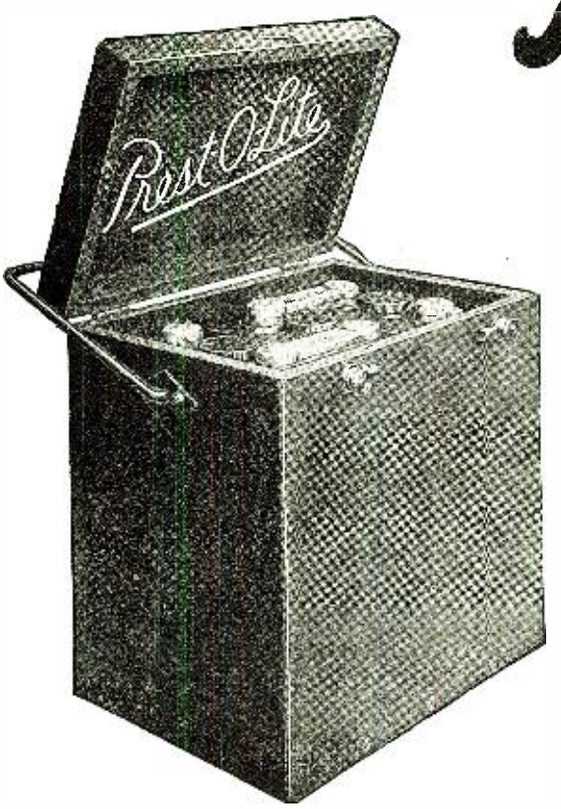

Ogontz Police Auto Now Carries Radio

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covered. He is also the inventor of a device by which it is possible to telephone to and from moving trains.

The wireless will soon be installed throughout the township. At the present time communication extends through Ogontz, Elkins Park and Ashbourne. When the installation is complete the districts affected will include Cheltenham, Melrose, La Mott, Wyncote, Glenside, Edge Hill, Oak Lane Terrace and Wyndmoor.

Who's Who In Radio

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which the reports of the Dempsey-Carpentier fight were broadcasted, is the original tower of Mr. Myers' broadcasting station and which was sold by him to the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad.

When the War came on and our boys on the other side were in need of Radio Equipment, the Western Electric Company called on Mr. Myers to take charge of production of "J" tubes. He raised the output of the plant from 150 to 5,000 tubes per day in seven months.

What impressed me most about this man was the fact that he spends little or no time in abstract theory. All his efforts seem to be given to the actual perfection of something useful and practical, for the advancement of radio. Where others have spent their time in developing theories of operation, Mr. Myers devotes his energies to the production of something tangible, something the other man can make immediate use of, something by which radio, as a science and practical industry, benefits.

One of the interesting evidences of this fact is the tube which he uses and manufactures. This tube he says has an amplification constant of 30. The way he has used this tube in his development of Radio frequency amplification is nothing short of marvelous to the uninitiated.

Anyone who has experimented with Radio frequency amplification will appreciate it when I say that all effects of body capacity were removed and that the set covered a band of wave-lengths ranging from 150 to 800 meters.

Another piece of apparatus which he is perfecting is a loud speaker. He operated it for me while I was in his laboratories with truly remarkable results.

The device operates on only the current from the set, requiring no extra batteries, with such volume as to be uncomfortably loud in any place short of a very large room—and this with only two tubes in his receiving set. There was no distortion and the tone reproduction was perfect. All the usual "flash" of amplified sound was missing.

On remarking upon the extremely compact set with which Mr. Myers was working, he laughingly showed me an old receiving apparatus which he used years and years ago. Compared with modern compact equipment it was ludicrous. In effect it approximated the present day vario-coupler except that the larger coil was fully 2′ long, with a diameter of 12″, while the rotor was in proportion. With all its apparent crudity Mr. Myers stated that this set would probably bring in better signals than most of the modern equipment of today.

On remarking about the cumbersomeness of much of the old equipment, Mr. Myers stated that necessarily all development must come about in this manner and that he felt that he, like many others, owed a great debt

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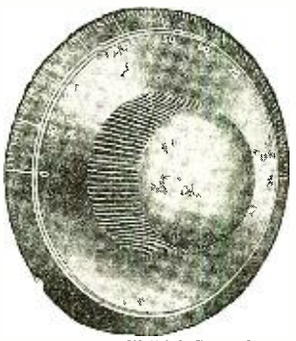

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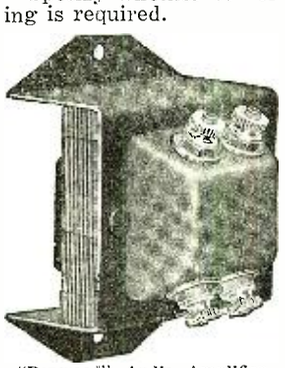

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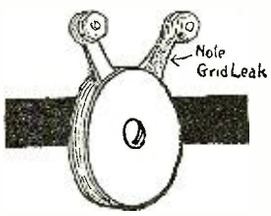

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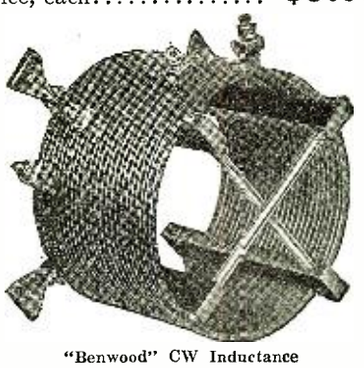

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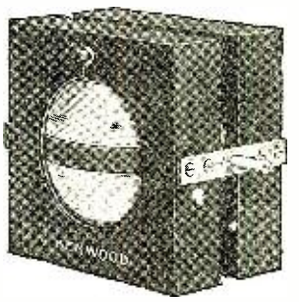

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to the vast number of unknown amateurs who had purchased and used these crude devices in the past. He said that many of these men were just as tireless in experimental work as those who had been more fortunate in being able to devote all of their time to Radio as a business.

Also realizing that many who use vacuum tubes do not entirely understand their operation, he has prepared an elementary explanation of their action in the form of an elementary discussion which he hopes may be of service to those who would utilize his experience in their study.

It is unfortunate that the thousands, if not millions, of radio amateurs who are experimenting in this alluring field cannot enjoy the privilege of personal contact with this man who, while he is one of the truly outstanding figures of the industry, devotes his entire time, resources and energy to practical accomplishments.

During the course of one brief talk he excused himself three times to personally meet and talk with young amateurs who had problems to solve and knew whom to come to for help. This illustrates the broadness of mind and "fellow feeling" of the man.

His early struggles in an infant industry sailing an unknown sea with very little experience behind him in no way has hardened him, but has rather developed in him a sense of altruism that makes him ever ready and willing to drop profitable employment and devote his time to the good of the cause.

It is on the work of such "Amateurs" as Mr. Myers that Radio has come into its own and must go on and on to greater and greater accomplishment for the good of the human race.

Suggestions for the Summer

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not already initiated. Ask any young man or boy who holds a Federal license what the best part of wireless is and he will tell you that it is being able to communicate by means of dots and dashes with the fellow across the street; the fellow across the town; the fellow across the state; the fellow across the continent, and then the fellow across the water. The new fraternity is the Freemasonry of Radio. There is already talk of agitation for a Universal language so that people all over the world may listen to broadcasts and communicate with fellow-men in any part of the world. War will be still farther away where this is possible.

To come back to our subject, why not learn the International Code during the summer? We can all take portable sets to the woods and the seashore this summer and listen in between the bursts of static. Take a telegraph key and a buzzer too. You can make dandy code signals with them and while you are sitting on the veranda of the cottage waiting for bedtime to come you can practice code and carry on conversations with your friends in dots and dashes. You can also do this by means of a pocket flashlight, although this trains the eye and not the ear, which is bad for radio.

Have you ever wondered who that was who "butted in" with code when you were listening to WGY or KDA? What do these folks say to each other in dots and dashes anyway? What does the SOS call sound like? Would you know it if you heard it?

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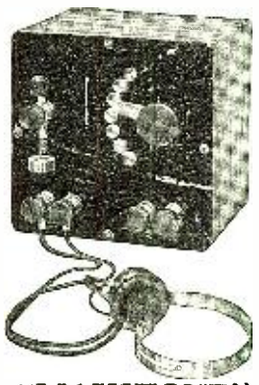

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Name.....
Street.....
City.....State.....

DEALER'S COUPON

The Radio Market News Service

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and Omaha, Neb., secure their information directly from the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates Offices. The others extending at about 350-mile intervals west from Omaha to the Pacific Coast act as relay stations for the Omaha reports.

Many of the universities and agricultural colleges giving instruction in radio communication in connection with their departments of physics or electrical engineering, have set up programs of broadcasting either alone or in cooperation with the State marketing agencies. This work began with the dissemination of weather reports from the Kansas State Agricultural College in 1916. Crop and market reports are now being broadcasted from several universities and colleges. The number of stations broadcasting the weather, crop and market reports is increasing almost daily. The additions to this list can be secured by addressing the Radio News Service of the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, Washington, D. C.

The map shows the location of the stations now broadcasting. The leased wire connections of the Federal Bureau are also shown. The leased wire service of the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates was established in 1916, and during the past six years as many as 17,600 miles of leased wire and 61 branch offices have been in operation. The leased wire has been used to carry reports from the markets, shipment information and reports from shipping points as to supply, demand, and f. o. b. prices. Even in its most extended form, the leased wire with the largest number of branch offices was never able to reach more than a small percentage of the people interested.

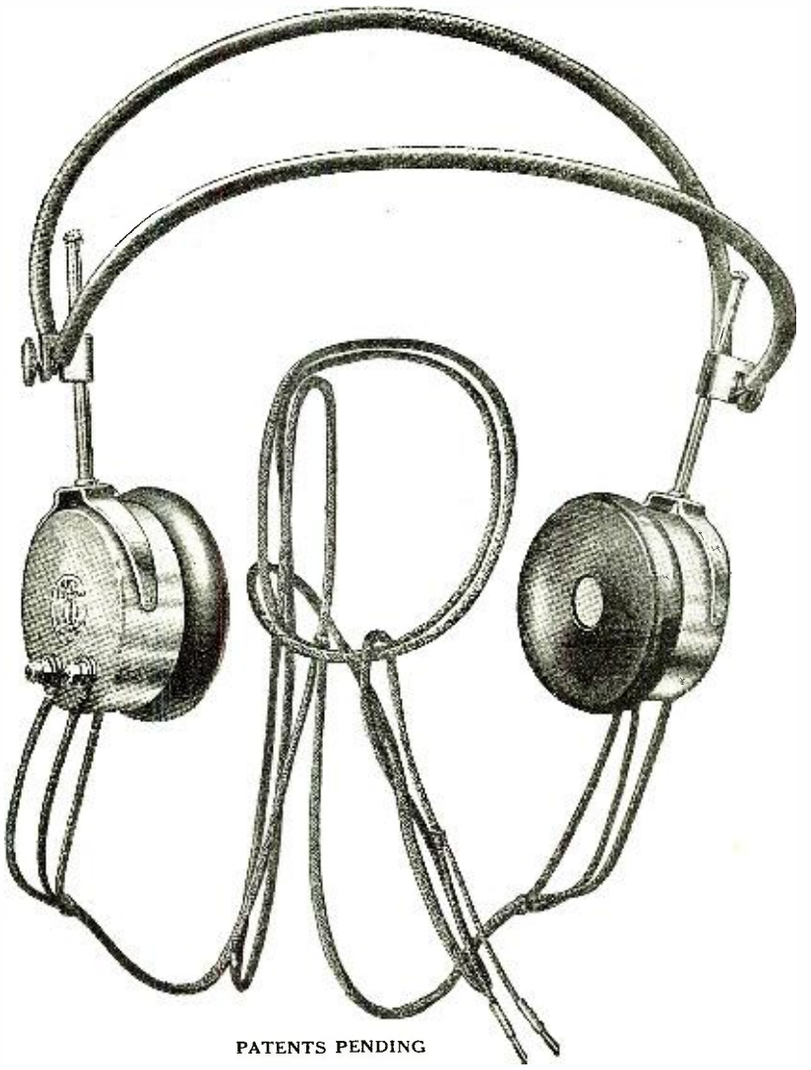
The function of the leased wire will not be changed or curtailed by the establishment of the radio method, but will be the nucleus of an effective system employing wired telegraph and telephone as well as radio telegraph and telephone, and may be extended.

The Air Mail Radio Service of the Post Office Department was established primarily to give communication between the flying fields, in connection with the transportation of mail by airplanes. These stations have to be available for service a large part of the day, but have considerable time which is not necessarily occupied in the business of the air-mail service. The market reports are sent out on schedules which are adapted to the unoccupied time at the stations. This incurs merely a nominal additional expense to the Post Office Department, and inasmuch as the market information is obtained for other uses by the Federal Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, the service as constituted at present incurs practically no additional expense to this Bureau. Because of the necessity of using stations not intended primarily for broadcast transmission but rather for interstation traffic it is not possible to organize as effective and complete a service as could be furnished by a chain of stations equipped solely for radio broadcast transmission. It is thought desirable, however, to take advantage of every facility available in order to obtain experience in handling market news by this method and be ready to install a more effective service should special facilities be made available at a later date.

FORMS OF REPORTS

Certain types of market information can be put into a form for rapid transmission by use of standard forms and code letters. This does not involve the ordinary use of code words and the necessity of coding and decoding the messages received, but it does make necessary the sending and receiving of

THE NEW RICO TRI-POLE DOUBLE HEAD 'PHONES



PATENTS PENDING

mark a new advance in telephone receivers. These receivers are built on a radically different plan than all other receivers. *The pull on the diaphragm is where it should be*—in the mathematical center of the diaphragm.

RICO receivers "talk for themselves." A trial will convince you. Super-sensitive, especially designed for broadcast work—sounds are brought in sharp and clear. Not a receiver of extraordinary sensitiveness, but an all around receiver whether used for broadcast radiotelephone work, or for long distance radio telegraphy.

OUTSTANDING MECHANICAL FEATURES

Lightness, Stability, Aluminum shells. Non-rusting diaphragms. Guaranteed tungsten magnets. Neat, black mercerized cord. Head band adjustable not only to every size head but *the two bands are adjustable as well;* the only head band made in this manner. Sanitary soft rubber covering that can be washed, will not catch the hair—especially appreciated by ladies.

RESISTANCES: 2,000 and 3,000 ohms. Can be made up to 6,000 ohms if desired.

PRICES { "Rico" TRI-POLE Head Sets, 2,000 ohms, $6.50
"Rico" TRI-POLE Head Sets, 3,000 ohms, 7.50

DELIVERY NOW. We have an especially attractive proposition to jobbers and dealers.

Wire or write to

RADIO INDUSTRIES CORPORATION

131 Duane Street New York City

the reports on special forms. Inasmuch as the sender and the receiver use identical forms, it is possible by the use of code letters preceding each blank space in which information is to be copied to transmit rapidly a large amount of information prepared in standardized form. By the use of such special forms and regular transmitting schedules a very effective service can be developed. This field has only been touched upon and great improvements undoubtedly will be developed in the handling of information in this way by both radio telephone and radio telegraph.

The receiving of reports by telegraph codes, using dots and dashes, makes it necessary that receiving operators understand the international (continental) code and be able to copy at least 15 words a minute. Wherever radio telephone communication is established, it is necessary only that the operator be able to adjust the radio receiving equipment properly, since the telephone reports are reproduced in the radio receiving equipment just as they would be in a wall or desk telephone. Wherever it is desired to utilize the reports sent by radio telephone, for publication or further distribution, they can be received and copied by a stenographer. At the present time only a few special forms of reports have been developed for use in radio broadcast communication. Others will be developed from time to time as the service grows and modifications of the present forms undoubtedly will be made.

In the forms of reports already in use, two-letter code symbols are used to designate the information sent. These are used in two different ways: (1) A two-letter symbol is placed at the beginning of the blank space, which is to contain a certain type of information. The operator simply sends the two code letters and the information occupying the blank space. For example, in sending "New Jersey sacked Irish Cobbler potatoes per 100 lbs., in consuming markets, New York SR $1.75–2.10," the operator would send only "(SR) $1.75–2.10." (2) Code letters are also used to designate certain options or alternatives to indicate types of information. For example, "Demand for Wheat, Milling, Strong (DK)..... Fair (DL)....., Poor (IM)....." The operator would send (DK), (DL) or (IM), as indicating one of the three alternatives and the receiving operator would put a check mark in the blank space following the letters received. Fractions are avoided wherever possible, but when necessary are sent as follows:

$1.50 is sent as IR50.
$1.50½ is sent as IR50.
$1.50½ is sent as IR50 and 1 DN 2.
⅞ of 1 cent is sent as 7 DN 8 cents.
65⅞ cents is sent as 65 and 7 DN 8 cents.

COOPERATION WITH STATES

In a number of States the State bureaus of markets and State extension departments are cooperating with the Federal Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates in organizing the agricultural communities to receive and utilize radio crop and market reports. In some cases they have established information centers which serve as distribution points for sending out the information through various channels. In some cases progressive agricultural counties have installed receiving equipment in connection with farmers' organizations so that the information will be available to the county agent for further extension either through the daily newspapers, telephone exchanges, or other agencies. It is probable that an important application of the radio service will be through organizations or institutions which will install equipment with competent operators to receive the reports and distribute them or make them available to individuals or groups or organizations of producers. Since the radiophone is coming into more general use, many of those engaged in producing or marketing farm products are installing equipment to receive the reports directly as no special trained operator is necessary to operate the equipment.

For Your "A" Battery—VESTA Cheapest in the Long Run

Few operators today would hesitate at the expense of the vacuum tube amplification needed to pick up the more distant points

But a vacuum tube outfit requires a storage battery to operate it and the cost of a good storage battery has prevented many operators from enjoying the additional possibilities a bulb set opens up.

Secondhand and rebuilt batteries are a poor investment for this purpose. The first cost may be lower than a good battery, but the frequent recharging necessary and the fact that their current output drops at the time you need it most make them a constant source of annoyance and expense.

A good battery that will hold its charge over a long period is the most economical in the long run. Such an "A" storage battery is now available at moderate cost. It is the new Vesta Radio "A," built in three styles and three sizes.

All Vesta Radio "A" Batteries are of the sturdy Vesta construction which has proved so successful in automobile work. For radio purposes these batteries are built with extra thick plates to give exceptionally long life and to require infrequent recharging. Two to four years' service can be expected from Vesta Radio "A's" if kept watered and recharged when the gravity falls below 1200° —no other attention is necessary.

Vesta Battery Service Stations catering to the automobile trade and Radio dealers are supplying these batteries. Consult your telephone book or write us if you are unable to locate your neighborhood Vesta Station.

PRICES

No.	Amp.Hrs.	Prices
6 EA 5	60	$17.50
6 EA 7	80	20.00
6 EA 9	100	23.00
V6 EA 7	80	21.50
V6 EA 9	100	28.00

Vesta six-volt Radio Batteries are made in three styles and three sizes.

The ampere draw of a vacuum tube is approximately one ampere.

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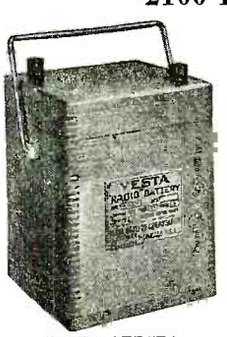

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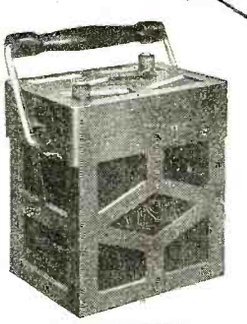
Finished Maple Box

6 EA SERIES
Black Wood Box



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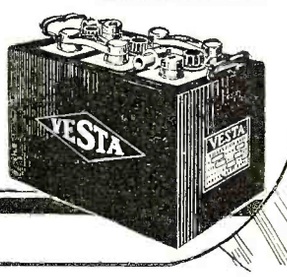
COSTS LESS PER MONTH OF SERVICE



The State marketing agencies that have either made installations of equipment or arranged for broadcasting are:

New Jersey Bureau of Markets.....Trenton, N. J.
The Alabama Markets Division.....Montgomery, Ala.
Iowa Agricultural Extension Service, Iowa State College.....Ames, Iowa
Minnesota Division of Markets.....St. Paul, Minn.
Missouri State Marketing Bureau.....Jefferson City, Mo.
Nebraska Bureau of Markets and Marketing...Lincoln, Neb.
New York State Division Foods and Markets...Albany, N. Y.
Ohio Division of Markets.Columbus, Ohio
Pennsylvania Bureau of Markets.....Harrisburg, Pa.
Texas Division of Markets and Warehouse Dept..Austin, Tex.
Texas Bureau of Markets, Dept. of Agri.....Austin, Tex.
Wisconsin Department of Markets.....Madison, Wis.
Massachusetts Division of Markets.....Boston, Mass.
Colorado Division of Marketing and College of Agriculture Cooperating Ft. Collins, Col.

Arrangements in other States are under consideration.

THE TRANSMITTING STATION

Wave Length. There are many technical problems in connection with radio telegraphy and telephony that have to be considered in the dissemination of broadcast reports. The question of wave-length and kind of transmission are both very important.

Most people who have become interested in radio have bought short-wave receiving sets whether they are amateurs and interested in the technique or are interested only in the entertainment and reports.

For transmission amateurs have been restricted to wave-lengths below 200 meters and in all probability they will be restricted to short wave-lengths not to exceed 300 meters. Wave-lengths for broadcasting public and Department of Agriculture services are located at 360 and 485 meters, wave length respectively. There are 36 stations now broadcasting. Some of these stations have licenses only for use of 485 meters while others have also license to use 360 meters for general broadcasting of news and entertainment.

THE RADIO RECEIVING SET

Type of Receiving Set. It is difficult for the non-technical person to choose the best type of receiving equipment for his specific needs. He will find so much radio equipment advertised that his first tendency will be to turn to some one for information. Some Government Bureau is the logical place to inquire for unbiased opinions. The Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates has asked the Bureau of Standards to furnish the technical information on radio receiving equipment. The Bureau of Standards has been gathering information regarding radio-receiving sets which are commercially available and is making certain performance tests on many of them. The information gained in this way will be turned over to the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates for general distribution and to assist them in answering inquiries from those who wish to avail themselves of the broadcast news. There will probably be a limited number of types of sets needed to meet the general requirements.

Radio-receiving sets are of two general classes: (1) those suitable for receiving signals from sets which transmit damped waves, modulated waves or radio telephone; and (2) those suitable for receiving signals from the above types of sets and also from stations which transmit unmodulated or continuous waves. Damped waves are emitted by spark transmitting sets. The stations broadcasting

THE AMERICAN SPECIALTY MFG. COMPANY, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

"REGAL" RECEIVING SET

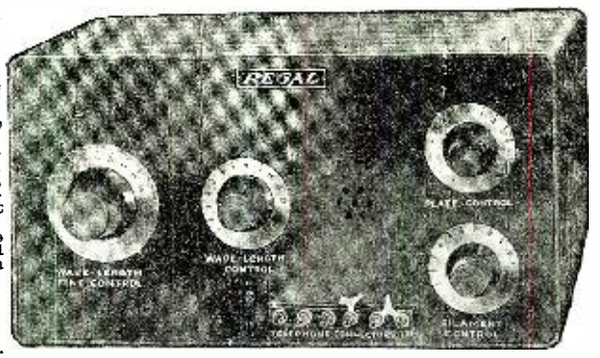
"LISTEN IN" to the world's news and music with a "REGAL"

Like all "REGAL" products, this receiving set has been designed by our own radio engineers and is a scientific product, representing QUALITY—COMPACTNESS—SIMPLICITY, with mechanical and electrical construction of the highest grade in materials, design and workmanship.

The "REGAL" has a wave length range from 150 to 1800 meters, guaranteed, thus enabling the operator to "tune in" on government and broadcasting stations.

NOTE THE EXCELLENT FEATURES OF THE "REGAL"

(1) The minimum number of controls, all clearly marked, with taper knobs and etched silver dials.
(2) The unique "REGAL" telephone connector, allowing use of three pairs of telephones (doing away with all plugs and jacks).
(3) The potentiometer plate control—so necessary to efficient tuning of the modern vacuum tube detector.
(4) The new "REGAL" inductance switch, insuring good electrical connections.
(5) "REGAL" Condenser.
(6) "REGAL" Rheostat.
(7) Mahogany finish cabinet.
(8) High-grade dielectric panel—satin finish.
(9) The rear panel connector for antenna, ground, batteries, etc., doing away with unsightly wires in front of cabinet.
(10) Every part of the "REGAL" designed and built in our own factory.

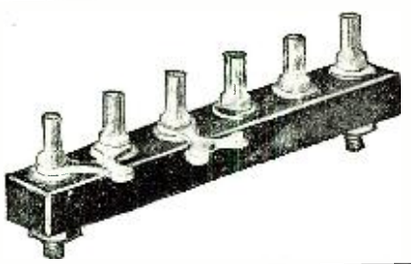


Price $40.00

"REGAL" Junior

Receiving 25 to 40 miles.
Price $20.00

"REGAL" TELEPHONE CONNECTOR



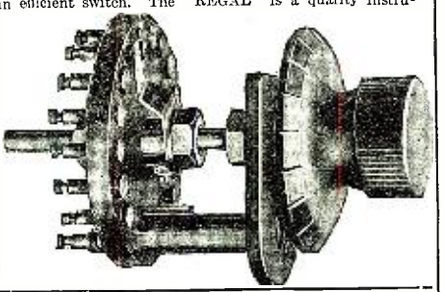
DOES AWAY WITH ALL TELEPHONE JACKS AND PLUGS—This is an ingenious "REGAL" unit, consisting of six (6) spring cord tip sockets, with two connecting switches, permitting one, two or three telephones to be brought in as desired. Compact and attractive. Ready for mounting on panel or can be used unmounted as series connector for extra telephones from amplifier, etc.

Connect with a "Regal." Price, $1.50

Patent pending.

"REGAL" INDUCTANCE SWITCH AND DIAL

One of the essentials of a good receiving set is an efficient switch. The "REGAL" is a quality instrument with advantages readily appreciated. It has a smooth wiping contact over heads finished to same height, quite different from the usual grooving lever "bumping over a series of knobby points."



OTHER UNIQUE AND STRONG FEATURES

One piece contact points with grooved ends for a turn of the wire and touch of solder—doing away with the usual unsightly job when threaded metal points and nuts are used. Permits easy assembling with coil, then mounting on panel with the drilling of but one hole in the panel. The numbered dial with knob, enabling operator to readily locate points at which to "tune in" for the wave length desired.

Switch to a "Regal"

Price $2.00

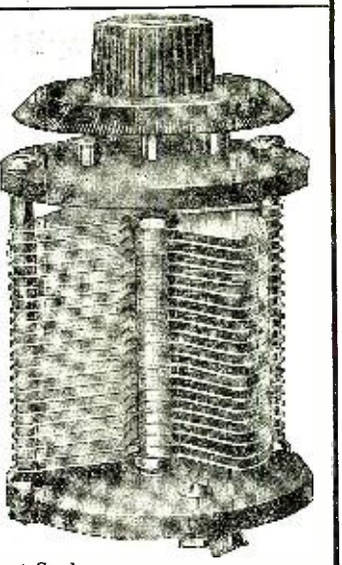
Patent pending.

"REGAL" PRODUCTS

Antenna Wire	
No. 14 Hard Drawn Copper, per lb.	$0.40
500 feet	2.15
Seven (7) Strand No. 22 Tinned Copper, per foot	.01
500 feet	4.00
Copperweld. 100 ft. coil	.75
150 ft. coil	.90
200 ft. coil	1.00
Binding Posts. Brass Pol. Nickel	
No. 22 Washer and 6-32 screw—Barrel and Knob fine finish, each	.12
Dozen lots	1.25
No. 24 Smaller size Barrel and Knob, 9/16" long, fine finished, each	.09
Dozen lots	1.00
No. 26 Large size with composition Knob, each	.09
Dozen lots	1.00
No. 28 Large size with hole for phone tip or wire, each	.12
Dozen lots	1.25
No. 30 Small size with hole for phone tip or wire, each	.12
Dozen lots	1.25
Dials, with Knobs, Hard Rubber	
3 inch	1.00
4 inch	1.50
"REGAL" IMPROVED VARIOMETER, (With Dials, $1.00 extra.)	$4.50.

Horns	
"ARKAY" Loud Speaker, Nickel or Bronze	$6.00
Phonograph Attachment	1.50
Switch Arms and Points	
No. 64 Switch Arm, Knob 1", Lever 1½"	.45
No. 65 Switch Arm, Knob 1¼", Lever 1½"	.50
No. 67 Contact Point, 3/16x⅛"	.03
No. 68 Contact Point, ¼x¼"	.04
No. 69 Contact Point, ¼x⅛"	.04
No. 72 Switch Stops	.05
Telephone Head Sets	
"AMERICAN" Navy Type, 2500 Ohm	10.00
"AMERICAN" Navy Type, 3200 Ohm	12.00
"FEDERAL" 53-W, 2200 Ohm	6.75
"FEDERAL" 52-W, 3200 Ohm	9.00
(Complete with Cords and Bands.)	
Telephone Jacks—Radio Type	
"REGAL" No. 82 Open Jack	.70
"REGAL" No. 83 Closed Jack	.85
"REGAL" No. 84 2-Circuit	1.00
"REGAL" No. 85 3-Spring, F. C.	1.20
"REGAL" No. 86 5-Spring, F. C.	1.50
Tube Sockets	
"REGAL," moulded of high heat-resisting material in one single piece, highly polished	1.00
"REGAL" IMPROVED VARIOCOUPLER,	4.00

"REGAL" VARIABLE CONDENSERS



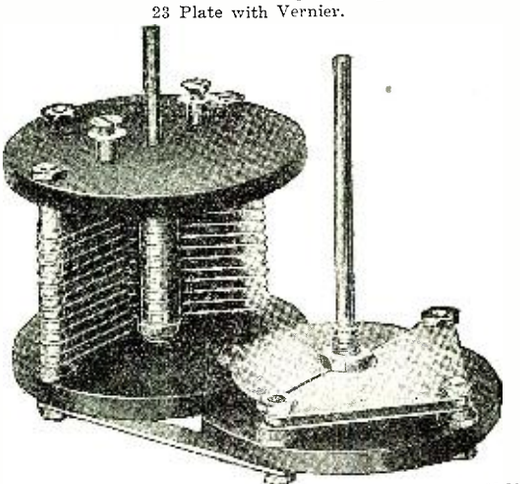
Precision Instruments on which we stake our reputation. Our Condensers are not merely an assembly of miscellaneous pieces of metal and other parts, but are fine quality electrical instruments, suitable for laboratory use.

NOTE THIS CONSTRUCTION

Plates—1/32" thick, hard pure aluminum.
End Plates—of high grade dielectric.
Positive tension adjustment.
Shaft runs in machined bearings.
Accurately machined and inspected spacers.
High ratio of maximum and minimum capacity.

Correct Design plus Highest Grade Workmanship plus Finest Materials Equals "Regal" Condensers

23 Plate with Vernier.

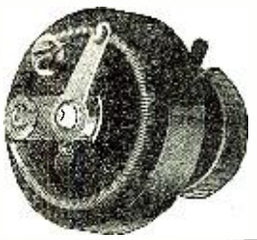


43 Plate, .001 MF.....$4.50
23 Plate, .0005 MF..... 3.50
11 Plate, .00025 MF.....**$3.00**
3 Plate with Vernier..... **2.60**
With Dials Extra.....$1.00

EVERY "REGAL" CONDENSER GUARANTEED.

"REGAL" RHEOSTAT

A vacuum tube is no more sensitive than its control. The "Regal" Rheostat is mechanically perfect. It gives the critical adjustment so necessary to the efficient operation of a vacuum tube. It has a smooth working control. It is built of high grade resistance wire, has heat resistance base, handsome knob and highly nickel-plated parts.



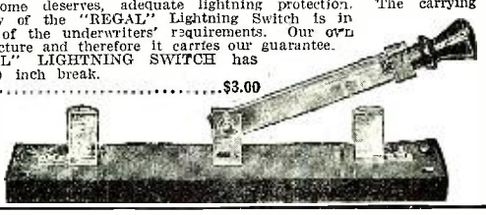
5 Ohms—1¼ Amperes.

WE STAND RIGHT BACK of every "REGAL" RHEOSTAT

Price $1.25

"REGAL" LIGHTNING SWITCH

A WORD OF WARNING—Protect your home with something you can absolutely place dependence upon. The underwriters demand, and your home deserves, adequate lightning protection. The carrying capacity of the "REGAL" Lightning Switch is in excess of the underwriters' requirements. Our own manufacture and therefore it carries our guarantee. "REGAL" LIGHTNING SWITCH has five (5) inch break.



Price $3.00

If Your Dealer Does Not Carry "Regal" Radio Equipment, Write Us Direct
Watch This Page for New Ideas Attractive Proposition for Dealers—Jobbers
Send for our handsome new Radio Supply Catalog No. 20

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by radiophone are increasing in number and it may be expected that in a very short time all sections of the country will have services provided. The Air Mail Radio Stations which are continuing to broadcast crop and market information by radio telegraph use continuous wave types of transmitters and send on wave lengths of from 2,500 to 4,000 meters.

A receiving set of the first class referred to may be a very simple set equipped with a crystal detector. However, such a set is relatively insensitive and can be used for receiving only over short distances. Most receiving sets of the second type referred to use an electron tube detector, to which may be connected an amplifier of one or more stages. The crystal detector is suitable for receiving radio telephone signals at points near the transmitting station. In certain localities near radiophone sets which are broadcasting the market reports, it may be possible to use the crystal detector sets, but the broadcasting by the Post Office Air Mail Stations is done on the long waves by the use of continuous wave radio transmission. This does not necessarily mean that anyone will have to discard his present sets if he wishes to get the market news. The majority of these sets can be easily adapted to receive messages at the longer waves by such means as the addition of loading coils or by rewinding some of the coils in the sets. High school or college teachers of physics or electrical engineering can frequently give assistance regarding this point and others relating to the receiving equipment.

If one plans in advance it is not essentially more difficult or expensive to obtain equipment that will receive at the longer wave lengths than at the shorter ones. It is recommended that anyone purchasing equipment for the reception of broadcast radio reports bear in mind the desirability of having equipment that can be modified or adapted to a wide range of wave lengths. In the determination of a consistent policy relating to broadcasting, many matters, such as wave length allocation for the different type of services will have to be made. The Radio Conference called under executive order by the Secretary of Commerce on February 27, 1922, brought together a representation of government, State and private interests concerned in the development and use of radio broadcasting. Recommendations from this conference will probably result in laws giving greater regulatory authority to the Department of Commerce.

In purchasing apparatus for the reception of radio market news from a given transmitting station the wave-length range desired to cover, name of and the distance from the transmitting station should be considered.

Cost of Receiving Sets. Any attempt to give the cost of commercial radio-receiving sets is attended with difficulties. Some sets may be designed in which dependability is the sole criterion, while others may embody fine appearance with dependability. The showy, unreliable sets are not to be considered here no matter what the cost, for service is of prime importance.

Reliable radio-receiving equipment, such as is now on the market or which may be especially built for market news reception, will probably cost between $75 and $150. These prices cover the range of sets from a simple electron-tube detector set to the more complex receiving set complete with detector and three-stage amplifier panels, storage battery, dry batteries, telephone receiver, electron tubes, and possibly some simple antenna equipment. A crystal detector receiving set, suitable for receiving radio telephone messages from comparatively near by transmitting stations, is advertised for $10.00 and higher, depending on the accessory equipment included with the set.

The Bureau of Standards expects soon to be in a position to give information on the cost of receiving apparatus and names of

A superior insulation having every desirable characteristic in radio-frequency.

"RADION" New Process Warp-Resisting PANELS

WE developed "RADION" in our laboratories as an all-purpose insulation, whose properties make it supreme in the Radio field. Thousands of "RADION" panel sheets are being sold by Dealers daily because men who build Radio sets have learned that—

1. "RADION" resists warping.
2. "RADION" resists enormous voltage in high frequency currents.
3. "RADION" does not chip and is easy to cut, drill, tap, thread, stamp and engrave.
4. "RADION" comes in stock panel sizes 3/16 and ¼ in. thick, 10 x 12 in., 8 x 15 in., and 20 x 24 in. Three colors—Black, Brown and the new Mahoganite (beautiful mahogany grain).

"RADION" New Process Hard Rubber RADIO PARTS

"RADION" Dials

Standard 3 in. and 4 in. diameter with set screws 3/16 or ¼ in. shaft hole. Knob and Dial moulded in one piece.

"RADION" Socket Bases

A "RADION" Hard Rubber Socket Base of approved design for standard makes of Detector and Amplifier Tubes.

"RADION" Aerial Insulators

Strongly imbedded metal rings. Perfect out-door insulations for antennae wire work.

"RADION" Tubing

for Variometers, 2 and 4 in. outside diameter. ⅛ in. wall. unpolished standard 2 foot lengths in stock.

"RADION" Hard Rubber Rods, Discs, Slider Blocks, Knobs, etc.

DEALERS—*Our National Advertising is making thousands of Radio fans ask for RADION Panels and Parts. Don't delay. Write your jobber to-day for information and prices.*

MANUFACTURERS—*Our three great factories are equipped for special moulding of radio parts in large quantities in "RADION" Hard Rubber, such as Radio Cabinets, Ear Caps, Receiver Cases, Y-pieces, Storage Battery Jars and Parts, Knobs, Buttons, Bushings, Ferrules. "RADION" Panels cut to any size on quantity orders. Let us estimate on your specifications.*

JOBBERS—*We are receiving hundreds of dealer inquiries every week from our National Advertising—many from your own territory—and referring them to Jobbers handling RADION Panels and Parts. Write at once for our jobbing proposition and get the benefits of this National Advertising.*

RADIO SALES DIVISION

AMERICAN HARD RUBBER COMPANY

11 Mercer Street -:- New York

manufacturers from which it can be purchased. There is in preparation a list of manufacturers of radio-receiving equipment. A partial list of manufacturers of radio-receiving equipment has been prepared. This list is now being revised. This list includes manufacturers of built-up receiving sets as well as separate radio parts with which one can assemble a receiving set.

Laws and Regulations. The laws of the United States require that every radio station used for transmitting signals must have a station license. These licenses are issued by the Bureau of Navigation of the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C. The United States is divided into nine radio districts. Each district has a Radio Inspector, whose address is given below. (See also Map Opposite.)

1st District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, Boston, Mass.
2d District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, New York, N. Y.
3d District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, Baltimore, Md.
4th District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, Baltimore, Md.
5th District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, New Orleans, La.
6th District, Radio Inspector, Customs House, San Francisco, Cal.
7th District, Radio Inspector, 2301 L. C. Smith Bldg., Seattle, Wash.
8th District, Radio Inspector, Federal Bldg., Detroit, Mich.
9th District, Radio Inspector, Federal Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Requests for application forms for licenses, or for information concerning licenses, should be addressed to the Radio Inspector of the district in which the station is located; or if this is not known, to the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C. A station which is used for receiving only, and does no transmitting, does not require a station license. The operator of a station used for transmitting purposes must have an operator's license, in addition to the license required for the station.

REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE RADIO BROADCASTING OF WEATHER, CROP AND MARKET INFORMATION

1. Forecasts, warnings, and weather reports issued by the Weather Bureau and crop and market reports issued or approved by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates shall be broadcasted only from radio stations authorized and licensed to do so by the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce.

2. Broadcasting of weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports shall be confined to radio stations properly equipped for the work and operated by persons holding a commercial second-class or a higher grade of license.

3. No plant will be licensed by the Bureau of Navigation to disseminate weather forecasts and information or crop and market reports, except on the approval of the Chief of the Weather Bureau and of the Chief of the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates respectively.

4. The call letter and location of the station and the official authenticity of the information shall be announced preliminary to each broadcast, and is approximately as follows:

This is.....located.....

The weather forecast and reports issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau are as follows:

5. The laws pertaining to the issuance of weather forecasts shall be observed. Violators of the following law will be prosecuted:

Sec. 61. Whoever shall knowingly issue or publish any counterfeit weather forecast or warning of weather conditions falsely representing such forecast or warning to have been issued or published by the Weather Bureau, United States Signal Service, or other branch of the Government service, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both. (Act of March 4, 1909, C 321, 35 Stat., 1088.)

6. All broadcasts shall be according to

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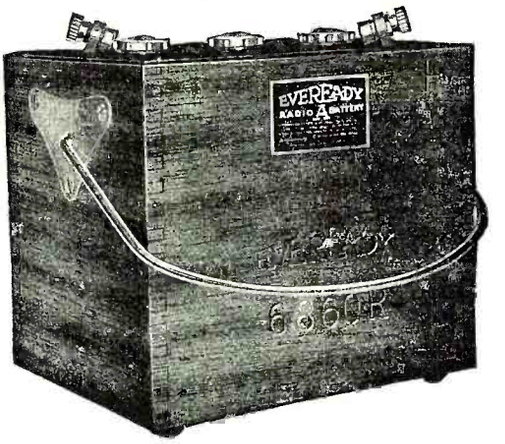

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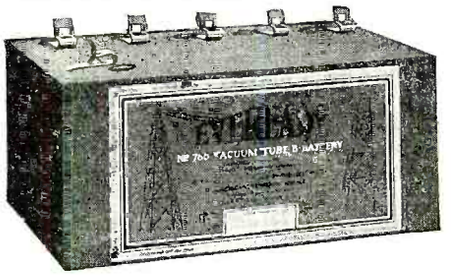

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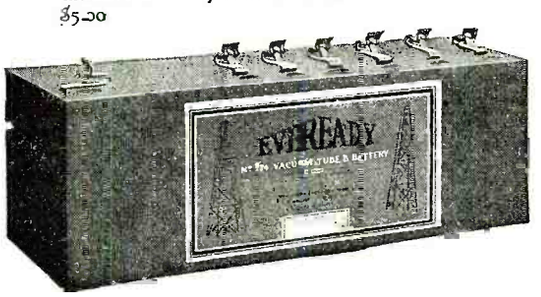

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schedules approved by the Weather Bureau or by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates. No forecasts based on a. m. observations shall be broadcast after 7 p. m. of the same day; no special warnings based on special observations shall be broadcasted after midnight of the same day; and no forecasts or warnings based on p. m. observations shall be sent after 7 a. m. of the succeeding day, 75th meridian time applying in all cases.

7. Stations authorized to broadcast official weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports will use a wave-length of 485 meters unless otherwise licensed to do so by the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce. This special wave-length shall be used for no other purpose.

8. License to broadcast weather forecasts and information and crop and market reports shall be revocable at any time that it may be in the public interest to do so.

Every person engaged in any form of radio communication should have a copy of a pamphlet, "Radio Communication Laws of the United States," which can be secured by sending fifteen cents (not in stamps) to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

Canadian Radio Laws. The laws regulating the operation of private radio stations in Canada are different in several respects from those in force in the United States. For instance, a station which is used only for receiving must have a station license. For authoritative information, inquiry should be made to the Deputy Minister of the Naval Service, Ottawa, Ontario.

List of Radio Calls. Every owner of a radio-receiving set should have a copy each of the pamphlets, "Amateur Radio Stations of the United States," and "Commercial and Government Radio Stations of the United States." The price of each of the pamphlets is fifteen cents, and orders should be sent to the Superintendent of Documents. These pamphlets contain lists of the amateur and commercial and Government stations in the United States, and of the call letters assigned to the stations. A new edition of each pamphlet is published on June 30th of each year. A monthly publication called the "Radio Service Bulletin" is issued which contains information regarding changes in the radio regulations and traffic information and notes, additions to or other changes in the list of "Commercial and Government Radio Stations." Copies of the "Radio Service Bulletin" may be secured from the Superintendent of Documents for five cents per each issue, or subscriptions may be ordered for 25 cents per year.

A "Consolidated Radio Call Book" is published by the Consolidated Radio Call Book Co., 98 Park Place, New York, N. Y. This gives the calls of both United States and foreign stations.

A list of commercial and government stations operating in the United States and in foreign countries is given in the "Year Book of Wireless Telegraphy," mentioned above.

The following is a list of the air mail stations now licensed to broadcast Weather, Crop and Market Reports.

For complete schedules and for the additions to this list which are being made from time to time address: Radio News Service, Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

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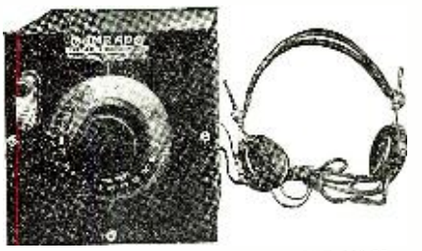

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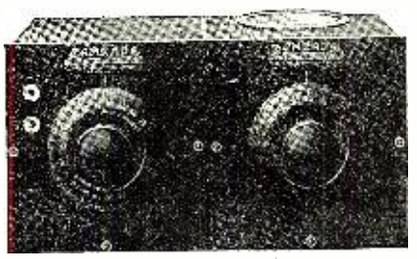

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**Abstracted from the Radio Information Circular, No. 1 (Revised) of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates.*

The Benefits of the Radio Telephone in Rural Communities

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fostered by the United States Department of Agriculture is that of organizing "Farm Rad Clubs," units of boys and girls in the countryside that are interested in the science and benefits of radio telephony. A representative of the States Relations Service of the Department of Agriculture has been detailed to stimulate this movement. Not unlike the assistance rendered in the organization of calf and pig clubs and tomato and sewing clubs, the Federal Government is extending aid in the formation of "Farm Rad Clubs" on American farms. A representative from the Department of Agriculture, detailed on the mission of visiting certain States in the interest of organizing these units of juvenile concern, had just returned to Washington to make official report when data were being assembled for this article. It is apparent that sentiment favoring the widespread use of radio telephones in rural communities will be gradual in growth, but of far-reaching consequence once the idea has become firmly intrenched as to the advantages to be derived therefrom.

Hence, the timeliness and importance of the appeal of Mr. Wheeler for a wider recognition of the possibilities of radio telephony in the interior portion of the United States whose interests can be advanced by more liberal assignments of wave-lengths for this expanding service. "Because of the emphasis that has been placed in the past upon radio as a means of marine and aerial communication, almost to the exclusion of other uses, the past development has been largely for these uses and the assignment of wave-lengths and other positions or privileges has been determined by such uses," declares Mr. Wheeler. His frank statement continues as follows:

"This is being brought to the attention of those who are engaged in Governmental and public work and who have taken an interest in the development of public radio-broadcasting, in order that expressions may be received on the tentative report of the conference. Special attention is directed to the assignment of wave-lengths from 1050 to 1500 meters, representing a kilocycle frequency of 285 to 200 kilocycles per second, for Government and public broadcasting. If one assumes that a band of 10 kilocycles should be left for each service, this makes possible only eight or nine services of this type in the same zone. This band is not exclusive, and even if made so it will be necessary entirely for Government broadcasting without considering the requirements of the so-called public services.

"A band of 700 or 750 meters wave-length, representing a frequency of 428 to 400 kilocycles per second, is assigned for use 700 miles inland. This will provide for a few services in the north-central portion of the United States bounded on the east, south and west approximately by Chicago, Kansas City and Denver. The value of this band is, therefore, limited to a few services in a very small part of the country.

"The band from 310 to 435 meters wave-length is assigned to private and toll broadcasting with the provision that public broadcasting may temporarily be permitted to be done at the wave-lengths in this zone with

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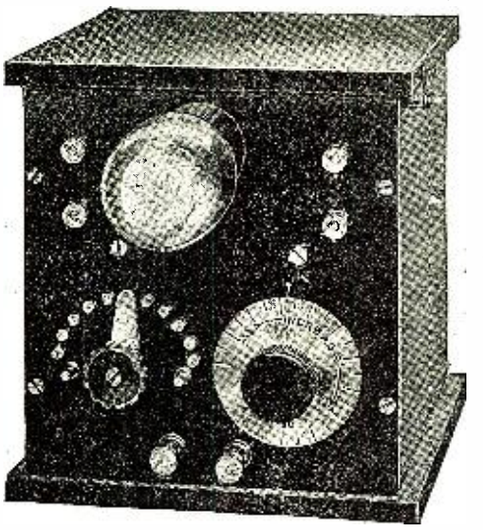

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The Miraco Receiver is designed for perfect radiophone reception from 150 to 600 meters. It is a handsome, well-made receiver. Its vacuum tube detector, the most sensitive made, does away with bothersome crystal detector adjustments. Beautiful in appearance and durable, but at the low price of $20.00. All you need for tuning up with the "music in the air" are 'phones, vacuum tube and a 6-volt storage battery or dry cells.

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a change to the assigned longer wave-lengths at a later date.

"I recognize fully the needs of the various mobile services in the protection of life and do not wish to encroach unnecessarily on any of these. Not being a radio engineer, I have consulted freely with others who are qualified along this line and am assured that it is possible to assign a good band of wave-lengths below 1000 meters for public services that would come much more nearly getting at the needs of such services and not injure any of the services otherwise provided for. I recognize also that some of the slightly longer wave-lengths such as those in the band from 1050 to 1500 meters, may, from a strictly engineering point of view, for long range work be more desirable than some of the shorter waves. However, a large portion of the receiving equipment that is in the hands of the public at the present time is adapted only for short-wave reception. This fact must be recognized, at least temporarily and perhaps permanently. Also the point must not be overlooked that the number of kilocycles available is much greater in the shorter wave-length bands than in the higher, and that for services within the ranges assigned to public service—that is, 250-mile radius—the shorter wave-lengths are very satisfactory.

"The amateur field has been well protected in wave-length assignments and I approve heartily of this proposal. I also approve fully of the classification of services, the zoning, and of practically all other features of the report.

"It is evident that the present law does not give the Secretary of Commerce any real power in the regulation of radio. Immediate legislation should be secured to give him: First, the power to use his discretion in the granting of licenses; second, the power to revoke licenses for cause; third, the classification of services and the placing of these in order of importance; and fourth, the regulation of apparatus most likely to cause interference and the prohibition of the use of such apparatus as soon as assurances have been obtained that other apparatus will be available to the public."

Contributed by S. R. WINTERS.

Construction of an Audio Frequency Amplifier

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the telephones being plugged-in the desired step of the amplifier.

The loud-speaker binding posts can be connected several ways. They can be placed in series with the jack of the second step, which is the best method, or they can be placed in shunt to the jack. If the series method is used, they must be short-circuited to use the regular jack. The two binding posts mounted on the back of the panel, between the receptacles are the "B" or plate battery connections. By mounting the transformer at the side of the board, sufficient room is left for three blocks of the small size batteries. The voltage should not be less than 50 in any case. When these batteries run down, a scratching or grinding noise will be noticed in the phones. In specifying just what voltage should be impressed on the plates, it is necessary to know the type of tubes to be used, but for "Radiotrons" and "A P" tubes the 50 volts will be satisfactory.

The graduations for the rheostat pointers were made by scratching along a straight edge with a divider point, or other sharpened instrument. The scratch should be made light, and gone over several times, to secure a clean cut line, and then filled with white lead. If a heavy cut is made, a ragged line will result.

The case is shown in the photo. It is made of ⅜" oak, with thicker bottom. The

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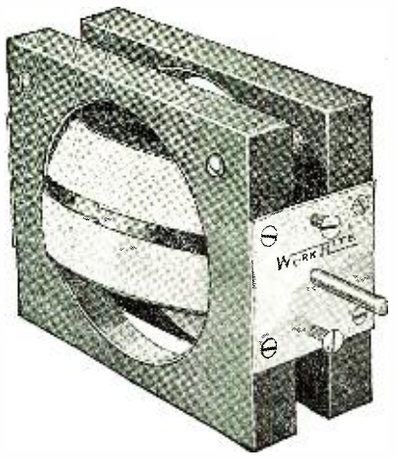

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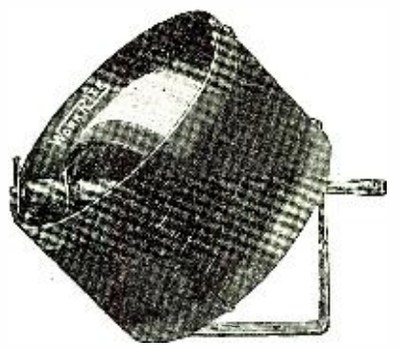

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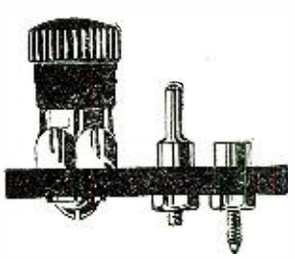
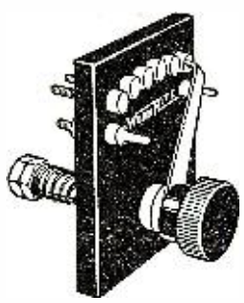


WorkRite Binding Posts, 10c.

WorkRite Switch Points, 3c.

WorkRite Switch Stops, 4c.

Binding Post has hard rubber top. All other parts made from brass, highly nickel plated.



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case is 7" deep, from the front of the panel, to the outside, and will hold all the apparatus, including the plate battery, without crowding.

The original amplifier was wired with No. 14 bare copper wire, and insulated with spaghetti, all joints and terminals being securely soldered.

In connecting the transformers, if the terminal of the first transformer, marked "7" or "A" is connected to the plate of the first tube, the terminals and tube elements of the second step should be in a like relation. In case the terminals are not marked, experimenting with the secondary connections of the first transformer will soon indicate the proper connection by the loudest signals.

In placing tubes in any receptacle, the ends of the prongs should always be examined, and the prongs of the socket likewise examined, to make sure they are clean, and have sufficient tension to make firm contact on the tube.

The above amplifier can be applied to a number of things besides radio. The most important being the production of loud signals from an ordinary wire telephone.

An Automatic Filament Current Adjuster

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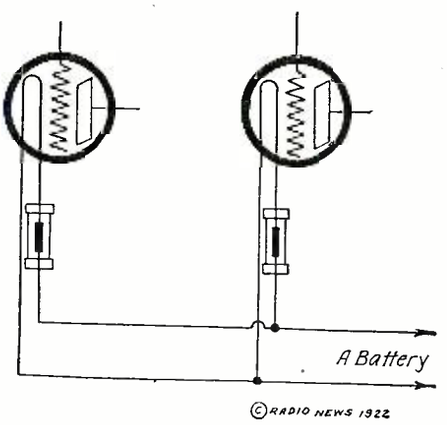
is confined to approximately 400 degrees centigrade. What operator can keep within these limits? It is, therefore, logical to expect the trouble experienced in using the modern vacuum bulbs. If operated properly they should last as long as any standard make of incandescent tungsten lamp.

A regulating device is required with the modern vacuum tube in order to compensate for the variation in the "A" battery voltage, as shown in Fig. 5, and the slight variations in the different tubes.



This Diagram Shows How the Automatic Filament Current Adjusters Are Connected With the Vacuum Tubes in an Amplifier or Other Apparatus. They May Be Used Instead of Filament Rheostats and Regulate the Current Automatically.

Fig. 6 shows how the Automatic Filament Current Adjuster No. 1 (especially designed for tubes taking approximately 5 volts, 1 amp.) keeps the current within eight one-hundredths of an ampere, irrespective of the variation in battery voltage.

From a theoretical and practical standpoint, the Automatic Filament Current Adjuster meets almost every requirement of radio use. It is carefully and scientifically designed to be operated under actual conditions with the various tubes on the market. This device is always connected in series with the "A" battery and V. T. filament, as shown in the accompanying sketch.

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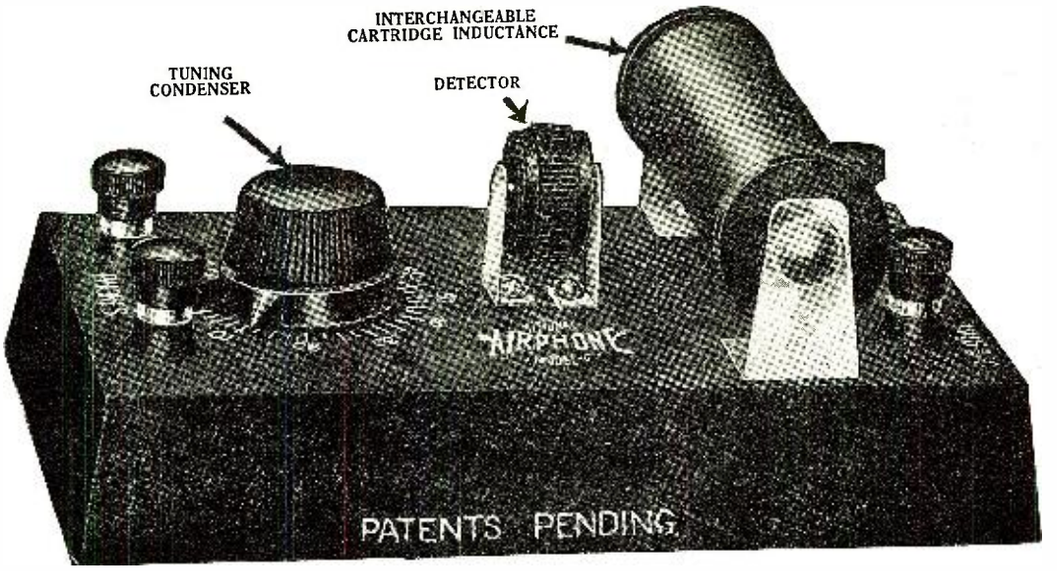

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5. Elimination of all switches, current taps and switchpoints prevents loss of electrical energy.

6. Use of interchangeable cartridge coils gives wide range over which radiophone broadcast or radio telegraph signals can be heard. 25 miles or over for radiophone concerts; up to 1000 miles for telegraph signals depending upon coils used.

7. Two Cartridge tuners, wave length 150 to 400 meters, supplied with each outfit; one takes in general broadcasting stations (360 meters), the other from 500 to 1000 meters.

8. Variable Mica Condenser used is acme of simplicity—high capacity, impossible to short-circuit.

9. Anyone without previous experience can operate a NATIONAL AIRPHONE, no delicate adjustments necessary, no fussing.

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An Efficient Audio Frequency Transformer

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current that may be varied by impressing voltages upon the first grid. A corresponding potential variation is induced in the closely coupled transformer secondary, the terminal voltage of which is impressed upon the grid of the next tube. While the tube itself is an amplifier, it is desirable that the voltage should be increased by transformation. To do this the transformer must be carefully designed for maximum efficiency at the probable frequencies it is to amplify. For maximum power in the primary circuit it must be designed with an impedance equal to or greater than that of the filament-plate circuit in which it is connected. What does this mean? What is meant by the internal impedance of the plate circuit, and that of the transformer? Consider the first tube: The filament is burning and the plate is maintained at a high positive potential by the battery B. Electrons are projected outward from the heated filament and are continually attracted into the positive plate. If the filament temperature and plate potential are constant, and the grid not affected, the movement of the electrons may be considered constant also. This motion is equivalent to a feeble current called the "space current" within the tube. Because of this, the effect is similar to conductance through a high resistance, and this apparent resistance is called the internal plate resistance. If the filament temperature or plate potential vary, so will the space current and apparent resistance vary. However, these two are maintained constant in practice and the space current varied by the grid electrode. For the above reasons the resistance may not be the same within all tubes in the circuit, but may be considered as 40,000 ohms for the Moorhead amplifier V.T. tubes generally employed, and much less than that for the soft gas content tubes used for detectors. The plate-to-filament capacity of this same tube is 4.2 micro-microfarads, so that it is similar to a very small condenser shunted by a high resistance. The capacitive reactance at possible frequencies remains comparatively high and may be disregarded in this case, the resistive value being assumed as much lower. As this internal value is non-reactive, it may be considered constant for audio frequencies. To make the primary of the transformer of this same impedance, it is necessary to carefully design the primary turns and iron core structure. This inductance value should be made above 10 to 15 henries. Generally the ohmic resistance of the winding is low in comparison, and may be considered as a "by product" of the turns. Although it should be as low as possible, the gain in efficiency by using finer wire more than compensates for the loss in the copper. Now, the ear is very sensitive to frequencies corresponding to 500 cycles, so this, together with common commercial spark frequencies of 1,000, may be considered as the frequency of the A. C. component in the plate circuit while amplifying spark or C.W. signals. However, if this is too rigidly considered, distortion may be found when the amplifier is used for radio telephone reception where vocal and instrumental frequencies are very broad in range and may be disproportionally amplified above other tones also transmitted. In practice, the transformer primary impedance should be once or twice that of the normal tube impedance.

Consider the grid-filament circuit of the tube to which the secondary is coupled in Fig. 2. Similarly to the primary circuit,

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this must also be reasonably designed, but here we have a special case often overlooked. For the ideal transformation the secondary impedance should be made equal to the load (grid-filament) circuit impedance. Theoretically, then, we find that for ideal transformation, disregarding losses, the ratio of these two impedances is the square of the transformer winding ratio. In practice this could not stand a comparative test, owing to the departure from an ideal case to be mentioned again.

What is the grid-filament circuit impedance? The grid in the sketch is maintained at a negative potential in relation to the filament, hence there is negligible space current which would give an apparently low resistance. Other than its capacitive reactance, which is very high at normal frequencies, its internal grid impedance may be considered due to gas content, leakage over the glass supports, leads, or socket mounting. This may be safely considered above several hundred thousand, and may be considerably over one million ohms if the grid never becomes positive. So in proportioning the ratio of turns accordingly, we would find ratios of 10 or 15 would be required. This will not do for the following reasons: If we found that 4,000 turns were required for the primary, 40,000 would be required for the secondary to satisfy this generally accepted theory of designing. To construct such a coil, even with the fine wire used, the winding space would be necessarily large. As a result of so much copper the resistance would be very high; so that, on induction, the terminal voltage would be greatly reduced by the internal drop of the winding. In fact, the terminal voltage may be less than the primary voltage, which would be considered a poorly designed affair. This is one defect caused by winding with too high ratios. Theoretically the voltage should be higher but is not. Again, as a result of so many turns there would be a large volume of winding. There are many layers of fine wire, which, with the bulk of winding, gives a fairly large distributed capacity which is shunted by the grid capacity itself. This tends to load the secondary considerably and increases the internal drop along with capacitive losses. Capacity in the grid circuit is detrimental, for the reactance should be maintained proportionally large as compared to the resistance there; and, as this last value is also high, a lowering of the capacitive reactance tends to alter the constants of the circuit at various frequencies. Also, an increase of winding dimensions causes greater leakage losses.

In practice, it is not safe to provide ratios greater than 5. For such ratios, greater than 5, the tendency is to reproduce static and tube noises, but does not amplify signals proportionally; and, most of all, tends to turn speech into crispy shrill tones greatly distorted. It is true that the primary impedance should be made high, and that efficiency increases with this reactance, but it reaches a value where it is uneconomical to increase it further. If it is too low, along with decreased power, we have the tendency to readily pass strays of any kind. The primary reactance may be increased by increasing the number of turns in the primary, or by increasing the cross section of iron in the core. If the turns are increased too much, the secondary, to maintain its ratio, must be increased also with their resulting losses mentioned before. The iron may, then, be made of reasonably large cross section to reduce secondary dimensions. My best transformers have ratios below 5. I have found 3.5 and 4.2 satisfactory for the transformers described here.

Illustrations show several finished transformers; also several in different stages of construction. In this design a primary is wound upon a fibre tube; a secondary is then wound over the primary; and a bundle of iron core wires is passed through the tube and bent about the unit to completely enclose it within the iron shell. Simple, but not so simple.

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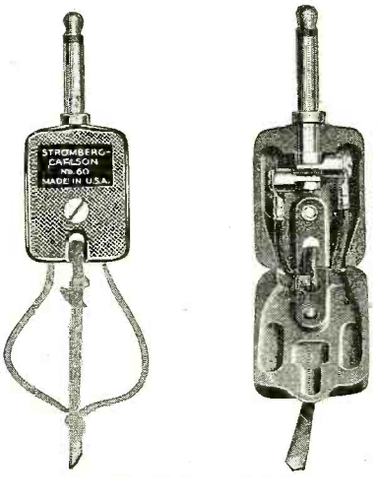

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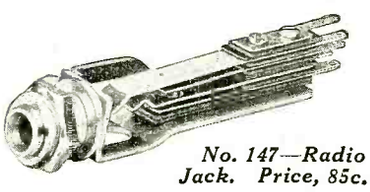

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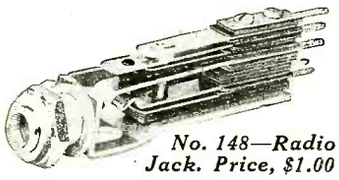

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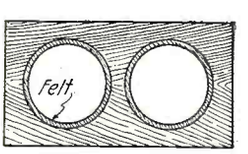

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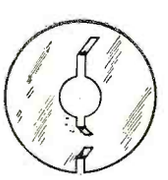

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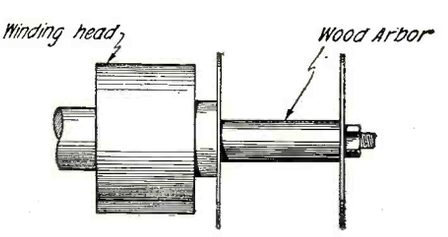

Fig. 8

Details of the Method of Winding and Mounting the Transformers.

are very efficient on speech and telegraphic signals of almost any audible frequency. Some skill should be attained before attempting this design. Lastly, to reduce the winding volume, very fine wire is used. The ideal wire is .002" in diameter corresponding to No. 44, but as this size is very difficult to handle, data will be given for transformers wound with No. 40 enameled copper wire.

A finished winding as it comes from the form is shown at the left of Fig. 1. After completing the winding, it is wrapped with several layers of oiled paper and then encased in a fibre sheath. A bundle of insulated iron wires are prepared carefully and bent around symmetrically as illustrated. Strong cord is then bound tightly about the transformer and the entire device covered with a heavy insulating varnish. After drying it is ready for use.

The procedure was as follows: A winding machine was made from an old Singer sewing machine head and a revolution counter attached. A threaded brass rod was screwed into the revolving head. Two brass discs, bored full of holes, were provided for the form ends, and a wooden arbor 1⅜" long was assembled as shown in Fig. 8. The wooden arbor is turned down to fit snugly into the fibre tubing upon which the coils are wound. This tubing is 7/16" inside diameter with 1/16" walls, each transformer using a length of 1⅜".

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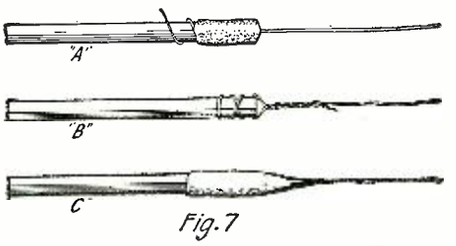


Fig. 7

Showing how to Solder the Leads to the Winding

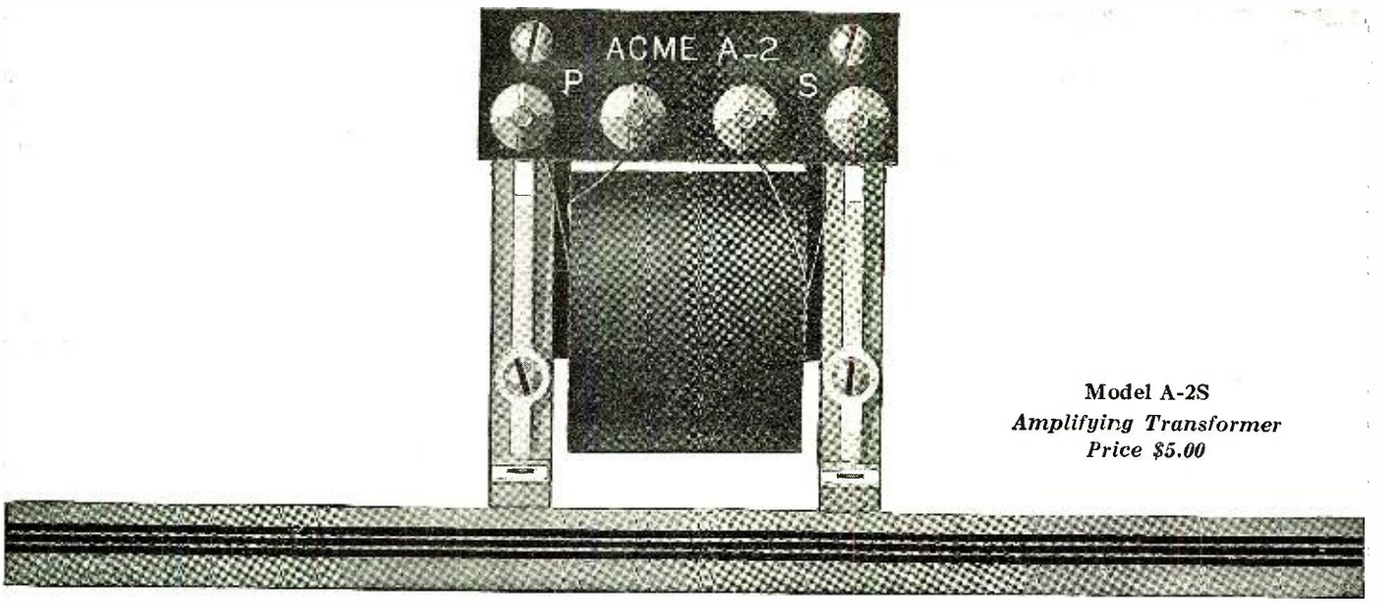
and then the unit removed from the form. During the winding process, it is often helpful to place a drop of gum shellac at each end of each wound layer. This keeps the turns in place.

Two fibre discs 1/64″ thick are cut with dividers, as shown in Fig. 4. The diameter is ⅛″ greater than the winding diameter. Slots are cut in one to pass the leads as shown. A strip 1⅜″ wide is bound about the coil itself to entirely enclose it and insulate the core more effectually.

The core is made of No. 22 annealed Norway iron wire. As the core encloses the transformer, the length must be great enough to enclose it without overlapping ends. Each wire is straightened by rolling between two boards until a bundle ⅜″ in diameter is prepared. These are dipped in medium light shellac, then spread out and dried. Later, the bundle is passed through the tube and finished. On bending the wires of the core, small spaces may be provided for passing the leads that may then be encased in sleeving.

For mounting, a simple device is shown at Fig. 5. A hole ⅛″ greater than the transformer diameter is bored through a small piece of wood. Felt is wrapped about the transformer that is then forced into the hole. Several transformers may be mounted side by side in this manner.

A very simple and efficient design is shown in Fig. 3A. The primary is first wound of 4,000 turns of No. 40 enameled wire. The secondary is of 17,000 turns similarly wound, giving a ratio of 4.20. Although the first tube may be soft, or all of them differ in their impedances, it is advisable to provide identical transformers throughout. A



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KIND OF WIRE FOR AERIAL

For a receiving aerial a single wire is enough. This wire may be secured to neighboring buildings, trees, poles, etc., as may be convenient, right and proper, but should be as high as possible, and at least as high as a two-story house. If it is desired to receive present broadcast telephone concerts, the length should be as great as possible, not exceeding 150′; it should be at least 75′ long for good results. The wire may be bare or insulated, but should be strong enough to stand wind and sleet strains. No. 14 B & S hard copper wire is usually satisfactory. Do not use plain iron wire, even galvanized, if best results are desired. The so-called copper-clad wire, a steel wire with a thick coating of copper, is good.

CHOICE OF AERIAL SUPPORTS

Choose the aerial wire supports or attachment points with care. Keep aerial wire as far as possible from electric light and power and telephone wires. In no case should it be nearer than 10′ or 15′ to them, not only because of the danger of making contact with them, but because they will render the antenna system less efficient, and also may cause interfering noises in the receiving set. Also keep the aerial wires as far as possible from trees, buildings, etc., other than the supports. Trees and buildings under the aerial wires are quite apt to reduce the effectiveness of the antenna materially. Put both ends of the aerial wire as high as possible. Do not attach wires to telephone and power line poles without obtaining permission, and then don't do it. If a tree is used, do not forget that the tree may sway several feet under wind. The wire must be *well* insulated from everything until it reaches the receiving set. Small porcelain insulators are the best things to use. If it is necessary to make any splices or connections in the aerial or ground wires, do not fail to solder them, because any unsoldered joint is quite apt to corrode in a few days by action of the air, so that the very small received voltages cannot operate through it. This is very important and should not be neglected, however great one's anxiety to "get it working."

HOUSE-END OF AERIAL

The house-end of the aerial should be supported at a point selected with reference to where the receiving apparatus is to be located in the house. The lead-in should be as simple and direct a wire as possible and must not run *inside* the house for more than a few feet. That is, do not bring the lead-in through one window, around the room, down the hall to another room, to the set, or you will have a poorly operating set. In other words, bring the lead-in through the wall or window near where the set is to be, or locate the set where the lead-in is best arranged. In short, make all antenna system wiring short and direct. This applies also to the ground lead. Very often a satisfactory ground can be obtained by connecting the ground wire to water, gas or heater pipes in the room where the set is. This is not always the case, and it may be necessary to run a ground wire through the window or wall and straight down to water pipes in the cellar, or to large metal plates buried in moist ground. In any case make the ground wire as short as possible.

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An antenna system installed in accordance with these notes will be a fairly good one, which can be improved upon only by the erection of masts of greater height than that ordinarily available on dwellings, trees, etc., and such an antenna system is suitable for the reception of amateur and broadcast radio signals.

The preceding chapters explain the erecting of a radio receiving antenna, which is necessary to bring it into tune with any transmitter which it is desired to hear. This is accomplished by adjusting the inductance (inertia) and capacity (elasticity) of the antenna circuit to proper values. A question might properly be asked, "What determines proper values of these quantities?" and an understanding of this is important. A circuit is in tune when the inertia effect exactly equals the elasticity effect. Now the amount of inertia effect present in a coil of wire, called an inductor, and the amount of elasticity effect present in a condenser, are different for different frequencies of alternating currents flowing through them. A certain coil and a certain condenser will have equal inertia and elasticity on one certain frequency of alternating current and not on any other frequency. The reasons for this are rather abstruse, and for an understanding of tuning it is necessary to remember only the following points:

1. Inductance and capacity have opposite effects on flow of alternating current.
2. Inductance and capacity effects must be made equal to tune a circuit.
3. When equal on one frequency (wavelength), they are unequal on all others, therefore, the circuit is tuned to that one wavelength and not to others.

One way of describing the condition of exact tune is to say that the inductance and capacity neutralized each other on that wavelength. One might ask, why put them in the circuit at all, if they are going to neutralize each other? The answer is that we have to have them in order to tune the circuit to different wave-lengths from different transmitting stations. Also remember that they neutralize each other for one definite wavelength only, depending upon their sizes, and, therefore, let current from that wave-length through, but for all other wave-lengths they do not neutralize, and, therefore, are out of tune and offer opposition to current of the other wave-length. This results in a receiving station hearing loudest the sending station it is tuned to. Finally remember that in the whole antenna circuit part of the inductance of the system is in the adjustable coil provided in the receiving apparatus and part is in the aerial wire and ground, where it cannot be adjusted; and the same with the capacity, part is in the apparatus and part in the aerial wire and the ground.

Now we should consider some of the actual, practical forms of making inductors and condensers. An inductor is simply a coil of wire, and to be an adjustable or variable inductor is provided with some means for varying the number of turns of the coil which is to be used. The simplest way is by use of a switch, see Fig. 1. This of course is adjustable in steps of so many turns on each point of the switch. Another way is a sliding contact touching the wire which is wound on a tube, see Fig. 2. This makes it possible to adjust the inductor, turn by turn.

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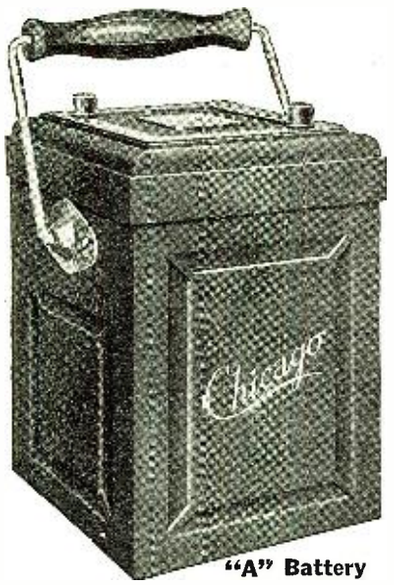

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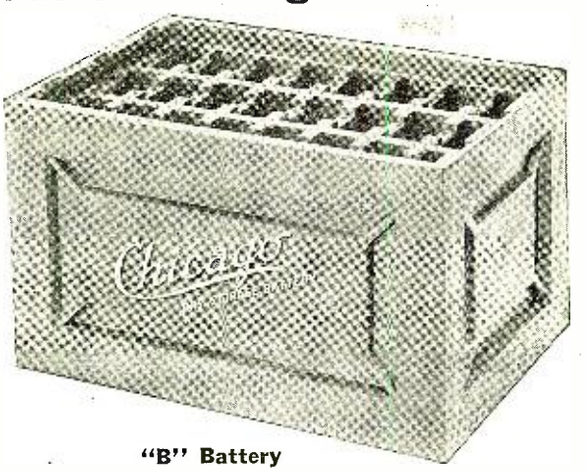

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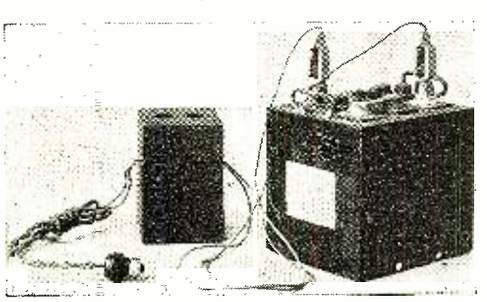

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the coil without changing the actual turns of wire. One is to move a copper plate near the coil, see Fig. 3. The copper plate changes the inductance effect of the coil; it lessens it more as it moves nearer to the coil.

Another way is to wind the coil in two parts, on two tubes, one of which is smaller and is placed inside the other and can be turned with respect to it, see Fig. 4. The inductance effect is maximum when the two coils, which are connected together in series, have their turns running the same way, and is minimum when the moving coil is turned 180 degrees. Figs. 3 and 4 are called continuously variable conductors, in distinction to Fig. 1, which is variable by steps of several turns each.

All four of these methods of obtaining variable inductors are used in various designs of present day Radio apparatus. It is important to efficiency that the resistance of Radio coils be low, so that, although the currents in receiving apparatus are exceedingly small, the wire used for tuning coils should not be too small. Copper wire of sizes No. 22 to 28 is usually used. In special cases stranded cable is used, with each strand separately insulated, to obtain minimum resistance. All connections have to make good contact because the voltages and currents are so small. Of course it is not always necessary or desirable to have both variable inductors and variable condensers. It may be sufficient to have one of them fixed, with no means for changing it. Then the other one must be variable. A fixed inductance is simply wire wound on a tube and the two ends brought out for connections.

Now let us consider condensers. Condensers have metal plates, half of which are connected to one side of the circuit, and half to the other side, with the two halves interleaved with each other, but not touching each other. If the two sides of a condenser touch, it is short-circuited and will not operate. The two sets of plates are separated by air, mica, paper or other suitable insulator. In most receiving devices air and mica are used for reasons having to do with efficiency of operation. A fixed mica condenser is represented in Fig. 5. As actually made, the plates and mica are clamped tightly together to form a rigid block, and the copper plates sticking out of one end form one terminal of the condenser, and the plates on the other end form the other terminal.

A variable condenser, as used in present day Radio apparatus, is made usually by fastening several metal plates together solidly on a base, the plates being separated a distance from each other by a small fraction of an inch, and arranging several other plates, which are fastened together, so that they can be turned with a handle in suitable bearings between the fixed plates, without touching them. This method is represented in Fig. 6.

So far we have considered tuning the circuit to obtain the maximum of current from the particular signals which are to be received. It now remains to be studied how the received current, which is a very high frequency current, is converted by means of a detector into low frequency current, which will operate telephone receivers and produce sound.

THE DETECTOR

There are several kinds of detectors known at present, but only two are in common use: one the so-called crystal detector, and the other the vacuum tube detector. It was shown in the description of tuning that an inductor—wire wound into some form of coil—was used in the antenna circuit. Besides its use for tuning, the inductor is used as a connection for the detector, and there are two ways of doing this in common use today. These two are shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 1 shows a "single circuit" connection. In this the detector apparatus is connected directly to the terminals of the inductor. Sometimes better results are obtained by connecting the detector across part of the coil instead of across all of it. The best fraction of the

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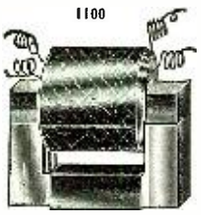

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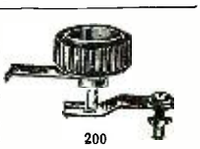

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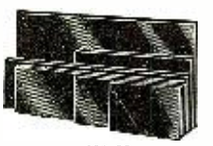

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The other way of connecting the detector to the antenna is not a direct one, and is shown in Fig. 2. In this method the antenna circuit inductor is one winding of a transformer, whose other winding, called the secondary, is connected to a condenser. This transformer is often called a coupler, loose coupler, or variocoupler. It is a coupler in the sense that it couples together electrically the antenna circuit and the secondary circuit. The secondary coil has currents induced in it by currents flowing in the primary coil, when the two are placed near each other. In the usual Radio coupler the secondary coil is made movable with respect to the primary, so that the effect of the primary on it can be regulated. Now all the principles and rules of tuning, resonance, etc., which have been described for the antenna circuit, apply equally to the secondary circuit, so that in this type of connection, which is called a two-circuit receiver, there are *two* circuits to be tuned to the wave-length to be received instead of one, and also the coupling between the two circuits has to be adjusted for best results. It is obvious that the one-circuit receiver is very much more easily adjusted than the two-circuit. The two-circuit receiver, on the other hand, is more selective that is, when it is tuned to one certain wave-length, currents of other wave-lengths get through it to the detector less than they do on a single circuit receiver. The two-circuit receiver is, therefore, more useful in eliminating interference from undesired signals, and the single circuit receiver is advantageous in its simplicity of tuning operation.

In either the one- or two-circuit receiver the detector is connected to an inductor. The difference is merely that in one it is to the inductor in the antenna, and in the other to the one in the secondary. So that whenever currents flow in the inductor, the voltage which is present across it is applied to the detector.

The simplest way of connecting the detector and telephone receivers to the inductor is shown in Fig. 3. This does not work as well as Fig. 4, but will serve to explain the operation of the crystal detector.

CHARACTERISTICS OF MINERALS USED FOR DETECTORS

There is a large number of different kinds of crystal detectors. They all consist of a small piece of some one of various minerals, upon which rests with light pressure a sharp metal point or a small piece of some other mineral. Some of the minerals which may be used are: carborundum, silicon, galena, tellurium, molybdenum, pyrites, zincite, cerusite, etc. All these have different characteristics of operation, some being more sensitive than others, that is, they will make louder sounds in the telephones. In fact, some crystals will give good signals on currents which on other crystals give no audible sound at all. Unfortunately, different crystals of the same material differ widely in sensitiveness, and many of them work only at a few spots on their surfaces. Therefore the sensitive spots on any crystal have to be found by trial, and when found, do not remain in the sensitive condition indefinitely, but frequently require readjustment. Galena, with a fine copper or steel wire point resting very lightly upon it, is the most sensitive detector, but is also very unstable; strong signals, or slight mechanical vibrations, easily destroy its adjustment, and it has to be readjusted very frequently. Carborundum with a steel needle point resting upon it is one of the most stable crystal detectors, but is not very sensitive, unless a battery of the right voltage is connected across it. Many of the crystals operate better with a battery so connected, but this of course adds to the complication of the apparatus and loses some of the great advantage of crystal detectors, their extreme simplicity. In between these two, galena and carborundum, there are all degrees of sen-

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Simultaneous Multiple-Wave Broadcasting Soon

Within a few months it will probably be possible for a representative of the Government to talk to anyone in the world, or to all people at one time, on the new Naval radiophone transmitting set at NAA, the Arlington Station on the Potomac. This statement was made by a high-ranking officer of the Navy Department today, who said that the Navy could now send code messages practically around the world by the use of relays.

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The simultaneous broadcasting of a single spoken message from two stations on different wave-lengths was successfully conducted for the first time by the Navy on Saturday, for the purpose of making sure that plans for broadcasting the headquarters dedication program of the National Woman's Party were satisfactory. Through the cooperation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., direct wires were strung from the Woman's Party Headquarters to the Naval Air Station at Anacostia and the Naval Radio Station at Arlington. Test messages spoken at the Headquarters were transmitted by wire to these stations and put on the radio broadcasting circuits. At Anacostia, NOF, a 412-meter wave was used, with about 13 amperes radiation, and at Arlington, NAA, on a 2650-meter wave, with 40 amperes.

The system worked perfectly, serving two classes of receiving stations at once, the 412-meter wave furnishing many amateur stations within from 400 to 700 miles, while the long wave served stations equipped with larger receiving sets, between 800 and 1,500 miles distant.

The actual broadcasting of the speeches Sunday afternoon, however, was prohibited by naval officials Saturday, on the ground that the meeting was of a political nature such as previously ruled against by Secretary Denby.

The experiments in simultaneous broadcasting from two stations on different wavelengths have been so successful that it is believed that several stations, not too greatly separated, will soon be able to broadcast a single phone message on a number of different wave-lengths at one time, reaching receiving stations near by and at great distances, even crossing oceans to powerful foreign stations.

With the perfection of this system and the necessary apparatus, the President, for example, could address practically the whole world, or at least all the people provided with suitable receiving apparatus, who understand English. This would furnish an excellent method of issuing official verbal statements of serious import or bearing on the policies of the country. The broadcasting of a direct personal message such as President Wilson made to Congress on the day we declared war, would have made America's position immediately known to the world. It is unlikely that any international broadcasts will be sent out by the naval stations except experimentally or in the event of a declaration of vital National importance.

THROUGH THE LOUD TALKER

Father: "This static comes in like Babe Ruth and a home run."

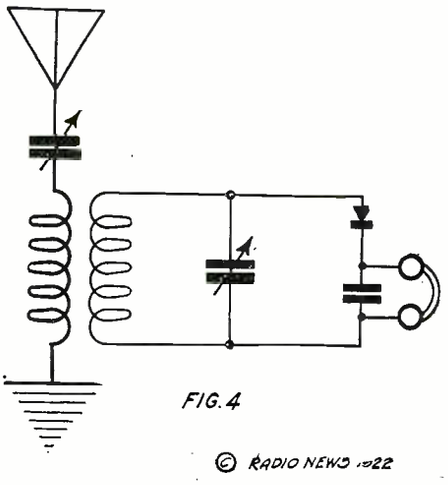
Mother: "It reminds me of a rush on a bargain counter."

Son: "Yes, sounds like some night when dad comes home late."

By A. J. DE LONG.

sitiveness and stability, and it is usually best to select a crystal which combines a fair share of both sensitiveness and stability. Silicon with a brass point is such a combination.

To explain how the crystal detector works: Refer to Fig. 3. The action of all of the crystal combinations above described is merely that of a rectifier; that is, current can flow through the detector in one direction only, so that when alternating current, which flows in two directions alternately, is applied to it, the current flow in one direction gets through the detector, and the flow in the other direction does not. This, in effect, changes the alternating current to direct current. Of course this direct current is a pulsating one, because no current is flowing during the time that the alternating current is applied in the wrong direction to get through, but the effect is the same. This pulsating direct current flows through the telephones as well as the detector, since they are connected in series, and this operates the telephones. In Radio telephony the alternating current which is received in the tuning elements, is varying rapidly up and down in strength just as the transmitter currents vary in accordance with the speech or music sound vibrations. And the pulsating direct current which results through the detector and telephones varies the same way, and, therefore, the telephone receiver diaphragms are pulled back and forth by the magnetic effects of the currents in their windings, and so give off sound waves.



Connections of a Crystal Receiver In Which a Loose Coupler and Two Variable Condensers Are Used

It is not known just how or why the crystal detector works as it does, and various explanations have been proposed, but it is definitely known that it acts, in effect, as a rectifier. Some crystals are more sensitive than others because they are better rectifiers. All crystals will work much better if they are mounted in a soft metal alloy, in order to get as much contact with them as possible. If the mineral is held in any other way, such as by set screws, or in a fuse clip, this makes in effect another metal point, working oppositely to the one which is provided, and then current cannot flow through the detector in either direction.

The connections shown in Fig. 3 are subject to improvement by the addition of another condenser, see Fig. 4, which is called the "telephone" condenser, or sometimes the "stopping" condenser. This should always be used. It need not be a variable condenser, as its size is not very critical. It is usually made of the type shown in Fig. 5 of the last article, with mica or paper insulation. It is used because it has the effect of accumulating and magnifying the rapid high frequency pulses of current which come through the detector into less frequent but larger pulses through the telephone receivers.

Only one item of the crystal detector set remains—the telephone receivers. The ordinary wire telephone receivers, such as used in desk sets, are not well suited to this use,

because the windings are not adapted to work efficiently in this sort of a circuit. Special windings, known as high resistance windings, are necessary for good results, and so most radio receiver head-sets are of this type.

In summary, the crystal detector set is ideal where simplicity of apparatus is desired, and where the distance to be worked is not too great. The distance which a crystal detector receiver will cover is of course dependent upon the power of the transmitting station. The present commercial broadcasting radio telephone stations can be heard on a crystal detector receiver at distances of usually not over 50 miles. For greater distances than this, the more sensitive vacuum tube detector must be used. This will be the subject of another article.

"---And It Came to Pass"

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shaved for many years. For lo, he is a state of mind rather than an age, and a hinderance rather than a help.

He hangeth around after meetings, and delighteth to send out mangled Continental on the buzzer practice-set. He thinketh that all listen unto him, and that he is cute.

Confuseth him not with the lad who may be only eight, yet who has the real stuff in him. For there are kids and kids, and some are good and some are not, yet it taketh all kinds to maketh up a club, and should members getteth together and describeth their President, *Radio News* would have to run in the story on an asbestos insert.

But the President delighteth in the fact that they know him not, yet should they seek him out, he desireth to state that these types are not from any one club, but from several whereof he hath been a member, and that they are not any one individual, but several. And he hopeth exceedingly that all will understand—for doth not the time appointed for the Election of Officers draw near?

Selah!

Broadcasting by Wired Wireless

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RECEIVING WITHOUT AERIALS AND BATTERIES

It is believed by experts that one of the most practical improvements will come in the very near future, by which the broadcasting service, whether from a distance or upon the wires themselves, will utilize in the receivers the electrical energy necessary to operate these receivers, taken directly from the same plug in the lighting circuit. The principal drawback in operating receiving sets at present is the necessity for purchasing batteries in large numbers and keeping them charged continually. This is not only a great source of initial expense, but a source of continual upkeep.

Once the whole apparatus is condensed and operated directly from the lamp socket, and maintained indefinitely therefrom, we have reached the point where the installation of home sets on a practical basis can go ahead on a big scale.

MUSIC AND NEWS FROM DESK LAMP

In the office of the Chief Signal Officer, his receiving set now operates directly from the lamp socket on his desk both for receiving the local broadcasting of baseball, music, etc., and also for receiving the special programs which the Signal Corps station sends on the circuit itself. The connection with the socket

is reduced to its lowest terms by the insertion of two small Dubilier condensers, which can be commercially purchased at 35 cents each and which are inclosed in a special plug to protect and guard against short-circuiting the light circuit itself, and at the same time to offer a free path for electro-magnetic waves of high frequency.

It is understood that a new device will soon be put on the market which will further perfect and simplify this means of connecting receiving sets with lighting systems.

FUTURE UP TO LIGHTING COMPANIES

Of course the electric light lines are the property of the lighting and power companies, and objection may be registered by these companies if their lines are used as antennæ for receiving without their permission, but in the event that they do, it is possible that they may themselves establish broadcasting stations and maintain entertainment and other programs for their subscribers at a fixed fee.

Radio Minerals

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off as a gas and silicon remains as a silvery, metallic appearing substance, highly crystalline and very brittle.

A substance of little commercial value, but finding a restricted use as a detector, is tellurium. This is a rare mineral element producing small crystals hexagonal in shape. It is restricted principally to Colorado and Transylvania.

The non-metallic boron is never found free in nature although many of its compounds, such as borax and boric acid, are. The element is prepared by heating the chloride of boron in an atmosphere of hydrogen to a very high temperature. Pure boron is a dark grey solid which is almost as hard as a diamond. In this condition it has been used as a detector.

Arsenic has also been used for this purpose, although the crystals, which occur free in nature, are comparatively rare.

Far more important is the artificial silicide of carbon, carborundum. It is prepared like silicon, only more coke is employed, and the heating is continued for a longer period. The silicon, which is first formed by this action, enters into a reaction with the excess of carbon forming beautiful purplish black crystals of this substance. Carborundum is extremely hard and is an admirable abrasive. When used as a detector, it is advisable to employ a small constant potential across the terminals. This will materially increase its sensitiveness.

With the average crystal rectifier a light, perfect contact of the wire on the crystal or of crystal on crystal, gives the best results. When it is desired to mount such a crystal in a metal cup, care must be taken that it is not heated too excessively, as high temperatures, it has been found, cause them to lose their sensitiveness. Therefore, a low melting alloy such as Wood's metal, which will melt in boiling water or a similar low fusing solder, should be employed.

Gunbarrel Radio

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"We rode to the mouth of Devil's Fork one morning early, and by the crack of day we had hidden our horses in the bushes and started dodging through the thickets of rhododendrons up the hollow. I sent the seven men who were with me up the first two creeks with instructions to swing around the benches in the mountains on each side toward the headwaters of the Fork. I took the main branch and followed a small path which looked as if it had been travelled to some extent.

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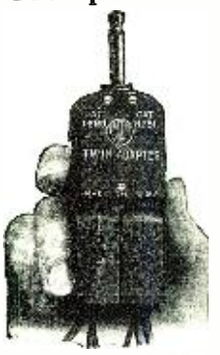
How troublesome and unsatisfactory it is to pass one set of 'phones about so that more than one person can listen in. Oftentimes a receiving outfit is provided with only one jack and in such cases the Pacent Twin-Adapter will allow a single jack to accommodate two Pacent Universal Plugs. In this way two pairs of 'phones can be used or one pair of 'phones and a loud speaker. Thus the receiver can be tuned with the 'phones and the loud speaker can be plugged in later.



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"I was crawling through a particularly dense clump of bushes when suddenly I burst in the open. A boy of about fifteen was standing in the path before me. He stared for an instant as if he had seen an apparition. Then he wheeled and disappeared in the bushes before I could stop him. I followed him as quickly as I could, but he was gone and he made no noise as he whipped through the forest.

"I knew that I was close on a still somewhere and once or twice I thought I could detect the odor of fermenting 'mash' in the air. Just then I heard a strange sound far up the mountainside. It was more shrill and carrying than that made by a cornet, yet much the same. For an instant I was puzzled and stood listening intently. The sound came again and the echoes reverberated among the crags on the opposite mountain. Then I recognized it. Someone was simply blowing into a gun barrel with lips pursed like a trombone player. As a youngster I had done the same thing many times to call my dogs, when fox hunting.

"Immediately I realized that the boy I had seen was signalling a warning to his people. Somewhere in the distance another gun-barrel picked up the signal and relayed it on back into the hills. In five minutes I knew the entire countryside would be on its guard, so I quickened my footsteps in hopes of getting one capture before it was too late. I came to a trickling stream that ran down, out of the rocks above me. I was thirsty and stooped to get a drink. The sour taste of the water sent me scurrying to cover.

"Cautiously I made my way upward, careful that I didn't step on a stone that would turn, or a dried twig. Rounding a turn in the cliffs I saw a man bending over the creek. I stepped into the open and covered him. He obediently threw up his hands and waited for me to slip the handcuffs on him.

"He had heard the signal and had dismantled his still. He must have had a partner, for the liquor and the worm were gone. My prisoner had been trying to cool the boiler in the creek when I came upon him. The fire had been kicked out, but the vats and tubs of mash and 'beer' were still there. I punched the boiler full of holes with his axe and started back with my prisoner. To tell the truth I didn't want to stick around there any longer, because I didn't know what time that partner might take a pot shot at me from the bushes.

"Before I reached the creek bed again, that partner got busy with his wireless. He climbed to the top of one of those crags and started that weird mellow signal floating back to the haunts of the Farleys. At intervals of about two minutes he would blow one long and two short notes and then every third time he varied it by a different set of notes, sometimes several short ones with regular intervals.

"Soon he got a reply from a point a half mile away to the left and then another took it up somewhere back of us. Pretty soon the woods seemed to be full of those gun-barrels all tooting the same signal. It was uncanny and I began to jab my prisoner in the back with my gun to make him speed up. Those signals seemed to be closing in on us and by that time I was positive they were talking to each other with their wireless.

"My men were so far away, back down the creek and up the mountain sides that they couldn't reach me in time, even if they understood what all the tooting meant. It was a ticklish position and, I'll give you my word, I didn't have much idea of ever getting out with my prisoner or myself, either, for that

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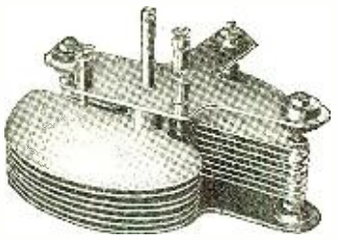

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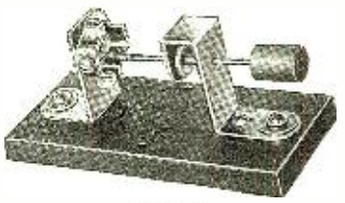

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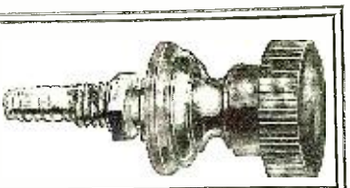

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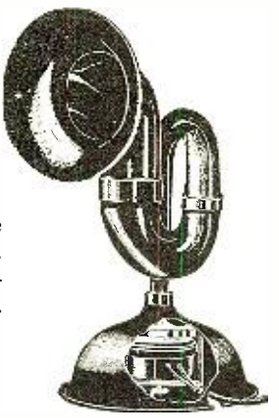

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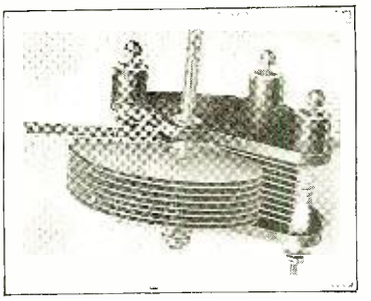

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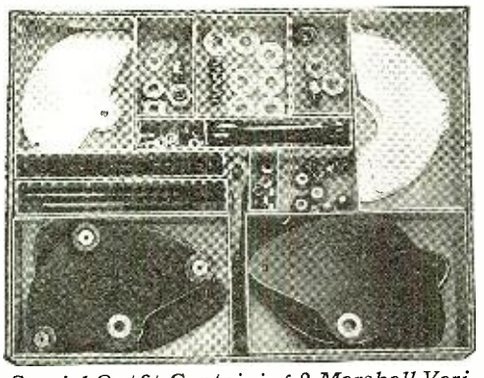

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matter. He did everything he could to retard our progress and he succeeded mighty well. All the time, those horn- or gun-barrels seemed to be closing down on me. I don't know why they kept blowing after they all got their bearings, unless they wanted to keep in touch with each other. I rather believe that they figured on getting my nerve with the things and making me leave my prisoner without a fight, and if they did, they darn near succeeded.

"Appearing as if by magic from the very ground, at least a dozen of those Farleys suddenly confronted me. Each of them carried a rifle and those same barrels I had heard for an hour were now pointed at me with an intent I couldn't misunderstand. Why they didn't shoot I never have been able to figure out. They had that reputation, but they simply stood still and waited until my prisoner searched my pockets, found the key to the handcuffs and freed himself. When he joined them they melted away in the bushes and I breathed a sigh of relief.

"I didn't wait for the other boys where we had hitched the horses, but saddled up and beat it back to headquarters as quickly as I could. As soon as I arrived I sent Al. Lambert to the nearest city—Louisville, I believe it was—for a sending set of wireless for each man in my outfit. You've got to fight fire with fire sometimes.

"We lay low for a solid month at a little mining town fifty miles away. My men got jobs in the mines to allay suspicion of any chance friend or relative of the Farleys. In the meantime at nights we gathered in one of the shacks where Al. taught us how to send messages by the radio machines he brought back with him. They were small sets which we could carry in our saddle bags behind us when on the raids, and even with us when forced to leave our horses. We got so we could handle them enough to send out an S O S or something like that, but most of us were never able to get real chummy with them.

"After a month had passed, I figured that we could slip back into those mountains without being detected. Thirty days of waiting will throw almost anyone off his guard. We came back to our old headquarters again and Al. got ready to take all messages we might send in. He was to stay at headquarters with those men who were not on duty. They were our reserves to come to the assistance of any of us who might need it.

"We didn't dare go anywhere near the homes of the Farleys because they would be sure to see us, so we contented ourselves with the old tactics of searching, from under cover, whatever places looked likely to us. We began by combing the section where I had made my capture, but they had moved. We found where two or three stills had been running, but there was nothing there save dead ashes and rotting mash.

"Each man was working as a scout on his own hook and reporting each night when he came in. We worked some at night, but most of the searching had to be done during the day. As a precautionary measure the moonshiners would build their fires with dry white-oak wood which comes the nearest to giving off no smoke of any material I know. Consequently they were fully protected against discovery on that score.

"One afternoon, about five o'clock, I rode along a little path that seemed to lead straight up against the cliffs. The woods were open and there was no water close, so I certainly wasn't expecting to run into anything there. My horse was picking his steps carefully when suddenly he stopped dead in his tracks and refused to budge an inch. I looked to see if a rattlesnake was in the path; he had halted because of snakes before. As I leaned forward, something seemed to tell me that I was covered. I simply rolled from the saddle intending to throw myself over the lower side of the road.

"I must have pulled the bridle sharply, because the horse suddenly jerked up his head in time to catch the bullet squarely between the eyes. I caught the flash of the rifle in the shadows of the underbrush and answered with my automatic as I slid to the ground. It was only a snap shot and, of course, missed.

"I hit the ground pretty hard and was slightly stunned for an instant. The horse swerved half-way around as if to run and then toppled over slowly. I tried to throw my legs out of his way, but he pinned the right one beneath his weight and I felt a sharp, searing pain shoot upward. Frantically I exerted all my strength to pull myself loose, but I couldn't. The pain was growing unbearable.

"My tugging seemed to arouse the horse and he made a move as if he were going to get on his feet. He threw his front legs out and lurched forward, but he was unequal to the task and sank back motionless, dead. But that one instant was sufficient for me. I was free of the weight and, under cover of the dead body, I made a hurried examination of my injuries. I was relieved to find that no bones were broken, but the ankle was dislocated and swelling rapidly.

"Cautiously I stretched out my foot and tried pressing a bit of weight on it. It hurt so I had to grit my teeth to keep from groaning aloud. I gripped my automatic and waited for the attack from in front. Straining my ears I listened for some sound to indicate the approach of my attackers, but I could hear nothing. It was as if the shot had frightened the woods into silence.

"My saddle-bags were still fastened to the cantle in front of me, although the flap had become loosened when the horse fell. With a sudden start I rememberd that the radio outfit was in it. In less than thirty seconds I had that machine out and was hugging it close to me. If anything in the world would help me out of that pickle I knew it was the wireless.

"The lower edge of the road was less than five feet away. The embankment dropped steeply for several feet down to a little ravine which was criss-crossed by several fallen trees. Still keeping my head below the level of the horse's body I peered over the edge and picked out a well-protected 'sink-hole' under those logs, which would command the entire hillside above me.

"I took off my coat and wrapped it carefully about my machine. I couldn't take a chance on breaking it in my plunge over the road. Thrusting my gun in my holster I made ready for the get-away. I wanted to take my rifle, but it was lying ten feet away in full view of the woods and to reach for it meant another shot. I didn't care about risking that.

"Inch by inch I wormed across the road, still sheltered by the dead horse. When within two feet of the edge I whirled and rolled with all the speed I could muster and, believe, me, I felt good when I felt myself plunge downward. It was done so quickly that I knew my enemy didn't have time to throw a shot. I crawled to the spot I had picked out and each time that game foot of mine came in contact with the ground, drops of sweat came to my forehead. I don't think I ever had anything to hurt like that ankle.

"I was behind the roots of an up-turned black gum tree and in a position to sweep the entire brink of that road over which my moonshiner would have to come, so I felt pretty safe as long as daylight lasted. After dark I knew I wouldn't have a chance. He would have help by that time. They always worked in pairs and more than likely his 'buddy' had already gone for assistance. It was after five o'clock and the shadows were beginning to lengthen out. Naturally I got busy with that wireless.

"Al. had shown us how to construct a 'loop aerial,' he called it, which didn't have to be raised more than six or eight feet from the ground. I got out my pocket knife and

cut the sticks and rigged the thing up in jig time. All the while I had to keep an eye on the road and the bushes above it. Once I thought I saw the leaves move slightly and I fired twice, more to keep him cautious than anything else. As long as he was sure that I was there he wasn't going to come out in an open scrap. His game was to wait.

"As I was fastening that 'loop aerial' to a pole so that I could raise it in the air, the mournful notes of that gun-barrel signal came to me clearly and echoed down through the little valley below me. I stopped and listened, thinking perhaps that it was a trick of the imagination. Again it came, the two short blasts followed by a long-drawn wail. It was the call of the clan; I had reason to remember it.

"That signal spurred me to action. I shoved my aerial into the air and propped the pole up with some rocks. As soon as I could connect it with my transmitter, I stepped on the key with the SOS for all it was worth. I didn't know enough about the thing to be absolutely certain it was working right, but it seemed to be acting like it always did. I cussed myself for not paying more attention to what Al. had told us about the insides of the thing.

"Right then began one of the strangest contests that has ever yet been staged. It was modern science pitted against mountain cunning, and darkness was the goal. The stakes—well I hated to think just what they were. I glanced at my watch and saw that I had a little more than two hours' grace. Twilight is short in the mountains and darkness comes with phenomenal rapidity. Again and again I sent out our distress call until I knew that if my apparatus was working Al. had received it. Alternating with that call I gave my position according to a rough map we had divided into sections for convenience.

"All the while that signal on the mountain-top kept up its insistent message. After a time he, too, dropped his first call of two short blasts and a long one, started a series of combinations something like the Morse code. That he was talking to his clansmen there could be no doubt—guiding them on across those crags and through the ravines and warning others to watch the roads for my men.

"I continued sending my calls regularly, although I fervently prayed that the boys were on the way. It was twelve miles back to our camp, if it was a foot, and on those mountain roads, it was almost impossible to cover it in less than two hours. If they had picked up my message when I first sent it they would have to race darkness to reach me. During all that time I had seen nothing of the outlaw in the bushes above me. Evidently he was laying low until his friends arrived.

"That weird, melancholy gun-talk never ceased, and the thing began to get on my nerves. I expect I was scared. If there's anything that will make the courage ooze out of a man it is to be crippled and in pain at the time he is up against a dangerous proposition. I felt so helpless, and that infernal signaling somehow seemed to echo the spirit of vengeance. I reckon it was my imagination, but it made me lose faith in my fragile machine.

"Somewhere in the distance that signal was answered by a dull, muffled wail totally unlike the clear call of the man on the mountain top. I knew that sound came through a heavy caliber rifle—at least a forty-five. And there was only one man in all those mountains who carried a gun of that size—'Black Dave' Farley, reputed to be the best shot in a country where all are experts. I stopped sending long enough to refill the chamber of my automatic and put an extra magazine within easy reach.

"Another of the gathering clan replied from the hills far over to the right and almost immediately he was answered from

over in the opposite direction. Still others picked it up and again the woods seemed filled with the deadly music, much as it was on the day I lost my prisoner. The clan was coming fast, and dusk was settling with a rapidity that did not tend toward assuring me of a victory.

"God, how I wished I had a receiver and had learned that end of the wireless game. I didn't know how to do anything with it except send a few simple calls. I would have given ten years of my life to have had a message that the boys were on the road. Right then I made mental reservations to take a thorough course under Al., if I ever got out alive. He was the only one in the outfit who could take down a message when it came in.

"The dark purple shadows of the mountains closed in and then began to grow dusky. The gun-talk grew more intermittent and at times seemed to stop altogether save for the lone sentry on the mountain-top. He continued his ominous conversation with maddening regularity. The occasional replies drew nearer and nearer, until they were not more than a half-mile away. From the sound I knew that they were going to join the man on the crags and come down upon me from above and spread out fan-shaped on each side. I wouldn't last long under that attack, even in daylight.

"Finally, that apparently endless signaling above me stopped. The clan had reached him and he was leading them down the winding path. The sudden silence seemed oppressive. I disconnected my machine from the aerial and pushed it under the log. There was nothing to do but await the result of the contest.

"Somewhere up the mountainside an owl hooted dismally to its mate, and a wood-thrush called sleepily. But there came no sound from the closing clan, which I knew was within a few hundred yards and drawing nearer each instant. I wondered if my men would be able to find me if they arrived at the foot of the mountain. Then I assured myself with the knowledge that I had two of the best trackers in the world in my gang.

"S-s-s-s-sh!" The warning came from so close behind me that I almost sprang erect. I whirled with my gun ready for instant action and then heaved a sigh of relief. *I had won.*

"Red Rodifer, my lieutenant, was crawling up the gully toward me. He had got within fifteen feet of me without making the slightest noise. I don't think any other man in the game could have done that. He was like an Indian. I caught a movement behind a tree a few yards back of him and I knew that the boys were with him.

"Red slid in beside me, and without a word, produced a bottle of carbolic acid and bandages and went to work.

"'How'd you manage to find me?' I asked.

"'Their signals helped. We called a council of war half a mile back. Heard them signals and figured you were here. I sent Cartright with six of the boys to come in from above after the shootin' starts. We'll corner 'em sure as hell. Eight of the boys are here with me.'

"'So you got my message?'

"'Sure! All the boys had come in and they were wondering what had happened to you. Say, where's your rifle?'

"I started to tell him when the flash of a gun split the gathering darkness near the roadside above us. Red replied with a couple of shots and was backed up by the boys still further down the hillside. A scattering volley from the cover of the trees on each side as well as in front caused us to crouch deep within the shelter of a log.

"That cordon of fire drew closer. They outnumbered us and they knew it. There must have been ten or twelve of them and there were only eight of us spread across the hollow. We moved about as much as we dared without exposing ourselves, so that they could not see by the flash of our rifles

where to concentrate their fire. Then gradually their guns grew silent. They were preparing for a rush and Red began to swear softly to himself. At rough and tumble fighting the mountaineer is unbeatable, and Red knew it.

"Where is Cartright? He ought to be here now.' Red was worried and so was I.

"Then it happened. That bunch of 'nuts' under Cartright decided they didn't like fighting behind trees. They wanted action, and they got it. They reached a point about fifty yards above the road and then rushed pell-mell among those moonshiners shooting and yelling like a bunch of Indians. The attack was so unexpected and so darn unusual that the Farleys were swept clean off their feet. In fact they didn't have time to defend themselves.

"They sprang for the road and over it, down in upon us. With Red in the lead the rest of the boys closed in and the battle was red hot for about ten minutes. One of our boys was killed and two of the Farleys. Several of the others had a bullet 'hole' or two, but we made a complete job of it including the capture of 'Black Dave.' And, believe me, when the boys carried me out that night, I had my little wireless set tucked away with me on that pole-litter."

D. L. Brown's Station at Kittanning, Pa.

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interested in the Radiophone more than the telegraph. The set gives fair results. I can hear KDKA at East Pittsburgh, Pa., 20′ from the phones without amplifiers. With the two stages I can hear it 100′ away. I can hear NSF all over the room. NAA comes in so loud that it can be heard 200′ away.

I enjoy reading RADIO NEWS and wish it and its readers the best of luck in the game.

D. L. BROWN,
Box 478, Kittanning, Pa.

Frank D. Fallain's Station, 8AND

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and receiver. It contains high voltage regulation as well as a simple and efficient change-over switch with which I can "come-back" immediately. Can also immediately change from voice or straight C. W. or I. C. W. or compensate, and use the break in system. All binding posts are on the back of the control panel. This panel is also of my own make.

Directly below the control panel is the filter system and below this on the desk are the keys. There is an extra key for chopper, experimental work, etc.

At all times I use A. C. on the filaments furnished by a step down transformer with center tap. D. C. supply is a Robbing & Meyers M. G. Set.

The station is located in my offices in the down-town section, and it is not possible to work every night on account of the induction QRM.

As my call is a re-issued one and does not appear in the new call books under my name I will be thankful for reports from all those having heard 8AND working since August, 1921. All letters or cards will be answered and the reports will be highly appreciated. Address all correspondence to Frank D. Fallain, 321 1st Avenue, Flint, Michigan, or to my offices, 104-5-6 Walsh Bldg., Flint, Michigan.

Louis Falconi's Station 5ZA

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milliamps. When using phone, one power tube as modulator and one as oscillator, the radiation is 3½ without speech and 4 when the microphone is whistled into. The plate current is 150 MA without speech and goes to 250 with speech. All reports declare modulation very good and some say it is the best they hear.

The entire set is mounted as a unit on an aluminum frame fronted by a bakelite panel, 18" by 24". The photos illustrate the method of construction. Everything is mounted on the framework except the motor-generators, key and microphone. The unit is rigid and easily moved about.

Referring to front view of set, at the top of the center is the radiation meter, 0 to 5 thermo-amps. Just under is the change-over switch to change from C. W. to phone. This knob controls a double switch, a SPDT and a SPST switch, the blades connected by a fibre strip, thus allowing one control for both. When thrown to left, the modulator tube grid is connected to modulation system and a high frequency choke is placed between the plates of the two tubes. When thrown to right, the modulator tube grid is connected with oscillator tube grid and the high frequency choke shorted, thus allowing both tubes to act as oscillators in parallel. The two small knobs in the center of the panel are for two rheostats, one in the primary of the filament lighting transformer and one in the filament circuit of the speech amplifier. Thus it is seen that all the power tubes are controlled together and the speech amplifier separately. In the lower corners are the filament voltmeter on the left and the plate milliamp. on the right. Between the two meters is an adjustable unit of the grid leak resistance for exact adjustments. When not in use it is shorted as shown in the photo. Immediately under variable leak is the microphone jack and binding posts for key and storage battery. The microphone jack is so arranged that upon insertion of the plug, the microphone is connected and the filament of the speech amplifier tube lighted. Thus the speech amplifier burns only when the plug is in the jack. The large post in upper right corner is for aerial connection. The small three-point switch to left throws the voltmeter from power filaments to amplifier tube filament, the center contact being dead so that the higher voltage of the power tubes will not be thrown on the speech amplifier filament while changing the meter from one to the other.

As will be noticed in the photo, windows are cut into the panel and copper screening placed over them to give a good appearance.

On the left side of photo can be seen part of the inductance with grid control handle sticking out. Below the inductance are the resistances for the speech amplifier and below them is a small panel on which is mounted the speech amplifier tube, coupling condenser and modulation transformer. The binding posts connect to the biasing batteries for modulator and speech amplifier tube grids.

Referring to the back view of the set, the inductance is plainly seen at the top. The large coil is on a tube 5½" in diameter. This is threaded five to the inch and 40 turns of No. 8 hard drawn bare copper wire wound on the tube. For connection to same, lengths of the same wire ½" long are soldered to every other turn. Two such rows of contacts are soldered on, one for the antenna connection and one for the plate connection. Plugs are made out of brass rod bored to fit the short lengths of wire contacts and handles of bakelite or hard rubber fitted so that the adjustments can be made with the juice on. The grid coil is on a 4" tube and has 50 turns of No. 14 S. C. C. copper wire tapped every

10 turns and the taps brought to a switch fitted to the end of the tube. The switch shaft is made very long so as to project from the side of the set, thus allowing the same handle to adjust the coupling and also the inductance of the grid coil, making it unnecessary to stick one's hand on live wires to adjust the grid coil inductance. The grid coil slides on two brass rods attached to big coil; photo shows how this is done. The rheostat under inductance is in the primary of the filament transformer. The filament transformer is under the rheostat and is home-made with sufficient capacity to light four 50-watt tubes and the amplifier tube. The socket assembly is home-made, has places for four power tubes on a single bakelite base with inter-grid chokes and protective gaps built in. The rest of the apparatus can be obtained from the hook-up given.

When first placed in operation, trouble was experienced from the flickering of the filament voltage due to the voltage drop on the power line when the generators took the juice. Unfortunately the power line was not of sufficient capacity for the work and thus the flicker. That made the note very bad, that is, it had a squealing effect. For those who are troubled the same way, the hook-up shows how this may be cured. A relay was connected in the negative lead of the 1000 volt D. C. line and arranged so that every time the relay closes, a small resistance in the primary of the filament transformer is shorted out, thus allowing the filament voltage to rise every time the key is closed and juice flows from the high voltage generator. By making the resistance variable, any drop can be taken care of in that manner, a heavy drop requiring a greater resistance than a slight drop. The filament voltmeter can be made to be absolutely steady.

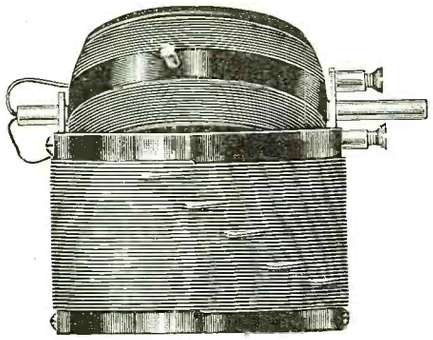
Another "stunt" used which I have not seen described before, is the way the chopper is connected. It is placed in the ground lead and a small inductance shunted around it. It then alters the wave by a few meters so many times per revolution and any note can be obtained. This method of chopper modulation has proven quite effective and has good carrying qualities.

The power for the set is furnished by two generator sets, each giving 500 volts and 400 milliamps. Allowing 100 ma. per tube, it is seen that the power unit is just large enough to feed four 50-watt tubes for C. W. For phone, the plate current is usually lower.

Although using only two 50-watt tubes to date, the results have been remarkable both on phone and C. W. The speech amplifier has just been installed and the results reported on the phone were made during a few short periods of operations.

On March 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 the following stations were worked with use of the phone only and no trouble experienced, the stations reporting signals VY QSA and modulation OK.

		Distance, Miles	Reception
	MARCH 2		
9BHE	Glen Ellyn, Ill.....	1,000	Perfect
6AWP	Santa Ana, Calif...	700	Perfect
9AIG	Sioux Falls, S. D...	800	Perfect
9TI	Milbank, S. D.....	900	Partly
5XB	State College, Texas	450	Perfect
5MT	Laredo, Texas.....	500	Perfect
9PI	Eureka, S. D.....	900	Partly
9AVZ	Pierre, S. D.....	850	OK
5XD	State College, N. M.	250	Perfect
	MARCH 3		
5XB	State College, Texas	450	Perfect
9AEG	Shenandoah, Iowa.	700	Perfect
9AAS	Owensboro, Ky....	975	Perfect
9SL	Milton, Iowa.....	750	Perfect
9DZJ	Great Bend, Kans.	400	Perfect
9ZAF	Denver, Colo.....	450	Perfect
5ZE	Houston, Texas....	550	Perfect
5XD	State College, N. M.	250	Perfect
	MARCH 4		
9SL	Milton, Iowa.....		
9AAY	Chicago, Ill.....	1,050	OK
9AKR	Lanark, Ill.....	1,000	OK
6ZZ	Douglas, Ariz.....	300	OK
6ZG	Los-Angeles, Calif..	750	OK
9ZJ	Indianapolis, Ind...	1,050	OK



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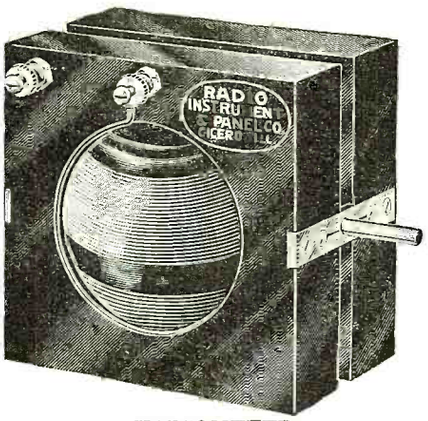

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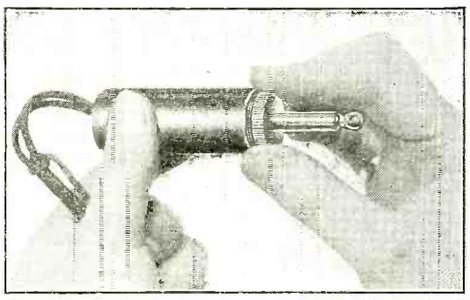
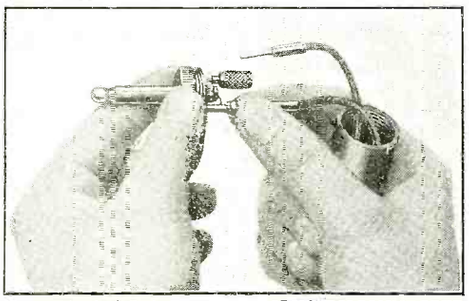


(Patent Applied For) PLUG CONNECTED



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9AAS	Owensboro, Ky.....	975	Fair

MARCH 8

5ZAE	Waco, Texas.....	400	Perfect
LK	U. S. S. Bache.....	104 miles S.E. Gulfport, Miss.	Poor
5HK	Oklahoma City.....	500	Poor

The above stations were actually worked with, and in most cases 5ZA was the station called.

Using straight C. W., the following have been worked with: 8ZZ, 2ZL, XF-1, NMW, 8VY, 7XF, 4FT, 8ZG, 8XV, 8XH, and CL-8, others closer. Those named are over 1000 miles.

The phone has been reported as follows. Only the longest distances will be given.

Stonen, Saskatchewan, Canada
1,400 miles. Reception, OK.
8YR, Miami Univ., Oxford, Ohio
1,150 miles. Reception, OK.
8BYN, Detroit, Mich.
1,275 miles. Reception, OK.

The phone has been heard in 25 states, Canada and Mexico.

The C. W. has been heard in all states, Canada, Mexico, Hawaii and on both Oceans.

Many letters have been received stating that phone signals and modulation were more QSA than radiophone in Chicago, 25 miles away. Others closer to KDKA than to 5ZA, state that signals on phone are clearer and stronger than KDKA, quite complimentary it must be admitted, considering the power used. But then it is supposed that these were freak transmissions. The above results fully demonstrate that a phone for a range of 1,000 miles is not out of reach of the average amateur. The wonder is that distances that were considered records for high-power spark sets and C. W. sets last year are easy for phone sets this year. Radio is truly advancing.

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are placing on the market carelessly constructed merchandise, which, after a few months' use, will be worthless in the hands of the consumers. Many of these new concerns are innocently infringing upon existing patents. This infringement is due to the fact that the financiers back of these concerns have taken for granted the advice of some so-called expert, and therefore, through ignorance or unscrupulousness, are clearly infringing Government granted rights, either in the form of patents or patents-applied-for of the older manufacturers.

Among those who addressed the meeting, besides the officers mentioned, were Mr. Andrea of F. A. D. Andrea & Co., and Messrs. Russ and Taylor of the law firm of Pennie, Davis, Marvin & Edmonds—which firm has been appointed counsel for the National Radio Chamber of Commerce.

It is also planned that this body will decide whether or not its members should take part in public radio shows, many of which have been started throughout the country, and run merely for the purpose of exploiting manufacturers' and the public's interest in Radio. The Chamber of Commerce does not plan to undertake the organization of radio shows, on its own part, at this time.

A Credit Bureau will also be shortly organized for the interchange of credit information.

EDITOR BROADCASTS FINANCIAL NEWS

Commerce follows closely the footsteps of the scientists over the paths blazed by new and startling discoveries.

Some have said that Theory lives in the laboratory and that Fact becomes thoroughly accredited only when it finds general applications in a practical way. The development of wireless from the theoretical to the broadcasting stage bears out the statement.

Among the diversified uses for radio broadcasting, music has held the center of the stage, with an attempt to intermingle news paragraphs, weather reports, speeches and vaudeville sketches. It has remained for Chicago's newest morning newspaper, the *Journal of Commerce*, with its following chiefly among bankers, brokers, and business men generally throughout the middle west, to strike a distinctly new note in radio telephony. Jose Bornn, famed economist and managing editor of the *Journal of Commerce*, broadcasts summaries of the paper's financial and commodity market reports personally for the world at large to hear each night at 6:30 o'clock, Chicago daylight saving time, excepting Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Bornn is believed to be the first managing editor of a morning newspaper volunteering to tell all his subscribers and the world in general by word of mouth just what to expect in the columns of his paper the next morning, and giving a complete survey of the day's happenings in the world of finance and business.

A special value in the service lies in the fact that it covers all the great business interests of Chicago, which is the world's primary market for many commodities, such as grain, flour, livestock, hides, lard and so forth, and a distributing center of prime importance for an extensive territory for domestic and imported goods of all kinds.

The Chicago *Journal of Commerce* collects all its financial and commodity market reports and other business news through specialists of its own staff, thus printing a much larger proportion of exclusive matter than is the case with daily newspapers who are members of press associations. For this reason the newspaper in question can furnish an unusually extensive radio business news service. The summaries cover New York and Chicago stocks and bonds, money and foreign exchange; the primary and great central markets of Chicago and including also cotton, cotton seed oil, sugar, coffee and tea.

The financial service is broadcasted from the Westinghouse station KYW on a 360-meter wave, a station acknowledged to be one of the greatest in America. Mexico and Cuba have been receiving KYW's reports and already many letters of approval have been received by the versatile editor of the Chicago newspaper.

MERCHANDISING RADIO

Amazing figures, applying to the rapid expansion of popular and commercial interest in radio telephony, appear in the comprehensive survey of radio in its merchandising and advertising possibilities, prepared by Arthur Wiesenberger, Director of the Bureau of Research and Information of the National Retail Dry Goods Association.

Broadcasting stations of the 360-meter wave-length number now well over 100, an increase of more than 50 percent within less than one month. Department store broadcasting stations of this class throughout the United States have increased 100 percent within the one-month period and constitute nearly 13 percent of the otal number. There are listed in the report 202 manufacturers of radio apparatus, including 34 plants producing complete receiving sets; 85 manufacturers of accessories and special units for receiving sets; 23 manufacturers of raw materials and parts used in construction of radio apparatus, and 34 manufacturers of "A" and "B" batteries and battery recharging devices.

A vast amount of literature on radio has been born, almost over night. Nine new magazines devoted to radio are listed. Numberless popular monthly and weekly publica-

tions, together with all trade journals even remotely concerned with the new field of industrial and commercial activity, are devoting departments to the subject. Newspapers in all large cities and thousands in smaller centers feature radio information for the general public.

The National Retail Dry Goods Association survey, entitled "Radio Merchandising in Department Stores," covers radio's industrial and commercial development to date. The keynote throughout is that radio can be made commercially profitable only in so far as the merchandising of it is conducted on the basis of consistent, practical service to the entire community.

Of all merchandise, the foreword points out, radio is essentially a service business. Radio equipment is so varied in nature and use, the radio art is still so largely in process of development, and the instruments required are of construction and adjustment so delicate that stores which would successfully deal in radio goods must be prepared to give real service and to stand behind the merchandise sold. Knowledge of the principles of radio telephony and a sales force especially intelligent and trained are indispensable.

The survey informs the merchant fully as to the underlying principles and supplies the latest data compiled with regard to radio in its national aspects. The directory lists all broadcasting stations licensed by the Government to broadcast, on a 360-meter wavelength, news, music, lectures, market reports and time signals; and it lists, besides, amateur stations broadcasting intermittently, and occasionally with special programs, on 200 meters.

These latest figures make it evident that radio is not only past the 100-station mark, but is well advanced in the second hundred. The 360-meter stations listed number 105. In the Atlantic seaboard states there are 28 stations of 360 meters; in the Middle West there are 36; in the Pacific Coast states, 36, and in the Gulf states, 5.

Of these Government-licensed stations, 14 are maintained by department stores; 10 by newspapers, and 7 by universities and colleges, with Ohio State University and the University of Iowa maintaining each a 200-meter station. The 360-meter stations include even one church—the Church of the Covenant in Baltimore, Maryland.

From the merchandising standpoint, the number, character and location of these broadcasting stations are of major importance because, as the survey observes:

"If a broadcasting station is located in your city, the sale of all kinds of radio goods will be very brisk and you can count on at least one in every 20 families owning a receiving set within the next 5 or 6 months. If a broadcasting station is not in your immediate vicinity, the sale of crystal sets"—ranging in cost from $15 to $40 and receiving up to 25 miles—"will not be at all practical. Only the higher-priced vacuum tube and amplifying sets, ranging in price from $75 upward, must be counted on.

"Cities having 360-meter stations include:

"Atlantic Seaboard: Maine—Auburn, 1; Massachusetts—Boston, Medford Hillside and Springfield, 1 each; Connecticut—Greenwich and New Haven, 1 each; New York—New York, 3; Ridgewood, 1; Schenectady, 2; New Jersey—Jersey City, 1; Newark, 3; Pennsylvania—Philadelphia, 3; Maryland—Baltimore, 1; District of Columbia—Washington, 4; Virginia—Norfolk, 1; North Carolina—Charlotte, 1; Georgia—Atlanta, 2.

"Middle West: Pennsylvania—Clearfield and McKeesport, 1 each; Pittsburgh, 2; West Virginia—Charleston and Huntington, 1 each; Ohio—Akron, Cincinnati, Dayton, Granville, Toledo and Zanesville, 1 each; Indiana—Anderson and Indianapolis, 1 each; Illinois—Chicago, 2; Tuscola, 1; Wisconsin—Madison and Milwaukee, 1 each; Minnesota—Minneapolis, 2; St. Paul, 1; Nebraska—Lincoln and Omaha, 1 each; Missouri—Kansas City, 2; St. Louis, 4; Kansas—Emporia, Manhattan and Wichita, 1 each; Tennessee—Memphis, 1.

"Pacific Coast: Colorado—Denver, 1; California—Hollywood, Long Beach, Los Altos, Pasadena, Sacramento, San Jose and Sunnyvale, 1 each; Modesto, Oakland and Stockton, 2 each; San Francisco, 3; Los Angeles, 12; Oregon—Hood River, 1; Washington—Seattle, Tacoma and Yakima, 1 each; Spokane, 2.

"Gulf States: Louisiana—Shreveport, 1; Texas—Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston, 1 each.

"One of the most important divisions of the survey is the department devoted to radio advertising which, while it expounds in full the principles of radio publicity as applied to newspaper advertising by retail merchants, by no means is restricted to the field of daily advertising. The fact that more than 5,000 newspapers are now carrying daily radio news features leads the chapter on advertising, and serves to point to the consideration that remarkable opportunities exist, in the news and advertising columns, for the exploitation of original ideas.

"Noteworthy instances of striking radio advertising are cited, among them the enterprise of a New York department store in featuring Jack Binns, the wireless hero of the S.S. Republic wreck, as a lecturer in its radio department. Examples of striking radio page ads are reproduced. Brief reviews are given of radio contests, inaugurated by department stores, that seized and held the attention of the public. The manner in which store broadcasting has been linked up with local newspaper advertising receives detailed attention, accompanied by illustrations. And emphasis is laid on the effective publicity attending the installation of broadcasting stations by various department stores, several having become at once the radio headquarters in their respective cities.

"Very significant, in this expert analysis of the radio field under its commercial aspects, is the statement of the report that the annual volume in each of many among the large Eastern department stores promises to be anywhere from $200,000 to $500,000."

FIRST NATIONAL RADIO MERCHANDISING CONFERENCE

The Radio Conference, called by the National Retail Dry Goods Association on April 18, was held in the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York.

Those in attendance at the Conference represented 500 department stores located chiefly in the Eastern part of the United States and doing a yearly volume of business in department store lines amounting to one and one half billion dollars.

The Conference was in session several hours, discussing the systematic merchandising of all radio equipment and, before adjournment, a committee of five representing geographical divisions of the United States, was appointed to continue investigation and report.

The discussion in the course of the day's conference covered very thoroughly all possibilities of radio development, more especially under its merchandising aspects. The members present felt that the new, popular science presents wonderful business opportunities. although all were fully informed as to the difficulties of supply and demand prevailing at present.

There was general recognition of the fact that the business of supplying radio equipment must undergo radical changes; that the existing enormous demand may slacken and, again, that the entrance of new producing concerns may create a surplus of supply.

It was the sense of the meeting that the department store is definitely needed for the full development of radio because only those business enterprises which are well established, large in their operation and complete in their resources, are qualified to handle it on the scale of greatness and thoroughness which it requires. Every opinion expressed emphasized the consideration that the sale of all radio material must be essentially a

service-giving business. It was pointed out that, where some receiving sets may be of a standard qualified to satisfy every demand on the part of the public, others may not give the satisfaction which stores of the standard of those participating in the conference must always provide, whatever the merchandise. It was agreed that any store handling radio merchandise must be prepared to know all about that merchandise and to stand behind it once it has been sold.

After adjournment, Lew Hahn, the Managing Director of the National Retail Dry Goods Association, remarked that radio is a merchandising undertaking and that the Association does not merchandise. It may be necessary, he added, to organize, outside of the Association, a separate corporation which can take charge of the general merchandising aspects in the interests of the public as well as of merchants.

The Investigating Committee recognized that because the radio telephone is so recent a development and because the growth of the business has inflamed the imagination of manufacturers and public alike there is a serious danger to the good-will of stores handling radio goods. A well-planned and developed radio receiving set placed in the hands of the amateur user at a reasonable price should make for good-will for manufacturer and retailer alike, but it is evident that much of the radio merchandise offered for sale is of the cheapest and flimsiest quality. Stores dealing in such merchandise must expect the inevitable crop of dissatisfactions likely to spring up in the wake of such business.

As its first recommendation the Investigating Committee adopted a resolution:

"That all responsible manufacturers be requested to standardize the efficiency of their various receiving sets and plainly mark on each instrument the receiving radius under average atmospheric conditions."

Such a step taken by reputable manufacturers it is believed will have the effect of making the amateur purchaser of a radio set understand what can be expected of the particular type of instrument that he buys. Such action should also have the effect of bringing an improvement in the efficiency of all such instruments.

The investigating Committee believes that all efforts possible should be put forth to conserve the confidence of the public in the radio telephone at this time while the demand is still new in order that the business may develop steadily without serious set-back.

NEW MEANS OF PUBLICITY

The Universal Film Corporation has equipped an automobile with a complete wireless set, antenna "and everything," the driver making his rounds slowly through the Loop during congested hours, thereby attracting thousands of curious people and greatly adding to the troubles of the traffic policemen.

ADVANCE IN RADIO WORK IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Czechoslovakia is soon to have a central and subsidiary wireless system, according to a report from C. S. Winans, American Consul at Prague. The Ministry of Post and Telegraph of Czechoslovakia has followed all the latest developments in radio, sending engineers to foreign countries to study operating systems. When weather conditions are favorable, a large station will be built at Podebrady, Bohemia, where the natural features are said to be ideal.

The main station will be equipped with high frequency generators (Letour-Bethenod type) producing 50 KW. in the antenna. The entire station will be able to produce additional energy up to 100 KW. at the antenna. If the work demands it an additional 50 KW. set will be installed. Two towers 150 meters in height will be erected. It is estimated that the radius of action will be about 4,000 kilometers.

Podebrady station will be the main sending station for Prague, but a small station will also be erected there by the State Post and Telegraph Office, equipped with electron lamps.

At Kral Vinohrady, a district of Prague, a radio station with a radius of 400 kilometers is now being operated. At Brno (Brunn) Moravia, a radio plant having a range of 1000 to 1500 meters has just been completed and tested.

For communication between Slovakia and Prague as well as the Orient, a new radio station is being erected at Kosice, Slovakia, and another at Bratislave will be operated for the benefit of the Danube shipping and the International Danube Commission now sitting there.

A radio sending and receiving station has been projected for Liberec (Reichenberg) and it is hoped that it will be completed by August 20. The State Telegraph Office at Karlovy Vary (Carlsbad) also contemplates the erection of a small station there before the season at the baths opens.

Because of the importance of radio communication to aerial navigation, the Czechoslovak Ministry of Post and Telegraph and the Ministry of National Defense are now building a station with a range of 1000 kilometers at Kbely near Prague, the starting point of airplanes for Paris and Warsaw. In Western Bohemia, at Plzen or Cheb a station for operation in connection with the air service for Paris will also be established, and another in Northeastern Bohemia for use in connection with the aerial route to Warsaw. The Prague, Brno, Bratislava and Kosice radio stations will also serve air fleets, it is said. The Ministry of National Defense is now proposing to build a system for military purposes only.

In view of these advances in radio development bankers and industrial concerns in Czechoslovakia, it is said, expect within a short time to be receiving information by wireless from the bourses of London, Paris, Berlin, Zurich, Amsterdam and New York.

Underwriters Modify Radio Regulations

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Splices and joints in the antenna span, unless made with approved clamps or splicing devices, shall be soldered.

Antennae installed inside of buildings are not covered by the above specifications.

Lead-In-Wires

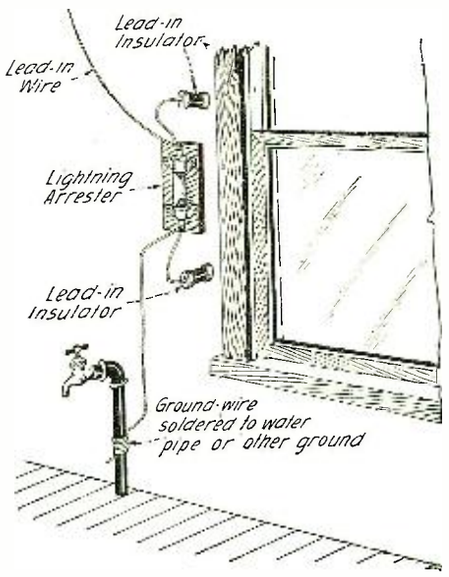
b. Lead-in-wires shall be of copper, approved copper-clad steel or other approved metal which will not corrode excessively, and in no case shall they be smaller than No. 14 B. & S. gage except that approved copper-clad steel not less than No. 17 B. & S. gage may be used.

Lead-in-wires on the outside of buildings shall not come nearer than four (4) inches to electric light and power wires unless separated therefrom by a continuous and firmly fixed non-conductor that will maintain permanent separation. The non-conductor shall be in addition to any insulation on the wire.

Lead-in-wires shall enter building through a non-combustible, non-absorptive insulating bushing.

Protective Device

c. Each lead-in wire shall be provided with an approved protective device properly connected and located (inside or outside the building) as near as practicable to the point where the wire enters the building. The protector shall not be placed in the immediate vicinity of easily ignitible stuff, or where exposed to inflammable gases, or dust, or flyings of combustible material.



Showing how an automatic lightning arrester should be connected

The protective device shall be an approved lightning arrester which will operate at a potential of five hundred (500) volts or less.

The use of an antenna grounding switch is desirable, but does not obviate the necessity for the approved protective device required in this section. The antenna grounding switch if installed shall, in its closed position, form a shunt around the protective device.

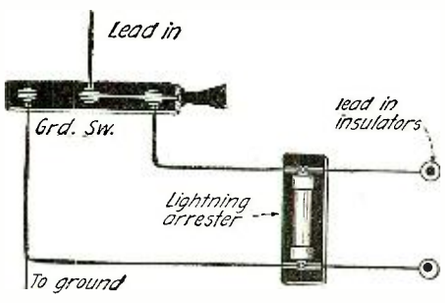
Protective Ground Wire

d. The ground wire may be bare or insulated and shall be of copper or approved copper-clad steel. If of copper, the ground wire shall be not smaller than No. 14 B. & S. gage, and if approved copper-clad steel it shall be not smaller than No. 17 B. & S. gage. The ground wire shall be run in as straight a line as possible to a good permanent ground. Preference shall be given to water piping. Gas piping shall not be used for grounding protective devices. Other permissible grounds are grounded steel frames of buildings or other grounded metallic work in the building and artificial grounds such as driven pipes, plates, cones, etc.

The ground wire shall be protected against mechanical injury. An approved ground clamp shall be used wherever the ground wire is connected to pipes or piping.

Wires Inside Buildings

e. Wires inside buildings shall be securely fastened in a workmanlike manner and shall not come nearer than two (2) inches to any electric light or power wire unless separated therefrom by some continuous and firmly fixed non-conductor making a permanent separation. This non-conductor shall be in addition to any regular insulation on the wire. Porcelain tubing or approved flexible tubing may be used for encasing wires to comply with this rule.



If a ground switch is used it should be connected in parallel with the arrester as shown here

Receiving Equipment Ground Wire

f. The ground conductor may be run inside or outside of building. When receiving equipment ground wire is run in full compliance with rules for Protective Ground Wire, in Section d, it may be used as a ground conductor for the protective device.

Regulations covering sending stations have also been drawn up and copies may be secured from the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

One of the fire dangers connected with the present radio craze is the inclination of those interested to experiment with lighting circuits and other high voltage systems. It is reported that not long ago three children at Aiken, South Carolina, were burned to death in a fire resulting from a short circuit in a radio transformer, and a New Jersey boy carelessly crossed the leads from his storage battery and started a fire that might have become serious, if it had not been promptly detected. It is because of such dangers that the National Electric Code requires all wiring to be in accordance with class of installation. The work should always be inspected before being placed in service.

Construction of a Tungar Rectifier

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The core and windings can now be assembled. Slide a core leg through each coil, place them side by side, 2½" apart, and slip in the short laminations to form the ends, being careful to alternate and get the ends even.

To clamp the core, cut the strap iron into two lengths 6½" long and another two lengths, which will be long enough to clamp the side legs and extend downward so that they may serve as feet when bent. Through suitable holes drilled in the ends of the clamps, sufficient pressure can be obtained by using the machine screws to prevent excessive noise caused by the laminations vibrating, which is often the cause of a transformer heating up.

It is a good plan to make a panel for the rectifying apparatus on which can be mounted the D. P. S. T. switch for turning the 110 volts off from the transformer. The lamp socket, which is to mount the tungar bulb, is placed in the back of the panel on a little ledge. The transformer can be fastened, by means of the legs and some wood screws, to the base of the panel. The ammeter should be placed on the top of the panel where a watchful eye can be kept as to its operation. For making contact to the plate of the tungar bulb, an ordinary clip can be used. A diagram of connections is shown in Fig. 2. All wiring should be done with No. 14 D. C. C., as the current used is quite heavy.

Some hints as to its operation would probably be appreciated. Be sure that the lamp socket used is of porcelain, as the heat is great enough to fuse light brass when used at long stretches. Do not be alarmed if the tube elements are seen to be red hot when in operation; the tube is specially built for low voltage high current rectifying. The windings will also run warm, but operating properly, the windings should not get so hot as to scorch the insulation. If, when the ammeter is connected, it shows discharge, then by reversing the connections, it will show charge. Always have the ammeter in the positive lead.

For the benefit of those who feel that an instrument of greater charging capacity than two amperes, as described above, is wanted, a larger tungar bulb can be used of the five-ampere type. In this case, instead of No. 14 D. C. C. wire on the Secondary, No. 12 D. C. C. will have to be used.

As the tube is designed to carry only two amperes—at the most, three amperes—it will be found that, when starting to charge a discharged storage battery, it will draw more current than the tube will carry. To prevent

this, a resistance of salt water inserted in series with the primary will lower the charging current. By adding more or less salt, the current can be regulated easily.

The above charger is designed to charge a six-volt battery, although, if necessary, it can be made to charge a 12-volt storage battery. I will be pleased to answer any inquiries as to its construction or operation.

The Modulation Method of C. W. Reception

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Fig. 2, in which two or three stages of radio frequency amplification are used, permitting the reception of European and other transoceanic stations on small loops 15″ and 20″ square. The radio frequency amplifier is of the resonance type composed of tuned circuits which provide a greater sensitiveness than other systems, but require a finer adjustment. As may be noted in both circuits, no plate battery is used with the modulator tube. This has been found unnecessary, and does not improve the results.

Fading

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this last statement to be true.

The fading tests also reveal that a transmitting station's wave-train fades only when at a considerable distance, compared to the range of the set, from the point of transmission. That is, two stations of different strengths standing side by side do not fade at the same points, but the wave-train of the weaker station fades before the wave-train of the stronger station. The reason is that the strong waves can pass straight through a mass of cloud by which the weak waves are just refracted.

Radiophoney Broadcasting Schedule for Tonight

By ROBERT WEIDAW

A O H

1,000,000 Meeters

7:00 p. m.—Mrs. Sharpe-Shears will give a very brief talk on "The Wave-Length of Bobbed Hair."

7:30 p. m.—Bedtime Stories by Mat Tress.

8:00 p. m.—Mr. C. Dann of Fliversville will sing a very beautiful song which should be of intense interest to all Radio Bugs and Ford owners. The title of this song is "Tuning, Always Tuning."

8:00 p. m.—Barreltone solo by I. M. Thurstee: "You may take away my licker but you will not keep me still."

8:30 p. m.—Intermission for applause.

9:30 p. m.—Popular ballad by Chris Till, entitled "My Gal Lena."

10:00 p. m.—Humorous number by Michael Gilhooley:

(a) "Cohen on the Radiophone."

(b) "Aunt Enna Gets Everything."

10:90 p. m.—Dramatic Recitation of Income Tax Statistics by Miss Representation.

10:99 p. m.—A delightful romantic story on "Smith Brothers' Coughdrops" will be told by Millie Amp.

B V D

This is their weekly night in the air.

7:45 p. m.—Porousknit Sacred Quartette

will render several Holy Selections. All chickens without wings might listen intently to these angelic anthems.

8:30 p. m.—The original Hatch (No Eutton) Quartette, composed of Henry Egg, Geo. Incubator, John Buckeye and Ulysses Plymouth, will render a mysterious number entitled, "Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?"

9:00 p. m.—Y. R. Undies will give an abbreviated talk entitled, "When to Make the Change."

Midnight—The Underwear Trio will give a number of pleasing combinations.

N O Y Z

1 to 1,000 Meters, Inclusive.

8:00 p. m.—Joint recital of Locomotive Pneumatic Hammer Sextette and Machine Gun Company, accompanied by "Flash" Steinmetz at the Lightningola.

10:00 p. m.—The Anvil Chorus of the United Horseshoers' Association will give several horse selections in Dan Patch time. You'll need no loud speaker to receive these numbers.

2:00 a. m.—Catwhisker Back Fence Duet by Kitt Kittens and Will Meyow entitled "The Awakening."

I W W

7:00 p. m.—Joint recital of Independent Order of Italian Piano Tuners. They will give only one selection which should meet your reproval. Their selection is entitled, "What'll I Do Wid Dis Cord?"

7:30 p. m.—Reading of Alphabet backwards by Quintet of Chinese Coolies.

8:00 p. m.—Lecture by I. O. Fayres of the Amalgamated Trolley Car Union on "one man" cars. The title of this talk will be "Two Heads Are Better Than One."

9:00 p. m.—Lecture, "Why They Rushed Me to Russia," by Emma Goldman.

9:01½ p. m.—Disconcerting illustrated songs by the "I Won't Work" Glee Club.

Radio in the West Indies, Central and South America

By E. C. STEPHENS

NOW that we have just passed through one of the most Historical Radio Seasons ever known, with the advent of the Radiophone and its broadcasting programs, we again look to other fields still more distant than "TRANS-ATLANTICS," or "TRANS-PACIFICS" to conquer. For during this season we have reached European stations in one jump, also our signals are being reported in Hawaii, with prospects of our American colonies in the Far East taking up the "Far Call" and passing it on to the other side of the Globe.

The new fields are not far distant—really they are right at our own back door. We have Mexico, where there are many Radio enthusiasts. Then Central and South America with the West Indies as the link between, or the outer rim of two routes to the South. All have their Radio experimenters who have hopes of some time reaching another Island or the Mainland with their signals.

This article has been written expressly to give more publicity to the ever growing field of Radio, throughout Latin America. One of the most progressive of these is Porto Rico, an exceedingly rich island of American possession, which lies about half way between the Southern part of the State of Florida and the Northern coast of South America, and offers a very wide field for the foundation of Radio communication, both commercial and amateur. Commercially there are few if any cables that run directly to the United States from the coast of Venezuela. The circuitous route taken by the cables at present cause the rates to become almost prohibitive. Venezuela has just recently opened a group of up-to-date tube stations, which are reaching out quite well. These stations handle traffic, both Government and com-

mercial, on C. W. and I. C. W., with interior Government stations, as well as with ships and nearby island stations of the various colonized islands of the West Indies, such as Curacao, Trinidad, Tobago, Barbadoes, Martinique, Guadaloupe, St. Croix, St. Thomas, Porto Rico and Haiti. The efficiency of these sets over the "spark" has proved their superiority, both in atmospheric and signal interference.

Porto Rico, however, has no commercial station which is capable of handling commercial traffic to and from the two hemispheres. At present the amateurs are planning to penetrate this field, which up to the present has never been developed. There are now about five or six licensed amateurs on the Island; this includes one Radiophone set, which has done more to boost the Radio game than the other sets, or even spark receivers.

In the Capital City, San Juan, there is an incorporated Radio Club, which is issuing a simple, concise course of Radio instruction, free of charge to its members. There is also a Radio school of instruction which has students in nearly all of the Latin-American Republics. This school is teaching exclusively in the Spanish language, and covers the latest up-to-date theory and practice on Radio telegraphy and Radiophone. A store has been established in San Juan equipped with receiver and loud-speaker, where apparatus, parts and vacuum tubes are always to be had at the same prices as at any of the Radio stores in the United States. Advertising is carried on in all of the periodicals and trade journals throughout Spanish-American territory.

Due to the customs of the people of these countries still being somewhat in keeping with those of their forefathers, business is not quite of the brisk nature evidenced in the States. These people think things over, see an apparatus work, and request results, and once convinced are well set in their ideas and values. They are seriously taking up the study and application of Radio, both commercially and as amateurs.

Manufacturers and dealers will readily see the field that is being opened up for them through this increase of territory, and those who advertise in the popular fiction magazines would do well to investigate this field; insertions in the Spanish language would be beneficial. There are also several Spanish periodicals which cover a very large territory.

Another interesting Radio feature is the advent of a small Radio magazine published in Spanish, giving the same class of information as contained in the popular Radio periodicals of North America. Constructional details, lists of stations, Radio laws and regulations, questions and answers on Radio, with the support of advertisers of standard Radio and electrical apparatus on the market. This is proving quite popular, not only in Porto Rico, but in all Latin-America.

There will be many people who will denounce the use of Radio in the tropics, but those who have spent one or two seasons there will realize that the tropics are not all static. There are what are called spots, the same as the once famous "dead-spots" off the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts. In these spots we experience an increase of atmospherics over the normal. Then, too, we notice that the static is much stronger on certain bands of wave-lengths. Starting in the vicinity of 200 meters, we have less than on 400 to 600. This is ideal for amateur "DX" work. In the neighborhood of 1200 to 1500 meters we note an increase, as also around 2700 meters. These strays generally die out entirely during the daylight, but are of increased force at night. This past winter we have had nights that were as clear as any night during winter in the New England States. The A. R. R. L. trans-Atlantic tests were audible throughout the West Indies, and many more than those who succeeded in getting across were heard very QSA. Not only East-Coast stations are heard, but "Fours," "Fives," and "Sixes" are being

received most every night. We have an opportunity to observe fading to a marked degree; some of the Eastern stations have almost set periods of fading, others maintain steady and unusually strong signals.

KDKA, WJZ and other Radio telephone stations are being heard down here by the service of amplifier and loud-speaker. Sugar centrals are adopting the Radio telephone to some extent and the fruit growers are learning its advantages, as are the South American mining interests.

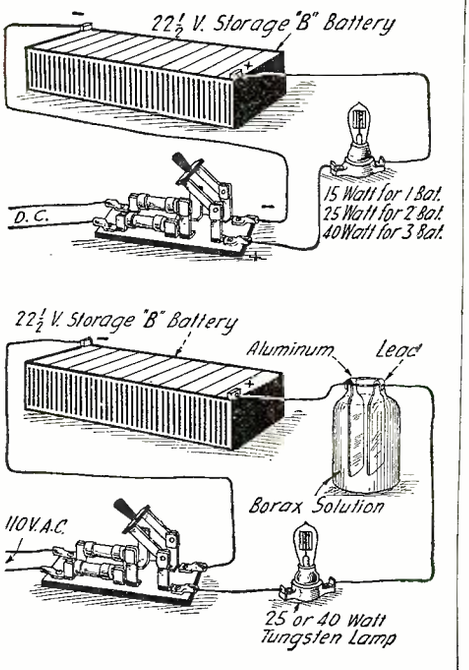
C. W. and I. C. W. are by far the most popular, being the choice of the great majority. Plans are now under way for the installation of an up-to-date transmitter and receiver in the Radio Club at San Juan. This station, with many others, will be quite active during the coming DX season, in the effort to establish and maintain a dependable route to and from South America with the United States. The slogan of "From Pekin to the Hague" will soon be modified to include, "From Pekin Via Hawaii, and Buenos Aires to the Hague."

With the introduction of the Spanish periodical on Radio the popularity of Radio in Spanish-America is rapidly spreading, and it shall not be long until the Southern Hemisphere will be cooperating in maintaining that "DX" schedule that is about to be placed into effect between the United States and France. Little can be expected from Great Britain in the line of citizen Radio activities due to official suppression, but our South American brothers will come to the front with the same spirit as prompted the trans-Atlantic tests, and in another season we shall keep in touch with "ALL-AMERICA" by purely Citizen Radio, thereby opening up new fields where we never dreamed of activity.

Charging Storage "B" Batteries

As storage "B" batteries must be charged at a rate of not over two-tenths of an ampere, I found that the output of my Tungar rectifier was too high for this purpose, so I constructed a charging outfit for storage "B" batteries, which I will describe.

The rectifier consists of a pint Mason jar which is filled with a saturated solution of "20 Mule Team" borax. In the jar are placed opposite each other two strips, one aluminum and the other lead. The ends of these can be looped over the edge of the jar and binding posts attached. In series with this rectifier, a 25-watt incandescent lamp should be placed as shown in the sketch.



These Sketches Show How to Charge a Storage "B" Battery From an A.C. or D.C. Light Line.

The other lamp terminal should be connected to the A. C. supply and the other A. C. terminal connected to the negative terminal of the battery. The positive terminal of the battery should be connected to the aluminum plate in the rectifier.

The first time the apparatus is used the lamp will give a bright light for 10 or 15 minutes, and then it will dim; when the light burns dim the apparatus is charging correctly. A white deposit will form on the aluminum electrode; this should be left on, also the electrode will be eaten away after a time by electrolysis, but it can be replaced by another. The "B" battery should be charged every three weeks with an 8 to 24 hour charge and the borax solution should be changed frequently.

If you want to charge the battery faster, or two at a time, a 40-watt tungsten should be substituted for the 25-watt, but I do not recommend a 40-watt bulb for charging one battery.

If your home is supplied with D. C. instead of A. C., a 15-watt tungsten can be placed in series with one "B" battery as shown in the sketch, or a 25-watt for two batteries, or a 40-watt for three batteries. No other apparatus is necessary.

Contributed by
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Steinmetz in Talk by Radio Explodes Old Ether Theory

DR. CHARLES P. STEINMETZ, chief consulting engineer of the General Electric Company, in an address by radio from Station WGY, exploded the long-standing theory that ether in space is the transmitter of waves of sound and light.

He declared that the belief in ether must be abandoned as contradictory to Einstein's Theory of Relativity, which is now meeting general acceptance.

Sound and light, he pointed out, are borne on the wings of electric magnetic energy which spreads through space when released at the point of inception but do not form waves of motion in any body, be it proven or hypothetical.

The address of Dr. Steinmetz was broadcasted unexpectedly and without previous announcement. It was said at the General Electric Company that the speaker had addressed the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at a recent meeting on the same subject, but it was believed to be in too technical a form for radio broadcasting. The version given by him is calculated to appeal to the understanding of the lay knowledge of electricity and physics.

Dr. Steinmetz's address follows in full:

"The radio waves and the light are the same thing. The only difference is in the wave-length. The wave by which I am now speaking to you has a length of 360 meters, while the wave-length in a beam of light is only one twenty-thousandth of a centimeter, and the wave-length of the X-ray still one hundred times shorter. On the other hand, the electro-magnetic waves of our long distance transmission lines have five million meter wave-lengths.

"The only differences between radio waves and light waves are those due to the difference of wave-length. A radio wave passes through a brick wall because the thickness of the wall is only a small fraction of the wave-length, while a light wave is stopped by a thin sheet of metal, because the thickness of even the thinnest sheet of metal is many times the wave-length of a light wave.

"For a long time we have believed that light is a wave motion of some hypothetical thing, called the ether. This theory never was satisfactory because it required that the ether must be so extremely thin that the earth and all bodies move through it with terrific speeds —100,000 feet per second—without any trace of friction. And at the same time the ether must be a solid body of high rigidity. This is

List of Broadcasting Stations

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Owner of Station	Location of Station	Wave Lengths	Call Signal
Radio Service Co	Charleston, W. Va	360	WAAO
Radio Supply Co	Los Angeles, Calif	360	KNV
Roswell Public Service Co	Roswell, N. Mex	360	KNJ
Ship Owners Radio Service	Norfolk, Va	360	WSN
Spokane Chronicle	Spokane, Wash	360	KOE
Standard Radio Co	Los Angeles, Calif	360	KJC
Stix-Baer-Fuller	St. Louis, Mo	360	WCK
St. Joseph's College	Philadelphia, Pa	360	WPJ
St. Louis Chamber of Commerce	St. Louis, Mo	360	WAAE
Taylor, Otto W	Wichita, Kans	360	WAAP
T. & H. Radio Co	Anthony, Kans	360	WBL
Union Stock Yards & Transit Co	Chicago, Ill	360, 485	WAAF
University of Missouri	Columbia, Mo	360	WAAN

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unreasonable. Finally, the belief in an ether had to be abandoned as being contradicted by Einstein's Theory of Relativity, which is now meeting general acceptance.

"The mistake which led to the hypothesis of the ether was, that wave motions were the only waves known at the time when the wave theory of light was proposed, and so the light wave also was considered as a wave motion and the question asked, what moves in the light wave, and this moving thing called the ether. Since that time, we have long become familiar with waves which are not wave motions, but merely periodic phenomena. Thus the alternating current is a wave but nothing material moves in it. Thus we speak of waves of temperature, etc., without meaning any material motion.

"The radio waves and light waves are electro-magnetic waves, that is, periodic variations of the electro-magnetic field in space.

"The space in the neighborhood of a magnet is different from ordinary space. It contains magnetic energy and exerts magnetic forces on bodies susceptible to them. It is called a magnetic field. That is, it contains stored electric energy and exerts electric forces on bodies susceptible to them. An electric current produces a magnetic field. A voltage produces an electric field, and as current and voltage usually occur together, an electric circuit gives a magnetic and an electric field, that is, an electro-magnetic field.

"If voltage and current are constant, their electro-magnetic field is constant. If current and voltage vary, the electro-magnetic field varies; if they alternate, the electro-magnetic field alternates, and such an alternating electro-magnetic field we call an electro-magnetic wave. If it alternates about a million times per second, this electro-magnetic wave is a radio wave like that through which I speak to you; if it alternates nearly hundred millions of millions times per second, it is a beam of light.

"Thus the radio waves and the light ray are electro-magnetic waves, that is, alternating electro-magnetic fields. Now an electro-magnetic field is a storage of electric and magnetic energy in space, which exerts electric and magnetic forces. This energy must be supplied from the source of the wave, and this takes time, so that the electro-magnetic field or the electro-magnetic wave cannot appear instantly all through space but must gradually progress at the rate required to fill up the space with the electro-magnetic wave energy, and this gives the velocity of propagation of the electro-magnetic wave, 300 million meters per second.

"Thus the radio waves and the light rays are electro-magnetic waves, that is, alternating magnetic fields; there is no such thing as the ether, and if in the attempt to be progressive we talk about ether waves and ether telegraphy, we are just the opposite, are behind time. Thus let us stop talking about telegraphing through the ether, and rather speak of telegraphy by electro-magnetic waves."

A New Filament Rheostat

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easily be seen that the resistance depends only on the pressure applied to the column of discs and since the pressure can be regulated to any desired degree, the voltage on the filament and the corresponding current can be adjusted to the smallest fraction without any jumps and without any disturbing noises in the head set. There is no sudden change in the current or danger of "spilling the bulb." There is no point just a little too high or a little too low,—the large, easily operated adjusting knob permits of the most precise control.

The graphite discs are assembled in two small columns in the porcelain, the pressure screw acting on the discs through means of a cross-piece or equalizer. A small spring lifts this pressure equalizer from the discs when the pressure is relieved so that the circuit is opened and the "A" battery disconnected when not in use.

Since no two vacuum tubes are likely to be the same in sensibility, owing to variation in the degree of vacuum, the new instrument is intended for use with a single tube only. Synchronizing of several tubes is best accomplished with one rheostat for each filament circuit. Owing to the wide range in resistance obtained in a compression type rheostat, it can be used universally in receiving tube circuits or in 5-watt power tube circuits, without any change in connections or insertion of different resistance.

"Loop Coupler"—New Receiver

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preme effort. It was an instance of capitalizing one's difficulties. Connections with the conventional antenna and ground were severed and unusually careful tuning resorted to as a means of determining the ultimate fitness of this loop as a receiver. Signals from two continuous-wave stations were "picked up."

Such is the prelude to the inception of a device which the inventor chooses to term "loop coupler." It is a tangible realization of the contemplated possibilities of a loop as an enlarged portion of the secondary coil, thus making allowance for a larger absorption of energy. Mr. Dunnam, in instantly giving concrete expression to his theory, unearthed a discarded frame, about 19 by 19 inches in dimensions, wound with three turns of small wire, and stationed it on top of the receiving cabinet. The frame, a moment before recovered from the junk heap, was connected in series with the secondary coil, a lower tap being taken off the latter to compensate for the added inductance of the loop. With the lapse of a few minutes, a dozen other radio-telephone transmitting stations came "trooping in" with their variable programs circulating through the wonders of wireless waves. The results were so convincing as to cause Mr. Dunnam to pledge future allegiance to the virtues of the loop for relay service.

Modifications in the original design of this receiving loop were made in the interest of increased efficiency. The electric circuit has been substantially improved by incorporating all of the secondary inductance in the loop and a variometer in the plate circuit for regeneration. As a convenient method of coupling the antenna and "ground" connections to the secondary circuit, when the radio-telephone receiver is not being employed with the loop alone, a six-inch revolving coil, including ten turns of wire and acting in series with a tapped loading coil is placed in the center of the loop frame. This serves in the capacity of a primary circuit,

and justifies the original title given this invention of "loop coupler." This novel arrangement, permitting of a broader energy-assembling area in the secondary circuit when employing the loop exclusively, affords healthier signals than when spider-webs are used. By a similar token the signals are stronger and there is sharper selectivity when this hook-up is used in conjunction with an antenna and "ground" connections than was obtainable by the arrangement in force before the "loop coupler" was introduced.

The frame of the Dunnam loop, outside measurements, approximates dimensions of 25 by 25 inches. This represents an enlargement of the first unit built, which was only 19 by 19 inches in dimensions. The secondary circuit includes ten turns of No. 20 wire, with a tap taken off at the seventh turn. The first tap, with a .0005 capacity condenser, affords a range of 175 to 400 meters. The last tap is capable of operating over a range of 250 to 500 meters. The loading inductance for the primary circuit is provided with 50 to 60 turns of No. 20 or 22 wire, tapped every ten turns. An equal number of turns of the same wire are allotted to the coupling coil. Without suggesting any arbitrary position for this loop receiver, the inventor mounted it on top of the radio-telephone cabinet. It was permitted to revolve on a pivot, the device being controlled by use of a pulley and cord-belt arrangement with a knob at the lower right-hand corner of the cabinet. This means of remote control counteracts body-capacity effects when employing the hands in proximity to the coil.

The performances of this loop, when functioning alone, have equaled the capacities of antenna and ground connections. Continuous-wave stations have been heard as far as the distance intervening between Washington and Douglas, Arizona. Intermittent communications have been negotiated with points as far removed from Washington as Neenah, Wisconsin, and with low-powered continuous-wave stations, employing one 4-watt tube and a radiation of .5 to .7 amperes, as far as Cleveland and Detroit. With the use of a Baldwin loud-speaker, signals from stations consuming a moderate degree of power can be audibly received throughout a room or even in all corners of an apartment. During evenings when atmospheric disturbances are most disconcerting to the ears, when employing antenna and ground connections, the Dunnam loop may act as an eliminator of static. The offerings of such broadcasting stations as Pittsburgh, Newark, Detroit, and Schenectady are received with distinctness and in the absence of the discordant interference of atmospheric disturbances.

To explode the theory that these pleasing results—with only the employment of two stages of audio-frequency—were derived through a coupling effect from the antenna leader, the receiver was removed into an adjoining room. Then, successively, the receiver was conveyed to the basement, sidewalk, and ultimately to a vacant lot. These respective locations exercised no unwholesome influences on the gratifying results originally obtained when the receiver was confined to a single room. When transplanted to a towering steel-framed building, however, the signals were robbed of some of their strength and the former directional effect afforded by the loop receiver under other environments was distorted.

Signals from spark stations cannot be effectively received by use of this loop, although a few signals from this source have been received with sufficient strength in their natural tones to be heard over an entire room by use of a loud-speaker. Any detector and one- or two-stage amplifier are adaptable to this strangely-formed circuit. "If the dimensions and hook-up are followed out to the letter results are guaranteed in any fair location, provided the detector and amplifiers are working properly," is the assuring statement of the inventor.

The directional qualities of the Dunnam progeny on continuous-wave signals, according to the inventor, are not very pronounced. This observation does not apply to spark signals inasmuch as experiments have proved that in every instance where the location of a spark transmitter is known the loop reveals its true direction irrespective of the position of the loop to the antenna. Mr. Dunnam does not attach unusual significance to his accomplishments in this particular indicating that the performance may be repeated by practically any station equipped with an effective one- or two-stage audio-frequency amplifier. Since this loop has been in service at "3ZY" station hundreds of transmitting points with their burdens of song, instrumental music and vocal speech have been heard distinctly. The major portion of these stations have been read with the use of only one-stage of audio-frequency amplification.

Daily Amateur Radio Broadcast

APRIL

The following messages were sent in plain English to amateur radio operators during the month of April at a rate of not more than twelve words per minute on 1832 meters and repeated on 175 meters.

1st—The owner of an amateur station may operate his station in accordance with the laws if his application for a license has been properly filed but has not been acted upon period

2d—Provisional station licenses are issued to amateurs remote from Headquarters of the Radio Inspector of the District in which the station is located period These licenses are issued as a matter of convenience and record period If comma the station is found to comply with the law comma the radio inspector will strike out the word provisional period

3d—Applicants for special amateur stations must state the experience and purpose of the application comma the local conditions of radio communications comma especially of maritime radio communication in the vicinity of the station comma and a special license will be granted only if some substantial benefit to the art or to commerce from individual amusement seems probable period

4th—Special amateur coast stations must be operated by a person holding a special second grade license or higher period Inland stations may be operated by persons holding amateur second grade licenses or higher period

5th—Operators holding licenses of grades other than commercial who submit satisfactory evidence showing actual operation of radio apparatus for three months during the last six months of the license term comma may be issued new licenses without examination period

6th—None

7th—The fact that Audion Tubes will not operate when the applied filament voltage drops below six volts makes the over discharging of six volt filament lead storage batteries nearly foolproof period Care must be taken however that such batteries are fully charged until specific gravity is about one and three tenths and at a rate not over ten amperes each time the charge is begun period

8th—None

9th—None

10th—PRESIDENT HARDING has proclaimed forest protection week for April sixteen to twenty second Department of Agriculture wants every troop and every scout to have a part stop Officials can get information from Washington and their State Forestry Service and local Forestry Officials stop April twenty second will be Golden Anniversary of Arbor Day established fifty years ago on initiation of Nebraska stop National Council Boy Scouts of America requests that this message be relayed and broadcasted so as to reach all

scouts throughout the whole UNITED STATES period

11th—It is hoped that scouts by communities troops and individuals will surpass last years record in observing Forest Protection Week fixed for this year by proclamation of PRESIDENT HARDING April sixteen to twenty second with April twenty second to be Golden Anniversary of Arbor Day dash tree planting in memoriam for decoration and for utility reporting trees needing attention pest fighting making signs to be placed in Parks and in woods asking public to protect trees also giving appropriate scout demonstrations during week stop Receiving stations please relay or broadcast this message to reach scouts throughout the UNITED STATES period

12th—None

13th—Following additions to list of special land stations one X A Brookline Mass One X B Greenwich Conn Three X R Hyattsville Md Five X C Birmingham Ala Five Y A Victoria Texas Five Z G Norman Okla Five Z I Birmingham Ala Five Z M Enid Okla Five Z P College Station Texas Five Z Q Ponca City Okla Six X A Alameda Cal Six X B Los Angeles Cal Six X C Oakland Cal Six Z D Phoenix Ariz Six Z F Reedley Cal Six Z I Oakland Cal Seven X G Portland Oreg Seven X H Corvallis Oreg Eight Y D East Cleveland Ohio Eight Z E Swissvale Pa Eight Z H Cincinnati Ohio Nine X A Monroe Wisc Nine Z E Fort Riley Kansas Nine Z F Sioux City Iowa period

14th—When operating a receiver consisting of audion detector and one or two steps of audio frequency amplification care should be taken that the bridging condensor is kept in good condition period A short circuited bridging condenser will most probably result in the primary winding of one of the amplifying transformers being burned out period

15th—Those having receiving sets with two steps of amplification may use a Victrola horn as loud speaker with very good results as follows detach ear pieces of receiving telephones from headgear and attach them to the T of a Victrola horn with a soft rubber bushing about one quarter inch thick one half inch inside diameter and one and one quarter outside diameter between each ear piece and ends of T stop secure ear pieces in position with heavy rubber band period

16th—None

17th—None

18th—None

19th—None

20th—Boy scouts and other amateur radio operators are requested by the United States Forest Service to receive Arbor Day Message from Secretary Wallace Department of Agriculture at Nine oclock PM Seventy-fifth meridian time April Twenty first and deliver same to the Mayors of their respective Cities stop Message will be broadcasted from principal government commercial and amateur stations by voice or code according to usual practice of station period

21st—Same as the 20th.

22d—To make an open core audion frequency transformer use a fibre cylinder one inch in diameter two and one half inches long on which are fitted nine fibre washers outside diameter two and three quarter inches thickness one sixteenth inch comma evenly spaced and secured to the core period. In sections one two four five seven and eight wind a secondary winding consisting of one thousand feet number forty enameled copper wire in each section stop in sections three and six wind a primary winding of fifteen hundred feet number forty enameled copper wire in each section stop all primary sections should be in series with each other stop all secondary sections should be in series with each other stop bring out primary terminals and secondary terminals to binding post as desired period

23d—A receiver composed of loose coupler tuner variable condenser and audion detector may be transformed into a regenerative receiver giving good results by inserting one

variometer in grid circuit and another in the plate circuit period

24th—None

25th—Restricted amateur stations are those located within five miles of a Naval or Military Station stop They are restricted to a wave length not exceeding two hundred meters and to a transformer input not exceeding one half KW The operators of these stations must have an amateur second grade license or higher period

26th—The radio laws and regulations prescribe that the logarithmic decrement of all stations per complete oscillation in the wave trains permitted by the transmitter shall not exceed two tenths except when sending distress signals or signals and messages relating thereto period

27th—None

28th—None

29th—None

30th—None

RADIO DETECTIVE STORY

Wm. J. Burns, Chief of the Department of Justice Bureau of Investigation, told a story recently in which the Radio took the part of Sherlock Holmes. A dapper and bright young man appeared one day before the sales manager at a large radio manufacturing plant, and explained that he wanted to purchase a very fine receiving set for a local high school. He was greeted cordially and the best of the house's sets were demonstrated. Ordering an expensive set, he managed somehow to secure delivery without payment and then disappeared. The set also vanished from the place it had been shipped to originally, much to the consternation of the manufacturers, who decided to advertise their loss through the radio itself, being able to give a very accurate description of the young man, as he had a noticeable scar on his cheek.

Chapter two opens in an apartment where a genial and fine appearing young man, with a scar on his cheek, is entertaining his friends with his new receiving set. Suddenly the instrument begins to tell of the manufacturer's loss and give a detailed description of the thief—unmistakably the host! The consternation of the guests may be imagined. The next morning a very worried mother paid for the instrument which her son had wanted so greatly as to evolve this scheme for getting it, and the manufacturer dropped the matter.

740 RECEIVERS FOR THE LEVIATHAN

After learning of the successful test made of wireless telephone communication with the *America,* A. D. Lasker, chairman of the Shipping Board, looked over plans for reconditioning the *Leviathan* and found that 740 staterooms on the ship will be installed with wireless telephones.

THE NATIONAL RADIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The first move to stabilize and organize the radio manufacturing industry is an accomplished fact today, following the organization of the National Radio Chamber of Commerce, and its election of officers at a dinner at the Hotel Brevoort. More than thirty leading manufacturers of radio apparatus, representing a 1922 output of $25,000,000, met and elected these officers:

President, Alexander Eisemann, of the Freed-Eisemann Radio Corporation; First Vice-President, Randall Keator, of the De Forest Telephone & Telegraph Co.; Second Vice-President, William Dubilier, of the Dubilier Condenser Company; Secretary, Joseph D. R. Freed, of the Freed-Eisemann Radio Corporation; Treasurer, F. Hinners, Home Radio Corporation.

The principal address at the meeting was by E. C. Buchignani, Director of the Radio Show, held under the auspices of the Na-

tional Radio Chamber of Commerce, at the Seventy-first Regiment Armory. One of the first moves of the new Chamber was to vote to make this show an annual affair. Another was a code of practice to govern the industry, which has expanded so rapidly as to encompass the patronage of millions of persons in a few months.

Officers of the newly-formed chamber are enthusiastic over its accomplishments and they said today that they expect to include in its membership nearly all the manufacturers of radio equipment before their next meeting, at the show opening.

Efficient Spiderweb Coils

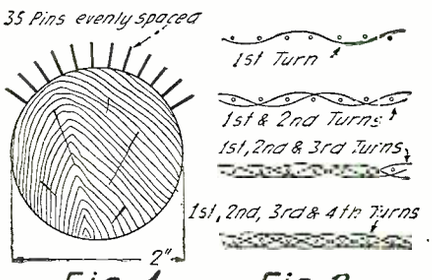
By Eric W. Bierre

November's issue of Radio News contained an article by Mr. Paul G. Watson, "Spiderweb Coils for Your Tuner."

I have read many articles by Mr. Watson and have liked them all; he has a happy knack of describing apparatus in a clear concise manner and what he has described has all been good stuff.

This time, however, with all due respect to Mr. Watson, I wish, if you will allow me, "to go one better."

I agree with him that Spiderwebs for short waves are "out on their own," but—there is a way to wind them which is a great improvement on the style now in use, and it is because I hit upon this winding by accident and because the coils have given me such remarkable results that I am sending you this description for the benefit of "bugs" in general.



This Method of Winding Pancake Coils Produces Flat Coils

Fig. 1 represents a spider made by driving 35 pins into a wooden former 2 in. in diameter and of a convenient length, and the winding is done as in the common or garden spiderweb except that, instead of winding in and out of every pin, we wind in and out of every other pin, as shown in Fig. 2. This results in a coil with its winding running in several laterals instead of being honeycombed like the ordinary spiderweb, and instead of having a corrugated surface it is quite flat.

I can guess your opinion of this "new-fangled winding" after you have read this far. "No better than the old style," but let me continue.

I have been using these coils for the last two months mounted on plugs, as described by Mr. Watson, and I honestly consider them better than the most elaborate short-wave regenerative set on the market.

Situated in Wellington, I am about 500 miles from VLA (Awanui), a 40-kw. station using about 2 or 3 kw. of his power on 600 meters and he is quite readable on one tube with neither aerials nor earth connected and this is not freak work. I think you will agree that this is a pretty good test in efficiency.

With regard to size the dimensions quoted by Mr. Watson will be found to apply correctly to these coils. I wound mine of No. 24 D. S. C. wire and for a 600-meter set wound the primary and tickler with 60 turns and the secondary with 85 turns.

MUNICIPAL RADIO

The Board of Estimate is to be asked to appropriate $50,000 for the establishment of a city-owned radio broadcasting station on the top of the Municipal Building. It is

proposed to send from this station speeches and communications from city departments.

The scheme is intriguing, as the younger novelists say. The tired business man and his family can sit at home at the end of a hitherto imperfect day and listen to the outgivings of the best minds of the Hylan administration.

Nothing could start the program better than a five-minute talk by the Police Commissioner: "The total number of robberies today has been only 76; citizens shot or sandbagged, not fatally, 29; murders, 2; plain homicides, 5. New York is as safe tonight as it was last evening at the same hour. It is the safest city of its size in the United States. Don't forget to set your burglar alarms."

Lecture on American history by Commissioner Hirschfield: "The United States assumed no position of importance in the world until January 1, 1918, when John F. Hylan became Mayor of New York and appointed me Commissioner of Accounts. No American had an idea of his constitutional right of free speech until Mayor Hylan's underlings raided the Town Hall meeting. I am preparing a report on that subject, and it will be ready in 1956. Do not attach too much importance to the Battle of Lexington. That was a small event, lasting only one day, while the Mayor and I fight the Interests every day in the year."

Song by the Comptroller, Mr. Craig: "There's a limit on our debt, but we haven't reached it yet."

Bedtime story by Uncle John: "Once upon a time there were six million children who lived together. They incurred the hatred of some wicked goblins, known as the Special Interests, who tried to defraud them of their right to pay two or three fares morning and night. Malicious imps, disguised as the Subservient Press, deceived some of the children until the Genius of Bushwick came upon the scene and cut off the Interests' heads. This is the best governed city in the world, and anybody who doesn't admit it is a tool of the trusts, a slave of Wall Street, and the companion of terrible gamblers."

The evening could end appropriately with close harmony by the entire Board of Estimate.

—*Extract from N. Y. Herald.*

Cutting, Bending and Polishing Hard Sheet Rubber For Making Radio Apparatus

By W. S. Standiford

The experimenter and worker on all kinds of electrical apparatus usually, at some time or other, has to cut hard sheet rubber into round discs for making Wimshurst machines or for parts of wireless telegraph and telephone sets which are being used extensively. The amateur radiophone maker uses wood for his panels and cardboard tubes for his variocoupler and tuner, etc. While wood can be used for a panel, it is not nearly as effective as hard rubber, owing to electrical leakage, the amateur having enough trouble nowadays with his home-made set; the factory-made appliances are constructed of rubber or something that is equally as good.

Cardboard is a fragile substance, and it does not give good service in continuous use as a variocoupler, as such material soon wears out. On account of hard rubber in its dry state being very difficult to bend into cylinders for making radio parts, the amateurs have confined themselves to wood and cardboard. A very easy way to cut and bend hard sheet rubber up to about ⅜" thick has been found by using the following method.

For a panel, either a hack-saw can be employed, or if desired, it can be shaped out wet. Mark an outline on the place to be

cut with a scriber or a knife point. Then plunge the sheet into very hot water until it is soft, like leather. Take it out quickly and cut on the mark with scissors or a tinsmith's snips, depending upon the thickness of the material. As it cools, it will be harder to cut. If any more cutting is to be done, immerse it in hot water again and continue the work. Next put a plate of glass on a newspaper on your work-table, dip the rubber into hot water again, place the sheet rubber on the glass, put another sheet of glass over the rubber and weight it down. When cold, the piece will be found to be straight, as the cutting throws it out of shape.

To bend hard sheet rubber into cylinders for tuning coils, etc., make a wooden mandrel of the desired diameter, measuring its surface with a tape measure, and cut your material to the required length. Heat the rubber in hot water and place two wooden blocks on a smooth surface at such a distance apart as to be even with the edges of the rubber that requires bending. Place the hot sheet in position on blocks and press the mandrel down on its center, gradually curling it into cylindrical form to fit the mandrel. In using thick plates, reheating them several times may be necessary to get them into the desired shape. When cold, fill the crack between the two edges with automobile tire cement. There is a rubber composition for tires on the market, which is excellent for joining edges of hard rubber; this cement hardens well and is a good insulator. Tie the cylinder tightly with string until either the cement or putty has set.

Polishing hard rubber is a poser for amateur electrical experimenters, whether the sheet rubber has been cut with scissors or with a hack-saw. They do not know how to get the edges of panels, etc., as smooth as the sides. Their usual practice is generally to smooth the edges with a file and let it go at that. This mars the appearance of the instruments. By following the process given, a fine polish can be obtained. Fasten a piece of fine grained sandpaper to the top of the work-table and run the piece of rubber across the sandpaper in a series of smooth, even strokes, taking care to keep the grain straight. Continue this operation on a second sheet of the finest sandpaper obtainable. Wipe off all dust and give the edge a coat of shellac varnish to fill the pores; when dry, rub with a piece of felt tacked upon a wooden block; this felt can be obtained at any paint store, and is known as "polishers" felt. It should be wet with oil and powdered pumice stone as an abrasive. Pumice stone can be obtained either in a drug store or a paint shop. Wipe the rubber after this operation and let it dry, then coat again with shellac. After it is dry, rub the parts with an oil-soaked piece of felt without pumice stone, and a fine polish will result. A pleasing appearance can be imparted to the smooth edges of panels and other radio apparatus by coating them with a fine grade of red enamel carefully applied, the contrast between red and black being fine.

Antenna Support Improvements

By Ben H. Woodruff

In these times of lax radio activity, construction and reconstruction at both old and new stations are being pushed. This is especially true because of the enormous increase in the number of radio receiving stations erected during the last few months, and the still larger number to be erected during the coming months. Most of these aerials have been hurriedly strung up between the house and a tree, or between two trees.

The writer has had marked success with wood poles, as antenna supports. At present there are two aerials in use at 5UE; one is a long wave receiving aerial and is 200' long

and 45′ high. The short transmitting and receiving aerial is 62′ long and 50′ high.

The poles for these aerials were cut about the middle of last summer and erected soon after. As soon as the trees were felled they were barked clean and stripped of all limbs. A car was used to drag the poles to their final resting place. A word or two here concerning the trees to select might not be amiss. Trees should taper evenly from base to top. Any bulges or warts make the tree unfit for this use, also the top of the tree should not fork, to any considerable degree, for if it does the body will split very easily.

After the poles have been placed in position they should be given three coats of creosote; if there is not enough of this to cover the whole pole, about 6′ or 8′ at the bottom will aid a great deal. The guy wires and pulleys are next in order. Ordinary galvanized pulleys such as are used on awnings, etc., are not suitable. A very good type made in several sizes, has the shell and eye cast in one piece. The pulley is attached to the pole about 1′ from the top, by boring a hole in the pole and running a bolt of suitable size through. As for the means of raising

A Good Amateur Aerial Supported by a Pole Erected by the Owner.

and lowering the aerial, ordinary stranded clotheslines may be used; tarred rope also does well, but the wire seems to be better. Immediately above the pulley bolt, another bolt should be run at right angles. The ends of the upper bolt must extend for at least ½″ on either side of the pole; the guy wires are wrapped around the pole, above the top bolt, which prevents them from sliding down.

If the pole is not more than 50′ in length, three guy wires at the top will suffice. But if the poles are more than 50′ long, two sets of guy wires should be used. That is, place three more wires at about three-fourths the distance from bottom to top. Of course the guy wires are fastened so that one is on either side of the pole and at right angles to the aerial, while the third is placed parallel with the aerial, but on the opposite side of the pole.

If the aerial is to be used for transmission, the guy wires should be broken frequently at regular intervals and porcelain knobs inserted. The regular telephone knobs,

number three or larger, work well, and will not pull in when the first little gale comes along. After the holes for the poles have been dug, the erection is begun.

The simplest and best way of raising the pole is by means of a rope or wire and pulley. For a 50′ pole the hoisting pulley should be placed about 35′ high. If a good, long, stout rope is unobtainable, two No. 12 wires will do. While the poles mentioned were raised by means of only one No. 12 wire, it is far safer to use two in parallel. The wire or rope should be connected to the pole about 35′ from the bottom. A board or two placed in the hole at right angles to the butt-end of the pole will aid greatly in getting the pole to slide in. After all the wires are on and the hoisting wire is on the pulley wheel, the other end of the wire or rope is tied to a car. Then, with two people at the head of the pole using the guy wires to keep the pole from swinging to one side, the car is allowed to move slowly but steadily. Great care and precaution must be taken as a heavy 50′ pole can do some damage if it falls. When the pole assumes a vertical position, the car should be stopped. The guy wires are then fastened to the pre-selected places, but if the aerial is not ready to be raised, the pulley wire may be lengthened and used as a stay for that side of the pole. The base of the pole should then be tamped.

In rare instances, where there are no trees or buildings close at hand, it will be necessary to erect a "gin" pole. This is simply a short pole erected, and the pulley tied to the top.

In other cases where a house is at hand, the hoisting wire may be run across the top of the house. The pole in Fig. 1 was raised in that manner by backing a car up on the front driveway and tying the wire to it.

I would be glad to hear from anyone who has difficulty, and will try to help if I can.

Attractive Panels and Tubing at Small Cost

By EDWARD PIERSON

Although we all desire attractive apparatus, the high cost of bakelite, formica and hard rubber panels and tubing has sometimes prevented us from possessing them. We require so much apparatus that dollars spent in purchasing unnecessary material seems like money wasted. After viewing neighboring amateur stations, it appears that the dollars have been invested in vacuum tubes, while Beaver board is being used for panels and the inductances for C. W. transmitters. After reading this article, there will be no excuse for still using such material. Beaver board may be fine for lining the inside of the box containing the rotary gap, but it was never intended to be used for panels.

If you have ever used wood for your panels you will agree with me that it serves the purpose well and does not decrease the signal strength, unless, of course, the wood is not thoroughly dry. The only preference that I can see for bakelite over dry wood in the receiving set, is its appearance. In order to secure the same appearance from wood as would be obtained from bakelite, it is necessary to go to a storage-battery repair station and purchase a sheet of hard-rubber insulation. Do not mistake thread rubber or perforated rubber for the rubber sheets. The dimensions of the sheets are 13″ long, 3″ wide, and about 16″ thick (I walked away with mine at one cent each.) It may not take more than one sheet of this rubber to cover the panel. A wooden panel of the desired size is first cut to shape. A piece of hard-rubber insulation is cut out with scissors to the same size as the wooden panel. No trouble will be encountered in cutting the hard rubber if it is first heated over a flame until it is soft. Do not put the rubber on the flame. Unless the rubber is cut while hot, it

will harden and any attempt to cut it will crack it. A thick layer of good glue is spread over the wooden panel and the sheet of rubber laid on it. The rubber and wood panel are placed between blocks and left in a vise until thoroughly hardened. A coat of Velspar is applied to the wood to exclude moisture. In drilling holes always start from the rubber side first. The rubber has a nice finish and if the work is carefully done it will be hard to distinguish between it and a solid rubber panel.

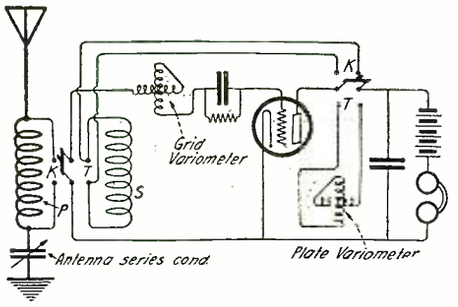
Good tubing on which to wind inductances is hard to obtain at low cost.

Conduit tubing, however, may be used in place of the ordinary types. It is easily obtained and costs very little. Conduit is used commercially to carry underground power cables and for this purpose it is necessarily moisture proof. It is a compound of tar which is not sticky and has fine turning qualities. Conduit may be procured at factories and electrical concerns. It comes in two sizes, 3½" and 4½". These sizes are just right for making variocouplers and most apparatus. It costs less than 50c. a foot, which is considerably less than most good cardboard tubing, not to mention hard rubber and formica. This conduit makes excellent tubing for C. W. inductances and when so used, the large size should be threaded in a lathe and wound with No. 14 or No. 12 gage wire; ten threads to the inch are about right for this. Threading the tube facilitates winding the wire and insulating the turns. Inductances made in this manner have stood up well on a 250-watt C. W. transmitter, and I doubt if many of the readers will ever use a set of higher voltage. Variocouplers of neat appearance may be made by turning the conduit to the right size in a lathe.

A Combination Circuit

As there has recently been considerable controversy on the subject of single circuit regenerative receivers *vs.* triple circuit sets, I am enclosing a scheme by which the latter can be arranged so as to have the advantage over the former.

If the advantages and disadvantages are summed up, it will be found that in the single



By Means of Two Switches This Receiver May Be Changed From a Single Circuit to a Three-Circuit Tuner so that a Station May Easily Be Found and Then Tuned Sharply with One and the Other Circuits.

circuit tuner selectivity is sacrificed for ease of adjustment and in the three-circuit sets, ease of tuning is sacrificed for selectivity. The last named circuit was superior until the advent of C. W. Now both tuners are very desirable, but as few can afford both, a method by which the variometer regenerative receptor could be switched to a single circuit set should meet with approval.

The method is this: By the simple addition of two D. P. D. T. switches, a three-circuit set can be thrown over to a circuit similar to the new Westinghouse Tuner, as the Grebe CR-5.

Thus the good points of both types of receivers are obtained at the cost of one plus the addition of two D. P. D. T. switches of the type described in the RADIO NEWS Accessory Prize Contest or of the Clapp-Eastham panel type.

Contributed by WM. J. O'NEILL, JR.

SOS

When I began tickling the key, about the first question I asked my superiors was, "What does S O S mean, or rather, what words do those letters stand for?"

They accordingly fitted some words to it, such as, send out ships or save our souls; they had probably been taught that themselves, but anyway I have been going through life these past years thinking that there are words corresponding to those three letters, which I have heard used in many ways since then, the humorist having a clever story that ends up with "Same Old Story."

In order that other "hams" will not have the same mistaken idea I will tell you right here that the S O S call is a distress signal, and those three letters are used in combination because they can be sent more clearly and distinctly and will, therefore, be quickly recognized.

Contributed by EDWARD L. FRIEDMAN.

Repairing Burned Tubes

Probably most of us have at some time or another experienced the disappointment of having a vacuum tube burn out. Perhaps, when listening to a concert or a distant DX station, without warning, darkness fell behind the panel and the signals stopped abruptly. A five dollar bill faded from our vision, and to most of us, five dollars is no trifle. I have already burned out several bulbs, each of a different type, and have in all cases been able to repair them. I have also had the good luck to be able to repair a number of bulbs belonging to fellow "hams." This is how it was done. The bulb was taken from the socket and to the two filament prongs a supply of current, A. C. or D. C., preferably about three or four volts, was connected. The bulb was then taken in one hand and hit against the palm of the other rather violently so as to vibrate the broken filaments, care being taken, however, not to break the filaments completely.

In almost every case the filaments will, if the knocks are kept up, touch at some time. Then the current already connected will light up the filaments and melt them together. This experiment, though tried a number of times on both Electron Relays and Auditrons, has yet to fail.

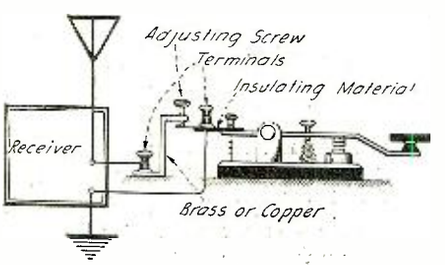
Contributed by

HAROLD A. ZAHLE, Porterville, Cal.

A SIMPLE BREAK-IN SYSTEM.

By HARRY C. GIVEN, JR.

WHILE endeavoring to equip my station with a break-in system by using two antennae and not being able to separate them a sufficient distance apart or in a position so that they would oppose one another, I found that the currents set up in the receiving antenna were so great as to knock the crystal out of adjustment, or if an audion was being used, to paralyze it, so I devised the scheme pictured in the enclosed diagram.



A Simple Break-in System, Which May Easily be Constructed

FOOLISH QUESTION

Question: "May I use the bed springs as an aerial?"

Answer: "We suggest that you ask your wife."

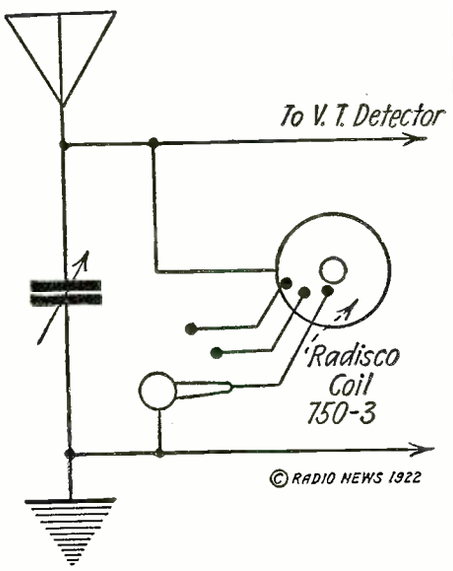
By A. J. DE LONG.

The diagram is self-explanatory; it consists of an extension arm attached to the rear end of the transmitting key, and insulated from same, bearing a contact point and binding post. The "Z" shaped arm can be made of any material, copper or brass and has at its upper end a small tapped hole into which is fitted a screw contact which makes contact with the extension arm. The contacts are adjusted so that they close just before the key contacts when the key is depressed, thus shorting the receiver, as seen in the diagram.

I do not know whether this is a new idea, but I have found that it works very well in my case, and I thought it might be of interest to others.

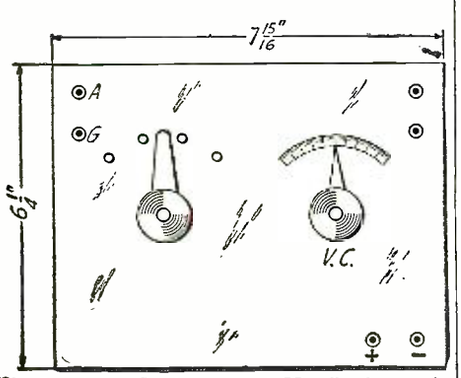
A Simple Tuner for Portable Sets

Many campers and tourists need a receiving set with which they can pick up the time signals and weather reports. The chief reason that they go without a set is because they think that it is too expensive and too heavy to carry around. The tuning part of a V. T. set or crystal set which is shown here is neither heavy nor expensive, the whole cost of the tuner being about $6.50, including the bakelite panel, which of course is expensive. This tuner, used in connection with the universal control panel described by Howard S. Pyle on page 599 of the March, 1921, issue of RADIO NEWS, makes a light and simple V. T. outfit. This set can also be used with a crystal detector without changing the connections any.



Hook-up of the Tuner Which May Be Used With a Crystal or V. T. Detector.

The cabinet I used was made out of a Yeast Foam box, 8⅝"x6¾"x4½" deep. After the box has been shellacked and varnished, it



The Switch and Condenser Knob May Be Arranged on the Panel, as Shown Here.

has a very fine appearance and will serve as well as the finest cabinet. You can either make the cabinet larger or smaller; I made mine this size so that I could put a "B" battery on the inside, thus saving room.

The panel can either be of bakelite, formica, fibre or hard rubber; it is set flush in the box, resting on four supports mounted in each corner. The panel is fastened to the supports by small wood screws, or it may be fastened by some good glue.

The other parts needed besides the panel are:

1 variable condenser, 23 plate—panel mounting.
1 tapped Radisco coil No. 750-3.
4 rubber binding posts.
4 nickel-plated contact points.
1 rotary switch arm—this can be made instead of being bought.

If higher wave-lengths are desired, a tapped Radisco coil No. 1200-3 is put in place of No. 750-3.

If lower waves are desired, a tapped Radisco coil No. 325-3 is put in place of No. 750-3.

The wave-lengths are varied by means of a four-point switch, which is connected to the taps on the coil.

The variable condenser is shunted between the ground post and the wire leading from the coil; this is useful in tuning out unwanted stations.

In the upper left-hand corner of the panel, drill two holes and mount your two rubber binding posts. Mark one of them "aerial" and the other "ground." In the upper right-hand corner, directly opposite the aerial and ground posts, drill two more holes and mount two more rubber binding posts; these are to be connected later to your V. T. control.

As in Mr. Pyle's control, these two wires should be connected to the posts on the upper middle left of his panel.

Holes will also have to be drilled in the panel for the condenser rod and for the three screws that support it; also for the four switch points and for the switch arm.

Two binding posts can be fastened to the lower right of panel for connection to the "B" battery.

The hook-up and layout of panel are shown by the diagrams. Connections are made preferably with No. 14 copper wire.

Contributed by EDWIN HINES.

Variometer Stators Easily Made

I would like to tell of a simple way of making the outer coil of a variometer so that the winding is opposite the rotating ball. I have tried many ways and at last I have succeeded in making this instrument.

Fig. 1 is the moulder. It consists of half a ball cut out at one end so that a plug will fit in.

Fig. 2 shows both pieces fitted together ready for winding. This is wound with suitable wire and then covered with a mixture of sealing wax and rosin, on the wire, so that it will hold the wires together. When the mixture has hardened, the end plug is taken out and the winding is pulled off, as in Fig. 3.

Two of these windings go with a variometer and are placed in boxes just deep enough to cover it. The coil should be placed exactly in the middle of the box and the same mixture should be poured in the bottom, about ⅛"

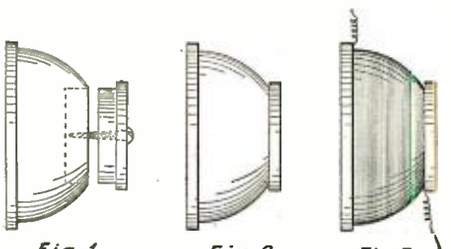


Fig. 1 Fig. 2 Fig. 3

With Such a Form, Several Fixed Windings For Variometers May Be Wound.

thick, or just enough to hold the coil from falling out. When two boxes are made they are placed together with the rotating ball in the middle, which is simpler to make. I have made a number now and every one has been a success and I would be very pleased if this should prove of assistance to any other amateur.

Contributed by ALBERT MARK.

FITTING A LARGE KNOB TO A SMALL SHAFT

Fitting a large-bored knob to a smaller shaft is a hard job, if there is a large discrepancy between the two. The knob usually gets on crooked, but here is a way to avoid this. Procure a hard brass tube, the outside diameter of which will fit into the knob, and the inside diameter of which will fit around the small shaft. Saw off enough to slip into the knob and slit it lengthwise with a thin saw. Insert it into the knob so that the setscrew will press upon one side of the cut, and slip it over the shaft. Screw the setscrew tight and the knob will fit perfectly.

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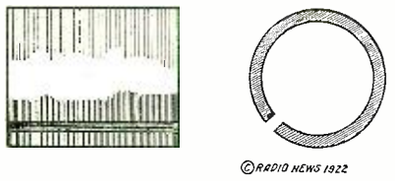

With Such a Bushing a Dial May Be Mounted on a Small Shaft.

The Development of Radio on Airplanes in France during and Since the War

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was not possible to eliminate completely. On most of the commercial airplanes the aerial consists of a wire which is unwound by the operator while in flight, and trails under the airplane.

On the airplanes travelling always over the same route as those crossing over the Channel from Paris to London, a fixed loop is used for the direction finder, some special stations being installed on the landing field, which automatically from time to time send certain signals, the intensity of which permits the pilot to rectify his route in case of deviation, caused by the wind, or fog. For the airplanes not equipped with any direction-finding system, some stations are installed on the ground, which take bearings and can at any instant tell the pilot his location.

The emergency sets are of the spark type and consist either of a spark coil supplied with storage batteries or of a more powerful set supplied with a gasoline engine driving a small alternator. For an aerial, when the airplane is on the ground or floating on the sea, a wire supported by a kite, or a small balloon, which may be blown up from a compressed gasoline tank, is used.

Another invention, which is now being applied to the airplanes, is the pilot cable, similar to those installed at the harbor entrances, permitting the ships equipped with the proper device to come safely into port without a pilot. This system consists of a cable laid at the bottom of the Channel, in which an alternating current flows. By means of a loop of wire connected to an amplifier, the pilot of the ship can follow the cable, as the sound decreases in intensity as soon as the ship is not exactly above the cable. This is being applied to the airplanes by the use of high-frequency current in a line supported by poles and erected in a known direction. The airplane in flight, by means of a loop

aerial, can follow exactly the cable, as the pilot, wearing the telephones, can judge of the intensity of the signals, which varies as soon as the airplane is no longer parallel with the cable.

Such devices are now in course of construction at several landing fields, the different lines erected north, south, east and west being supplied with current of different frequencies, so as to enable the pilot to recognize each of them by the tuning of the apparatus.

In order to make the transportation of passengers by airplane practicable and safe, various companies running planes between the large European cities are cooperating for the installation of intermediate airdromes equipped with radio stations having direction finders and telephonic communications with the nearest telegraph offices, so that messages sent by passengers during a flight can be instantly transmitted in the same way as telegrams are sent from ships to the shore. Several small observatories are also being installed along the route where observations are made frequently, which are transmitted by radio to the airplanes in the air at the time, so that they know the atmospheric conditions in the section over which they are flying.

All these improvements make travelling in airplanes safer every day and may be compared with travelling in a ship, as the passengers are given the same facilities of sending and receiving messages while in the air, which is not a little feature in long flights, such as from Prague to Paris, which lasts nine hours.

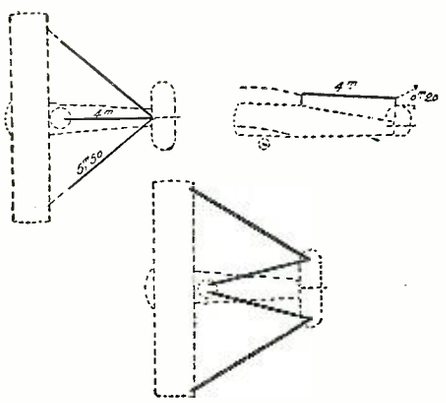

Fig. 10. Various Types of Fixed Aerial Installed on Airplanes.

Two New Radio Essentials

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The Pacent "Multijack" is really three jacks built into one. This new development followed closely on the heels of the "Twin Adapter," and it may be used in connection with it. The three jacks which make up the "Multijack" are built into a composition base that may be attached to the side of a receiving cabinet or to a testing board or table. The end of the "Multijack" is flat so that a number of them can be placed end to end where a large number of connections are necessary. If three "Twin Adapters" are used in connection with a single "Multijack," as many as six connections can be made. Both the "Twin Adapter" and the "Universal Plug" fit into the "Multijack," which, like the "Twin Adapter," is provided with heavy spring contacts that are sure to form low resistance connections.

Broadcasting in Canada

Will the commercialization of the radiophone seriously threaten the existence of the daily newspaper?

Already there is under process of organization a syndicate in London, Ont., backed by several wealthy promoters and business men, which proposes to establish at Mapledene in the highlands of Middlesex county, some 14 miles north of the city of London, a high

power broadcasting radio station, which will send out at intervals during the day and night local and world news, musical selections, lectures on philosophy, religion and education, market reports, sporting news and general newspaper and magazine items to subscribers throughout Western Ontario in whose homes will be especially constructed radio receiving sets, supplied by the radio news syndicate, and tuned and constructed to receive clearly everything sent out from the Mapledene broadcasting station.

It is believed that radio receiving sets capable of receiving the special service from the central station within a radius of 50 miles can be manufactured and supplied at a cost not exceeding very much the cost of two or three years' subscription price of a daily paper, and canvassers to be sent out to sell and install the receiving sets will endeavor to sign up the subscribers for three or four year contracts. Subscribers situated at a greater distance will pay for more powerful receiving sets.

At the breakfast hour in the mornings, a résumé of world news, farm produce quotations and possibly devotional exercises to replace individual family prayers will be sent out.

Household cooking recipes and domestic science lectures for the farmers' wives will follow during the morning, with later news at noon-time, various discussions of interest to the women in the home during the afternoon, concert programs in the early and late evening, and lullaby stories and songs for the children at bedtime.

Household drudgery will be abolished in the farm homes of Western Ontario, according to the prospectus, which the promoters of the new scheme are preparing. Dishwashing, buttermaking and bread-kneading will be done to the cheerful sound of ragtime and jazz reproduced in the farm kitchens through the radiophone.

The location of the broadcasting station in the highlands of the county north of the city where the height of land above sea level is several hundred feet more than in the city, it is claimed, together with the absence of street traffic and other jangling city noises, will increase the facility for clear transmission of the service to be supplied.

Canvassing crews of students on vacations from the universities will be sent out this summer to sell radio sets on the instalment plan.

Some Suggestions for Improving the Quality of Phone Signals

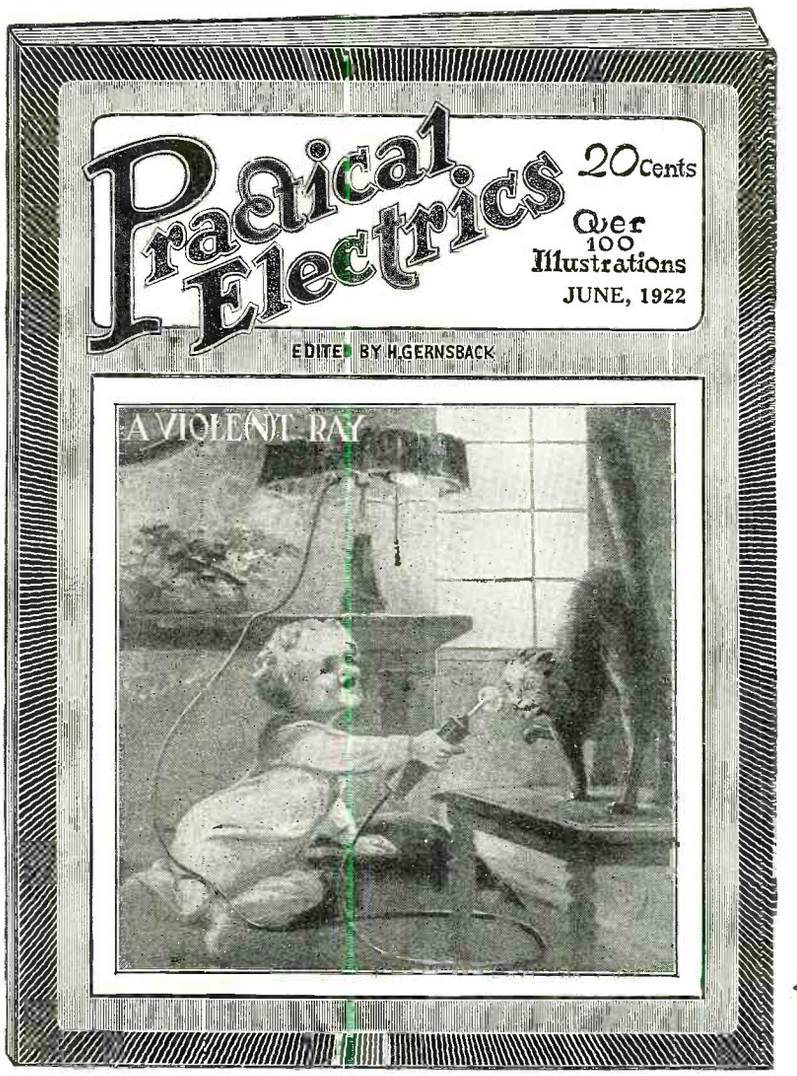
The failure to receive clear phone signals is a source of much worry to the beginner and, although he will eventually stumble onto the secret, he will never be sure he is right. Thus this little encouraging explanation.

A full-fledged amateur, rather selfish, will tell his neighbor that it is all in knowing how to tune, but it can hardly be called that, although it does somewhat approach it. The real trouble is the failure to understand, in a practical way, one of the most technical essentials of the fundamentals of radio reception, that of knowing when a set is oscillating.

Although it would be helpful, a technical discussion of this phenomenon, if it might be called that, would serve to discourage rather than encourage a future DX man. Therefore I'll give a very brief practical discussion, describing it as it will be to the beginner.

When a vacuum tube set is oscillating, it is at the stage where signals should come in. To make a set oscillate, and to determine whether it is or not, the following "program" should be followed:

Put the telephone plug in, we'll say for detector only, then fasten the "B" battery, after which turn the detector filament rheostat up until the bulb has reached its proper brilliancy, which can only be determined by actual practice, as different kinds of bulbs



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with different kinds of sets differ greatly in that respect. If, while lighting the bulb, a click is heard in the phones, stop turning and tap a binding post—the grid, we'll say. This is to make doubly sure. If a click is heard (use damp finger), and also a return click upon removal of the finger, then you may be sure that the set is oscillating. Turn the knob until some form of signal is heard. If you are listening for phone signals, you will hear what is called the carrier wave, which will peculiarly resemble a whistle. If you are reasonably close to the station which is transmitting, you will find that music will be audible in distorted form. Your duty is then to make the set stop oscillating, and to adjust it so that it is just on the point of it. Although there are other forms, the most reliable one is to turn the detector rheostat slowly down. At that point which was mentioned the signals should come in clear and loud, not distorted.

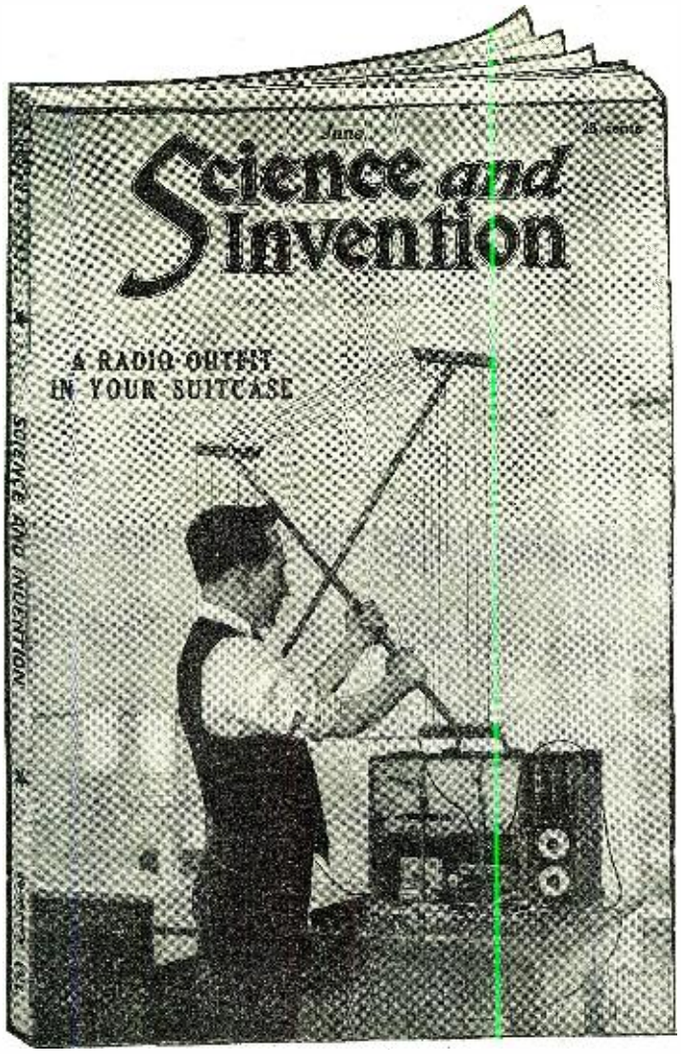
In tuning, it frequently happens that the set will jump out of oscillating, and to make reasonably sure that such has not happened (if signals are not heard) it would be advisable to make the "damp finger" test.

Contributed by ROY A. ANDERSON.

A Cement for Metal and Glass

In a recent issue (April-May), page 959, was published a convenient method for making a variable condenser with a couple of test tubes. Every once in a while there is an occasion like this for joining metal and glass, and, as we advance, the need for this will be greater. There are several methods advocated for this purpose, but most of them have some objection that makes it impossible for the novice to handle.

As a perfect joint is of primary importance (and a poor one too frequently a cause of trouble)—I submit a method that I have successfully used in other lines for some time.



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Carefully pour off the clear liquid, which is thrown away and add fresh water. Stir thoroughly, allow to settle, and repeat several times. Now pour the precipitate on a filter in a small funnel, and wash repeatedly with water, which is thrown away as fast as it runs through the funnel. The filter should now be removed and laid aside in a warm place to dry, when it should be removed from the filter and kept for use in a bottle.

To use, take a small quantity of the powder (which is silver oxide) and rub it up in a mortar or on a glass slab or saucer with a spatula or palette knife, to the consistency of paint, with either turpentine or oil of lavender. This is now painted on the glass to be soldered and carefully heated in an alcohol flame or Bunsen flame, bringing it in contact with the flame gradually. Better still, if the lady of the house happens to be in good humor, the result can be easily accomplished by placing it in the oven, if she is baking. When cool, you will find the silver perfectly united to the glass, and wire or metal can easily be joined by means of soft solder.

Contributed by A. SCHLEIMER.

Cheap Panels for Your Set

There are undoubtedly a good many who possess radio receiving sets unmounted, who do not feel as though they want to go to the expense of purchasing a panel for the front of a cabinet for their set.

Anyone who is located where he can visit a storage battery repair shop need never want for hard rubber panels for the above purpose. The storage battery jars, when cracked, are of no use and are thrown away, and will be given to anyone asking for them.

I constructed a cabinet for my receiving set, using four panels in front, cut from old storage battery jars, and have as nice a looking cabinet as many who have purchased bakelite, formica or hard rubber in panels for this purpose.

The sides were sawed out of the old battery jars with hack saw and cut down to approximately 5″ x 6½″ and dressed absolutely square with a wood rasp and drilled for small round head brass screws in the positions shown on cut.

The cabinet was constructed from oak of about ⅜″, but any kind of wood should do; the depth of the cabinet is left to the individual according to what equipment he has.

It will be noted that the sides, bottom and lid of the cabinet come out flush with the face of the hard rubber panels, but, of course, everyone may use his own ideas in regard to this, but in my design it takes a little more work, as there has to be small strips set in behind the rubber panels to which the panels are screwed.

In mounting honeycomb coils, or even if you want panels of greater thickness than the single hard rubber, two thicknesses can be used, battery sealing compound or shellac to glue them together.

After you have your cabinet constructed and the panels fitted in place, rub the hard rubber panels first with rough sandpaper, then with fine, and give them two thin coats of shellac.

Contributed by EDGAR E. BRENTON.

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It led them to the Lewistown schoolhouse where crowds had already preceded them. The mystery was solved. From the top of the school building the voice poured forth in great volume from the Magnavox of a radio receiving set located on top of the building.

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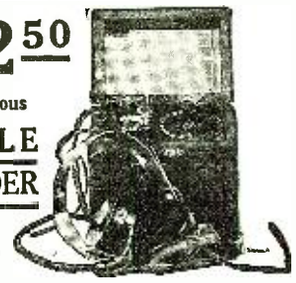

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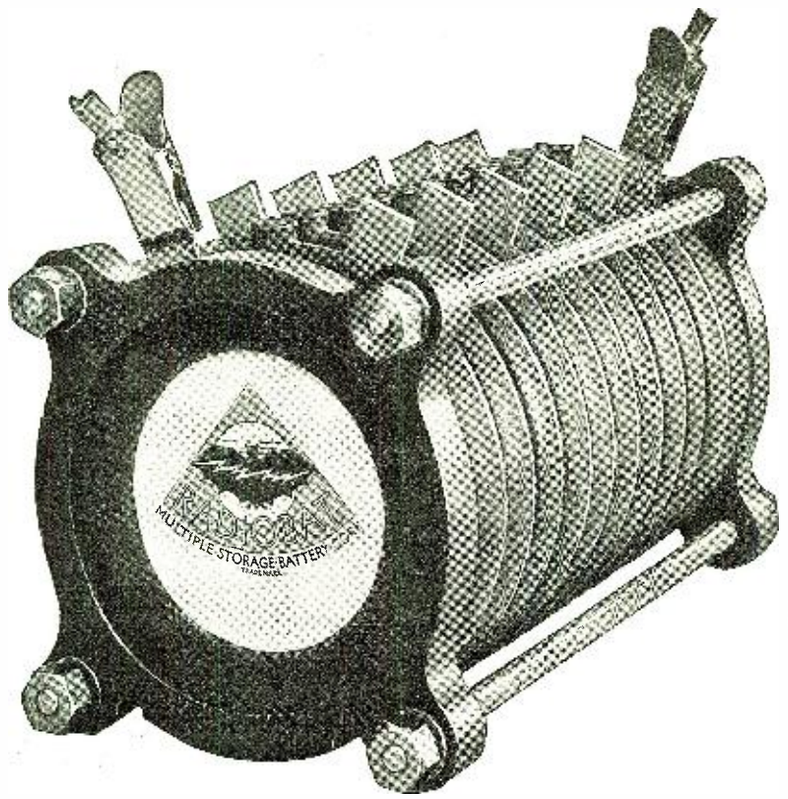

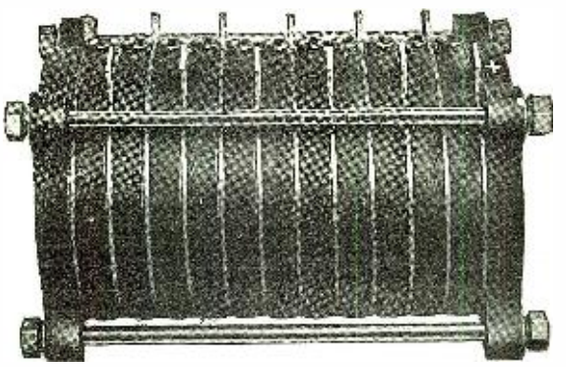

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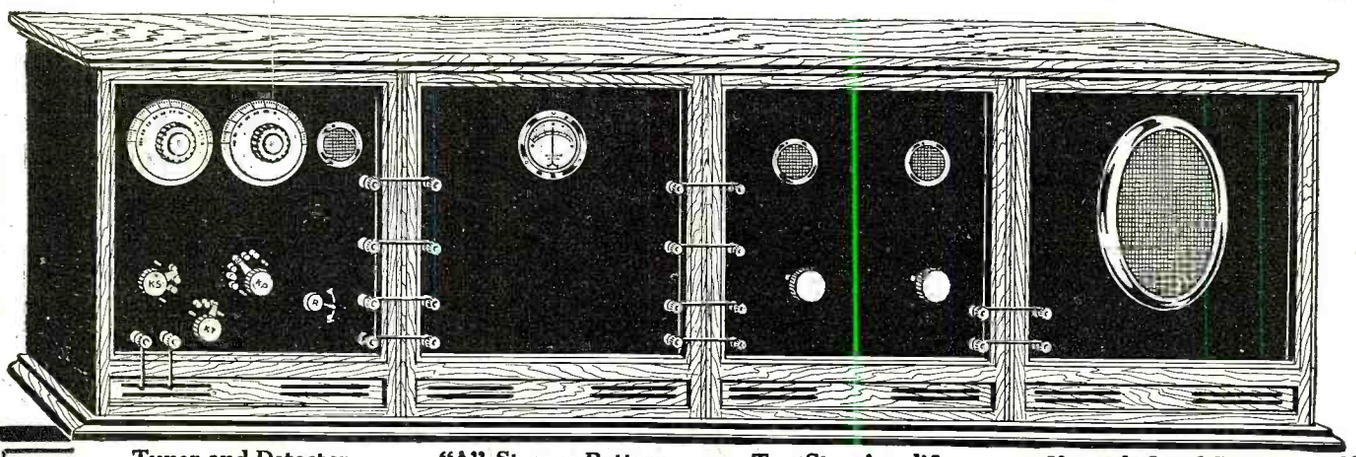

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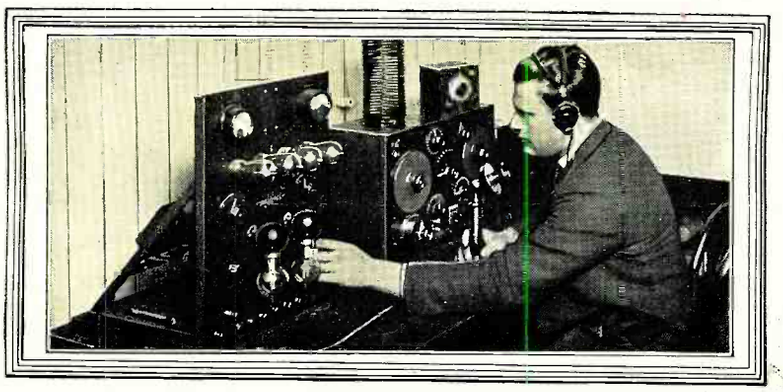

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