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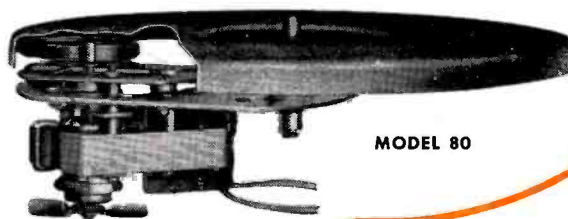
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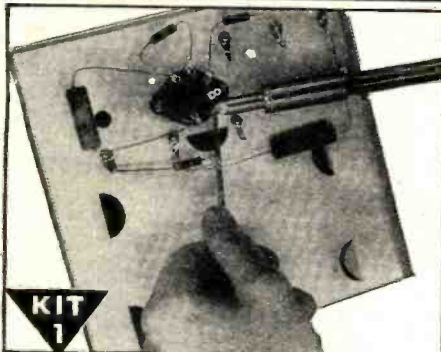
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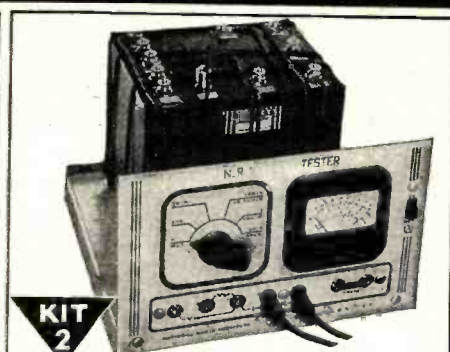


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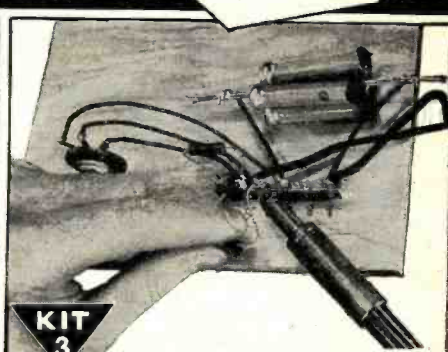
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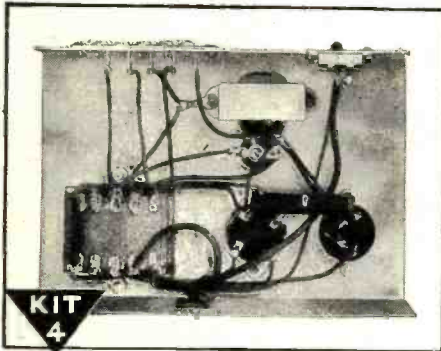
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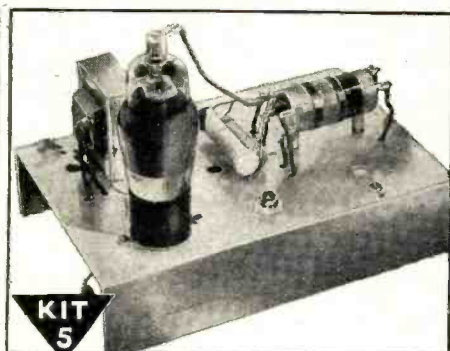
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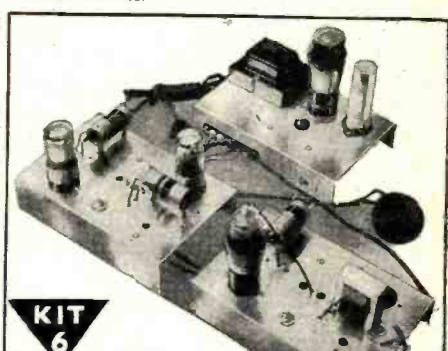
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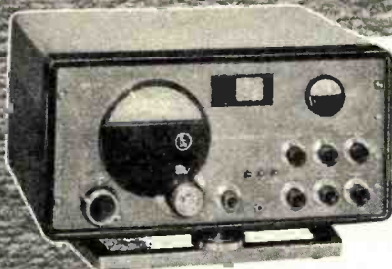
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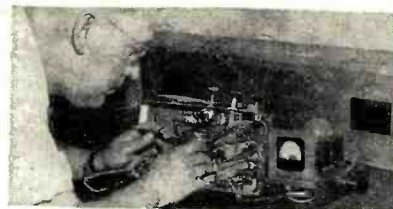
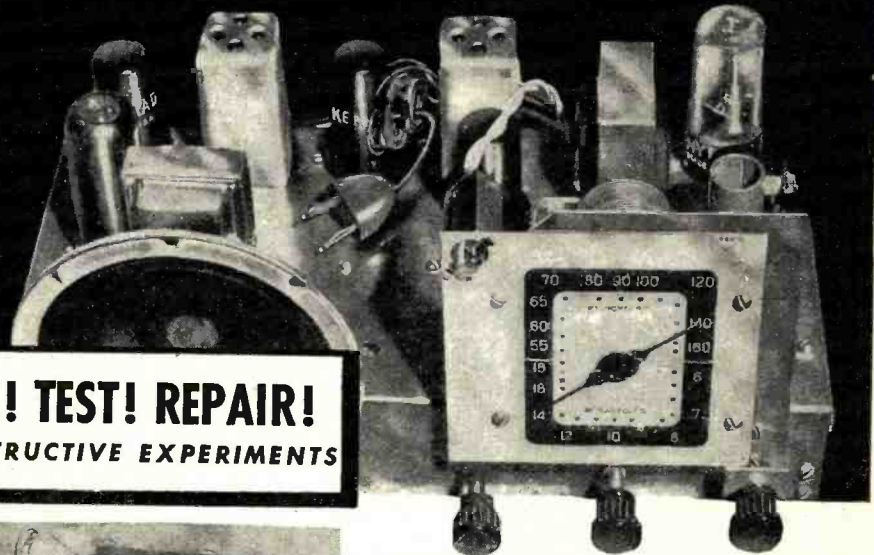
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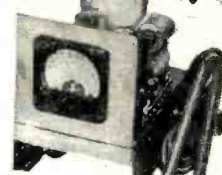
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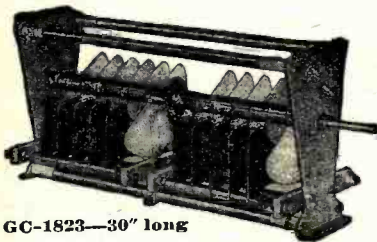
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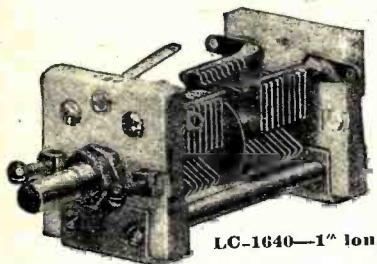


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THE "Test Clinic" set up in Philadelphia recently promises to throw much light on the proverbial problem of prestige for the radio serviceman. During the Parts Show held in Chicago last May we found the entire industry cognizant of the importance of the local radio serviceman to his community. Manufacturers took keen interest in the present and future welfare of these technicians. Without exception manufacturers took an unselfish viewpoint of the problem and came through with some very concrete plans for the benefit of the radio serviceman.

For example, the Chairman of the Coordinating Committee of the Radio Parts Industry, Herb Clough, announced plans for industry help to radio servicemen and radio service organizations to round out a complete program for mutual cooperation between all segments of the Parts Industry. Bob Baggs, Chairman of the Merchandising Subcommittee on Parts, also came forth with the following:

"It should be very emphatically pointed out that the program now planned definitely *does not contemplate any domination of servicemen or of service groups* by any manufacturer or any organization serving the radio industry. Basically, the program is designed to assist present and future service organizations to carry out their own programs and to be assisted whenever possible by other operating industry organizations."

During the Trade Show we attended several meetings and found that the feeling of the radio manufacturers to such contributions made by all segments of the industry would naturally encourage the improvement of local service for the benefit of service technicians, distributors, and all other members of the industry. It was expected that the clinical approach (tested at Philadelphia) would point the way toward helping the serviceman raise the standards of his profession and encourage the adoption of sound business and merchandising practices in the radio service industry. The results would increase the business stature and prestige of the service technician in his own community and would give him a professional standing on a par with physicians, dentists and other specialized technicians.

The finale of the 1947 Radio Parts Show was "Open House Day." We talked to many visiting servicemen from in and around Chicago and they heartily agreed with the program as recommended by the various subcommittees. We also talked to Dave Krantz, President of PRSMA, and he analyzed the situation as follows:

"I feel that the program, as tentatively planned, has excellent possibilities not only for improving the lot of the service technician and businessman but also for erasing inequities and bad practices which have been unhealthy for the entire industry."

He was delighted to find that members of the committee are adamant in their insistence that these clinics be carried out by the industry as a whole rather than by one organization or by any one segment of the industry. Said Krantz, "Radio service has been the industry's unwanted stepchild for a good many years and it would be unfortunate if one organization tried to dominate other service organizations."

We are convinced, after talking to these men, that something constructive is being done to really help the serviceman in his individual local community to compete on a prestige basis with other professionals engaged in making their living in the same town. One prominent manufacturer, for example, has prepared and distributed spot radio announcements designed to create in the minds of the consumers the fact that they have, at their fingertips, qualified technicians eager, willing and quite capable of taking care of all of their radio and television equipment.

Mr. A. R. Guild, Secretary of the Federation of Radio Servicemen's Associations of Pennsylvania, tells us that the response to his letter (RADIO NEWS, May 1947, p. 138) has been so gratifying that it has been decided to hold a convention for all servicemen east of the Mississippi. The affair will be backed by RMA and NEDA and will be held in Philadelphia on September 18th to 21st, inclusive.

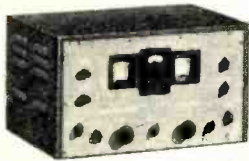
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We invite suggestions and comments from our servicemen readers on matters pertaining to their particular welfare. We should like to know what your thoughts are regarding the formation of local organizations in your community and we should also like to know what the manufacturer can best do to serve you. We will compile these suggestions and present them to the industry at the earliest possible moment. See you in Philly next September. O.R.

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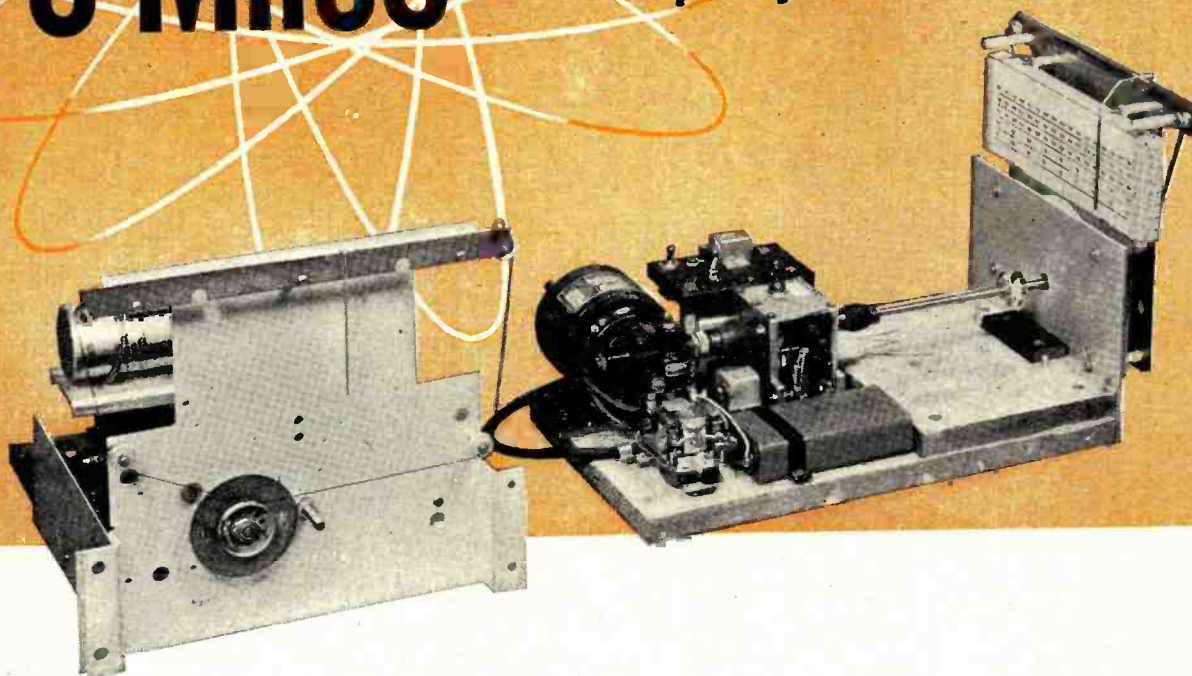
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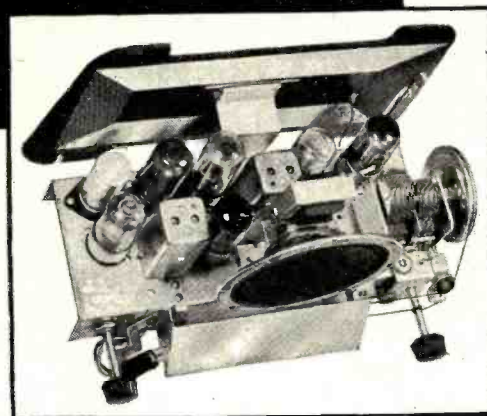
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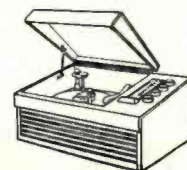
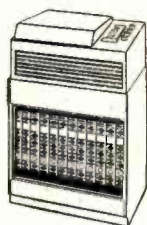
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PROSPERITY may still be only in the talk stage in many another U.S. industry, but in radio it is a booming reality. That, in sum, is the round-up on radio spot news at the beginning of the summer season, and all indications are that reports will continue good for the rest of the year, if not through 1948. Production troubles seem to be ironing out. Supplies are becoming more and more ample. When the Radio Manufacturers Association predicted that its annual convention in Chicago in early June would be the largest ever, the prediction turned out to be an understatement. Full, steady employment seemed assured all along the line. AM is doing fine, FM is growing lustily, production of auto, television and mobile sets is progressing well. . . .

STILL MOST ENTHUSIASTIC about their progress are the FM leaders. J. N. (Bill) Bailey, executive director of the FM Association, recently reported spectacular gains and predicted need for new personnel as stations get into operation. Number of stations on the air had gone beyond the two hundred mark by the beginning of summer, with construction of more than six hundred additional stations already okayed by the Federal Communications Commission. Six months ago there were only 66 stations on the air. "By the end of 1948," Bailey predicts, "we fully expect that from 1500 to 2000 FM stations will be in operation." There will also be jobs for those qualified—at the rate, he estimates, of 25 persons per full-time station. But practical training is almost mandatory, Baily believes. He criticizes schools which emphasize dramatics and fail to teach salesmanship, promotion, and general business practices. "I would urge every university to offer complete radio courses, and I don't mean teaching air personality alone," he says. . . .

PRODUCTION, from all indications, will continue without major labor troubles. So successful have been recent RMA seminars on labor relations that outside industry observers have come to watch them more and more closely, and to attend. Typical of the spirit of the meetings was one held recently in New York at which Edgar L. Warren, director of the U.S. Conciliation Service, Department of Labor,

was the principal speaker. Mr. Warren probably expressed the consensus of the radio industry when he declared that "we are over the hump" in industrial disputes. He added that he believed both labor and management are sincerely trying to adjust their differences.

WITH THE LABOR-MANAGEMENT skies reasonably clear—for the time being—production totals continue to break records. Gone is what appeared to be a chronic complaint—shortage of tube supplies. Reports M. F. Balcom of RMA's tube division: 1947's first-quarter production licked the shortage. Tubes are now being produced to meet all domestic needs and provide a supply for export. Figures bear out the statement. Receiving tube production was up again in March to 19,048,950, bringing the first-quarter total to 57,548,414. March production was almost a million ahead of February. Breakdown of the figures show that most of the March production—more than 13,000,000 units—went for new sets. Some 3,700,000 were for replacements, 2,069,000 for export, more than 22,500 for government agencies. . . . Television sets led the receiver production news for the first quarter, as reported by RMA manufacturers. Total for all sets was 4,231,415, with a steady increase in the production of FM's and radio-phonograph consoles as well. A total of 18,329 television units was reported. Table models were off from 1946 figures, with consoles stronger as supplies became available. Auto radios were up to 567,736 and portable receivers totaled 482,569. In the television field, the accent was on table models, with 15,498 produced in the quarter, as compared to 2761 consoles and 56 radio-phonograph combinations. In addition, 14 converters were produced.

GETTING DOWN TO CASES on FM broadcasting, we paid a visit to a Washington station the other day, a few weeks after it had combined its AM broadcasts with an FM set-up. It's WGAY, Silver Spring, Maryland, and claims to be the first suburban station in this area to begin FMcasting. Since WGAY didn't go on the air with even AM until last Dec. 7 (its personnel, all war veterans, haven't been too busy to forget Pearl Harbor), the station is as new as a Roosevelt dime, and twice as

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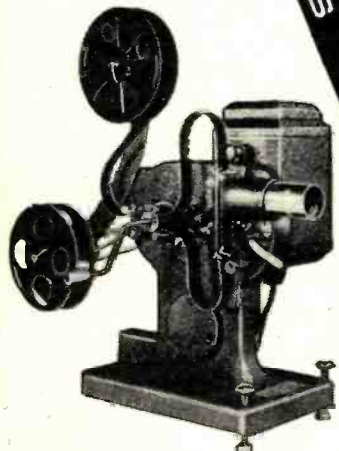
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modern. We talked with a number of the boys, including Joseph L. (Joe) Brechner, WGAY general manager. Joe says that FM is already going well and he can prove it by a stunt the FM station pulled the day it opened in April. On AM all day it was announced that the first ten FM listeners calling the studio and giving a key word which would be broadcast over FM would get \$1.04. The figure means nothing—WGAY broadcasts on 104.3 mc. So, okay, when the key word was announced as the station went off the air—the word was “Gay,” in case you didn’t guess it—the station’s switchboard lit up like a Christmas tree.

CALLS CAME IN from all over, too—including one that amused Charles K. Chrismon, WGAY chief engineer and, at 25, one of the youngest in the field. This was from Winchester, Va., at least seventy-five miles from Silver Spring, with a 2000-foot mountain in between. A listener down there who knows his FM said that WGAY was coming in as clear as a bell and when the WGAY boys doubted it, he let them listen to the broadcast over the phone. As Joe Brechner put it, the reception at that distance meant either that WGAY’s broadcast had crawled over the mountain or was violating an established radio theory. . . . Chrismon, it turned out, was the least surprised of anybody at the station. A Navy veteran, he knew of an FM broadcast in the Washington area during the war which was picked up in Honolulu. . . . Incidentally, WGAY thinks that the Bailey estimate of 25 persons per full-time FM station is a little high, at least for the present. The total WGAY crew, including Brechner and the station president, John W. Kluge, is 18. These include three engineers, three staff announcers, three newsmen, one script writer, one woman’s director, one program director, and one janitor.

A FLOCK OF HAMS in these parts have been burgeoning the air recently with that heaviest of sports—chess. Games are played five nights a week over a local hook-up under the guidance of Washington Radio Chess Club’s control station W3KRN, run by ham Glenn Scillian, a Washingtonian. Among the stars of the league is Irvin Hershowitz, 22-year-old, of W3HQG, and blind. Plays are made by numbering the squares on the chess board. Irv’s squares have Braille numbers. Typical of the ham spirit, two other radio amateurs designed Hershowitz’s board so that he could get in the league. They are Maj. Alvin E. Robinson, W3LZU, of Mt. Ranier, Md., who served in the war as personal pilot for General Omar Bradley, and Ralph V. Anderson, another Washingtonian. According to our reports, Irv does all right although at times he is bothered by kibitzers giving advice on a tough move from the aerial sidelines. . . . If you are attracted to some fancy skull

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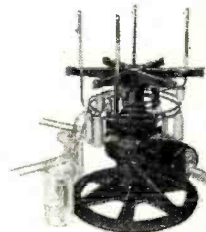
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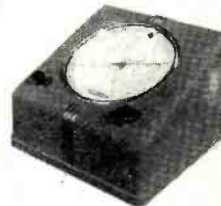
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RADIO CHESS is, of course, nothing new to many a ham, and international matches have not been uncommon. But the Washington group claim that they keep playing more often, consistently and with greater zest than any other league in the circuit, and their schedule would seem to bear them out. . . . They certainly have one of the world's most unusual hams in Irv Hershowitz. He's been broadcasting since 1937 and radio is both a profession and a hobby. By day he is an aircraft radio maintenance technician at Bolling Field, and served there throughout the war.

FROM TIME TO TIME (RADIO News, September, 1946; May, 1947) we have mentioned that big things were going to be doing in international radio one of these days. Last year, State department sources said, the most significant meeting in world radio history would be held, probably in Washington, possibly early this year. Early this year the date was finally set—May 15; and the place—Atlantic City instead of Washington. State didn't give reasons, but knowing Washington summer weather the way we do, and learning that the conference will last probably three months, and knowing how the vacation weather is advertised at Atlantic City, you can draw your own conclusions.

WE LEARNED a number of other things that may be interesting. The Atlantic City three-month gathering is not a conference to end conferences on international allocations and allied matters. To trot out a State Department word, Atlantic City will be for protocol purposes only—a protocol being a rough draft. While the rough-draft diplomats are still conferring, another conference will begin, giving another set of statesmen from home and abroad an opportunity to see Atlantic City while they work. This will be called the Plenipotentiary Conference, a plenipotentiary being a man who can okay a treaty for his government without having the treaty later bounce like a rubber check. This gathering will last a month and hopes to get beyond the protocol stage. It will be followed "in the fall" by a High Frequency Broadcasting Conference, which (it says here) will settle all outstanding international radio questions. Could be that everything will be nailed down by the end of the year,

but on the other hand there are going to be some ducky winter sports in Canada next winter and some of the conferees may get to like Atlantic City so well that they will want to go back in 1948. . . . The U. S. allocation plan, according to experts here, is a honey, and will probably be accepted without major changes. If, we hasten to add, and/or when. . . .

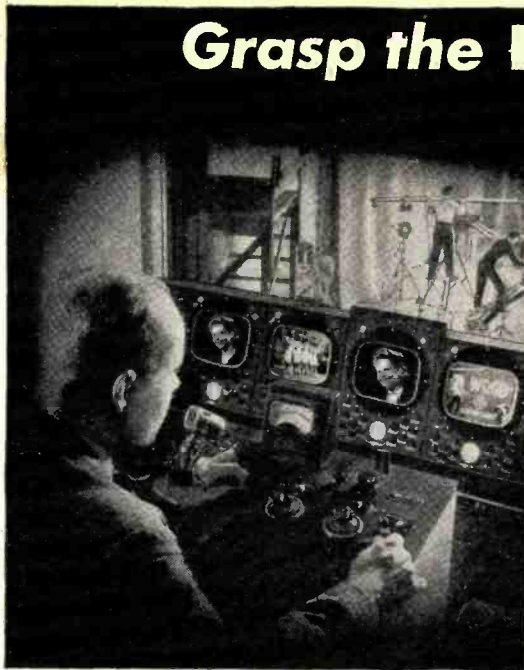
DROPPED IN on the FCC the other day to see how the mobile radio hook-ups were going. They're going great guns, we were told—expanding so rapidly, indeed, that the Commission is calling additional hearings on the service for early September. Urban mobile service is more in demand than highway service, but both are booming. Only thing that is holding up expansion is lack of equipment. Even so, FCC has authorized common carrier mobile service in 58 cities in the United States, plus Honolulu. Most of the hook-ups are being made by the Bell telephone system and independent telephone companies. FCC reports that the telephone industry has been okayed for about 5600 units in the urban service, and is already committed to spend some six million dollars setting the units up. In the highway branch of the development, 79 cities propose to use it in Continental U. S., plus two in Hawaii. Some 3200 units are okayed for highway use, which, together with fixed bases, represent potential cost of another four and a half million. . . . Using the telephone service is as simple as rolling off a log where available—you simply dial or ask for the mobile service operator and she dials the call number of the vehicle you want to reach. An audible or visual signal in the automobile signals the driver, who picks up his dashboard telephone set and says, "It's your nickel—begin!" On his set is a "push-to-talk" button which permits him to switch from receiving to sending. . . .

PENDING WORLD AGREEMENT on marine frequencies, FCC is going ahead on all fronts to develop radio facilities to speed water travel and insure its safety. Recent developments have been outstanding in the radar field, where experimental work got under way last September, with FCC authorizing three bands for marine radar. U. S. Coast Guard experimenters have been coordinating government marine radar work toward improving both marine and air navigational beacons and installing them extensively, especially along dangerous strips of coastline and near big harbors. There is also an extensive program going to coordinate Navy and Coast Guard work toward improving channel and buoy detection by radar. The use of precision radar, reflectors and beacons in off-shore hydrographic surveys is being set up by several organizations. . . . In the marine department

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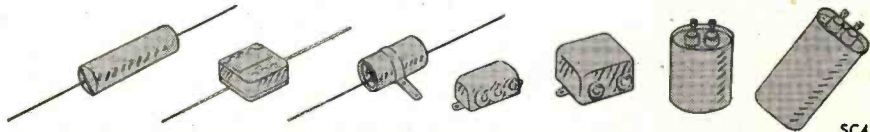
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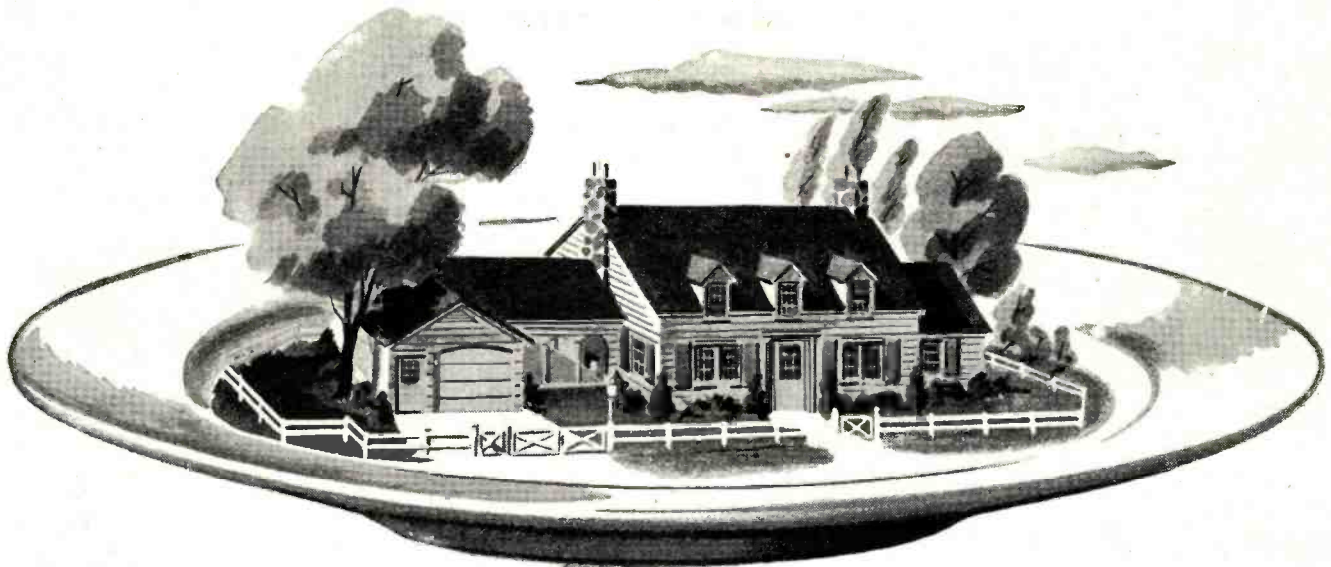
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HARRY C. INGLES, who served as Chief Signal Officer of the United States Army from July, 1943 to March, 1947, has been elected President and a Director of *RCA Institutes, Inc.*

Mr. Ingles, who retired from the Army on March 31st with the rank of Major-General, had a long and colorful career in military service. He is the holder of the Distinguished Service Medal, the Oak Leaf Cluster and decorations from Great Britain, France, Venezuela and Columbia.

He holds the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Engineering and is a graduate of the Army Signal School and the Army War College.

The *RCA Institutes, Inc.* which he now heads has a current enrollment of 1350 students, 70 per-cent of whom are veterans of World War II.

SIDNEY KARR has been named assistant Advertising and Publicity Manager for the *Amplifier Corporation of America*.

Formerly with *Templetone Radio Mfg. Corporation* of New London as Assistant Advertising Manager, Mr. Karr conducted that company's consumer and trade advertising and public relations activities.

In his new position, Mr. Karr will undertake an educational program designed to acquaint the electronics industry with recent advances in the design and engineering of the company's amplifiers.

OLIVER J. GREENWAY was appointed Vice-President of the *International Resistance Company* at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Greenway has been serving as Works Manager of the company since June of 1944 and in his new capacity joins Harry A. Ehle and Jesse Marsten as Vice-Presidents of the company.

Prior to his service with *International Resistance Company*, Mr. Greenway was associated with *Westinghouse's* East Springfield plant for 21 years.

KEITH J. ACKLEY, former chief radio and television inspector for *Stromberg-Carlson*, has joined the company's sales division as District Merchandiser covering the New England and Northeastern New York State territory.

Mr. Ackley joined the staff of *Stromberg-Carlson* immediately upon his graduation from the Syracuse University's engineering school. He was employed as a test equipment designer and was later promoted to the post of chief radio and television inspector.

He is an active amateur radio operator with the call letters W2QEO.

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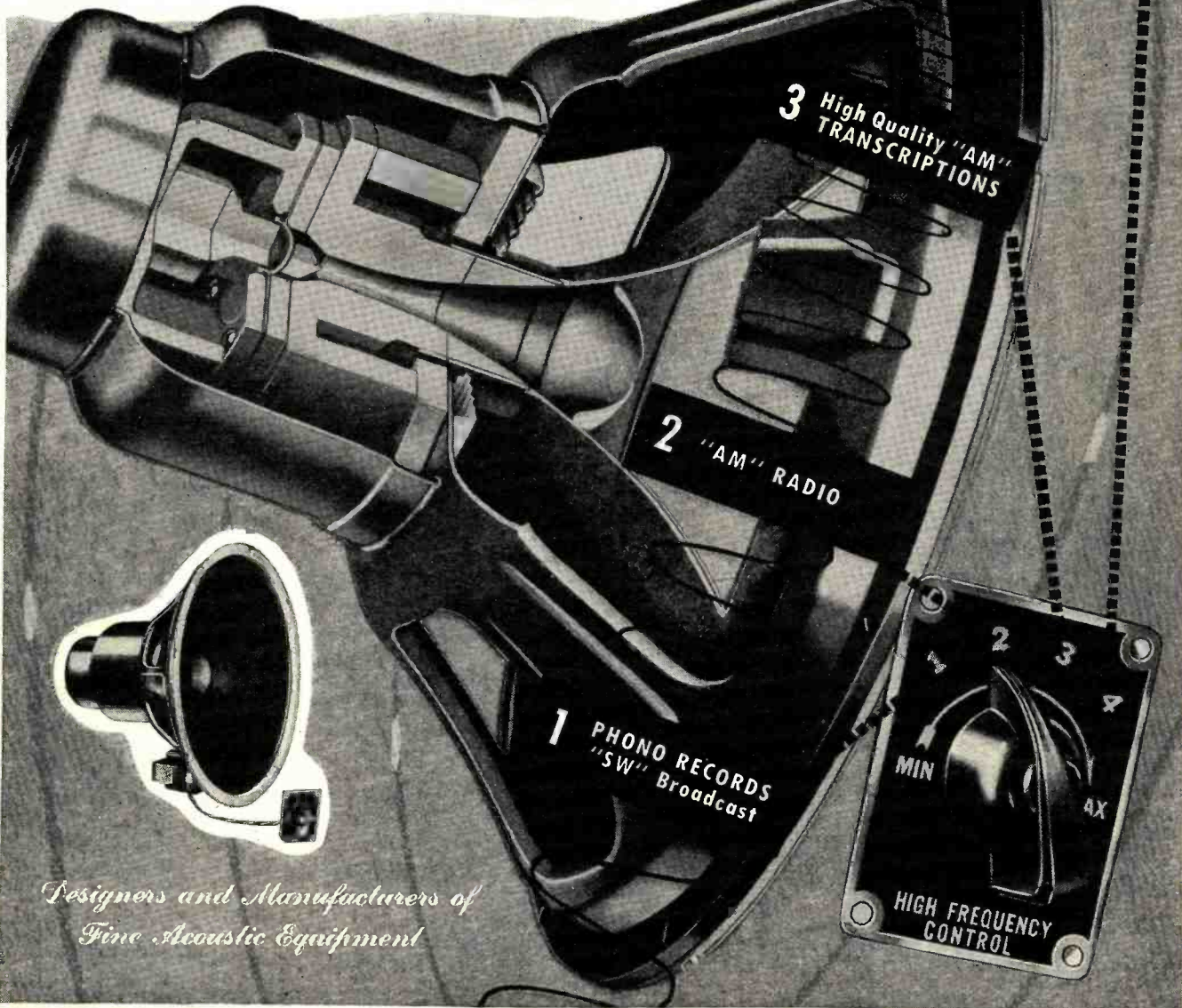
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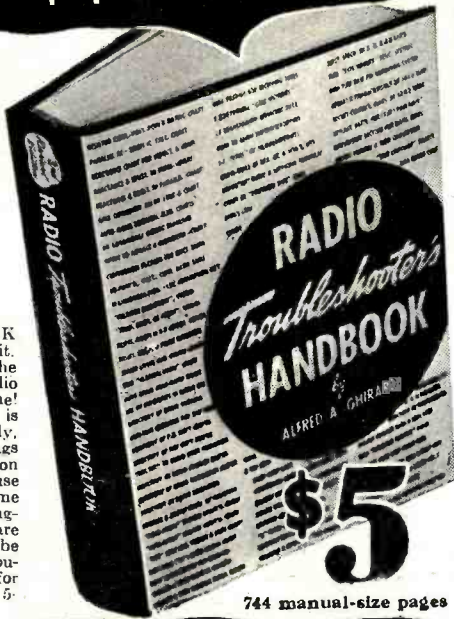
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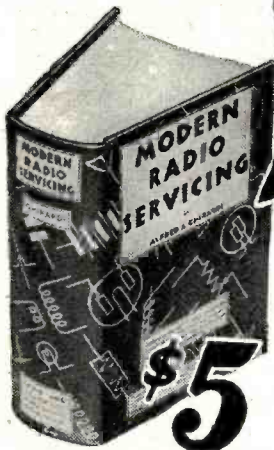
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J. J. (JACK) CLUNE, has been named Merchandise Manager for Air King Radios, according to a recent announcement made by Air King Products Co., Inc., Division of Hytron Radio & Electronics Corp.



Mr. Clune is well known in the radio industry having been formerly associated with National Union Radio Corporation for seventeen years in various capacities. He directed the firm's sales during the past few years.

In his new position Mr. Clune will coordinate the company's program of merchandising and foster the closer cooperation between the manufacturer, distributors, and the company's dealers.

FRED OGILBY has been named Sales Manager of Philco Corporation's Radio Division, succeeding John M. Otter who was named General Sales Manager of the Corporation.

Mr. Ogilby joined the Philco organization in 1931 as a sales representative for the New York branch of Philco Distributors, Inc. and became Sales Manager of the agency four years later.

He served as General Manager of the Philadelphia branch of Philco from 1938 to 1945 and last year returned to New York as General Manager of that branch.

V. A. KAMIN has been appointed Merchandise Manager for the Home Radio Division of Motorola Inc. (formerly Galvin Manufacturing Corporation).



In his new position, Mr. Kamin will be responsible for the development of Motorola's home radio and television merchandise in all the various phases of engineering design, styling, and material cost.

During the war he was a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army Signal Corps where as chief of the Radio Branch in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer he was responsible for the engineering and development of ground signal equipment. Prior to that time, Mr. Kamin was supervisor of all radio activities for Sears Roebuck and Company.

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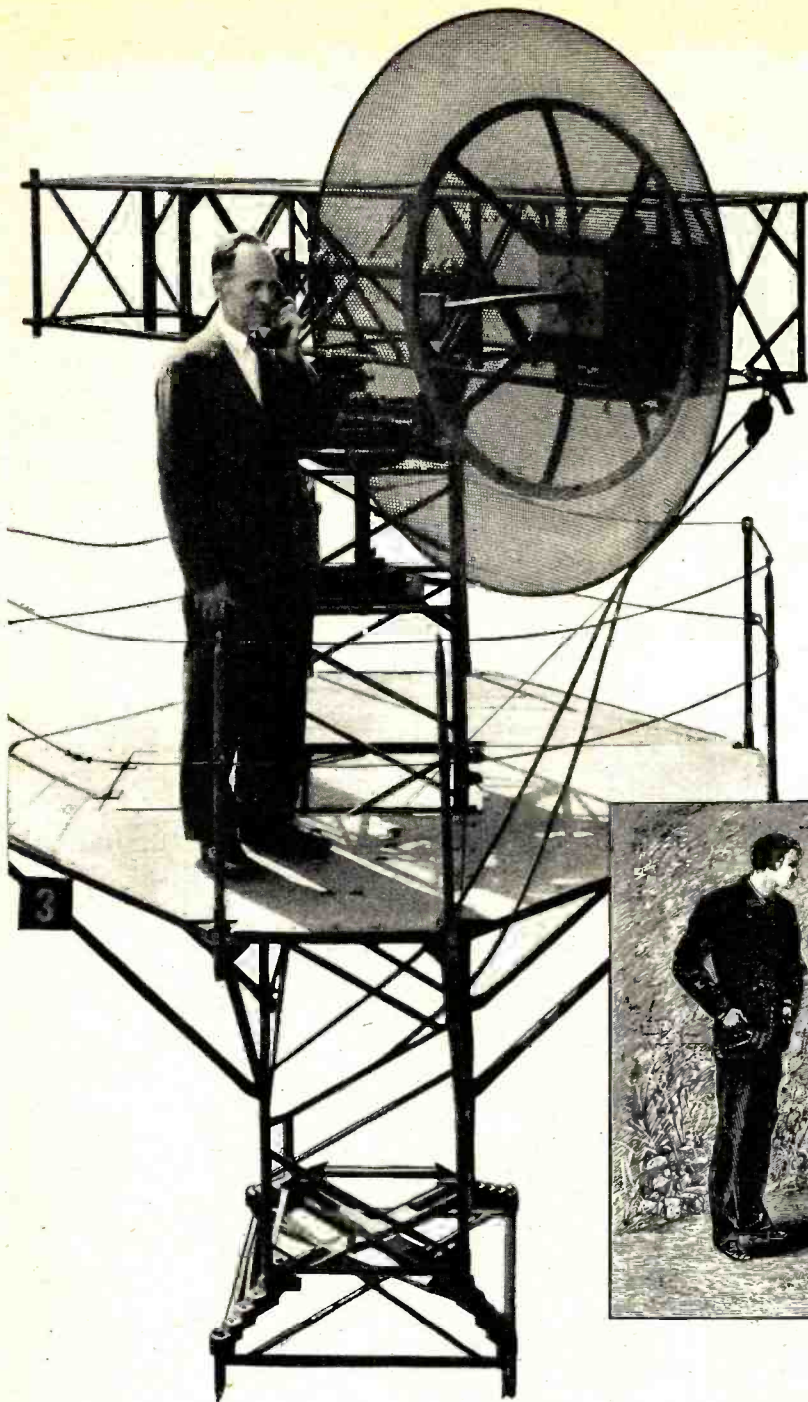
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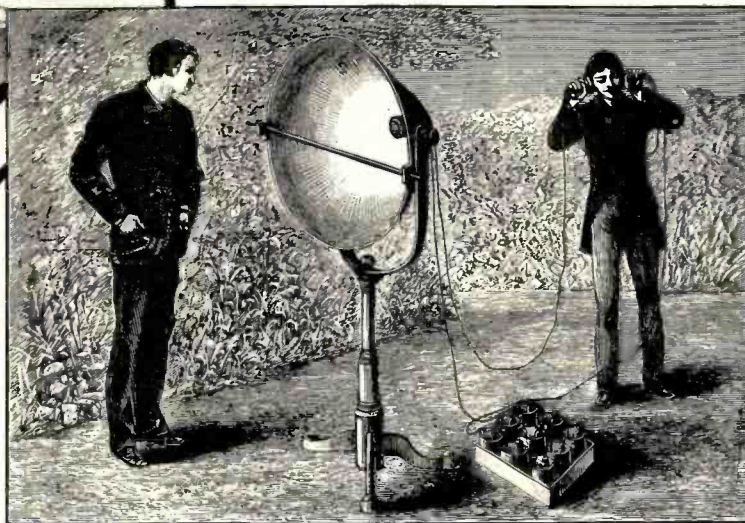
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He got together apparatus—a telephone transmitter, a parabolic reflector, a selenium cell connected to hand-phones—and “threw” a voice across

several hundred yards by waves of visible light, electromagnetic waves of high frequency.

Bell's early experiment with the parabolic antenna and the use of light beams as carriers was for many years only a scientific novelty. His *idea* was far ahead of its time.

Sixty years later communication by means of a beam of radiation was achieved in a new form—beamed

microwave radio. It was developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories for military communication and found important use in the European theater. In the Bell System it is giving service between places on the mainland and nearby islands and soon such beams will be put to work in the radio relay.

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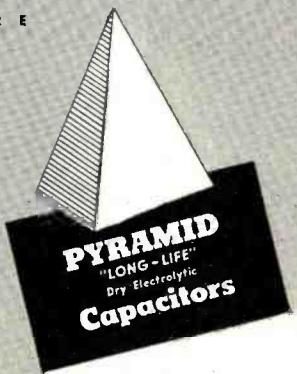
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Author presents details of many unusual operating characteristics which must be considered in the development of microwave communications equipment.

CURRENT and forthcoming developments in two-way radio for utilization in railway, highway, relay and personalized systems indicate that the very high frequency band will be inadequate for the number of stations involved. These services are adequately possible only if we will recognize and utilize the availability of the microwave spectrum. For immediate purposes this pertains to the frequency spectrum between 300 and 10,000 megacycles. Gradually it will be extended to the threshold of infrared or 1,000,000 megacycles.

Relatively few persons are familiar with the practical utilization of such frequencies for purely communication purposes. This limited group is comprised largely of those who were in the armed forces during World War II or who were engaged in research and the manufacture of the equipment for the armed forces. Even then, their experience may be largely based on radar or detectional applications rather than actual communication between two or more points.

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The author has, for the past several years, devoted his time to extensive study and the development of two-way microwave radio equipment in what is now known as the very high frequency band as an extension of his prewar two-way radio activity for public agencies. On the basis of actual tests conducted under a wide variety of conditions, both fixed and mobile, a set of determinations have been reached at this somewhat early date which may serve as a guide to the reader in his thinking and planning with relation to microwaves.

These experiences and determinations to date may be largely summarized in the form of the following questions and answers:

1. *What will be the range or coverage?*

The minimum range and coverage under actual field tests to date indicate that it can be depended upon to reach the unobstructed horizon.

2. *Is the unobstructed horizon an absolute limit of range?*

This is usually not the case. Signals

have been received so often when the transmitting station was blocked by physical barriers such as buildings, trees, vegetation, vehicular traffic and terrain, that on ultra high frequencies at least (particularly below 500 megacycles), communication is still possible even though the signal attenuates or fluctuates markedly.

3. *What conditions facilitate communication beyond the unobstructed horizon?*

Any condition which facilitates reflections at angles and in directions as to enable the energy to proceed with sufficient intensity away from the transmitter.

4. *How bad is the maxima and minima effect?*

Between any two stations, i.e. transmitter and receiver, there will be maxima and minima effects. If one station is fixed in location, the other station will get a sine-wave signal variation between maximum and minimum or vice versa as it is moved towards or away from the other. This will occur within each half wavelength of distance. A half wavelength is 20 inches at 300 megacycles, 12 inches at 500 megacycles or 2 inches at 3000 megacycles.

5. *How is the maxima/minima effect eliminated or minimized?*

The absolute minimum signal is al-

most needle point in area. Some signal is virtually always present even if stations inadvertently locate themselves at critical distances where it might prevail. Maxima/minima effects are particularly noticeable when a vehicle moves slowly enough or the wavelength is long enough to observe sine variations in signal intensity. Extremely high signal strength will prevail at maximums and the converse at minimums with variations between these two extremes elsewhere. If the wavelength is short and the vehicle moves rapidly, persistency of human hearing is such that the signal sounds stable or sufficiently so as to provide satisfactory communication. For fixed points merely moving the equipment at either end slight amounts may make the signal vary from maximum to minimum or vice versa. Equipment should be spotted at maxima positions as indicated by strongest signal heard from a desired station. As the frequency is increased and reflectors such as parabolic or electromagnetic horn shapes are employed, then they may have an aperture which is several wavelengths in dimension. Some energy will then be obtained at all times. There will be several maxima focusing or concentrating at the antenna dipole regardless of the distance between the transmitting/receiving points.

6. *What other factors eliminate or minimize maxima/minima effects in practice?*

Unless two stations are so located

in free space with beamed transmissions too narrow to strike obstructions and reflect off, there will be signals reflecting off hillsides, buildings, vegetation, vehicles, earth's surface, etc., that will arrive by different length paths than the direct path through free space. Their maxima and minima will be different and will add to or subtract the direct energy received. It assures that some energy will always be present to provide a signal. The use of automatic volume control provisions at the receiver reduces abnormally strong signals and increases weak signals to provide a more satisfactory uniform signal level.

7. *How do ultra high frequency compare with very high frequency signals?*

U.h.f. (300 to 3000 megacycles) compares very favorably with v.h.f. (30 to 300 megacycles) within any unobstructed horizon. U.h.f. is less superior to v.h.f. or any lower frequency for ground wave communication beyond the unobstructed horizon except where physical barriers loom up on the horizon of such contour, shape and composition as to facilitate reflection of energy beyond the horizon. U.h.f. is far superior to v.h.f. when energy concentration or antenna beaming is desired and utilized because it involves physical dimensions for an array or reflector which are much more feasible to provide. For a given dimension u.h.f. may be concentrated into a radiating cone which may be a hundred times stronger than for v.h.f. This energy concentration compensates for

and even exceeds any reduction in efficiency which may exist due to losses encountered by utilizing lower frequency techniques on the higher frequencies for well designed equipment.

8. *How does super high frequency compare with ultra high frequency?*

Up to now s.h.f. (3000 to 30,000 megacycles), while proven to be possible and feasible for short range communication, has a higher rate of attenuation per mile. This attenuation increases when the atmosphere is obscured by rain, snow, dense fog or conditions other than normal visibility. Where s.h.f. has been said to have a very high rate of attenuation, investigation or inquiry will prove that this was the case when tests were made under the most adverse conditions. Such conditions might be during brief periods of the heaviest precipitation. For example, arguments made to the author have been based on tests made in the vicinity of Hawaii in a very localized and freak area of the world during brief periods of time when the heaviest rains in the world fall. Admittedly, when rain comes down in the form of a cloudburst equivalent to a solid sheet of water with little openings in the downpour, or where a blizzard brings snow down so densely that visibility is totally impossible, signals will be much weaker and be heard for much shorter distances at satisfactory signal levels.

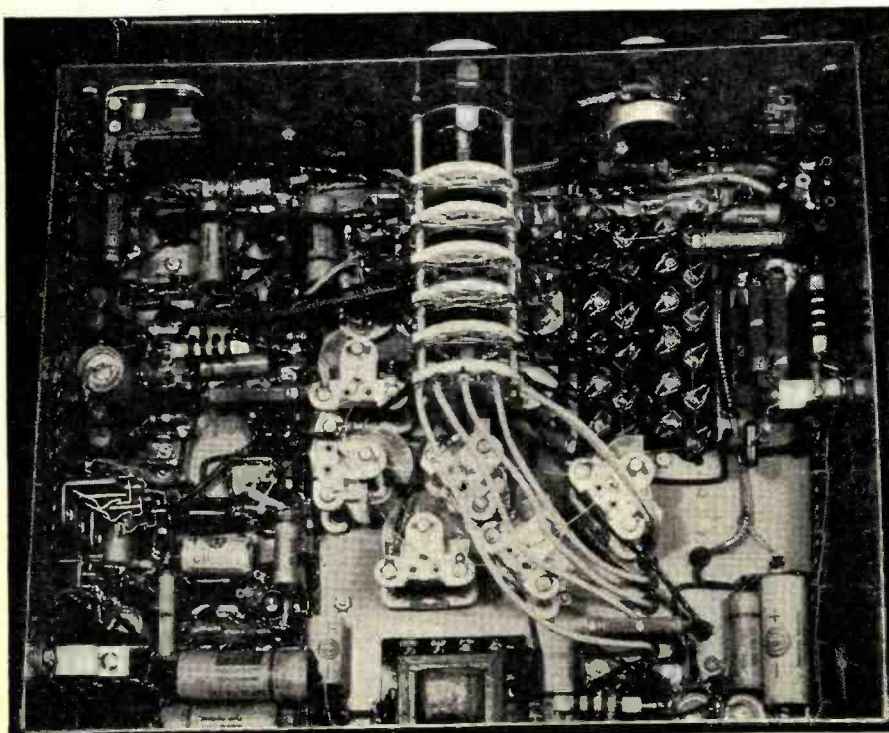
9. *What are the advantages of super high frequency?*

Among the advantages are; ease of providing highly beamed radiation with small dimensions, gains of 10,000 or more are feasible; radiation may be duplicated at the receiving point so that the over-all gain is squared; and very low power actually needs to be radiated through space. Satisfactory tests have been conducted over miles of intervening distance with actual transmitter output powers as low as a ten-thousandth part of a watt (100 microwatts). It may be highly directive to assure privacy and to make it possible to use the same frequency in the same general area for many channels of communication beamed at different angles or in different directions. A hundred kilocycles more or less means very little when the over-all frequency spectrum there is as great as 30,000,000 kilocycles. Services requiring wide channel bands such as FM or television can be readily accommodated. It is like a multi-millionaire who is able to transact normal business with only a few pennies of his total capital.

10. *What are the disadvantages of super high frequency?*

The reactance of inductance increases while the reactance of capacitance decreases with frequency at s.h.f. An inductance becomes a virtual insulator for a.c. while a condenser becomes a virtual conductor at these frequencies. This may be actually an advantage since it results in a very favorable Q or a.c.-d.c. resistance ratio. Skin effect is annoying as high frequency

An example of circuit wiring on a medium frequency operated unit which would be impractical and unnecessary for equipment operating in the microwave region. The chassis would behave like a cavity. Any wire moving even a minute distance would change the circuit operation. Each piece of wire handling high frequency energy would have higher skin effect losses and greater reactance. Most of the parts shown would be eliminated. A large portion of the capacitance required would be that already existing between the electrodes within the vacuum tube. The equipment used to illustrate a medium frequency unit is a ship-to-shore radio telephone transmitter receiver which operates at 2000 to 3000 kilocycles.



energy follows the surface instead of utilizing the entire cross-section of a conductor as in the case of d.c. or low frequencies. A conductor of large circumference may have an effective a.c. resistance that may be no better to a.c. than a conductor of small circumference is for d.c. Dielectric losses exist since the space between any two pieces of metal results in condenser effects. The reactance of a condenser becomes very low as the frequency is increased. This involves new techniques such as the use of quarter-wave phenomena which can be advantageously and conveniently used on s.h.f. while physically impractical or impossible on lower frequencies.

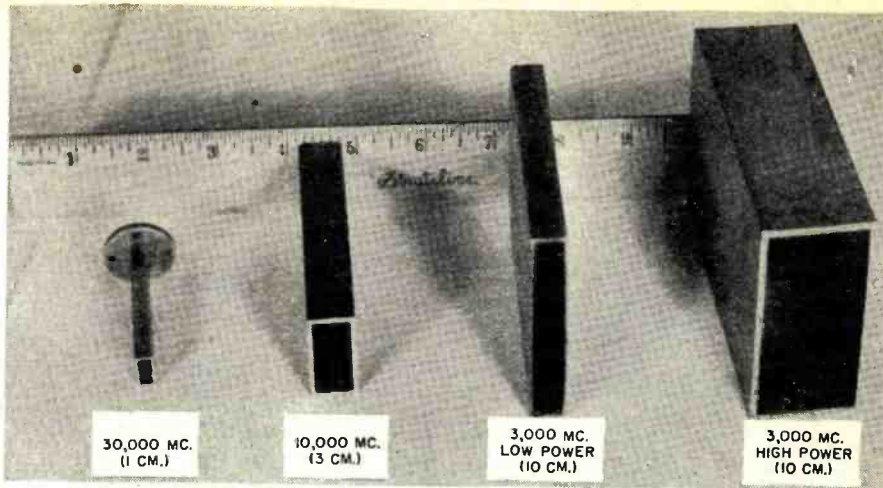
11. *What can be said about frequencies higher than s.h.f.?*

Super high frequencies at this time are considered to stop at 30,000 megacycles as defined by the Federal Communications Commission. What the conditions are like beyond 30,000 megacycles still is a matter for further research. Frequency regions will be found that are both favorable and unfavorable for communication. It becomes a subject of increasing interest in the field of chemistry as the various gases in the atmosphere attenuate certain ranges of frequencies. We begin to approach the infrared (or heat) spectrum from its low frequency end. Persons standing in the path of the radiation, particularly when very close to the radiator will feel a diathermy or temperature effect. Tests made by the author standing in front of an electromagnetic horn radiating 10,000 megacycles from a pulsed transmitter having about 25,000 watts peak power gave a quick temperature sensation to his body that was pleasantly warm. Our eventual goal is the light spectrum. If we can develop frequencies between 375,000,000 and 750,000,000 megacycles then the radiation through space will be the colors between red and violet.

12. *When do u.h.f. and s.h.f. work phenomenal distances such as mile-ages equivalent to many horizons of range?*

This may frequently take place when conditions in the atmosphere are such that the energy travels natural waveguide paths due to stratification of the atmosphere. Atmospheric stratification occurs when temperature and density layers are formed which are more pronounced than other parts of the atmosphere. Such effects may occur at almost any frequency. For example, when the author first went on the air with the initial fixed and mobile units of the Barnstable County, Massachusetts, Police two-way radio system in 1937 on a frequency of 39,900 kilocycles utilizing ten watts power at all stations, the Mission Ranch in Phoenix, Arizona, regularly recorded and advised of transmissions picked up from both fixed and mobile units on Cape Cod, 2000 miles away. Conditions were correct for duct or trapped communication. Cape Cod had fog and mist and close proximity to the ocean

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Various sections of wave guides that can be used as transmission lines at super-high frequencies. The wider side limits the lowest frequency which can pass through, and must be more than half a wavelength in dimension. The narrower side limits the amount of power that can be handled by the guide. The wave guide can then handle a frequency higher than that represented by a half wavelength but will change its mode of operation, i.e., the point where energy may be inserted or extracted by a dipole or loop will change. The wave guide may also be used as an antenna if the end of the guide is flared out to better match the impedance of free space.

while Arizona had dry hot conditions with much desert. Radio amateurs between San Diego and Los Angeles areas in California communicate successfully on frequencies such as 144 megacycles distances of 150 miles even though this is equal to as much as 5 horizons for them. Experiences higher than that frequency although still very limited, indicate that it can be done on microwaves also. When thousands of radio amateurs take up their newly assigned frequencies in the region between 420 and 22,000 megacycles, much information will be obtained for correlation as was done when they devel-

oped short waves twenty years ago. Performances beyond the horizon will then become quite predictable. It will also become possible to associate certain weather conditions with certain radio performance. Conversely, it will be then possible to associate certain radio conditions with certain weather conditions thereby improving the forecasting of weather.

13. *How can the cost of microwave equipment be kept reasonable in cost and simple in design?*

This may be accomplished principally by the utilization of tubes and
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General Electric executives inspect various types of disc seal or "lighthouse" tubes used for low powered microwave transmission and reception. Although conventional in theory of operation, interelectrode spacing is reduced to a few thousandths of an inch by bringing the plate and grid out as discs instead of through the base pins. Such tubes can maintain phase relationships between cathode and plate making possible operation up to about 4000 megacycles without requiring the transit time to exceed a period of oscillation.



A Compact 150. Watt Transmitter

By

J. B. LEDBETTER, W8YHG

Using plug-in type coils this inexpensive rig will cover the 10, 20, 40 and 80 meter bands.

THE resumption of postwar amateur activities found the author, like so many others, without adequate gear to begin operation and with very little spare time available for construction or operation. Since few new parts were to be had it was decided to rummage around in various "junk" boxes for enough parts to put a low-power c.w. rig on the air, just to satisfy the "urge" until that all-band "dream" transmitter could be built. Thus the little rig shown in Fig. 1 was born, and results have far surpassed all expectations. In fact, it has been working so smoothly that construction of the "big rig" will probably be put off a few more times.

The only parts bought new were the crystal, final tank coils and condensers, and the various bypass condensers. All the other parts, including the chassis, were either on hand or were purchased as surplus material. This accounts for the use of the 1616 rectifier tubes—they were given to the author outright and have been giving excellent service right along. At the mere 750 volts they are required to furnish it is likely they will still be here for some time to come. The 829B, purchased for \$3.00, has been in continuous operation for several months at an input of 165 watts (750 plate volts at 220 milliamperes) without showing any signs of becoming gassy. (This input greatly exceeds the manufacturer's specifications, however. According to their latest ratings, maximum plate voltage should be kept around 600, with plate current running about 200 or 210 milliamperes. These conditions are for c.w. operation and must be reduced for phone. At these inputs it is still possible to run approximately 120 to 125 watts input). Under experiment, the 829B in use at the present time has been run for one or two minutes with the key down before the plates began to show color at all (with 170 watts input). In this particular transmitter it was not found necessary to neutralize the 829B at all.

Socket connections of the 829B may

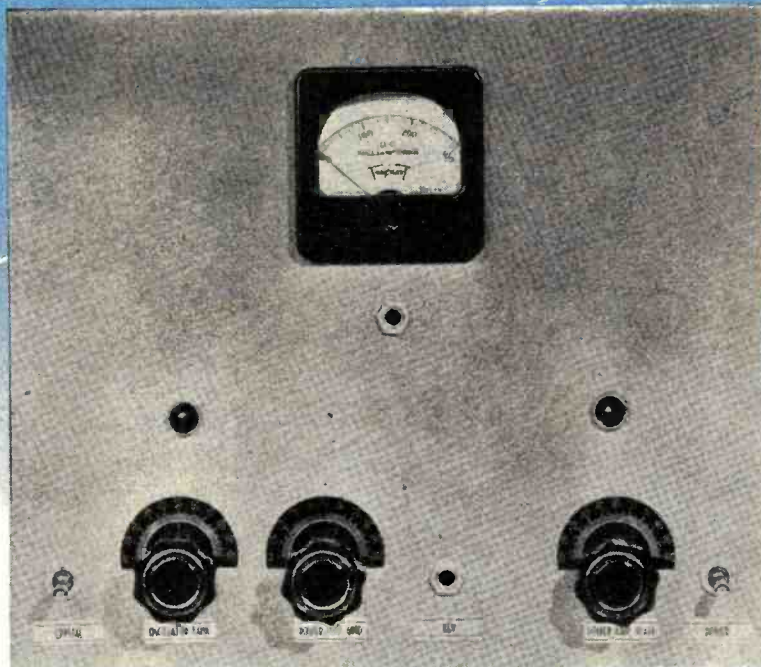


Fig. 1. Front panel view of home-built transmitter.

prove puzzling unless one has a tube manual or socket chart. Looking at the bottom of the socket, the large pin is #4. Directly across the socket (in a straight line) is the tube "index" which will be found on the tube base as a small molded "bump" or small arrow. Beginning with the first pin immediately to the left of this index "boss" and rotating in a clockwise direction, the pins are: #1 (heater), #2 (control-grid #1), #3 (screen-grid), #4 (cathodes), #5 (heater center-tap), #6 (control-grid #2), and #7 (heater). The plates, of course, are on top, #1 and #2 corresponding to the side on which the respective grids are located. For 6.3 volt operation, heater pins 1 and 7 should be tied together and connected to one side of the heater winding, with pin 5 connected to the other. In most applications it will be found permissible, and sometimes desirable, to ground one side of the heater circuit.

The shield used for the 829B is made from an aluminum can shield similar to those used for 807's or 813's and cut to size. Several large holes were drilled and reamed around the edges to allow adequate ventilation. The tank coil support was made from an odd piece of aluminum and bent as seen in the photograph. Horizontal mounting of the tank coil allows the shortest possible connecting leads to the 829B plates and at the same time affords added protection to the glass envelope.

The original panel was made from a

discarded chassis base plate, but a new masonite panel was installed later to dress up the appearance a bit. The complete transmitter is mounted on a chassis 12"x10"x3". From left to right the panel controls are: Crystal Selector Switch, Oscillator Plate Tuning, Power Amplifier Grid Tuning, Key Jack, Power Amplifier Plate Tuning, and the On-Off Power Switch. Directly above the oscillator plate control is the "On-Off" indicator lamp; above the power amplifier tank control is the "Phone-CW" indicator lamp (for future use). Under the 0-300 ma. plate meter is a closed-circuit jack for metering the power amplifier grid circuit. An external 0-50 ma. meter is plugged in when initial adjustments or changes are to be made. (Normally the grid current runs about 10 to 12 ma.). The toggle switch at the left side of the chassis (S₂) which throws the oscillator from conventional to tri-tet operation is never used unless straight-through operation is desired on the fundamental crystal frequency. It is normally left in "tri-tet" position. The oscillator second harmonic is sufficient to drive the 829B to full output on all bands.

In the top view (Fig. 3) the parts layout starts with the crystal socket, 6L6 oscillator, oscillator tank coil (with shield), final grid coil, 829B tube and shield, and the final tank coil. The rear half of the chassis is occupied by the two power supplies, with the oscillator power transformer, 80 rectifier tube and can-type filter con-

denser at the right. To the left are the 1616 rectifier tubes, two 1000 volt, 2 μ fd. filter condensers (in parallel), and the power transformer T_2 which make up the final power supply unit. This plate transformer, which is also tapped at 500 volts d.c., was purchased (used) for \$7.50. The bleeder resistor at the back of the chassis (shown without its safety cover) is another surplus item obtained for a fraction of its normal price. So far all the surplus parts used have given a good account of themselves.

Also at the back of the chassis is a 6-prong socket and plug which form the control circuit. At the present time only two prongs are being used, these going to an "On-Off" switch in the primary circuits of both power transformers. The fuse and container are located at the right rear of the chassis.

On the underside of the chassis (Fig. 4) are, left to right; crystal tank condenser, final grid tank socket and condenser, 829B socket, key jack, and the final tank condenser. In the same order at the rear of the chassis are: filter choke (oscillator power supply), control socket, filter choke (final power supply), and (on stand-off insulators) the 2.5 volt filament transformer for the 1616's.

All leads were made as short and rigid as possible in order to keep r.f. losses at a minimum. Heavy enameled bus wire was used in most circuits. Although probably not necessary, a copper shield was placed around the bottom of the 829B socket to minimize possible coupling effects between grid and plate circuits. The circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 2.

Operation and tuning of the transmitter are entirely conventional. No trouble has been experienced with drift in the oscillator or instability in

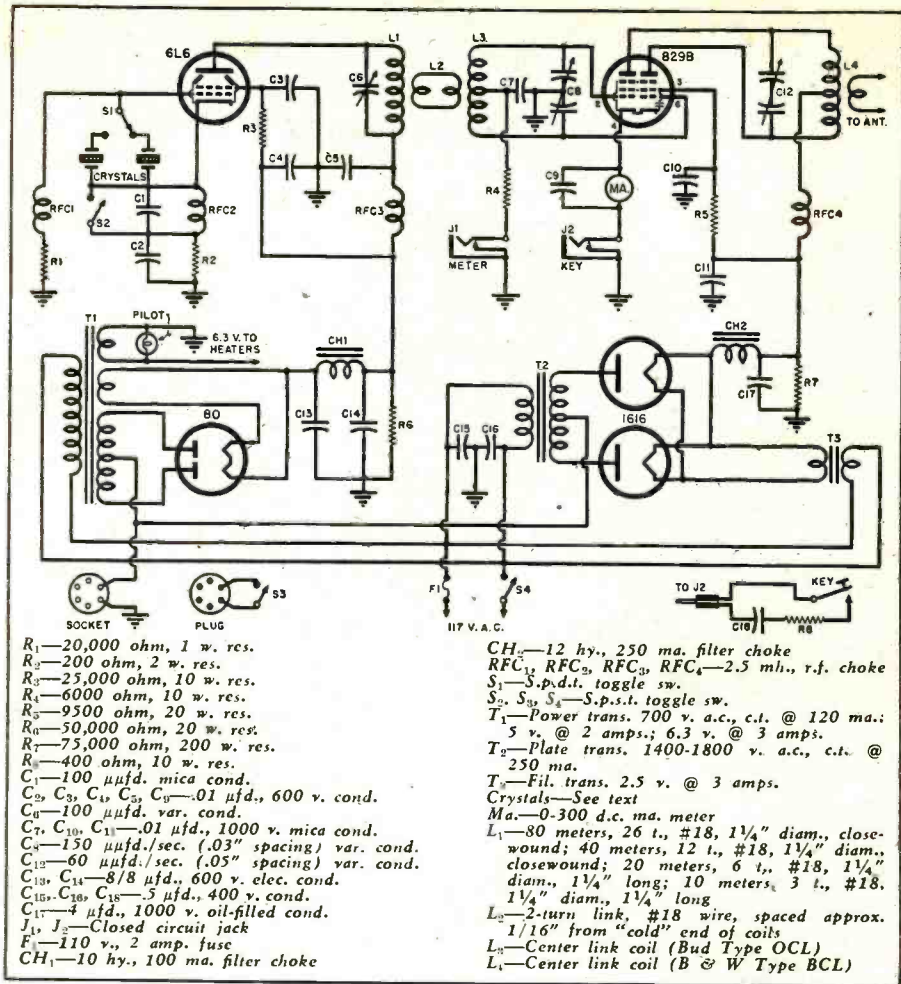


Fig. 2. Complete circuit diagram, parts list, and coil data for 150 w. transmitter.

the final stage. Slight evidence of key clicks was present until a filter circuit was installed at the key (Fig. 2).

Future plans call for construction of a modulator unit which, it is hoped,

will be capable of 50 watts audio output. An 829B will be used as Class "B" modulator, with a single 6SJ7 as speech amplifier.

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Fig. 3. Top view of transmitter. Although components are relatively crowded, final operation is not adversely affected.

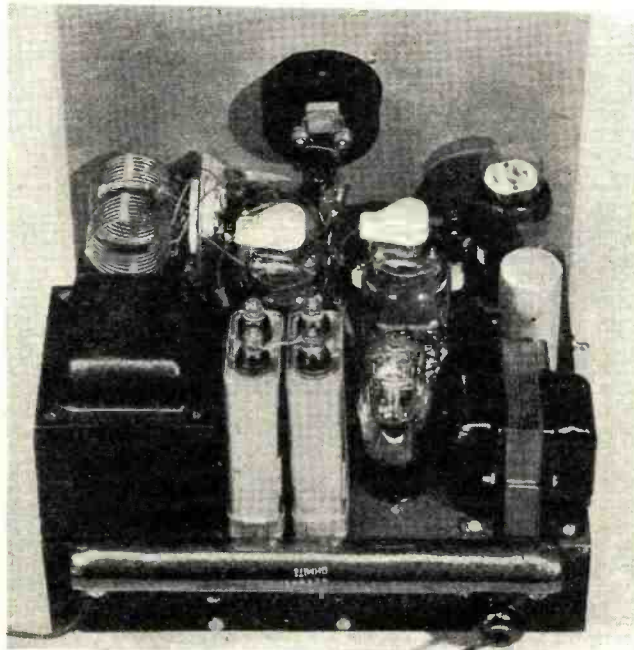
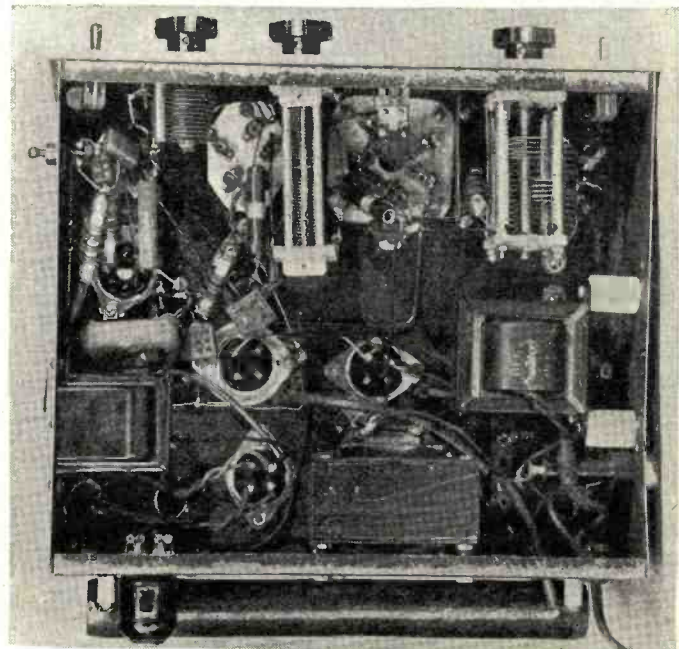


Fig. 4. Under chassis view of rig. Note that bleeder resistor is mounted externally to provide good heat dissipation.



WHAT DOES YOUR CUSTOMER BUY



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No matter what merchandise you stock, you are selling comfort, convenience, entertainment, and/or pleasure.

YOUR customer never buys the thing you sell! An outrageous statement! You say the stores sell nylon stockings, and the gals buy them like hot cakes. Stores sell stockings right enough, but the customers don't buy them—they buy good-looking, whistle-attracting legs.

You sell radios and radio service? Your customers buy continued hours of pleasure or knowledge which they obtain by clicking a switch on the sets you sell or service. They buy just that—pleasure or knowledge—not the radio or service.

Do you still insist that they buy the radio for itself? How many radios have you sold because the set occupied so much space in the room, or had a modernistic cabinet? Sure, the size and appearance added to the sale. However, how many of those customers would have bought if that dream set didn't first bring in the desired stations with a tone to satisfy them?

What is the answer? Just this: In selling radios or service, you must consciously or unconsciously talk in terms of what the customer wants. If you don't, you have had many a would-be customer walk out the door—with-

out one of your super, ultra, superior superheterodynes under his arm.

Of course, there was a tendency to believe that no advertising, no sales talk was necessary. To an extent, this was true. The scarcity of radios, parts and servicemen caused many people to buy the first thing they could find that was capable of bringing in the local stations. It didn't matter too much whether it was a razor blade rectifying signals from a clothesline antenna, or an upteen tube communications receiver—selling was without effort.

But! That day is over and you will now have to "sell" your services or your products.

Selling, advertising and merchandising—these terms are used almost interchangeably in modern business. All three contribute to the beautiful tone of your cash register ringing up additional sales. The truth of our topic here fits into all three of these terms.

Your customer never buys the thing you sell. Let us fit this into your selling advertising, and merchandising. Here is how. We will forget what we are selling, and we will think in terms of what the customer buys. This should be a major principle in all of

ELECTRONIC SERVICING
for
YOUR FAULTY RADIO

We have skilled technicians and the latest electronic equipment to do "the perfect" service job on your radio. Just pick up your phone and call 00000. PROMPT PICKUP AND DELIVERY SERVICE.



ELECTRIC REPAIRS SHOP
PHONE WIZZ BANG RADIOS ADDRESS

Fig. 2.

YOUR RADIO
WILL "SING" AGAIN!

When your radio doesn't sound the way you want it to, bring it to us or call us. It'll "sing" like new when we bring it back to you

SMITH'S RADIO
SERVICE

PHONE ADDRESS

Fig. 1.

our advertising, selling and merchandising.

Newspaper Advertising

We shall compare our new principle of "Sales" first to newspaper advertising, possibly the commonest single means of advertising offered to the sales-serviceman. While we are comparing some ads against our major principle, we will add a few more important rules for good newspaper advertising.

Compare your present advertising with some of the examples we have selected.

Here is a definite "what you sell" ad:

RADIOS
PARTS
AND REPAIRS
CENTRAL RADIO SHOP
PHONE ADDRESS

Just a small ad . . . a one column by 2 inch ad appearing in the classified section every day. This expenditure for advertising is about the proper budget for local radio service advertising.

"Radios, parts and repairs" . . . is pretty much what the serviceman has to sell, isn't it? Is the ad getting results? It must be, since the advertiser continues to run it. However, any ad which tells the name and location of a shop is bound to bring in some results. We are interested in maximum results for every cent paid out or every minute of time put into sales. This particular ad leaves a lot to be desired.

This particular ad doesn't tell where the service can be obtained (in shop or at home) with only the name and address given, although the telephone implies a delivery service. A line "Pickup and Delivery Service" would definitely help this ad.

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A New 88-108 mc. FM Tuner

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SINCE the allocation of the 88-108 mc. band to frequency modulation broadcasting, the author, like many others, has looked for a suitable tuner to use with the old audio amplifier. A system using the tuner for the old band as a variable i.f. amplifier, a 6J5 fixed oscillator, and a crystal diode mixer was tried. It was unsatisfactory, however, due to poor image rejection and lack of adequate sensitivity.

With the introduction of the new 6SB7Y pentagrid converter tube, the problem was simplified. The 6SB7Y is an octal based metal tube similar physically to the lower frequency type 6SA7 converter. However, it has slightly more than twice the conversion transconductance of the 6SA7. It also has a much higher oscillator transconductance, therefore, it is much more suitable for operation in the 100 mc. region. The frequency drift of this 11 tube tuner, using the 6SB7Y as a converter, is very satisfactory. Using one r.f. amplifier stage, employing a type 6SG7, good sensitivity and gain are realized. The antenna, r.f. and oscillator coils are all of the homemade, self-supporting, air core type, and were found to have good stability. Two i.f. amplifier stages are used, employing type 6AC7 tubes and the new, compact *Meissner* 10.7 mc. FM i.f. transformers. They are permeability tuned. A 6AC7 and a 6SJ7 are used as a cascade limiter and function very well to remove all traces of amplitude modulation. The discriminator uses a type 6H6 dual diode, whose output is coupled into $\frac{1}{2}$ of a type 6SN7GT dual triode. The other half of the 6SN7GT is used as a cathode follower output stage to provide a "stiff" output source which will be relatively unaffected by whatever it is driving. A 6U5/6G5 electron ray tube is used as a tuning indicator. The power supply uses a condenser input filter to help reduce hum to a suitably low level for high fidelity amplification. A 5Y3GT is used as the rectifier with a VR150 to stabilize the screen voltages applied to the tubes. For alignment purposes a frequency modulated signal generator and oscilloscope are recommended. While it is possible

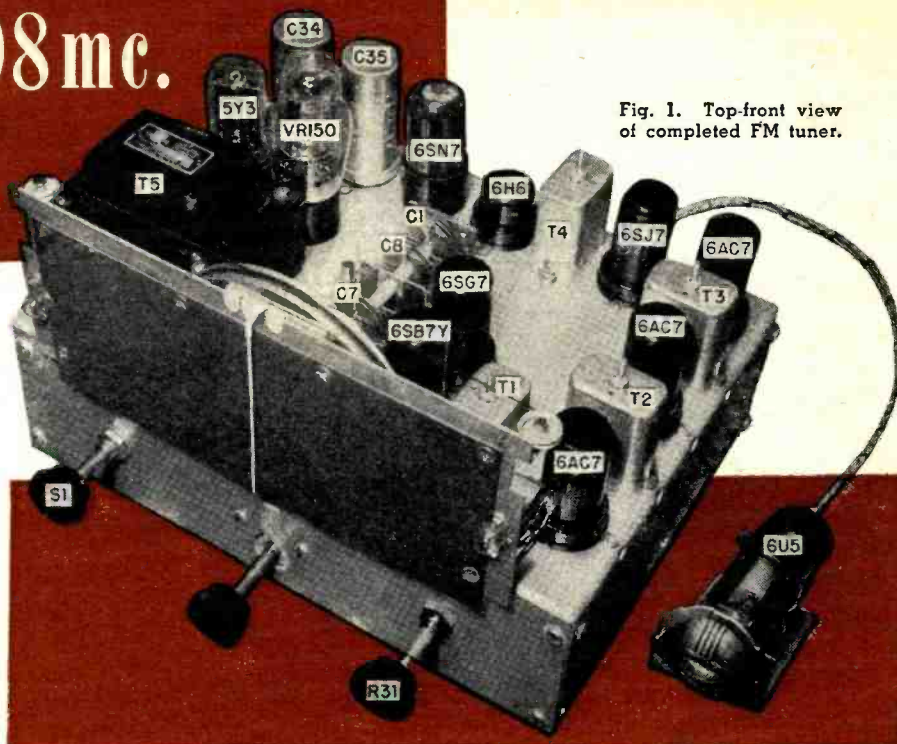


Fig. 1. Top-front view of completed FM tuner.

Complete construction details for an FM tuner that can be built from readily available components.

to use an amplitude modulated signal, the process is much more tedious and the results are seldom, if ever, good. It is much more difficult to detect such faults as insufficient bandwidth due to regeneration with an AM signal. Signals of calibrated known frequencies are needed to calibrate the dial since no dials calibrated for the new FM band were available. These can be received from the broadcast stations on the air, after the tuner is completed. Fig. 1 shows the top view of the completed tuner. The 6SG7 r.f. stage is close to the center of the chassis. The circuits then proceed to the front of the chassis, around the right side and along the rear edge. This was found to be the most practical layout.

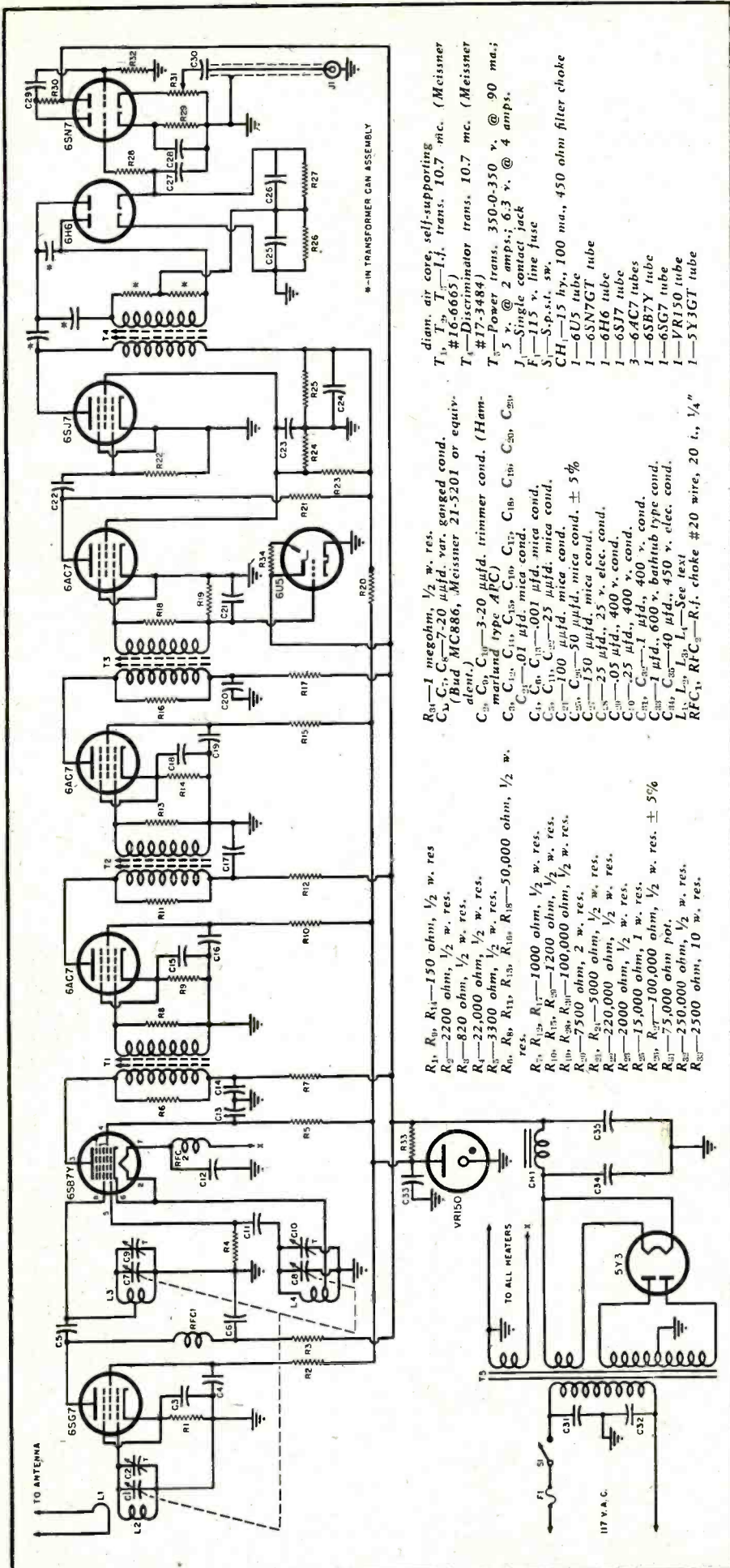
The completed chassis measures 8x11x3 inches. It is made from $\frac{3}{32}$ " thick half hard aluminum sheet. A preformed chassis may be substituted if the facilities for bending are not available. The tube layout should remain the same for short direct leads and best results. If a larger chassis is used, the relative measurements between tube sockets, i.f. transformers and other components, should remain the same. Right angle brackets are used at each corner of the chassis to increase mechanical rigidity. Due to the operating frequency of the unit, rigidity is extremely important. The aluminum was given a bright finish by dipping in caustic soda (sodium hydroxide). This must be done in a well ventilated place, outdoors if possible, and care must be exercised to safe-

guard the eyes and skin. A half of a can of "Lycon," used normally to open clogged drains, was dissolved in a suitable pan of water. The chassis was left in the solution for approximately 20 minutes and then very thoroughly rinsed. After drying, a thin clear lacquer coat is applied. This results in a permanent bright satin finish. There are many commercial concerns specializing in the application of this type of finish.

The cutout shown at the front of the chassis is for the particular *Crowe* 7" slide rule dial used and is subject to change by the builder. If plug-in electrolytics are not to be used, the two socket holes in the upper left hand corner of the chassis (Fig. 1) are not to be punched out. The tuning condenser mounting will also vary according to the type available to the builder.

Fig. 2 is a schematic diagram of the tuner. The relatively high plate and screen voltages are used to minimize the effects of electron transit time. At the higher frequencies, the time it takes for an electron to travel from the cathode to the plate becomes an appreciable part of the radio frequency oscillation time. By employing the maximum rated positive potentials, the electron has the greatest pull exerted upon it and hence tends to reach the plate as rapidly as possible.

The jumpers, bypass condensers and resistors should be wired to the sockets before they are secured to the chassis. Refer to the under chassis view, Fig. 5, for an illustration of the



- diams. air core, self-supporting*
T₁—10-6665 I.f. trans. 10.7 mc. (Meissner #16-6665)
T₂—Discriminator trans. 10.7 mc. (Meissner #17-3884)
T₃—Power trans. 350.0-350 v. @ 90 ma.; 5 v. @ 2 amps.; 6.3 v. @ 4 amps.
J₁—Single contact jack
S₁—S.p.s.t. sw.
F₁—115 v. line fuse
CH₁—15 hy., 100 ma., 450 ohm filter choke
I₁—6U5 tube
I₂—6SN7GT tube
I₃—6H6 tube
I₄—6SJ7 tube
I₅—6AC7 tube
I₆—6SR7Y tube
I₇—6SG7 tube
I₈—6X4 tube
I₉—VR150 tube
I₁₀—5Y3GT tube
- R₁—1 megohm, 1/2 w. res.*
R₂—720 μfd. var. ganged cond. (Bud MC886, Meissner 21-3201 or equivalent.)
R₃—3-20 μfd. trimmer cond. (Hammarlund type APC)
R₄—C₁₂, C₁₃, C₁₄, C₁₅, C₁₆, C₁₇, C₁₈, C₁₉, C₂₀, C₂₁, C₂₂, C₂₃, C₂₄, C₂₅, C₂₆, C₂₇, C₂₈, C₂₉—0.1 μfd. mica cond.
C₃₀, C₃₁, C₃₂—25 μfd. mica cond.
C₃₃, C₃₄, C₃₅—50 μfd. mica cond. ± 5%
C₃₆, C₃₇—150 μfd. mica cond.
C₃₈—25 μfd., 25 v. elec. cond.
C₃₉—0.5 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₄₀—25 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₄₁, C₄₂—1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₄₃—1 μfd., 600 v. bathrub type cond.
C₄₄—40 μfd., 450 v. elec. cond.
L₁, L₂, L₃, L₄—See text
RFC₁, RFC₂—R.f. choke #20 wire, 20 i., 1/4"
- R₁, R₉, R₁₄—150 ohm, 1/2 w. res.*
R₂—2200 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₃—820 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₄—22,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₅—3300 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₆, R₇, R₁₃, R₁₅, R₁₆, R₁₈—50,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₈, R₁₂, R₁₇—1000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₀, R₁₁, R₂₀—1200 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₉, R₂₁, R₂₂, R₂₃—100,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂₄—7500 ohm, 2 w. res.
R₂₅, R₂₆—5000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂₇—220,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂₈—2000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂₉—15,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₃₀, R₃₁—100,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res. ± 5%
R₃₂—75,000 ohm pot.
R₃₃—250,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₃₄—2500 ohm, 10 w. res.

manner in which the sockets were wired as subassemblies. The r.f. amplifier, converter, and i.f. amplifier tube sockets should be wired in this manner. Short, direct, rigid connections cannot be overemphasized as the key to the proper operation of the unit.

The bypass condensers and cathode resistors are wired directly to the socket terminals. For example, a screen bypass condenser for one of the 6AC7 i.f. amplifiers should be wired from pin 6 to pin 1 of the socket and a short jumper used from pin 1 to the ground lug of the socket. It is suggested that ceramic or low-loss mica filled bakelite sockets be used for all high frequency and i.f. stages. Upon completion of the socket subassemblies for the r.f., i.f., limiter and discriminator stages, the sockets and components should be secured to the chassis. The other sockets, i.f. transformers, variable tuning condenser, terminal strips, power transformer and other parts should be mounted next. It is most logical to wire the power supply first and work backwards to the r.f. stages. It is to be noted that one side of the filament winding is grounded and the 6SB7Y filament is fed through the oscillator coil in parallel with the cathode. The particular tuning condenser used is a four gang unit with the last gang left unused, and is shock mounted from the chassis by the use of live rubber grommets. This is done to reduce microphonics. Hence, the frame of the condenser is not automatically grounded, but must be connected to ground by the use of short ground bus jumpers. Hammarlund APC type air trimmers are used and, depending upon the particular maker and type, they may or may not have to be grounded exclusive of mounting. Copper or brass shields were placed between the antenna and oscillator and between the oscillator and first detector tuning circuits. In the model, they were made of .030" thick copper sheet and were found to give good insurance against coupling between stages and pulling. Pulling is very easily detected by the adjustment of the trimmer across the first detector or r.f. stage coil. If upon adjustment of either of these trimmers the frequency of the unit shifts erratically, extraneous coupling is present between the stages. If properly shielded this effect should not occur.

All stages are adequately decoupled from the power supply to minimize instability from this source. The discriminator i.f. transformer is not actually center tapped as will be noted in the diagram. Two 100,000 ohm resistors are connected to each side of the secondary winding. The junction of these resistors is used as a center tap. This results in some loss of audio since no matter how small the current, the audio output voltage is divided between these resistors and the 100,000

Fig. 2. Complete schematic diagram and parts list for FM tuner. The circuit is straightforward and no trouble should be encountered.

ohm diode load resistors. An increase in the value of the diode load resistors results in some gain in audio output voltage. However, with the arrangement shown, the output is more than sufficient to drive any conventional amplifier having a phono channel with approximately 70 db. gain.

The antenna, radio frequency and oscillator coils are all homemade from #16 bare copper wire. The enamel can be removed from enameled wire by the use of steel wool. The antenna coil (L_2) consists of 2 turns, $\frac{5}{8}$ " in diameter. The antenna is coupled to the tuner with *Amphenol* 300 ohm twin lead transmission line and a $\frac{1}{2}$ turn link (L_1). The link is coupled to the grid end of the coil, and is also $\frac{5}{8}$ " in diameter. The r.f. coil (L_3) is 2 turns, $\frac{5}{8}$ " in diameter. The oscillator coil (L_4) is $1\frac{1}{8}$ turns $\frac{5}{8}$ " in diameter tapped at $\frac{5}{8}$ turn. All coils are approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " long. The final adjustment on the length is made when the unit is aligned. The taps on the coils are made with a #20 wire approximately 1" long. The coils are mounted from the proper socket terminal to a suitable grounding lug on the frame of the tube socket. It is recommended that a *Cinch* socket with grounding lugs be used, since these provide short direct grounds and solid supports for the coils without the use of a lead.

After the unit is wired it should be checked for shorts and wiring mistakes and then aligned. If only an amplitude modulated signal generator is available the following data will serve as a guide to the proper procedure. Connect the signal generator to the grid of the first i.f. amplifier tube. An audio modulated signal can be used and the output of the tuner connected to an audio amplifier and speaker. Adjust the second i.f. transformer and limiter i.f. transformer for maximum audio output. The primary of the discriminator transformer tuned by the slug on the top side of the chassis is also adjusted for maximum output. The secondary of the discriminator transformer is adjusted until a definite null point of minimum audio output is found and is left at the middle of this null point. If desired, a vacuum tube voltmeter or a high resistance voltmeter of at least 20,000 ohms per volt is connected across the load resistance of one of the discriminator diodes and is used as an output meter for the adjustment of the primary winding of the discriminator transformer. The slug on the top side of the transformer is adjusted for maximum deflection of the meter. Then connect the voltmeter across the output of the discriminator (from cathode to cathode of the 6H6) and adjust the slug on the underside of the chassis for zero output indication. Apply the output of the signal generator to the grid of the mixer using a suitable blocking condenser. If the blocking condenser is not used the output of the signal generator may be greatly decreased, since, unless a blocking condenser is included in the generator, the r.f. coil will be shunted

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across the output attenuator of the generator. Even with the use of a blocking condenser, the relatively low impedance of the 100 mc. tuned circuit greatly attenuates the 10.7 mc. output of the signal generator. Adjust the remaining i.f. transformer cores to maximum output and go over the complete i.f. channel and discriminator transformers, retouching any that may need to be readjusted. As a check it is a good idea to manually sweep AM signal generator a few hundred kilocycles on each side of the center frequency of 10.7 mc.

The use of a frequency modulated signal generator and oscilloscope will give much better results than the aforementioned AM alignment procedure. Connect the vertical amplifier input terminals of the scope across the 100,000 ohm load resistor in the grid return circuit of the first limiter. Apply the output of the FM generator at 10.7 mc. to the grid of the first or second i.f. tube depending upon the oscilloscope gain and the generator output available. A generator having a 750 kilocycle sweep may be used. Adjust the i.f. transformer trimmers for a maximum height image with as flat a top as possible. Refer to Fig. 4 for a typical pattern. If a calibrated variable oscillator is available it can be mixed with the FM generator signal and a marker to calibrate the bandwidth of the i.f. amplifier obtained. The i.f. channel should pass at least a total of 150 kc. across the flat top. If it doesn't, it may be due to regeneration, poor bypassing or poorly soldered joints. If all decoupling and bypassing precautions have been followed, there should

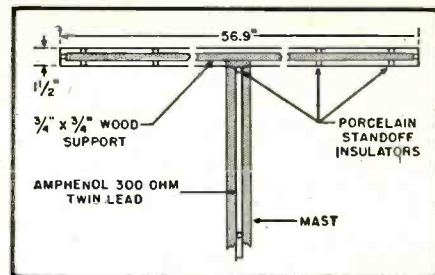


Fig. 3. Details for constructing folded dipole antenna to cover new FM band.

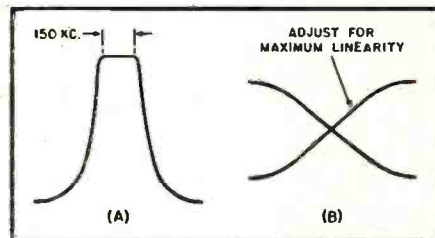
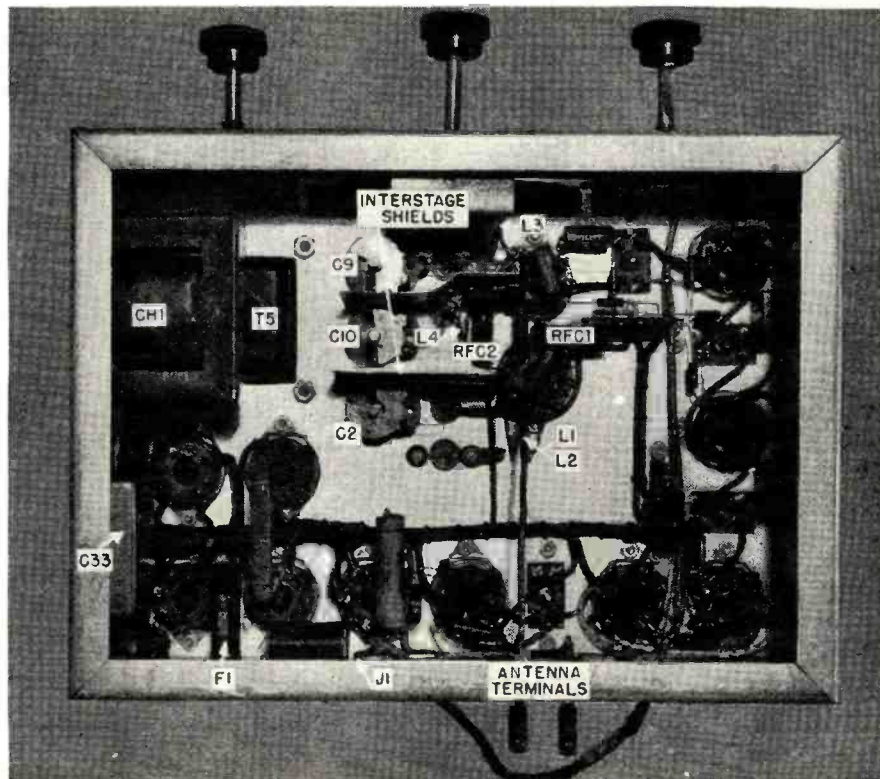


Fig. 4. (A) Typical i.f. amplifier response curve. (B) Correct discriminator pattern.

be no tendency towards regeneration. After the i.f. transformers have been aligned connect the vertical amplifier input of the oscilloscope to the output of the discriminator at the ungrounded cathode of the 6H6. At this point, a discriminator pattern resembling an X should be obtained after adjustment of the core of the transformer. The primary core of the transformer should be adjusted for maximum height of the image. The lines crossing to form the X should be made as linear as possible. See Fig. 4.

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Fig. 5. Under chassis view of new 88-108 mc. FM tuner. Progression of circuit from 6SG7, near center, up and then clockwise around the chassis permits short, straight, rigid leads and compact component arrangement.



MODERN LIGHTING for Radio and Appliance Stores

"Unseen" merchandise cannot be sold—Light your store for greater product turnover.

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THE purpose of radio-appliance stores, as of all stores, is to sell goods. This function is best exercised if all the elements of the store contribute to it. Nothing should be permitted to compete with the merchandise for the buyer's attention. Fittings, surroundings and decorations, chosen for the sake of their own beauty, and without reference to the primary purpose of the store, will inevitably compete with the merchandise and weaken its appeal.

Brightness Scale

Stating this principle positively, the merchandise should be the chief feature in the field of view of the buyer. To achieve this the light should fall on the goods *first*, and then be reflected into the traffic areas and store generally.

Scientific lighting for selling (and any other kind is a handicap) implies an ascending scale of brightness in the buyer's field of view, with the merchandise occupying the peak. Much present day store lighting still brings about the reverse condition with either the lighting equipment, or the ceiling, or the upper part of the merchandise area at the top of the brightness scale and the merchandise near the bottom.

Light sent to the ceiling first makes that structural detail the brightest feature. It is the first to attract the customer's eyes. It "optically" depresses the merchandise and may lead to an unnecessary increase in wattage for local lighting, or for accenting or modeling light, if an effort is made to counterbalance the brightness.

If general lighting is provided by means of suspended fixtures the lighting units are highest in the scale of brightness and attract attention, usurping the place of the goods in the customer's field of view. Further, this common method treats the goods as

part of the general background, lighted no more favorably than the walls, the aisles and the ceiling, with the result that even the most skillful arrangement of merchandise takes on some of the characteristics of a confusion pattern.

Controlled Direct Lighting

Controlled direct lighting, plus accent or modeling light, is the most effective method by which the merchandise can be given optical dominance. Coupled with this must go a color treatment of all surfaces—floor, walls, ceiling, fittings—designed to cooperate with the light and to fully alert the buyer physiologically.

This requires, for radio-appliance stores, a floor finish that will reflect 30% of the light, walls that will reflect about 50%, a ceiling that will reflect

80%, and fittings that will reflect about 40%. One color scheme that will meet these requirements is a medium sand colored floor, pale bluish-green walls, a medium blue-green finish for the fittings and an oyster white on the ceiling. Many other color schemes can be worked out for the above reflection factors to suit individual tastes.

Ground Light

The minimum ground light necessary to physiologically alert a buyer in a "surround" having the above reflection factors is 30 footcandles. Today this can be most conveniently secured with fluorescent lamps. The bare tubes should never be used. They are less bright than incandescent lamps but still too bright to be used uncovered with any degree of comfort. There is little sense in making a

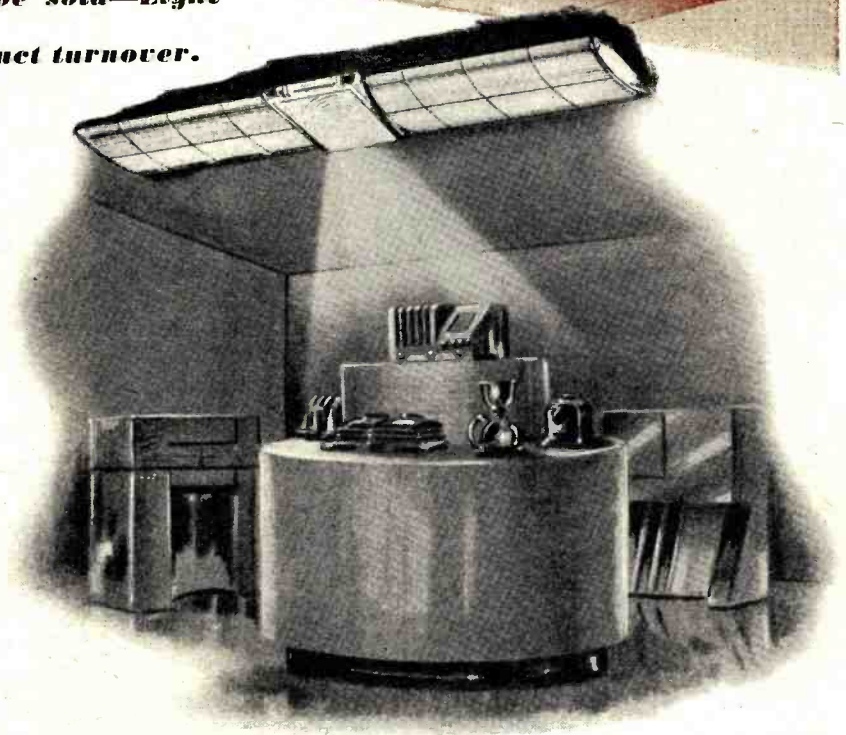


Fig. 1. (Top) Modern ceiling fixture which provides controlled ground lighting through use of fluorescent tubes and proper enclosure. (Bottom) Ceiling fixture which can be adapted for use in spotlighting merchandise displays through use of fluorescent general lighting and incandescent accent lighting in a single unit housing.

buyer uncomfortable when you are trying to get him or her to buy something, not to mention the comfort of the employees. Further, the light from the bare tubes is so thoroughly diffused as to reduce the contrast between objects and their background, thus requiring more light for a given degree of clarity than would otherwise be the case. If the tubes are used in enclosing equipment that controls the light by bending it away from its innumerable diffuse paths into paths directed towards the merchandise and the lower part of the store generally, the drop in vision caused by diffusion can be avoided.

Equipment of this general nature is shown in Fig. 1 (Top).

Accent Light

The modeling or accenting light, used on island displays, or to accentuate special features of the merchandise, should be from two to three times the intensity level of the ground light. Fig. 3 shows the relationship between the ground light and accent illumination levels as determined by checking the proportion of potential buyers that could be diverted to an accented feature by using different illumination (and hence, different brightness) levels.

The accenting light has to be incandescent, not only because fluorescent light does not enhance the appearance of objects or people, but because it cannot be focused or concentrated to the degree required for "modeling" purposes. There are many devices on the market that can be used for this purpose but sometimes it is desirable to combine the accent light with the general light for the sake of good appearance. A new combination of fluorescent "ground" lighting unit with incandescent "modeling" light is shown in Fig. 1 (Bottom).

Typical Store Plan

In planning a lighting layout for a radio and appliance store it would be well to keep several important factors in mind. The entrance into the store, aisles and general lighting areas should be illuminated by fluorescent fixtures of some type or other. The one illustrated in Fig. 1 is considered ideal for this purpose. Should the store fixtures include island displays it would be well to place these near the front of the store. These islands should have accent lights pouring high level illumination directly upon them. If a ceiling type fixture, as shown in Fig. 1 (Bottom), is used for this purpose, it will be necessary to eliminate any canopy over the island display. Displays with canopies can be lighted individually, as illustrated in Fig. 2.

The lights recommended are industrial dust-tight units having a concentrating distribution. They are entirely enclosed, can be lifted up out of the holes in the canopy in which they rest on flanges, for opening and relamping, and require practically no maintenance. This latter is a very important feature in stores.

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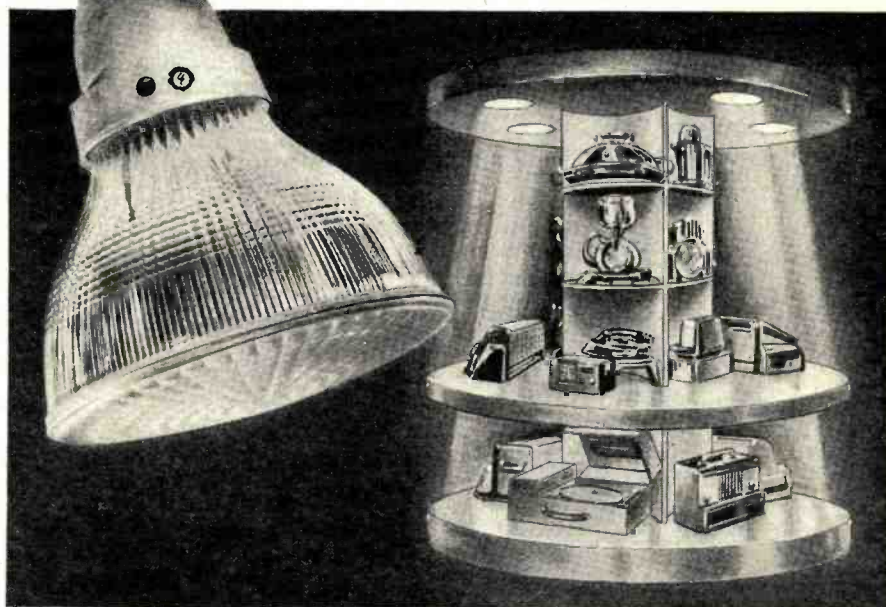
Care should be taken to choose the proper lighting effects in record play back booths. They should be lighted by a built-in ceiling unit, using a 100 watt incandescent light. This is desirable to the extent that light can affect emotions—fluorescent light chills them. The use of fluorescent lights is not conducive to building up emotional listening pleasure. If two ladies sit together in a booth lighted by fluorescent lamps each of them is likely to think the other looks a little ghastly. The foundation of booth lighting should therefore be a built-in incandescent fixture that is easy to maintain.

There is a trend toward introducing mood lighting into booths and particularly television display rooms; that is, having some mobile color arrange-

inate from below in order to get onto the two walls selected and the ceiling. A possible way of doing this is shown in Fig. 4.

This method requires the standard 5 feet by 6 feet booth to be increased about 8 inches in both dimensions, although the floor will remain the same size as before, the increase occurring at the level of the top of the record reproducer. At this level the walls would be stepped back 8 inches on the two sides before mentioned, allowing space in which to place red, green, and blue incandescent lamps on about 6 inch centers, below concentrating lenses. Louvers should be placed on top of the lenses to protect the listener's eyes from strain. The listener should be further protected by the face board which should be carried above

Fig. 2. One type of direct lighting unit which may be used for island display highlighting. These units are sealed against dust and moisture. Relamping may be accomplished easily and quickly.



ment that would permit milady to adjust the color tone of the interior to heighten her enjoyment of the music, and increase her desire to possess the record, or the machine being demonstrated. Any arrangement of this sort will be relatively expensive and only experience can determine if it will put money into the pockets of the store owners through increased sales. It may, of course, become a competitive feature—a service that a store has to give because it has been adopted by competition.

It is easy to see, by a process of elimination, that the only surfaces on which color might be played advantageously are the wall that faces the sitter, the wall opposite the doorway and the ceiling. There is nothing to be gained by playing color on the wall behind the listener, and not much advantage (but a great deal of added cost and difficulty) in playing it on the entrance wall, cut up, as it is, by the door. The color would have to orig-

inate from below in order to get onto the two walls selected and the ceiling.

Each color of light should be wired separately and tied into separate rheostats or dimmer controls. The dimmer controls for each color, and for the incandescent ceiling light should be located so as to be within convenient reach.

The white light (ceiling) would be switched on to the "full" position when the listener entered the booth. From that point on the listener could dim the white light by turning the "white" knob down, and could turn on the red, blue, or green lights full or in any combination of strengths desired, by turning the "red," "green" or "blue" knobs.

The various combinations of the above three colors will produce any intermediate color, and the addition of a dimmer on the "white" ceiling light would enlarge the range of color sensations to include a wide variety of delicate tints.

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807 makes low cost

Power Packaged Modulator

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A pair of 807's, operating class AB₂, will supply a maximum audio output of 120 watts with relatively low driving power.

THE versatility and high power sensitivity of the 807 in radio frequency circuits are well known to the transmitting amateur. In fact, it is so commonplace to think of this tube in connection with oscillators, frequency multipliers, and final amplifiers that the importance of the 807 as an economical modulator is often overlooked.

A pair of 807's operated in a class "AB₂" modulator will give a maximum audio output of 120 watts with only .2 watt driving power. (The latter figure of course does not take into consideration power losses in the driver transformer, 807 grid circuit, etc.). This is sufficient audio to plate modulate almost a quarter kilowatt final amplifier input or to cathode modulate 600 watts

input. The d.c. plate and screen voltages required by the 807's doing this job are only 750 and 300, respectively, making it possible to "package" the small power supply with the modulator itself.

Table 1 shows the RCA ICAS ratings for the 807 in class "AB₂" audio service.

Fig. 1 shows the circuit schematic of a push-pull 807 modulator and integral speech amplifier. This arrangement has sufficient gain to accommodate all amateur microphones.

The 807 power supply must be capable of delivering one of the d.c. plate voltages listed in Table 1, at not less than 280 milliamperes. This will take care of regulated screens as well. A 300-milliamper transformer should be used whenever obtainable. The filter should employ choke input, to insure good voltage regulation. The 6.3 volt filament transformer (or winding) must supply 5 amperes at good safety factor if all of the tubes are to be heated from this one source. If separate filament windings are employed, the one supplying the 807's need be rated only at 2 to 3 amperes, and the one supplying the speech amplifier tubes can be a 2 ampere job.

From Fig. 1, it will be seen that the 807 screen voltage is regulated by means of a pair of OD3/VR150 tubes. Regulation of this voltage insures maximum audio output with good voice quality.

It is desirable to provide a separate 300-volt, 50-milliamper d.c. power supply for the speech amplifier stages. Such a unit would be small-sized. However, the required 300 volts may be obtained from a tap on a voltage divider in the 807 plate power supply if this supply is able to handle the additional 50-milliamper drain.

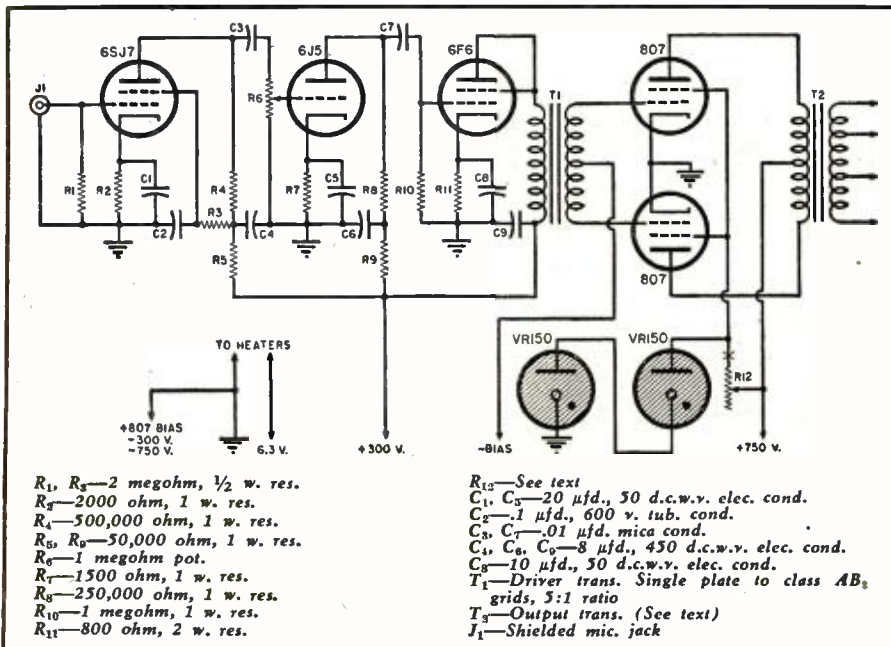
The value of resistor R₁₂ will depend upon the available 807 plate voltage. It must have a 25 to 30 watt power rating, and must be provided with a clip or slider for varying the resistance. The total resistance of R₁₂ should be 20,000 ohms when the 807

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Table 1. Chart gives RCA tube ratings for the 807 operating class AB₂.

VALUES FOR 2 TUBES				
D. C. Plate Voltage.....	400	500	600	750 volts
D. C. Screen Voltage.....	300	300	300	300 volts
D. C. Grid Voltage (Fixed).....	-25	-25	-30	-32 volts
Peak A.F. Grid-to-Grid Voltage.....	78	78	78	92 volts
Zero-Sig. D.C. Plate Current.....	100	100	60	60 ma.
Max-Sig. D.C. Plate Current.....	240	240	200	240 ma.
Zero-Sig. D.C. Screen Current.....	5	5	5	5 ma.
Max-Sig. D.C. Screen Current.....	10	10	10	10 ma.
Effective Load Resistance (Plate-to-Plate)...	3200	4240	6400	6950 ohms
Peak Grid Input Power.....	.2	.2	.1	.2 watt
Max-Sig. Power Output (Approx.).....	55	75	80	120 watts

Fig. 1. Diagram of modulator and integral speech amplifier. Circuit has sufficient gain to accommodate all types of microphones commonly used by amateurs.



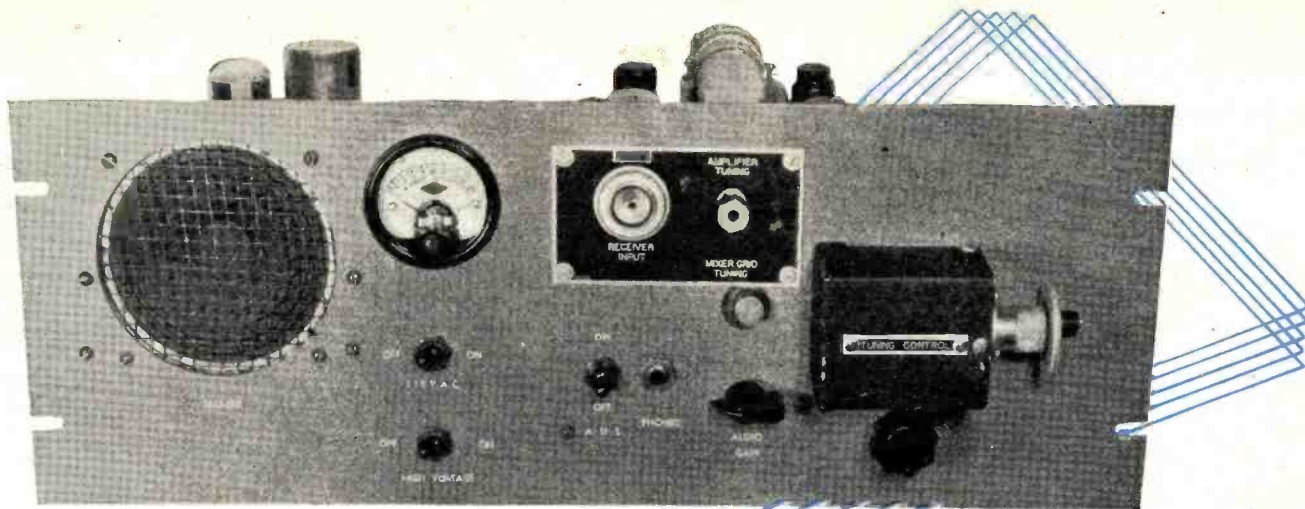


Fig. 1. Panel view of the converted Navy receiver. The S-meter is a surplus 0-1 milliammeter. The knob underneath the tuning control is for S-meter adjustment.

A 425mc. Super from Navy's ASB-7

By

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Only minor changes are necessary to convert this Navy surplus item into a triple detection type superheterodyne for amateur radio applications.

SURPLUS war material has provided many an amateur with excellent receiving and transmitting gear at a very nominal cost. Especially is this true for the v.h.f. and u.h.f. enthusiast. Since, in wartime radio research, greater strides were made in the v.h.f. and u.h.f. fields than in any other branch, perhaps—it is natural that a portion of this same equipment would find its way into the amateur v.h.f. and u.h.f. fields.

For the 144 mc. band, the world famous SCR-522 solved the problem of a very inexpensive v.h.f. superheterodyne type receiver. In the 235-240 mc. range, a very easily modified piece of inexpensive surplus, known as the Navy ARR-1 or ARR-2, provided the basis for the same type of receiving equipment.

Having thus conquered, so to speak, these two v.h.f. bands with superhet type receiving gear, the writer had been looking longingly at the 425 mc. u.h.f. band with the same "superheterodyn-ish" view in mind. Could a decent but necessarily inexpensive surplus doo-dad be found that would permit high quality u.h.f. superhet reception at these frequencies?

A device of this type would no doubt cost Uncle Sam a mere thousand bucks perhaps—but it should be able to be obtained on the surplus market for—well say 25 dollars or so—the probable cost of a homemade rush-box superregen type of receiver. Prospects were not too bright in the beginning

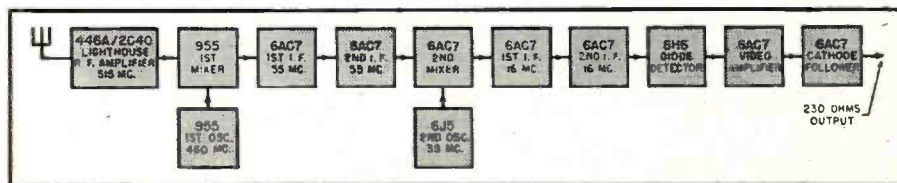
of this project, but once a ham gets than "yen," look out—

In a QSO with W4EHU, it was learned that the Navy had declared as obsolete (thereby becoming surplus) a line of radar transmitters and receivers of the ASB series. One of the receivers, the ASB-7 (CAY-46ACE) appeared to offer a perfect answer to the problem. It was a beautiful job and consisted of an r.f. stage using a 446A/2C40 lighthouse triode in connection with a precision machined coaxial tunable tank circuit, all silver plated and fitted with lead screws for adjustment. A couple of acorns (955's) served in the oscillator and mixer stages and these too used tuned lines and coax tunable tank circuits. It was a double superheterodyne type of device with the first i.f. high in frequency (55 mc.) and the second i.f. somewhat lower in frequency (16 mc.) The i.f. bandwidth was on the order of a megacycle which would be just about right. The nominal operating frequency was around 515 mc. and it appeared that quite a bit of tuning range was left to slip down at 425 mc.

At any rate, it was decided to make the try as it was just too good to pass up. It is understood that some of the later models of this receiver used lighthouse tubes in both the r.f., mixer, and oscillator stages along with coax cavities, but since the earlier model was built along more or less conventional ham lines it seemed a little better bet to "break in" on. Price? Oh yes, of course—and that is the best part. The complete unit less power supply (which is unusable anyway) sells on the surplus market for less than 25 bucks, including the lighthouse tube.

For quick reference purposes and to gain an over-all picture of the receiver before tearing into the reconversion, refer to Fig. 2 which shows a block diagram of the original system. After the r.f. section, which was described above, the signal enters the first i.f. stage at the 55 mc. difference frequency, thence is amplified again in the second i.f. 55 mc. stage. Here it is passed on to the 55 mc. converter stage and along with a 6J5 oscillator operating at 39 mc. it is transformed

Fig. 2. Block diagram of the original Navy ASB-7 receiver before conversion.



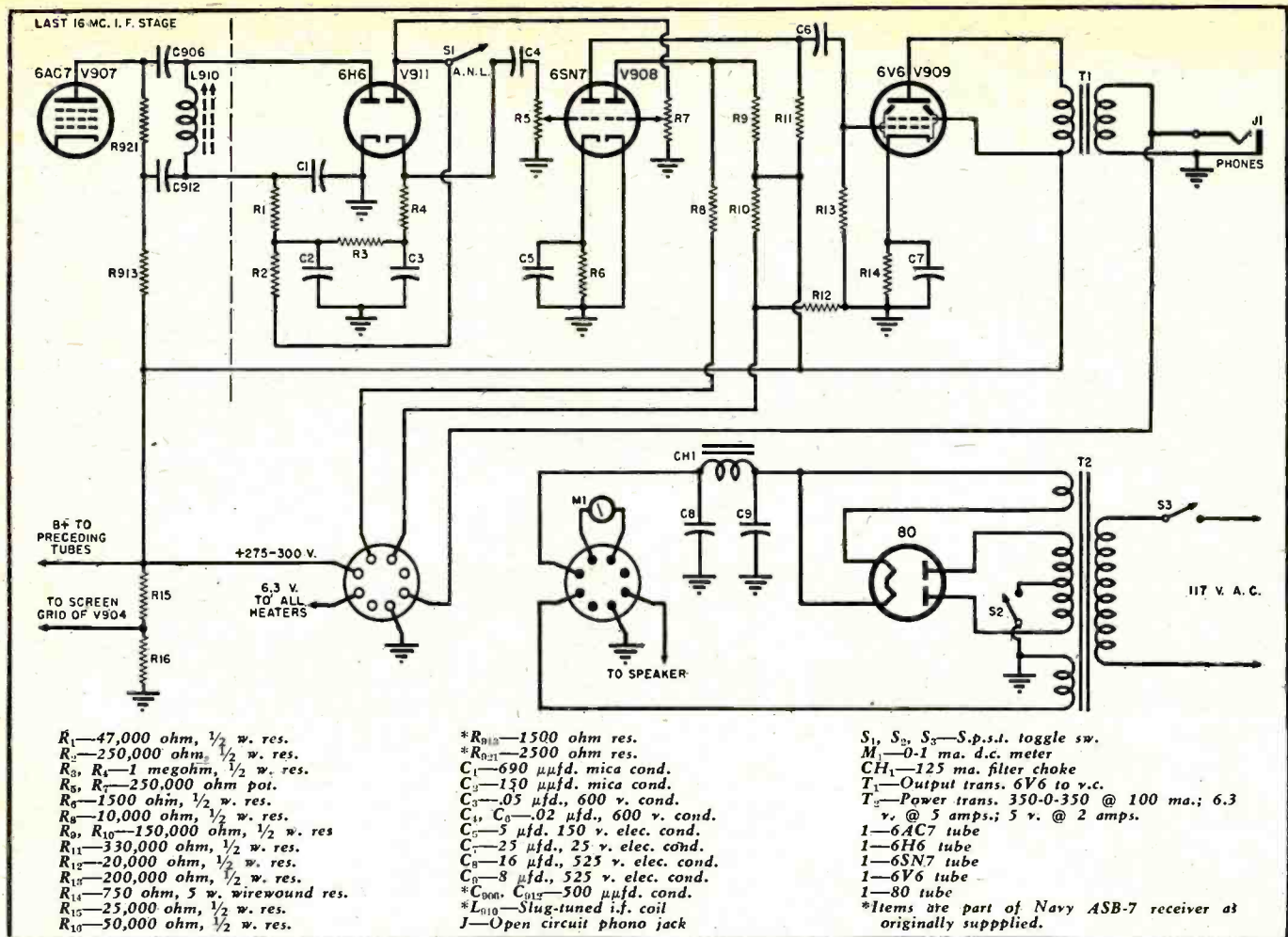


Fig. 3. Diagram of the second detector, audio, and power stages that were converted. Balance of receiver remains unchanged.

into the second i.f. frequency of 16 mc. Two i.f. stages of this frequency are employed whence it is detected in the diode 6H6 stage and fed to the video amplifier stage, which consists of a 6AC7/1852 tube. All the i.f. stages also utilize this type tube. From the video amplifier stage, the signals enter another 6AC7/1852 tube which serves as a cathode follower device with output at 230 ohms. Thus, a total of 12 tubes are employed in the complete receiver.

While it could probably be used as is, with the video and cathode follower stage, it was deemed advisable to reconvert the second detector (6H6 stage) and following amplifier stages to something more conventional. At the same time it was decided that a noise silencer and an "S" meter would be added. These features will serve mainly along with the 55 mc. and 16 mc. i.f. system as a basic i.f. channel for future converters, provision being made for entering either the 55 mc. or the 16 mc. point. (We are now looking towards the 1215 mc. superhet problem—in a very mild and relaxed manner, of course). The noise silencer incorporated is a series valve type and very effective on ignition type QRM. The "S" meter can be adjusted to read any value with a signal tuned in, thus setting your own idea of S9, and will stay on zero with no sig-

nal tuned in—which is more than some commercially produced "S" meters will do.

Briefly, the changes in the audio system were these: The original second detector stage (6H6) was modified slightly and one half of the diode was used for detection, while the other half was used as the noise silencer. The video amplifier 1852 tube was removed and in its position was substituted a 6SN7 type. This double triode tube served then in two functions. One half became the first audio amplifier tube and the other half became the "S" meter tube. Finally, the last 1852 cathode follower stage made way for the old reliable 6V6 power audio amplifier stage working into the voice coil of a small speaker. All of these modified changes are shown in Fig. 3. In the original version, the gain of the receiver was controlled externally by the voltage applied to the second i.f. screen grid element of the tube and no other control shows up on the receiver chassis itself. This has been added in the revised version and takes the form of a fixed voltage divider from the receiver power supply bus, resulting in maximum r.f. sensitivity at all times. A conventional audio gain control is incorporated into the audio section.

A standard 7 x 19 inch relay rack panel has been pressed into service

and a small speaker and suitable power supply mounted thereon, as well as the ASB-7 receiver proper. The photographs (Figs. 4 and 5) show the simple layout very clearly. With the power supply and speaker used in this manner, no other station equipment is tied up on the u.h.f. receiver and it is always ready to operate, or is readily transportable to any location where it may be advisable to conduct tests.

The front panel controls, then, are as follows: "Antenna input" (Co-ax connection), "Main Tuning" (Oscillator), "RF Tuning" (Tank circuit adjustment), "Mixer Tuning" (Tank circuit adjustment), "Audio Volume," "Phone jack" (parallel with speaker voice coil output), "A. N. L. switch," "115 v. a. c. Power Switch," "Stand-by switch" (Labeled "High Voltage Switch"), and "S meter adjustment control."

Inside the receiver, with the case removed, adjustments may be made on the i.f. transformers, which incidentally are of high quality, fitted with powdered iron slugs adjustable from the top of the chassis. Beautiful construction and wiring is employed throughout and each stage is conspicuous by its common ground point to which all returns for that particular stage are returned and secured.

Also, within reach, inside the re-

ceiver, the coax input to the tank circuit of the lighthouse tube is easily adjustable, thus providing the correct matching of the particular antenna used. This was originally designed as a 50 ohm, non-reactive type.

Visible in the top view photo (Fig. 4), it can be seen that the heater and plate power from the power supply, as well as the speaker and "S" meter connections, enter the receiver by an octal socket which is mounted on the receiver chassis. The aluminum case fits over the whole receiver and a hole a little larger than the octal socket allows the case to slip over the socket and provides access to the power plug. In operation, this shield is necessary to block off radiation of the two heterodyne oscillators in the receiver and eliminate beats in other station equipment. This, it does quite nicely.

When all the modifications have been made in the audio system as per the modified schematic and all parts have been mounted to the front panel, the receiver is ready to be tuned to the 425 mc. u.h.f. band.

A signal generator is quite necessary here and must cover the following frequencies: First, approximately 16 mc. for alignment of the second i.f. frequency. Second, approximately 55 mc. for alignment of the first i.f. frequency. and thirdly, the expected r.f. tuning range of the band, that is, 420 mc. to 430 mc. Also in this connection, it is indispensable to have a loop absorption type wavemeter that will cover the range of from 400 to 500 mc. or so in order to double check the frequencies involved. At these ultra-high frequencies it is very easy to get off on the wrong harmonic and odd beats when dealing with a number of oscillators.

If nothing has been changed since the receiver was procured, it is very probable that the i.f. stages are already in proper alignment. However, it is a simple matter to recheck them by adjusting the screws carrying the powdered iron slugs. This procedure is entirely orthodox and will not be elaborated upon at this point. First line up the 16 mc. channel. Follow this by lining up the 55 mc. channel. The 39 mc. heterodyne oscillator working with the 55 mc. converter to produce the 16 mc. second i.f. frequency may be checked with the aid of a low frequency loop absorption meter, which is usually around the shack of any v.h.f. amateur.

Now to the r.f. end. With this end operating, check the first heterodyne oscillator (955 triode). This of course operates 55 mc. higher or lower than the signal frequency coming in. Normally it operates 55 mc. lower than the nominal 515 mc. frequency originally employed. This would then make this stage operate at 460 mc. If it is now operated 55 mc. higher in frequency than the desired incoming signal, which is 425 plus 55, this stage should be set on 480 mc. It can thus be seen that very little change will take place and it will only be necessary to

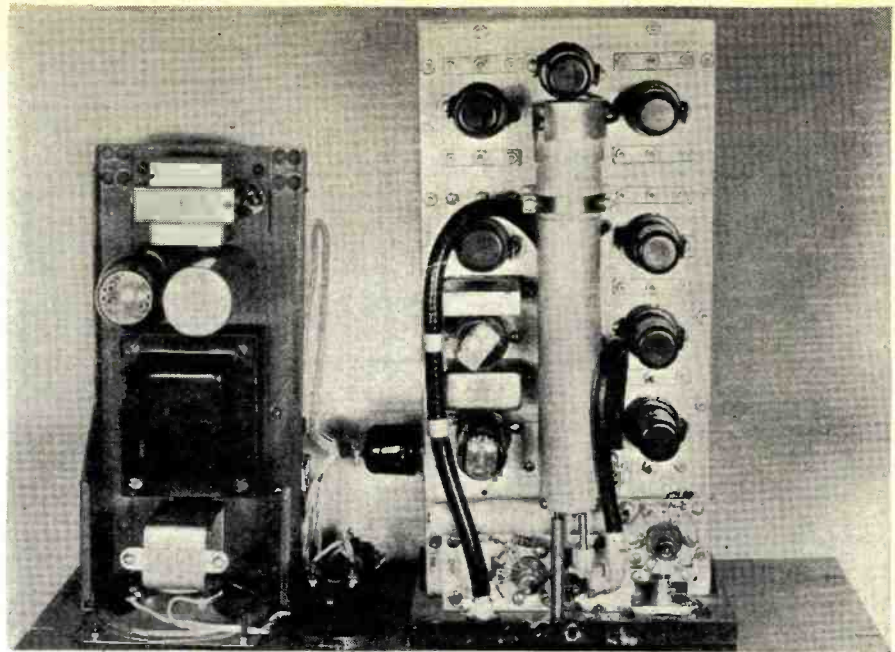


Fig. 4. Top view of the 425 mc. modified Navy ASB-7 receiver. The power supply is shown at the left with the power plug inserted into the receiver chassis. The lighthouse r.f. tube is in the end of the coax tuning line. The 955 oscillator is at the right and the 955 detector may be seen at the left of the front of the chassis.

rotate the "Main Tuning" control to raise the frequency approximately 20 mc. This "Main Tuning" control varies a circular plate and increases or decreases the distance between it and the 955 tank circuit lines. Plenty of gear reduction is available here and tuning will be found easy. Check this oscillator with the loop absorption frequency meter for a rough measurement and be sure it is approximately between 475 and 485 mc. to cover the band.

Finally, set up the r.f. signal generator to a frequency of 425 mc. and adjust the "Amplifier Tuning" and "Mixer Tuning" lead screws to maximum signal strength. In some receivers it may be necessary to shunt a very small, high quality condenser of a few micromicrofarads from the mixer grid to ground to lower the frequency sufficiently to reach 425 mc. As stated elsewhere, the antenna match may be adjusted on the lighthouse co-
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Fig. 5. Bottom view of the receiver and power supply. The oscillator may be seen through the square cut-out at the front left hand corner of the receiver. In the bottom right hand corner of the chassis is the output transformer for the speaker. The slug-tuned 16 mc. and 55 mc. i.f. transformers may be seen lined up on the left hand side. All returns for each stage terminate at one ground lug.

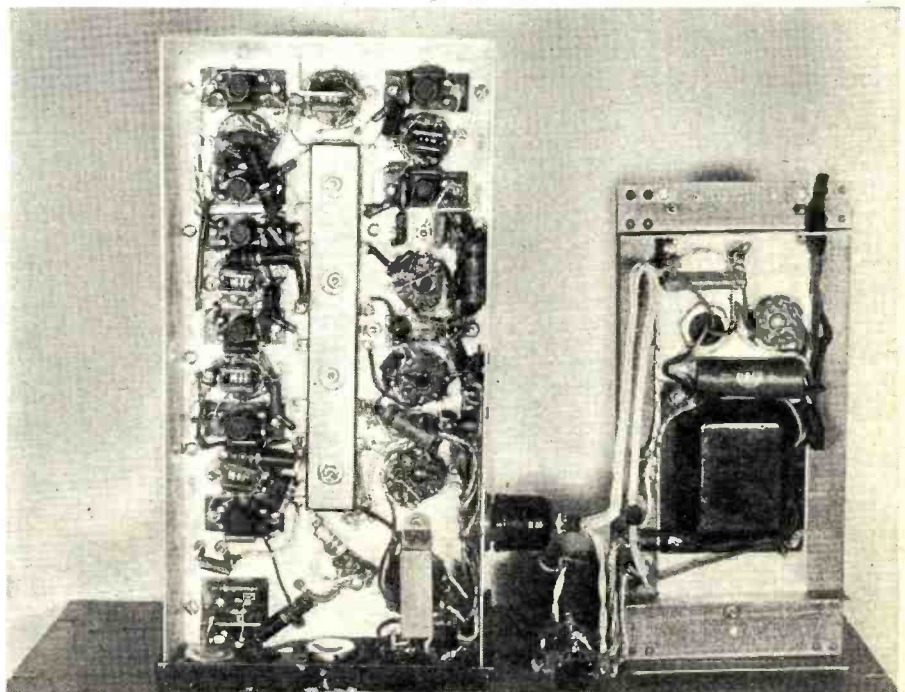


Fig. 1. Front and rear views of the completely home-built photo-timer.



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An electronic photo-timer that produces split-second accuracy yet is simple to construct and easy to calibrate.

An Electronic PHOTO-TIMER

FOR ALL TYPES of photographic printing and for color work in particular, the exposure time must be accurately controlled. Accurate exposures of less than 1 second duration are difficult, if not impossible, to obtain without the aid of an automatic device such as an electronic photo-timer. The idea of using electronic means to control a photographic light is not new. Many electronic timers have been built in the past and all, without exception, have one serious disadvantage where accuracy is the prime consideration. This disadvantage comes from the use of a high resistance potentiometer as the time controlling element. The accuracy with which a high resistance potentiometer can be reset to a particular value, even with a carefully marked scale, is very poor compared with the arrangement used with the timer to be discussed here. This timer uses 11 fixed resistors for the timing circuit, and accordingly, the reset accuracy is very good. High accuracy is obtained without the use of precision resistors and capacitors by means of a novel calibration circuit. The timer produces the following time intervals:

- Short range, .1 second to 1.1 second in .1 second steps.
- Medium range, 1 second to 11 seconds in 1 second steps.
- Long range, 5 seconds to 55 seconds in 5 second steps.

Therefore, any time interval between .1 second and 55 seconds is easily obtainable.

A timing voltage, secured by allowing a charged capacitor to discharge through a resistor, is applied to the grid of a 6SF5 tube the plate circuit of which is coupled to a 6V6 tube. A relay in the plate circuit of the 6V6 tube supplies line voltage to the photographic instrument for the period of time determined by the resistance and capacitance in the timing circuit. A complete diagram of the precision electronic timer is shown in Fig. 2.

In the capacitor charging circuit, Fig. 3A, the 6SF5 and 6V6 tubes act as two half-wave rectifier tubes connected in series, rectification taking place in the 6SF5 tube as a result of grid current flow and in the 6V6 tube as a result of screen current flow. When switch S_1 is closed, the 115-volt supply voltage is connected in series with the two half-wave rectifier tubes and the RC network, and accordingly, the capacitor C receives a charge of approximately 150 volts and of the polarity shown.

In the capacitor discharge circuit, Fig. 3B, switch S_2 starts the timing action. The instant switch S_2 is closed, the 6V6 tube conducts, closing the contacts on relay RL_1 . One pair of relay contacts completes the 115-volt a.c. circuit to the photographic instrument and the other pair of contacts is con-

nected in parallel with switch S_1 to maintain the connection across switch S_1 when the pressure is released from the push-button. The voltage across capacitor C places a high negative bias on the grid of the 6SF5 tube, and accordingly, plate current in the 6SF5 tube remains cut off for the desired period of time. When the voltage on capacitor C drops to a sufficiently low value, the 6SF5 tube conducts and a voltage drop appears across the 2 megohm plate load resistor cutting off the 6V6 plate current.

When plate current ceases to flow in the 6V6 tube, the relay contacts open, thus completing the time interval. When the relay contacts open, the capacitor C instantly takes on a new charge and the timer is ready to make another timed exposure.

For the calibration circuit of Fig. 4 potentiometer R_{11} is connected across the secondary winding of the filament transformer, T_1 , supplying a small a.c. voltage in series with the d.c. voltage provided by the discharging capacitor C in the grid-cathode circuit of the 6SF5 tube. The secondary winding of the filament transformer, T_1 , is connected so that at the instant that the a.c. voltage on the plate of the 6SF5 tube is positive with respect to its cathode, the voltage across the secondary winding drives the grid of the

6SF5 tube in a positive direction, and as a result the 6SF5 tube is "triggered" into conduction at the precise instant required. It is very important that the connections to the secondary winding be correct, for if they are reversed the 6SF5 tube cannot conduct because the 6SF5 grid voltage will swing negative as the plate voltage swings positive. The instantaneous polarities for a correctly connected transformer are indicated in Fig. 4. The timer will fail to function if the connections are incorrect, in which case all that is necessary to secure proper operation is to reverse the leads to the secondary winding of the filament transformer, T₁.

By referring to Fig. 2 it can be seen that eleven 470,000 ohm resistors are switched into the timing circuit by the "Time Selector" switch S₁ to provide the 11 time intervals for the three ranges. When the "Multiplying Factor" switch S₂ is set for the low range it connects a .05 μfd. capacitor in the circuit, and when set for the medium range it connects a .5 μfd. capacitor in the circuit, and when set for the long range it connects the .5 μfd. and a 2 μfd. capacitor in parallel in the timing circuit. When the "Manual-Automatic" switch S₄ is set to Manual the automatic feature of the timer is made inoperative. One pole of switch S₄ opens the cathode circuit to the 6SF5 tube and at the same time removes the charge from the timing capacitors. The other pole of switch S₄ supplies plate and screen voltage to 6V6 tube, and accordingly, relay RL₁ remains closed as long as switch S₄ is in the "Manual" position.

Calculating the RC Values

The circuit of Fig. 2 can be used to produce any desired time intervals between .1 second and 11 minutes depending on the values of resistance and capacitance in the timing circuit. The correct values for any time interval can be calculated from the relationship (1) $t = 4.32 RC$ where t is in seconds, R and C are in ohms and farads respectively. A typical example follows: Supposing it is desired to cover the range of 2 seconds to 22 seconds in 2 second intervals. Setting t equal to 2 seconds in equation (1) $RC = .463$, obviously, there are an infinite number of combinations of R and C which will yield the product .463, therefore we choose a value for C which is easily obtainable in standard capacitor sizes and solve for R . Let $C = 2 \mu\text{fd.}$, thus

$$R = \frac{.463}{2 \times 10^{-6}}$$

or 231,500 ohms approximately. Here again we must compromise on a value for R which is easily obtainable. Either a 220,000 ohm or a 250,000 ohm resistor will prove quite satisfactory. Actually the value for R is not critical because the calibration control will compensate for a wide variation in resistance values. Equation (1) is

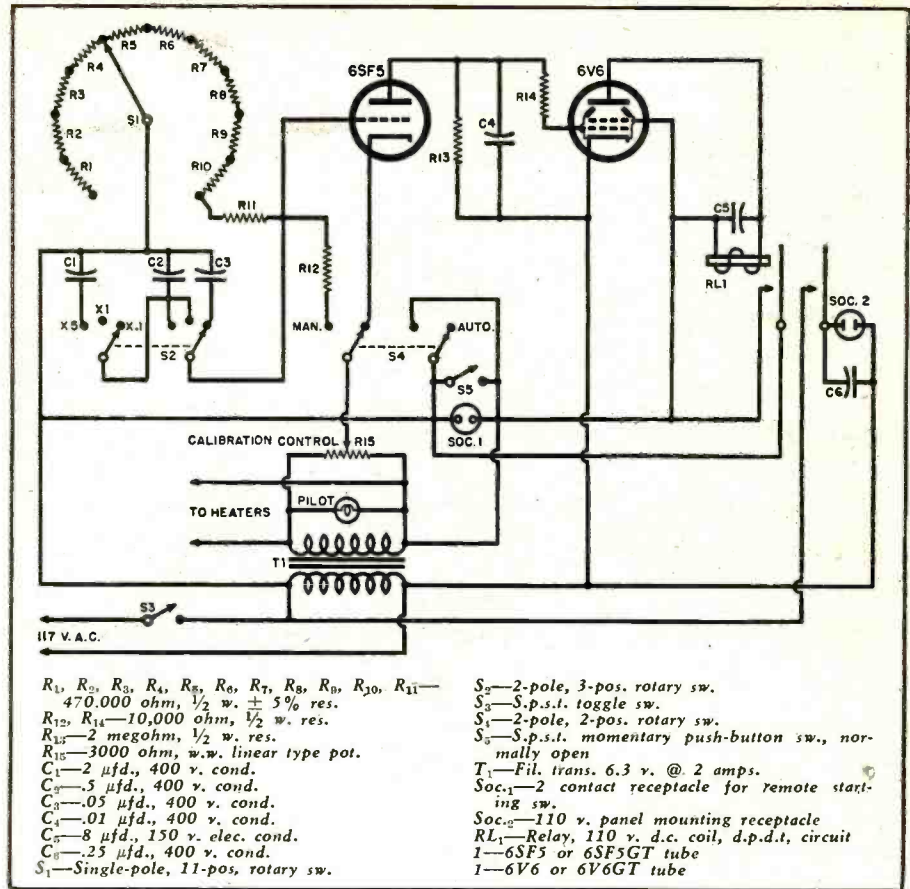


Fig. 2. Complete schematic diagram of precision electronic photo-timer.

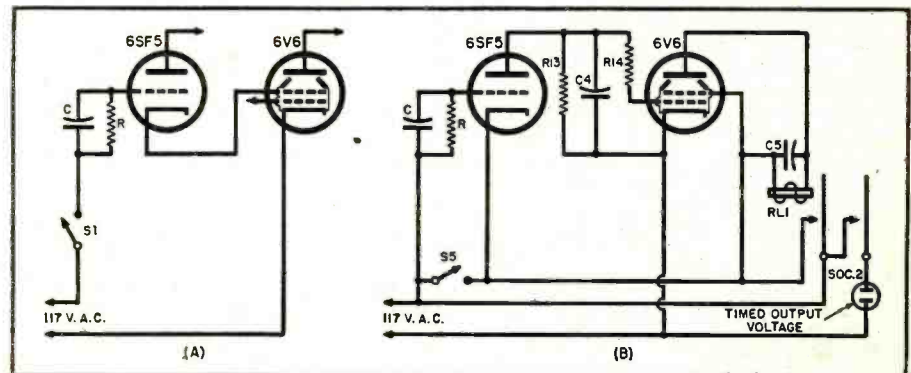
based on the calibration control set at its midpoint.

Since a 250,000 ohm resistor and a 2 μfd. capacitor will produce a 2 second interval, we have only to add 10 additional resistors in series by means of a tap switch to provide the 11 time intervals between 2 seconds and 22 seconds. The values suggested above are by no means the only values for R and C which will produce a 2 second interval. A 1 μfd. capacitor and a 470,000 ohm resistor would also work just as well. Because the time is directly proportional to the product RC , the range of 2 seconds to 22 seconds can be multiplied by any convenient factor by switching in additional capacitors whose values are an integral multiple of the value for the shortest range.

The front panel and subpanel can

be made from a single 8 inch by 10 inch metal panel by cutting the panel in two pieces, each 5 by 8 inches. One piece is used for the front panel and the other piece can be used for the subpanel by making a right angle bend along one of the 8 inch sides to form a 1½ inch lip. Two strips ½ inch wide must be cut from each end of the subpanel to allow the subpanel to clear the flanges on the front of the cabinet. These strips can be bent and used as brackets with which to secure the subpanel to the front panel. A space 1½ inches is left between the front edge of the subpanel and the front panel to provide clearance for the switches mounted on the front panel. The metal cabinet, which can be made at any tin shop, has a ⅜ inch flange turned in on all four sides of (Continued on page 156)

Fig. 3. Diagram of the capacitor charging circuit (A), and the discharging circuit (B).



A LOCAL CONTACT RIG

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Two versions of a 5-watt, single-tube ham rig that is ideally suited for 80 meter c.w. use.

FOR MANY of the 100,000 or so licensed amateur operators on the crowded ham bands these days, it is indeed fortunate that the Federal Communications Commission is like a benevolent uncle who views our misdeeds with a tolerant eye. As long as we behave ourselves and stay within our band limits we can get away with a good deal of murder. By the sound of some of the signals on the lower frequency bands, we are doing just that. Along with many other hams (and this doesn't mean just oldtimers), we think that it is time to clean up our bands if only for the purpose of enabling more operators to get more enjoyment from their hobby.

A careful scanning of, for instance, the 80 meter c.w. band on a weekday evening will reveal many conditions

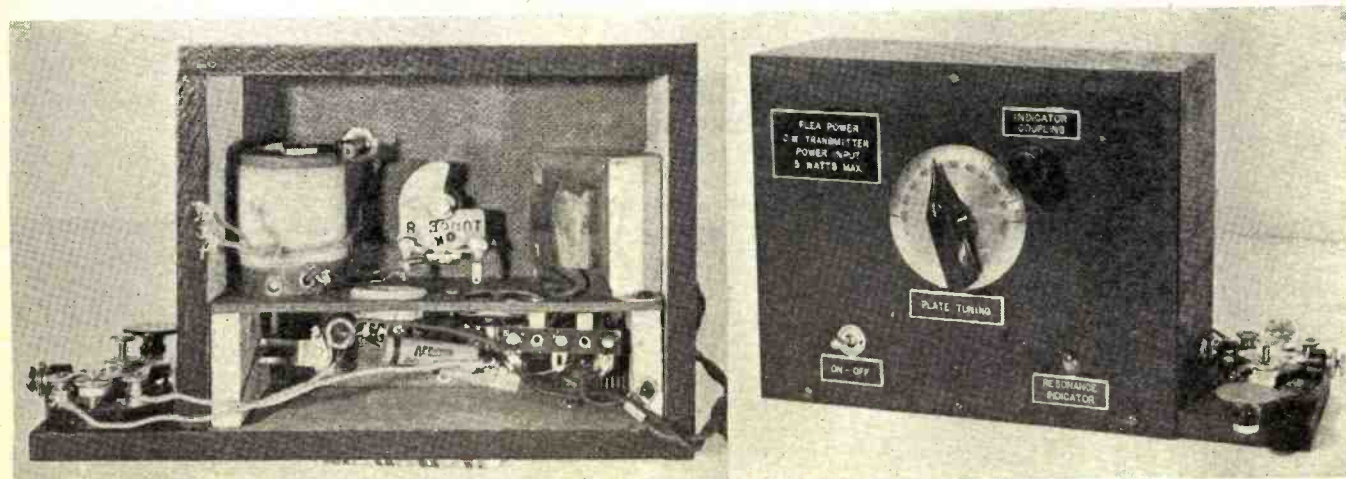
which could be improved. There are plenty of signals which could only rate a T6 or T7 if honest reports were given and there are also many chirps that are never reported. Similarly, what about the "lid" who consistently sends five dots for an H and 4's for V's. Probably these above mentioned faults will become ironed out in time, especially if the operators committing them are newcomers to the air. However, we have a "beef" that we think is justified and furthermore it is a situation that may be alleviated at least with not too much effort on the part of the offender. It will do much to make for more usable frequencies on our already crowded bands. This applies to the station that uses 200 watts or more for local contacts. How many times have you heard a swell, 599x signal pound in with key clicks

and thumps a-plenty and have said to yourself, "Boy, that sure is a local." He was, very likely. We have done this a few times and listened in to find out how much power was being used and then checked the locations of the two stations. Only too often that same QSO could have been maintained with 25 to 50 watts input instead of the 200 to 500 that was probably used.

Legally, of course, using an excess of power is outside the pale. The Communications Act, Section 324 provides, "In all circumstances, except in case of radio-communications or signals relating to vessels in distress, all radio stations . . . shall use the minimum amount of power necessary to carry out the communications desired." Penalties are provided for violation of the above in Sections 501 and 502. These, of course, apply to amateur services. There is no doubt in any of our minds that the above could be pretty well enforced if the FCC saw fit. They are tolerant, fortunately. This article is a plea for better cooperation in the use of our power capabilities. Reduce power when you are going on the air for that local ragchew. Use a variac or autotransformer in the primary of your plate supply or cut out the final and let the buffer stage take over, perhaps using a portable link to couple to the antenna. Better still, why not have a small rig just for the band that the local gang has their roundtable QSOs on.

With the aforementioned concepts in mind regarding the use of our crowded frequencies we decided to try to do something about it. Accordingly, we built up the small transmitters described. From an operational viewpoint and within their limits they have been very successful. From our home location in eastern Massachusetts we have worked into Connecticut and up to Maine with fairly good reports. The antenna was just a length of wire, end-fed, and would not load well. We have used the rigs for the Sunday morning round table and reports were S9 all around. Furthermore the key-click reports were much

Fig. 1. Two views of the home-constructed low powered rig. This unit features a low cost pilot-lamp type resonance indicator.



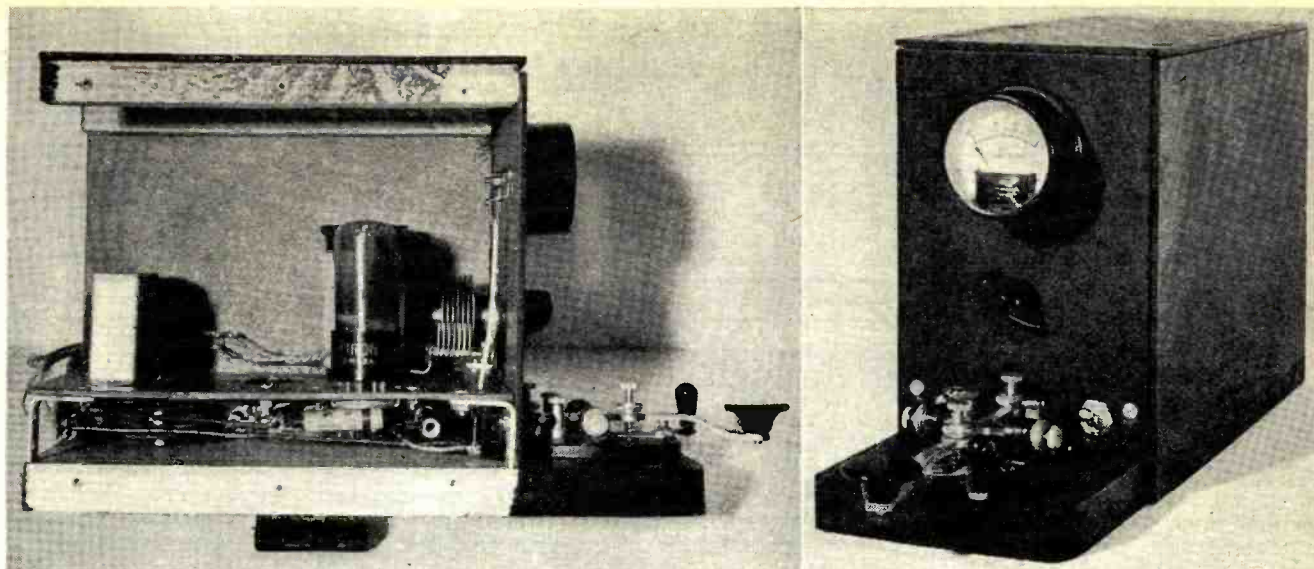


Fig. 2. With the exception of the resonance indicator, the unit shown above is identical to the rig shown in Fig. 1. A 0-100 ma. d.c. meter is used to indicate resonance in lieu of the pilot-lamp type indicator. Schematic diagram is shown in Fig. 3.

better than when using 100 watts input. This was when the rigs were just as described, using no key-click filter as is recommended. Interference was thus reduced by a sharp reduction in power. Power input was only 4.7 watts!

These rigs were intended for use only on 80 meter c.w. The only data given is for that band. They could be just as well used on some other frequencies by choice of proper values of inductance and capacity in the tuned circuits. If judicious use is made of proper operating time and the skip effect, excellent results should be had with this flea power. Boy, is the fellow on the other end surprised when you tell him that you are using 5 watts input to a 50L6!

The author thinks that when it comes to the use of power on the ham bands there is a great deal to be said. All of us in the ham fraternity realize that it is only too easy to become the victim of commercialized interests when it comes to buying more power. The United States hams have more money to spend on their hobby than probably those of any other country. Also, thanks to the manufacturers, we are able to purchase power more economically than others. For this we are duly grateful. At the same time we should not forget one of the results of this happy state of affairs. It is much easier for us to clutter up the bands. When the foreign stations are coming through there are usually so many W's calling that the foreigner cannot pull us apart. The other point that I would like to bring out is the fact that power increases do not result in better signal reports in direct proportion to the amount of money invested. On the other hand, when you reduce power, signal reports will usually stand up much better than you anticipate. This all boils down to the fact that to

raise your signal just one db. at the receiving end, requires an increase in power of approximately 26%. Or to put it another way, if you triple your power you are only going to raise the "S" meter on the other end 0.8 of an S-unit. This is assuming of course, that other conditions remain the same.¹ If you are contemplating raising your power from 100 watts to 300, does it still seem worthwhile?

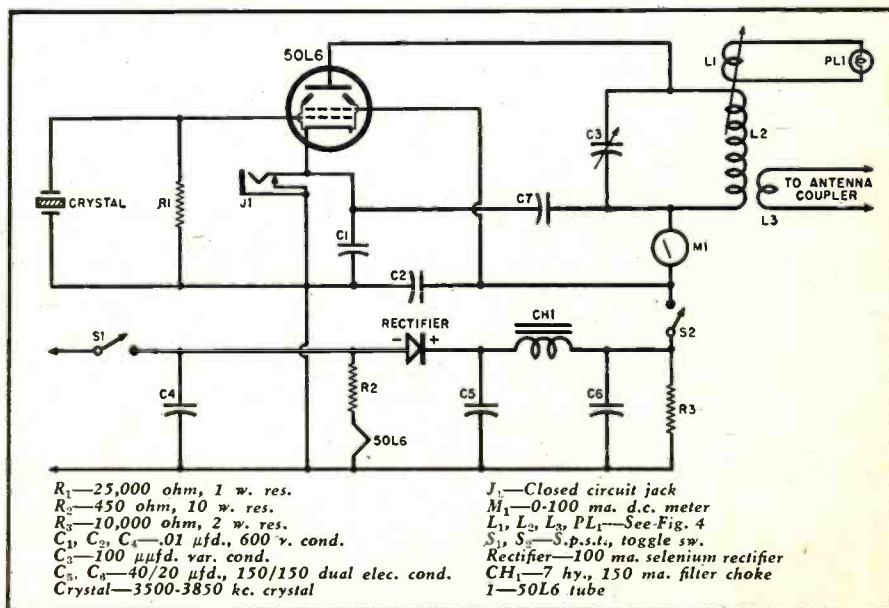
There are limits to which we can drop and still have effective results and maintain 100% QSO's. I do not say that the flea-power transmitters described herein will work out as satisfactorily as a 100 watt job will. I do maintain that there could be a great deal more discretion used when it comes to putting a lot more power on our already crowded bands.

The circuit used for both transmitters is the same, being a straight-

forward grid-plate type with some of the extras that go with high power being eliminated. They differ in the minor detail of the type of tuning indicator used. In one an inexpensive milliammeter was used for tuning up purposes and in the other a pickup loop connected to a pilot lamp was employed for the same purpose. The meter provides for better accuracy in tuning and is to be preferred. When using the alternative type with the lamp indicator it is very helpful to have a temporary meter in the plate circuit although this may be removed after adjustments have been made. Both types use a minimum of parts and the cost should be very nominal even if all components have to be purchased new. Many of the parts should be found in the average junk-box.

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Fig. 3. Schematic diagram of low power rig. If meter type resonance indicator is used assembly L₁, PL₁ can be omitted. Power input required is only 5 watts.



¹"Power Increases and their Effect." QST, Jan. 1947.

High Voltage

R.F. Power Supply

By
JOHN F. PRICE

THE high-voltage problem has slowed down many a serviceman and experimenter in his development of devices using cathode-ray tubes, such as the cathode-ray oscilloscope and television receivers. The design usually calls for a high voltage transformer and rectifier with good circuit insulation. This high voltage equipment is expensive and dangerous, and contact with voltages of the magnitudes used in these circuits is often fatal.

There has been developed in recent years a safe, economical and compact rectifier for circuits such as those mentioned above. This power unit yields the necessary high voltage but contact with this voltage is not harmful for reasons to be discussed subsequently. The principle used in this power supply is to generate high frequency, high amplitude voltage by means of an r.f. oscillator. The oscillator has its power supplied from low d.c. voltage while the high d.c. voltage is obtained by rectifying the r.f. output of the oscillator. The fre-

Analysis of an r.f. power supply, capable of producing a 1 to 50 kv.d.c. output, which is particularly applicable to cathode-ray tubes.

quency of the r.f. voltage is usually made a few hundred kilocycles in order that high circuit "Q" can be realized. The filter system is thus simplified as the resulting ripple frequency is so very high that it is easily removed. Circuits of this design have yielded from 1-50 kilovolts with very low ripple content and their use as the power units for television picture tubes have been found quite satisfactory. This power unit has proven popular with manufacturers because of the saving in space and cost which results. In addition, manufacturers have found that the inclusion of this circuit facilitates the meeting of *Underwriters'* standards with regards to insulation and safety.

A suggested design is shown in the circuit diagram "tailored" to the need of most of the readers. This design was developed by RCA and appears

in their bulletins on certain cathode-ray tubes. It uses standard parts and is not difficult to put in operation.

Referring to the diagram, the h.f. oscillator is a 6V6 tube using the well-known tickler feedback. The plate coil of the oscillator and the tickler make up the primary while the secondary is closely coupled to the primary. There are more turns of wire on the secondary than on the primary thus realizing more voltage for the rectifier. Note the rectifier is placed in the lower or ground side of the coil, eliminating the necessity for high insulation in the filament transformer.

The high voltage can be controlled by varying the tuning condenser C₁. The condenser is adjusted to give maximum voltage and then the voltage is decreased by turning the condenser to the low capacity side of the high voltage point, the operation of the oscillator being more stable when voltage changes are made in this manner.

The extremely high voltages obtained from this circuit are due to the very high circuit Q in both the primary and secondary coils. It is clear then that when a person comes in contact with the high voltage he loads the circuit and lowers the Q thus immediately dropping the voltage to a very low value.

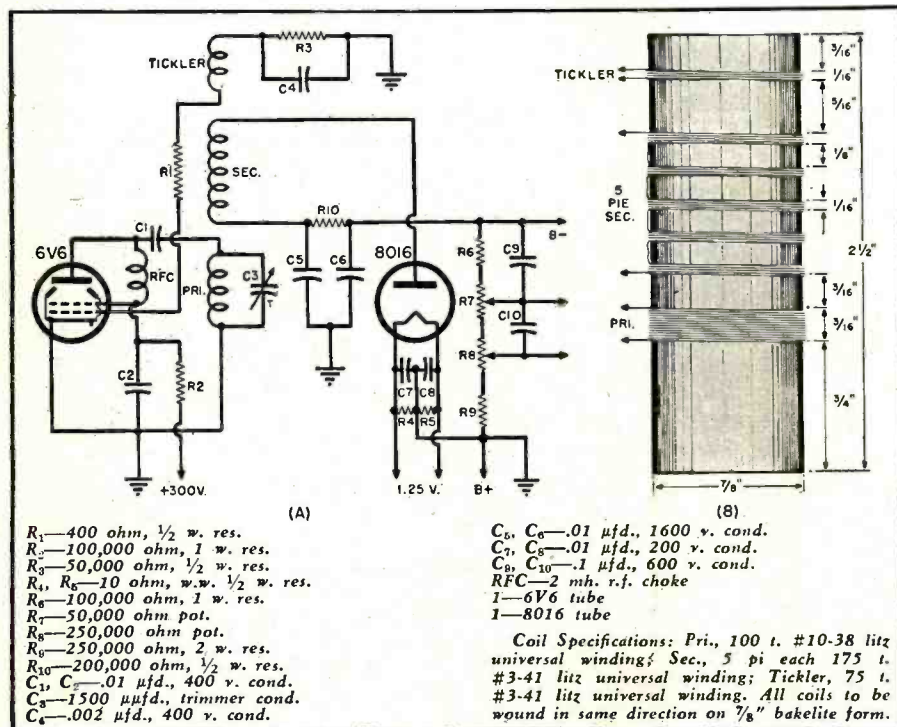
The voltage really drops almost immediately for there is some charge stored in the filter condensers, C₅ and C₆. This charge is very small however due to the low capacity (0.01 microfarad). The reason for the small capacity filter condenser is the ripple voltage varies at the r.f. rate (around 300 kilocycles) and the RC filter consisting of the 0.2 megohm resistor and the 0.01 microfarad condensers is adequate to remove this ripple.

The low voltage d.c. is in the same order of magnitude as that used in circuits involving these cathode-ray tubes, hence no additional power supply is required providing the original power supply can deliver the necessary current and voltage increase.

The efficiency of these power units is in the neighborhood of 50% over-all.

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Circuit diagram and complete coil specifications for building the r.f. power supply.



The RECORDING and REPRODUCTION of SOUND

By OLIVER READ

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Part 5. The crystal cutter; its construction, capabilities, and applications for "constant amplitude" and "constant velocity" recording.

IN ORDER to fully understand the capabilities of the crystal type cutter, it is well to first understand the difference between "constant amplitude" and "constant velocity" recording. The magnetic cutters previously described are essentially constant velocity devices. Crystal cutters, on the other hand, may be adapted for either constant amplitude recording or constant velocity recording. There are certain advantages to each method as will be explained.

One of the most serious limitations today to good quality reproduction from disc records is surface noise, also referred to as needle scratch. This not

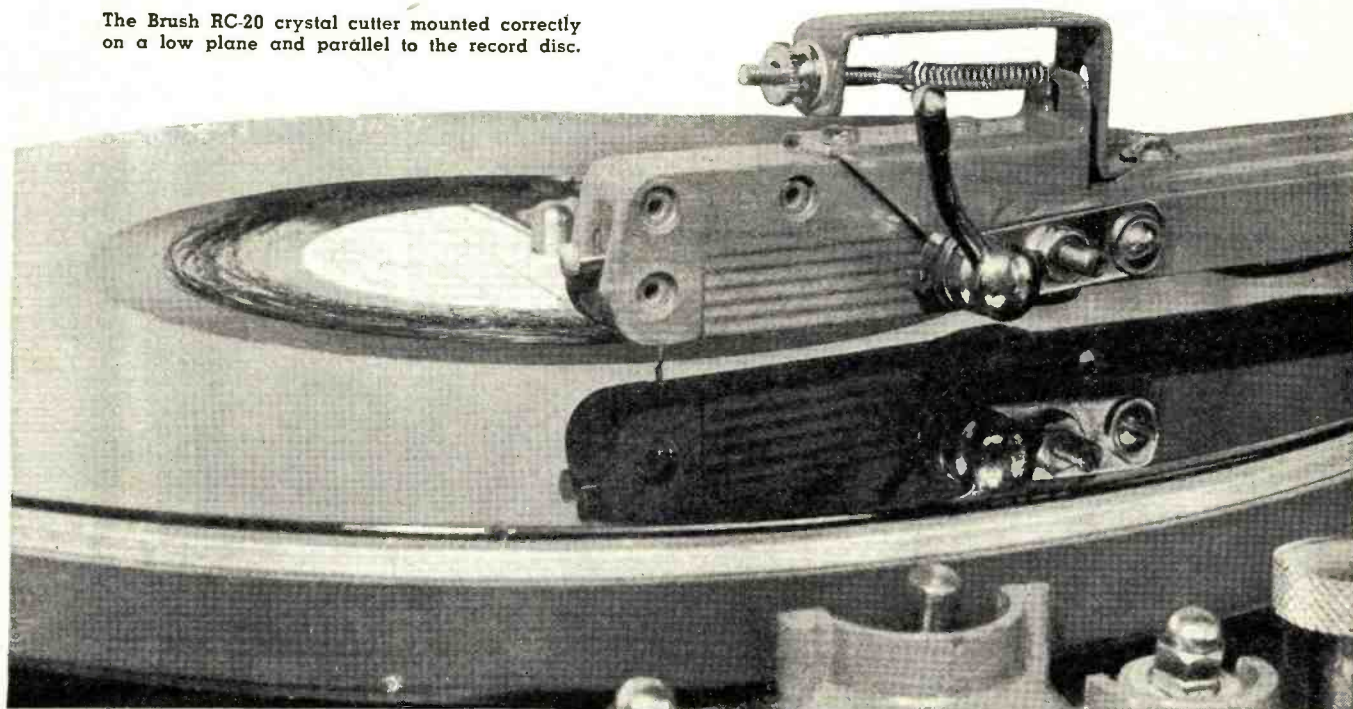
only produces an irritating effect, but has restricted the range of frequencies which could be reproduced if quieter conditions existed.

Measurements show that the noise components of disc records are definitely more pronounced in the higher frequency spectrum than in the lower regions. They are caused mainly by tiny irregularities in or on the record surface in the form of abrasives, grain, dust, dirt, etc. These irregularities, which are of random distribution, transmit scratch vibrations to the stylus of the phonograph pickup. Surface noise has been effectively reduced in some cases through the use of

scratch filters in reproducing circuits or in newer systems such as the *Scott Noise Suppressor*. This method of noise reduction has many advantages. Former methods, however, accomplished the above only with a decrease in high frequency response usually above 3000 cycles per second. This results in a so-called "mellowness," which some people prefer, but it cannot be considered good quality.

Some of the recent records made, particularly for radio transcription and sound studio use, are pressed from cellulose acetate or vinylite. Others are made by cutting directly on cellulose nitrate. The surface noise of these records is considerably reduced because of the smoothness of the material, and the fact that no abrasive has been added. These records are made under very accurately controlled manufacturing processes. Such records have provided from 15 to 20 db. improvement in signal-to-noise ratio over commercial shellac pressings. For best quality results, it is necessary to have these records reproduced with high fidelity phonograph pickups employing permanent jewelled styli of

The Brush RC-20 crystal cutter mounted correctly on a low plane and parallel to the record disc.



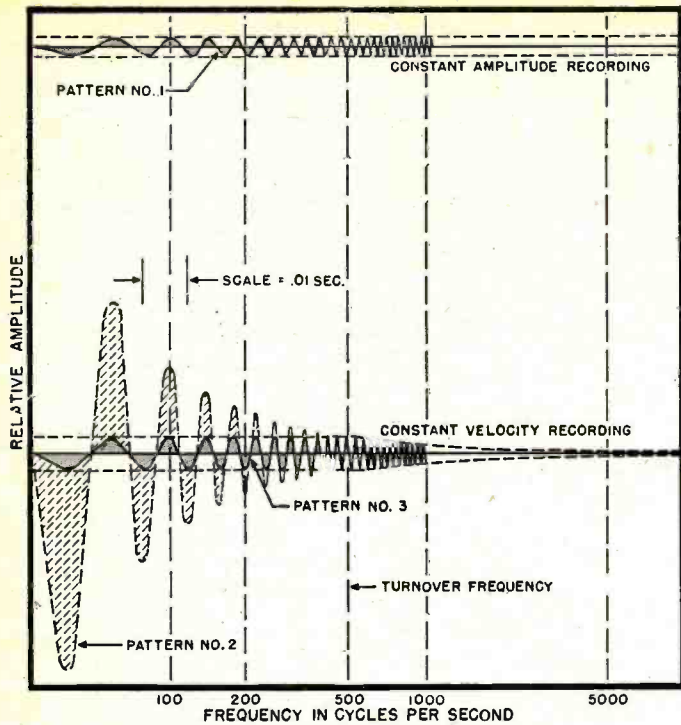


Fig. 1. Wave patterns for "constant amplitude" versus "constant velocity" recording.

optimum shape. In most cases a sapphire is used because of its smoothness and hardness.

While these quieter materials and improved methods of record manufacture contribute considerably to the reduction of surface noise it seems logical, since the noise components are more pronounced in the higher frequency spectrum, that additional noise reduction can be obtained by providing a higher signal-to-noise

of noise reduction can be accomplished effectively through "constant amplitude" recording by using crystal cutters in recording and crystal pickups in reproduction.¹ Due to the inherent characteristics of these devices, this type of noise reduction requires no equalization in either the recording or reproducing circuits. It should be pointed out, however, that this sets a new standard in cutting and does not compare with the characteristics

ratio in this range during recording. This consists of increasing the amplitude of the higher frequency undulations in the record in such a manner that they are considerably higher than those created by the tiny irregularities in or on the record surface. This, of course, takes into consideration that during final reproduction the same relationship which existed in the original sound between the high and low frequency amplitudes will be maintained.

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as found on commercial phonographs. Therefore, discs cut constant amplitude should be played back only through proper systems and are not generally interchangeable with other types of amplifiers and reproducing systems.

Before discussing the advantages of constant amplitude recording, it may be well to explain how this method differs from constant velocity recording. In constant amplitude recording², constant sound pressure for all frequencies at the microphone (assuming an over-all uniform frequency characteristic up to the cutter) is represented by the same amplitude in the undulations cut in the record. Under these conditions constant velocity recording is represented by the same vibrational velocity, that is, the amplitude of the undulations cut in the record is inversely proportional to the frequency, viz.: $\text{Amplitude} = \text{Velocity} / \text{Frequency}$, but since the velocity is constant this may be written as $\text{Amplitude} = K (\text{constant}) / \text{Frequency}$.

In Fig. 1, which represents constant amplitude recording, it will be noted that the amplitude of the groove undulations (pattern No. 1) is constant regardless of the frequency. In pattern No. 2, which represents constant velocity recording, it will be noted that the amplitude of the groove undulations decreases as the frequency increases in such a manner that a frequency of 10,000 c.p.s. has only 1/100 the amplitude of 100 c.p.s. Wave patterns are shown which represent groove undulations for both methods of recording. These wave patterns, for purposes of illustration, are shown with progressive increase in frequency.

Since this method (pattern No. 2) would necessitate excessive amplitudes at the lower frequencies to obtain sufficient amplitude at the higher frequencies for satisfactory reproduction, commercial constant velocity records are usually cut constant amplitude from the lowest frequencies up to approximately 500 c.p.s., as indicated in pattern No. 3. This frequency is usually referred to as the "turnover" frequency. This is also done to permit more grooves to be recorded without danger of crossover or echo effect.

Assuming that for average recording the amplitude for a frequency of 1000 cycles will be the same for constant velocity and constant amplitude recording, then the amplitude for a frequency of 5000 cycles for constant velocity recording will be only 1/5 the amplitude for constant amplitude recording. This, of course, takes into consideration that the cutters used in both methods of recording have a uniform characteristic, at least up to 5000 cycles per second.

It is apparent from the above that constant amplitude recording has an advantage over constant velocity re-

Fig. 2. (A) Microphone (generator) and (B) headphone (motor) action.

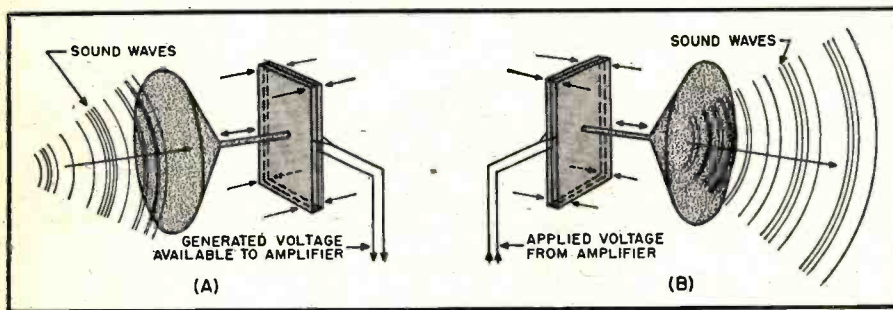
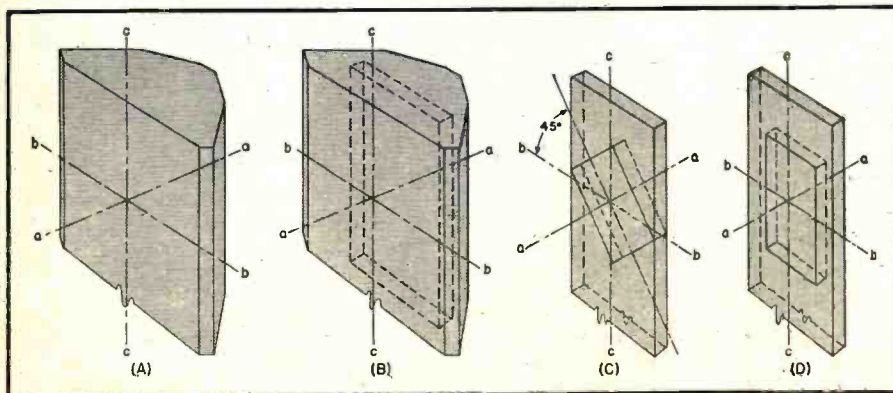


Fig. 3. Illustrating how crystals are cut to form "bender" and "twister" elements.



¹ Read, Oliver, "Build Your Own Recording Studio," Radio News, April, 1941.
² Technical Bulletin No. 291, "Brush RC-20 Cutter," Brush Development Co.

ording since the cutter automatically provides the higher amplitudes at the higher frequencies required for noise reduction during reproduction.

The crystal cutter such as the *Brush Model RC-20*, illustrated, is well suited for constant amplitude recording since its stylus displacement (amplitude) is proportional to the input voltages over its useful frequency range. Furthermore, due to the inherent stiffness of the crystal element, the amplitude and frequency response are practically unaffected by depth of cut and variations in hardness of recording materials. Considerable noise reduction also takes place in reproduction since the output voltages, as generated by the higher frequency sound undulations in the record, are considerably greater than the output voltages generated by the tiny irregularities in or on the record material. While it might appear that these higher amplitudes might interfere with the reproducing stylus tracking the grooves at these higher frequencies, this defect can be practically disregarded considering the fact that both speech and musical sounds contain much less energy for the higher frequencies than they do for the lower frequencies. Furthermore, high fidelity crystal pickups are available with low vibratory inertia and styli of small radius of curvature which are capable of tracking high frequency undulations of rather high amplitude.

It is impractical to give definite values of noise reduction resulting from constant amplitude recording since the surface noise in disc records, due to the random distribution of the surface irregularities, varies in degree and frequency spectrum. In general, constant amplitude recording has provided noise reduction of from 6 to 10 db., as compared to commercial constant velocity recording using the same type of recording materials. In subjective tests, because of the irritating nature of the surface noise, this noise reduction appears even greater.

Characteristics of Crystal Elements

Certain crystalline substances exhibit the phenomenon of piezo- (pressure) electricity, i.e., when they are stressed mechanically an electric charge is produced and, conversely, when a voltage is applied, mechanical deformation of the crystal takes place³.

In the first case, the piezoelectric crystal may be likened to a generator since it converts mechanical motion into electricity. Crystal microphones and phonograph pickups (Fig. 2A) are common examples of piezoelectric generators. In the second case, the piezoelectric crystal may be likened to a motor (Fig. 2B) since it converts electricity into mechanical motion. Crystal headphones and record cutters are good examples of the latter.

Considerable research has been done

in developing the piezoelectric crystal for use in sound and other devices.

Such crystals are of the common crystalline form of Rochelle salts (sodium potassium tartrate). These crystals possess piezoelectric properties to a greater extent than any other known material, being approximately 1000 times more active than quartz crystals. The crystals are first grown in large, clear homogeneous bars about two feet long. These bars are cut into slabs and then into the small plates used in the final crystal elements.

The properties of these crystal plates may be expressed in terms of three axes, *a*, *b*, and *c*, as shown in (A) of Fig. 3. The more common crystal plates are cut perpendicular to the *a* axis because in Rochelle salt

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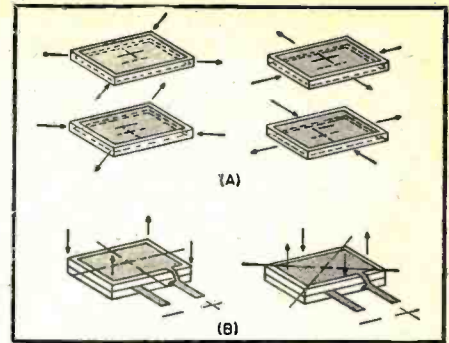


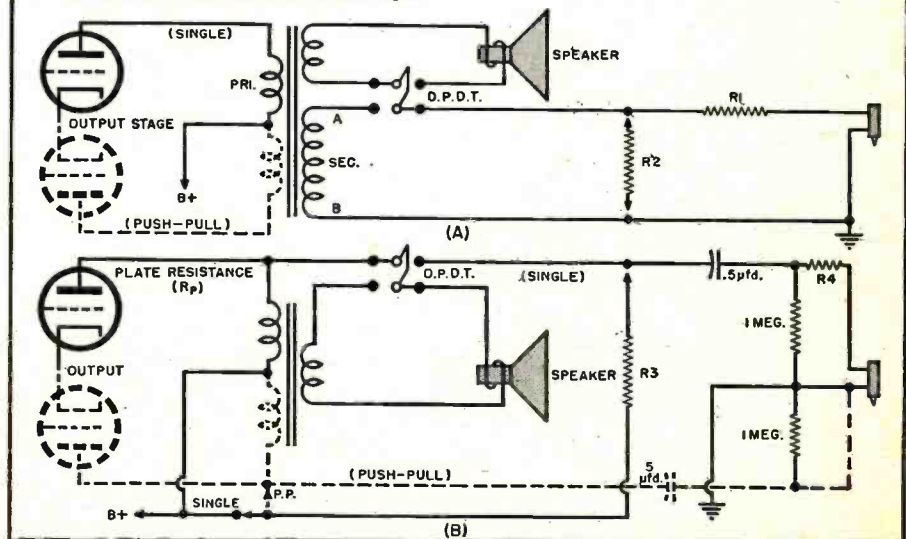
Fig. 4. (A) Single electrode plates in relative pre-assembled positions. Arrows show directions of maximum instantaneous strains for the indicated applied voltage polarity. (B) Arrows show location and direction of maximum motion of the element relative to the indicated axis.

Fig. 5. (A) Schematic diagram shows cutter connected across transformer secondary. (B) Diagram shows how cutter may be connected directly across plates of output tube. Table shown gives component values for either constant amplitude or constant velocity recording. Class "A" or "AB" single or push-pull output tubes should provide an undistorted output of at least 3 watts.

METHOD OF RECORDING	TRIODES	PENTODES OR BEAM POWER (With Stabilized Feedback)	PENTODES OR BEAM POWER (Without Stabilized Feedback)
"Constant Amplitude" (See Fig. 5A)	R _i —Omit R _o —Omit Sec.—Select transformer so that reflected impedance at A-B is not over 4000 ohms.	R _i —Omit R _o —Omit Sec.—Select transformer so that reflected plate impedance at A-B (as modified by feedback) is not over 4000 ohms.	R _i —Omit R _o —3000 to 4000 ohms. Sec.—Select transformer for load impedance at A-B of 3000 to 4000 ohms.
"Constant Amplitude" (See Fig. 5B)	R _i —Omit R _o —Omit *R _p —Not over 4000 ohms.	R _i —Omit R _o —Omit *R _p (Effective)—Not over 4000 ohms.	R _i —Recommended load impedance of vacuum tube. R _o —Omit R _p —Select vacuum tube so that recommended load impedance is not over 7000 ohms.**
Commercial "Constant Velocity" (See Fig. 5A)	R _i = 1/2 Z _T (See Fig. 7) R _o —Omit Sec.—Select transformer so that reflected plate impedance at A-B is equal to 1/2 Z _T . (See Fig. 7)	R _i = Z _T (See Fig. 7) R _o —Omit Sec.—Select transformer so that reflected plate impedance at A-B (as modified by feedback) is equal to 1/2 Z _T . (See Fig. 7)	R _i = 1/2 Z _T R _o = 1/2 Z _T (See Fig. 7) Sec.—Select transformer for load impedance at A-B equal to R _i .
Commercial "Constant Velocity" (See Fig. 5B)	R _i —Omit R _o = Z _T (See Fig. 7)	R _i —Omit R _o = Z _T (See Fig. 7)	R _i —Recommended load impedance of vacuum tube. R _o = Z _T (See Fig. 7)

*In case of push-pull, R_p equals plate resistance of both tubes.

**Provides flat response only to 3500 c.p.s.



³Technical Bulletin No. 310, Brush Development Co.

Practical TRANSFORMER DESIGN and CONSTRUCTION

Part 2. Complete details for designing and constructing your own iron core reactors.

By C. ROESCHKE

LAST month we discussed the design and construction of various types of power transformers used in the radio field. This month data relative to the proper design of filter chokes will be covered.

Iron core reactors are used primarily because they provide a smaller size unit for a given value of inductance at power or audio frequencies.

The points to consider in the design of such a choke or reactor are:

1. Magnitude of inductance (in henries) required
2. Magnitude of direct current which will flow in the coil during operation

3. Iron size required to provide unit having desired inductance

Obviously, the unit can not be designed until the amount of inductance required has been established. This is, of course, determined from the anticipated operation of the circuit in which the choke is to be used.

Similarly, the value of direct current which will be flowing in the coil depends on the circuit operation.

Fig. 9 has been worked out to be used for filter choke design calculations. The filter chokes referred to here are those used in power supplies for receivers or transmitters.

The iron size required for a given

value of inductance will depend primarily on the magnitude of the direct current involved. This is because coils which carry large currents must be wound with large size wire. To use a given number of turns of large wire, you must, of course, use a large size lamination which has enough room for the coil. Also, the iron size employed for chokes carrying high direct current must be large to avoid saturation of the core by this high current.

Fig. 13 gives the data on the lamination size required for various filter chokes and will serve as a rough guide in design work.

The following calculations show all steps in the design of a filter reactor, assuming that a choke of these specifications is required: Inductance, 5 hy; Direct current in coil 200 ma.

By consulting Fig. 13, we see that the approximate lamination size is 1½" iron so we shall try to design this unit using 1½" laminations with a stack of 1½".

Fig. 5* indicates that No. 29 wire will carry the 200 ma. direct current.

Now, let us try to use about 2500 turns of wire. We shall have to check to see if a coil of this size will fit into the 1½" iron. According to Fig. 8,* we can wind 103 turns per layer of No. 29 wire on a coil for 1½" iron, which means that 25 layers will be required for the 2500 turns. Let us calculate the size of this coil:

Tube thickness050"
25 Layers of .002" Paper050"
25 Layers of #29 Wire305"
Outside Wrapper (2 of .007 Paper)015"
		0.420"

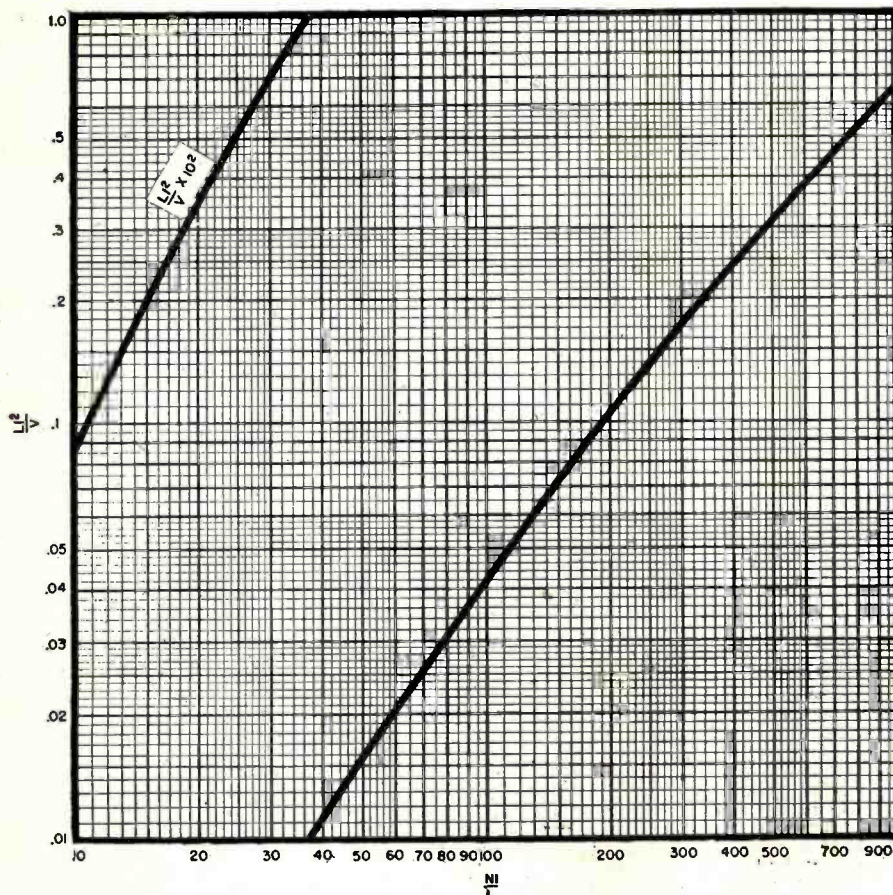
The space available in the core (dimension *F* of Fig. 1*) is 0.562. Our coil

build is $\frac{0.42}{0.562} \times 100 = 75$ per-cent

which means that the coil will fit nicely.

We do not yet know if this unit will provide the required inductance of 5 henries. Therefore, our final step is to calculate what the inductance of this unit will actually be.

Fig. 9. Simplified chart that can be used in designing filter chokes.



* Figs. so designated appeared in Part I of this article published in the June issue of Radio News.

First, we calculate NI/l where: N = number of turns in the coil; I = direct current flowing in coil (amperes); l = length of magnetic path of core in inches.

The length of the magnetic path in cores using various size laminations is shown in Fig. 11.

$$\frac{NI}{l} = \frac{2500 \times 0.2}{6.75} = \frac{500}{6.75} = 74.2$$

Here we shall employ the graph of

Fig. 9 to find $\frac{LI^2}{V}$ where: L = induc-

tance in henries; I^2 = direct current in amperes, squared; V = volume of core in cubic inches. This is the total volume of all of the core.

This graph shows that when $NI/l = 74.2$ then $LI^2/V = .0275$, approximately. By transposition in this equation we see that $L = .0275V/I^2$ and this is the formula we use to find the inductance L of our choke.

Thus:

$$L = \frac{.0275 \times 8.55}{0.2^2} = 5.87 \text{ henries}$$

This is a satisfactory design and the actually measured inductance would be within 10 or 15 per-cent of this value depending on the characteristics of the iron used.

At this time, assume that we also want a choke having an inductance of 7 henries at 200 ma. d.c. Since we have a design which gives us 5 hy. at 200 ma. we can arrive at a design for 7 hy. merely by adding more iron in the core. By juggling our formula, we can find the volume of core required for 7 henries.

Since $L = \frac{.0275V}{I^2}$ we see that

$$V = \frac{LI^2}{.0275}$$

Then $V = \frac{7 \times 0.2^2}{.0275} = \frac{7 \times .04}{.0275} = 10.2$ cubic inches (approx.)

which is the volume of core required for inductance of 7 henries. It is only necessary then to increase the number of pieces of iron in the core to make the stack dimension large enough to provide 10.2 cubic inches of volume. In this design our stack would then be about $1\frac{7}{16}$ " instead of $1\frac{1}{8}$ ".

Fig. 14 is used in the following manner to calculate what amount of wire will be required in a coil and to estimate the d.c. resistance.

A and B are inside dimensions of the winding tube.

Assume that $A = 1\frac{1}{8}$ ", $B = 1\frac{7}{16}$ " and that the coil is wound with 2500 turns of No. 29 wire. Also, assume that 25 layers were required. Then, dimension K is equal to:

- 1.125" dimension A
- .050" tube thickness
- .050" 25 layers of .002" paper
- .300" 25 layers of #29 wire

1.525"

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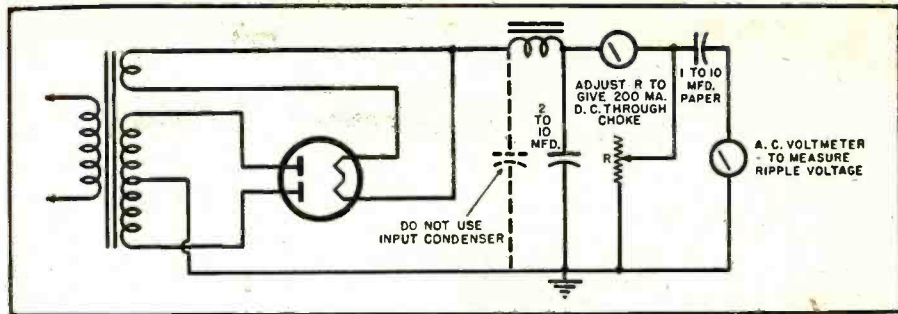


Fig. 10. Test circuit that can be used to determine proper core gap experimentally.

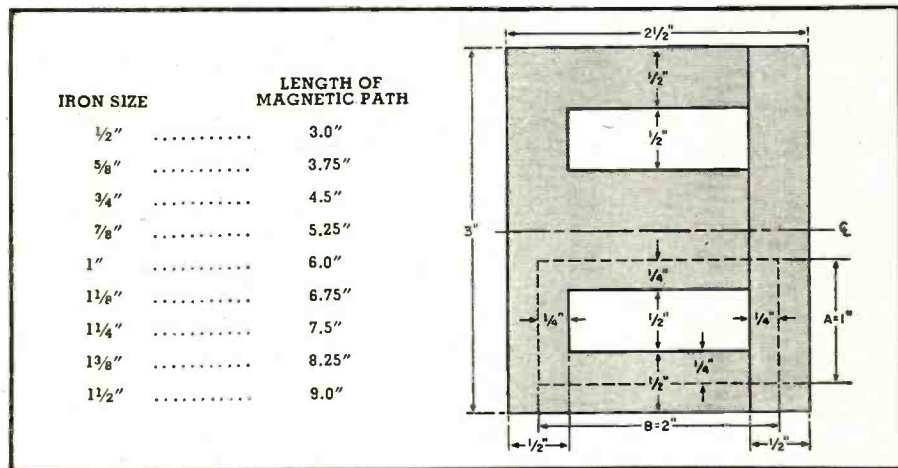
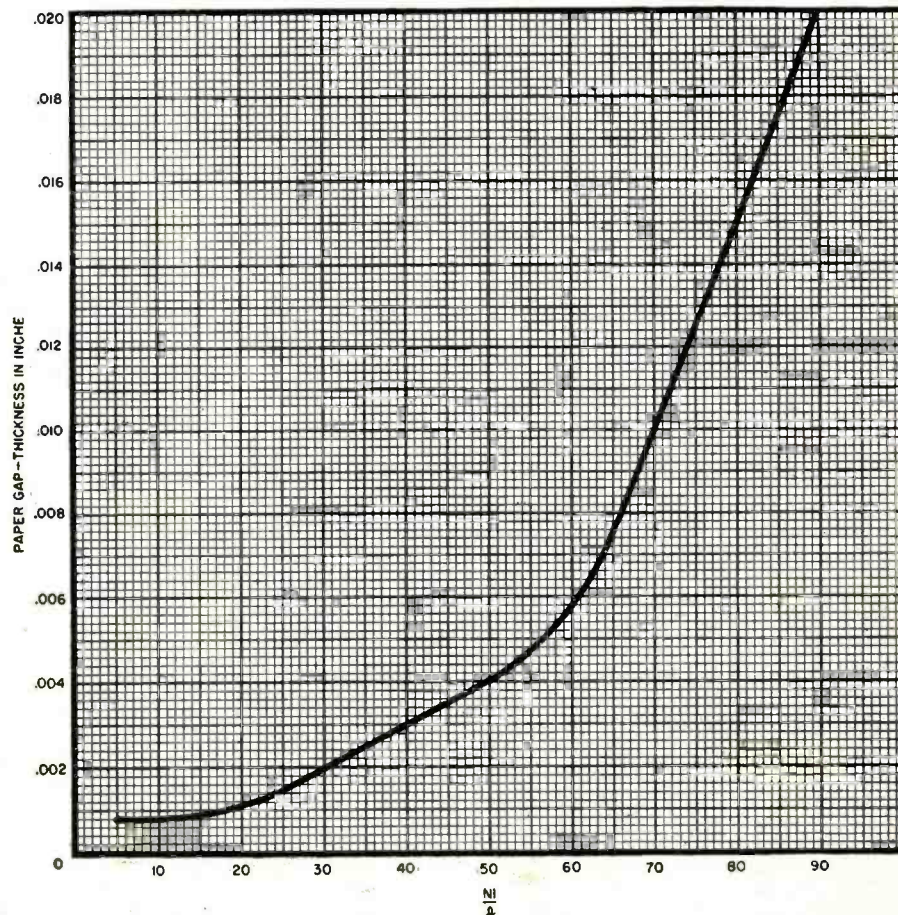


Fig. 11. Diagram shows method of measuring length of magnetic path. The dotted line is the mean path and equal to $A + A + B + B$ or, as in this case, $1 + 1 + 2 + 2$ or 6". Table gives magnetic path lengths of various standard sizes of laminations.

Fig. 12. Graph used to determine approximate thickness of gap to be placed in core.



Output Transformer Impedance Matching

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Simplified chart provides output transformer turns ratio without lengthy mathematical calculations.

TRANSFORMER impedance matching is a problem frequently encountered by the experimenter or serviceman. Usually, a transformer is obtainable which is designed by the manufacturer to do the particular job desired and it is only necessary to connect the unit as indicated to obtain entirely satisfactory results. There are occasions when such a transformer is not readily available or where the individual already has several good transformers on hand whose specifications have become lost. It is possible, especially in the case of output transformers, to use one transformer to do

a large variety of quite different jobs. The reason for this is that a transformer used to couple a tube into its load, never acts as the load itself, but only as the means for "reflecting" or translating a load of one characteristic into a load of another characteristic such that it corresponds to the optimum value for the tube being used.

Transformers reflect impedance from one circuit to another in direct relationship to their turns ratios. The turns ratio is the ratio of primary turns to secondary turns. Impedance is reflected as the square of this ratio. That is, if the turns ratio is 2 to 1 the

impedance across the primary will be reflected into the secondary as 4 to 1. When the turns ratio is 3, the impedance ratio will be 9, etc. The turns ratio of any transformer can be determined with reasonable accuracy by measuring the voltage ratio since in a perfect transformer they would be identical. The voltage ratio can be measured by placing any known a.c. voltage across one winding and measuring the resulting induced voltage across the other winding. For best results the voltmeter used for these measurements should draw little or no power, but even a very simple rectifier type a.c. voltmeter will give results that are entirely adequate for all practical purposes.

In order to determine what turns ratio is necessary to couple a given tube to a given loudspeaker voice coil, it is useful to know the formula:

$$\text{Turns Ratio} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Load Resistance of Tube}}{\text{Voice Coil Impedance}}}$$

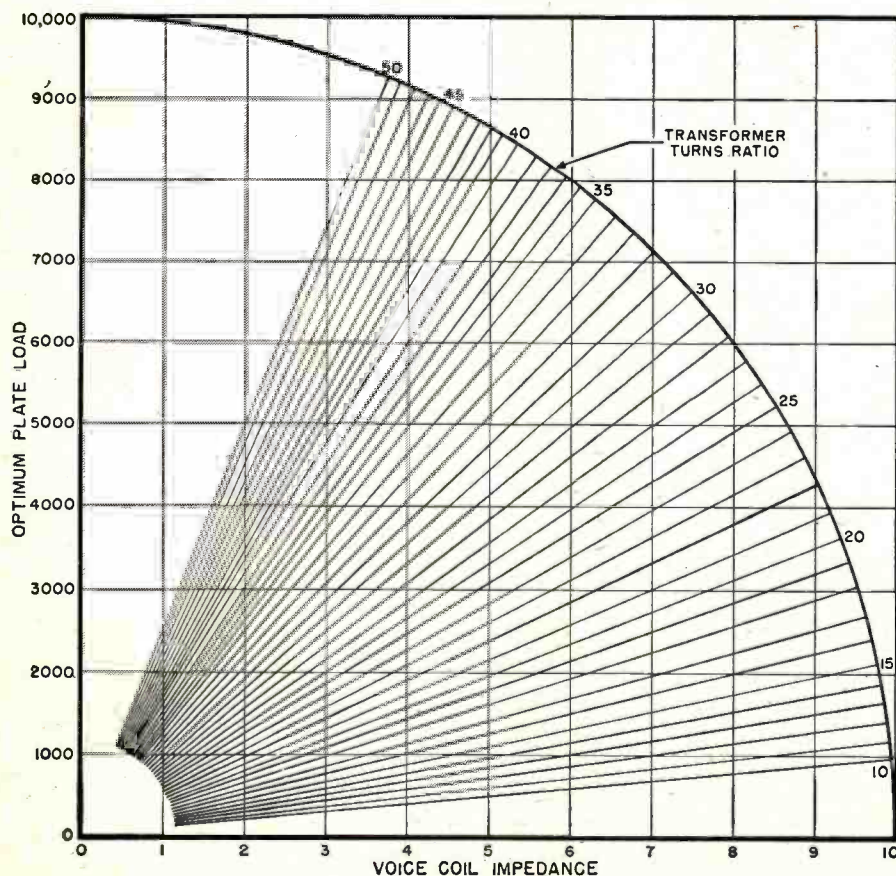
This says that the square root of the optimum load resistance of the tube, as taken from the manufacturer's specifications in a tube manual, divided by the voice coil impedance is equal to the turns ratio. For example, if it is desired to couple a 50L6 to a speaker having a voice coil impedance of 3.5 ohms, what turns ratio is required?

$$\sqrt{\frac{2000}{3.5}} = \sqrt{570} = 24 \text{ Turns ratio}$$

This same information can be obtained from the chart without the need of calculation by drawing a line through the 3.5 position on the lower reference line and continuing upward until it intersects the 2000 ohm line and then following the oblique line upwards and to the right until it intersects the outer arc. At this point the proper turns ratio can be read directly.

Through the use of this chart it becomes possible to adapt many transformers for uses other than those for which they were originally designed. A transformer originally designed for use with a 50L6 and a 3.5 ohm voice coil would have a turns ratio of 24. This same transformer could be used to match a 6V6 into an 8 ohm voice coil. Or two 3.5 ohm voice coils could be connected in series, with a small loss of power in each speaker, and used in conjunction with this same transformer and the 6V6. Output transformers usually have their voice coil windings on the outside so that it becomes very easy to remove a few turns if it is desired to raise the turns ratio. This same transformer could be changed from a turns ratio of 24 to one of 30 or 35 by removing a few turns from the outside winding. Thus, many possibilities are available to the experimenter or serviceman through the use of this simple technique. Even the multi-tap transformer can be put to more varied use by this method and in case the chart which comes with it has been lost, you can determine for yourself what the various taps can be used for.

Chart that may be used to determine turns ratio of output transformers.



A Pocket Signal GENERATOR

By
J. R. BLUNDIN

Although not intended to replace a conventional signal tracer this gadget provides an r.f.-i.f. and a.f. signal source for rapid signal tracing.

IT IS OFTEN desirable when checking a radio receiver, to get an over-all picture of the operating condition of the various stages quickly so as to roughly determine the cause of the trouble without removing the chassis from the cabinet. A quick way of doing this is to inject a signal of suitable frequency into the set and listen for continuity of signal through to the speaker to determine if there are any dead stages or not. It may not always be feasible to use a bench signal generator for this purpose inasmuch as the set may be away from the shop or installed in a car. The pocket signal generator described here is useful for this purpose and because of its extreme flexibility can be carried along on remote jobs as a signal source for r.f., i.f. or a.f. use.

Construction

This signal generator was built from a discarded flashlight and a small high frequency buzzer. The front end of the flashlight was dismantled with the lens, reflector, bulb and socket being removed. All parts were retained for future use except the lens. In this particular flashlight the bulb socket was mounted on a fiber disc and this was used to support the buzzer. Two small angle brackets were used to fasten the buzzer to the fiber ring so as to provide clearance under the buzzer to insert the base of a bulb, which was used to make electrical connections with the bulb socket.

As it was necessary to insulate the buzzer shell from the case of the flashlight, a bakelite ring was cut the same size as the fiber disc and the buzzer mounting brackets clamped between these two insulated discs. The bakelite and fiber discs are held together by two small bolts which must not touch the angle brackets. Details of

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this assembly can be seen in the photograph. Electrical connections to the buzzer were made through wires soldered in the base of a flashlight bulb from which the glass had been removed, using the bulb base as a plug, to screw into the socket under the buzzer.

As the case of the buzzer is connected to the vibrator arm contact, it is used as a suitable take-off point for connection of the output condenser. This is an .01 mica mounted on top of the buzzer case as shown in the photo. One side is connected to the mounting screw on the side of the buzzer case, the other lead is shown bent up and terminating in a short pigtail. This is connected to a tip jack mounted in the center of the reflector. The existing hole in the reflector was too large for the tip jack so a rubber grommet was used to give the assembly a cushion effect, the outside of the tip jack merely being pushed in the grommet. This allows some play when assembling. The underside of the reflector with the tip jack



An ordinary flashlight case is used to house this unique unit.

and grommet attached can be seen in the photograph of the disassembled unit. The reflector is used backwards, however, when assembled, as can be seen in the completed picture. When assembling, care must be exercised to insure that the case of the buzzer does not touch the case of the flashlight else the circuit will be completed without the use of the pushbutton and the buzzer will be "on" continually. Friction tape can be used to cover up the buzzer before inserting it in the flashlight case. The reflector should be placed over the condenser so as to make contact between the tip jack and the condenser pigtail and the retaining ring then screwed down over the whole business. Tighten the ring

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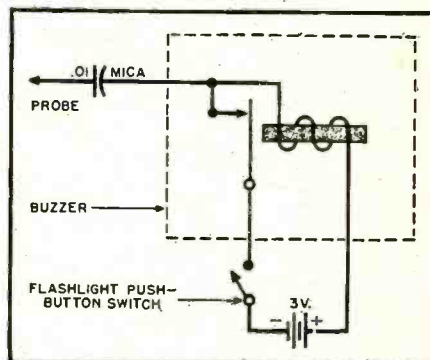
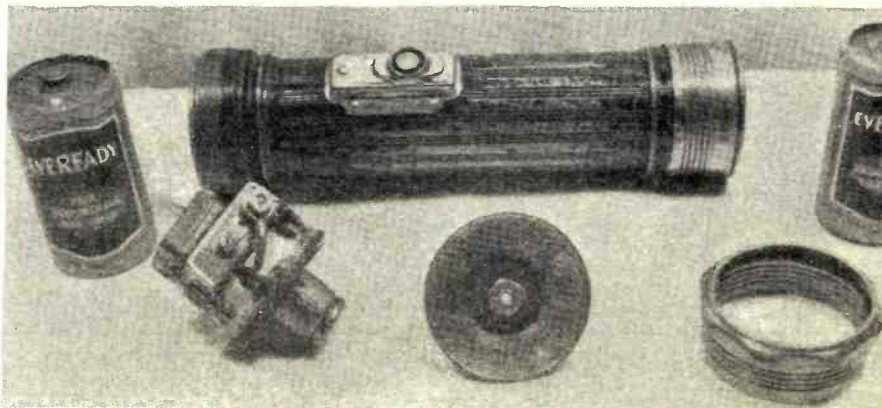


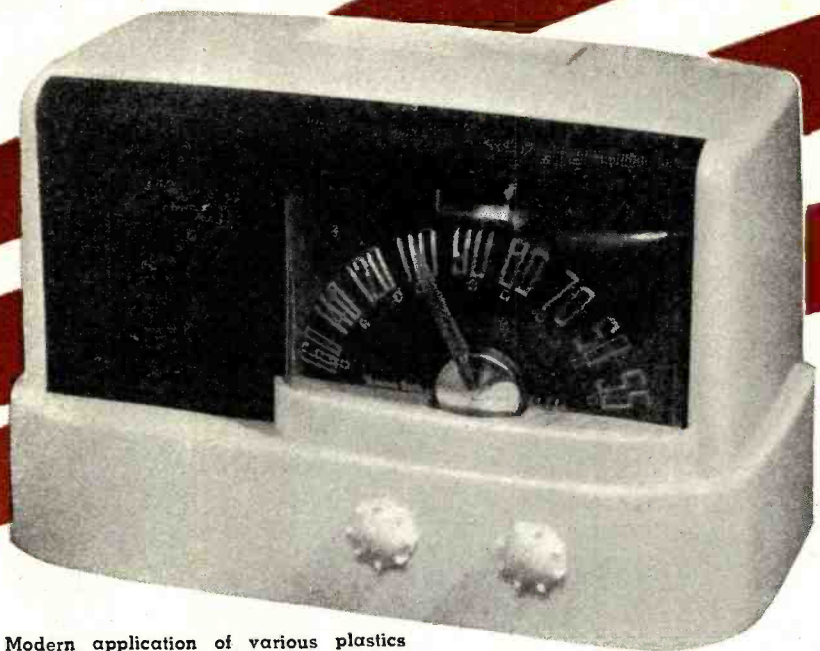
Diagram shows buzzer wiring. Any type of buzzer may be used, however, the higher its frequency of operation the more versatile will be its application.

All component parts needed to build this signal tracer are shown in this photo.



Practical RADIO COURSE

By
ALFRED A. GHIRARDI



Modern application of various plastics provides streamlined housing for this new, compact Emerson table model radio.

Part 54. A typical sound i.f. amplifier, factors that determine the number of i.f. amplifier stages needed in a superheterodyne, i.f. selectivity and band-pass response characteristics required in AM receivers.

THE intermediate-frequency amplifier is that part of a superheterodyne that lies between the frequency converter and the detector or demodulator in a AM receiver, and between the frequency converter and the limiter in a FM receiver (see Fig. 1). It is essentially a fixed-tuned amplifier which derives its input signal from the plate circuit of the frequency converter, since this is the point at which the signal first appears at intermediate frequency.

Functions of the I.F. Amplifier

The i.f. amplifier has three important duties to perform in a modern su-

perheterodyne receiver. It is required to provide:

1. Sufficient amplification of the desired-signal voltage in order to provide a satisfactory amount of gain at the intermediate frequency.
2. A suitable pass-band acceptance response characteristic that depends upon the type of receiver, so that it will amplify and pass on both the i.f. carrier and all transmitted side-band frequency components of the desired signal that are considered important for its reproduction with acceptable fidelity.
3. Sharp attenuation to below audibility of all carriers (and their side-

band frequency components) in the adjacent upper, and lower, transmitting channels, so that any adjacent-channel signals that may succeed in getting to the plate circuit of the frequency converter will be attenuated to below audibility.

4. A satisfactory place in the receiver at which to make possible the application of *automatic volume control* (a.v.c.) if desired (usually in AM amplifiers only).

Satisfactory fulfillment of requirement 1 is often closely dependent upon requirement 2.

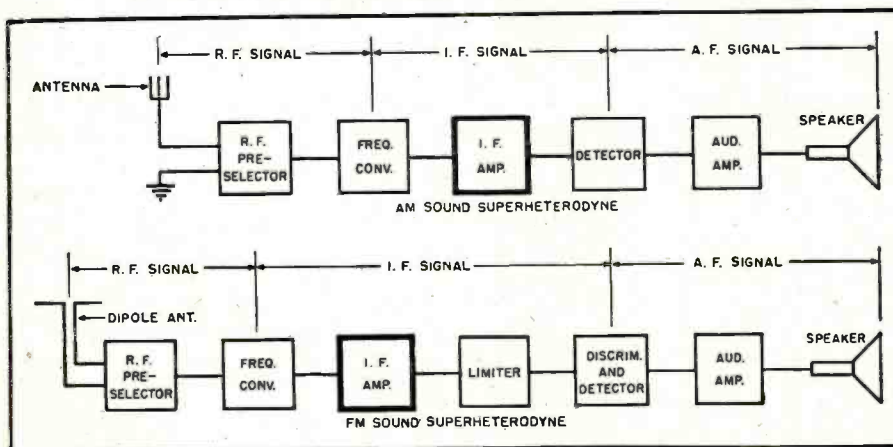
As all four of these requirements are extremely important to the successful operation of the receiver, they must be considered in the design of the i.f. amplifier. Each will be discussed in detail at an appropriate place.

Elements of a Typical I.F. Amplifier Stage

The i.f. amplifier must build up the signal voltage preparatory to its being demodulated by the detector. It should perform this amplification at the greatest practical efficiency per stage, and it should accomplish this without causing any distortion in the varying waveform of the desired signal.

Fig. 2 shows the elements of a simple transformer-coupled single-stage i.f. amplifier for an AM receiver. It contains a single high-gain r.f. pentode amplifier tube for amplification and four tuned circuits for obtaining the required selectivity and band-pass characteristics. It operates essentially like the tuned radio-frequency amplifier explained in a previous article of this series—excepting that its four tuned circuits remain adjusted to resonance at a fixed frequency—the

Fig. 1. Position of i.f. amplifier in relation to the other main units in AM and FM receivers. Type of signal in each is indicated.



intermediate frequency employed in the receiver. Consequently, the i.f. amplifier is really a special case of a radio-frequency amplifier operating at a fixed frequency.

The i.f. coupling transformer that serves here to couple the plate circuit of the frequency converter tube to the grid circuit of the i.f. amplifier tube, and the one that couples the plate circuit of the i.f. amplifier tube to the input circuit of the detector, are of a type that have been used for many years—although other types that will be explained later are now being employed in some classes of receivers. Each consists of magnetically coupled (closely) primary and secondary windings, *P* and *S* which, ordinarily, are similar. Each winding is tuned by an adjustable capacitor shunted across it. The capacitance of each of these tuning capacitors is made adjustable over a limited range such that the coil it is associated with can be tuned to resonate at the intermediate frequency employed in the amplifier. These capacitors are then left at this adjustment, unless it later becomes necessary to realign or retune the amplifier.

The effect of the two tuned, closely coupled circuits supplied by each i.f. transformer is to make it possible to provide a particular desired response characteristic (usually of bandpass type) whose mid-frequency is set at the intermediate frequency of the receiver. More about this in a later article of this series!

High-gain r.f. pentodes of the type known under the various names "super-control," "remote cut-off" and "variable-mu" are, of course, the most logical i.f. amplifier tubes to use since they have extremely low grid-to-plate capacitance for maximum circuit stability, high plate resistance for minimum loading of the tuned circuits, high μ and high transconductance for high gain. Such remote cut-off types are preferred to sharp cut-off types to prevent cross-modulation from strong local signals when the volume control is set for low sensitivity, and to permit a wide range of a.v.c. action (in AM receivers) without detuning.

Number of I.F. Stages Required

Since the tuned r.f. amplifier (pre-selector) stages ahead of the frequency converter—if any are used—and the frequency converter stage both

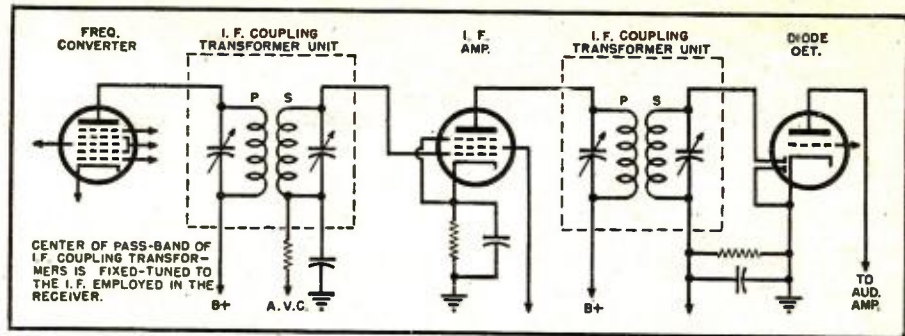


Fig. 2. Elements of typical single-stage i.f. amplifier between the frequency converter and diode detector of a conventional AM receiver.

produce comparatively little r.f. gain, the gain produced in the high-gain fixed-frequency intermediate amplifier is important, since a major portion of the over-all r.f. sensitivity of the entire receiver is dependent upon it. This is especially true in v.h.f. receivers (FM broadcast, television, etc.) since the incoming signal frequencies in these are so high.

Because the present-day practice of employing relatively inefficient minimum-size types of antennas with many classes of radio receivers makes high over-all sensitivity in these receivers necessary, it is desirable that as much gain as possible be achieved in the i.f. amplifier. The limiting factor is the equivalent grid circuit noise voltage of the frequency converter tube employed.

Despite this present-day requirement for high r.f. sensitivity, fewer stages of i.f. amplification are necessary in modern receivers than were required in the earlier days of the superheterodyne. This is due mainly to the appreciable improvements that have been made in i.f. interstage coupling transformer design and in the higher gain per stage now obtainable as a result of the development of high-gain r.f. pentode amplifier tubes that are suitable for use in i.f. amplifiers.

From the standpoint of gain and sensitivity, it is not now generally necessary to use more than a single i.f. stage when an i.f. below about 600 kc. is employed. It will be found that most modern AM broadcast band receivers (which use an i.f. in the neighborhood of 455 kc.) now employ but one i.f. stage, although it was fairly common practice to employ two i.f. stages in such receivers a few years ago. The

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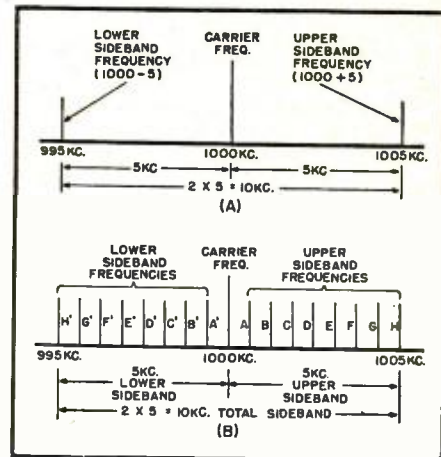


Fig. 3. Illustrating production of sideband frequencies in amplitude modulation; (A) by single modulated frequency and (B) by a number of modulated frequencies.

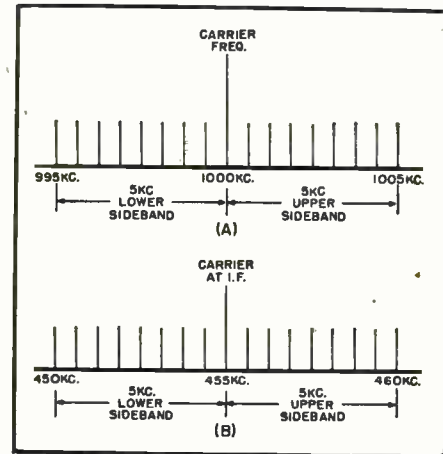
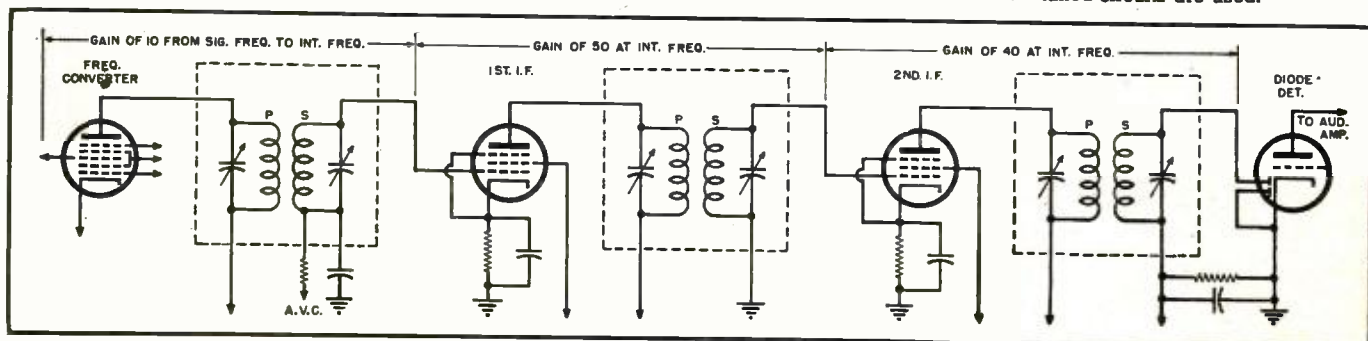


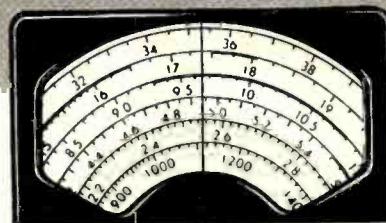
Fig. 4. Low fidelity amplitude modulated signal and its various sidebands before and after frequency conversion.

Fig. 5. Elements of two-stage transformer-coupled i.f. amplifier. Note that two i.f. tubes and six tuned circuits are used.





International SHORT-WAVE



Compiled by **KENNETH R. BOORD**

IT IS with pleasure this month that we dedicate the ISW Department to radio in Jamaica—largest and most valuable of the British West Indies. Island that figures largely in the history of the Buccaneers of the West Indies before and during the time of Sir Henry Morgan, who was once its Governor.

We are indebted to B. C. Stone, M.I.R.E., senior engineer of the Wireless Transmitting Station Branch, Stony Hill, of Cable and Wireless (West Indies) Limited, for this data.

Shortly after the outbreak of war in September, 1939, the well-known estate owner and radio amateur, John F. Grinan, presented his transmitter to the Government for use as a broadcasting station. The transmitter (now ZQI) is located at a modern private house at No. 2 Seaview Avenue in St. Andrew, Kingston, and operates on 4.7 in the afternoon and 2.3 at night.

The station gives a 4-hour daily broadcast, 1600-1730 and 1930-2200,* when this is necessary.

Through the cooperation of local firms operating public address equipment, and the Jamaica Telephone Company Limited, it has recently been arranged to occasionally give broadcasts from places other than the

studio. For instance, during the recent visit of Colonel Oliver Stanley to Jamaica, arrangements were made to broadcast his speech from the Ward Theatre. Similarly was Sir John Huggins' speech at the opening of the New House of Representatives in 1945 broadcast. During the recent visit of the Trinidad Cricket Team to the Island, the details of all the Test Matches (Trinidad versus Jamaica) were successfully broadcast from Sabina Park. Even more recently, the ceremony of Consecration of the first Suffragan Bishop of Kingston was transmitted, including a later broadcast of the Civic Reception in connection with the event.

Officials of ZQI point out that an effort is made to maintain a well-balanced schedule of programs, during which the best local talent is properly interspersed with discourses on subjects of public interest and given by Jamaica authorities. No definite plans for the future have yet been outlined, but developments in the comparatively near future are anticipated.

On the 1600-1730 transmission over 4.7, headline news is read at the beginning of the period (following a program preview), with detailed news at 1715; on the 1930-2200 period over 2.3, news is read at 2100. The news bul-

letins cover both affairs at home and abroad. In addition to news, there are cultural talks, entertainment (including BBC and AFRS transcriptions as well as programs presented by local talent), and other miscellaneous variety items.

ZQI, which has been on the air since November 17, 1939, is situated in the outskirts of Kingston, the capital. The transmitter was built locally, mostly of American-made equipment. The final stage power at present is about 1200 watts.

The station is operated by the Jamaica Government, under the management of Denis Gick, who has had considerable broadcasting experience both in Canada and the United States.

During the last two years, ZQI has branched out into "outside broadcasts" with much success; the people of Jamaica, very keen on sports, have been treated to excellent commentaries on Inter-Colonial cricket and football matches. During the cricket matches against a visiting Trinidad team last year—and in the more recent series of football matches with Trinidad—it was decided that the people of Trinidad (also ardent sports fans) should be kept informed of the progress their players were making on the field of play at Sabina Park, Kingston. As the frequency (4.7) used for the running commentaries is unsuitable for long-distance daytime transmission, ZQI could not be heard direct in Trinidad. This difficulty was overcome with the cooperation of Cable and Wireless Limited, which picked up the ZQI broadcast at their receiving point, Fairview, Kingston, and re-transmitted the program over their short-wave transmitter, VRR4 at Stony Hill. This transmitter puts out about 2.5 kw. high-frequency power on 11.595; a further transmitter, VRR5, operates on 12.050. The series of five re-broadcasts thus performed was received successfully by *Radio Redistribution Limited* in Trinidad and was distributed from Port-of-Spain for the benefit of that Colony's audience. However, not only Trinidad fans found interest in these broadcast commentaries, for favorable reports on reception of these transmissions have since come in from the United States, England, Sweden, and South Africa. In

General view of Stations VRR4 (11.595) and VRR5 (12.050), Stony Hill, Jamaica. These stations are used chiefly for relaying sports and other events from SW station ZQI, Kingston. Transmitter building is at right, quarters and storerooms may be seen in center of photo.



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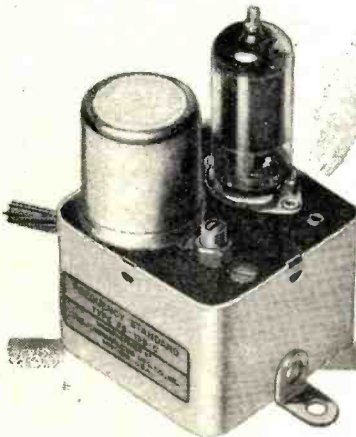
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view of the success of these re-broadcasts, it is expected that the services of VRR4 and VRR5 will be utilized more widely in future.

The Stony Hill station uses a Marconi SWB8W transmitter, with an input to the final stage of about 3.5 kw. (700 ma. at 5000 volts). Stony Hill is 1500 feet above sea level, and is located about 12 miles from Kingston.

ZQI and the VRR stations verify.

There are no medium-wave stations in Jamaica.

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Special DX Sessions

Starting June 1, *Radio Australia* began dedicating its weekly DX sessions as follows:

To British Isles and Europe at 1400 Sunday over VLA6, 11.76, VLC11, 15.21—June 1, British Short-Wave League, London; June 8, International Short-Wave League, London; June 15, Swedish Radio Club (SRK), Stockholm; June 22, Anglo-American Radio & Television Society, Uxbridge, England; June 29, Danish Short-Wave Club, Copenhagen; July 6, Daily Express Radio Club, Plymouth, Devonshire, England; July 13, Malmo DX Club, Malmo, Sweden; July 20, C. W. Club of Jakobstad, Jakobstad, Finland; July 27, Jonkoping-Huskvarna DX Club, Jonkoping, Sweden; August 3, Indian Radio Society, Karachi, India; August 10, Ceylon and South India Radio Club, Colombo, Ceylon.

To North America, Canada, South Africa, and New Zealand at 1920 Saturday over VLA5, 15.32, and VLC9, 17.84; and at 0025 Sunday over VLA5, 15.32, VLB8, 21.60, VLG6, 15.24, and VLC9, 17.84—June 1, *International Short-Wave Department, RADIO NEWS*; June 8, Universal Radio DX Club; June 15, Newark News Radio Club; June 22, National Radio Club; June 29, International Round Table; July 6, Grand National Short-Wave Listeners Club; July 13, New Zealand DX Radio Association; July 20, DX-ers of South Africa; July 27, New Zealand DX Club; August 3, Cleveland Radio Club (Lakewood, Ohio).

Radiotjänst (The Swedish Radio), Stockholm, broadcast a DX program to the Australian DX Radio Club on May 31 at 0030-0130 over SBP, 11.705, and SBT, 15.155, with repeat at 1700-1800 on the same day over SDB-2, 10.780, and SBT. A similar session was given for the Universal Radio DX Club on June 15 at 1100-1200, with repeat at 2100-2200, over SDB-2 and SBT.

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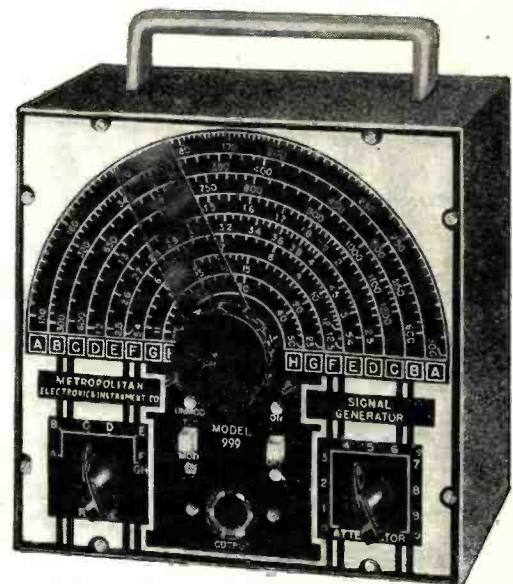
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Nadia E. Homadka, of the Prague stations, informs me that "verifications are sent in both Czech and *English*; the IRC is not required, but it is advisable to send one." Address, Prague (Praha) 12.

In response to airmail reception report, *Polskie Radio* sent letter verie by registered airmail. (*All-India Radio* did the same.) Correct address of *Polskie Radio* is Noakowskiego 20, Warsaw, Poland. (Beach)

KZPI verified by letter from Henry L. Miller, production manager, KZPI, Philippine Broadcasting Corporation, 5th Floor, Filipines Building, Manila, Philippines. The British Commonwealth Occupation Forces Station, WLKS, Kure, Japan, verifies on white card, with large red call letters. (Cushen)

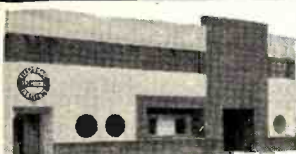
Paul Kary, Pennsylvania, this month furnishes the following verification information:

XORA, Shanghai, is extremely anxious to receive reports, and will "absolutely" verify all correct reports, by a card and letter; letter carries attractive letterhead with blue watermark of antenna tower and call letters and overprint of slogan, frequencies, and address; card also is a prize with verie data on one side, and Chinese flag and frequencies on the other; address, The Shanghai Broadcasting Station of the Central Broadcasting Administration, 7 Chung Cheng Road (Western), Shanghai, China. Reports to *Radio Wien*, Vienna, should be addressed to Osterr. Radioverkehrs A. G., Ravag, Argentinierstrasse 30A, Wien IV, Austria; verified by letter in German within two months. The "Voice of America in North Africa" is rather slow in verifying now; card took about four months; Miss Eileen Reis apparently is no longer with the station, card having been signed by an unidentified man's name; QRA is %
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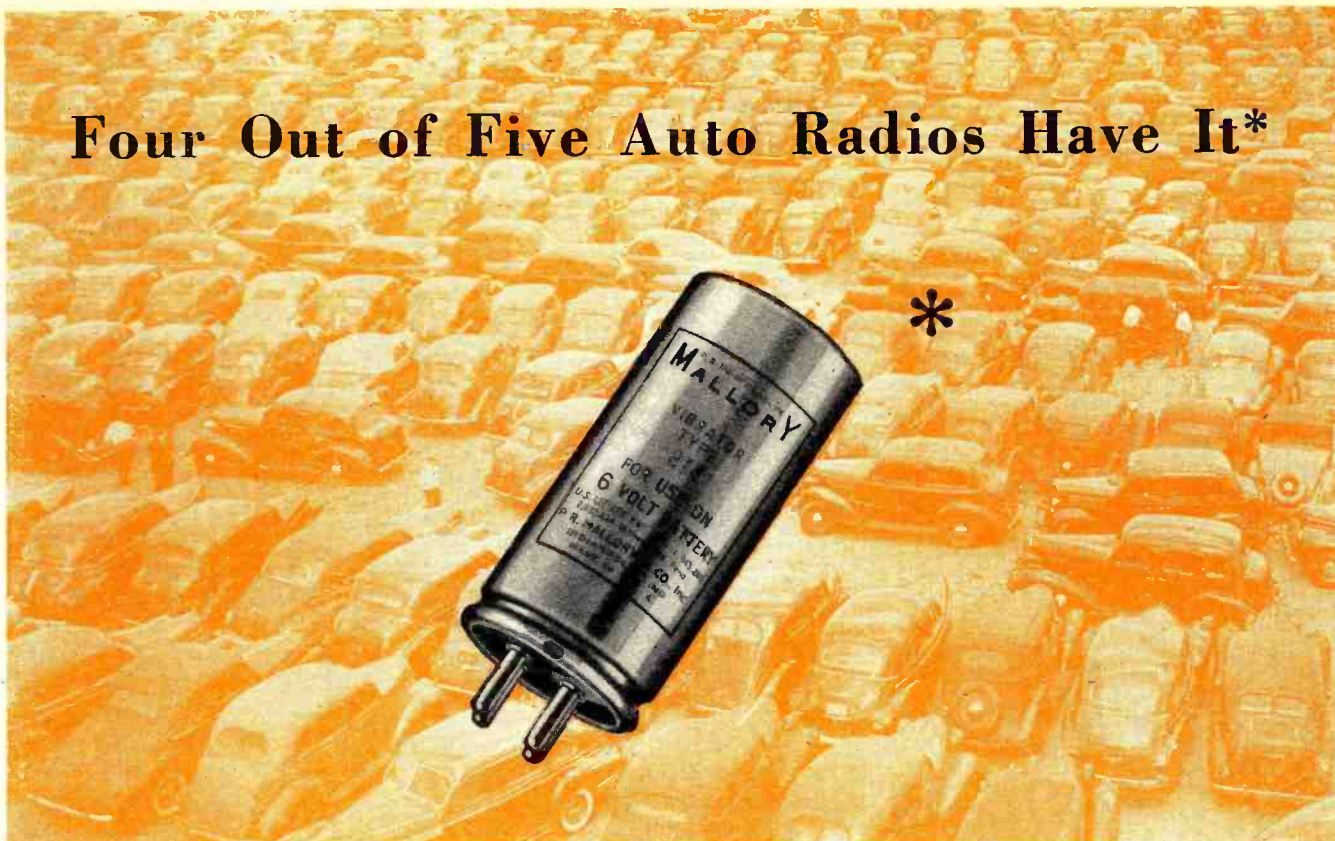
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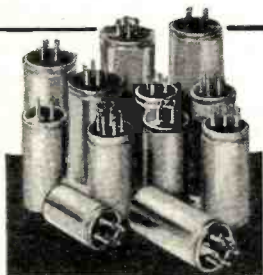
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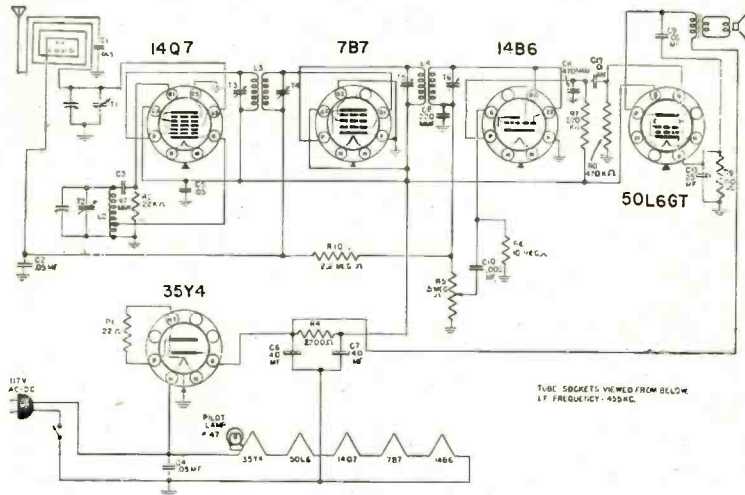


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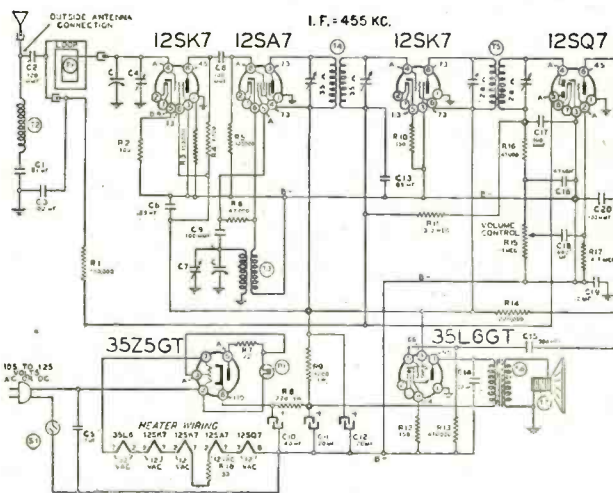
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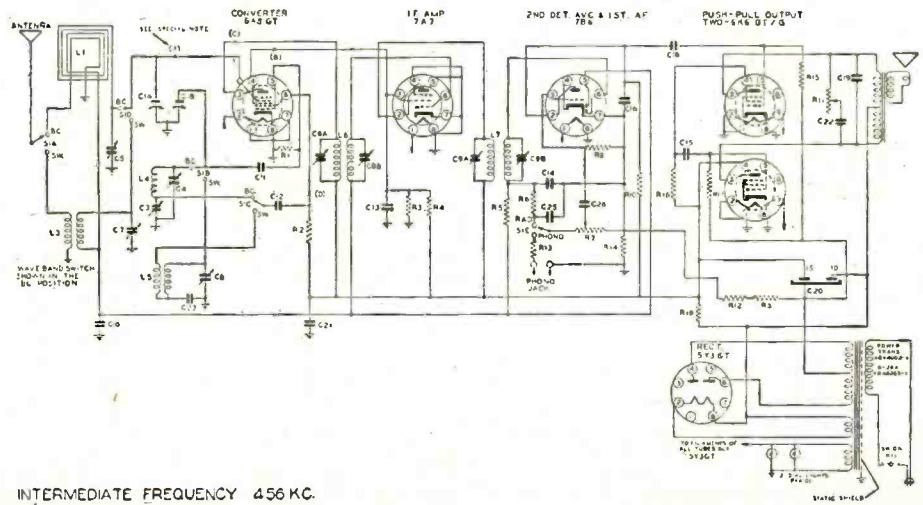
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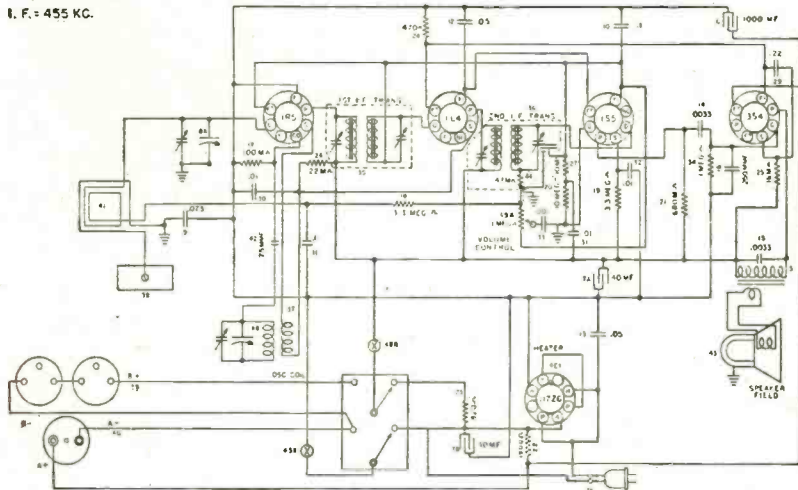


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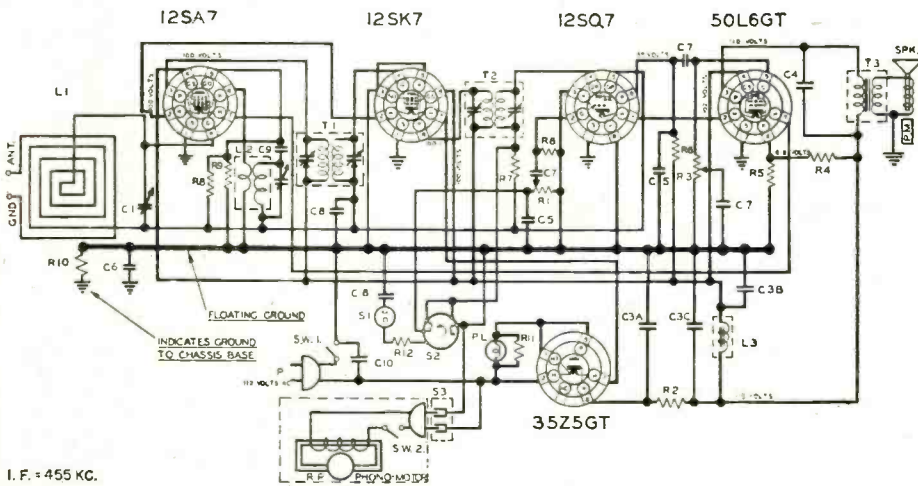
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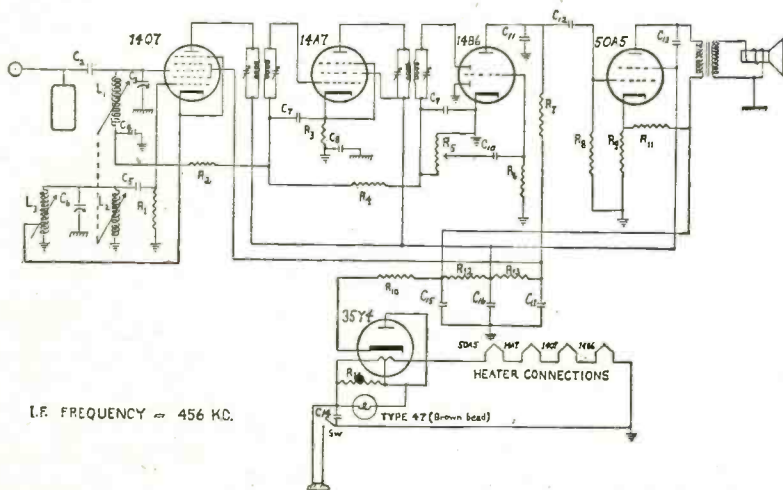
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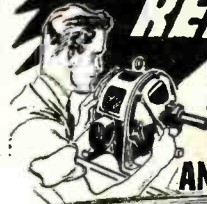


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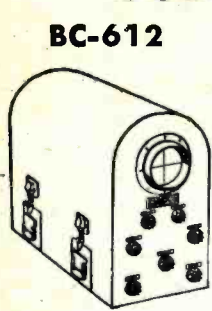
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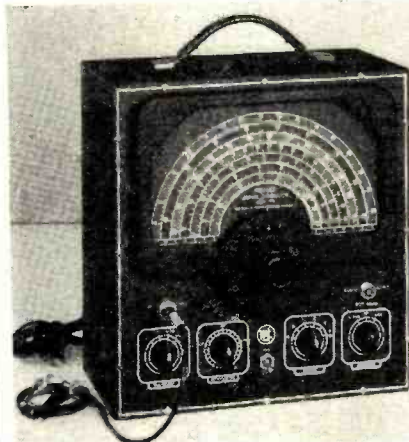
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What's New in Radio

SIGNAL GENERATOR

Premier Electronic Laboratories of New York have recently announced their new Model No. 570 precision tuning signal generator which incorporates several unique features.

One of the special features is the "Micromaster" precision dial which



contains spring-loaded split gears to eliminate backlash and provide split-cycle tuning. Frequency range of this unit is from 75 kc. to 50 mc. on fundamentals and up to 150 mc. on the third harmonic. Air trimmers are used on all bands. According to the company, calibration is accurate to .5% up to 1.6 mc. and 1% on higher frequencies.

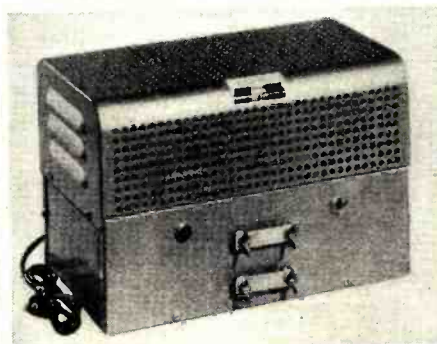
The buffer stage is modulated by an internal 400 cycle generator providing pure sine wave modulation (less than 5% distortion) as well as an audio signal for external testing purposes. The instrument can also be modulated by an external audio oscillator.

Complete details will be furnished by Premier Electronic Laboratories, 382 Lafayette Street, New York 3, New York upon request.

POWER SUPPLY UNIT

The new Model A Power Supply Unit has recently been added to the line of equipment manufactured by Electro Products Laboratories, Inc. of Chicago.

Designed especially for use by serv-



icemen who specialize in auto, marine, and aircraft radio servicing, the Model A incorporates large sized transformer, chokes, rectifiers and filter con-

densers and provides negligible hum and high instantaneous power output.

This unit consists of two 6 volt, 7.5 ampere filtered d.c. power sources which can be placed in parallel for 15 ampere continuous service or in series for 12 volt, 7.5 ampere continuous service.

The power supply unit weighs 31 pounds and operates from any 105, 115, or 125 volt, 60 cycle source.

Electro Products Laboratories, Inc., 549 West Randolph Street, Chicago 6, Illinois will supply additional details upon request.

MARINE SPEAKERS

Four types of loudspeakers which have been especially designed for the severe operational requirements of marine and railway installations have been announced by University Loudspeakers, Inc. of New York.

The four types, coded MIS, MIL, MM-2 and MM-2F, feature reflex air columns and built-in hermetically sealed driver units. The speakers are immune to dust, dirt or live steam, according to the manufacturer.

Operational details and further information on this line of speakers will



be furnished by University Loudspeakers, Inc. to those who write direct to the company at 225 Varick Street, New York, New York.

CAPACITOR ANALYZER

Solar Manufacturing Corporation of New York City has recently announced production on a new, small, lightweight capacitor analyzer.

The instrument is a revised version of the Solar Model CB with improved elements for use in humid climates. The new Solar Model CBB has an extended capacitance range to measure capacitors from 10 µfd. to 800 µfd. The unit, which has a Magic Eye tube for Wien bridge balance indication, may also be used as a line frequency resistance bridge covering a range of 50 ohms to 2 megohms. For visual

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NC-46, With Speaker	107.40	21.48	7.59
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S-40A, Receiver	89.50	17.98	6.32
SX-42, With R42 Speaker	304.50	60.90	21.52
SP-44, Panoramic Adapter	99.50	19.94	7.03
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SPC-400X, w/Speaker in Cab.	347.25	69.45	24.54
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UHF-152, Hi. Freq. Conv.	86.60	17.36	6.11
RME-84, Complete	98.70	19.74	6.97
RME-45, Complete	198.70	39.70	14.04
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652, Audio Oscillator	117.00	23.40	8.27
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785, Circuit Tester	103.59	20.79	7.32
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2432, Signal Generator	86.73	17.37	6.13
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954P, Port. Tube & Set Tester	97.22	19.46	6.87
DUMONT			
164E, 3" Oscillograph	105.00	21.00	7.42
208B, 5" Oscillograph	235.00	47.08	16.60
274, 5" Oscillograph	115.50	23.10	8.16
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audio sections; approximate values of individual resistors; and open or shorted conditions in other circuit components.

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Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 500 Fifth Avenue, New York 18, New York will supply additional data upon request.

FLOCK SPRAY KITS

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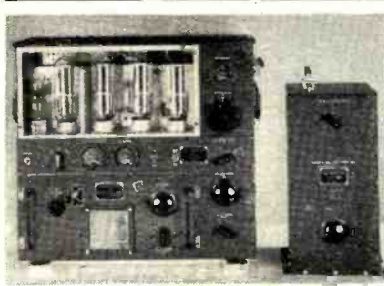
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ARMY BC 312 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVER

This receiver covers the frequency range of 1.5 MC to 18 MC in six direct reading bands. The dial, that is driven with split gears to prevent backlash, has 4500 logging divisions per band with approximately 600 divisions on the 20 and 40 meter ham bands and 1000 divisions on 80 meters. Two stages of RF before the converter in this set give it a very high signal to noise ratio and maximum sensitivity. Outstanding features of this receiver are: BFO with pitch control, send-receiver relay, jacks on the front panel for headphones and speaker output and mike and key input, all tubes are standard 6 volt types. This receiver was designed to withstand rough usage in the field and for operation from vehicles while in motion, so it is ruggedly constructed and contains a dynamotor power supply.-Your cost \$49.95. Conversion kit 110 VAC is available for \$6.50.



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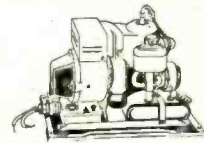
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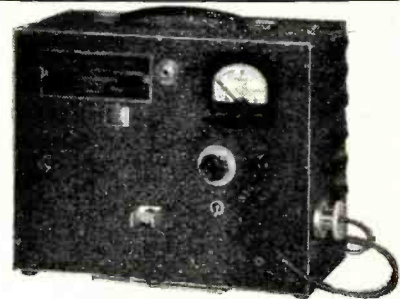
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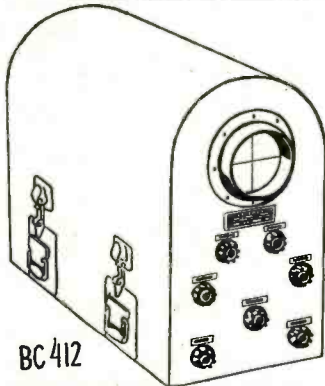
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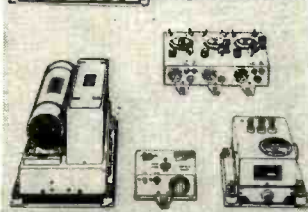
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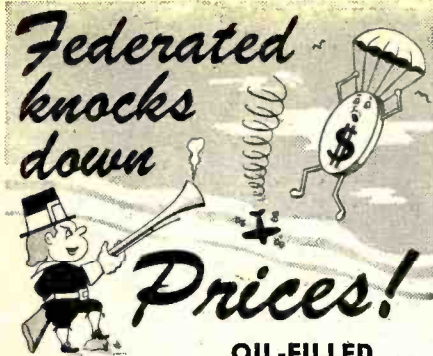
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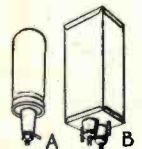
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Get away from the straight and narrow path of time-worn merchandising ideas—try out new techniques.

GEORGE M. COHAN, master playwright and producer, used to say that if you didn't have your audience guessing at the end of the first act then your show wasn't worth a plugged nickel! Cohan's judgment made him a rich man, so let's see if we can't use his formula in the radio business.

Mystery books sell big. Any witch's tale will always pull radio audiences. Mystery pictures pack movie houses. Your public loves mystery. Object lesson—give it to folks in your sales promotion. Smart merchandisers do. At the World's Fair people stood in line for an hour at the Continental Can Company booth to punch a button that would manufacture a tin bank worth a nickel! Inquiry developed the fact that two out of every four people in the line didn't even know what they were waiting for.

In direct mail or newspaper advertising a bit of mystery can help. Jack Smith, the mail order expert, once told a radio dealers' convention that over 40% of all advertising envelopes were thrown away unopened. Isn't this simply a challenge to us to put something on the envelopes that will excite enough interest to guarantee a reading?

Crime pays. At least it pays when you use it as a theme for selling goods. Mystery shows like "Suspense" and "Inner Sanctum" have huge audiences. The public is always interested in a mystery thriller. So you can easily see why it pays to put a mystery angle into your merchandise. A touch of suspense can help make your next sales contest successful. RCA reports phenomenal success with a clerks' contest based on a poker game. Clerks were given one card blind from a deck for each sale made. At the end of the week a prize was given to (a) the salesperson holding the most cards, and (b) the person holding the best poker hand. This contest can be staged to push any item or combination of items.

The Minnesota Power & Light Company based a contest on a G-Man theme—a "Search For Missing Sales," in which each salesman was given a quota of sales to find. A chart on the wall carried a string of blank footprints next to his name, and as he "captured" the missing customers, his trail of footprints was colored in

red. The first salesman to get to the end of the trail got the prize. This contest was successful because every man is at heart an amateur Hawkshaw. If you scratch the average citizen, you usually uncover a man who is—secretly—an amateur sleuth.

Fred Maytag developed a washer contest based on a "Kidnapping" theme. Salesmen received scribbled messages reading: "You have been picked to do the job. Them that squeals gets croaked!" After this mystery percolated for a few days, the men received an announcement to the effect that a campaign was being run on certain items and they were to "kidnap" as many prospects as possible. Of course, the story went on to tell that the "swag" would be divided among the men doing the best "kidnapping" job.

Quiz programs on the air show that even education can be made exciting if wrapped in the sugar coating of suspense. "Information Please," "Take It Or Leave It," and hundreds of other quiz shows attract audiences of millions weekly.

The quiz technique is good for training clerks, too. Try this "Cranjum Cracker" plan sometime. Give your men a list of 20 statements about various items in the store. Tell the men that 10 of the statements are right, 10 are wrong. You'll find that Carrie Clerk or Sammy Salesman will get a real kick out of trying to spot the answers.

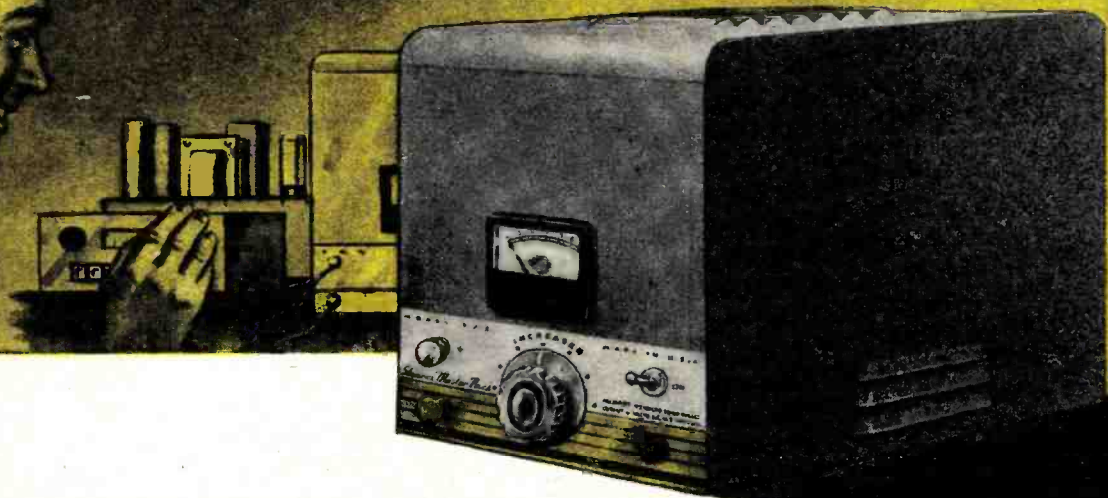
George Graf has introduced mystery to sales meetings by using a "Voice of Experience" speaking over a concealed microphone. At one point in the meeting the sales manager says that the next feature of the program is not ready, during which time a radio will be turned on. Then out of this radio comes a special sales story fed through a concealed microphone. The "Voice of Experience" introduces himself on the air and reads a letter from a clerk asking how to handle a certain difficult sales situation. The "Voice" then proceeds to answer the question. This unusual way of presenting training material will double or triple its effectiveness.

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In personal selling, too, a bit of suspense can be profitable. John Jones, when selling washers in Texas, would walk into a woman's house and ask to use the telephone. While the woman listened Paul called his office and reported the sale of a "unit" and ordered them to rush another "unit" to him at a nearby street corner. Seldom could the woman resist the temptation to ask what "unit" might be. That, of course, was Paul's invitation to make his sales pitch.

Don't Go Too Far

Mystery excursions are another expression of the public's craving for the unknown. The "New Yorker" tells about a man who lived 140 miles from Washington, drove in one morning to take a "mystery" excursion. Train went back to his home town. (Can you imagine the expression on his face, that night, when his friends asked him where the train had gone?) He was disgusted, naturally—didn't want to return to Washington, but had to get his car and drive another 140 miles back. This rather nicely illustrates a warning about mystery in general. Don't go too far in teasing your public. If your public feels cheated, you are worse off than before you started.

With mystery pulling so strongly, it is only reasonable to ask why it is not used more. Ah! That's another mystery!

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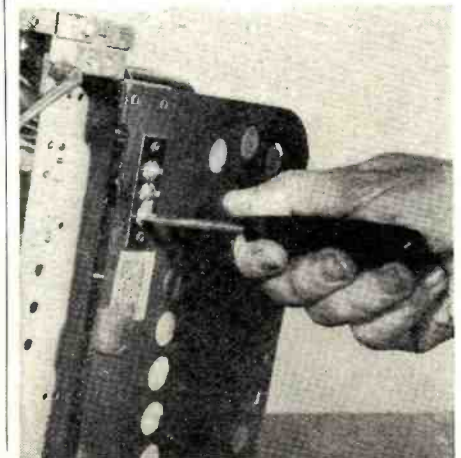
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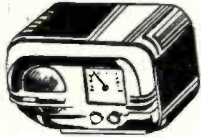
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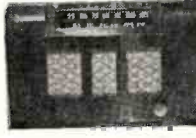
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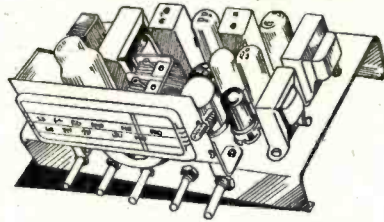
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Deluxe broadcast receiver chassis kit model AB-4. This kit is offered to those who want a good receiver to install in their cabinet. The design is of the accepted type; standard superhet. Has power transformer push-pull 6V6's output tubes; tone control; 2 gang condenser and 8 inch deluxe slide rule dial; similar in appearance to our PRK-10 kits shown above; except it has no provision for mike. Offered with a 12" 15 watt Alnico 5 PM speaker. Priced complete with diagrams, photos and tubes 6SA7, 6SK7, 6SQ7, 6SN7, 2 6V6 and 5Y3. Kit model AB-4. Net \$22.95

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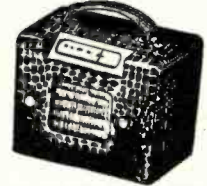
Model B-4 phono oscillator (fits under base). Dealers Net \$3.69

Scoop Phono Motor & Xtal Pickup. \$4.99



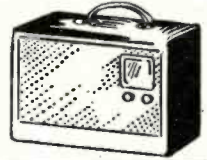
PERSONAL PORTABLE \$10.95

PERSONAL PORTABLE KIT MODEL K-PX. Small size leatherette covered case 8x6x7. Easy to build. Operates on self contained B and A batteries. Rec. Broadcast 550 to 1600 K.C. Incorporates a standard superhet circuit with AVC. Has 3 inch Alnico five PM speaker. Priced complete with batteries, pictorial diagram and tubes 1R5, 1S5, 1T4 and 3S4. Not AC DC, but straight battery operated. Has 2 gang cond. everyone should have one of these personal portables. Kit K-PX. Net \$10.95



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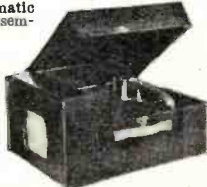
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Assemble this single record player. Only a few minutes required to mount pick up, motor and ready wired and tested amplifier. Everything furnished including tubes 12SH7, 50L6 and 35Z5. Has heavy duty Alnico V PM speaker, tone and volume controls. Has latest crystal pick up and 78 RPM phono motor. The attractive Alligator covered case is small and ruggedly constructed. (15x6 1/2 x 11). This is our leader in a portable record player. Weight 18 lbs. Kit J-20. Net \$16.95



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Kit J-24 Portable Automatic Record Player. Easily assembled in a few minutes. Has beautiful Alligator covered portable case. Latest single post record changer and ready wired and tested powerful push pull AC DC amplifier. Furnished with the latest type crystal pick up which drives the pushpull 35L6 tubes to full output with exceptional bass and treble response. Furnished with tubes Two 35L6 and 35Z5. Has full 6 1/2" Alnico V PM speaker, tone and volume controls. Kit J-24 priced complete nothing else to buy. Net \$33.95



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Only 300 of these top quality single record player kits to sell at this exceptionally low price. Has latest 78 RPM rim drive phono motor and light weight crystal pick up. Ready wired and tested 3 tube AC DC amplifier and Alnico V PM speaker. Has separate tone and volume controls. Easily assembled in a few minutes. Priced complete with tubes 12SK7, 50L6 and 35Z5. Kit Model J25. Net \$11.95



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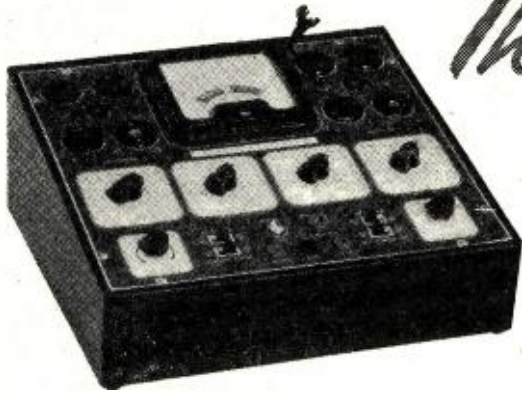
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Parts Lists

(FOR CIRCUIT DIAGRAMS APPEARING ON PAGES 70 AND 71)

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| <p>Part No.
C19753
C20060-150
C19947 or
C19752
C20070-123
C20060-151
C20060-474
C20060-225
C20060-156
C20060-223
C20060-334
C20060-681
C20060-105
C19584
A19780</p> <p>C20068
C20065-501
A19765
C20069
C20067-503
C20065-500
C20068</p> <p>C19754
A19551
AC19587-1
AC19588-1
AC19591-1
AC19586-1
AC19589-1</p> | <p>ARVIN MODEL 558
Code and Description.
R₁—Vol. control
R₂—15 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₃—Tone control & sw.</p> <p>R₄—12,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₅—150 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₆—470,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₇—2.2 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₈—15 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₉—22,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₁₀—330,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₁₁—680 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₁₂—1 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
C₁, C₂—Two-gang var. cond.
C_{3A}, C_{3B}, C_{3C}—10/20/40 μfd., 150/150/150 v. elec. cond.
C₄—0.02 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₅—0.005 μfd., 500 v. cond.
C₆—2 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₇—0.02 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C₈—0.05 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C₉—0.0005 μfd., 500 v. cond.
C₁₀—0.05 μfd., 400 v. cond.
S₁—On-off sw. on R₃
S₂—Phono-radio sw.
S₃—Phono motor socket
T₁—First i.f. coil assembly
T₂—Second i.f. coil assembly
T₃—Output trans.
L₁—Osc. coil assembly
L₂—Choke assembly</p> | <p>BR12S-106
BR12S-274
PA4400-5
CR12G-221
BR12G-474</p> <p>BR12S-150
CR12G-202
PA4200-5</p> <p>PB40403
PA4353-2
PA4353-2
PA4353-2
PA4353-2
PA4352-2
AB43500-45
AB43500-55
PC40FM-503
MC60E-510
MC60G-241
PC40GL-104
PC40GL-503
MC60G-101</p> <p>PC40GN-102
PA4300-5
PC40GM-104
PC40GM-203
PA4354-3</p> <p>PC40GK-103
AB43014-1</p> <p>AA6751-1
AA6752-1
AA6753-1
AA6800-3
AA6800-2</p> | <p>R₆—10 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₀—270,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₁—5 megohm tone control
R₁₂—220 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_{13A}, R_{13B}, R_{13C}—470,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₄—15 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₅—2000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₈—2700 ohm, 5 w. wirewound res.</p> <p>C_{1A}, C_{1B}—Var. cond.
C₂—Broadcast osc. padder
C₃—Broadcast osc. trimmer
C₄—Broadcast ant. trimmer
C₅—S.w. osc. trimmer
C₆—S.w. ant. trimmer
C_{8A}, C_{8B}—First i.f. trimmer
C_{9A}, C_{9B}—Second i.f. trimmer
C₁₀—0.5 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C₁₁—51 μfd. mica cond.
C₁₂, C₁₄—240 μfd. mica cond.
C₁₃—1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_{15A}, C_{15B}—0.5 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₁₆, C₁₇—100 μfd. mica cond.
C₁₇—Omitted
C₁₉—0.01 μfd., 1000 v. cond.
C₂₀—15/10 μfd., elec. cond.
C₂₁—1 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C₂₂—0.2 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C₂₃—2575 μfd. padder
C₂₄—Omitted
C₂₆—0.1 μfd., 200 v. cond.
L₁—Broadcast ant. loop
L₂—Omitted
L₃—S.w. ant. coil
L₄—Broadcast osc. coil
L₅—S.w. osc. coil
L₆—First i.f. coil
L₇—Second i.f. coil</p> |
| <p>Part No.
B-135878
B-135459
B-135555</p> <p>AB-136366
39001-17
39001-19
39001-76
39001-73
39294-25
39294-34
39294-37
39294-30
W-132502
39014-24
39294-11
39014-40
39294-21
39294-19
C-132300-3
39001-87
39001-13</p> <p>39001-7
39294-31
AW-135774
AW-135769
AW-134620
B-226638-54</p> <p>Part of 36
B-135353</p> | <p>CROSLY MODELS 56PA, 56PB
Code and Description.
5—Output trans.
6—1000 μfd., 10 v. elec. cond.
7A, 7B—40/40 μfd., 100/150 v. elec. cond.</p> <p>8A, 8B—Two section var. cond.
9, 12, 13—0.5 μfd., 600 v. cond.
10, 11—1 μfd., 600 v. cond.
14, 15—0.03 μfd., 600 v. cond.
16—250 μfd., 600 v. cond.
17—100,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
18, 19—3.3 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
20—10 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
21—680,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
22—1900 ohm, 5 w. res.
23—820 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
24—470 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
25—18,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
26—22,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
27—10,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
28—Cable and power plug
29—25 μfd., 600 v. cond.
30, 31, 32—0.1 μfd., 600 v. cond.
33—0.01 μfd., 600 v. cond.
34—1 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
35—First i.f. trans.
36—Second i.f. trans.
37—Osc. coil
42—75 μfd., 500 v. ceramic cond.</p> <p>44—47,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
45A, 45B—1 megohm vol. control & sw.</p> | <p>AA6751-1
AA6752-1
AA6753-1
AA6800-3
AA6800-2</p> | <p>AIR KING MODEL 4607A
Code and Description
R₁—22 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂—22,000 ohm, 2 w. res.
R₃—2200 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₄—Vol. control & sw.
R₅—10 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₆—270,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₇—470,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₁₀—150 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₁₁—2.2 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
C₁—0.005 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₂, C₄, C₅, C₆—0.5 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₃—47 μfd. mica cond.
C_{6A}, C₇, C₁₃—40/40/25 μfd., 150/150/25 v. elec. cond.
C₈—220 μfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C₁₀—0.02 μfd., 400 v. mica cond.
C₁₁—470 μfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C₁₂—0.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
L₁—Loop antenna
L₂—Osc. coil
L₃—First i.f. trans.
L₄—Second i.f. trans.</p> |
| <p>Part No.
C-9B1-26
C-9B1-50
C-9B1-70
C-9B1-25
C-9B1-82
C-9B1-42
C-9B2-54
C-9B2-63
C-9B1-52
C-9B1-34
C-9B1-29
C-9B1-27
101193</p> <p>C-9B1-23
C-9B1-35
C-9B2-44
B-8A-10211</p> <p>C-8D-10761
C-8F3-114</p> <p>C-8D-10774
C-8D-10760
C-8D-10775
C-8F3-8</p> <p>11994</p> <p>11995</p> <p>C-8D-10770
C-8D-10788</p> | <p>CORONET MODEL C-2
Code and Description
R₁—20,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₂, R₇, R₈—470,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₃—33 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₄, R₅—3.3 megohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₆—500,000 ohm, 1/4 w. res.
R₉, R₁₄—170 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₀—22 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₁—18,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₁₂—670 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₃—1000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
C₁—Omitted
C_{2A}, C_{2B}, C_{2C}—50 μfd. cond.
C₃, C₇, C₁₄—0.5 μfd., cond.
C₈—550 μfd. cond.
C₉—25 μfd. cond.
C₁₀, C₁₁—250 μfd. cond.
C₁₀—0.04 μfd. cond.
C₁₂, C₁₅—0.2 μfd. cond.
C₁₃, C₁₆—20 μfd. cond.
C₁₇—30 μfd. cond.
L₁—Tuning coil
L₂—Osc. coil
L₃—Padder coil</p> | <p>BELMONT MODEL 6D120
Code and Description
R_{1A}, R_{1B}—150,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂—100 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₄—4700 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₅—100,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₆—47,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₇—22 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₈—220 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₉—1200 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_{10A}, R_{10B}—150 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₁—3.3 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₂—470,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₃—220,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R_{15A}, S₁—1 megohm vol. control & sw.
R₁₆—47,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₇—4.7 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₁₈—33 ohm, 1 w. res.
C, C₁, C₂—Two gang cond. with osc. & ant. trimmers
C₃—0.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₄—120 μfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C₅, C₁₄—0.2 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₆—1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C₇—25 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C₈, C₉, C₁₇, C₂₀—100 μfd., 500 v. cond.
C₁₀, C₁₁, C₁₂—40/20/20 μfd., 150/150/150 v. elec. cond. (for 60 cycles)
C₁₃, C₁₅, C₁₆—60/40/40 μfd., 150/150/150 v. elec. cond. (for 25 cycles)
C₁₃—0.5 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C₁₅—0.04 μfd., 600 v. cond.</p> | |
| <p>Part No.
BR12G-513
BR12G-223
CR12G-473
DR12G-223
BR12S-335
PA4402-1
BR12S-101</p> | <p>SPARTON MODELS 6-26, 6-26PA
Code and Description
R₁—51,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₂—22,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₃—47,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R₄—22,000 ohm, 2 w. res.
R₅—3.3 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
R₆—5 megohm vol. control
R₈—100 ohm, 1/2 w. res.</p> | <p>C-8D-10770
C-8D-10788</p> | |



The New Model 60-T TUBE and SET TESTER

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Tests all tubes including the new post-war miniature lactals such as the 12AT6, 12AU6, 35W4, 50B5, 117Z3, etc. • Tests by the well-established emission method for tube quality, directly read on the scale of the meter • Tests shorts and leakages up to 3 Megohms in all tubes • Tests leakages and shorts of any one element against all elements in all tubes • Tests both plates in rectifiers • Tests individual sections such as diodes, triodes, pentodes, etc., in multi-purpose tubes.

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- 6 A.C. Voltage Ranges:
0 to 15/30/150/300/1,500/3,000 Volts
- 4 D.C. Current Ranges:
0 to 1.5/15/150 Ma. 0 to 1.5 Amps.
- Low Resistance Range:
0 to 2,000 Ohms
(1st division is 1/10th of an ohm.)
- 2 Medium Resistance Ranges:
0 to 20,000/200,000 Ohms
- High Resistance Range: 0 to 20 Megohms
- 3 Decibel Ranges:
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THE NEW MODEL B-45

SIGNAL GENERATOR

Complete, ready to operate. . . . \$27⁷⁵

Self-modulated — provides a highly stable signal. RF frequencies from 150 Kc. to 12.5 Mc. on Fundamentals and from 11 Mc. to 50 Mc. on Harmonics.

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Model B-45 uses a beautifully processed dualtone front panel. Comes housed in a heavy-gauge crystalline steel cabinet complete with shielded test lead, self-contained batteries and instructions.



THE NEW MODEL 670

SUPER METER \$28⁴⁰

A Combination VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER plus CAPACITY REACTANCE, INDUCTANCE and DECIBEL MEASUREMENTS

D.C. VOLTS: 0 to 7.5/15/75/150/750/1500/7500.
A.C. VOLTS: 0 to 15/30/150/300/1500/3000 Volts.
OUTPUT VOLTS: 0 to 15/30/150/300/1500/3000.
D.C. CURRENT: 0 to 1.5/15/150 Ma.; 0 to 1.5 Amps.

RESISTANCE: 0 to 500/100,000 ohms 0 to 10 Megohms.
CAPACITY: .001 to .2 Mfd., .1 to 4 Mfd. (Quality test for electrolytics).
REACTANCE: 700 to 27,000 Ohms; 13,000 Ohms to 3 Megohms.
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Simple to operate . . . because signal intensity readings are indicated *directly on the meter!*

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- ★ Provision is made for insertion of phones.

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R.F. Power Supply

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The circuit shown is for operation of a cathode-ray tube hence the bleeder connection to potentiometers for the focus and intensity controls. This power unit has another important industrial application that has not been mentioned, namely, a means for testing high voltage condensers. The high voltage condenser can be tested by connecting it in series with a suitable resistor (so as not to load the circuit) across the high voltage. This method is safe and the operator cannot be hurt due to carelessness.

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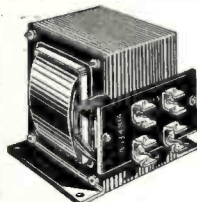
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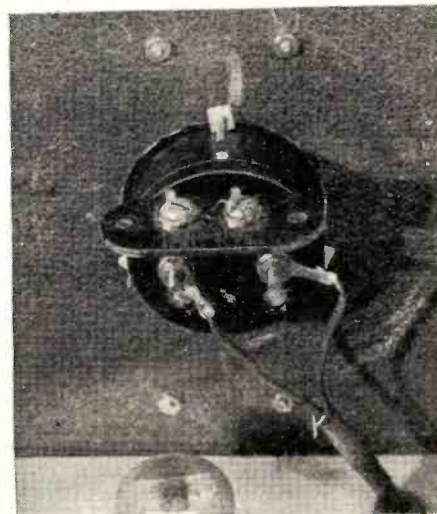
ax tank circuit to the particular antenna used, which goes without saying, must be a proper one for this band.

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150 Watt Transmitter

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It may be interesting to pass along an experiment carried out with a *Bliley* AX-2 crystal. The crystal was being used to double to 14,175 kc. (which used to be a good frequency). After the 'phone QRM became R9, however, it became desirable to QSY. The crystal was removed from its holder and coated on both sides with India ink.

The excess was blotted off with a single thickness of Scot-towel. After the ink was allowed to dry for a few minutes, the blank was polished by rubbing across the Scot-towel and re-assembled. It was found possible to drop the crystal frequency out of the

low end of the band! The blank was polished until only a discoloration remained, and the operating frequency was still 50 kc. lower! It seemed strange that the Scot-towel (no commercial intended) was apparently the only kind of paper which would give a satisfactory polish to the crystal. Other types tended to smear or streak the ink, even when dry.

As an outgrowth of the transmitter described, a larger rig, employing band-switching turrets and using two 829B's in push-pull parallel, modulated by two 829B's in push-pull parallel, is planned. The surplus tubes are on hand and "aching" to get into action. The cash outlay for the transmitter described was less than \$35.00. For 150 good watts, that's hard to beat!

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FURTHER REDUCTION OF UNITS IN DECADE BOXES POSSIBLE

By R. C. WOODHEAD

FURTHER simplification of the decade boxes shown on page 100 of the January, 1947 issue of RADIO NEWS can be achieved if the constructor is willing to eliminate the tenth step on the decade, thus leaving steps 1 through 9 available.

Fig. 2A shows the wiring of a resistance decade which uses a two-deck switch and only four resistors. With the values indicated, the decade will provide integral values of resistance from 1 through 9 ohms. If each resistor value is multiplied by 10, the decade will be capable of measuring values from 10 through 90 ohms in steps of 10 ohms. Higher resistance decades may be secured by multiplying the resistor values by 100, 1000, etc.

The capacitance decade for using four capacitors with a two-deck switch is shown in Fig. 2B. Here again, higher capacitance decades may be designed by multiplying all four capacitance values by a suitable multiple of 10.

In both of these circuits, the switch arms are connected together. This permits a still further simplification if the constructor is willing to build his own switch equipped with a double-ended arm. Fig. 1 shows a resistance

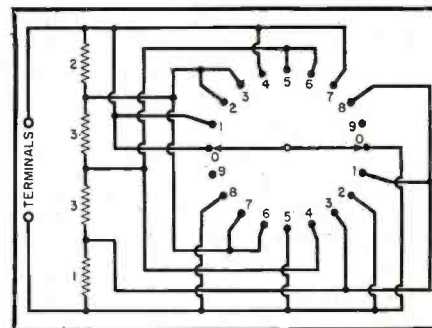


Fig. 1. Alternate arrangement for resistance decade. A single, two-arm switch is used.

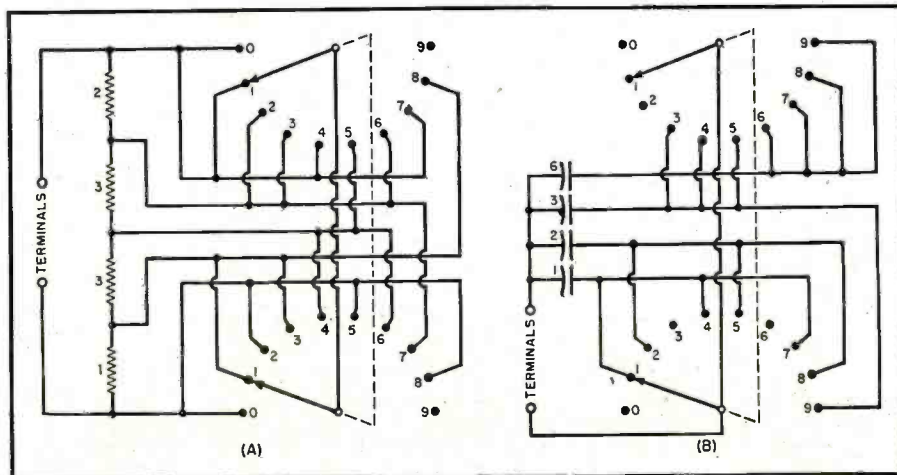
decade which uses such an arrangement.

For the low-range resistance decades, it is important that the resistance of the switch contacts be as low as possible and that fairly heavy wire be used. Distributed capacity must be kept low for a low-range capacitance decade.

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Fig. 2. Wiring diagram of resistance and capacitance decade.



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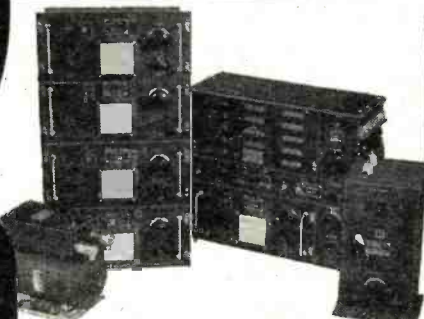
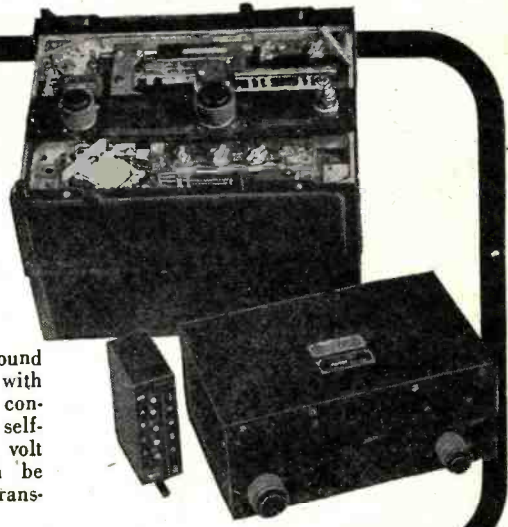
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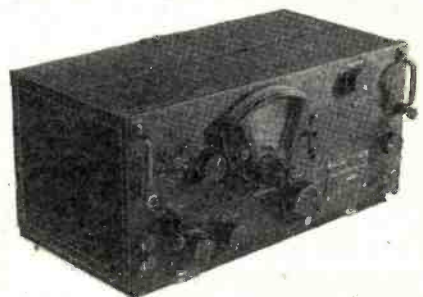


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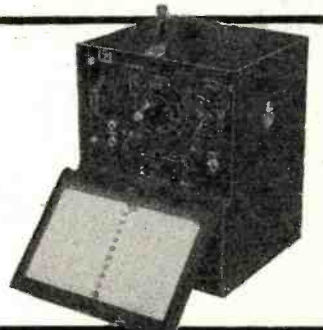
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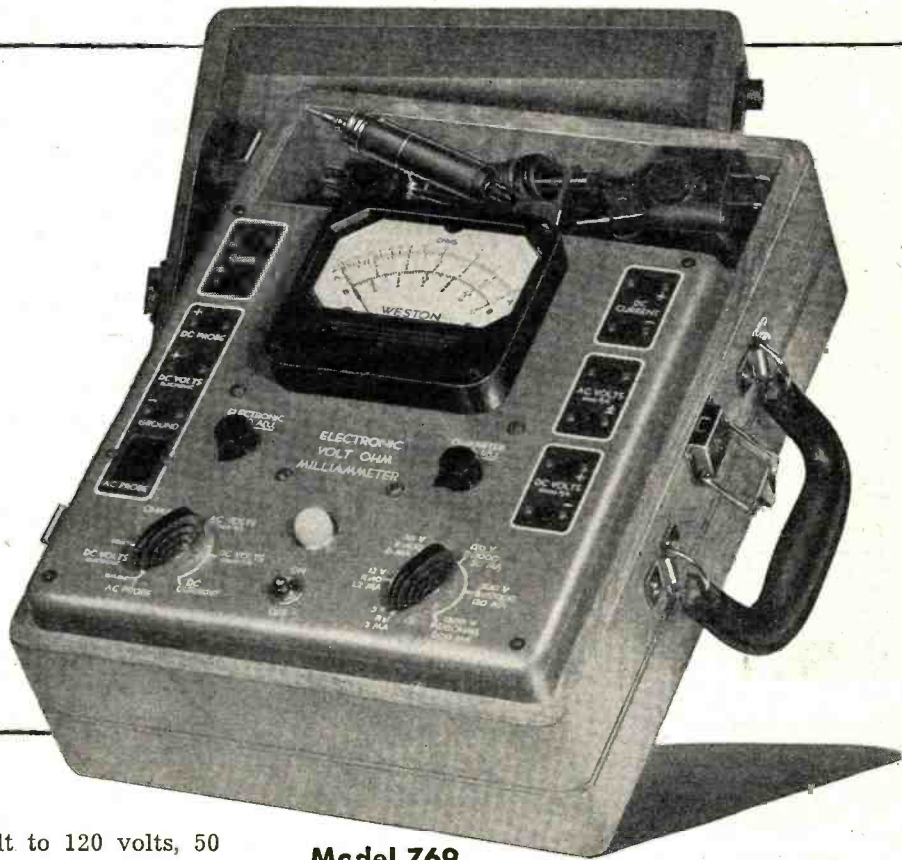
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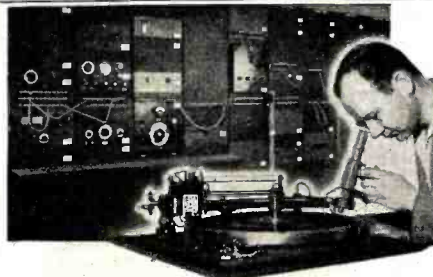
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When several stages are used in cascade, the over-all voltage gain is equal to the product of the gains of the individual stages. Thus, let us suppose that in the two-stage i.f. amplifier illustrated in Fig. 5 the frequency converter gain at the i.f. is about 10 times, the gain of the first i.f. amplifier stage is 50 times, and that of the second i.f. stage which feeds the diode detector is somewhat lower, say 40 times, because it is loaded by the diode input circuit. These gains are indicated on the circuit diagram. The resulting over-all gain at the intermediate frequency will then be $10 \times 50 \times 40 = 20,000$ times.

Similarly, the over-all selectivity may be approximated by multiplying the attenuations of the various stages at corresponding frequencies off resonance (off the middle of the pass-band). Of course, it is assumed that regeneration is kept at a minimum by sufficient bypassing and shielding.

When intermediate frequencies appreciably higher than about 600 kc. are used, it usually becomes necessary to employ several i.f. amplifier stages in preference to one because both the adjacent-channel selectivity and the maximum gain per stage obtainable decrease with increasing intermediate frequency. Consequently, here the added stages are used both for the additional gain which each added amplifier tube provides and for the added adjacent-channel selectivity contrib-

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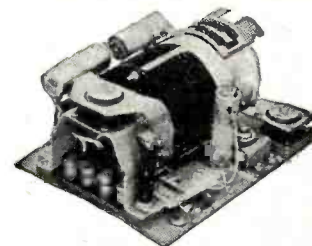
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Selectivity and Response Characteristics Required in I.F. Amplifiers

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In order to make clear what the requirements are in each class of receiver, the characteristics of the signal received in each of these classes of services will first be analyzed. When this is understood the bandpass characteristic desired in the i.f. amplifier, if it is to handle the signal with adequate selectivity and non-selective attenuation of important sidebands, will be readily apparent. Then, the amplifier can be designed to have essentially these desired characteristics.

Analysis of Amplitude Modulation

It will be recalled from the discussion of the mechanism of amplitude modulation presented in an earlier article of this series that during the process of amplitude modulation side-

¹ For a discussion of the factors that control the i.f. chosen and the i.f.'s now commonly employed in various classes of receivers, see Alfred A. Ghirardi, Practical Radio Course, Part 53 (RADIO NEWS, May 1947).



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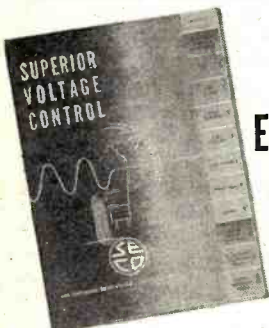


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band frequency components are produced. An analysis of the resulting modulated signal indicates that it consists of three components. The first component is the *carrier frequency*. The second and third components are the upper and lower *sideband* frequencies which are the particular part of the modulated wave that represents the intelligence being transmitted at the instant.

The instantaneous values of the pair of sideband frequencies produced are *greater* and *less* than the carrier frequency by an amount equal to the instantaneous modulating frequency. For example, if an AM transmitter having a carrier frequency of 1000 kc. is modulated by a single modulating frequency of 5 kc. and of sinusoidal waveform, a sideband component of frequency 5 kc. *above* the carrier frequency and one of frequency 5 kc. *below* the carrier frequency will be produced and radiated from the antenna. The relation of these two sideband frequencies to the carrier frequency is illustrated in Fig. 3A.

If the modulating source consists not of a single frequency but a number of frequencies ranging over the audio-frequency range, say from 100 cycles to 5000 cycles, an equal number of individual pairs of sideband frequencies will be produced over bands ranging to *greater* and *less* than the carrier frequency by an amount equal to this highest audio frequency, or ± 5 kc. In each case, the upper and lower sideband frequencies comprise the pair produced by an individual modulating frequency. Some of these pairs of sideband frequencies, bearing corresponding identification letters, are pictured in Fig. 3B. It will be observed that the *total* sideband width is equal, therefore, to *twice* the highest modulating audio frequency. In this case it is $2 \times 5 = 10$ kc., as indicated.

These salient features of amplitude modulation will be summarized here for convenient reference and for later comparison with the corresponding features of frequency modulation:

1. The amplitude of the AM transmitted wave, or the radiated power, is varied during modulation, but its frequency is unchanged.
2. An increase in the frequency of the modulating voltage increases the

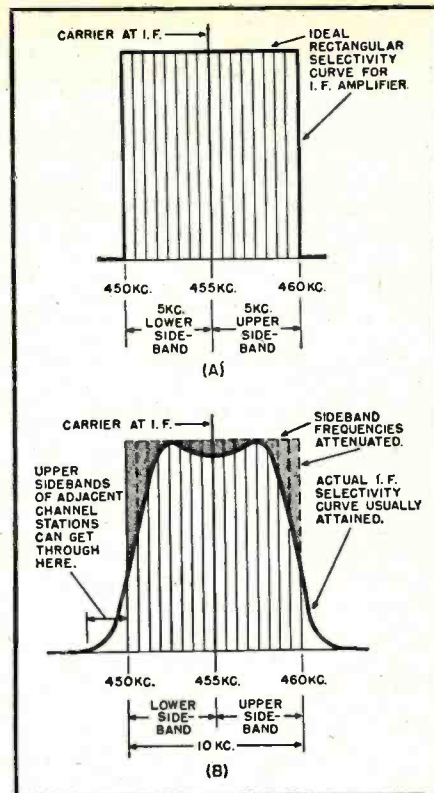


Fig. 6. (A) Ideal and actual over-all i.f. selectivity curves for low-fidelity AM receivers. The shaded area in (B) indicates the sideband components which have been attenuated.

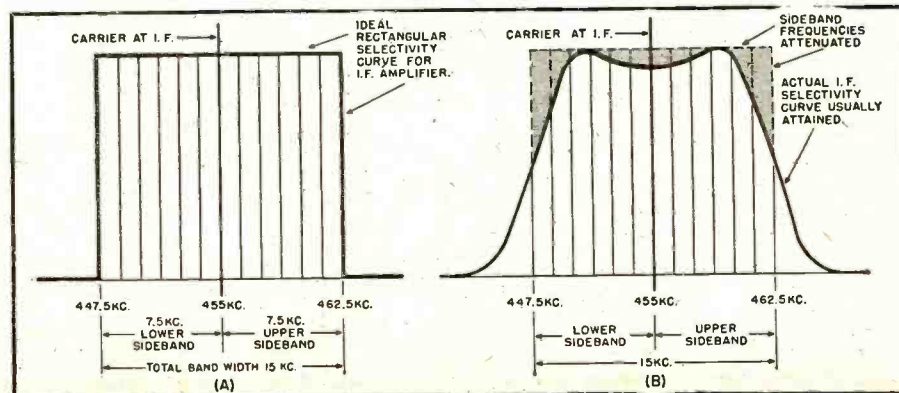
rate at which the amplitude of the transmitted wave is varied.

2. An increase in the amplitude of the modulating voltage causes the amplitude of the transmitted wave to vary over a wider range.

4. When subjected to amplitude modulation at a single modulating frequency of sinusoidal waveform, the AM transmitted wave becomes the sum of three components, a carrier identical in frequency with the unmodulated wave, and a pair of sideband components of frequencies above and below the carrier frequency by the amount of the modulation frequency.

5. Since only one pair of sidebands is produced for each modulating frequency during amplitude modulation, a bandwidth of twice the highest modulating frequency is sufficient for sat-

Fig. 7. (A) Ideal and actual over-all i.f. selectivity curves for high-fidelity AM receiver. The shaded areas (B) indicate attenuation of the sideband components.



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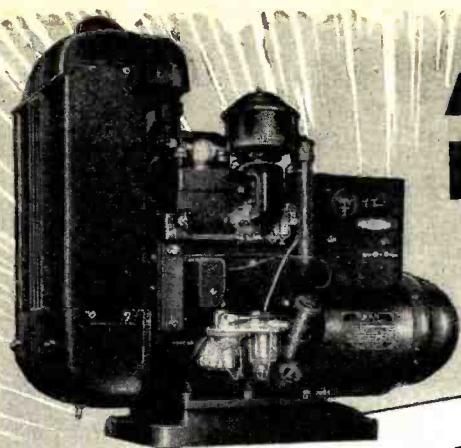
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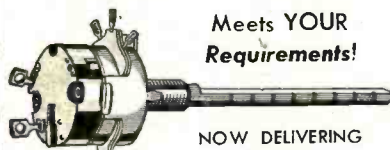
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Composition of Signal in I.F. Amplifier of Low-Fidelity AM Broadcast Receiver

In the output circuit of the frequency converter each of these frequency components appears transposed in frequency by the same amount. Thus, if the signal is on a carrier of 1000 kc. with sidebands up to ± 5 kc., and the i.f. employed in the receiver is 455 kc., it appears in the output circuit of the frequency converter as a 455 kc. signal with sidebands extending to ± 5 kc. above and below it. The signal and its sidebands are pictured in Fig. 4 both before and after frequency conversion takes place. Notice that the total width of the sidebands is not affected by the frequency-conversion process.

I.F. Selectivity Characteristic Required in Low-Fidelity AM Receivers

Since the i.f. carrier and its sideband frequencies should (theoretically) all proceed through the tuned circuits of the i.f. amplifier (see Figs. 1 and 2) without selective attenuation of any of them, a flat-topped bandpass response characteristic just wide enough to pass a band of frequencies $2 \times 5 = 10$ kc. wide with little or no selective attenuation of any of them is desired, if distortion of the signal here is to be avoided. It should attenuate very rapidly thereafter so as to reject possible signals of interfering stations in the adjacent transmission channels. The need for a flat-topped steep-sided bandpass selectivity or response curve of rectangular shape, just wide enough to admit the required i.f. carrier and its sidebands, but rejecting all other frequencies that may have come through the frequency converter is indicated. For the receiver being considered here this would mean a steep-sided rectangular band-

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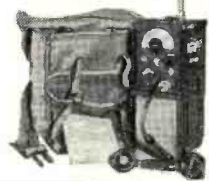
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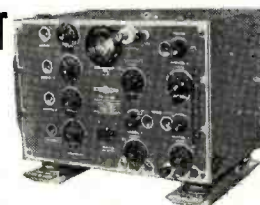
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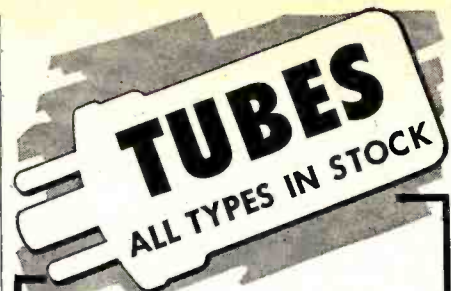
pass response characteristic with center frequency at 455 kc. (the nominal i.f.) and a total width of 10 kc., as illustrated in Fig. 6A. Since the selectivity characteristic is flat-topped, all the sideband components are admitted equally. Since it has straight steep sides any interfering signals from adjacent-channel stations are severely attenuated and reduced to inaudibility.

Such an ideal response curve can be approached, but not realized exactly in practice. The degree of realization is usually a compromise between cost and performance. The modified characteristic shown in Fig. 6B is illustrative of a typical practical characteristic realized in a commercial AM broadcast receiver. It is near enough to the rectangular bandpass characteristic in performance to satisfy most of the requirements of low-fidelity AM receivers. Observe that the extreme upper and lower sideband components of the desired signal are attenuated somewhat—also some of the mid-frequencies. This means that some audio distortion takes place since these modulation frequencies will not be present in their true amplitudes in the audio output of the receiver (unless proper correction for this characteristic is made in the audio system of the receiver). The somewhat rounded "skirts" of the response curve may allow the upper sideband frequencies of interfering strong adjacent-channel signals to get through (even though weakly), if any such signals are present.

The width of i.f. selectivity curve actually employed in practice is always controlled by both the actual width that is dictated by the character of the signal to be received, and by several other considerations. Not the least important of these are both the quality of reproduction to be attained, and possible interference by strong adjacent-channel transmitters.

I.F. Signal and Amplifier Response in Hi-Fi AM Receivers

Some AM broadcast band transmitters in the so-called "high-fidelity" classification were manufactured several years ago. These are designed to handle an audio-frequency range up to 7500 cycles. The ideal bandpass response characteristic of the i.f. amplifier in such receivers would extend to 7.5 kc. each side of the nominal intermediate frequency, when the receiver was switched to the *Hi-Fi* position. This is a total passband 15 kc. wide, as shown in Fig. 7A. It would then accept, without discriminatory attenuation, the sideband frequencies of the highest audio frequency that would be transmitted. It is apparent that the design of such an i.f. amplifier is somewhat more difficult and costly than one for low-fidelity AM broadcast reception. The type of i.f. response characteristic actually arrived at in practice is illustrated in Fig. 7B. Notice that it departs somewhat from the ideal in that its top is not absolutely flat, its sides slope somewhat,



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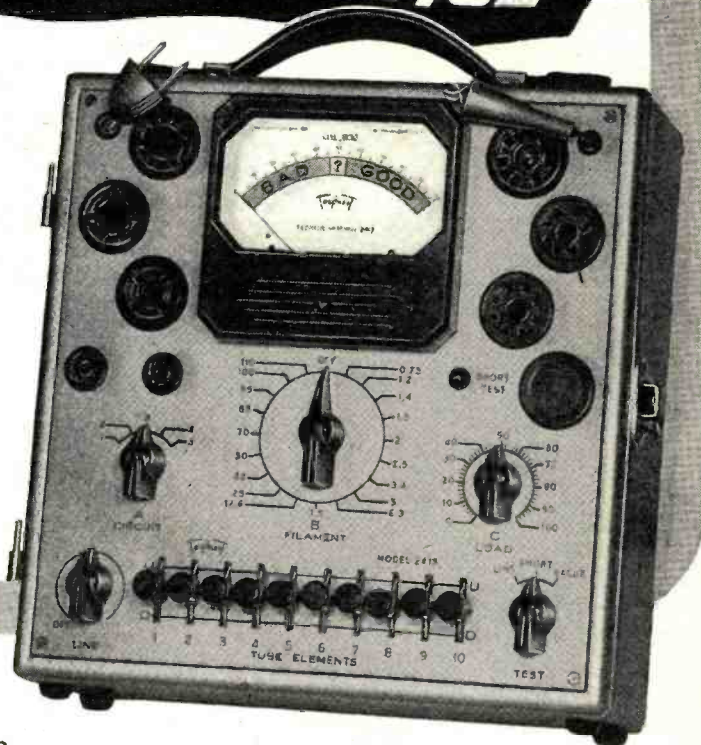
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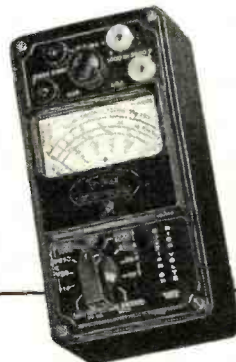
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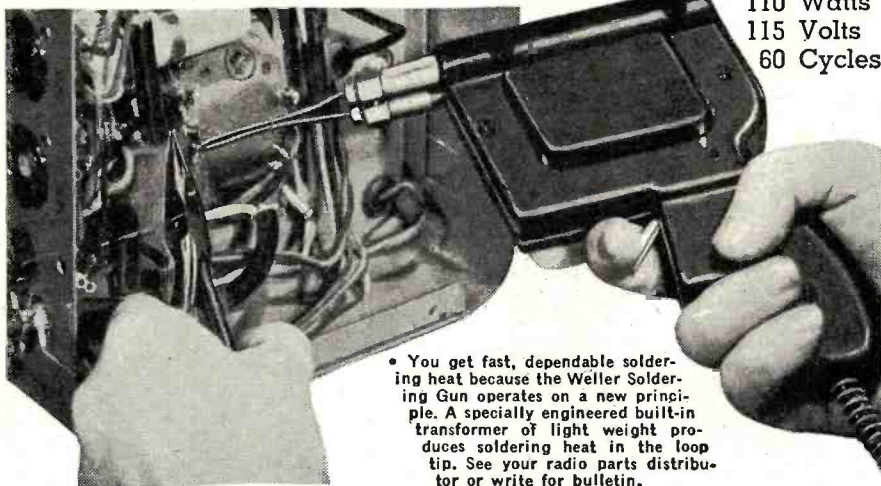
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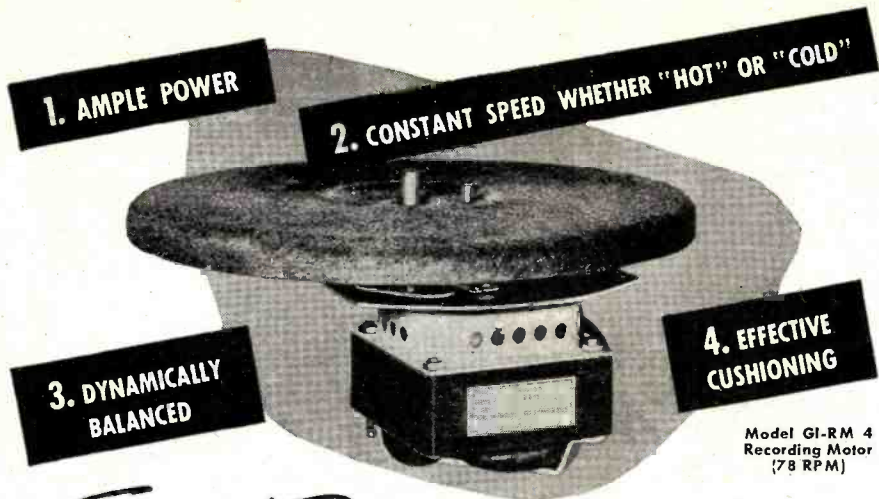
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ment, at least, little difficulty is anticipated in getting international agreement on frequencies. "The basic principles of the United States systems now in use," says Rear Admiral Earl E. Stone, chief of Naval Communications, "are sound and satisfactory for world-wide use." He added that while there is room for development in the marine field, radio and electronic equipment already tested should not become obsolete for many years, and should also meet requirements of all international conferees. Whether there will be objections to this view remains to be seen, but few are anticipated.

ENHANCING SAFETY in another field was a radio development late in the spring, with FCC's Radio Intelligence Division playing a leading role. It will be remembered as the radio detective network that ran down enemy stations during the war, usually in a matter of minutes after the aliens went on the air. The RID network now is available to lost planes, and has been coordinated with networks operated by the Coast Guard and Army, with a direct telephone hook-up with the Civil Aeronautics Administration's airways network. Pilots will notify any available CAA airway radio station if they are in trouble, giving frequencies on which the pilot can transmit. FCC and other networks will be immediately alerted and then the pilot will be told what frequency to use for his "long call." Within five minutes, he will be given a good fix, according to estimates of the experts who have set up the service, but if we know our RID, most of the time the fix should come through in a much shorter time.

AVIATION, if you don't already know it, has become a big customer in the radio field. Next to hams, FCC announced recently, aviation now is the largest single radio group under Commission license. Total aviation stations are approximately 15,000, and 13,000 of these are in cockpits. In an effort to streamline licensing and checking these stations, FCC has consulted government, business, and private interests. Result, early this summer, was a new set of regulations, making it possible to get a license through FCC-designated CAA representatives. The application form has also been simplified. On the other hand, don't expect miracles from the Federal bureaucracy. The streamlined rules and regulations cover both sides of 32 single-spaced, typewritten 8½x 11 pages.



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Practical Microwaves

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circuits comparable to that previously known and used on lower frequencies. Any modifications should be towards simplicity by reduction of components. Preference should be given to tubes that are conventional or produced in sufficient volume to assure reasonable cost. Quarter wave phenomena should be recognized and utilized wherever possible as will be the case for wave guides and cavities to replace other transmission lines and tuned circuits. Circuits should be simple with a minimum number of parts which cause complex conditions. Parts should include only those necessary for correct phasing of the circuit on the desired frequency. Parts should be of such dimensions and should be so placed on the chassis that they will have the correct wave guide, cavity and other circuit effects needed for the utilization and frequency desired.

14. Are special tubes necessary?

Magnetrons and klystrons are two types of tubes heretofore widely used on microwaves. The "Lighthouse" or disc-seal type also functions on microwaves but becomes impracticable beyond about 4000 megacycles. The author has preferred to concentrate on the use of mass produced conventional receiving and transmitting tubes universally available and low in cost. He is accomplishing this on u.h.f. and s.h.f. by making the transit time equal to any required number of periods of oscillation. Developments have reached a point where it will be soon possible to describe it to the radio public interested in microwaves.

15. *What features in microwave equipment make it possible to obtain maximum efficiency with minimum transmitter power?*

Transmitter power may be reduced, even down to some low order such as a milliwatt, depending on how many of the following advantages or aids are provided:

(a). Keeping transmitter at or very close to the antenna so that very little transmission line is used and very little energy is lost in transferring energy from the transmitter to free space.

(b). Using wave guide or coaxial cable having the lowest possible loss per unit length.

(c). Having either a clear unobstructed horizon or obstructions of such location, dimension, contour and composition that it can reflect energy striking it in useful directions.

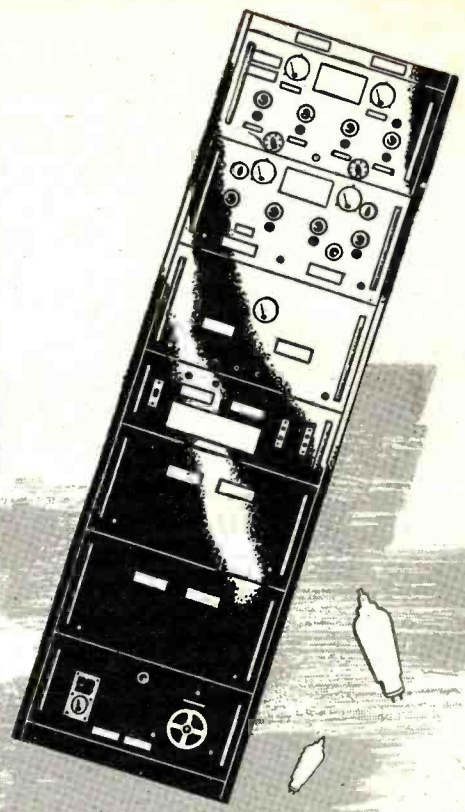
(d). By utilizing arrays or reflectors that concentrate the energy fed to the antenna and sending it out in a narrow beam instead of being diffused in every angle of a sphere. Similarly at the receiving point, such arrays or reflectors should pick up the energy of a relatively large region in free space and focus it on the antenna dipole. This gain may be anything higher than unity. On super high frequencies it

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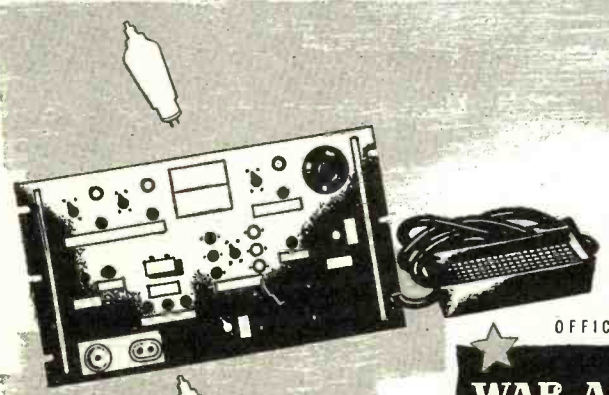
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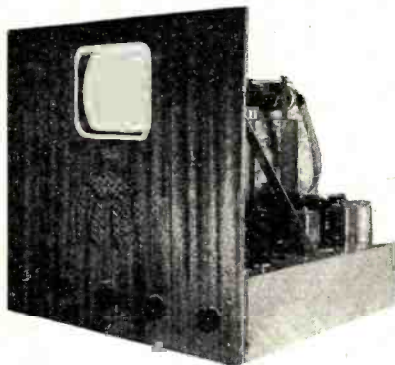


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(f). Using coaxial cable or wave guide having minimum loss per unit length at the receiving station.

(g). Using a receiver of high sensitivity. Receivers for very high frequencies that can function on signals of .2 microvolt or a trifle less already exist. Microwave receivers have not yet attained such high sensitivity in practice. However sensitivities in the order of 2 microvolts or less have been attained. This should be sufficient for horizon communication even with low transmitter power.

(h). Using a receiver sufficiently selective or sharp in tuning so it covers little more than the bandwidth represented by the incoming signal. There is no sense in picking up the noise of 1000 kilocycles bandpass when the transmitted signal only occupies about 100 kilocycles. The less noise picked up with the signal, the more amplification may be used in the receiver for an understandable signal. This is equivalent to a tremendous increase in transmitter power. Receivers should have no more circuits than necessary. Additional circuits and tubes means more skin losses, more dielectric losses, more thermal noise in the tubes and circuits, etc., provided however, this is not achieved by driving each tube too hard.

(i). Making sure that the antenna dipole is at the correct focal point for a given reflector dimension or array. This will differ with each frequency or wavelength. It is comparable with the correct positioning of the bulb and the filaments within the bulb for an automobile headlight. If a headlight beam is depressed it hits the earth sooner. If beam is raised it reaches out much further. If raised too high, it will be lost in undesired direction. The smaller the wavelength or higher the frequency, then the closer can a dipole's quarter wavelengths approach the dimension of a pin point which, in the final analysis, is the only true focal point.

(j). Correct polarization. The receiver antenna dipole must be at the correct angle for the incoming energy. If there was nothing enroute to change the angle of the wave fronts, then the receiver antenna dipole could be at the same angle as at transmitting point. However, if the energy hits the earth or obstructions enroute, it may undergo a change of polarization or angle. Unless the receiver antenna dipole is correct for it, much energy which otherwise could be available is lost. This may not be readily apparent to the user of the equipment since

enough may remain for satisfactory communication. Antenna research conducted by the author even on low frequencies indicate that gains as much as 100 times are possible if the receiver antenna is correct in angle for an incoming signal. It may be inconvenient to try and keep it constantly correct but where it is convenient to do so, it is a most valuable advantage in providing more range and signal strength. This will hold true on any frequency whether microwaves or not.

(k). In the case where both stations are fixed or stationary, do not lock their locations until it has been determined they are spotted at their maximas with respect to each other.

(l). Take advantage of antenna elevation so that no energy, or as little as possible, diverges to strike the earth where it is absorbed in some degree or produces a change in polarization, direction or unfavorable phase relationship. By whatever amount the transmitting and/or receiving antenna locations are elevated, then the square of that amount of range and/or signal strength will be available. It is the simplest and cheapest way of raising signal strength and increasing the range. Antennas require no tubes, electric power or constant expense as an increase in transmitter power might otherwise require. In the final analysis all the power in the world cannot increase the range beyond the horizon, while a small increase in antenna height does. The power falls off much faster than the inverse square of the distance beyond the horizon. It becomes more like a logarithmic increase in the loss of power when it is necessary to penetrate beyond the horizon by direct means.

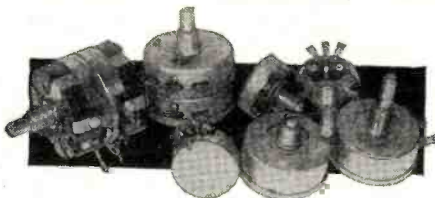
(m). Using optimum values of Q . Within practical limits, the highest order of Q in a circuit is desired. On microwaves it is possible to provide without inconvenience, values of Q in the order of 25,000. This compares with less than 100 on lower frequencies. High values of Q are obtained when the a.c. reactance of a circuit is much greater than the a.c. resistance of the same circuit. The a.c. resistance increases as the frequency is increased due to skin effect. The a.c. resistance at the same time decreases because at higher frequencies, coils have less turns and all conductors in general are shorter in length. When energy oscillates back and forth in a circuit, it diminishes in strength due to the a.c. resistance present. As the frequency increases, the total losses of the circuit increase. In a microwave circuit the a.c. reactance may approach an infinite value while the a.c. resistance may be a very small value with respect to conventional lower radio frequencies. The ratio between the a.c. reactance and the a.c. resistance of a circuit is called the Q .

The higher the Q , then the sharper or more selective will a signal be both at the transmitting and receiving points. It means minimum channel occupancy and very selective and



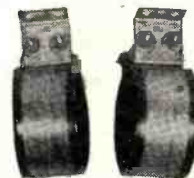
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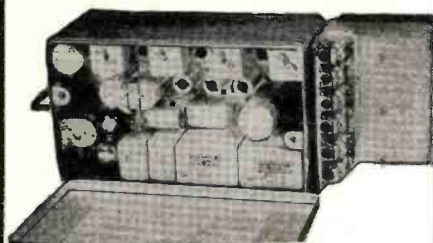
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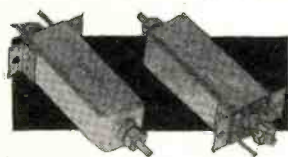
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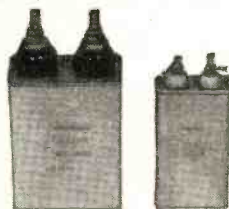
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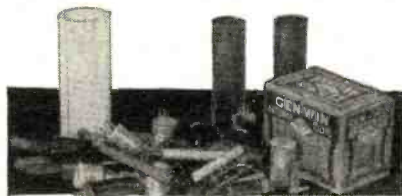
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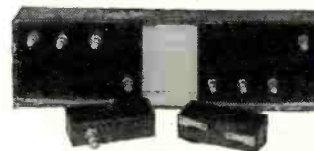


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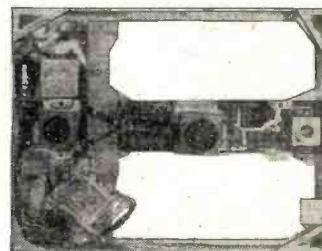
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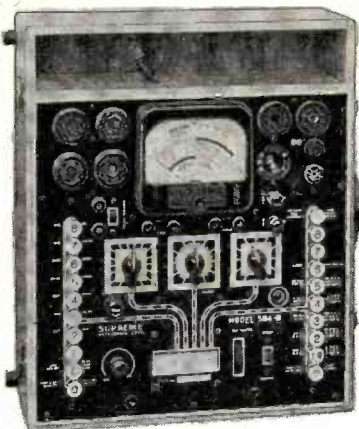
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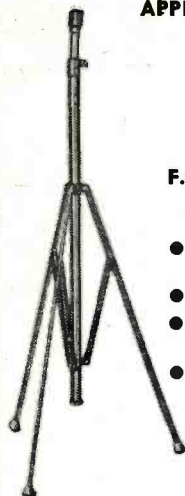
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therefore sensitive receivers. At the transmitter it also means that the total energy is concentrated into a narrower amount of frequency spectrum. All this serves to increase the over-all efficiency.

(n). Although high Q and selective receivers have been mentioned, it can be overdone. For example, some leeway should be provided at the receiver in case the transmitter frequency should deviate or the receiver frequency response change small amounts. This might occur due to voltage variations in the power energizing equipment at either end. It may also vary because of temperature changes at either point. These amounts are not too great but should be taken into consideration.

The author has always been on the alert for reports on microwaves which would indicate that they are unfavorable with respect to very-high frequencies for two-way radio communication. When these reports are largely academic rather than based on practical tests, he is prone to feel that such determinations may be incorrect since it is possible to overlook unknown but actually highly relevant factors. Where the report has been based on actual tests in the field, the locale and conditions have been studied to determine whether it is based on conditions and circumstances that are freakish or highly abnormal or subnormal with respect to conditions as they exist in our everyday lives and locales. Also it has been studied to determine whether it has been based on unobstructed natural horizons or whether it took place where obstructions were unfavorable for forward reflections.

The author has been particularly interested in comparing the range and signal strength of the famous "handie-talkie" operating on 3000 to 6000 kilocycles with ultra-high frequencies. Using a 6N7 tube on the lowest microwave amateur band, he has been able to communicate several times the range of such equipment. A typical mobile case was 1½ miles for the "handie-talkie" as compared to 6 miles for the u.h.f. equipment.

SERVICEMAN'S CONTEST

JOHN F. RIDER, Publisher, Inc. is sponsoring a contest for the radio serviceman for which a total of 234 prizes will be awarded.

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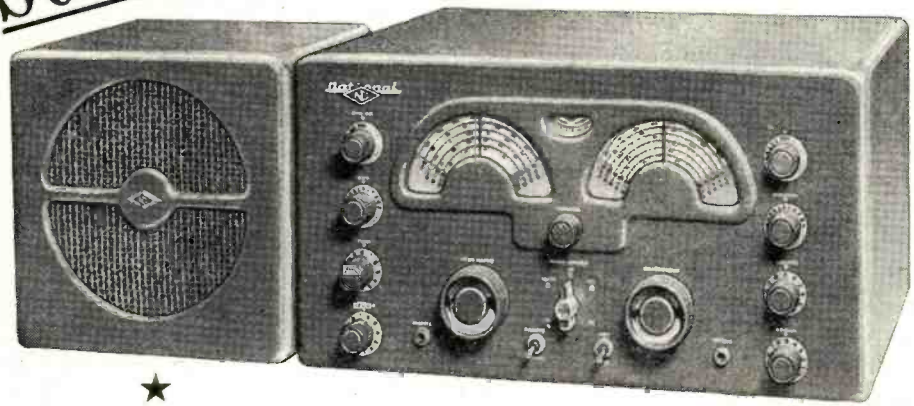
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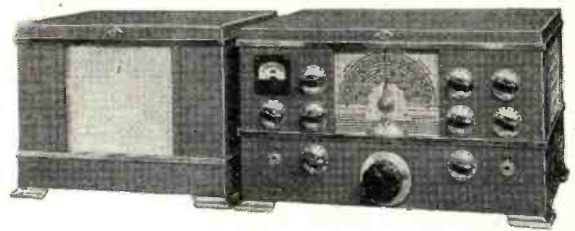


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All Prices FOB New York City, N. Y.

HIGHBRIDGE RADIO-TELEVISION
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343 CANAL NEW YORK 13, NEW YORK

Customer Never Buys

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While we are on the subject of phone and address *never, never* over-estimate yourself to the extent that your ad carries no phone or address. Don't figure that people will look you up in the phone directory. They just won't bother! They will use another shop whose ad carries the necessary information for easy contact. Your old customers won't always supply you with enough business. Go *after* their business too.

Here's another suggestion along the line of address. One advertiser runs not only his address, but also uses a line "Just next door to the King Theater." He figures, and rightly so, that the theater is one of the best known spots in town. That is good advertising. Think from the customers viewpoint . . . make yourself easy to find.

Fig. 1 illustrates an ad that appears every other day in the classified columns. It keeps two servicemen doing all they have time to do. Wouldn't you call it a "What your customer buys" ad?

This ad occupies the same space as the one illustrated previously. I haven't examined the books, but I would estimate that these two companies do the same volume of business, but the one whose ad appears in Fig. 1 incurs just half the advertising expense.

Let's go over this ad with the view of analyzing it as we did before.

"Your radio will 'sing' again" . . . that's bringing the radio service right into the customer's line of thinking, isn't it? Notice that "Your radio" . . . not John Jones' radio but "Your radio." Make your ads, your merchandising, your selling *personal*. Since you can't call every customer by name in your advertising, do the next best thing. Use "yours," "you," and "your" whenever possible. It's no lie at all, that the pleasantest sound in the world to a man, is his own name. Use words that will be as close to that name as possible.

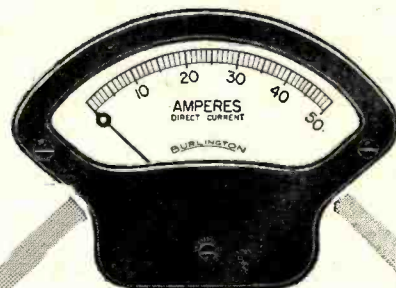
"Sing" may not sound like the right term to use, but isn't that term a bit more striking than "operate, play or work?" Make your words put pictures in your customers' minds.

Next the line "When your radio doesn't sound the way you want it to." Not the best grammatical construction, but once again, we have a good clear, *personal* expression. This ad doesn't say when your radio doesn't sound right, but "When your radio doesn't sound the way you want it to." Keep that personal touch in at every possible opportunity.

"Bring it to us or call us." Make the customer realize how easy it is to get his radio "singing" again. It won't hurt your drop-in trade to inform your customers that you operate a pickup and delivery service.

"It'll sing like new, when we bring it back to you." "Like new" . . . that's

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Heavy punched A1. chassis 2 1/4" x 4 3/8" x 6 1/2" (3-lbs.) 3 for95	
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**26 SQ. INCH PICTURE!
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Easy-to-Assemble: No knowledge of television required. COMPLETE easy-to-follow INSTRUCTION SHEET gives you all the knowledge you need.

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Operates on 110V.; 50-60 cycles A.C. Price: complete with ALL tubes, \$159.50 (fair traded)

IMMEDIATE DELIVERY!

We believe that the comparative quality of this set is superior to other available sets. It has been acclaimed by major television schools.



**CABINET for
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Television Kit**

Made of selected grain wood, with beautiful hand-rubbed walnut finish. Labeled knobs. Overall size: 17 1/8" deep, 19 1/4" wide, 15 3/8" high. Price: \$29.95

DEALERS! Cash in on this Kit! Ideal for making your own Custom-Built Television Receiver. See your local distributor, or for further information write to:

TRANSVISION, INC. Dept. R. N.
385 North Ave. New Rochelle, N. Y.

a good expression We all like "new" things don't we? "When we bring it back to you" is repetition of the delivery idea.

Address and Phone . . . remember, be easy for your customer to reach.

No ad is perfect. As additions to this ad, wouldn't it be a good idea to mention the speed of your service? Also if Smith's Radio Service handles "Electron Radios," wouldn't it be smart to plug those sets?

Another type of ad, which produces results is illustrated in Fig. 2.

This ad runs as a two-column, three-inch ad, once a week and uses a small picture of a serviceman digging into the vitals of a receiver.

The picture idea in an ad is a good one. Pictures definitely add to the "eye-appeal" of an advertisement. This particular picture in this particular ad is especially good since it illustrates more clearly what the ad is about than the headline.

The headline "Electronic Servicing" may seem an ideal expression in this "Electronic-Atomic Age" However, there are lots of people who have associated the word "Servicing" with radio repair. There are many more who don't have an idea in the world what "Electronic" means. Terms that people don't understand (in your author's opinion) have no place in advertising. As proof of this theory take sales mottos for nationally advertised products. How many of them use words as complex as "Electronic Servicing?"

"Your faulty radio" . . . serves as a personal expression, although faulty doesn't seem too proper a term to describe a radio that has "gone wrong."

"Skilled technicians" . . . in these postwar days, is coming into common use but a more down-to-earth term wouldn't be out of line here. Electronic equipment falls into the same classification. Use every-day words, and you'll strike a familiar chord with the multitudes.

"Just pick up your telephone and call 88745 for prompt pickup and delivery service." Particularly good words here are "just" and "prompt."

"Wizz Bang radios" . . . a plug for the radios you have to sell. Associate all of your services and products as much as possible.

Address and Phone just as important as ever.

There is a tendency for well-established servicemen to rest on their laurels, forgetting or ignoring advertising and selling. Although in some rare cases this may be all right, as a general rule, it is to be avoided.

At this point, your author would like to give a few particular suggestions to new men in the field.

Here is a good idea that has been used by old, well-established service and sales shops. It consists of applying a printed gum-sticker to every set that enters and leaves your shop. This sticker tells your name, address, and phone. It should be applied on the back of the sets, on the loop-antenna, chassis or cabinet. It's good for lots

of repeat customers . . . if the service was satisfactory in the first place. If the service was not up to "snuff," the sticker may boomerang on you and drive customers away. No amount of advertising, stickers, or selling will sell poor service.

We have covered just a few important principles of selling radios and radio service through newspaper advertising and personal contact. Here are those principles once again.

For best results:

1. Think in terms of "What the Customer Buys."
2. Make reaching you as easy as possible . . . list phone and location.
3. Make your advertising and your service personal.
4. Publicize as fully as possible your services. Speed . . . Variety . . . Accuracy . . . Pickup and Delivery.
5. Start now! Even though you may have to "squeeze in" the time to do it.

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88-108 mc. Tuner

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After the i.f. amplifier has been aligned it should be possible to hear signals with an antenna connected. Many of the FM stations broadcast during the late afternoon and evening hours only. The r.f. circuits should be aligned next. The tuning eye can be used as a convenient indicator. The tracking and frequency range covered is adjusted by compressing or spreading the turns of the oscillator coil and by setting the oscillator trimmer at the low frequency end of the band. The other trimmer condensers are set at the high frequency end of the tuning range. Since the frequency range covered (88-108 mc.) is a small fraction of the operating frequency it is easier to get the circuits to track satisfactorily. A simple way to check tracking is to notice the change in noise level of the receiver as it goes through its frequency range. If the level has peaks it is an indication of tracking difficulties. Should the 6SB7Y tend to oscillate at the signal frequency, insert a 3 ohm non-inductive resistor at the grid #3 terminal of the tube.

The antenna used on the model consisted of a folded dipole made from Amphenol 300 ohm twin lead with the line used as a lead-in. The folded dipole was made by cutting the twin lead down the center and folding it around a 3/4" square, 57" long piece of wood. Small porcelain standoffs were used to insulate the wire from the wood. Aluminum tubing may be more convenient and can be used for the dipole elements if desired. The overall length of the antenna can be calculated by the use of the formula: Length (feet) = 955/freq. (in mc.); or, Length (inches) = 11460/freq. (in mc.).

The length of a simple dipole would be: Length (feet) = 462/freq. (in mc.); or, Length (inches) = 5584/freq. (in mc.). The antenna should be cut for the center of the frequency range to be covered. In this case it would be 98

RADIO NEWS

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SV Filament Transformer 60 amps. 22 lbs. \$ 5.95			
Ear Phones. 2000 ohms, used—in good condition. 95c			
Ass't resistors 1/2 watt fully insulated, in popular ohmages. Cat. No. R-5 per 100 \$ 1.49			



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Cat. No. RT-101. **49c**

IF TRANSFORMER
Mounted in aluminum shield can 1500 KC, with air trimmer, impedance coupled type. **95c**

30 MC IF Transformer
In square aluminum can, silver slug tuned **29c**



PHOTO FLASH TUBE
12,000,000 lumens light output. Ignition coil included. 10,000 Flashes. Diameter 10.000 inches. Weight 1.000 grams. Price on request. **\$8.95**

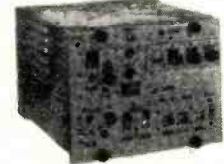
FILAMENT TRANSFORMER

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SCR 625 used. Brand new. **\$49.95**

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- 12" Utah P. M. Speaker, Alnico No. 5 with 6F6 output transformer. Cat. No. ST-100 \$ 6.95
- Ass't knobs push on wood and plastic. Cat. No. KP-100—per 100.....\$ 1.95
- Johnson sockets No. 210-25W. Cat. No. JS-210..... 49c
- Sockets for acorn tubes. Cat. No. AT-10... 19c
- Jacks PL 55, PL 68..... 15c
- Powdered iron slug with Isolantite coil form to match, ideal for brood tuning. E. C. O. 25c
- Powdered 3/8" slug..... 10c
- 1 Meg. Shallcross Aera—Ohm wire wound resistors 1W..... 89c



Transmitter & Receiver

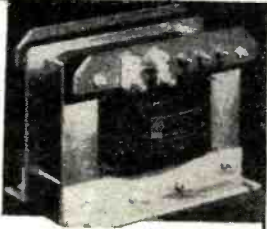
The famous boat anchor, widely used on the 144 MC band. Complete power supply 110V—AC. Less power transformer and tubes. Shipping weight 100 lbs. **\$14.95**

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Shipping weight 52 lbs.

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Audio Watts—550 Sec. #1-450 Mils Sec. #2-80 Mils Turns Ratio—Pri: Sec. #1-1:1 Pri: Sec. #2-5:1 Pri: Sec. #2 Top-25:1. Impedance Ratio—Pri: #1-1:1 Sec: Pri: Sec. #2-25:1 Pri: Sec. #2 Top-625:1. DC Resistance—Pri: 135 ohms Sec: #1, 112 ohms; Sec: #2, 99 ohms. Transformers insulation tested: Pri. 8000V.; Sec. #2-2000V. to the rest of the coils and core. Primary center tapped for Class "B" modulators. Secondary #2 will carry 80 Mils to modulate screens of beam power or screen grid tubes. Primary will match any Class "B" tubes up to 10,000 ohms plate to plate, such as 810's, 75T's, 800's, Z8120's, 203's, HY51's, 211's, 813's, 828's, 805's, 2037's. Size 9 1/2" wide, 7 1/2" deep, 7 1/4" high. Heavy channel iron mounting brackets. Weight approx. 40 lbs.



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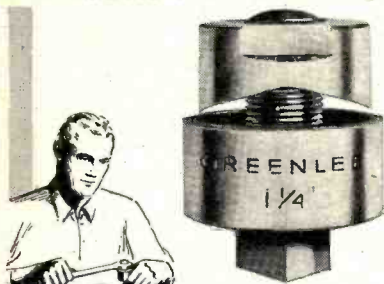
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Modern Lighting (Continued from page 45)

The two walls of the room and the ceiling on which the color is played should be finished white to permit the greatest range of effects. The entrance wall and the wall behind the listener should be a neutral gray reflecting about 60%. The floor should reflect about 30% as in the case of the main floor, but it should be a neutral gray also rather than a definite color. All color sensation in the booth should come from the play of the colored light on the wall and ceiling surfaces facing the listener.

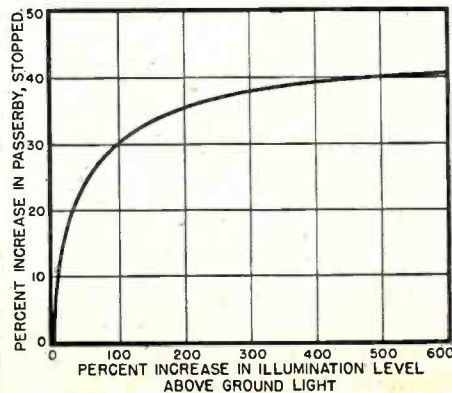
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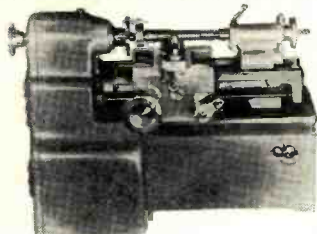
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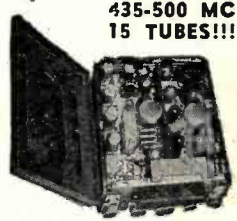
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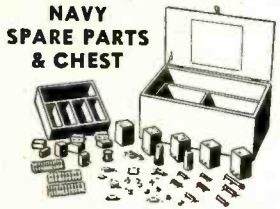
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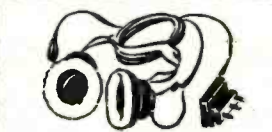
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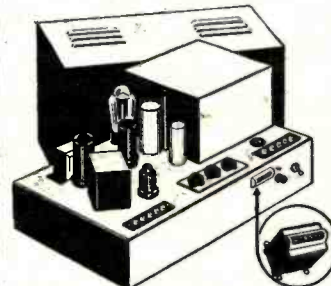
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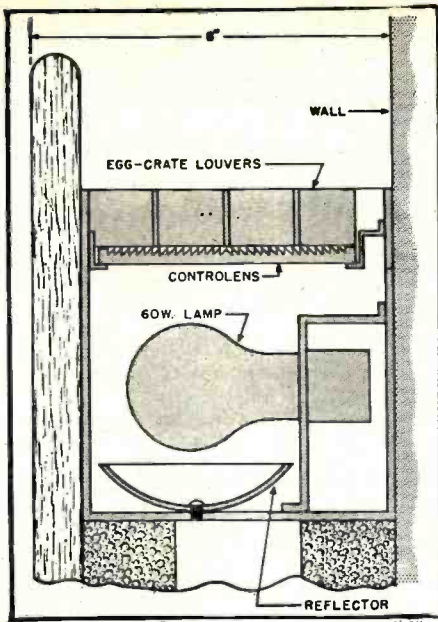


Fig. 4. Construction details for a "mood lighting" installation in a record booth.

canescent indirect lights as well as for the local lights that illuminate the articles on the island displays. The front portion of the store can then be lighted indirectly as the only merchandise on display would be in the self-lighted display islands. The ceiling troughs should still be used over the area devoted to counter sales.

When indirect lighting is resorted to, it should only be over a non-merchandising area and it should be remembered that it quickly grows dim from dirt and the deterioration of ceiling and wall finishes. It is excellent where critical seeing and action is not required, but it needs more maintenance than it usually gets to keep it from degenerating into a costly disappointment.

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Fluorescent lamps are not recommended for radio-appliance window displays as their diffusion makes the top of the window brightest "where the merchandise isn't." They "wash" the display into the background by their contrast reducing effect, inducing a monotony and flatness that lacks appeal. Finally their color effect is chilling and unfamiliar, which is not suited to a display of merchandise that relies on emotional satisfaction for its appeal.

All standard makes of incandescent show window reflectors are of the "controlled direct lighting" type. All manufacturers provide complete installation details, and as the physical dimensions of the various kinds of units available are much the same the merchant finds the principal thing he has to determine is the size of lamp he should use.

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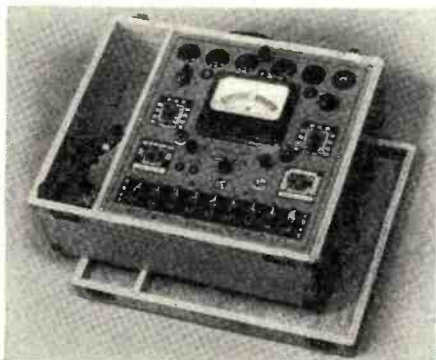
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General Cement Manufacturing Company, 919 Taylor Avenue, Rockford, Illinois will furnish full details upon request.

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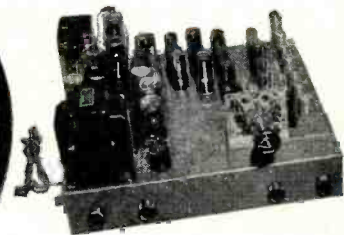
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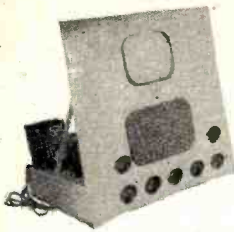
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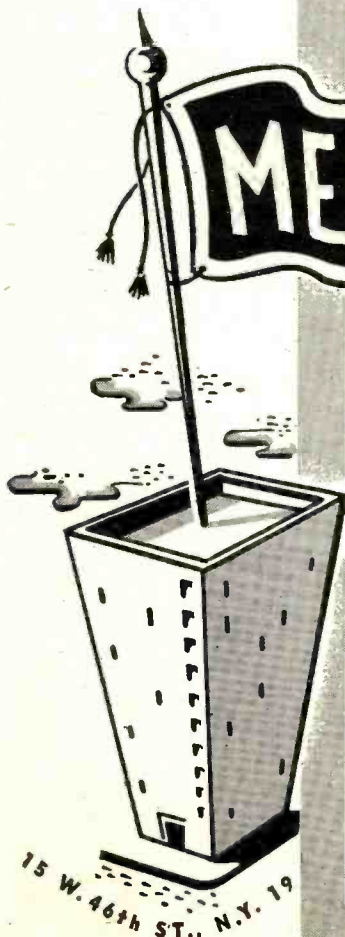
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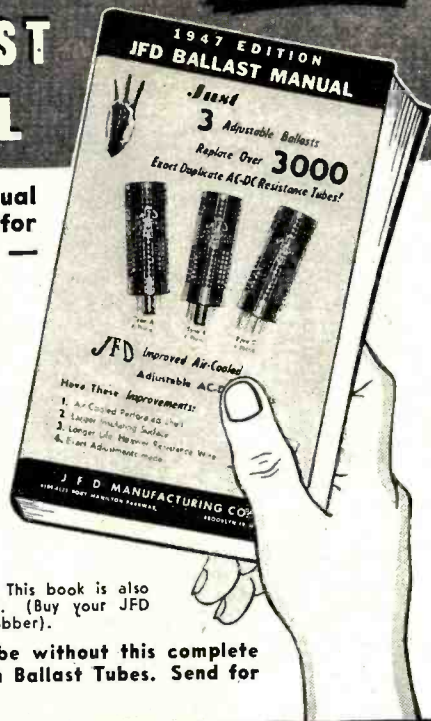
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International Short-Wave

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American Consulate-General, Algiers, Algeria. *Radio Algerie*, 11.835, is evidently in Algiers, not Constantine; letter verie in *English* definitely verifies this frequency; duration was three months; report to Radio Algerie, Services Techniques de la Radiodiffusion, 10 Rue Hoche, Algiers, Algeria. WXFG, Adak, Alaska, which utilizes 16.025, 12.265, 8.860, should be addressed at Alaska Communications System, Officer-in-Charge, A.P.O. 980, % Postmaster, Seattle, Washington, U.S.A.; verifies within two weeks. All RCA point-to-point stations in Puerto Rico heard on frequency tests will verify from Radio Corporation of Puerto Rico, P. O. Box 3746, San Juan, Puerto Rico; usually use WKAQ parchment verie form. FG8AH is the official call for *Radio Guadeloupe*, though never used; the "AH" are initials of Mons. Andre Haan, head of the station; card is extremely attractive; required six months; QRA is Radio Guadeloupe, Box 125, Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, French West Indies.

This Month's Schedules

Albania—ZAA, 7.852, *Radio Tirana*, still has news at 1515. (Pearce)

Algiers—Relaying programs from the United States, Algiers I, 9.610, is beamed to Western Europe, 1300-1745; Algiers III, 11.765, has same schedule but is directed to Balkans.

Andorra—*Radio Andorra*, 5.985, still has *English* program 1600-1630; asks for letters *direct* to the station. (Pearce)

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan—*Radio Omdurman*, 13.320, appears to have changed time of *English* transmission formerly at 1230 Thursday, as only Arabic is now heard then. (Pearce) Frequency of about 9.650 is supposed to parallel.

Angola—CR6RB, 9.165, Benguela, heard on West Coast with weak signal—in French—at 1345. (Nankervis) This station runs 1315-1400 sign-off. (Laubscher)

Argentina—LRR, 11.88, Buenos Aires, is heard in Australia at 0400; callsign and country announced often. (Sanderson)

Australia—For the summer, *Radio Australia* has set forward by one hour its morning beam to Eastern North America, now heard 0700-0815, with news at 0700 and 0800, on VLB, 9.54, and VLC7, 11.84; VLG10, 11.76, is scheduled to also carry this beam to 0800. The evening beam to the East Coast is currently using VLA5, 15.32 (badly QRM'd in many quarters) and VLC9, 17.84, 1830-1945, with news at 1900. To the West Coast, 1100-1200, VLA8, 11.76 and VLC6, 9.615, are used, while VLG4, 11.84, parallels to South Africa. The 2345-0045 beam to West Coast is carried by VLA5, 15.32, VLC9, 17.84, with VLB8, 21.60, and VLG6, 15.24, used daily except Friday, news at 0015.

RADIO NEWS

The beam to the British Isles and Europe is now heard over VLA8, 11.76, and VLC11, 15.21, 1245-1415; beamed there 1000-1045 are VLA6, 15.20, VLC9, 17.84, and VLG10, 11.76, while VLB4, 11.81, is used a full hour, that is, to 1100; also used 0115-0230 are VLA6, 15.20, and VLB8, 21.60, with VLC9, 17.84, used from 0145, but on Saturdays, only VLA6 and VLC9 are employed.

VLH5, 15.23, has fine signals from 0000 in domestic service. (Balbi)

Latest calls and frequencies listed are: VLA, Shepparton, 100 kw.—VLA, 7.28; VLA2, 9.615; VLA3, 9.68; VLA4, 11.77; VLA5, 15.32; VLA6, 15.20; VLA7, 17.80; VLA8, 11.76; VLA9, 21.60; VLA10, 17.84. VLB, Shepparton, 100 kw.—VLB, 9.54; VLB2, 9.68; VLB3, 11.77; VLB4, 11.81; VLB5, 21.54; VLB6, 15.20; VLB7, 17.80; VLB8, 21.60; VLB9, 9.615; VLB10, 11.74. VLC, Shepparton, 50 kw.—VLC2, 7.28; VLC9, 17.84; VLC10, 21.68; VLC11, 15.21. VLG, Lyndhurst, 10 kw.—VLG, 9.58; VLG3, 11.71; VLG4, 11.84; VLG5, 11.88; VLG6, 15.24; VLG7, 15.16; VLG9, 11.90; VLG10, 11.76.

Austria—Although reported off the air, KOFA, 7.220, Blue Danube Network of the AFRS, has been heard in Britain as late as in April, around 2355-0100; signs on at 0000, according to announcement. (Pearce) Heard in Belgium at 1615. (Salmon)

Radio Wien, 12.210, heard on West Coast signing off at 1800 after relaying portion of an AFRS program; not heard often on West Coast. (Nankervis) The 11.780 and 9.670 frequencies are heard in Britain late mornings, using metronome interval signal and call of "Radio Wien," but carry separate programs; the 7.150 frequency has been heard at 0050 in parallel with 9.670. (Pearce)

Azores—Ponta Delgada, 4.85, signs on daily at 1600. (Pearce) Fair signal in Massachusetts, 1730-1800, mostly music. (Hudson)

Barbados—VPO8, 19.055, Bridgetown, heard well around 0730-0745, contacting GAQ2, London. (NNRC)

Belgian Congo—Leopoldville's 17.770 frequency is being heard afternoons in New York with excellent level. (Bartholomew) This frequency is used in the transmission to British Isles and Europe, opening at 1530 with news. (Pearce) Has been heard as late as 1750 in Belgium. (Salmon)

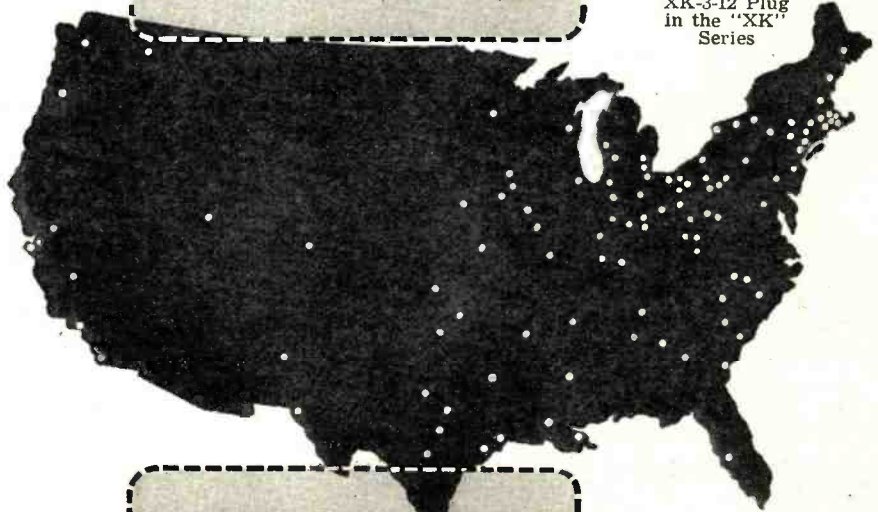
Belgium—Brussels, 21.450, heard daily 1045-1200. (NNRC)

Brazil—PRE-9, 15.165, Fortaleza, heard irregularly, usually 1930-2030; often carries opera. (Nankervis)

Britain—Current frequencies directed to North America are GSI, 15.260, 0500-0600; GRP, 18.130, 0500-1115; GRP, 18.130, 1130-1615; GSI, 15.260, 1615-2015 (to West Coast); GSP, 15.310, 1615-2145; GWH, 11.800, 1800-2300; GRH, 9.825, 1830-2300; and GWO, 9.625, 1915-2300 (to West Coast).

British Guiana—ZFY, 6.000, Georgetown, is being heard in Sweden around 1500-1930. (Ebbesson)

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Burma—Rangoon, 6.035, now is officially scheduled 0815-0915 for its English period; lists frequency of 6.040 and confirms that is no longer under military administration. (Dilg) Is no longer known as *Rangoon Radio* but as *Burma Broadcasting Service, Rangoon, Burma*, which is sufficient address for reports; engineer is named Kyeetin; transmitter is located 21 miles up Rangoon River which flows into Gulf of Martaban, according to verie received. (Riggle)

Canada—CBLX, 15.095, Montreal, now signs off at 2300; replaced CBFX. CKRX, 11.72, Winnipeg, Manitoba, has not been heard lately. (Balbi) CKRO, Winnipeg, is now off 6.150. (URDXC) CFRX, 6.070, Toronto, Ontario, lists schedule of 0600-0035. (Morck)

Ceylon—Official schedules for main program of *Radio SEAC*, Colombo, are 1930-1200, 6.075, 9.520, 3.395; 1930-2300, 2330-0500, 0700-1115, 15.120; 2300-0730, 1103-1200, 17.77; Indian Forces program, 2300-2330, 0500-0700, 15.120.

In order to conform to Britain's change to double summertime, the Sunday beam to the United Kingdom is at 1130-1330 on 15.120, 9.520, 6.075; possibly also using 41-meter band (about 7.180) in parallel, announces as beamed to Southeast Asia and India as well as to the United Kingdom. (Dilg) This new schedule is confirmed by Pearce, England, who reports that the 17.770 frequency is heard there now with weak signal around 1000; the 15.120 channel closes regular transmission now at 1115 on Sundays, but other days runs to 1200. (While the 9.520 frequency is listed and announced as used to parallel 15.120 throughout the broadcast day, 1930-1200 (except Sunday when ends at 1115), I have had no reports of reception of this frequency in either the Western Hemisphere or in Europe.)

China—An airmail letter from Fung Chien, director of Chinese International Broadcasting Station, XGOY, confirms plans for development and expansion of international services: "We are now planning to install two 20-kw. short-wave stations and one 100-kw. medium-wave station in Nanking, and another 50-kw. medium-wave station in Shanghai. The 7.5-kw. short-wave station, XGOA, Nanking, is now transmitting a North American Service daily on 15.350, beginning at 2100." (Advice from Nanking indicates the use of both 15.350 and 9.730 for this daily beam, mostly in English, 2100-2300; however, we have received no reports of reception in North America of either frequency at the time so scheduled.)

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king, 9.730, 2 kw., 2200-2330; 5.918, 7.5 kw., 0300-1000; 11.835, 7.5 kw., schedule not listed. XORA, Shanghai, 11.690, 5 kw., 1745-2000, 0200-0900. XRRRA, Peiping, 6.090, 10 kw., 1830-1930, 0500-0815 (*I believe is now on summer frequency of about 10.260*). XUPA, Banchiao (Taiwan), 9.680, 3 kw., 0300-0855. XTPA, Canton, 11.650, 1 kw., 2200-0030, 0400-0830. XLRA, Hankow, 6.054, 1 kw., 2230-2330; 12.500, 1 kw., 0430-0845. XGOY, 15.200, 35 kw., 0355-1050; frequencies of 11.913, 9.635, and 6.140, are listed with 35 kw., and 7.153 is listed with 10 kw., but no schedules were given. XPRA, Kunming, 6.404, 1.5 kw., 0530-1000. XPSA, Kweiyang (Kweichow), 7.007, 10 kw., 1755-1830; XMRA, Lanchow (Kansu), 9.750, 1 kw., 2330-0100, 0500-0830. (*Readers are reminded that Chinese stations make almost constant changes in frequencies used and in schedules; hence, much monitoring is required to keep abreast of them.*)

XGOY official schedules, just in, list: To Australia, New Zealand, and East Asia (*no English mentioned*), 11.913, 0355-0530; to East Asia and South Seas, 9.658 and 7.153, 0535-0735, news at 0600 and 0630, and with Chinese music at 0635 on Tuesdays, Thursdays; to North America, 9.658 and 7.153, 0740-0945, news at 0800, news at dictation speed at 0900 on weekdays, and with special program, "Bringing Christ to the Nations," at 0830 on Sundays; to Europe, South Seas and China proper, 11.913 and 7.153, 0955-1050, news at 1000.

In XGOY's first transmission on 11.913, news is no longer read at 0500. (Balbi)

XMAG has been heard irregularly mornings on about 11.29. Although Hong Kong summertime is 14 hours ahead of EST, the news relay from the BBC is still heard at 0600 on 9.515. XGOUS, about 9.123, Nanking, used chiefly for press dispatches to the United States, is now on summertime, opens around 0800. XRRRA, Peiping, appears to be on its summer frequency of 10.260, good signals mornings, but bothered by heavy CWQRM; should carry XGOY's news at 0800; has been heard as late as 0850, but exact schedule is not known. (Dilg)

XLRA, approximately 10.22, Hankow, is heard on this frequency irregularly, as late as 0945. (Balbi)

In a verie received, XORA, Shanghai, stated that *English* programs are radiated at 0400-0515, 0615-0640; frequency is 11.690. (Kary)

XNG5, 19.450, Shanghai, is the new transmitter for U. S. service, just gone into operation; reported with superpower; should be heard around 1900. (NNRC)

XGOA, 15.350, Nanking, reported with musical program around 2330-0030; has woman announcer. (NNRC)

XNCR, 7.52, Yenai, is heard in Australia at 0530 with news in Chinese. (Sanderson)

Costa Rica—TIGPH, "Alma Tica," is heard irregularly to sign-off at 2300 on 5.875. (Beck)

Curacao—PJC-1, 7.250, Willemstad,

heard in Massachusetts signing off at 2130. (Harris)

Czechoslovakia—In order to accommodate those on summertime, Prague has put forward its programs by one hour for the summer. OLR5A, 15.23, is now directed to North America *daily*, 1800-1900; programs come from Prague and Bratislava, of 40 and 20 minutes, respectively. Programs are varied but always include ten-minute review of news in Czech and Slovak, and about ten minutes of news in *English* (around 1835). (Information from the station indicates that the severe damage done during bombardment in the late war has not been entirely repaired to date.) Programs are recorded each evening on bands of artificial material, which has magnetic ferrous oxide in it; it is electromagnetized. The transmitter is a high-frequency Magnetophone; equipment is of German manufacture; receiving equipment includes two Minervas, one Telefunken, German makes, one Dutch Philips, and two British Marconis. The Czechoslovak Broadcasting Corporation has in preparation a pamphlet about the station.

News is now heard at 1245 over OLR3A, 9.55; at 1445 and 1645 over OLR2A, 6.010. (Laubscher) OLR2A, 6.010, has new *English* period, 0945-1000. (Harrison) Prague is now verifying with a nice card showing a view of the capital on one side, with verification details on reverse. (Gillett)

Denmark—Radio Danmark, Copenhagen
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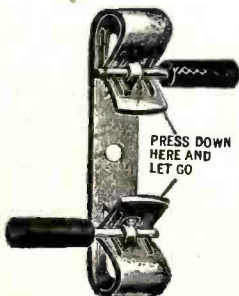
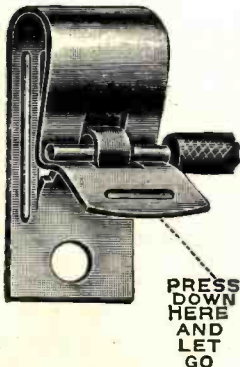
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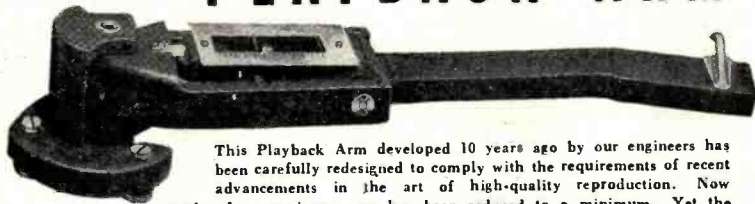
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Sound Recording (Continued from page 57)

the electric effects along this axis are by far the most pronounced. The two fundamental "a-cut" plates used are the expander and shear plate shown in (C) and (D) of Fig. 3. It will be noted that the expander plate is cut at a forty-five degree angle to the *b* and *c* axes and the shear plate is cut with edges parallel to the *b* and *c* axes.

When a voltage of given polarity is applied to the two faces of each plate, the mechanical motions developed will be at forty-five degrees to the *b* and *c* axes. This means that the expander plate shown in (C) of Fig. 3 will increase its length and simultaneously decrease its width. These two actions reverse on change of polarity of the applied voltage. The cut of the shear plate (D) of Fig. 3 shows that a similar action occurs but that expansions and contractions occur approximately along the diagonals of the plate instead of in directions parallel to the edges, as in the case of the expander plate.

Two or more crystal plates properly oriented with respect to each other are cemented together to provide more efficient utilization of the piezoelectric properties of the crystal. Two or more expander plates when cemented together form a *bender* element and two or more shear plates when cemented together form a *twister* element. These names "bender" and "twister" have been selected since they indicate the resulting motion of the final element when an electrical potential is applied.

Both bender and twister elements, because of their multiple plate construction, are further classified as "Bimorphs." This type of construction has the advantage over the single plate crystal of practically eliminating the generally undesirable effects of saturation and hysteresis and of greatly reducing the effects of temperature on sensitivity and impedance. Construction of the bender and twister "Bimorph" elements are shown in Fig. 4A. Prior to the final assembly, the two faces of each crystal plate are milled smooth and graphite or foil electrodes are applied. Metal leads are connected to the electrodes and the plates, after proper orientation, are bonded together with a cement. The electrodes are connected either in parallel or in series, depending on the application for which the final element is constructed. The parallel lead arrangement, however, is standard and is shown in Fig. 4B. The assembled crystal element is finally coated with a specially prepared moisture-proofing material for protection against deterioration in unusually dry or damp conditions of use.

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Figs. 5A and 5B show representative circuit arrangements for triode, pentode, and beam power output tubes. These may be connected in single or push-pull arrangement, although the latter is preferable from the standpoint of reducing distortion in the output stage. These diagrams also show connections for loudspeakers in case these may be required for reproducing purposes. The output tubes should be selected to provide an undistorted

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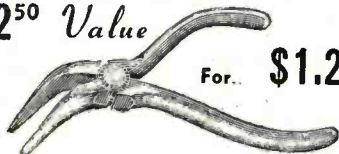


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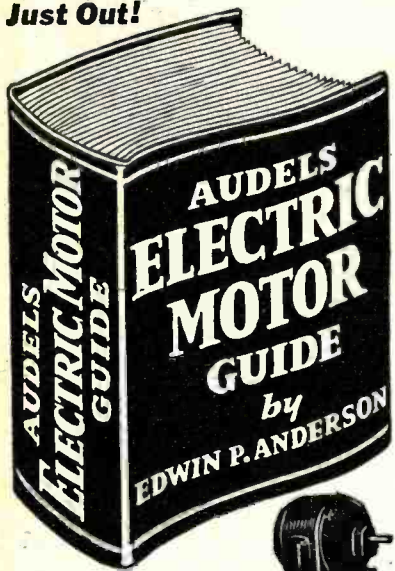
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The circuit components for engraving

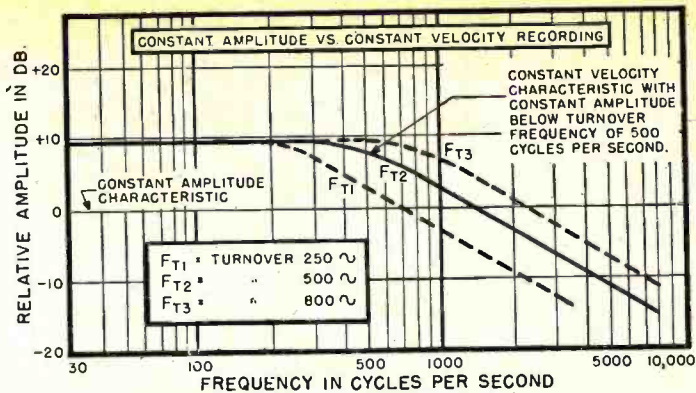
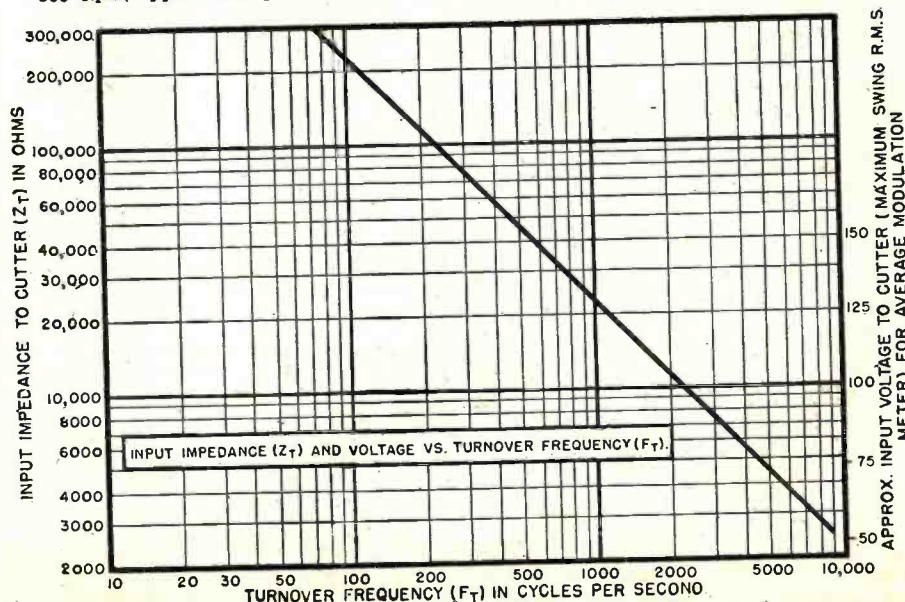


Fig. 6. Curve shows relative amplitude in db. in relation to frequency in c.p.s. for constant amplitude and constant velocity recording.

either constant amplitude or commercial constant velocity records may be selected in accordance with the table shown in Fig. 5. Typical frequency response characteristics for these two types of recordings are shown in Fig. 6.

In the case of constant amplitude recording, the frequency response on an amplitude basis is uniform throughout the frequency range. These records can be reproduced with pickups (such as the Brush Models PL-20, PL-50 and PL-25) without equalization in the reproducing circuit. In the case of commercial constant velocity recording, the frequency response (amplitude basis) is uniform only up to the turnover frequency, usually between 250 and 800 c.p.s. and falls off at the rate of 6 db. per octave above this frequency. These records can be reproduced with the same pickups and other types but equalization is required in the reproducing circuit

Fig. 7. This chart may be used to obtain the input impedance (Z_T) to the cutter for commercial "constant velocity" recording (See table of Fig. 5). This impedance will vary for the "turnover frequency" selected. The cutting voltage required for average modulation of the record on the basis of the "turnover frequency" may also be obtained from this chart. For example: For a "turnover frequency" of 500 c.p.s. the input impedance (Z_T) to the cutter should be approximately 44,000 ohms. This impedance should be divided between the transformer secondary (sec.) and series resistor, R_1 , as in Fig. 5A or lumped as a series resistor, R_1 , as in Fig. 5B. For a "turnover frequency" of 500 c.p.s. approximately 150 volts is required for average modulation of the record.



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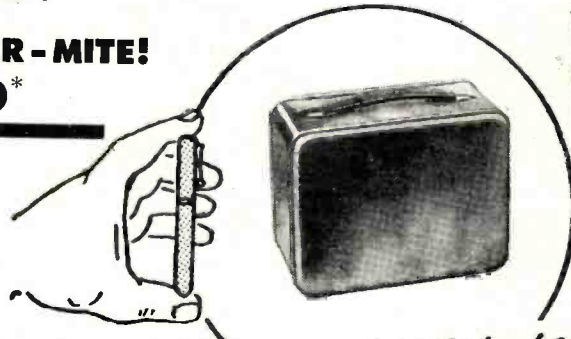
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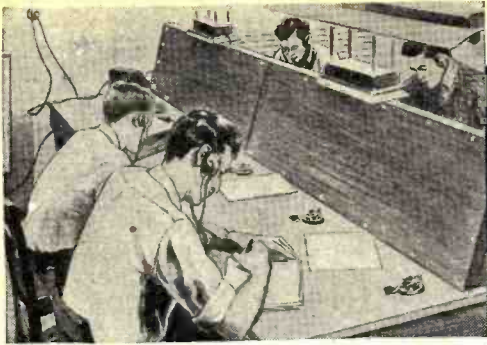
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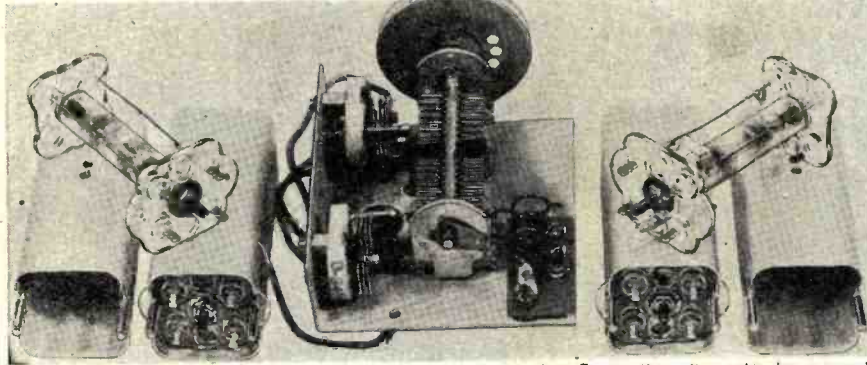
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In many cases where commercial crystal pickups employing steel needles are used, it may be desirable to cut records with a turnover at some higher frequency than for commercial constant recordings. Since many of these pickups have resonant peaks between 4000 and 5000 c.p.s., a turnover at from 1000 to 3000 c.p.s. may produce a more uniform frequency response. It will be necessary to experiment with the turnover frequency to obtain best results. When records with a high turnover are reproduced with crystal pickups, this will result in a uniform response up to the turnover frequency with attenuation of 6 db. per octave above this frequency.

In constant amplitude cutting the actual impedance from which the cutter operates should not exceed 4000 ohms. This may be obtained from an output transformer as shown in Fig. 5A or by connecting directly to the plates of the output tubes as shown in Fig. 5B. In the latter case the plate resistance (R_p) of the vacuum tube (plate resistance of the two tubes for push-pull) should not exceed 4000 ohms. When a uniform frequency range up to 9000 c.p.s. is required, constant amplitude recording requires approximately 50 volts for average modulation of the record (maximum swing on r.m.s. meter).

In cutting commercial constant velocity, the impedance from which the cutter operates will depend on the turnover frequency selected. This may be obtained from an output transformer and a series resistor as shown in Fig. 5A, or by connecting to the plates of the output tubes through a series resistor as shown in Fig. 5B. For example, by reference to Fig. 7, it will be noted that where a turnover frequency of 500 c.p.s., is required, the cutter should operate from an impedance of approximately 44,000 ohms. This is the cutter impedance at this frequency. Referring to Fig. 5A, this impedance should be divided between the series resistor and the secondary impedance of the output transformer. Generally, these two may be made equal, viz. 22,000 ohms for a turnover of 500 c.p.s. Resistor R_s should not be smaller than the reflected resistance of the amplifier at A-B, Fig. 5A. In the event that the plate resistance (R_p) for two vacuum tubes in push-pull is 1600 ohms, the output transformer would then have an impedance ratio of 1600 : 22,000 ohms. This corresponds to an impedance ratio of approximately 1 : 13.8 or a turns ratio of 1 : 3.7. Since such an odd ratio transformer may not be easily obtained one having a turns ratio of 1 : 3.5 or 1 : 4 will be found suitable without shifting the turnover frequency seriously. In selecting the output transformer, it is important that there be a sufficient power handling capacity and uniform frequency characteristics throughout its range. When the turnover frequency is be-

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tween 250 and 800 c.p.s. commercial constant velocity recording requires approximately 150 volts (maximum swing on r.m.s. meter) for average modulation of the record. See Fig. 7.

It will be noted in Fig. 6 that in commercial constant velocity recording, the lower frequencies are cut approximately 10 db. higher than constant amplitude recording. Constant amplitude can be cut at a higher level for higher record modulation. However, it will be necessary to reduce the frequency range during recording. This can be accomplished by providing a turnover below 9000 c.p.s. much in the same manner as is done at 250 to 800 c.p.s. in the case of commercial constant velocity recordings. For example, if a turnover is selected at 4000 c.p.s., so that only those frequencies below this point are cut constant amplitude, then the voltage applied to the cutter may be increased to approximately 80 volts, (maximum swing on the r.m.s. meter). Lower turnover frequencies will permit higher voltages to be applied to the cutter for higher record modulation. See Fig. 6.

Mounting the Crystal Cutter

To insure good frequency response and a clean cut of constant depth, the following recommendations should be taken into consideration:

1. The mounting bracket for the cutter should be designed so that the pivot point is fairly close to the record plane so as to minimize the effects of any movement which might develop while cutting, due to forces on the record cutting stylus.

2. The pivot point of the mounting bracket should provide free movement to the cutter in a vertical plane. It should, however, be free of play so as to give a stiff support to the cutter against any vibration caused by the lateral motion of the cutting stylus on the record. Needle point bearings are most suitable for this use.

3. Some means for governing the depth of cut should be provided. This may be accomplished by a spring held under proper tension.

4. The moment of inertia should be reduced to a minimum with respect to vertical motion of the cutter. Any mounting weight which will add to the stylus pressure should be kept at a minimum.

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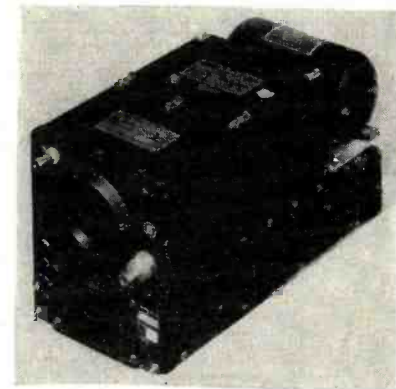
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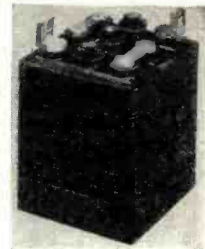


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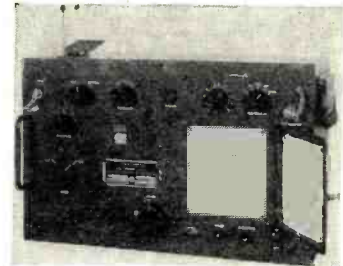


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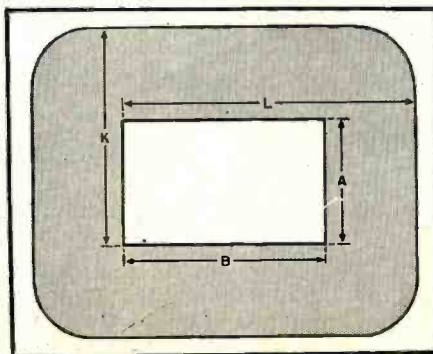
Fig. 13. Approximate core sizes for chokes of various specifications.

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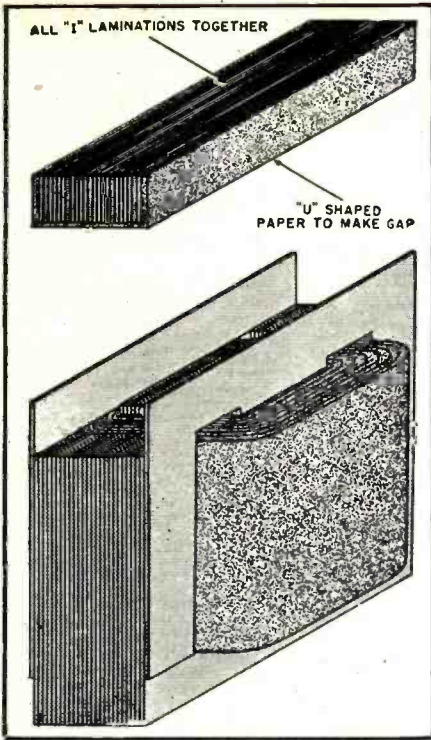


Fig. 15. How core for filter choke is assembled when paper gap is required.

cause they consist of only one winding. With the information contained herein, you can design and construct your own.

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MOUNTING SURPLUS FILTER CONDENSERS

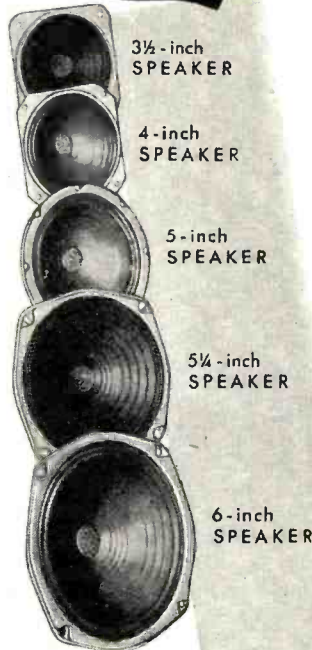
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LETTERS

from our readers

MINE DETECTORS

IN THE April issue of RADIO NEWS Mr. Alvin B. Kaufman, in an article entitled "The Modern Diving Rod" states very definitely that the principle of radar has not been used for the detection of buried objects.

"This seems to be in error and Mr. Kaufman should brush up on his radar knowledge as at least nine types of radar mine detectors (transmitted pulse reflected to receiver) were developed by the Allies during the war. Hostilities ceased, however, before the American and Russian versions reached the field.

"Many G.I.s will recall the Australian Mark 7 and 7A mounted on an Army truck, as these were very successful. The latter was a high-powered job and operated on a centimeter wavelength. Both used meter indication.

"I happened to be a senior officer in the Australian Military Forces during the war and was in charge of Army radar there. In '39 and '40 while in England, I worked on a British low-frequency type based on the principles used in their ASDIG (anti-submarine detection indicating gear) and in January, 1940 I flew one of these to Helsinki as at that time Britain was helping the Finns against the Russians.

"In 1943 and 1944 as radar liaison officer to various Allied countries, I was particularly interested in the Russian efforts to improve this same British model, which they had captured from the Finns.

"I can assure Mr. Kaufman that radar metal locators are very practical when vehicle mounted. I happen to own one."

W. E. Osborne
Los Angeles, California

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CORRECTION!

WE HAVE read with interest the article in the March, 1947 issue of RADIO NEWS entitled 'Sonar—The Submarine's Nemesis' by C. G. McProud, and are writing this letter to direct your attention to a misunderstanding concerning the ADP crystal.

"In the first column on page 48 is the statement 'The ADP crystal developed during the war by Bell Telephone Laboratories has the same piezoelectric properties as Rochelle salt —'"

"Actually, the piezoelectric properties of the ADP crystals differ considerably from those of Rochelle salt, although the general kind of action is the same. The main point we want to make, however, is that the ADP crystal was first introduced by The Brush Development Company not by Bell

Telephone Laboratories. Brush produced and used the crystal experimentally before the war. Early in the war, the superiority of ADP over Rochelle salt for underwater transducer applications was recognized and Brush recommended it to the Navy. The Navy responded enthusiastically and requested The Brush Development Company and the Bell Telephone Laboratories to cooperate in speeding the development of such transducer and methods for the production of large quantities of crystals. Bell Telephone Laboratories assigned some highly qualified men to the job and there was complete exchange of information between the two companies including disclosure by Brush to Western Electric Company of the former's growing methods and plant design. Large scale ADP crystal growing facilities were set up by both The Brush Development Company and Western Electric Company. The Western Electric facilities were dismantled following the war but the Brush facilities are still in operation for commercial as well as government requirements. The Bell Telephone Laboratories and Western Electric Company made many important contributions but so also did The Brush Development Company and since Brush was first to produce ADP, first to recognize its advantages and first to recommend its use and did, to say the least, a substantial part of the development work, we feel that it is quite misleading to refer to ADP as a crystal developed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories."

J. P. Arndt, Jr.
Sales Mgr., Crystal Div.

The Brush Development Co.

Our sincere apologies to The Brush Development Company and our thanks to Mr. Arndt for calling our attention to this error.

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CORRESPONDENCE PLEASE

WE, THE members of the Southern Tier Chapter of Radio Servicemen of America, think we have a very good organization for radio servicemen—perhaps our history will be sufficient evidence to prove our point.

"The Binghamton Chapter of IRSM was founded in the fall of 1934 by a delegation from Rochester, New York. We, in turn, helped to organize other chapters in Syracuse, Scranton and Elmira. A member of our chapter was national president in 1936. During the year 1938 IRSM was changed to Radio Servicemen of America and a member of our chapter served on the board of directors and later as vice-president of the national group.

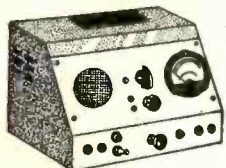
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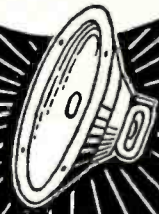
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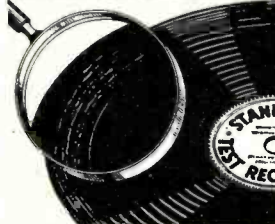
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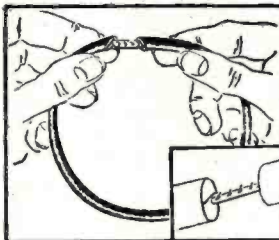
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"Our by-laws are revised from the one time national by-laws to suit our conditions. All members comply with them—thus keeping ethics on a high standard in the radio service business in our area.

"Since the end of the war and the return of our old members, activities and membership have increased considerably and are still growing.

"We would like to hear from other organizations of radio servicemen and their activities."

Aaron A. Baldwin, Sec'y
Southern Tier Chapter
Radio Servicemen of America
Binghamton, New York

WE GET AROUND

"WILL you please let me know just where you got the boy's pistols and holsters in the January front cover of RADIO NEWS?"

"Please let me know where I can purchase a pair for my two boys. You will be doing them a good deed for their next Christmas present."

Mrs. S. C. Hanford
Skouriotissa, Cyprus
Mediterranean Sea

I guess boys will be boys the world over—we have forwarded the information to you by letter, Mrs. Hanford.

3" OSCILLOSCOPE

"JUST a line to let you know that the 'boys' around here think the article '3 Oscilloscope' appearing in your March issue is pretty swell. We all agree, however, that one small addition to the unit is necessary. If a jumper wire from the '60 cycle output' terminal was accidentally touched to the case, the 6.3 volt filament winding would be shorted. This would cause damage to the winding if not burn it out completely.

"Since one side of the winding is grounded, the only solution is to insert a current limiting resistor between the 'hot' side of the winding and the '60 cycle output' terminal. The value of this resistor in corresponding commercial scopes ranges from 10,000 to 30,000 ohms at 1/2 watt. Since little or no current is drawn from the terminal when it is used as a test voltage or sync voltage source, the resistor will have little effect on the voltage.

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William E. Cranquist
St. Paul, Minn.

This is a good point and many of our readers may want to incorporate this feature in their units.

CONSIGNMENTS?

WE ARE expecting some of the radio tube manufacturers to begin consigning tube stocks to radio shops, as was the practice before the war.

"This will be a direct blow to all the better radio shops throughout the country who have had to purchase their tubes outright during the war, many of them at black-market prices. This will also greatly stimulate the back-yard mechanic and the number of new shops opening up over the country and will also increase the price of tubes and parts to us all because the manufacturer and jobbers will naturally lose money on many of these consignment accounts and must make good on those who are able to keep going.

"It would be well for the shop owners to fight such a plan by any manufacturer or jobber and to voice their objections to their respective jobbers.

"We will not use a tube that is being distributed on the consignment plan and we will not do business with a jobber who is consigning tubes, if there is one we can find who does not."

G. E. Renfroe
Southern Radio Service
Thomasville, Georgia

There are many pros and cons on this consignment problem and some of our readers may not agree with Mr. Renfroe. We do not believe any manufacturer or jobber would institute the "consignment" system if it were unprofitable and they certainly wouldn't penalize one serviceman because they sustained a loss from a consignment shipped to another shop.

PICTORIAL DIAGRAMS

AFTER months of reading about the articles and features your readers would like to see in your magazine, I thought I would send in a few suggestions I think are needed very much, that would help the sales of the magazine, and would fill one of the most important needs of the newcomer and experimenter. I would like to suggest that you include a pictorial wiring diagram of all radio sets but the most advanced type, which are designed for the licensed radio operator and technically trained person.

"I know every inch of space is used up in your magazine, but I believe if some of the space that is used for explaining the technical workings of the set in question were used for the pic-

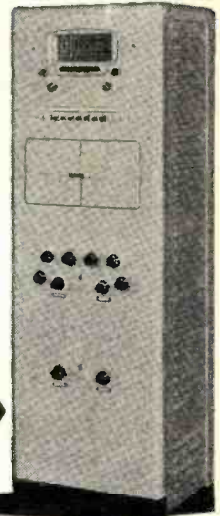
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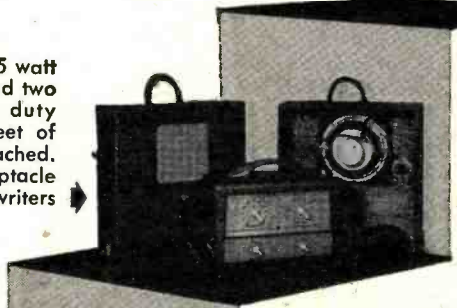
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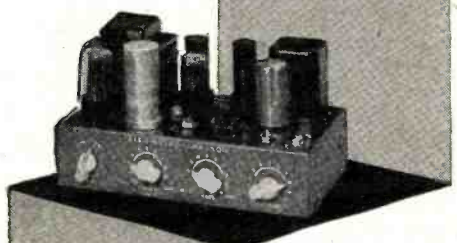
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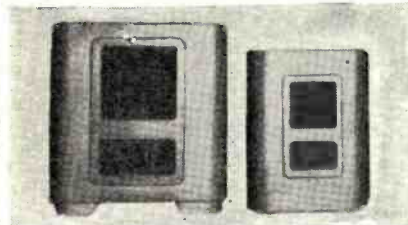


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torial wiring diagram it would be of more interest as I am sure a great many persons want to build the set and not read all the functions of the circuit.

"Also, why is it that almost always a receiver is designed around home-wound coils when there are many types of ready-wound coils on the market? I would also like to see receivers that are built around tubes that need no power pack so as to get away from so many battery sets and earphones or at least show a power pack to operate the set and not just say how much current it takes to operate it, which does not happen too often.

"Well, I have let off some pent-up steam that has been on my mind for some time and I hope you may give my suggestions a little thought, as newcomers and experimenters such as myself look to magazines like yours to keep up on the new circuits and parts that are coming out and we want to build and use them and want the material so we can understand it as well as a technical person. The answer is pictorial wiring diagrams."

Arthur E. Keeler
White Plains, New York

Thanks for your many suggestions, Mr. Keeler. At present we do not feel justified in sacrificing technical explanations in favor of pictorial diagrams because many of our readers need and use such technical data. We'll keep the idea in mind, though.

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International Short-Wave

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hagen, usually uses a 6-kw. station on 9.520, 1145-1545, weekdays; on Sundays uses 15.320, 0700-1145; has no regularly scheduled English periods.

Egypt—SUX, 7.863, Cairo, is heard in Britain from 1300. (BSWL)

El Salvador—YSN, 7.315, San Salvador, has weak signals on West Coast, 1800-2300; bad CWQRM. (Nankervis)

Finland—OIX4, 15.190, Lahti, broadcasts an English lesson at 0230-0245 on Sundays. (Pearce) News is still broadcast over the 15.19 and 9.50 frequencies at 0715 and 1925. (von Harpe)

France—Paris, 9.560, still directs program to British Isles, 1430-1530, good signal in Britain; lately has been using about 7.280 in parallel. (Pearce) On 7.245 (announced), Paris has English program now at 0930-1030, and is used before and after this period, to European countries. (Harrison) Is heard in Britain on 17.850 opening in French with call of "Ici Paris" at 0830, appears directed to French Indo-China, and signs off at 0930 with "La Marseillaise." (Pearce)

During the summer, North American Service continues on 9.55, 11.845, 2100-2245, news at 2100 and 2230. Good signals in most sections of the Western Hemisphere.

French Equatorial Africa—Radio Brazzaville's 9.984 now has news at 1715, 1830, 1900; the 11.970 frequency



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has news at 1345, 1545, 1645, 1715, 1825, 1900. (Nankervis)

French Indo-China—Saigon's 6.19 and 4.81 frequencies have not been heard recently. (Balbi) Still heard in Australia with news at 0500, on frequencies of 6.190 and 11.780. (Sanderson) The 11.780 frequency has a fair signal here in West Virginia at 0500.

French West Africa—Radio Dakar, about 15.38, appears to sign on at 1445 and off around 1700; news in *French* at 1615; *no English noted*. (Pearce) Widely heard in America.

Germany—AFN, 6.080, Frankfurt, is now on summertime, scheduled 1800-1400, with news at 1800, 1930, 0000, 0300, 0800, 1100, 1300. (Harrison)

Current schedules of the Munich transmitters relaying programs from the United States to Europe are: Munich I, 7.290, 1100-1615; Munich II, 11.870, 1100-1400, and 6.170, 1415-1615; Munich IV, 9.540, 1100-1615.

Hamburg, 6.115, is heard in Britain around 2000-0500 (*not full schedule*); announces as "Nordwest Deutsches Rundfunk, Hamburg"; has woman announcer; *only German language noted*. (Harrison)

DTSP, 15.105, works point-to-point with New York, 0400-0415; before 0400 has music, but no definite programs. (Harrison)

Hawaii — Current schedules of KRHO, Honolulu, relaying programs from the United States, are: 17.800, 0230-0345; 15.250, 0400-1100; 17.800, 1700-2015, 2030-0100. The 9.650 frequency appears to have been dropped for the summer.

Holland — PCJ, 9.590, Hilversum, sends fine signal to North America in the daily (*except Sunday*) news and commentary session beginning at 2300. (Adey) On 15.22, PCJ is heard on West Coast 0415-0445 most days, to Far East. (Balbi) No changes in schedules for *Happy Station Programs* have been noted.

India—AIR summer schedules, just in via airmail from Delhi, are:

Delhi—VUD2, 10 kw., 7.290, 2100-2300; 9.680, 0200-0400, 1630-0800; 4.960, 0815-1230. VUD3, 5 kw., 9.670, 2040-2245; 17.760, 0125-0130, 0200-0400, 0730-0745; 9.670, 0800-0830, 0845-1130; 6.110, 1200-1245. VUD4, 10 kw., 11.830, 2040-2245, 0125-0130, 0200-0400, 0730-0745, 0800-0830, 0845-1230. VUD5, 100 kw., 15.190, 2040-2245, 2215-0145, 0215-0315, 0345-0830; 9.590, 0900-1100, 1115-1230; 7.290, 1730-1825. VUD7, 100 kw., 15.160, 2150-2200, 2215-0215, 0315-0430, 0500-0945, 1000-1100, 1115-1230. VUD8, 7.5 kw., 21.510, 2215-0215, 0340-0400, 0445-0830, 0900-1110, 1115-1230. VUD9, 7.5 kw., 11.870, 2215-0215, 0340-0400, 0430-0830, 0900-1110, 1115-1230. VUD-10, 2 kw., 9.630, 2150-2200; 17.830, 2215-0215, 0430-0700, 0745-0800; 6.190, 0830-0915. VUD11, 11.760, 2040-2200; 15.290, 2215-0030, 0125-0145, 0200-0400, 0500-0700; 11.850, 0730-0745; 7.290, 0800-0830, 0845-1110; 9.660, 1200-1245.

Bombay—VUB2, 10 kw., 7.240, 2100-2300; 9.630, 0130-0400; 7.240, 0550-0845; 4.880, 0900-1230.

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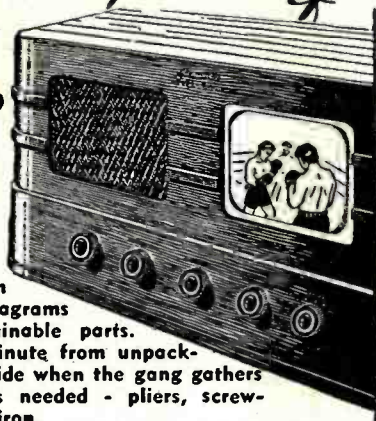
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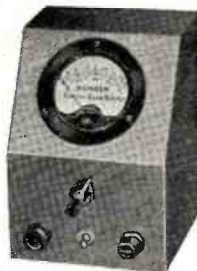
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The 15.16 and 9.59 Delhi frequencies are heard on West Coast at 1030 with news. (Balbi)

VU7MC, 6.083, Akashvani, Mysore, scheduled 0330-0445, 0730-1145, 2130-2245. (URDXC)

Iran—EPB, 15.100, Teheran, weak to inaudible early mornings in East; news at 0715; poor modulation. (Kary) Still heard in Britain with news at 0715. (Pearce) Now signs off at 0730. (Legge)

Iraq—HNF, 6.782, Baghdad, is heard in Britain around 1200 with fair level. (BSWL)

Italy—Milan lists 10 kw. power for its 9.630 frequency. (Arthur) Still heard with news at 1900; 11.81 announced in parallel.

Japan—JLW, 7.285, Tokyo, has irregular schedule but when on is usually heard in the early morning hours with AFRS and press work. (Nankervis)

WLKS, British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, Kure, is scheduled on 6.105, 1630-1830, 2100-0500; on 2.465, 0300-0830 but runs to 0900 on Saturday; power is 1000 watts on each channel. (Cushen)

According to URDXC, here are principal Japanese schedules: JVM-2, Tokyo, 9.505, 0325-0830 (full schedule); JVW-4, 9.560, 0325-0830; JKF, 9.655, 1725-0230; JKZ, 9.695, used irregularly, 2200-0230 for special events; JKC, 7.257, 1525-0230, 0255-0830; JKD, 6.015 (AFRN), 1630-0903; JKE, 9.605 (AFRN), 1630-0345; JKA, 7.285, irregularly, 1625-1800, 2200-0230, 0255-0830; JVW, 15.225, 1800-0315; JVW-3, 15.325, 1800-0315; JLP3, 17.835, heard irregularly after 2300.

Java—"The Official Dutch Radio Station in Bandoeng" has final sign-off (in English) after Dutch programs, at 1100; appears not to be on daily; announces use of 10.060, 8.000, 3.015. (Laubscher)

PMA, 19.350, is improving in signal; used 1100-1130 in parallel with 10.365; frequently heard before 1100 and it is possible they are on the earlier transmission of the 10.365 frequency which appears to end around 1050. (Dilg)

The Indonesian on about 14.550 is sending a fair to good signal to the East early mornings; usually identifies in English around 0620. (Kary) Call is YHP; is heard in Australia as early as 0515. (Sanderson)

In South Africa, an Indonesian on 9.555 is heard paralleling PLS, 10.365, mornings; weak but in the clear. (Laubscher)

An Indonesian on 9.68 is being heard irregularly, as early as 0400 to sign-off at 1030, nice signal. May be Soerabaja; the transmitter on 9.55 appears to parallel. (Balbi) Latter is heard at 0500 in Australia, announcing "Hier ist Omproep Batavia." (Sanderson)

An Indonesian on about 12.002 is heard in New Orleans around 0530

with English; may be Bandoeng. (Crandall)

The Indonesians on 14.55 and 7.420 no longer have English at 0900-1000 but at 0530-0630. (Dilg)

Kenya—Nairobi, 4.890 (or 4.885), closes at 1400 except Wednesday and Saturday, when runs to 1500. (Pearce)

Lebanon—FXE, 8.038, Beirut, is heard in South Africa at 1100 with news. (Laubscher) Heard in Belgium as late as 1615. (Salmon)

Luxembourg — Radio Luxembourg, 6.090, now signs off on weekdays at 1630 in French and German, with Luxembourg Anthem. (Harrison)

Malaya—Radio Kaula Lumpur has moved from 6.175 to 6.045; schedule remains the same. (Balbi, Dilg) News at 0900; parallels Singapore's 4.820. (URDXC)

Radio Malaya, 4.820, Singapore, heard in Mexico at 0715; the 6.77 frequency is also heard there same time, but with separate program. (Butcher) Singapore's 4.780 has news read by a woman at 0915. (Ballard)

The Malaya network frequencies of 15.275, 15.300, 11.735, 6.77, appear to now run to 1200. (URDXC)

Mexico—XDA, 14.525, has irregular schedule, usually 0955-1020 and around 2115. (Nankervis)

XEFT, 9.545, Vera Cruz, 1000-0030. (Nankervis)

Mozambique — CR7BU, 4.92, Lour-enco Marques, is heard in Australia at 1600 with musical program.

New Caledonia — According to URDXC, Radio Noumea, 6.160, is now scheduled 0200-0505, 1900-2000.

Newfoundland — VONH, 5.985, St. John's, has transmitter at Mount Pearl, a suburb about 2 miles from St. John's; scheduled 0830-1230, 1630-2100 on weekdays, 1030-1400, 1630-2100 Sunday. (Peddle)

Northern Rhodesia — Mervyn P. Laubscher, ISW Department monitor in South Africa, reports Lusaka on about 9.705, daily to Africans, 1030-1200; the 7.285 and 3.90 frequencies are poor, with bad QRM. In verifying (by letter, cards apparently not used), this station reported that the 31-meter frequency is a new channel and is intended to cover Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, a radius of about 500 miles from Lusaka; "for this reason we are using a type of aerial which suppresses low angle radiation and has a very short skip distance of about 40 miles; the transmitter is a Marconi SWB8 with a power output of 25kw. (NOTE: May mean 2.5 kw.); am rather mystified about your report of our 42-meter channel; actually, we are using only 7.220 (41.5 meters); the 3.914 (76.6 meters) transmission is intended to cover the skip area of the 31-meter transmitter; the power output on both these frequencies is 500 watts." It was stated that IRC's are not necessary. Mr. Laubscher says he, too, is "mystified" regarding the 42-meter

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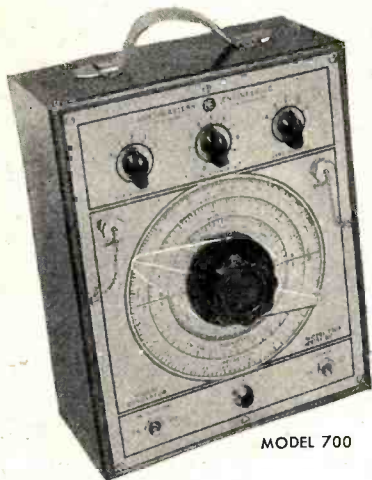
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channel of Lusaka as when logged on what he reads as 7.285, the beam was QRM'd by both Delhi and Munich on 7.290.

Norway—The new Oslo frequency of about 7.210 is heard in Britain paralleling 6.185, 11.735, 9.540 from around 1000; is heard there only when BBC's European Service is not on an adjoining frequency; the 11.735 frequency has been heard opening at 1100; on Sundays opening is before then. (Pearce)

LKJ-2, Fredrikstad, is now off 6.130. (URDXC)

Philippines — KZRH, 9.640, heard 0300-1100; news reports at 0400, 0600, 0730; still asking for reports to Radio Station KZRH, Manila, Philippines. (Nankervis) Full schedule is 1700-1100; news at 0530, 0730, 0900, 1715, 2300, 2345. (Dilg) Now announcing as "The nation's most powerful station." (Gillett)

KZPI has moved from 9.710 to around 9.695. (Baxter, Dilg) Full schedule is 1630-1100, except that on Saturdays runs straight through to 1630 again; this extended schedule is

known as "Pacific Jamboree," and is a request period; uses a 200-watt Techrad, model T-350XM (modified) transmitter, and vertical "L" quarter-wave antenna. (Cushen) News at 1800, 1855, 2345, 0000, 0155, 0600, 0855, 1055. (Dilg) Announces still as experimental. (Gillett)

Poland—Full schedule of *Polskie Radio*, Warsaw, 6.115, is 1100-1801. (Beach) News is scheduled 1550-1610.

Portugal — CSW6, 11.035, Lisbon, heard 1600-1800, in Portuguese only. (Harrison)

Portuguese China—CR8AA, Macao, Radio Clube of Macao, about 9.255, heard with news at 0745. (Nankervis) Signal continues weak. (Dilg) Heard in Mexico as early as 0615, with bad CWQRM. (Butcher)

Radio Macao, which in past used about 7.535 and 7.280, verified by letter, stating that transmitter and other facilities are now in use by CR8AA; new radio gear unobtainable in Macao, but complete equipment is on order from the United States; verified via airmail from Luiz Gonzaga Gomes, acting manager; gave schedule as

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0430-0930 on 9.230; stated "Macao Radio Magazine" is not being published as yet due to newsprint shortage. (Cushen)

In verifying the 7.530 frequency recently for Fred Smith, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Gomes stated that this frequency is no longer in use, but stated was broadcasting on new frequency of 9.300, no schedule given. Attractive card was printed in *English* and it was pointed out they were anxious to receive reports.

Spain—Radio *SEU*, Madrid, frequency varying around 7.080-7.130, usually about 7.100. (Harrison) Heard with fair level in Newfoundland, 1600-1730. (Peddle)

Madrid, 9.690 (announced), has been heard signing off at 2115; on Sundays has news at both 1500 and 1545. (Nankervis) Is scheduled weekdays with news at 1500.

Sweden—SBO, 6.065 and/or SDB-2, 10.78, are sometimes used for transmitting pictures from Stockholm. (Arthur)

SBT, 15.155, SBP, 11.705, have been heard in Australia at 0200 with *English lesson*. (Sanderson)

Suriname — Paramaribo, 17.677, heard Saturdays, 1200-1255. (URDXC)

Switzerland — Widely reported are the Swiss frequencies directed to North America this summer, which are now *daily (including Saturdays)*. Frequency of 11.865 is used 1730-1815; 9.535, 11.865, 15.315, 2030-2200, and to West Coast, 2200-2230; the 15.315 frequency has powerful signal at 1830 opening to Latin America, interfering badly some evenings with VLA5, 15.32, during latter's 1830-1945 transmission to East Coast.

Among other summer schedules of the Berne (Schwarzenbourg) station are: To Europe, 0020-0140, HER3, 6.165 (100 kw.), HER4, 9.535; 0615-0715, HER4, 9.535, HER5, 11.865 (100 kw.); 1200-1700, HER3, 6.165, HER4, 9.535 (Saturday sign-on is at 1230); Sundays, 0040-0140, HER3, 6.165, HER4, 9.535; 0245-1700, HER4, 9.535, and 0245-0715, 1200-1700, HER3, 6.165. To England daily, 1415-1445, HER5, 11.865. To South America daily, 1645-1715, HEU6, 15.315, and 1830-2000, HER4, 9.535, HER5, 11.865, HEU6, 15.315. To Orient, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 1000-1130, HER6, 15.305, HER7, 17.784. To Near East daily, 1500-1530, HER5, 11.865. To Japan, Friday, 0215-0345, HER7, 17.784, HER6, 15.305. To Australia, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 0215-0345, HEU5, 11.815, HER5, 11.865. To Africa, daily, 1545-1630, HEU6, 15.315; Saturday, 1000-1200, HER7, 17.784, and 1000-1040 and 1120-1200, HER6, 15.305. (Morck)

Turkey—TAQ, 15.195, Ankara, has been heard in Britain recently around 0900 with dispatches to American networks; announced that broadcast was copyrighted, but that any listener sending in report as proof of reception would receive TAQ's verification card. TAP, 9.465, still has news at 1245 (*if now on summertime would be at 1145*).

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United States—Changes to summer frequencies and in schedules are too numerous to list all; however, wider use of the 13-meter band is noted as follows: KCBA, 21.460, 1700-2330; KGEI, 21.490, 2000-0100; WOOW, 21.500, 0730-1630; WCRC, 21.570, 0600-1645; WCDA, 21.570, 1800-2200; WGEA, 21.590, 0600-1645; WNRA, 21.610, 0900-1815; KNBA, 21.630, 1600-1715, 1730-0200; WLWS1/2, 21.650, 0645-1630; WLWS1, 21.650, 1645-0100; WLWK, 21.600, 0645-1300; WNRX, 21.730, 0500-1815; and KCBF, 21.740, 1700-2330.

Uruguay—CXA10, 11.900 Montevideo, 1830-2115. (Nankervis)

Last Minute Tips

An unidentified French-speaking station on about 7.530, heard early mornings, may be *Radio Dalat* or Hanoi, French Indo-China; a similar station on about 9.465 is possibly Hanoi. (Dilg, Baxter) Another possible location for the 9.465 one is Tunis. (Kary) Malacca?

Radio SEAC, 17.770, Colombo, Ceylon, has been heard recently in Pennsylvania carrying the 0730 news. (Kary)

According to Berne List, *Radio Maroc*, Rabat, Morocco, has registered on 6.006, 7.215, 9.575, 11.857, 15.104, 17.812. (Legge, via NNRC)

H.M.S. Vanguard was heard well in Britain during its trip to South Africa, using frequencies of about 7.80 and 13.99 when working BBC. (ISWC) Pat Casey, New York, informs us that the transmitter aboard the *H.M.S. Vanguard* is a Standard Telephones & Cables DS10 for long-range duplex radio-telephony, employing a unit system of construction whereby up to six radio frequency units may be added. This enables up to three of six spot frequencies to be selected for simultaneous operation. The transmitter is capable of providing two c.w. channels at 5 kw. each or 3 c.w. channels at 3 kw. each with separate keying; or 2 c.w. channels at 3 kw. each with common keying. An electronic keying unit is incorporated in the set, permitting operation at keying speeds up to 600 w.p.m. Dimensions are only 6 ft. 6½ inches high, 9 ft. 3 inches long, and 3 ft. 2 inches deep. Five special antennas are on the mainmast and are connected by Pyrotexax feeders to the DS10 transmitter which is installed in a compartment on the port side of the ship; receiving antennas include a single wire and vertical whips, rigged on and around the foremast.

PLS, 10.365, Bandoeng, Java, heard 0700-0900 on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, in addition to daily scheduled 1100-1130. (Nankervis) PLY, 10.060, appears on daily *except* Sunday, 0500-1045, but runs to 1130 on Saturdays. (Nankervis) Has been heard in South Africa as late as 1115. (Laubscher) PMA, about 19.345, is definitely Bata-

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via; announces "Hier ist Radio Batavia"; schedule appears 1100-1130, but sign-off varies a few minutes; uses Warsaw Concerto as signature; drifts; usually suffers interference from a French phone station. (Kary)

A Chinese station on about 6.025 is heard mornings on West Coast; appears in dual with XNCR, 7.490, Yenan, to 0700; from 0700 to 0800 gives call as XGNC; may be the old Kalgan station moved to Hanton. The Chinese station on 8.660 is presumed to be Kalgan. (Dilg)

XNCR, 7.490, appears to close around 0700. (Baxter)

XORA, 11.69, Shanghai, is heard in Australia at 0500 with news; XMTA, 12.215, is heard at 0445 there, with news in Chinese, followed by music. (Sanderson)

Bulgaria's *Radio Sofia*, 9.350, was heard in Nova Scotia recently with news at 1645. (Adey)

According to a Swiss radio publication, the new short-wave center in Czechoslovakia will be the most modern in Central Europe; reported now under construction; to include a new 100-kw. transmitter. (Anderson)

Moscow's evening beam to North America (in English) is now announced for 1820-1930 on 15.44, 15.41, 15.17, 11.63; for 1820-1950 on 11.89; for 1930-1950 on 15.23; however, the 15.17 frequency is heard 1620-1750; news at 1825 and 1930. The Latin American beam from Moscow is heard on 15.41 and 15.36; the Home Service (in Russian), beginning at 2000, employs 11.89 and 11.74. (Beck)

Schedule of HH3W, 10.135, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, with 500 watts power, is 0630-0830, 1200-1500, 1800-2200; Sundays, 1000-1500. (Casey)

ZE, 3.660, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, is heard at 1400 in Australia with fair level; program is in English to daily sign-off of 1530 with "God Save the King"; signs off at 1500 on Saturday. (Gillett)

HVJ, 11.685, Vatican City, heard recently in New York 1500-1545. (Beck) SUP, 20.135, heard occasionally around 0800 with relay to the United States. (Ferguson) SUV, 10.058, Cairo, has been heard in New Zealand around 1200. (Milne)

JODK, 2.510, Seoul, Korea, is heard in New Zealand around 0730-0800. (Milne)

Radio Makassar, 9.265, is still heard mornings, signal improving. (Dilg)

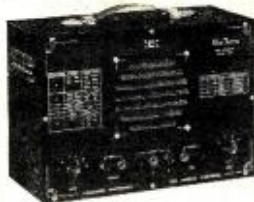
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XOPD, 9.555, Hangchow, is heard well in Australia at 0530. (Keast)

Henry Callahan, Philadelphia, has received a verification from *Radio Australia* based on a recording of a VLC4, 15.32, broadcast in French to Tahiti. Robin Wood, program manager, wrote: "I must compliment you on your home recording; quality is very good. Transmitter VLC4, 15.32,

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was on a bearing of 99 degrees; this indicates your reception in Philadelphia to be considerably north of the beam, center of which passes almost directly through Guatemala City." Mr. Wood advised that shortly *Radio Australia* will be issuing a pamphlet outlining the history of radio in Australia.

Late tips airmailed from the ISW Dept. listening post of Jack Salmon in Belgium include: PMC, 18.135, Batavia, Java, heard at 1130 with family messages beamed to Holland from members of Dutch forces, signed off at 1135; PMA, 19.350, paralleled. Brussels, 21.450, beams news in French for the press to Leopoldville (following same in Flemish) at 1106; signs off at 1200, but is back on immediately, announcing final sign-off for 1355; has also been heard with music at 0630 and news in French at 0700, relayed from Brussels medium-wave station (I.N.R.). Moscow has been heard on 18.730 with news in French for the press at 1407. Leopoldville's 17.77 has been heard at 1715 with news and commentaries in *English*. Moscow on 17.765 is heard in *English* around 0715. CNR-3, 16.666, Rabat, French Morocco, has news in French at 0715. EPB, 15.100, Teheran, Iran, heard at 0600 in oriental language, time signal at 0615. Espana Independiente, U.S.S.R., 13.650, heard at 1135 in Spanish. *Radio Omdurman*, 13.320, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, heard opening in oriental language at 1130. CS2WI, 12.863, Parede, Portugal, heard around 1520 in Portuguese and with dance music at 1630. Luxembourg, 6.092 (measured), heard at 1520 with variety program.

An AP dispatch from Belgrade, Yugoslavia, reports that short-wave listeners "were astounded recently by a strong Serbian voice of opposition to Premier Marshal Tito's regime, calling "for king and country." The illegal radiocasts apparently originate inside Tito's Yugoslavia, where all regular radio stations and newspapers are controlled by the Government. From the nature of the broadcasts it is apparent the radio is operated by underground remnants of Gen. Draja Mihailovic's Chetniks. Gen. Mihailovic has been executed. Promptly at 6:45 a.m. (time may mean local time), a brief musical phrase has announced the beginning of the radiocast on the short-wave 49-meter band, and a man's voice has said: "This is Radio Ravna Gora of free mountain Yugoslavia—for king and country." Ravna Gora is a large mountain in western Serbia where Gen. Mihailovic and his troops had their headquarters during the war and where he was captured by Tito's men. (Kary)

YV5RX, 3.505, Caracas, Venezuela, signs off at 2230; YV5RW, 3.400, at 2228; and YV5RD, 3.570, at 2230. (Crandall)

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15.41, 17.85, 21.55. Although not announced, a frequency of 17.775 is being heard with extremely strong signals in East; actual sign-on is around 0740 with chimes. (Kary) Batum, 6.490, is heard in Britain in Home Service, 1000-1100. (Harrison) Moscow is heard on 7.270, 2000-2130. (Nankervis) Soviets have dropped 11-megacycle band in Home Service opening at 2200; heard on 15.16, 15.32, 15.275, 17.77, 17.86, last one best signal on West Coast. (Balbi) A Soviet transmitter on 11.75 is heard from 0200 in Chinese, replacing 9.565; may be Moscow or Komsomolsk. (Balbi) Espana Independiente, 6.69, is heard in Britain for 22-minute periods at 0830, 0930, 1030, 1130. (Harrison) The 15.17 frequency is heard in East around 1500 with an Eastern Europe transmission.

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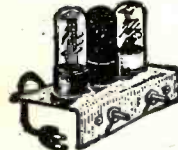
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Usually the window has a disc of tin-foil mounted on the inside, and the placing of the hand on the outside of the window close to this foil will cause the display to go into action. There are many variations of this type of action such as mounting a metal plate along a counter in such a manner that the approach of a customer will cause a sign to flash or fan to start.

The unit is simplicity itself and most of the parts needed may be found in the junk box. No power supply is needed as the unit works directly off the a.c. line. Any of the sharp cutoff pentodes may be used in place of the 12SJ7 and any beam power output tube used for the 50L6. If a substitution of tubes is made it will be necessary to make the proper changes in the resistance of the line dropping resistor.

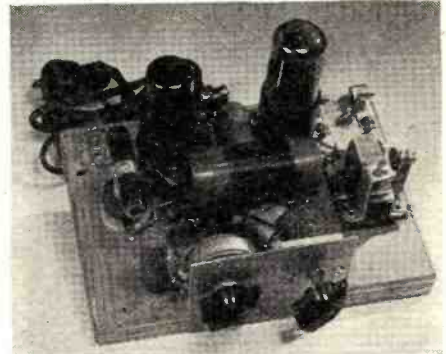
Essentially the unit consists of an oscillator followed by an amplifier. Disturbance of the oscillator by the added capacity of hand or body approaching the metal pickup plate will cause a change in the grid voltage on the amplifier, in turn causing the plate current to increase, closing the relay.

A plywood baseboard measuring five by seven inches is used to mount the parts. Placement is not critical and the parts may be mounted where convenient. A small piece of metal is used to mount the variable condenser and potentiometer. The coil is wound on a bakelite form salvaged from a defunct broadcast receiver.

Care should be taken in wiring as the circuit is quite unconventional. The relay selected should be of the

sensitive type that will close on 5 ma. or less. Many relays of this type are now available at reasonable prices as war surplus.

Most of the sensitive relays are not capable of controlling a great deal of power due to the small current carrying capacity of the contact points. One ampere seems to be a safe figure for



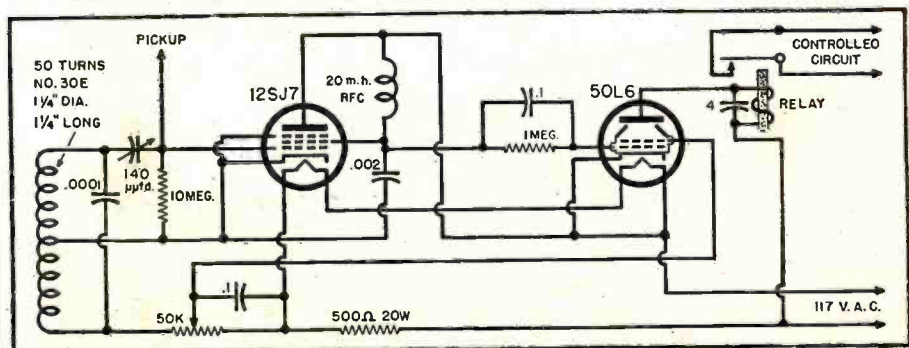
Top-front view of completed unit. To simplify construction, all components are mounted on a 5x7 inch plywood board.

most of these relays. In the event it is desired to control circuits of considerable power, the relay in the unit should be used to control a second relay of sufficient current carrying capacity.

When construction has been completed, the tubes should be put in place and the unit plugged in and allowed to warm up. The variable resistor should be placed at approximately half scale, and the variable condenser rotated. This condenser should be turned slowly until the relay just opens.

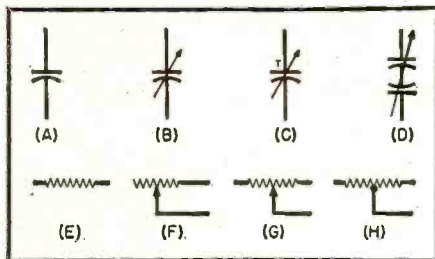
If the unit appears to operate properly, a wire with a pickup plate should be attached to the pickup post. The unit should then be readjusted, so that moving the hand near the plate will cause the relay to operate. The sensitivity of the unit may be adjusted by

Schematic diagram of the capacity operated relay. No power supply is needed.



the potentiometer which varies the screen voltage on the amplifier tube.

The device to be controlled may now be connected to the relay terminals and the unit is ready for use.



Condenser and resistor symbols that are used in diagrams appearing in RADIO NEWS. The symbols shown are used to designate the following types (A) fixed condenser, (B) variable condenser, (C) trimmer condenser, (D) split-stator condenser, (E) fixed resistor, (F) rheostat, (G) potentiometer and (H) tapped resistor.

CATHODES, FILAMENTS AND HEATERS

Are you somewhat confused by the use of the terms cathode, filament, and heater? If so, perhaps this article will help clarify your ideas. We will attempt to explain exactly what is meant by each of the terms, and will discuss some of the variations in construction.

The *cathode* can be briefly described as the primary source of electrons in a vacuum tube. Since electrons flow from negative to positive potentials, the cathode is the negative electrode as opposed to the *anode*, which is the positive electrode. In a rectifier tube, the emission of electrons leaves the cathode with a net positive charge, and a continuous new supply of electrons must flow through the rectifier load to the cathode to replace those which it emits. Therefore, the cathode of a rectifier is always the most positive point in the d.c. circuit.

The *filament* is that element in a vacuum tube through which current flows to produce heat for emitting electrons. In filament-type tubes, the useful electrons are given off directly from the filament; thus it is the primary source of electrons. In the heater-type tubes, to be discussed later, the purpose of the filament is to provide heat, not electrons.

Several types of filaments are in common use at present. Probably the simplest is a pure tungsten wire. Such a filament can be heated to incandescence in order to emit a copious supply of electrons. However, this filament is relatively inefficient; that is, the number of electrons emitted is small in comparison with the power supplied as heat.

It has been found that the efficiency can be greatly increased by coating the tungsten with a very thin layer of thorium. This construction results in what is called a "thoriated tungsten" filament, which gives off many more electrons at much lower temperatures than does pure tungsten. This layer

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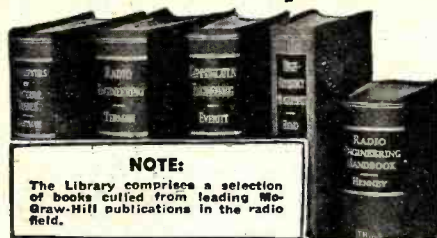
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of thorium may evaporate or become damaged during filament operation, resulting in reduced efficiency. Therefore, some thorium is mixed with the tungsten, and this thorium may be "boiled out" to the surface by operating the filament at elevated temperatures for short periods of time. Such a process is called "reactivation," and could be carried out on several of the older-type tubes, such as the 201-A.

A further increase in efficiency may be attained by coating a tungsten filament with oxides of the alkaline earths such as barium and strontium. Such a filament not only emits much greater quantities of electrons than either of the types mentioned previously, but can be operated at a much lower temperature. Most of the present-day filament-type tubes use this so-called "oxide-coated" type of construction. This filament cannot be reactivated, as there is no way of renewing the oxide layer once it has become damaged.

With the advent of a.c. operation of vacuum tubes, it was found that a great deal of hum was introduced when the filaments were operated on a.c. This was due primarily to the fact that the instantaneous potential between the grid and any one portion of the filament varied in accordance with the a.c. voltage used on the filament. Consequently, the "unipotential" or "heater" type of cathode was developed.

In the heater-type cathode, the electron emitter consists of a sleeve, and the filament, or source of heat, is placed inside this sleeve and insulated from it. In this way, the entire cathode is at the same potential, and difficulties from a.c. hum are minimized. The heater may be operated from an a.c. source without difficulty, since there is no electrical connection between heater and cathode. The cathode sleeve, usually of nickel, is coated with barium and/or strontium oxide in the majority of cases, and so is called an "oxide-coated cathode." Such a cathode will emit an adequate supply of electrons when operated at a dull red heat. The time required for the cathode to come up to operating temperature accounts for the few seconds delay in the operation of most a.c. and a.c.-d.c. receivers after the switch is turned on.

As with the oxide-coated filament, the oxide-coated cathode cannot be rejuvenated, and when emission falls off excessively, the tube must be discarded. The oxide coating may flake off due to mechanical shock, or positive ion bombardment due to excess residual gas may damage the coating. Impurities in the oxide layer will also reduce emission.

In general, only a few volts potential is permissible between the heater and cathode, because of the danger of breakdown of the insulation. However, certain tubes, such as the 6X5, are designed to withstand a heater-cathode potential as high as 450 volts.

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sufficiently to make sure the whole assembly is making good contact, but not too much or the tip jack will be pushed out through the rubber grommet. Install batteries and the signal generator is ready to operate.

To use, insert a small metal probe, such as a phonograph needle, in the tip jack and touch to antenna, grid, plate or speaker for signal injection wherever desired. The output of this signal generator is very high, something in the neighborhood of 125 volts being read on a vacuum tube voltmeter, when direct connection is made to the tip jack. However, when used on a sensitive receiver there is enough leakage to permit its use without any probe inserted in the jack. Merely hold the tip jack close to the antenna or grid lead and the signal can be heard right through the set. The frequency range is extremely wide, extending from the audio through i.f. and r.f. to the very highs. It was loosely coupled to the antenna of a 144 mc. receiver and sufficient output was available to overload the set at this frequency. It is useful to anyone experimenting with the "ultra highs" as often a signal source is needed to determine the relative merits of different receivers, etc. When using on a dead set, it is suggested that the case of the signal generator be grounded to the set under test, as this will put maximum output into the receiver. The versatility of this instrument cannot be overemphasized for ease of operation, portability, general coverage, with a multitude of uses. It fits in with the modern concept of signal tracing which provides a flexible means of injecting a signal into any component of a radio set and checking its value by aural means, whether it be a single part or a complete receiver. It is not the intention of this writer to give the impression that this gadget will take the place of the tuned signal generator with controlled output, but rather its use is suggested as an auxiliary piece of portable equipment to be used for quick checking.

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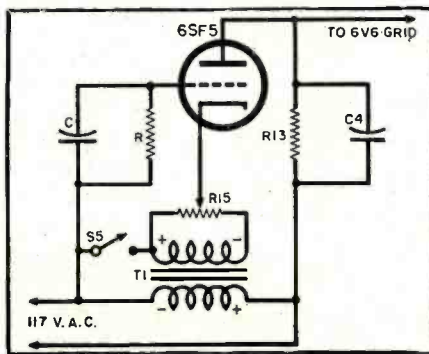
the open front to which the front panel is securely bolted when the timer is installed in the cabinet. The cabinet measures 5 inches by 8 inches by 5 inches deep. Two ¾ inch holes should be punched in the bottom and back of the cabinet to provide ample ventilation. The inside top and bottom views (Figs. 5 and 6) show the construction of the subpanel and general parts layout. The arrangement of the switches on the front panel can be clearly seen in Fig. 1. A back view of the finished timer, showing the a.c. output receptacle, the remote switch receptacle, and the vent holes is also shown in Fig. 1.

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Fig. 4. Diagram of calibration circuit.



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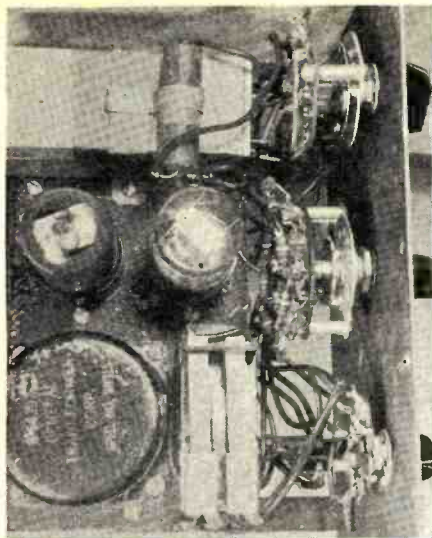
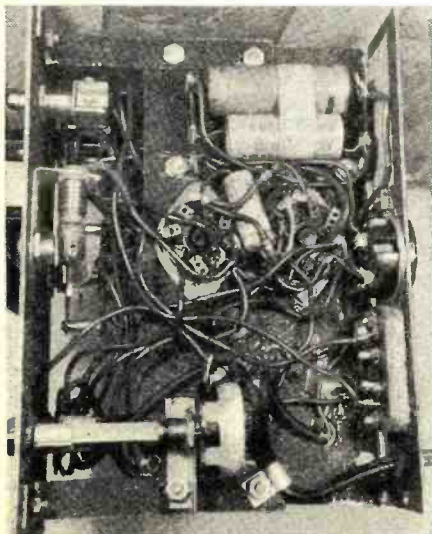


Fig. 5. Inside top view of photo-timer.

for all ranges and any discrepancies on the shorter ranges, due to variations in the individual resistors and capacitors of the timing circuit, will be negligible.

Before operating, the timer should be turned on and allowed to warm up for a few minutes. The next step is to set the "Time Selector" switch and the "Multiplying Factor" switch for the desired time interval. The timing action can be started by either pressing the push-button switch mounted on the front panel or by the use of a remote push-button or foot switch. A two contact receptacle is provided on the back of the timer to which a remotely located push-button switch or foot switch can be connected. A foot switch is particularly useful for starting the timer when a large number of prints are being made from uniform negatives. Whenever it is desired that the timer be turned on for any random length of time, for example while focusing the enlarger, the "Manual-Automatic" switch can be set to "Manual"; however, be sure to return this switch to the "Auto-

Fig. 6. Under chassis view of timer unit.



matic" position when automatic operation of the timer is desired.

Line voltage fluctuations have very little effect on the accuracy of the timer, the reason being, if the line voltage increases or decreases, the calibration voltage also increases or decreases a proportional amount and accurate calibration is maintained. In tests, the line voltage was varied from 100 volts to 130 volts in 5 volt steps with the timer set for 55 seconds. There was no noticeable variation in the time on any of the trials, however, for line voltages below 100 volts the relay action is sluggish and is therefore unreliable on the shorter ranges. The absolute accuracy of the timer is dependent on the accuracy of the resistors and capacitors comprising the timing circuit. For the model discussed in this article, standard capacitors and gold band ($\pm 5\%$) resistors were used

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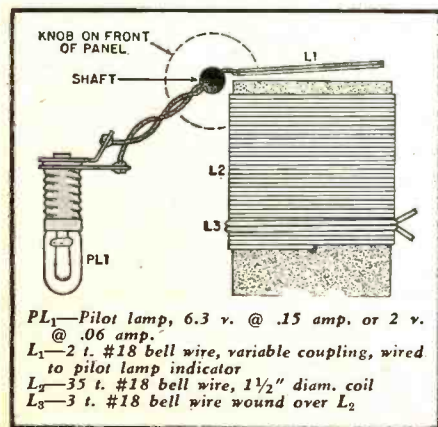
The power supply for the unit is built-in and is of the a.c.-d.c. type. Elimination of the power transformer is a great advantage from the viewpoint of economy as well as making for a more compact outfit. A selenium rectifier is used, being slightly more economical than a tube type and it will undoubtedly have longer life than the tube. The choke used is a fairly husky unit as compared to the rest of the components. It is well to allow a respectable safety factor here since too high a d.c. resistance will be detrimental to the voltage regulation. Even in a transmitter of this size a chirpy signal is undesirable and unnecessary.

The circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 3. The bleeder resistor R_1 may be eliminated if it is not necessary to improve regulation. Since a low resistance choke was used, this resistor was not necessary in our case. The resonance indicator (pilot lamp and pickup loop L_1) are used in the model shown in Fig 1 and no meter is used. In the other version (Fig. 2) the meter only is incorporated for tuning purposes.

While the construction of these two units is very elementary, a few points might be brought out. As will be realized, a great deal of latitude is permissible as far as layout is concerned. If the individual has some other ideas for the physical construction they could be used to good advantage. The two types that were used provide for a choice of space saving dimensions, one for width and the other for depth and both take up a very small amount of bench space. Wood and masonite were used since shielding is far from being imperative in a transmitter of this type and power. Sub-panel construction is used since it presents a better appearance and also is more easily worked than baseboard methods.

When wiring, keep the grid and plate leads short and direct and separated from each other. Most of the body capacity effects can be eliminated if the plate of the 50L6 is

Fig. 4. Coil assembly details.



PL1—Pilot lamp, 6.3 v. @ .15 amp. or 2 v. @ .06 amp.
 L_1 —2 t. #18 bell wire, variable coupling, wired to pilot lamp indicator
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connected to the stator of the tuning capacitor. No r.f. chokes were found to be necessary although performance might be improved in some cases by the use of one in the plate supply lead at the cold side of the tank coil. Use a 2.5 mh., 60 ma. unit here.

The writer has tried to put over an idea in preparing this article. While it is unquestionably true that few of us see eye to eye with the other fellow on problems like this, it is to be hoped that the writeup is not in vain. If it only starts some of the hams thinking, it will have done some good. Since the reopening of our bands there has been activity on them such as never before. This has resulted in a mad scramble for power augmented by plenty of war surplus power tubes at very low prices. The result of all this is very badly cluttered bands. Vehement opposition would be expected if the FCC decided to cut down our power to, say, 500 or 200 watts. While such a reduction would not be justified, at least from our viewpoint, it would, however, undoubtedly alleviate the present crowded conditions of our frequencies. Since such an action would not be desirable, why not achieve by self-regulation the same results, by a more cooperative use of our power?

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807 Modulator

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plate voltage is 750, or 15,000 ohms for 600 plate volts, 10,000 ohms for 500 plate volts, or 4000 ohms for 400 plate volts.

R_{12} must be set to the exact required resistance value in the following manner. (1) Disconnect 807 screen leads from the top OD3/VR150 tube; (2) Insert 0-50 d.c. milliammeter in screen supply line at point marked "X"; (3) Set slider on R_{12} at such a point that milliammeter indicates exactly 30 ma. Resistor adjustments should be made only when the power supply is switched off. The 807 plate voltages are high enough to be DANGEROUS to the operator. Set the slider and then switch on the power supply for a meter reading. (4) When current of exactly 30 milliamperes is obtained, fasten resistor slider in place, remove milliammeter from circuit, reconnect screen supply line from which meter was removed, and reconnect 807 screen leads to the OD3/VR150 tube.

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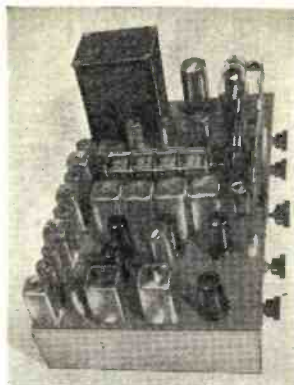
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