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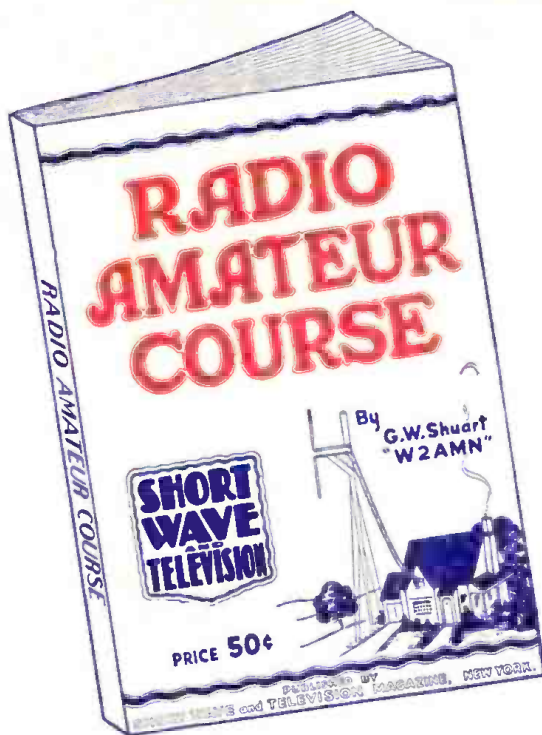


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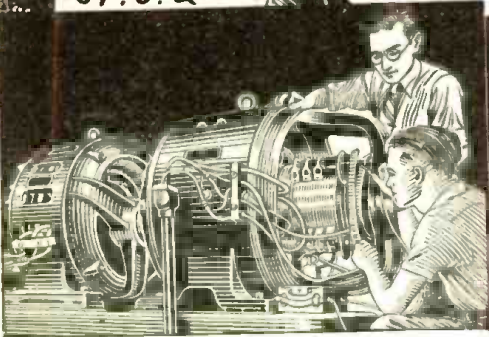
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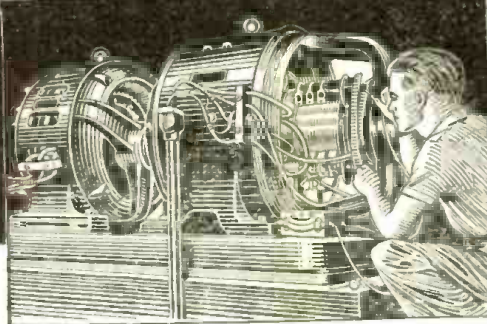


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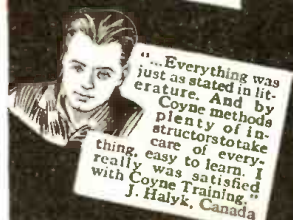
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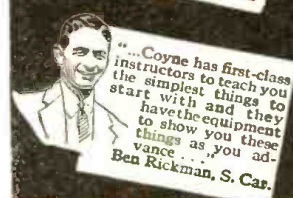
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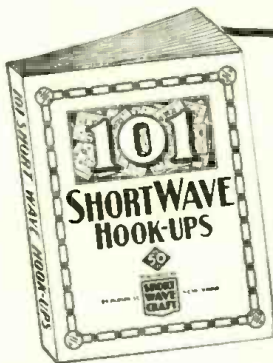
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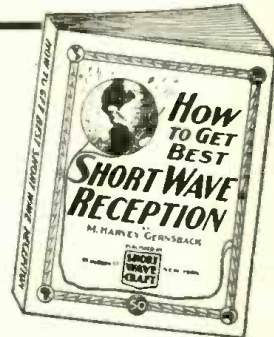


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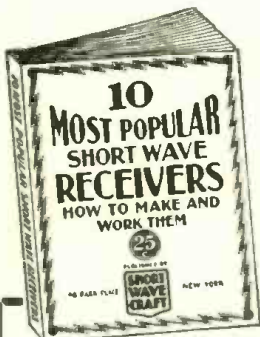
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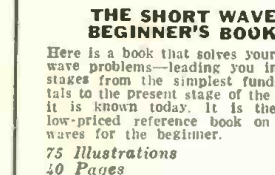
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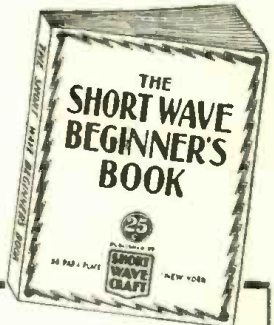


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ANTENNAS—*Past, Present* *and Future*

Harold H. Beverage

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● MARCONI, during his early work with wireless telegraphy in 1895, used a simple *dipole* oscillator similar to those used by Heinrich Hertz in his classical experiments eight years earlier. Marconi soon discovered that he could greatly increase the range of transmission by connecting one side of the dipole oscillator to earth and the other side to an elevated plate. By using structures of greater and greater elevation to support his antenna, he found that the range of transmission increased. Since the wavelength emitted by this early equipment was a function of the length and size of the antenna, it is evident that Marconi's success quickly set a trend toward the use of longer and longer wavelengths as well as larger and higher antennas. When Marconi had the famed letter "S" transmitted from Poldhu to Newfoundland in 1901, the antenna at Poldhu was supported by masts about 200 feet high, and it is probable that the wavelength was between 2000 and 3000 feet. During the next 20 years, it is not surprising that the trend toward the use of longer wavelengths continued, which in turn called for higher antennas to increase the efficiency of radiation, and antennas of larger area to hold the voltage down to reasonable values when the antennas were energized by the hundreds of kilowatts found necessary for reliable communication over great distances. By 1921, it was not unusual to find some *long wave* transmitting antennas supported by towers 800 feet high, and other types of antennas over a mile long. The Alexanderson multiple tuned antenna is a familiar example of the latter type.

During this period, the bugbear to *long distance* communication was atmospheric disturbances, more commonly known as "static." It was found that static originated mostly over land masses, so that, in general, on transoceanic circuits, the static originated in a direction more or less opposite to the direction from which the signals were arriving over their ocean path. Consequently, it was possible to greatly reduce the effects of static by using *directive reception*. Numerous arrangements were used with varying degrees of success, such as the uni-directional "loop-vertical" combinations of Pickard, the ground wires of A. Hoyt Taylor, and the long antennas supported on poles, such as Weagant's antenna and the "Wave Antenna." The voltages induced in these long antennas traveled at nearly the velocity of light, so that very



Harold H. Beverage, well-known for his researches in antenna design.

long antennas could be used effectively, the usual length being 8 to 10 miles for the transoceanic wavelengths in general use at that time.

The Wave Antenna was the first antenna to utilize the *traveling wave* principle, as distinguished from *standing waves*. Its effectiveness was due in large part to its simplicity which eliminated the critical adjustments which were required in its predecessors which depended upon some sort of a balancing arrangement.

The second era of long distance radio communication started with the discovery during the early 1920's, that short waves below 100 meters were useful for long distance communication in the daytime, as well as at night. For these short wavelengths, it was practical to return to the Hertzian dipole as a radiator. It also became feasible to use *directivity* in the transmitting antenna to project a large propor-

tion of the radiated power in the desired direction. It was logical that the first directive antennas should consist of arrays of dipoles with reflectors. Very effective arrays were developed as exemplified by the British Marconi Beam antenna, the German Tannebaum antenna, and the arrays developed in America by the A. T. & T. Company and the RCA. These antennas, however, were relatively expensive to construct and maintain, and as the number of short wave circuits rapidly increased, it was necessary to develop less expensive types of antennas. Economical and effective antennas were devised consisting of wires several wavelengths long orientated in such a way as to concentrate the radiation in the desired direction. Typical antennas of this general classification which have found wide use are the harmonic wire antenna, the V-shaped antenna with reflector, the Rhombic antenna, and the Marconi Series-Phase antenna. The latter two are generally terminated in a dissipative network equivalent to their surge impedance, so that they employ *traveling waves* rather than *standing waves*.

The early short wave receiving antennas were frequently arrays similar to the transmitting arrays, but less costly receiving antennas were eventually developed by the operators of radio communication services. In America, the antennas most generally used for transoceanic services are the Rhombic antenna and the Fishbone antenna, both of which are of the traveling wave type.

The short waves have been very useful as a means for studying the characteristics of the ionosphere and the mechanism of radio transmission in general. This knowledge has been useful in connection with studies of propagation in the broadcasting spectrum. The anti-fading service area of broadcasting stations has been approximately doubled by antennas designed to suppress the radiation at high angles above the horizon.

We are now entering upon the third era of radio communication, the development of the ultra-short waves. These waves do not ordinarily travel via the ionosphere and are limited in their reliable range to distances not greatly in excess of the horizon. This quality is an advantage in many ways since it makes it possible to duplicate the use of these frequencies without interference at points on the order of

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Twenty-sixth of a series of
"Guest" Editorials.

Television "Sight"

● THE *sight effects* expert promises to be a mighty busy man once television has become an everyday entertainment feature—which it is scheduled to do this Spring.

William C. Eddy, a member of the NBC engineering staff, has already developed a number of extremely interesting *sight effects* for television shows. Some of these effects, such as books which turn their own pages, candles which mysteriously extinguish themselves, and "talking frogs," have already been worked out and used in a number of television plays which have been produced for experimental broadcasts during the past few months.

The accompanying pictures show some of the very interesting and unusual sight effects produced by Mr. Eddy and his staff.

In one elaborate marine scene built up especially for television broadcasts, a tank measuring about 12 feet square was filled with water, and the television viewer saw on his receiving screen a parade of warships circling around the harbor of a small seaport. A tugboat with a string of barges puffed along so realistically that the viewer would never dream that this whole scene was being staged with miniature ships built from cork and other odds and ends. The ships were caused to move around a prescribed path, thanks to a circular guide track submerged in the water. The ships were moved by a chain fitted with couplings, all driven by a motor. The puffs of smoke from the stack of the tugboat were produced periodically by squeezing a rubber bulb connected to a smoke tank and a tube leading to the bottom of the tug's stack.

The water in the harbor was colored so as to hide the mechanical devices used for moving the ships. Incidentally, the water was colored by placing some dye on the back of a small turtle and allowing it to swim around in the "harbor."

All the buildings used in these miniature scenes are built from wood and other materials by Mr. Eddy and his staff, and painted in colors to suit the particular scene and locality.

In one television scene it was necessary to build an animated frog, and as one of the pictures shows, the eyes and jaws of the frog were caused to move by means of flexible shafts passing out through the "tail" of the frog. The stomach of the frog was caused to pulsate by means of a rubber bag placed inside it, this bag being connected to a rubber hose and a bulb which

was periodically squeezed. The voice of the frog came from a loud speaker.

To cause a candle to extinguish itself while the television camera was focused upon it was a simple trick for Mr. Eddy—he merely placed a metal tube up the rear of the candle and when the candle was to go out, a quick squeeze on a rubber bulb, connected with the metal tube, snuffed out the flame.

In producing television plays, many cut-backs from the main television studio to the *sight effects* laboratory, two floors above, take place. In one of the scenes, a candle suddenly goes out—next, the tele-

from top to bottom, or bottom to top.

Some of these effects are created by using a lightly silvered sheet of glass placed at an angle so that the first title is seen through the sheet of glass, while the second title is picked up as a reflected image from the surface of the glass. The change from one title to the other is caused by manipulating dimmers so that while one light is being slowly decreased in strength, the light behind the other title is being gradually increased.

The leaves of a large book had to *turn themselves* while the television camera's eye was focused upon the book—this was

easily accomplished by attaching a flexible wire shaft to each page so that by turning a knob, each leaf could be turned by the operator who was outside the focus of the camera.

In another scene, a pile of books was supposed to fall on a bottle of acid and upset the bottle. Sounds simple—but suppose that this scene had to be repeated several dozen times? Here's what Mr. Eddy and his staff did. The books were guided in their fall by means of bent wires; the bottle was secured with a hinge so that it would always fall in the same direction when hit by the falling books. The fumes from the acid in the bottle were produced by blowing smoke into the bottle through a rubber tube passing through a hole drilled through the bot-

tom of the glass bottle.

Several of the accompanying pictures show a television miniature scene where the camera moves along a street and picks up images of different signs pertaining to the dramatic story at hand. As the camera nears the end of the street (containing, incidentally, a number of cleverly constructed miniature trees and bushes), the television viewer sees a white picket fence which is used as a cue or connecting link; next the television viewer sees the front of the house shown in the photo. This view is picked up by a second television camera, which is moved in slowly toward the house until the front door appears the same size as does the image of a real *full sized* door being viewed by another television camera. A *live* actor, supposedly a doctor in this case, opens the door and removes letters from the mail box. The switch-over from one television camera to the other is done so adroitly that the viewer never knows that in the first part of this scene he has actually been

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Painting a miniature building for use in a Television scene.

viewer sees a pair of hands fumbling with a match. In the next scene the candle refuses to light—but what the viewer does not know is that while a cut-back was made showing the hands fumbling with a match, a candle dipped in a fire-proofing solution was substituted for the original one.

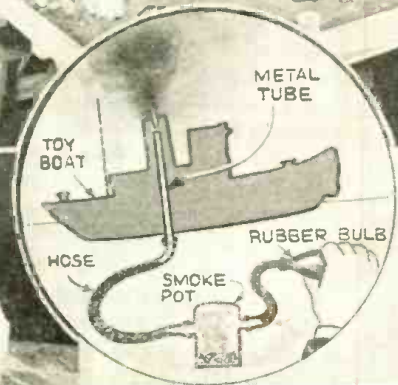
To get the effect of a candle slowly going out, the wick was gradually pulled down inside the previously drilled out candle.

The *flight of time* was one of the effects that Mr. Eddy was asked to produce and a photo shows how this was accomplished. A set of progressive calendar leaves were specially printed for the year in which the scene was to take place. These leaves were then placed on top of a frame so that when a rubber roller was rotated, the leaves slid down a pair of bent wire guides rapidly. The television camera recorded a *flutter of passing dates* with a very artistic effect.

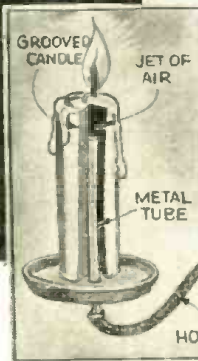
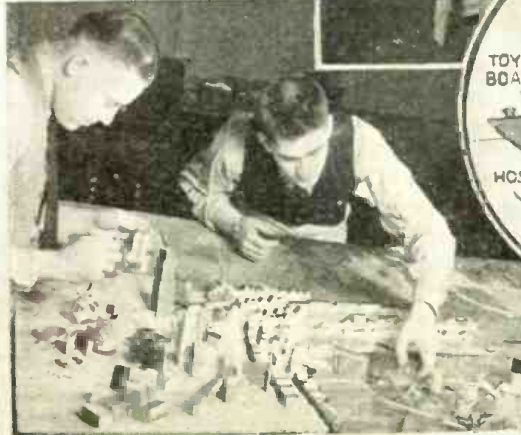
A very ingenious titling machine has been devised by means of which one title can be caused to dissolve slowly into another; in other effects titles appear to be "wiped off"

Effects''

Frogs that talk—books that turn their own pages—spiders that "obey orders"—all these and many others are produced by the television "sight effects" man.

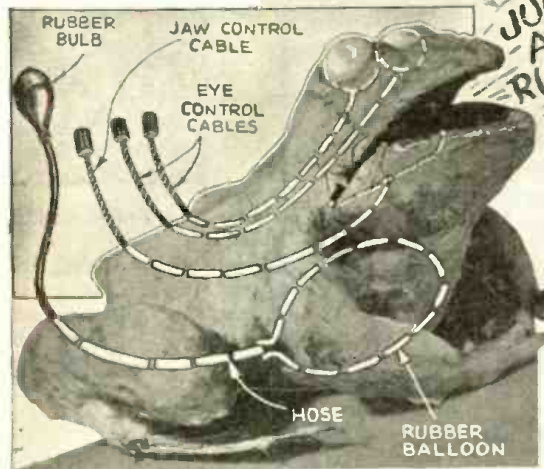


Above—Model ships were maneuvered around model "harbor," by means of a moving chain. Method of pumping smoke out of ship's stack is shown in circle.

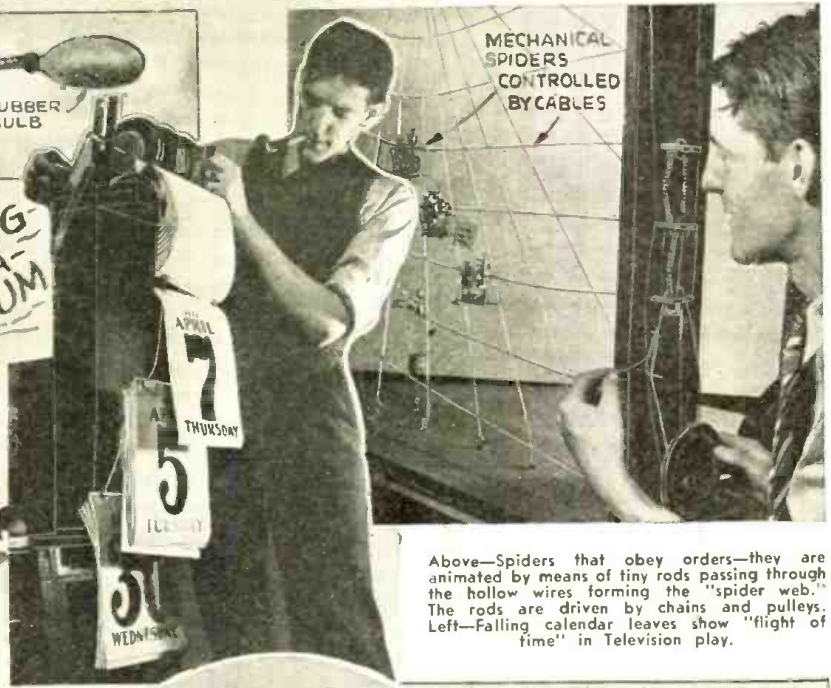


Above—How pages of a book are turned by flexible cables, the operator keeping out of camera range. Right—candle is extinguished by squeezing rubber bulb.

VOICE FROM LOUOSPEAKER

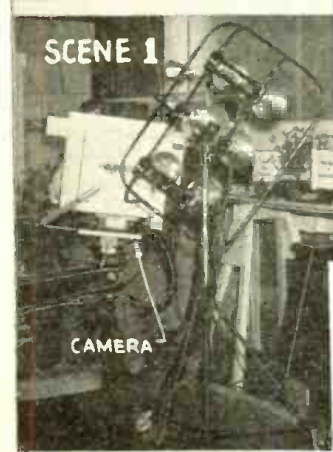


JUG-A-RUM



MECHANICAL SPIDERS CONTROLLED BY CABLES

Above—Spiders that obey orders—they are animated by means of tiny rods passing through the hollow wires forming the "spider web." The rods are driven by chains and pulleys. Left—Falling calendar leaves show "flight of time" in Television play.



SCENE 1

Television animals not always what they seem. Above—animated frog in which the eyes, mouth and stomach move at the will of the operator.

Camera (scene 1) moves from left to right and picks up image of street and signs along the way; second camera is focused on the house, Scene 2. White picket fence is cue for change in scene and the camera pick-up.



SCENE 2



SCENE 3

Camera No. 1 shifts to actor in full-size door, and takes up action when door image in Scene 2 has been "panned up" to full size.

Electrons "Swing It" in the Rhumbatron

Waves only 10 cm. (4 inches) long may guide air-planes through use of high-power tube using new principle of "dancing electrons".

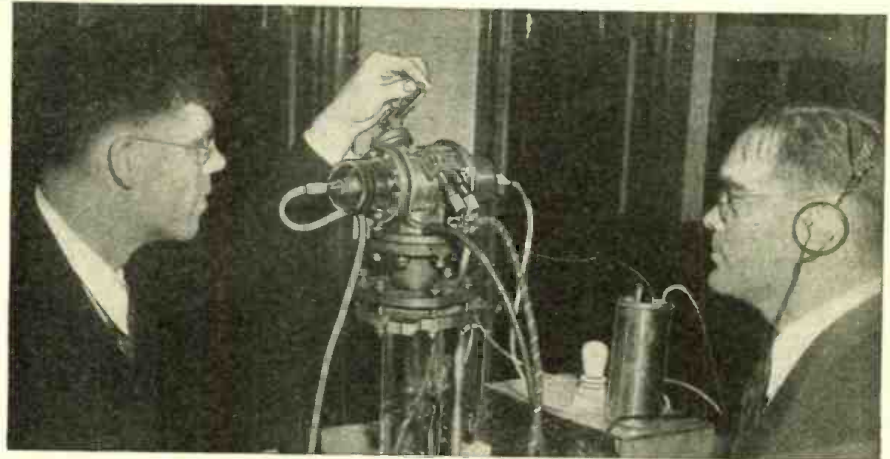
tion was called by the Bureau of Air Commerce to the attention of the various organizations cooperating with it in the development of a blind landing system."

Before continuing with Mr. Gillmor's discussion, pause a moment to study the following editorial item which appeared in the *M. I. T. Technology Review*. This item comments upon an address given by Prof. David L. Webster, head of the Physics Department of Stanford University,



Prof. William W. Hansen tuning the 10 cm. Klystron transmitter in the Physics Laboratory at Stanford University

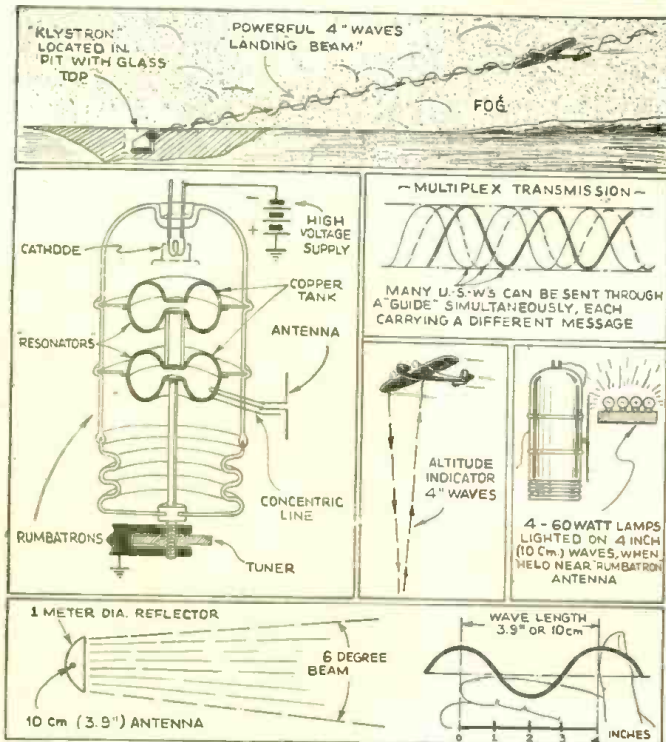
Russell Varian, credited with the Rhumbatron's invention, inspects his work, with Prof. Hansen.



● EXPLAINING the Rhumbatron and Klystron, R. E. Gillmor, president of the Sperry Gyroscope Company, says:

"The widespread possible application of the Rhumbatron and the Klystron in the development of new safety devices for avia-

Some sketches to show what the Rhumbatrons in the Klystron will do—and how they do it!



before a recent colloquium of M. I. T.'s Department of Electrical Engineering, and says in part:

What is a Rhumbatron? "In the Klystron a beam of electrons representing a constant current is sent through two resonant metal containers known as *Rhumbatrons*. In the first Rhumbatron is an oscillating electric field, parallel to the stream and of such strength as to change the speeds of the electrons by appreciable fractions of their initial speed, accelerating some and slowing down others. After passing this Rhumbatron, the electrons with increasing speeds begin to overtake those with decreased speeds which are ahead of them. This motion groups the electrons into bunches separated by relatively empty spaces. A considerable fraction of the energy of these groups can then be converted into power of high frequency oscillation by passage of the stream through the second Rhumbatron, within which is an oscillating electric field so changing synchronously as to take energy away from the electrons in the bunches.

"If the first Rhumbatron (which is called the *buncher*) is driven by an external source of power such as an antenna receiving radiation and the electrons are strong enough to give the second Rhumbatron (which is called the *catcher*) more power than the antenna gives to the buncher, the Klystron is acting as an *amplifier*.

"If the buncher is driven by power received through a coupling loop or otherwise from the catcher, the Klystron is acting as an *oscillator*. And finally, if the buncher is driven by power from both of these sources at once, the Klystron is acting as a *regenerative amplifier*."

Blind Landing: Continuing with his explanation of the Klystron's purpose, Mr. Gillmor says:

"This new blind landing system (Continued on page 756)

Television's Interference Problem

Interference, due to the ignition systems of motor cars, is becoming a major problem among British television users. "Thermion," feature writer for *Practical and Amateur Wireless*, reports that Government departmental vehicles may soon be equipped with spark suppressors, and that motor manufacturers are rumored soon to make similar use of such devices. He further suggests that everybody engaged in radio and television install suppressors and that they be sold to all purchasers of television equipment. However, "Thermion" has said that nearly five million vehicles are already on the road there and that no legislation is likely to be introduced until television is far more widespread. "Thermion" suggests that the real solution of the problem is to allocate higher wavelengths for television transmissions.

The British writer seems to have overlooked the fact that high frequencies are particularly suited to wide-band transmissions.

Cabaret Televised

Engineers of the National Broadcasting Company took television transmission equipment to the Café Français in Rockefeller Center to pick up the floor show as presented to guests. Among those who performed before the television camera, according to the *New York Times*, were: Sheila Barrett, mimic; Frank Gaby, ventriloquist; Fats Waller, pianist, and several skating acts.

The report further stated that an NBC executive says, "It is not likely that advertisers generally will become interested in television as an advertising medium until there are perhaps 400,000 receivers in this area. There are now only a few hundred television receivers in the same locality."

WBRK Joins Three Chains

The eight-months-old station, WBRK, Pittsfield, Mass., became affiliated with the Yankee, Colonial and Mutual networks on March 1st.

The station brings the Mutual complement to 110 stations, as of February 15.

To Broadcast Yankee Clipper's First Flight

A shortwave relay broadcasting transmitter and associated equipment are installed on the Pan-American Airway's *Yankee Clipper No. 17*. This apparatus will be used during its initial flight to Europe, the program being broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Clyde Houldson, CBS field technician, will act as announcer and operator in the flight. The airplane's station, WCBN, has received an F.C.C. license for eight special frequencies within the 1600 kc. to 23 mc. band, with an output of 100 watts.

The equipment is installed in the lower compartment of the plane's nose and is remote-controlled from the radio room on the upper deck. Its weight is below 1000 pounds, including spare parts, spill-proof batteries and measuring equipment.

A preliminary test of the equipment was given during the plane's test flight from Seattle to Washington. It was completely successful.

WORLD WIDE RADIO DIGEST

New Mystery Station

British listeners are reporting the reception of signals from an unlicensed transmitter located in the Ukraine (U.S.S.R.). The station, according to *Practical and Amateur Wireless*, broadcasts propaganda in Polish, Ukrainian and German, daily at G.M.T. 06:45 and 17:00 on channels varying between 28 and 36 meters.

Sixteen Tongues on Italian Stations

Beginning the first of this year, the radio stations of Italy have considerably increased their foreign language broadcasts, particularly on the short waves, according to *Practical and Amateur Wireless*.

The stations now transmit news bulletins and propaganda in 16 languages.

General Electric Answers Questions

Many queries about television are answered in a new booklet, "A Miracle Begins," by Dr. W. G. R. Baker of the General Electric Company.

Among the facts which are brought out is that transmission range is limited to a radius of 40 or 50 miles and that no economical system in interstation linkage is yet feasible. (It has been rumored that the National Broadcasting Company will announce trans-continental television by the end of March.—*Editor*)

Picture sizes, according to Dr. Baker, will range from 2.4 x 1.8 inches to 9.5 x 7 inches. Receivers will probably cost from \$150.00 to \$1000.00.

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR TALKS WITH HIS HONOR THE MAYOR



Seated in his horse-drawn coach on a London street, Major Sir Frank Henry Bowater, Lord Mayor of London, conversed with Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia, Mayor of New York. Their two-way trans-Atlantic telephone conversation was re-broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company network.

Mayor LaGuardia normally uses his equipment to keep in constant touch with the police and fire departments.

The major portion of the conversation was on how pleased the two mayors were to be able to talk to each other and to hear each other so clearly. They also exchanged views as to the hours, it being 2:55 p.m. in London and 9:55 a.m. in New York.

Mayor LaGuardia invited the Lord Mayor to attend the N. Y. World's Fair.



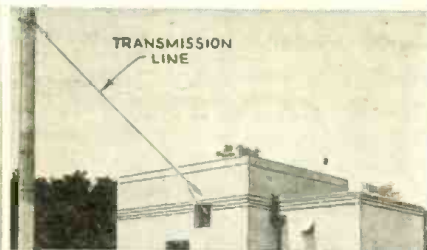
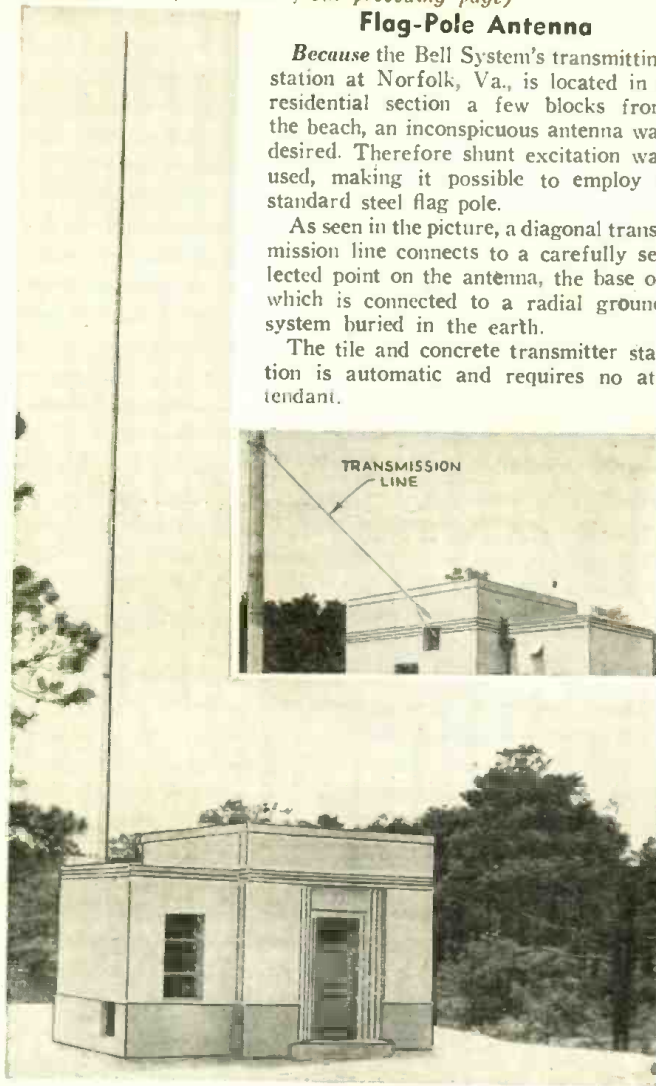
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Flag-Pole Antenna

Because the Bell System's transmitting station at Norfolk, Va., is located in a residential section a few blocks from the beach, an inconspicuous antenna was desired. Therefore shunt excitation was used, making it possible to employ a standard steel flag pole.

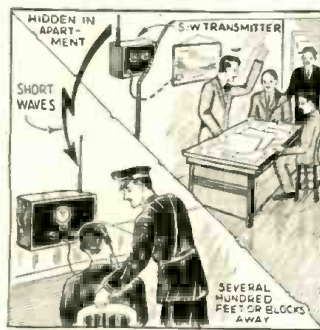
As seen in the picture, a diagonal transmission line connects to a carefully selected point on the antenna, the base of which is connected to a radial ground system buried in the earth.

The tile and concrete transmitter station is automatic and requires no attendant.



WORLD WIDE

S-W to Catch Crooks



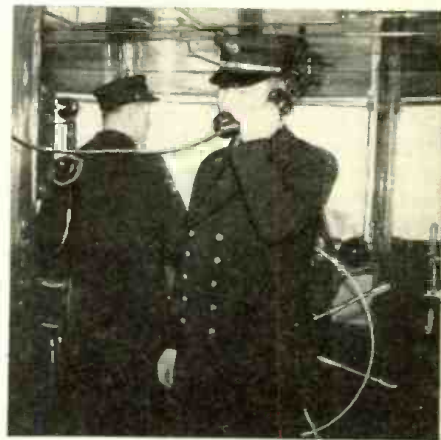
According to General Hugh S. Johnson, writing for Scripps-Howard newspapers, the police are now experimenting with a miniature battery-operated radio transmitter, small enough to be concealed in a brief case.

This outfit, installed in anyone's room or car, will transmit conversations taking place in its vicinity over distances of several hundred feet. Thus, police in a nearby room or following in another car can overhear whispered conversations.

New York's Fireboats Get 2-Way Voice

Two-way communication between ship and shore has been made possible with the installation of General Electric short-wave

transmitting and receiving equipment on New York City's ten fireboats, as well as on the mainland. Lt. John H. Reagan is shown here using the handset of the new 50-watt, ultra-high-frequency transmitter recently installed on the *Firefighter*, new \$1,000,000 addition to the Fire Department's fleet. The boat's receiver is a medium-high-frequency set tuned to pick up all messages sent from the department's 500-watt transmitter on the mainland.



Regulations in Germany

Those who aspire to become radio artists broadcasting over German stations must pass official examinations. To enter these examinations, they must show at least two years of study in the entertainment field or have had professional experience. Of the 2,478 persons recently examined, only 1,125 passed the stringent tests.

(Wonder if there aren't any amateur hours or quiz programs in the Third Reich?)

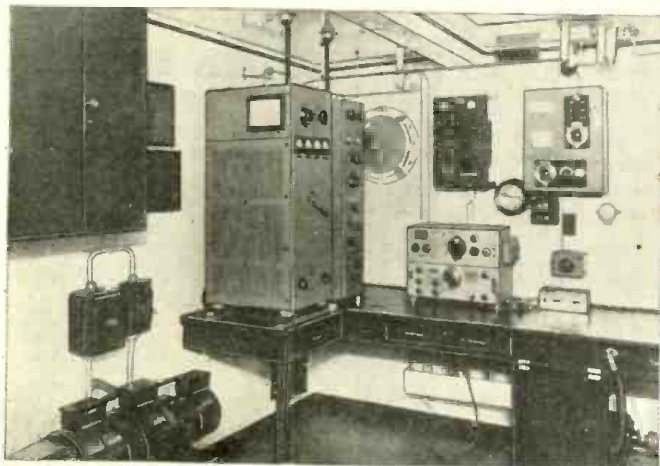
New regulations on Government licenses are also expected in Germany. It is believed that the license fee will be reduced to 1 reichsmark for certain classes, and that free licenses will be more liberally issued.

Those who now get free licenses in Germany include the Diplomatic Corps, The Hitler Youth Homes, the Hitler Youth Schools, the Radio Departments of the Youth organization, the offices of the Ministry of Propaganda and of the Post Office and Defence Forces—the latter when the sets are being used in the defence of the nation. This is said to amount to several thousands.

Shock of the Esso Baytown

When the New York-Bermuda plane crashed in the Atlantic Ocean, she sent out wireless calls for aid. These were received by shore stations; among them Radiomarine's WSC at Tuckerton. This station, as did others, promptly sent out calls for aid to ships at sea, and it was a call of this sort rather than one direct from the airplane that was received by the *Esso Baytown*.

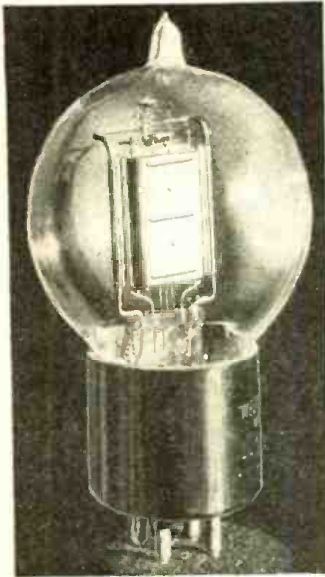
The operator on the Standard Oil tanker was off duty at the time, but he had recently installed an automatic alarm which rings a bell when SOS signals are received, calling the operator to his



shack, a picture of which is printed herewith. The result was that radio had saved ten more lives. On Jan. 1, 1939, there were 1134 U. S. vessels equipped with the alarm system.

RADIO DIGEST

That 50,000 Hour Tube!



The long-life tube pictured here was developed in the Bell Telephone Laboratories to meet the peculiar needs of telephonic communications. These include low-power consumption, uniformity permitting replacement without readjustment of associated apparatus, reliability against interruption of service, and continuous operation twenty-four hours a day. This tube operates from a battery, the electrons being emitted from a coated filament. It is not adapted to A.C. or D.C. power line use. This, plus the fact that the average radio tube of today lasts about as long as the set, should provide an answer to those who have asked, "Why aren't 50,000 hour tubes used in radio receivers in the home?"

To "Look In" on Next Inauguration

When R.C.A. television was demonstrated in Washington, the *New York Times* reports, Minnesota's Senator Lundeen, appearing before the microphone, asked the announcer whether the Presidential inauguration of 1941 was to be telecast. An NBC official then admitted that plans were on foot to do so.

New Service Suggested

A British writer suggests that in addition to time signals and weather forecasts, it would be a valuable service if radio stations were to broadcast barometric readings. Many homes have barometers which are usually somewhat out of adjustment due to the lack of any available standard with which to calibrate and check.

Fire-Fighting at the Fair

To minimize fire hazards at the 1939 New York World's Fair, a fire chief's car, which will patrol the grounds, is being equipped



with two-way radio. In the accompanying illustration, the fire chief is speaking into the handset of the General Electric's 15-watt ultra-high-frequency transmitter. A superhet in the car picks up all messages broadcast from the headquarters station. Appropriately enough, the background in this picture is a Communications Building mural. Note "mikes" at left.

Facsimile Reaches the Public

The Crosley Corporation, long pioneers in various branches of the radio industry, have announced a facsimile receiver for sale to the public. The new receiver, licensed under Finch patents, reproduces type and pictures on a strip of paper approximately 3 3/8" wide (printing space). While the facsimile reproducer can be operated from any standard radio receiving set, the manufacturer suggests the use of a special receiver and a doublet antenna. He also believes that more satisfactory operation will be obtained



Reproducer and special set.

if an automatic time-switch is used to turn the facsimile equipment on any time during the day when transmissions take place and off at the time they terminate. Reproduction is achieved by means of an electrochemical process, current passing through sensitized paper which, in-

identally, will be sold at \$1.00 per roll! A stylus at the end of a moving arm which sweeps over the sensitized paper, marks each dot to be imprinted when the current passes from the



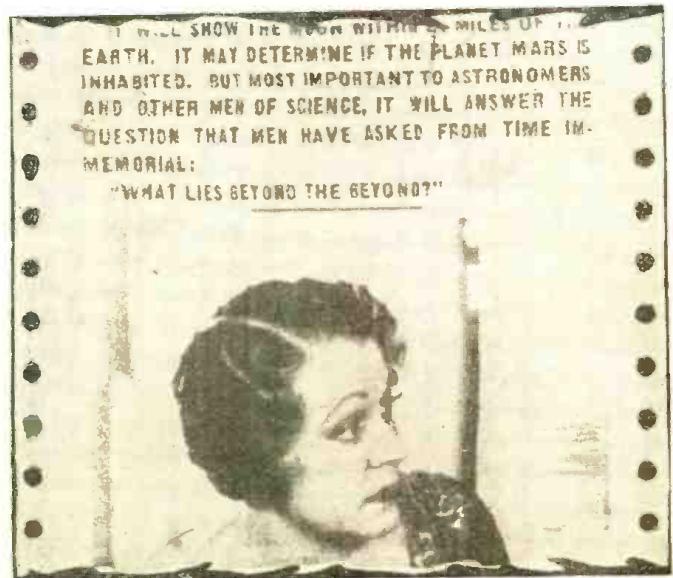
Inventor inspects work.



Facsimile chassis exposed.

stylus to a roll behind the paper, thus oxidizing the sensitized coating.

Transmission is at the rate of approximately three feet of paper per hour. Station WLW is on the air with such transmissions between the hours of 1 A.M. and 6 A.M. Many other stations are likewise sending facsimile material.



Unretouched reproduction of transmission—Actual width is 4 11/16 inches overall. Width of type is 3 3/8 inches.

What the Experts Are Saying About Radio and Allied Arts Here and Abroad



Vertical or Horizontal Television Doublets

1 H. L. KIRKE, head of the Research Department of the B.B.C., raised the question of the desirability of vertical or horizontal polarization for television aerials, in an address made to the Royal Society of Arts. He said that in England Vertical polarization has been used while in America, horizontal polarization is favored, because interference from automobile ignition systems affects the latter system less.

He is quoted by *Wireless World* as saying, "It is probably simpler to design an aerial system with symmetrical radiation in the horizontal plane using vertical polarization. Recent experiments have shown, however, that at any rate, in certain circumstances, a considerable improvement in signal strength has been obtained by the use of horizontal polarization."

However, a change-over in the British system would necessitate altering all their television receiving antennas (estimated between 2,000 and 10,000) now in use.

Mr. Kirke concluded his statement say-

ing, "Experiments have shown that for the O.B. radio link, horizontal polarization is considerably the better, and with a suitable design of transmitting and receiving array, a gain of six to twelve decibels in signal strength over the present arrangement is expected, in addition to the improvement obtained by the reduction of general interference from motor cars."

Noise Suppression Circuits

2 AS Fig. 2A shows, a burst of static or other extraneous noise may override a signal greatly, with much distress to the listener. However, if the noise peaks are reduced, as shown in Fig. 2B, it is barely noticeable.

In noise limiters, the noise impulse is rectified and used to supply a negative bias, generally to the I.F. amplifiers. While this is an ideal system for commercially-made sets, it is hard to add to sets which have already been completed, due to time lag factors, etc. However, a noise suppressor circuit of the total cut-off type may easily be added to the A.F. stages of any set. Two such circuits are shown in Figs. 2C and 2D.

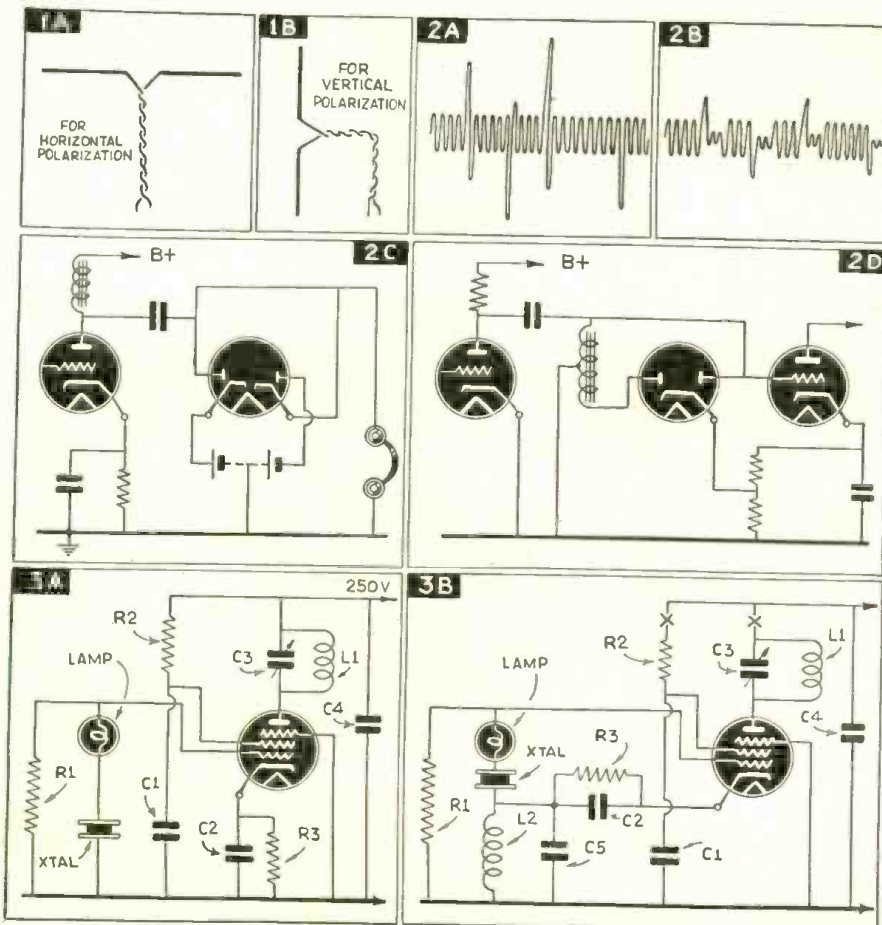
In 2C, the suppressor is connected directly in the output of the final tube and it is particularly adapted for headphone operation. The two anodes of the diode are at a potential of $1\frac{1}{2}$ volts negative, this bias being obtained from "C" batteries. When a noise peak occurs, it causes one of the anodes to go positive, thus short-circuiting the phones for the duration of the noise.

Fig. 2D, also taken from *Wireless World*, is a modification, in which the suppressor circuit is inserted in the detector's anode circuit, and the only components required are a center-tapped A.F. choke and a diode tube. Bias may be obtained either from batteries or from the cathode circuit of one of the A.F. stages. A small variable resistor of 50 to 100 ohms in series with the bias resistor of the A.F. cathode will supply the necessary voltage.

Simple Crystal-Controlled Oscillator

3 TWO simple circuits for crystal-controlled oscillators are found in a recent issue of *Wireless World*, a British publication.

Fig. 3A illustrates the simplest form of this type of apparatus. The values in this





circuit are R1—50,000 ohms; R2—5,000 to 10,000 ohms; while the values of C1, C2, C3, C4 and L1 are determined by the frequency of the crystal oscillator.

Fig. 3B uses a few more parts, enabling the operator to make use of harmonics for multi-band operation.

C5 in this diagram is often made variable, but need not be, as once the adjustment has been found, it can be left "set." If the circuit is tuned to resonate at a frequency slightly lower than double that of the crystal, it functions satisfactorily. The points marked "X" indicate connections for a jack into which a milliammeter may be plugged.

Use for Magic Eye

4 A CIRCUIT using a magic eye tube for a frequency meter is indicated in Fig. 4. According to the description in *Practical and Amateur Wireless*, this instrument is far more sensitive than one employing a thermo-ammeter, and also tunes more sharply. In addition, indication is instantaneous; the absence of lag being particularly valuable when tuning is subject to rapid fluctuation.

While this apparatus can be added to any existing frequency meter, it will alter original calibration. The addition of a rectifier would increase its sensitivity, but the self-rectifier shown is sufficiently sensitive. Although an external rectifier improves the unit somewhat, it complicates the apparatus and raises its cost.

Electronic Musical Instruments

5 OLD headphone magnets may be utilized to build home-made electronic musical instruments, as described in *Practical and Amateur Wireless*.

Fig. 5A shows the principle. In this arrangement, a single stretched metal "string" vibrates between the poles of the two coils, which should be spaced as close as possible without permitting the string to touch them on its maximum vibration. The coils are in series, their free ends being connected to the input of an amplifier.

Fig. 5B shows how the unit may be assembled with a single stick of wood in order to make a one-string fiddle.

Fig. 5C shows a multiple unit, as designed for a guitar. The unit is mounted on a piece of mahogany and the strings stretched above it, each positioned accurately over its pole-piece. Various notes other than fundamentals are secured by sliding the

finger along the string, just as in playing standard instruments.

Overcoming Instability

6 WHEN a radio frequency receiver is used, oscillation or instability is often noticed before maximum volume is obtained. Two simple ideas, illustrated in Fig. 6, were described in *Practical and Amateur Wireless*.

The first idea is to "short" the reaction choke in the detector stage. If this stops the instability, the position of the choke should be changed or a shielded choke used. In some cases, the addition of a fixed condenser across the r.f. choke will prove effective, as shown in the r.f. stage of the diagram.

If neither of these tests prove effective, there is something radically wrong with the layout or wiring of the set, the article concludes.

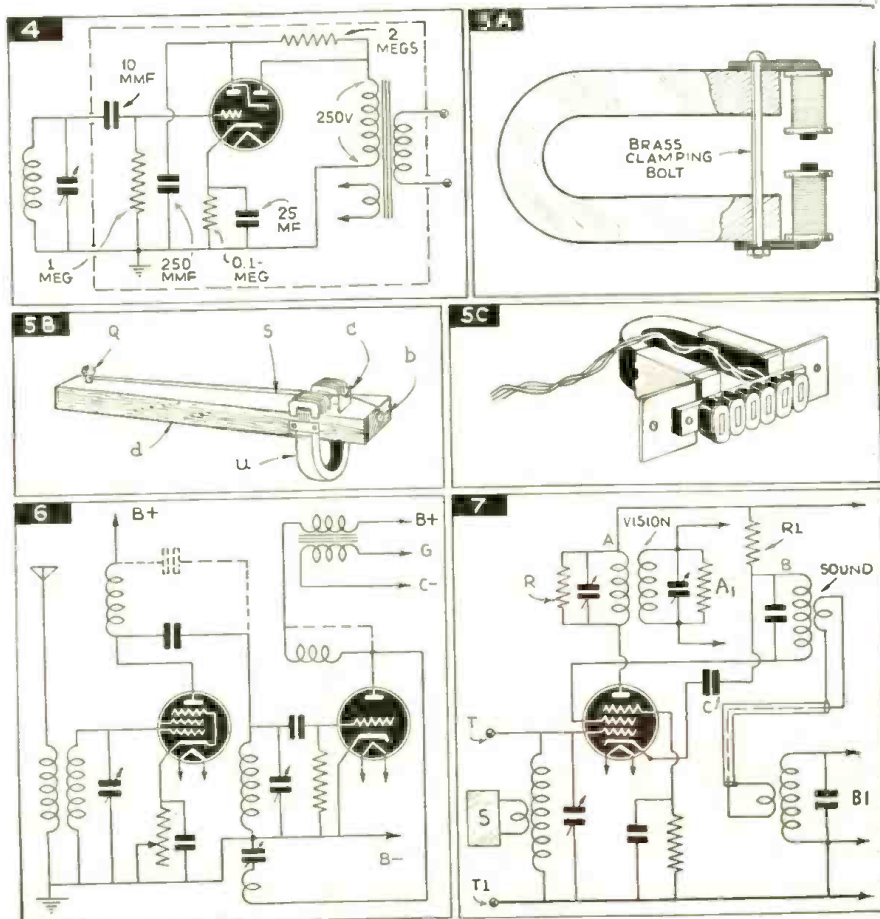
Separating Video and Audio Signals

7 AS shown in Fig. 7, incoming television signals with their associated sound are applied across the terminals T and T1 to the control grid of a pentode, together with local oscillations from a source "S."

According to a patent recently granted to Ferranti, Ltd., and G. M. Tomlin, if the picture signals are transmitted on a carrier of 45 megacycles and sound on 41.5 megacycles, a local frequency of 32 megacycles is used. In the anode circuit A, the tuning of which is broadened by a slant resistance R, a difference frequency of 13 megacycles (45-32) is produced and transferred to the i.f. stage A1 of the picture channel.

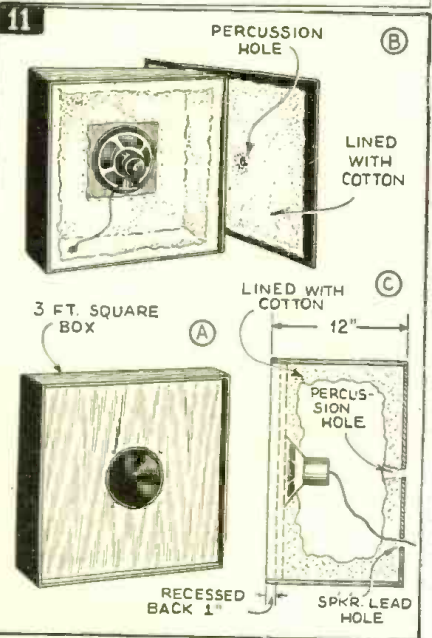
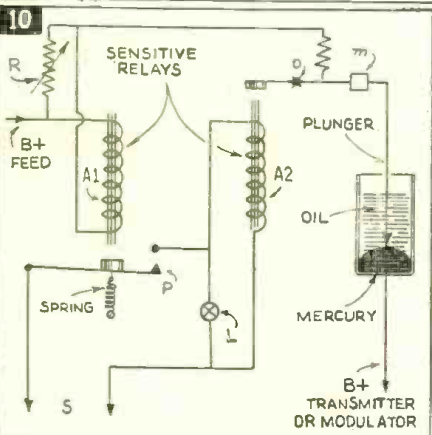
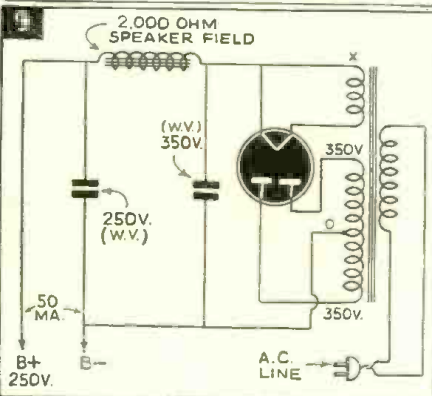
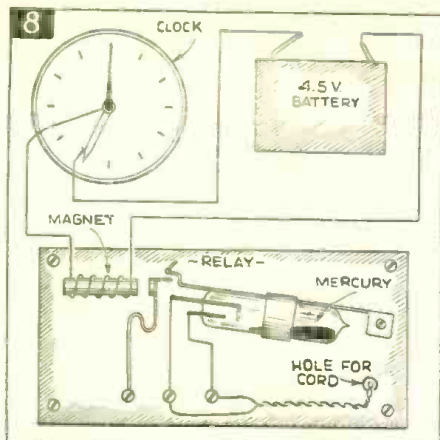
A second tuned circuit, B, is connected to the screen grid, and is decoupled by a resistance R1 and condenser C. Here the second difference frequency of 9.5 megacycles (41.5-32) appears and is passed

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through a separate amplifier, B1, to the sound channel. The arrangement avoids cross-modulation and prevents undue attenuation of either set of frequencies.

Simple Radio Time-Switch

8 A TIME-SWITCH which can be made from a common clock and little other apparatus is described in *Popular Radio* of Denmark.

As Fig. 8 shows, one contact is made direct to the hour hand of the clock, while the other is made to a contact which may be positioned at any spot on the dial. In series with these two points is an electro-magnet (which may be removed from an ordinary ten-cent store door bell) and a 4½ volt flashlight or "C" battery.

This electro-magnet operates a trigger to trip a switch which is in series with the power line to the set.

Reducing Hum in S.W. Receivers

9 ACCORDING to *Practical and Amateur Wireless*, the simplest way to determine the cause of hum is to check the output of the detector stage, which may be done with a pair of headphones. This stage is most likely the source of the trouble.

While equipment of adequate size to carry the complete current for the plate of a multi-tube set must be rather heavy and therefore expensive, it is comparatively cheap to supply additional filtering for the detector stage. The diagram in Fig. 9 indicates this, the point from which a separate detector supply may be taken being marked X. A standard audio choke may be connected at this point. Better clarity will be obtained if a condenser network is used with the choke.

Circuit Breakers Protect Transmitter Tubes

10 AN article by Rene Jourdan, F8LO, appearing in *Le Haut Parleur "8"*, describes an interesting means of protecting transmitter tubes by means of simply constructed relays and a mercury switch. The variable resistance R is inserted in the circuit to permit careful adjustment of the relay, A1. When normal current is flowing into this circuit it energizes A1.

This permits the circuit S to be closed. If excess current flows in the circuit S, the relay A2 is actuated, opening the mercury switch. Oil is provided in the switch to prevent arcing.

Baffling for High Fidelity

11 AS no speaker can be better than its baffle arrangement, an article by M. McGowan, VK2MZ, in the *Australasian Radio World*, is particularly interesting.

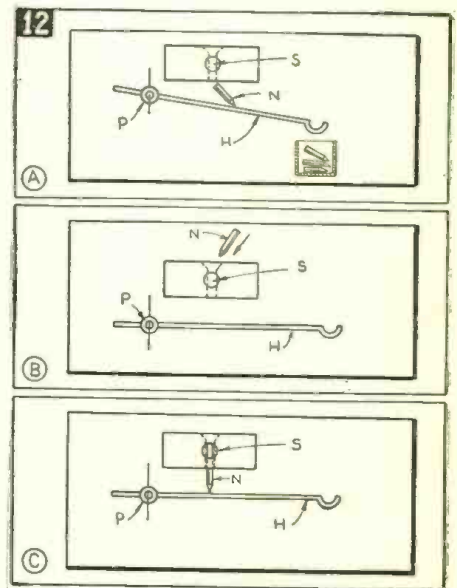
The speaker used had a comparatively

flat response from 40 to 9000 cycles. As shown in Fig. 11A, the unit is mounted at the center of a 3-foot panel which forms the front of a box 12 inches deep. The box is lined with cotton batting and a back provided. At the center of the back, a one inch hole was drilled to prevent compression of the imprisoned air. A view showing this is given in Fig. 11B, for a complete plan.

For such readers as may wish to experiment with this type of baffling, further data is given at 11C.

New Pick-Up Feed

12 A NEW and improved Italian pick-up is described in the German publication *Radio Mentor*. The speaker is easier to load and to discard needles from than any other unit hitherto seen. As shown in Fig. 12A, a used needle is discarded merely by loosening the screw S. When the handle H is pulled down, the needle slides along it and falls into the needle container C. The needle is replaced by being inserted from the top, as shown in Fig. 12B.



You will notice the handle, pivoted at B, returns to position so that, as shown in Fig. 12C, it forms a gauge permitting the needle to extend the correct distance and no further.

A Letter from London

In the January issue of *RADIO & TELEVISION*, it was stated that the Birmingham-Manchester co-axial cable had been abandoned for television use and would be used for telephone conversations. In reply

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Radio Test-Quiz

For each question answered fully, count 10 points; half right, 5 points; etc. A perfect score is 170; a good score is 110; below 60 is poor.

1. Radio programs are generally loyal to the theme music, which identifies them year after year—but early in 1939, which of the following changed its theme music?

- a. *The Good Will Hour.*
- b. *Easy Aces.*
- c. *The Jack Benny Show.*
- d. *The Oak Bucket Boys.*



WHICH CHANGED ITS THEME MUSIC?

2. According to the latest complete FCC report (July 1, 1938) there were six broadcast frequencies, each of which had more than 50 stations on it. Match the frequency with the number of stations using it, in the table below.

- | | |
|-------------|-------|
| a. 1200 kc. | A. 65 |
| b. 1210 kc. | B. 51 |
| c. 1310 kc. | C. 59 |
| d. 1370 kc. | D. 53 |
| e. 1420 kc. | E. 64 |
| f. 1500 kc. | F. 60 |

3. The simplest way to make a volume expander is to

- a. increase the "B" voltage on the R.F. stages.
- b. reduce the "C" voltage on the output stage.
- c. connect a pilot light across the loud-speaker voice coil.
- d. connect a 110-volt, 60-watt light bulb in series with the negative "B" lead.

4. In making recordings—perhaps for veris—on acetate blanks, the proper depth of the cut is

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| a. 0.015 inch | d. 0.0025 inch |
| b. 0.025 inch | e. 0.005 inch |
| c. 0.0015 inch | f. 0.0005 inch |

5. And the ratio of the depth of cut to width of cut should be

- | | |
|--------|---------|
| a. 5:1 | d. 1:2 |
| b. 2:1 | e. 1:5 |
| c. 1:1 | f. 1:7½ |

6. Of the following features, introduced some time ago, which is not used as much as formerly in radio receivers?

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| a. A.F.C. | d. A.T.C. |
| b. A.P.C. | e. A.V.E. |
| c. Q.A.V.C. | f. P.-B.T. |

7. Since the public learned of "long life" tubes, which give 50,000 hours of operation in telephone service, there has been some discussion as to their availability for broadcast reception. Which of the following has or have been given as reasons why these tubes have not been made available to the public?

- a. they cost 15 times as much as ordinary tubes.
- b. they would ruin dealers' replacement business.
- c. ordinary tubes usually last about as long as average receiving sets.
- d. receiving set circuits change too rapidly.

8. As this goes to press, motion picture producers are agitating to keep movie stars from broadcasting. Which of the following broadcasters have appeared in motion pictures?

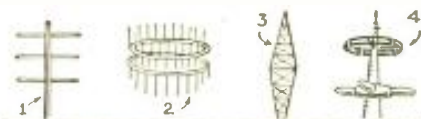
- a. Fannie Brice.
- b. Walter Winchell.
- c. Ben Bernie.
- d. Amos 'n' Andy.
- e. Robert Benchley.
- f. Rudy Vallee.

9. Some of the new concentric cable has the space between the inner and outer conductor filled with gas under pressure. The purpose of this is to

- a. increase the capacity between the two conductors.
- b. keep moisture out.
- c. provide a method for detecting electrical leaks in the outer conductor.
- d. raise the inductance of the cable.

10. The aerials used to radiate the NBC television signal from atop the Empire State Building in New York are

- a. horizontal rod dipoles.
- b. vertical wire dipoles.
- c. skeleton masts.
- d. torpedo shaped.



WHICH IS THE LATEST TELEV. AERIAL?

11. If you are a short wave listener in Chicago, and the time is 8:00 p.m. where you are, what will be the approximate time in the following places whose stations you tune-in?

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| a. Rio de Janeiro | A. 3:00 p.m. |
| b. Manila | B. 5:00 p.m. |
| c. Rome | C. 11:00 p.m. |
| d. Nome | D. 7:00 a.m. |

- c. Yukon
- f. Bombay

- E. 3:00 a.m.
- F. 10:00 a.m.

12. The glamorous feminine comedienne of a certain broadcast is called "Stinky" by the orchestra leader of the show. Can you find their names in this list?

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| a. Fannie Brice | A. Skinny Ennis |
| b. Martha Raye | B. Peter Van Steeden |
| c. "Honeychile" | C. Meredith Wilson |
| d. Gracie Allen | D. Kaye Kyser |

13. Of the following stations, one is the farthest west station of the basic Blue network; another the farthest west of the basic Red network. Identify these two stations.

- a. San Francisco—KGO—KPO
- b. Salt Lake City—KUTV—KDYL
- c. Denver—KLOD—KOLA
- d. Omaha—KOIL—W'OW
- e. St. Louis—KWK—KSD



RED & BLUE, WHICH ARE FARTHEST WEST?

14. Of all the various bands, which of the following is the highest wavelength allocated to television in the United States?

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| a. 500 kc. | d. 50 mc. |
| b. 1000 kc. | e. 70 mc. |
| c. 2000 kc. | f. 100 mc. |

15. When hooking up a double-button carbon microphone for "home broadcasting," the best way to connect it is

- a. directly across the grid and cathode of the detector tube.
- b. directly across the grid and cathode of the first audio amplifier tube.
- c. to the grid and cathode of the detector tube through a special coupling transformer.
- d. to the grid and cathode of the first audio amplifier tube through a special coupling transformer.

16. A line noise filter ordinarily consists of

- a. A.F. choke coils.
- b. R.F. choke coils.
- c. fixed condensers.
- d. variable condensers.

17. The Purple Network is the name for

- a. the Mutual Broadcasting System chain.
- b. the Columbia Broadcasting System chain.
- c. the combined Red and Blue chains of the National Broadcasting Company.
- d. the Intercity Broadcasting System chain. (See Answers, page 757)

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EDITORIAL

● MANY of our readers have written in asking for in-

formation as to how the Martians, as illustrated in the previous issues of *The Martian Flash*, got that way. In other words, why the telescope eyes, the barrel chests, the elephantine nose and the web feet?

The answer is simple. The atmosphere on Mars is so thin that it actually compares with the tops of the highest mountains on Earth. Mars, being much smaller than the Earth, lost most of its atmosphere through the ages and now has very little left. Indeed, it would not have much at all if the Martians themselves did not replenish it continually by artificial means. When I first came here I had continuous nose-bleeds and I was continually gasping for air. Now I am equipped at all times with a simple pocket apparatus which automatically gives me a sufficient amount of oxygen, without which I could not live at all on Mars.

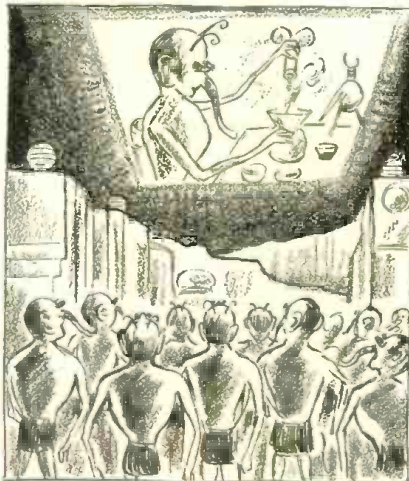
Down through the ages the Martians had to adjust themselves to the rarefied atmosphere and that is why they must have enormous lungs (which require a large chest) to compensate for the rarefied air.

Scents and smells travel poorly in a

rarefied atmosphere. For this reason the Martian nose grew longer and longer so that it could get toward the source of the smell rather than have the smell come to it.

The telescopic eyes are also due to evolution because the Martians, using their eyes continually, found it necessary to grow eyes which could accommodate themselves better to their complex mode of living than fixed eyes. There is nothing new in all of this. Barrel chests are already in existence among certain inhabitants of the South American Andes. Another example is the elephant's nose. The peculiar shape is necessary because its huge bulk hinders it in kneeling down. Therefore the long, flexible nose has been evolved. Pop eyes are not new either. Snails and certain fishes have had them for millions of years, not to speak of Eddie Cantor!

As for the web feet, you know that gravitation on Mars is very low. For instance, my weight on Earth is 160 pounds, but is only 60 pounds on Mars! Consequently, to get a better foothold for the large proportioned body, the web feet were evolved by nature. The antennae on the Martian's forehead are not so new either because your insects on Earth have had them for many millions



"—the upper atmosphere served as a sort of mirror screen for television images—"

of years. So, you see, there is nothing new under the sun, and the grotesque—to you—is after all not so grotesque as you imagined.

MARTIAN TELEVISION

By Ulysses Mohammed Fips

* * Martian Star Reporter * *

EVER since my articles have appeared in *The Martian Flash* there seems to be an intense interest among the readers regarding the present status of television on the planet Mars.



A close-up of Earth 1,250,000 years ago, showed ape-like beings, but no men.

Let me say that, as you can probably imagine, television has been here for many millions of years and therefore it is somewhat different from what you would expect it to be.

To begin with, at the present time it is quite unnecessary for Martians to have any television receiving apparatus. Like many other things on Mars, all forms of communication have been personalized in the Martian himself. At first this was not the case and television was received on screens similarly to yours on Earth. Refinements then brought pocket television receivers and, much later, television receivers which could be strapped to the wrist; still later they got so small that by means of a special lens, you could view excellent images on a small finger ring and get the sound as well. Still later, huge television images were projected into the rarefied upper Martian atmosphere similar in principle to Northern Lights on Earth. These images were so colossal, yet of such excellent quality, that the upper atmosphere served as a sort of mirror screen and standing on the surface of Mars you could enjoy television in full colors any night of the year. As there are practically no clouds on Mars at any time, good television views were always to be had in this manner. These images were from 9 to 15 miles above the surface of Mars and you may imagine how huge these images must have been in order to see them plainly from Mars' surface. While such television exhibitions are still being used, especially for extraordinary occasions, nowadays the television images are received directly on the retina of the Martian's eyes. The reception comes over the Martian's antennae and the special wave motions are conducted directly toward the back of the eye. All one has to do is close one's eyes and see the transmitted television

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More About FREQUENCY MODULATION—

Details of the G. E. 12-Tube Receiver

Left—Dr. W. R. G. Baker (standing), G.E. Co., radio engineer, watching Major E. H. Armstrong demonstrate "frequency modulation" receiver.

Photo at right shows the appearance of the frequency modulation receiver.



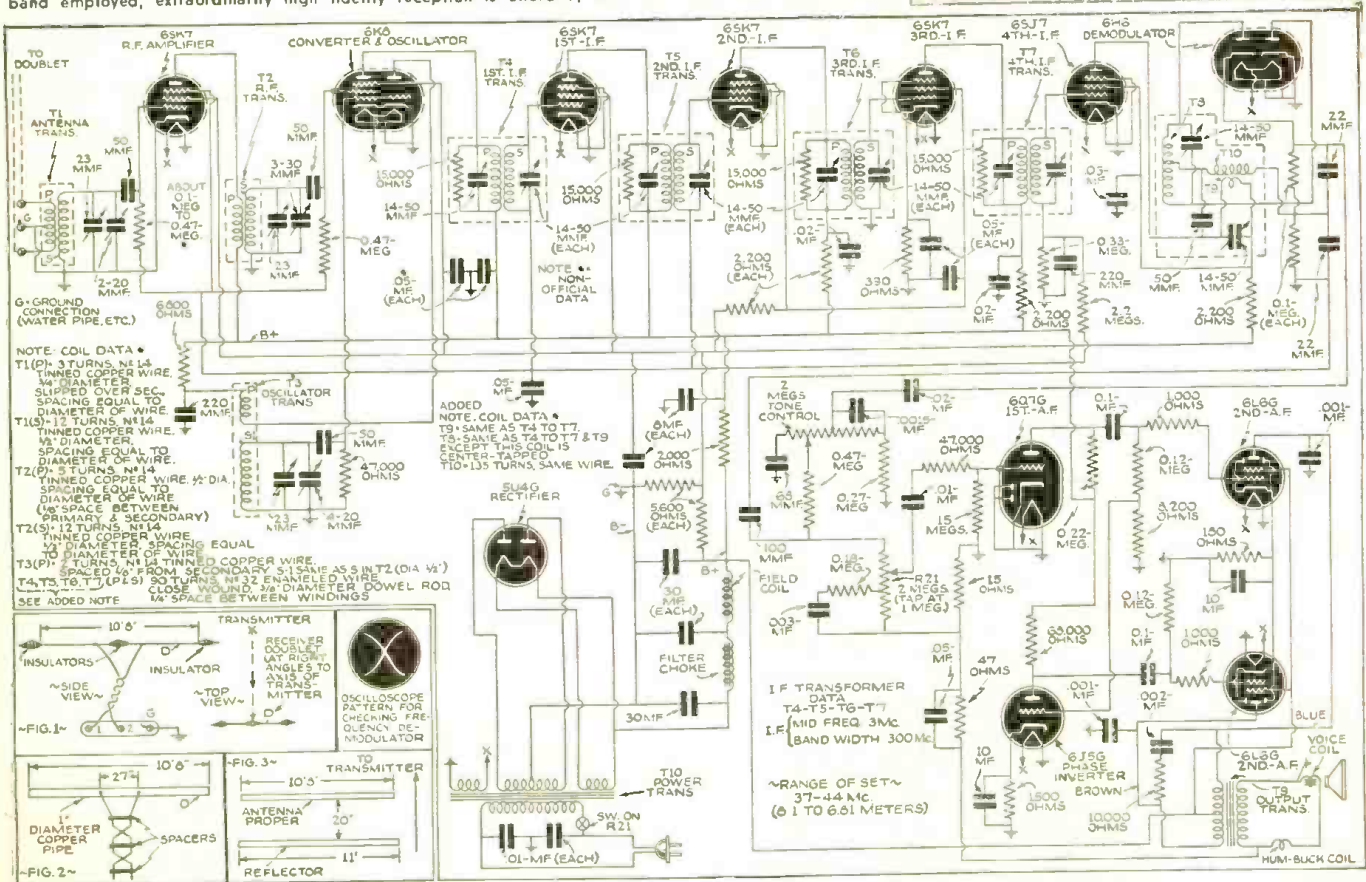
AS explained in our last number, several transmitting stations designed to utilize the new Armstrong frequency modulation system are being erected, and Professor Armstrong's transmitting station, W2XMN at Alpine, N. J., will be in operation this spring. Arrangements are being made to broadcast the high fidelity programs from station WQXR.

I. R. Weir, G.E. engineer in charge of transmitter development, in a recent report on measurements made of the noise reduction effected by the Armstrong frequency modulation system, compared to the recep-

tion on the standard amplitude modulation method, stated, "In some cases this improvement is as high as 20 to 25 decibels (100 to 300 times). This means there is a remarkable freedom from atmospherics and man-made static, such as X-rays, automobile and aircraft engine ignition, electric motor commutator sparking, etc.

"The results show such a marked advantage for frequency modulation in network operation, it is believed that even with the modification which would be required in applying the results to actual
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Wiring diagram of the new G.E. 12-tube "frequency modulation" receiver. Due to the wide frequency band employed, extraordinarily high fidelity reception is afforded, free from static and other noises.



Ultra-High Frequency Antennas

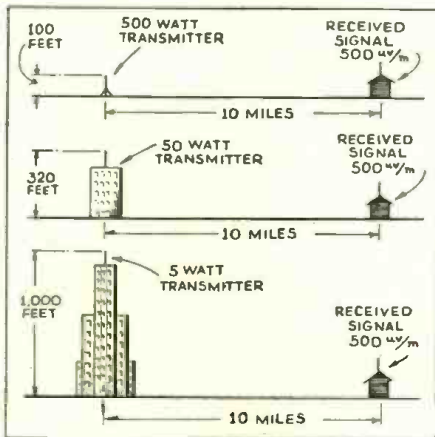


Fig. 1 shows the quantitative importance of the antenna height. In the three cases, the transmitter power is adjusted to give equal signals at a fixed distance for three heights of 100 feet, 320 feet and 1,000 feet. The respective transmitter powers required are 500 watts, 50 watts and 5 watts. In so far as the listener is concerned, the effectiveness of the three stations is the same although there is a great difference in power. Effective power is proportional to the square of the altitude or height.

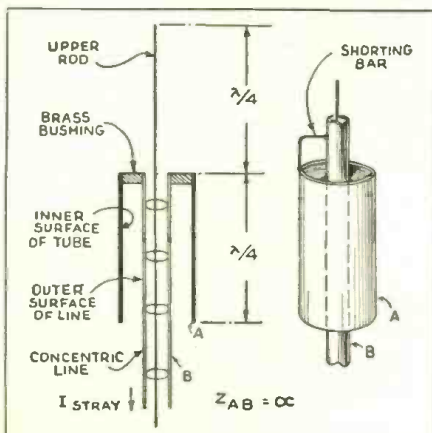
Coaxial Antenna

● AN ideal antenna for ultra-high frequency applications is one which uniformly radiates the strongest possible signal along the surface of the earth. To attain this objective, it must be mechanically designed for easy mounting at the top of a high pole to take full advantage of height, and further it must be electrically designed to radiate most efficiently in horizontal directions for the greatest utilization of the radio power.

The coaxial antenna (Fig. 2) represents a practical form of this antenna utilizing certain new principles that attain the desired objective. Its slender proportions, short length, light weight and coaxial symmetry enable it to be applied easily to high steel poles of standard construction. Its superior radiating capabilities make it the most modern approach to the idealized radio antenna.

The ultra-high frequency radio antenna may be considered as somewhat similar to a beacon light except that it emits polarized radiations of a longer wavelength. It, too, must be placed high above the earth if it

Fig. 2. Method of terminating lower end of coaxial antenna in a very high impedance.



is to be effective in transmitting over long distances.

In most practical cases the radio equipment is located at ground level in a building and is connected to the high antenna by means of a transmission line. In this discussion a low-loss concentric type transmission line will be assumed. In this line the useful current at ultra-high frequencies is carried by two paper-thin metallic conducting surfaces; first, the skin surface of the quarter-inch copper inner conductor which may be considered as the outgoing conductor and secondly, the inside skin surface of the seven-eighths inch copper sheath which may be considered as the return conductor.

The outer surface of the seven-eighths inch copper sheath plays no part in this transfer of useful energy in the idealized case.

By reference to Fig. 2 which shows a cross-section of an elementary form of a coaxial antenna a new circuit element is evident. The enclosed sheath of the transmission line acts in conjunction with the inner surface of the larger surrounding tube to form a short-circuited quarter-wave concentric line. The characteristics of this shorted section of line cause an extremely high impedance to be created across points A and B. By simple analogy this is equivalent to a high Q anti-resonant circuit which isolates the pole below point B from the antenna and reduces the stray pole current to a minimum.

When this antenna is supplied with power, the center of the antenna is at minimum potential, the top is at a high potential and the bottom of the tube is at a high potential. The presence of the high Q anti-resonant circuit element at the bottom of the tube allows this high potential to exist even in the immediate proximity of the transmission line.

The concentric line which feeds the antenna is a standard seven-eighths inch diameter gas tight line and is placed for mechanical strength inside a heavy brass supporting pipe approximately 2 inches in diameter both terminating in a solid brass bushing at the feed point, i.e., center of the antenna. A three-inch diameter coaxial tube is attached solidly to this bushing at the feed point and elsewhere is kept insulated from the 2-inch pipe by internal ring insulators. The quarter-wave rod projects through a sturdy insulator at the feed point and is connected at the feed point to the inner conductor of the transmission line.

Electrically, this coaxial antenna is a center-fed doublet and consequently closely matches the surge impedance of a standard seven-eighths inch concentric line. The doublet or dipole antenna consists of the quarter-wave rod and the outer surface of the three-inch tube which is also one-quarter wave long, making a total active radiator length of one-half wave.

At a frequency of 35.6 megacycles, a coaxial antenna was substituted directly for a "J" type antenna and comparative field intensity measurements of the signals were made in two directions and at two distances away from the station. The measurements in this case showed an 8 db. increase in signal strength in favor of the coaxial antenna for equal power input. To obtain a similar increase in signal strength from a 500 watt station by changing the carrier power alone would require an increase in the power of the station to 3 kilowatts!—Courtesy "Pick-Ups," Western Electric Co. publication.

Rotating Beam Loop

For Ham & SWL Use

● SINCE very little seems to have been done (or at any rate published, beyond bare specifications) with folded aeri-als, these appeared to offer the best field for experiment, and possessed many obvious advantages when it came to considering 56 mc. propagation. Long aeri-als are clumsy, unless one lives in the depths of the country, and are certainly unsightly.

The problem soon boiled down to one of mechanical difficulties, and it is the simple solution of these that is offered now.

A rotating beam was indicated, as narrow as possible, provided compass points were marked on the dial. The Reinartz double loop is compact, easily pushed up beyond trees or chimney pots, and it seems could be made very light; no small consideration this, when it has to be lifted 40 feet up. Wind resistance could also be reduced to a minimum.

No claim for electrical efficiency is made so far as experiments are being carried out with feeder lines, but it gives an 18 per cent increase over a dipole, and 6-1 ratio from back to front. For reception, car interference with a low dipole is a very serious problem, but is reduced by an amazing amount when using this method.

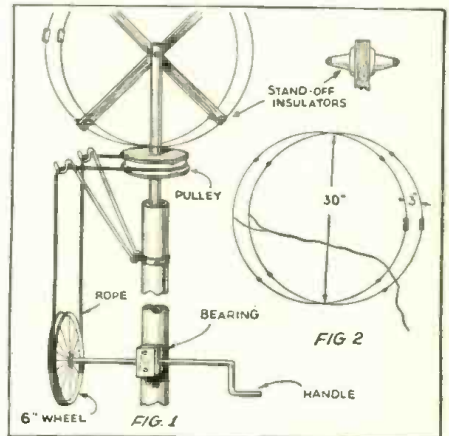


Fig. 1. The construction of the 56 Mc. Rotating Beam.

Fig. 2. The loops used for the 56 Mc. Rotating Beam.

A coaxial cable would solve feeder problems nicely, and several types of such cable are now available on the market.

Construction

A 30-inch cross of 1 1/4 in. by 1 in. pine was made by halving at the center, and a slot cut in an 18-inch support of 2 in. by 2 in. (Fig. 1). By shaping the bottom of the slot with a file, and pinning at the center, a tight fit with no play was obtained. A half-inch hole 12 in. long was drilled in the bottom to fit over a length of pipe, driven 6 inches into the top of the mast. One metal washer gave a smooth bearing. An old ebonite lead-in tube 18 in. by 2 in. with 1/2 in. walls was used, but wood is as good for the support.

Three discs of 1/2 in. wood, one soft 6 in. in diameter and two oak 7 1/2 in. in diameter, were fitted 2 in. from the bottom of the support, with a screw at each end of a diameter to hold it tight. This forms the pulley for a continuous rope to rotate the loops.

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What Do You Think?

A "Ham" Replies to "SWL Punk"

Editor,

I would like to answer Mr. Austin Wardman's very interesting letter in the February issue and give my opinion of the QSL situation from a "Ham's" point of view, which may or may not be representative.

First, I would consider the SWL and Ham hobbies two very interesting but distinctly different ones. To be a successful SWL DXer takes a great amount of time and effort. Hours must be spent identifying new stations well enough to get confirmations. In the end, success is the reward. "Ham" radio, on the other hand, requires much time and effort, but in a different way. I don't think either of these hobbies, to be successful, can spare much time for the other. I'm quite sure Hams almost never have time to listen anywhere but on the particular band they are working; in fact, I have managed to keep very busy on about 100 kc. of the forty meter band for a year and a half.

Many prospective amateurs have in mind to go on fone only when they get their "tickets," and consider code just a "necessary evil." I know because I was that way myself, but now I think that is all wrong and after 1½ years "on the air" I have no desire to go on fone. The fone end is O.K., but a fellow should become a really good C-w operator first, in my opinion. That means to be able to send code and receive accurately at least 25 wpm. and also know correct operating procedure. Mr. Wardman. Ham radio welcomes fellows like that and you will have plenty of contacts.

The prospective Ham should buy, if possible, a really good "communications" type receiver, provided with a beat oscillator, of course. An audio oscillator is not needed if you don't wish to build one for keying practice, as you can place your key in series with the head fones to receiver and use almost any station to key on their beat note. Many short wave commercials have their carrier on the air continuously and WWV (5000 kc.) transmits a 400 cycle note continuously from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m., which is good for keying.

Of course, I won't go into the building of "rigs" as that is always well covered in the magazines. However, I might say that even a single 6L6 and a good antenna with about 25 watts input will give you much pleasure. Many fellows work "all over the world" with a little rig of that type. I used a single 6L6 for some time with very fine results.

The perfection of code technique is a very fascinating game, and I would suggest that Austin become an enthusiastic CWL (continuous wave listener). I'm sure the boys on CW would more readily QSL, as they would consider a fellow interested enough to copy call letters worthy of a card. Most of the SWL's looking for cards from Hams are naturally sending their cards to the boys on 20 meter fone. Many of these boys may have received an initial bunch of cards years ago, used them all and never bought any new ones since. So how could you expect to get a card from them? Then again they may have a few cards but save them for their unusual two-way contacts. I used to get cards from CWL's and was always very happy to send them a card in return but lately, I haven't received one card from CWL's. Guess I'm slipping, hi!

I have had over 1500 two-way contacts in my 1½ years on the air, but as I look over the QSL card situation, I find only about 300 cards there. That has kept me quite busy though, and I fear I would need a secretary here to QSL 100%. I can say that the Hams I have sent cards to have QSL'd practically 100%.

Austin wishes to know why the Hams are in this game anyway. I would say a vast majority are in it to improve their operating technique, and to carry on an interesting conversation on the air, not merely to say,

Herman Ruppert, 226 East 81 St., N. Y. City, is this month's prize winner—1 yr's subscription to R&T

Amateur station of Ota- kar Halas, Brno 2, Krizova 44, Czechoslovakia. Call OK2RR.

Honorable mention—six months' subscription, to Domenick Ferrari.

Famous S-W Fan—D.R.D. Wadia, 203 Walkeshwar Rd., Bombay, India. (Pres. of India Radio Amateurs' League.)

"Pse qsl es cul." Some of the old-timers don't get on the air, for they are afraid of finding "Lids" there, hi!

So all you fellows get on the air and show them—there are some fine operators coming up.

Well, here is wishing all the SWL DXers the best of luck. Incidentally, I could use a little luck here myself as I need a couple of states for W.A.S. and Africa for W.A.C.

So 73, es I'll bennu soon "on the air."

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3140 Kingsbridge Ave.,
Bronx, N. Y. City.

He Likes Our Television Articles!

Editor,

I have been a reader of your very FB magazine for four or five years and I can sincerely say that I find it very interesting and helpful in all branches of radio. I am a student of commercial radio and television in Kansas City, Mo. Your articles on commercial radio and television are very

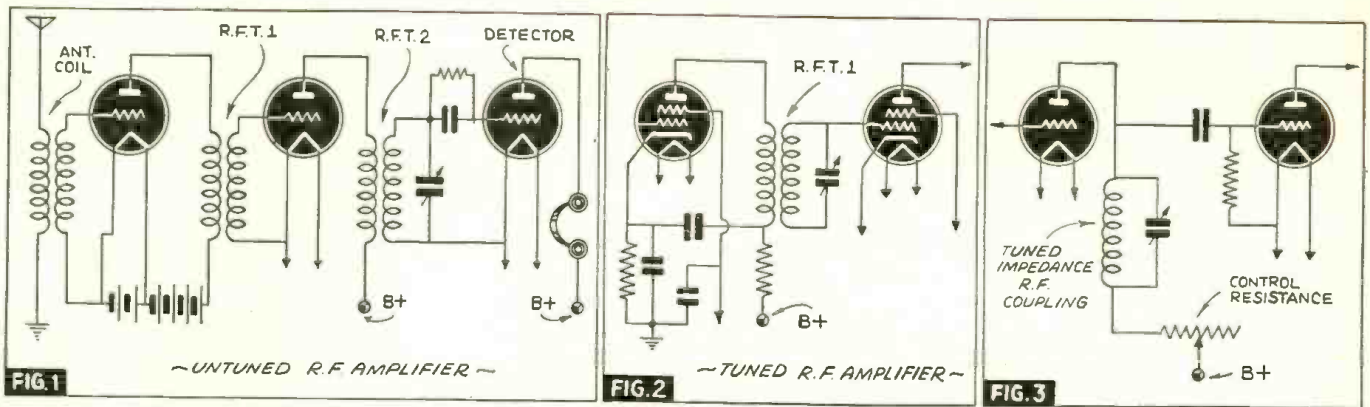
helpful to me; I also like your *International Radio Review* and I never pass over *What Do You Think?* without getting a great "kick" out of it.

My receivers are a Raco Super Clipper and a Doerle five-tuber. I have only a few veris because I spend most of my time experimenting with new receiving circuits, amplifiers, photo-cells and cathode-ray tube circuits. Some of this equipment can be seen in the photo. I am proud to be a member of the *Short Wave League*.

More power to your magazine under its new name. (See photo herewith.)

DOMENICK FERRARI,
617 Smith Ave., N.W.,
Canton, Ohio.





Diagrams above show untuned R.F. amplifier, tuned R.F. stage and tuned impedance R.F. coupling.

The RADIO BEGINNER

Lesson 6—

Radio Frequency Amplifiers

● WE can, for the sake of convenience, mentally divide a radio receiver into three separate parts. One of these, the section pertaining to *detection*, has already been considered in a previous article. The other two are the *audio frequency* amplifying and the *radio frequency* amplifying sections. It is with this latter part that we are now concerned.

We have already learned, during our consideration of vacuum tube operation, that the detector tube takes oscillations of radio frequency and turns them into direct current impulses. It might be thought that the output of this detector tube would vary in direct proportion to the input voltage applied to the grid. However, as the grid voltage is lowered a certain point, known as *cut off grid voltage*, is reached, below which there will be no effect in the plate circuit of the detector. In other words, the signal supplied by the antenna (that is, the radio frequency oscillations) must be of a certain order of magnitude before a response will be secured from the detector. The use of one or more stages of *radio frequency* amplification enables the signal to be built up to such a value that detector action can definitely be secured. This amplification ahead of the detector tube makes it possible to receive stations which would otherwise be inaudible. When a potential greater than cut-off grid voltage is applied, the output in the plate circuit of the detector increases more rapidly than the square of the input voltage.

Untuned R.F. Amplifier

Figure 1 shows a multiple stage *untuned radio frequency amplifier*. The very small alternating, high frequency wave received by the antenna causes a current (of the same frequency) to flow in the antenna circuit, comprising the antenna itself, the antenna coil, and the ground. The current, flowing through the antenna coil (or the primary) creates a magnetic field which in turn causes a potential of the same frequency to be induced across the secondary of the coil. Note, however, that this sec-

Martin Clifford, W2CDV

ondary is in the grid circuit of the first tube, and hence this potential is impressed on the grid. We recall from our discussion of the vacuum tube that a small potential on the grid can control a comparatively large current in the plate circuit. This current flows through the primary of the radio frequency transformer (marked RFT-1). Once again, as in the antenna coil, we have magnetic action and consequently a voltage induced across the secondary of the coil, and impressed on the grid of the next tube. A sufficient number of radio frequency (abbreviated R.F.) stages can be used until the signal is of such strength that it can be detected.

It should be observed that the voltage amplification is sometimes secured only by means of the tubes. The purpose of the R.F. transformers is to obtain an alternating voltage across the secondary (or on the grid of the tube) from the varying plate current of the preceding tube. We also secure a voltage step-up having the secondary wound with more turns of wire than the primary. There is a tendency in such an inductance for the amplification to increase as the frequency increases. This would mean that the amplification would not be constant over a wide range. Such a coil arrangement would tend to make the circuit unstable, since there would be the possibility of *feedback* through the tube capacity. Where the primary and secondary of an R.F. transformer are of the same size, amplification, although somewhat lower, is fairly constant over a wide range, and with less feedback. By *feedback* we mean that condition whereby a tube begins to act as an oscillator or a generator of radio frequency energy. A tube, designed to act as an R.F. amplifier, and behaving as an oscillator, causes howling, squealing and loss of efficiency in reception.

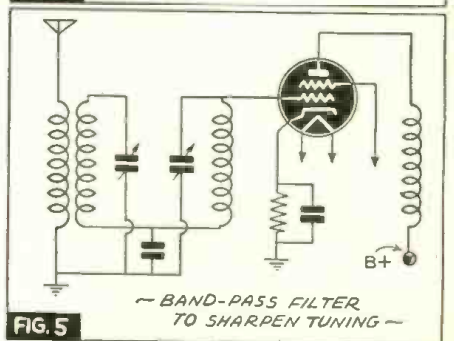
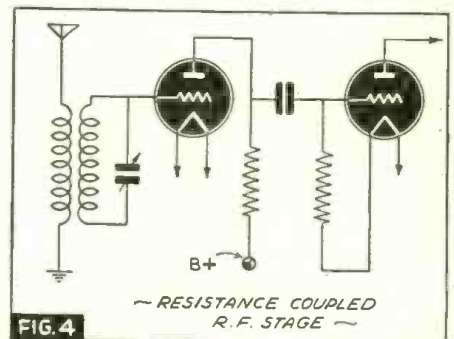
We have so far considered a type of R.F. amplifier rarely used today. An untuned system of transformer coupling will cover

only a very limited range of frequencies and is unsatisfactory. The purpose of an R.F. amplifier should be not only to increase signal strength, but also to increase *selectivity*.

Tuned R.F. Amplifiers

When we deal with an R.F. amplifier, we must handle waves that vary from a few hundred thousand cycles per second to several million cycles. In order to secure greater efficiency from our R.F. transformers, we place *variable condensers* across the secondaries of these coils, thus enabling us to tune in the particular frequency we want. See Figure 2. This type of circuit is known as a *tuned radio frequency amplifier* and (Continued on page 748)

These diagrams show resistance-coupled R.F. stage and band-pass filter or tuner to increase selectivity.



Electronic Television Course

Henry Townsend

Lesson 2—Photo Cells, Iconoscope, Image Dissector

● **PHYSICISTS** in their experiments with the alkali metals have found that light falling upon these metallic films produced enough energy to dislodge electrons from these surfaces. These electrons were collected by a positively charged electrode and currents of small magnitude were able to be passed through the tube. The alkali metals which show this photo-electric effect are Lithium, Potassium, Sodium, Rubidium and Caesium. Caesium and its compounds, when deposited upon other metallic films, respond to that particular part of the light spectrum which nearly approximates the response (or sensitivity) of the human eye and also shows the greatest *photo-electric* effect for a given amount of visible light of any of the photo-electric metals; consequently it is most commonly used as photo-electric material in television transmitting picture tubes.

A *photo-electric cell* consists of a cathode (coated with a photo-electric material, such as Caesium) and a positive electrode called the *anode*, located in front of the photo-electric surface to collect the electrons which are emitted from the cathode when light is caused to fall on this surface. See Figures 1-A and 1-B.

The *Iconoscope* (Fig. 2-A) is a cathode-ray tube in combination with a photo-electric screen consisting of millions of tiny photo-electric cells, each cell constituting a condenser. This screen is commonly referred to as a *Mosaic screen*, and when light is caused to strike these tiny photo cells (or Mosaic), in the form of an image, a charge of electrical energy is picked up by the cells where the light of the image strikes. (See Fig. 2-B.) This charge is discharged through the cathode beam as it traverses this Mosaic screen in the process of scanning point by point

The accompanying pictures show at 1-A and 1-B, a photo cell; 2-A—Fundamental action of the Iconoscope; 2-B—Iconoscope pick-up; 3—Image dissector; 4—Typical Television Transmitter Line-up; 5—Form of scanning pulse; 5-A—How interlaced scanning takes place.

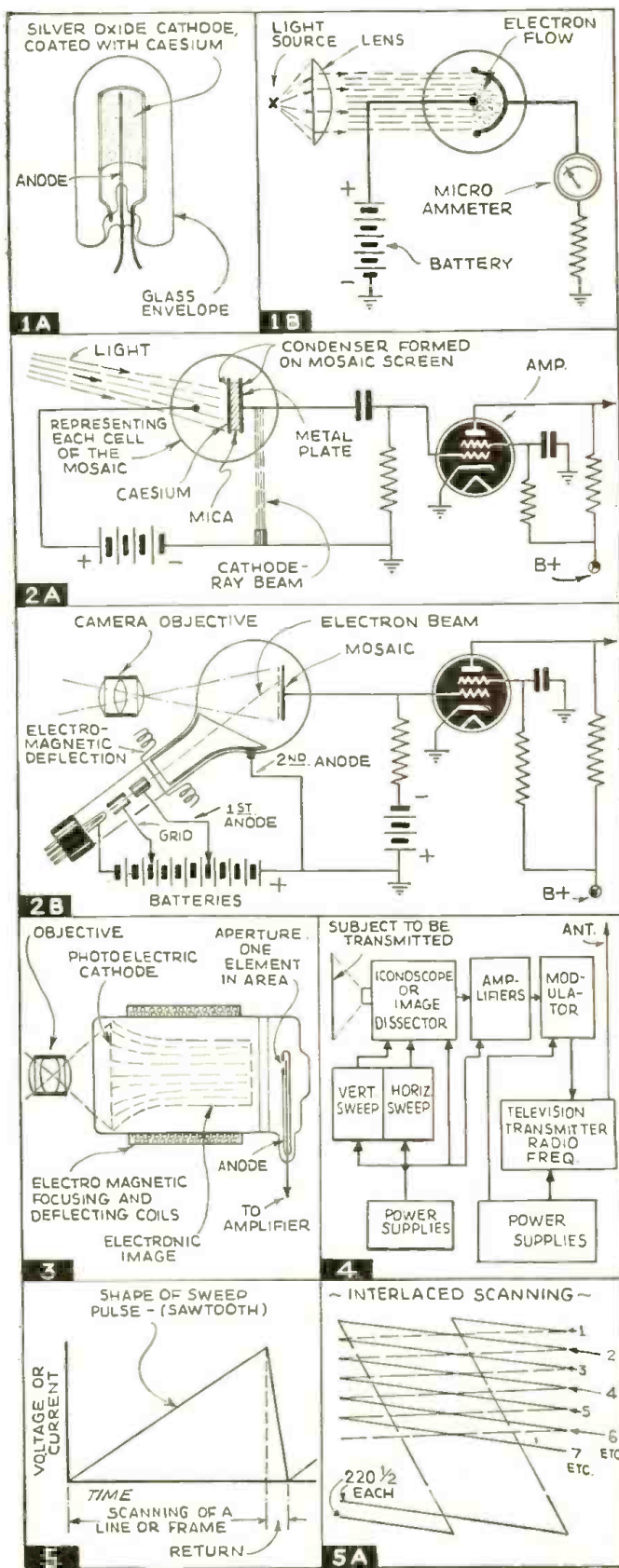
and line by line. This discharge is then amplified by a series of amplifiers to a level where it may be transmitted over a co-axial cable and modulate a television transmitter.

The invention of the iconoscope is credited to Dr. Vladimir Zworykin of the RCA Laboratories. Prior to this, Philo T. Farnsworth was the first inventor to show a successful electronic picture tube, which he called the Farnsworth Image Dissector. This image dissector, shown in Figure 3, also incorporates a photo-sensitive cathode at one end, upon which an image is focused, similar to a photographic camera. This image causes a flow of electrons where light strikes it, and some distance away from the cathode we have an image in the form of an electronic stream corresponding to the light and dark portions of the image. This electronic image is then moved past an aperture in both a vertical and horizontal plane and the electrons are collected by a positively charged electrode in the proper sequence, then amplified as in the case of the iconoscope.

Still another type of picture tube used today is called a *monoscope* because it will only transmit or reproduce one image, namely, the image deposited in carbon on a target electrode, usually made of aluminum. This tube operates by virtue of the fact that carbon is a poor emitter of electrons. It consists of an electron gun, focusing electrodes, and electrostatic or electromagnetic means of moving a beam of electrons across this printed image, plus a collecting electrode to collect the secondary electrons which are emitted from that portion of the target which is not covered by the carbon deposit forming the image. This tube has an exceptionally high output and is used chiefly for testing or demonstrating television transmitting and receiving equipment. Various types of images can be printed on the target electrode, such as human figures, test charts, etc. When received, these establish the fidelity of a television transmitter and receiver.

It is presumed that the reader is familiar with the fact that in

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World Short Wave Stations

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Reports on station changes are appreciated.

Mc.	Call	Mc.	Call	Mc.	Call			
31.600	WIXKA	BOSTON, MASS., 9.494 m., Addr. Westinghouse Co. Daily 6 am.-1 am., Sun. 8 am.-1 am. Relays WBZ.	21.470	G5H	DAVENTRY, ENG., 13.97 m. (See 21.550 mc.), 5:45-8:50, 9 am.-noon.			
31.600	WIXKB	SPRINGFIELD, MASS., 9.494 m., Addr. Westinghouse Co. Daily 6 am.-1 am., Sun. 8 am.-1 am. Relays WBZ.	21.450	DJS	BERLIN, GERMANY, 13.99 m., Addr. Broadcasting House. 12.05-5.30 am.			
31.600	W3XEY	BALTIMORE, MD., 9.494 m., Relays WFBR 4 pm.-12 m.	19.020	H56PJ	BANGKOK, SIAM, 15.77 m. Mondays 8-10 am. See 15.23 mc.			
31.600	W2XDV	NEW YORK CITY, 9.494 m., Addr. Col. Broad. System, 485 Madison Ave. Daily 6-11 pm.; Sat. and Sun. 1:30-6, 7-10 pm.	18.480	H8H	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 16.23 m., Addr. Radio Nations. Sun., 10.45-11.30 am.			
31.600	W9XHW	MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., 9.494 m. Relays WCCO 9 am.-12 m.	16 Met. Broadcast Band		15.330	W6XBE	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., 19.57 m., 3-9 am.	
31.600	W3XKA	PHILADELPHIA, PA., 9.494 m., Addr. NBC. Relays KYW 9 am.-10 pm.	17.845	HVJ	VATICAN CITY, 16.81 m. Heard 12 n. on Wednesday.	15.320	OLR5B	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA. 19.58 m. Addr. (See 11.840 mc.) Sun., Wed., Sat. 5-5.10 pm.; Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 6.55-9.55 pm.
31.600	W5XAU	OKLAHOMA CITY, 9.494 m., Sun. 12 n.-1 pm., 6-7 pm. Irregular other times.	17.840	DJG	BERLIN, GERMANY, 16.82 m., 10.35 am.-1 pm.	15.320	OZH	SKAMLEBAK, DENMARK, 19.58 m., Sun. 8 am.-1:30 pm.
31.600	W4XCA	MEMPHIS, TENN., 9.494 m. Addr. Memphis Commercial Appeal. Relays WMC.	17.820	ZROB	ROME, ITALY. 16.84 m., Addr. (See 2RO, 11.81 mc.) 5-7.30 am. Relays 2RO to 6 pm. irregularly.	15.310	GSP	DAVENTRY, ENG., 19.6 m., Addr. (See 17.79 mc.) 3-5.15 am., 1.45-4 pm.
31.600	W8XA1	ROCHESTER, N. Y., 9.494 m., Addr. Stromberg Carlson Co. Relays WHAM 7.30-12.05 am.	17.810	GSV	DAVENTRY, ENGLAND, 16.84 m., 5.45-8.50 am., 12.20-4 pm.	15.300	YDB	SOERABAJA, JAVA, N. E. I. 19.61 m. Addr. NIROM. 10 pm.-2 am.
31.600	W8XWJ	DETROIT, MICH., 9.494 m., Addr. Evening News Ass'n. Relays WWJ 6-12.30 am., Sun. 8 am.-12 m.	17.810	TPB3	PARIS, FRANCE, 16.84 m. Addr. (See 15.245 mc.) 9.30-11 am.	15.300	XEBM	MAZATLAN, SIN., MEX., 19.61 m., Addr. Box 78, "El Pregonero del Pacifico." Irregularly 9-10 am., 1-2, 8-10 pm.
31.600	W9XPD	ST. LOUIS, MO., 9.494 m., Addr. Pulitzer Pub. Co. Relays KSD.	17.800	OIH	LAHTI, FINLAND, 16.85 meters, 4-9 am.	15.300	ZRO6	ROME, ITALY. 19.61 m., Addr. (See 2RO, 11.81 mc.) 10 am.-2:30 pm.
26.550	W2XGU	NEW YORK CITY, 11.3 m. Relays WMCA.	17.790	GSG	DAVENTRY, ENG., 16.86 m., Addr. B.B.C., London. 5:45-8:50, 9:10-1:15 am., 12:20-4 pm.	15.290	VUD4	DELHI, INDIA, 19.62 m., 9:30-11:30 pm.
26.450	W9XA	KANSAS CITY, MO., 11.33 m., Addr. Commercial Radio Eqpt. Co. Testing	17.780	W3XL	BOUND BROOK, N. J., 16.87 m., Addr. Natl. Broad. Co., 9 am.-5 pm. to Europe, 5-11 pm. to So. Amer.	15.290	LRU	BUENOS AIRES, ARG., 19.62 m., Addr. El Mundo. Relays LRI, 7-9 am.
26.400	W9XAZ	MILWAUKEE, WIS., 11.36 m., Addr. The Journal Co. Relays WTMJ from 1 pm.	17.770	PHI2	HUIZEN, HOLLAND, 16.88 m., Addr. (See PHI, 11.730 mc.) Daily 7:40-9:10 am. Mon & Thurs. 7:40-9 am. Sun. 6:25-9:45 am.	15.280	DJQ	BERLIN, GERMANY, 19.63 m., Addr. Broadcasting House. 12.05-11 am., 4.50-10.50 pm. Also Sun. 11.10 am.-12.25 pm.
26.300	W2XJ1	NEW YORK, N. Y., 11.4 m., Addr. Bamberger Broad. Service, 1440 Broadway. Relays WOR 12 n.-6 pm.	17.760	DJE	BERLIN, GERMANY, 16.89 m., Addr. Broadcasting House. 12.05-5.50, 6-7.50 am.	15.270	HI3X	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 19.65 m. Relays HIX Sun. 7.40-10.40 am. Tues. and Fri. 8.10-10.10 pm.
26.100	W9XJL	SUPERIOR, WIS., 11.49 m. Relays WEBC daily.	17.755	Z8W5	HONGKONG, CHINA, 16.9 m., Addr. P.O. Box 200. Dly. 11.30 pm.-1.15 am., 5-10 am., Sun. 9 pm. (Sat.)-1.30 am., 5-9.30 am. Operates irreg.	15.270	W3XAU	PHILA., PA., 19.65 m. (Addr. See 21.52 mc.) 3-7 pm.
26.050	W9XTC	MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., 11.51 m. Relays WCTN 9 am.-1 pm., 7 pm.-12 m.	End of Broadcast Band		15.270	W2XE	NEW YORK CITY, 19.65 m., Addr. (See 21.570 mc.) 1-3 pm. Sat. & Sun. 1:30-2:30 pm.	
26.050	W9XH	SOUTH BEND, IND., 11.51 m., Addr. South Bend Tribune. Relays WSBT-WFAM 2.30-6.30 pm., exc. Sat. and Sun.	17.310	W2XGB	HICKSVILLE, L. I., N. Y., 17.33 m., Addr. Press Wireless, Box 296. Tests 9.30-11.30 am. except Sat. and Sun.	15.260	GSI	DAVENTRY, ENG., 19.66 m., Addr. (See 17.79 mc.) 3-5.15 am., 12.20-1.30 pm.
25.950	W6XKG	LOS ANGELES, CAL., 11.56 m., Addr. B. S. McGlashan, Wash. Blvd. at Oak St. Relays KGFJ 24 hours daily. DX tips Mon., Wed. and Fri. 2:15 pm.	17.280	FZE8	DJIBOUTI, FRENCH SOMALILAND, 17.36 m. Test XMSN 1st Thurs. each month 8-8.30 am. Next B.C. April 6.	15.250	WIXAL	BOSTON, MASS., 19.67 m., Addr. University Club. 2:30, or 4 pm., ex. Sat. and Sun.
25.950	W9XUP	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA. 11.56 m., Relays KSTP evenings.	15.550	CO9XX	TUINICU, ORIENTE, CUBA, 19.29 m., Addr. Frank Jones, Central Tuinicu, Tuinicu, Santa Clara. Broadcasts irregularly evenings.	15.245	TPA2	PARIS, FRANCE, 19.68 m., Addr. 98 Bis. Blvd. Haussmann. "Paris Mondial" 6-11 am.
21.630	W3XAL	BOUND BROOK, N. J., 13.8 m., Addr. N.B.C., N. Y. C. 9 am.-4 pm.	15.510	XOZ	CHENGTO, CHINA, 19.34 m. Daily 9.45-10.30 am.	15.230	HS6PJ	BANGKOK, SIAM, 19.7 m. Irregularly Mon. 8-10 am.
21.570	W2XE	NEW YORK CITY, 13.91 m. (Addr. CBS, 485 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. Daily 7.30-10 am. Sat., Sun. 8 am.-1 pm.)	15.370	HAS3	BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 19.52 m., Addr. Radiolabor. Gyali Ut 22. Sun. 9-10 am.	15.230	OLR5A	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 19.7 m. Addr. (See OLR4A, 11.84) Mon.-Fri. 7.50-10.55 pm. Sat. and Sun. 5-5.15 pm., Sun. 5.55-8.55 pm., Tues. 4.40-5.15 pm.
21.565	DJJ	BERLIN, GERMANY, 13.92 m., Addr. Broadcasting House, 6-7.50 am.	15.360	DZG	ZEESEN, GERMANY, 19.53 m., Addr. Reichspostzentralemt. Tests irregularly.	15.220	PCJ2	HUIZEN, HOLLAND, 19.71 m., Addr. N. V. Philips' Radio Hilversum, 3-4.30 am. Tues., 9.30-11.30 am. Weds. Daily 7.25-8.25 am.
21.550	GST	DAVENTRY, ENG., 13.92 m., Addr. (B.B.C., London) Irregular at present.	15.360	—	BERNE, SWITZERLAND, 19.53 m. Irreg. 6.45-7.45 pm.	15.210	W8XK	PITTSBURGH, PA., 19.72 m., Addr. (See 21.540 mc.) 9 am.-1 pm.
21.540	W8XK	PITTSBURGH, PA., 13.93 m., Addr. Grant Bldg. Relays KDKA 6.45-9 am. Also Sunday, 6 pm.	19 Met. Broadcast Band		15.200	DJ8	BERLIN, GERMANY, 19.74 m., Addr. (See 15.280 mc.) 8-9 am., 4.50-10.50 pm. Also Sun. 11.10 am.-12.25 pm.	
21.530	GSJ	DAVENTRY, ENG., 13.93 m., Addr. (See 21.550 mc.) 5.45-8.50 am.	15.340	DJR	BERLIN, GERMANY, 19.56 m., Addr. Brdcast'g House, 12.05-11 am.	15.195	TAQ	ANKARA, TURKEY, 19.74 m., 5.30-7 am., 9.30-11 am., Relays 2RO irregularly Afts.
21.520	W3XAU	PHILA., PA., 13.94 m., Addr. Col. Broad. Syst., 485 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. 1-2.30 pm.	15.330	W2XAD	SCHENECTADY, N. Y., 19.56 m., Addr. General Electric Co. Relays WGY, 12.15-7 pm.	15.190	OIE	LAHTI, FINLAND. 19.75 m. Addr. (See OFD, 9.5 mc.) 1:05-4 am, 9 am.-5 pm.
21.500	W2XAD	SCHENECTADY, N. Y., 13.95 m., General Electric Co., 8 am.-12 n.			15.190	Z8W4	HONGKONG, CHINA, 19.75 m., Addr. P. O. Box 200. Irregular. 11.30 pm. to 1.15 am., 3-10 am.	

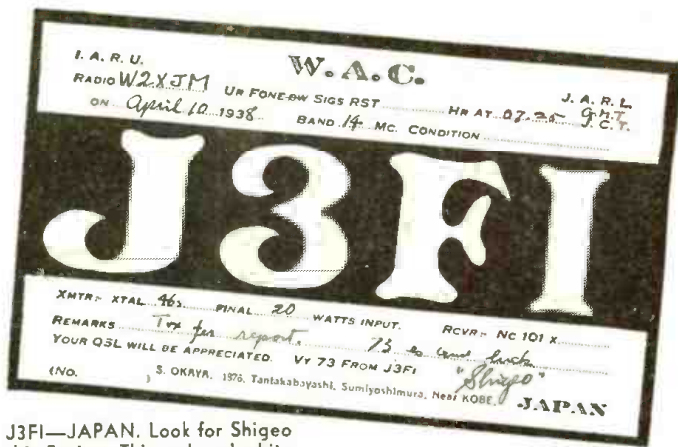
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J3FI—JAPAN. Look for Shigeo this Spring. This red and white QSL is well worth earning!

● **SPRING** is here, and along with this most welcome of seasons arrives the international amateurs' DX contest, timed to take place when DX conditions for worldwide reception on the amateur bands, especially 20 meters, reach an optimum.

Our interest, and that of most of DXers, will, of course, be centered in the phone contest, which is scheduled to begin on March 17, at 7:01 p.m., E.S.T., and end on March 26 at 6:59 p.m., E.S.T. In these 9 days, it will be possible to hear many fine DX catches, as amateurs from all over the world will participate and offer all DXers a grand opportunity to add many fine DX logs to their present total. A note here for C.W. DXers and C.W. Hams is that the code section of the A.R.R.L. Contest begins on March 3rd at 7:01 p.m., E.S.T., and ends March 12th at 6:59 p.m., E.S.T.

Last year we "cleaned up" on a good deal of very fine DX, especially from Asia, using a W8JK beam directed North over the Pole to cover the eastern half of Asia, and we do hope that many of you OM's have a similar beam antenna constructed, and measured for 20 meters, as that will be the band, and we would like to have everyone ready to take the fullest possible advantage of the wealth of DX to be heard before, during and after the contest.

Further particulars, as to when to tune for best reception from each continent, etc., will be found in our *Ham Stardust* column.

Again we must mention the subject, a rather important one for us SWL's, of QSL cards, and of correct reports. This seems to be a somewhat sore topic for a number of DXers, but the necessity for some sort of a code of ethics for SWL's is becoming more apparent than ever.

There is, for one thing, entirely too much of the "I heard you, *psst* QSL" type of report being sent to amateurs, which tends to give them the impression that most SWL's are ignorant boys who collect cards just for the fun of it, and are not at all interested in giving the "ham" a report of some value to him, as to how well his signals came over, giving him a word-by-word report of his transmission, how good his modulation was, what stations were QR'ing him, and every other detail one could ascertain of possible value to the station being reported. The amateurs appreciate such reports very much indeed, and, judg-

ing from some of our replies, it would seem that our report, being fully detailed, was considered exceptional, if only because of our pains to make it complete.

So, fellows, let's work together, and do the right thing. If you are making a report to a "ham," do your job as well as it can be done, or don't do it at all. Try to give our brother radio buffs, the amateurs, a better impression of us DXers, and your combined efforts should result in more QSL's, as there will be less amateurs "fed up" with the SWL's reports.

A word about postage. If a DXer expects a card for his report, he not only should, he must enclose a coupon with his report. Many "hams" have ceased QSL'ing, due to the many reports sent merely on cards, of course with no return postage. Why should an amateur spend many dollars monthly for postage to QSL SWL's when he can use that same money to purchase some much needed equipment?

Dan Malan, ZS4H, a popular amateur in South Africa, whose phone signals are well known in the States, writes us and requests us to publish his plea that SWL's enclose return postage if they wish QSL cards, adding that he's "no millionaire," with QSL cards, adding that he's "no millionaire." Certainly, very few amateurs are! Dan has, like the grand fellow he is, been sending his cards to many SWL's who didn't send postage, when he was in no way obligated to do so, not counting the many amateur contacts he had to QSL, all this running into quite some bill.

During the past month conditions have been fair, but by March, DX should be very much better, this month commencing the spring DX peak.

INDIA

VUD4, on 15.29 mc., Delhi, is a new addition to the chain of excellent Asiatic broadcasters in India, and may be heard almost daily between 9:30-11:30 p.m., E.S.T., along with its sister station, VUD3, 15.16 mc., but with different programs on each. Reported by G. C. Gallagher, and I.D.A.

Also Masud Akhtar of New Delhi has been kind enough to send along a late copy of the "Indian Listener," an Indian radio magazine, with the latest data on the 60 meter band VU Broadcasters.

Reallocations place the stations on these new freqs.: VUC2, 4.84; VUB2, 4.88; VUM2, 4.92; and VUD2, 4.96 mc., these changes probably occurring during early December.

Regarding an item here a few months back about the failure of the Indian stations to QSL reports, which failure we personally experienced along with quite a number of our reporters (but which has evidently been since corrected), OM Masud tells us in his interesting letter that he made a personal call to the offices of All India Radio (A.I.R.) and was shown the files of reports from listeners, all of which were marked as answered, fully satisfying Masud that such a condition no longer exists.

Evidently our first reports were received before the station was fully equipped to handle reports, and

send confirmations. The Station Director assured Masud that all reports will be answered, but that listeners should send reply postage. Many thanks to you, Masud, for your FB help!

VWY2, 17.51 mc. (taken from veri) Poona, was heard during an inverted speech contact with a Rugby fone at 8:15 a.m. recently.

VUB2, 9.55 mc., Bombay, and VUD3, are reported from 10-10:30 p.m., with FB reception by Daryl Sebastian, W8.

IRAQ

The station lately reported as YIJG, this call from an English listener, is proven to have the call Y15KG, and was mistakenly heard over the air, Y15KG, on 7.20 mc., with 1 kw., is on the air daily from 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m., one hour earlier than previously reported, all this from an actual veri received from Mr. I. Hassan.

Another transmitter of 400 watts is on 6.90 mc. from 9:30 a.m. onward; closing time not given, but probably also 3 p.m. Another transmitter has been ordered, and will be used as a commercial job.

This complete plant is owned by Iraq royalty, H. R. H. Crown Prince Faisal Ghazi, and the title of the broadcasting center is "Qasr el Zehoor" Broadcasting Station, Baghdad, Iraq. Reports may be sent to this QRA, or to that of the previous one recently given (S.W.M., England).

ETHIOPIA

IABA, 9.65 mc., and known as "Stazione Di Addis Abeba," in that city, is being operated by the Italian Gov't from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. daily, rather a difficult time to log this fine African catch. (I.D.A.)

ALBANIA

ZAA, "Radio Experimental Tirana," at Tirana, is reported as being on from 12:30-2 p.m., E.S.T., on 7.4875 mc., making it rather too early to be heard well, if at all, in the U. S. Another freq., 9.9875 mc., will also be used, both of these freqs. being intended for European reception, and 15.765 mc., no schedule as yet, for America. QRA (address) ZAA, Radio Exp. Tirana, Directorate General of Posts and Telegraphs, Tirana, Albania. (I.D.A.) (S.W.M.)

PHILIPPINES

KZIB, now 9.49 mc., Manila, moved from 9.503 mc. to avoid being QR'd by VK3ME, and is heard daily 6-9:05 a.m., with good signal. (I.D.A.) The QRA (address) is I. Beck Ind., Crystal Arcade Bldg., P.O. Box 440, Manila, P.I.

KZRM, 9.57 mc., Manila, is reported being operated by a new organization "The Far Eastern Broadcasting Co.," and owned by same, per W. G. Layton, from a recent veri. Schedule is: Mon.-Fri.: 4:30-6 p.m.; 5-9 a.m.; Sat.: 4:30-6 p.m.; 5-10 a.m.; and Sun.: 4-10 a.m. He also reports KZIB, KZGF, 5.47 mc., Manila, reported phoning KZGH, 5.44 mc., Iloilo, near 9 a.m., often, by Jack Hartley, W2.

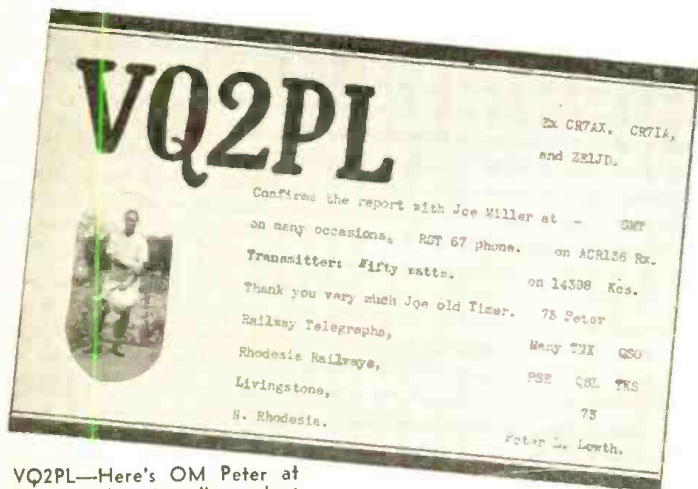
CHINA

XGRV, reported on 11.38-11.42 mc., Chungking, the wartime capital being its location, according to a letter received by Jack Wells, W4, from H. K. Tong. Schedule is given as 1:135 a.m., when news is given in Chinese and Japanese, and 8-8:35 a.m., when it is given in English and French.

Mr. Tong, who is Chairman of the China Information Committee, P.O. Box 90, Hankow, states that XTJ, replaced by XGRV, has been moved to the interior to avoid damage from war activities. G. C. Gallagher, W6, reports XGRV.

XGRV, 15.19 mc., Chungking, is reported irregular 7-9 p.m. (I.D.A.)

XGAP, 9.56 mc., Peking, is heard 4-9 a.m., daily, and QRA is: S. Yoshimura, Director Peking Central Station, Hsi-eh-an-an-Chieh, Peking. (Continued on page 759)



VQ2PL—Here's OM Peter at home in this eternally verdant land.

Mc. Call
 15.166 LKC OSLO, NORWAY, 19.78 m. Re-
 ported Sun. 10.30 am. on.
 15.160 XEWW MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, 19.79 m.,
 12 n.-12 m., irregular.
 15.160 VUD3 DELHI, INDIA, 19.79 m., Addr. All
 India Radio. 1.30-3.30 am., 9.30-
 11.30 pm.
 15.155 SMSSX STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN, 19.79 m.,
 Daily 11 am.-5 pm., Sun. 9 am.-
 5 pm.
 15.150 YDC BANDOENG, JAVA, 19.8 m., Addr.
 N. I. R. O. M. 6-7.30 pm., 10.30
 pm.-2 am., Sat. 7.30 pm.-2 am.,
 daily 4.30-10.30 am.
 15.140 GSF DAVENTRY, ENG., 19.82 m., Addr.
 (See 17.79 mc.) 3-5.15 am., 5.45-
 6:50 am., 9 am.-noon.
 15.130 TP86 PARIS, FRANCE, 19.83 m., Addr.
 "Paris Mondial," 98 Bis Blvd.
 Haussmann, 7-9.15 pm.
 15.130 WIXAL BOSTON, MASS., 19.83 m., Addr.
 World-Wide B'cast'g Foundation.
 University Club. 10-11 am.,
 Mon.-Fri. Sun. 10 am.-1 pm.
 15.120 SPI9 WARSAW, POLAND, 19.84 m., 6-9
 pm.
 15.120 HVJ VATICAN CITY, 19.83 m., 10.30-
 10.45 am., Tues only. Suns. 1-1.30
 pm.
 15.110 DJL BERLIN, GERMANY, 19.85 m.,
 Addr. (See 15.280 mc.) 12.05-2,
 8-9 am., 10.35 am.-4.25 pm.,
 Sun., also 6-8 am.
 15.080 RKT MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., 19.87 m.
 Works Tashkent near 7 am. Broad-
 casts Sun. 12.15-2.30 pm. Daily
 7-9.15 pm.

End of Broadcast Band

14.960 — MOSCOW U.S.S.R., 20.25 m., 1st
 of month, 6 pm. Dutch program.
 14.940 PSE RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL. 20.08
 m., Broadcasts Wed. 3.45-4.15
 pm.
 14.920 KQH KAHUKU, HAWAII, 20.11 m. Sats.
 1-1.30 am., 11-11.30 pm.
 14.600 JVH NAZAKI, JAPAN, 20.55 m. Broad-
 casts irregularly 5-11.30 pm.
 Works Europe 4-8 am.
 14.535 HBJ GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 20.64 m.,
 Addr. Radio Nations. Broadcasts
 Sun. 10.45-11.30 am., Mon. 4-4.15
 am.
 14.440 — RADIO MALAGA, SPAIN, 20.78 m.
 Relays Salamanca 5.40-8.40 am.
 Sometimes 2-4 pm.
 14.430 HCIJB QUITO, ECUADOR, 20.79 m. 10-
 10.30 pm. except Mon. 9-9.30 pm.
 and irreg.
 14.166 PIJ DORDRECHT, HOLLAND, 21.15 m.,
 Addr. (See 7.088 mc.) Sat. 12 n.-
 12.30 pm.
 13.997 EA9AH TETUAN, SPANISH MOROCCO,
 21.43 m. Apartado 124. 5.15-6.15
 pm., 6.30-7.30 pm., 9-10 pm. Re-
 lays Salamanca from 5.40 pm.
 13.635 SPW WARSAW, POLAND, 22 m. Daily
 6-8 pm. Sat. & Sun. 6-9 pm.
 12.862 W9XDH ELGIN, ILL., 23.32 m. Press Wire-
 less. Tests 2-5 pm.
 12.486 HIN TRIJILLO CITY, DOM. REP., 24.03
 m. 7.10-10.10 pm.
 12.460 HC2JB QUITO, ECUADOR, 24.08 m. Daily
 exc. Mon. 8-10.30 pm.
 12.235 TFJ REYKJAVIK, ICELAND, 24.52 m.
 Works Europe mornings. Broad-
 casts Sun. 1.40-2.30 pm.
 12.200 — TRIJILLO, PERU, 25 m., "Rancho
 Grande." Address Hacienda
 Chiclin. Irregular.
 12.000 RNE MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., 24.88 m. Daily
 6-7 am., 12 n.-2 pm., 3-6, 10.15-11
 pm., also Tues., Thurs. 8.30-9
 pm., also Sun. 6-10.30 am., 12 n.-
 5 pm., 6-6.30, 8.30-9, 10.15-11
 pm.
 11.990 CB1180 SANTIAGO, CHILE, 25.02 m. 7-11
 pm.
 11.970 H12X CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 25.07
 m., Addr. La Voz de Hispaniola.
 Relays HIX Tue. and Fri. 8.10-
 10.10 pm.

25 Met. Broadcast Band

11.935 TI2XD SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 25.12 m.
 La Voz del Pilot. Apartado 1729.
 10 am.-n., 4-10 pm.
 11.910 CD1190 VALDIVIA, CHILE, 25.2 m., P. O.
 Box 642. Relays CB89 10 am.-1
 pm., 7-10 pm.

Mc. Call
 11.900 — HANOI, FRENCH INDO-CHINA.
 25.21 m. "Radio Hanoi", Addr.
 Radio Club de l'Indochine. 3.45-
 4.15 am., 7-9.30 am., 150 watts.
 11.900 XEW1 MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, 25.21 m.,
 Addr. P. O. Box 2874. Mon.,
 Wed., Fri. 3-4 pm., 9 pm.-12 m.
 Tues. and Thur. 7.30 pm.-12 m.,
 Sat. 9 pm.-12 m., Sun. 12.30-2
 pm.
 11.885 TPA3 PARIS, FRANCE, 25.24 m., Addr.
 (See 15.245 mc.) 2-5 am., 11.15
 pm.-6 pm.
 11.885 TP87 PARIS, FRANCE, 25.24 m. (See
 15.245 mc.) 9.30 pm.-mid., 12.15-
 2 am. Irregular.
 11.880 VLR3 MELBOURNE, AUST., 25.25 m.,
 3.30-7.15 pm., 9 pm.-3 am. week-
 days. Suns. mid.-3 am.
 11.870 W8XK PITTSBURGH, PA., 25.26 m., Addr.
 (See 21.540 mc.) 1-11 pm.
 11.865 — BERNE, SWITZERLAND. 25.28 m.
 Irreg. 8-9 pm. to No. Amer.
 11.860 GSE DAVENTRY, ENG., 25.30 m., Addr.
 (See 11.75 mc.) 3-5.15, 5.45 am.-
 10.30 am. Sun. 1-1.30 pm.
 11.855 DJP BERLIN, GERMANY, 25.31 m.,
 Addr. (See 15.280 mc.) Irregular.
 7.15-10.50 pm. to No. Amer.
 11.850 C81185 SANTIAGO, CHILE, 25.32 m. Sat.
 6-11 pm. and irreg.
 11.850 OAX2A TRUJILLO, PERU, 25.32 m. Testing
 on this freq. (See 12.200).
 11.840 KZRM MANILA, P. I., 25.35 m. Addr.
 Erlanger & Gallinger, Box 283.
 9 pm.-10 am. Irregular.
 11.840 CSW LISBON, PORT., 25.35 m. Nat'l
 Broad. Station. 11.30 am.-1.30
 pm. Irregular.
 11.840 OLR4A PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 25.34
 m., Addr. Czech Shortwave Sta.,
 Praha XII, Fochova 16. Daily
 1.55-4.30 pm. Mon. to Fri. 7.55-
 10.55 pm., Sun. 5.55-8.55 pm.
 11.830 W9XAA CHICAGO, ILL., 25.36 m., Addr.
 Chicago Federation of Labor.
 Irregular 7 am.-6 pm.
 11.830 W2XE NEW YORK CITY, 25.36 m., Addr.
 Col. Broad. System, 485 Madison
 Av., N.Y.C. Mon.-Fri. 3.30-6,
 6.30-10 pm. Sat., Sun. 3-6, 6.30-
 11 pm.
 11.826 XEBR HERMOSILLA, SON., MEX., 25.37
 m., Addr. Box 68. Relays XEBH.
 9.30-11 am., 1-4 pm., 9 pm.-12 m.
 Addr. (See 11.75 mc.) Irregular.
 11.820 GSN DAVENTRY, ENG., 25.38 m., Addr.
 (See 11.75 mc.) Irregular.
 11.810 2RO4 ROME, ITALY, 25.4 m., Addr.
 E.I.A.R., Via Montello 5. Daily
 4.40-8.45 am., 10 am.-12 n.
 11.805 OZG SKAMLEBAK, DENMARK, 25.41
 m. Addr. Statsradiofonien. Irreg.
 11.801 DJZ BERLIN, GERMANY, 25.42 m. 4.50-
 10.50 pm.
 11.800 COGF MATANZAS, CUBA, 25.42 m.,
 Addr. Gen. Betancourt 51. Re-
 lays CMGF. 2-3, 4-5, 6 pm.-Mid.
 11.800 JZJ TOKYO, JAPAN, 25.42 m., Addr.
 Broadcasting Co. of Japan.
 Overseas Division. 7-7.30, 8-9.30
 am., 2.30-4, 4.30-5.30, 8-8.30 pm.,
 12.30-1.30 am.
 11.795 DJO BERLIN, GERMANY, 25.42 m. 4.50-
 Addr. (See 15.280 mc.) 11.30
 am.-4.25 pm., 4.50-10.50 pm. Ir-
 regular.
 11.790 WIXAL BOSTON, MASS., 25.45 m., Addr.
 (See 15.250 mc.) Daily 4.55-6.30
 pm., Tues., Thur., 4.40-6.30 pm.,
 Sat. 1.45-6 pm., Sun. 5-6.30 pm.
 11.780 HPSG PANAMA CITY, PAN., 25.47 m.,
 Addr. Box 1121. 6-10 pm.
 11.780 OFE LAHTI, FINLAND, 25.47 m. Addr.
 (See OFE, 9.5 mc.) 1.05-3 am.,
 5-6.20, 10 am.-12.30 pm.
 11.770 DJD BERLIN, GERMANY, 25.49 m.,
 Addr. (See 15.280 mc.) 11.30 am.-
 4.25 pm., 4.50-11 pm.
 11.760 TGWA GUATEMALA CITY, GUAT., 25.51
 m. (See 17.8 mc.) Irregular 10-
 11.30 pm. Sun. 6-11.30 pm., ir-
 regular.
 11.760 XETA MONTEREY, MEX. 25.51 m., Addr.
 Box 203. Relays XET. n.-3.30 pm.
 and evenings.
 11.760 OLR4B PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA,
 25.51 m., Addr. (See 11.840 mc.)
 Irregular.
 11.750 GSD DAVENTRY, ENG., 25.53 m., Addr.
 B.B.C., London. 3-5.15 am., 9
 am.-noon, 12.30-6 pm., 6.20-8.30
 pm., 9.20-11.20 pm.

Mc. Call
 11.740 SP25 WARSAW, POLAND, 25.55 m., 6-
 9 pm.
 11.740 COCX HAVANA, CUBA. 25.55 m. P. O.
 Box 32. Daily 8 am.-1 am. Sun.
 8 am.-12 m. Relays CMX.
 11.740 HVJ VATICAN CITY, 25.55 m. Testing
 irregular. Wed. 2.30-3 pm.
 11.730 PHI HUIZEN, HOLLAND, 25.57 m.,
 Addr. N. V. Philips' Radio. Daily
 6.15-6.45 pm. Sat. 7.15-7.45 pm.
 11.730 WIXAL BOSTON, MASS., 25.57 m., Addr.
 World-Wide B'cast'g Foundation.
 University Club. Daily exc.
 Sat. and Sun. 9-11 pm.
 11.730 LKQ OSLO, NORWAY, 25.58 m. 4.30-9
 am., Suns. 2.30-9 am.
 11.720 CJRX WINNIPEG, CANADA, 25.6 m.,
 Addr. James Richardson & Sons,
 Ltd. Daily 6 pm.-12 m., Sat. 6
 pm.-Sun. 4 am.
 11.720 ZPI4 VILLARICA, PARAGUAY, 25.60 m.
 7.07-9.07 pm.
 11.718 CR78H LAURENCO MARQUES, PORTU-
 GUESE E. AFRICA, 25.6 m. Daily
 12.05-1, 4.30-6.30, 9.30-11 am.,
 12.05-4 pm., Sun. 5-7 am., 10 am.-
 2 pm.
 11.715 TPA4 PARIS, FRANCE, 25.61 m., (See
 15.245 mc.) 7-9.15 pm., 9.30 pm.-
 12 m. to No. America.
 11.710 YSM SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR,
 25.63 m., Addr. (See 7.894 mc.)
 1-2.30 pm.
 11.710 — SAIGON, FRENCH INDO-CHINA.
 25.62 m., Addr. Boy-Landry, 17
 Place A. Foray. 7.30-9.15 am.
 11.705 SBP MOTALA, SWEDEN, 25.63 m., 1.20-
 2.05, 6-9 am., 11 am.-1 pm., Sat.
 1.20-2 am., 6 am.-1.30 pm., Sun.
 3 am.-1.30 pm. Wed. and Sat.
 8-9 pm.
 11.700 HP5A PANAMA CITY, PAN., 25.65 m.
 Addr. Radio Teatro, Apartado
 954. 10 am.-1 pm., 5-10 pm. Sun.
 6-10 pm.
 11.700 C81170 SANTIAGO, CHILE, 25.65 m. Addr.
 P.O. Box 706. Relays CB89 10
 am.-2 pm., 3.30-11 pm.

End of Broadcast Band

11.676 IQY ROME, ITALY, 25.7 m. Relays 2RO
 1.35-2.25, 6-9 pm.
 11.535 SPD WARSAW, POLAND, 26.01 m.,
 Addr. 5 Mazowiecka St. 6-9 pm.
 11.402 HBO GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 26.31 m.,
 Addr. Radio Nations. Sun. 7-7.45
 pm., Mon. 1-1.15 am., 7-8.30 pm.
 11.040 CSW2 LISBON, PORTUGAL, 27.17 m.,
 Addr. Nat. Broad. Sta. 9.30 am.-
 Noon. 2-5.30 pm.
 11.000 PLP BANDOENG, JAVA, 27.27 m. Re-
 lays YDB. 6-7.30 pm., 10.30 pm.-
 2 am., 4.30-10.30 or 11 am. Sat.
 until 11.30 am.
 10.950 — TANANARIVE, MADAGASCAR,
 27.40 m., Addr. (See 9.38 mc.)
 12.30-4.5, 10-11 am., 2.30-4 am.,
 exc. Sun.
 10.670 CEC SANTIAGO, CHILE, 28.12 m.
 Irregular.
 10.660 JVN NAZAKI, JAPAN, 28.14 m. Broad-
 casts daily 1.50-7.40 am. Works
 Europe irregularly at other times.
 10.600 ZIK2 BELIZE, BRIT. HONDURAS, 28.30
 m., Tue., Thurs., Sat. 1.30-2, 8.30-
 9 pm.
 10.535 JIB TAIHOKU, TAIWAN, 28.48 m.
 Works Japan around 6.25 am.
 Broadcasts, relaying JFAK 9.05-10
 am., 1-2.30 am. Sun. to 10.15 am.
 10.400 YSP SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR,
 28.85 m., 1-3, 6.30-11 pm.
 10.350 LSX BUENOS AIRES, ARG., 28.98 m.,
 Addr. Transradio Internacional.
 Tests irregularly.
 10.330 ORK RUYSELEDE, BELGIUM, 29.04 m.
 Broadcasts 12.30-2 pm. Works
 OPM 1-3 am., 3-5 pm.
 10.290 TIEMT SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 29.15
 m., 4.30-8 pm.
 10.290 DZC ZEESEN, GERMANY, 29.16 m.,
 Addr. (See 15.360 mc.) Irregular.
 10.260 PMN BANDOENG, JAVA, 29.24 m. Re-
 lays YDB 6-7.30 pm., 10.30 pm.-
 2 am., 4.30-10.30 or 11 am., Sat.
 to 11.30 am.
 10.220 PSH RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL, 29.35
 m., Addr. Box 709. Broadcasts
 6-7 pm., Mon. 8-8.30 pm.

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Tenth SILVER TROPHY Award

For Best HAM Station Photo of the Month

Awarded to *L. W. "Bud" Preston, W9VXL*
Savanna, Ill.

● HEREWITH is a photo of myself and station for your contest. My transmitter is a Collins 301FXB with some alterations of my own. The receiver is a Patterson PR15.

I built a new R.4 unit and a new power supply for the final stage. I run either 250 or 400 watts phone and prefer the ten meter band. The tube lineup in the new R.F. unit is a 42 oscillator, 807 doubler, 809 buffer and a T125 final.

The speech lineup is a Shure 701A mike into the standard Collins 7C speech amplifier, driving a pair of ZB120's Class "B." The remote control box on the desk contains the filament, plate, stand-by and push-to-talk switches. The switches on the transmitter panel provide a means of applying plate voltage to each stage individually when tuning up. The antenna used for ten is a rotatable Johnson Q and reflector. The control wheel may be seen on the left-hand corner of the desk. An antenna change-over relay shifts the beam from the transmitter to the receiver, which is a PR15.

The room measures eleven by twelve feet and is built into one end of the attic. It is constructed of heavy celotex and has double walls to provide a dead air space. The floor is covered with an insulating material under the carpet. The room is perfectly sound-proof and dx contacts may be held at any time of day or night.

Thirty-nine countries have been "worked" in the six months I have been on the ten meter band.

In closing, let me congratulate and thank you for a very fine magazine. I have every issue from 1934 and refer to them many times.

Sincerely yours,

L. W. "BUD" PRESTON, W9VXL,
Savanna, Ill.

● This beautiful silver trophy stands 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ " high and one is awarded monthly by RADIO & TELEVISION magazine for the best photo of a Ham station. The silver statue stands on a handsome bakelite base on which is a silver plate. The name of the winner will be engraved on this plate before the trophy is sent to him.

Silver Trophy Award

Note These Important Rules

The photos must be sharp and clear and preferably not less than 5" x 7".

The pictures will be judged for the general layout of the station, the quality of workmanship exhibited, and the appearance of the photograph itself. The judges will also consider neatness as an important point.

When you submit the photograph of your Ham station, send along a brief description not longer than 300 words, describing the general line-up of



the apparatus employed, the size, type and number of tubes, the type of circuit used, name of commercial transmitter—if not home-made, watts rating of the station, whether for c.w. or phone or both, etc., also name of receiver.

State briefly the number of continents worked, the total number of stations logged or contacted, and any other features regarding the station which you think will be of general interest to the reader. Mention the type of aerial system used, especially any unique or new features about it, and which type of aerial you use for transmitting and receiving; also what type of break-in relay system, if any, is used.

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Prize-Winning "Ham" Station this month—L. W. Preston, Savanna, Ill.

Mc.	Call	DEUTSCHE FREIHEITS SENDER, 29.70 m., loc. in Germany, under-cover. 4-5 pm.	Mc.	Call	PANAMA CITY, PANAMA, 31.23 m. Addr. Apartado 867. 12 n. to 1.30 pm., 6-10.30 pm.	Mc.	Call	SKAMLEBOAEK, DENMARK, 31.51 m., Addr. Statsradiofonien, Heibergsgade 7, Copenhagen, 8-9.30, 9.30-11 pm. to No. Amer.
10.100	—		9.607	HP5J		9.520	OZF	
10.042	DZB	ZEESEN, GERMANY, 29.87 m., Addr. Reichspostzenstralamf. Irregular.	9.600	RAN	MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., 31.25 m. Daily exc. Sun. 6-10 pm. Sun. 6-7, 9.15-10 pm.	9.520	YSH	SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR 31.51 m., Addr. (See 7.894 mc.) Irregular 6-10 pm.
9.995	COBC	HAVANA, CUBA, 30.02 m., Addr. P. O. Box 132. Relays CMBC 6.55 am.-1 am.	9.595	H8L	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 31.27 m., Addr. Radio Nations. Irregular.	9.510	GSB	DAVENTRY, ENGLAND, 31.55 m., Addr. (See 9.580 mc.—GSC) 10.30 am.-12 n., 1.30-4, 4.15-6, 6.20-8.30, 9.20-11.25 pm.
9.920	JDY	DAIREN, MANCHUKUO, 30.24 m. Relays JQAK daily 7-8 am. Works Tokyo occasionally in early am.	9.590	VUD2	DELHI, INDIA, 31.28 m. Addr. All India Radio, 1.30-3.30 am., 7.30 am.-12.30 pm., 8.30-10.30 pm.	9.510	HJU	BUENAVENTURA, COLOMBIA, 31.55 m., Addr. National Railways. Mon., Wed. and Fri. 8-11 pm.
9.892	CPI	SUCRE, BOLIVIA, 30.33 m., 11 am.-n., 7-9 pm.	9.590	PCJ	HUIZEN, HOLLAND, 31.28 m., Addr. (See 15.220 mc.) Sun. 2-3, 7-9.25 pm. Tues. 1.45-3.40, 7.15-8.45, 9-10.30 pm., Wed. 7.15-8.30 pm., Fri. 8-9 pm.	9.510	H56PJ	BANGKOK, SIAM, 31.55 m. Thursday, 8-10 am.
9.860	EAQ	MADRID, SPAIN, 30.43 m., Addr. Post Office Box 951. 7.30-8, 8.40-9 pm.	9.590	VK6ME	PERTH, W. AUSTRALIA, 31.28 m., Addr. Amalgamated Wireless of Australasia, Ltd. 6-9 am. exc. Sun.	9.510	—	HANOI, FRENCH INDO-CHINA, 31.55 m. "Radio Hanoi" Addr. Radio Club de L'Indochine. 12 m.-2 am., 6-10 am. 15 watts.
9.830	IRF	ROME, ITALY, 30.52 m. Works Egypt afternoons. Relays ZRO, 6-9 pm.	9.590	VK2ME	SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, 31.28 m., Addr. Amalgamated Wireless of Australasia, Ltd., 47 York St., Sun. 1-3 am.; 5-11 am.	9.503	KZ18	MANILA, PHIL. ISL., 31.57 m., 7-9.05 am.
9.805	COCM	HAVANA, CUBA, 30.60 m. Addr. Transradio Columbia, P. O. Box 33. 8-1 am. Relays CMCM.	9.590	W3XAU	PHILADELPHIA, PA., 31.28 m. (Addr. See 21.52 mc.) Mon. and Thurs. 7.30-11.30 pm. Sat. 7.30-10.45 pm.	9.503	XEWV	MEXICO CITY, MEX., 31.57 m. Addr. Apart. 2516. Relays XEW. 9 am.-12.30 am.
9.760	—	SAIGON, INDO-CHINA, 30.72 m., Addr. 17, Place A. Foray. "Radio Boy-Landry." Heard 6-9.15 am.	9.580	GSC	DAVENTRY, ENGLAND, 31.32 m., Addr. 8. 8. C., Portland Pl., London, W. 1, 12.20-1.15, 4.15-6, 6.20-8.30, 9.20-11.25 pm.	9.500	VK3ME	MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, 31.58 m., Addr. Amalgamated Wireless of Australasia, 167 Queen St. Daily except Sun. 4-7 am.
9.753	ZRD	DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA, 30.75 m. Addr. S. A. Broadcasting Corp., P. O. Box 4559, Johannesburg. Daily exc. Sat. 11.45 pm.-12.50 am. Daily exc. Sun. 3.30-7.30, 9-11.45 am., Sun. 5.30-7, 9-11.30 am., also 4-5 am. on 3rd Sun. of month.	9.580	VLR	MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, 31.32 m. Addr. Box 1686, G. P. O. Daily 3.30-8.30 am. (Sat. fill 9 am.) Sun. 12.01-7.30 am. Also daily exc. Sat. 9.25 pm.-2 or 2.15 am. Sat. 5-10.30 pm.	9.500	OFD	LAHTI, FINLAND, 31.57 m., Addr. Finnish Brct. Co., Helsinki. 12.15-5 pm.
9.735	CSW7	LISBON, PORTUGAL, 30.82 m. Addr. Nat. Broad. Sta. n.-2 pm., 6-9 pm. for No. Amer.	9.570	KZRM	MANILA, P. I., 31.35 m., Addr. Erlanger & Galinger, Box 283. Sun. 3-10 am. Daily exc. Sat. 4.30-7 pm., 11.15 pm.-12.15 am. Daily exc. Sun. 4-10 am.	9.490	OAX5C	ICA, PERU, 31.61 m., Radio Universal, 8-11.30 pm.
9.708	COCQ	HAVANA, CUBA, 30.90 m. Addr. 25 No. 445, Vedado, Havana, 7-1 am. Sun. 6.55 am.-1 am.	9.570	W1XK	BOSTON, MASS., 31.35 m., Addr. Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. 7 am. to 1 am. Sun. 8 am.-1 am.	9.488	EAR	MADRID, SPAIN, 31.6 m., Addr. (See 9.860 mc.) 7.30-8.30 pm. Mon., Tues., Thurs., Sat. at 9.30 pm. also.

31 Met. Broadcast Band

9.705	—	FORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE, 30.92 m., Addr. P. O. Box 136.	9.560	XGAP	PEKING, CHINA, 31.38 m., 9 am.-2 pm.	9.465	TAP	ANKARA, TURKEY, 31.70 m., 1.20-5 pm. Irreg.
9.690	T14NRH	HEREDIA, COSTA RICA, 30.94 m., Addr. Amando C. Marin, Apartado 40. Sun. 7-9 am., Tues., Thurs., Sat. 9-10 pm.	9.560	DJA	BERLIN, GERMANY, 31.38 m., Addr. Broadcasting House. 12.05-11 am., 4.50-10.50 pm.	9.445	HCODA	GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, 31.77 m., 8.15-10.15 pm., exc. Sun.
9.690	LRA	BUENOS AIRES, ARG., 30.94 m., 6-9 pm.	9.550	HVJ	VATICAN CITY, 31.41 m., Sun. 5-5.30 am.	9.437	COCH	HAVANA, CUBA, 31.8 m., Addr. 2 B St., Vedado. 8 am.-9.30 pm. Sun. 8 am.-12 m.
9.685	TGWA	GUATEMALA CITY, GUAT., 30.96 m. Daily 10-11.30 pm.; Sun. 7-10.45 pm.	9.550	TPBII	PARIS, FRANCE, 31.41 m. Addr. (See 15.245 mc.) 2-5 am., 11.15 am.-6 pm.	9.380	—	TANANARIVE, MADAGASCAR, 31.96 m. Addr. Le Directeur des PTT. Radio Tananarive, Administration PTT. 12.30-12.45, 10-11 am., 2.30-4 am., exc. Sun.
9.680	ZHP	SINGAPORE, MALAYA, 30.98 m. Sun. 5.40-9.40 am., Wed. 12.40-1.40 am., Mon.-Fri. 4.40-9.40 am., Sat. 12.25-1.40 am., 4.40-9.40 am., 10.40 pm.-1.10 am. (Sun.)	9.550	W2XAD	SCHENECTADY, N. Y., 31.41 m., General Electric Co., 7-15.10 pm. to So. Amer.	9.370	XOY	CHENG TU, CHINA, 32.02 m., 9.45-10.30 am.
9.675	DJX	BERLIN, GERMANY, 31.01 m., Addr. (DJD), 11.77 mc.) 10.35 am.-4.25 pm.	9.550	OLR3A	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 31.41 m. (See 11.840 mc.) Mon. 4.40-5.10 pm.	9.355	HC1ETC	QUITO, ECUADOR, 32.05 m., Addr. Teatro Bolivar, Thurs. until 9.30 pm. 8-11 pm. Sats.
9.670	W3XAL	BOUND BROOK, N. J., 31.03 m. Addr. NBC, N. Y. C. 5 pm.-1 am.	9.550	XEFT	VERA CRUZ, MEX., 31.41 m. 10.30 am.-4.30 pm., 10.30 pm.-12.30 am.	9.350	COCD	HAVANA, CUBA, 32.08 m., Addr. Box 2294. Relays CMCD 10 a.m.-11.30 pm. Sun. 10 am.-9 pm.
9.665	—	ROME, ITALY, 31.04 m. Relays ZRO 12 n.-6, 7.30-9 pm.	9.550	YDB	SOERABAJA, JAVA, 31.41 m., Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Daily exc. Sat. 6-7.30 pm., 4.30 to 10.30 am. Sat. 4.30-11.30 am.	9.345	H8L	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 32.11 m., Addr. Radio Nations. Sun. 8-8.45 am., Mon. 6.45-8.30 pm.
9.660	LRX	BUENOS AIRES, ARG., 31.06 m., Addr. El Mundo. Relays LRI, 6-6.45 am., 9.15 am.-10.05 pm.	9.550	VUB2	BOMBAY, INDIA, 31.41 m., Addr. All India Radio. 9.30-10.30 pm., 1-3.30 am.	9.340	OAX4J	LIMA, PERU, 32.12 m., Addr. Box 1166, "Radio Universal." 12 n.-3 pm., 5 pm.-1 am.
9.650	W2XE	NEW YORK CITY, 31.09 m. (See 21.570 mc. for addr.) 10.30-11.30 am. exc. Sat. and Sun.	9.540	DJN	BERLIN, GERMANY, 31.45 m., Addr. (See 9.560 mc.) 12.05-11 am. 4.50-10.50 pm. to So. Amer.	9.300	XGX	SHANGHAI, CHINA, 32.26 m., 8-9.05 am. Varies between 9.180-9.300.
9.650	CS2WA	LISBON, PORTUGAL, 31.09 m., Addr. Radio Colonial. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. 4-7 pm.	9.540	HJ5ABD	CALI, COLOMBIA, 31.45 m., Addr. La Voz de Valle. 12 n.-1.30 pm., 5.10-9.40 pm.	9.300	HIG	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 32.28 m. 7.10-9.40 am., 11.40 am.-2.10 pm., 3.40-9.40 pm.
9.645	HH3W	PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI, 31.1 m., Addr. P. O. Box A117. 1-2, 7-9 pm.	9.538	VPD2	SUVA, FIJI ISLANDS, 31.46 m., Addr. Amalgamated Wireless of Australasia, Ltd. 5.30-7 am., exc. Sun.	9.200	COBX	HAVANA, CUBA, 32.59 m., Addr. San Miguel 194, Alfons. Relays CM8X 7 am.-12 m.
9.640	CXA8	COLONIA, URUGUAY, 31.12 m., Addr. Belgrano 1841, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Relays LR3. Buenos Aires 7 am.-m., Sat. to 2.15 am.	9.535	JZI	TOKYO, JAPAN, 31.46 m., Addr. (See 11.800 JZJ) 2.30-4, 4.30-5.30 pm. 8-9.30 am.	9.165	HC2CW	GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, 32.74 m., 7-11.30 pm. Sun. 3.30-6 pm.
9.636	JFO	TAIHOKU, TAIWAN, 31.13 m. Relays JFAK irreg. 4-10.30 am.	9.535	—	BERNE, SWITZERLAND, 31.46 m., 1-2 pm. exc. Mon. and Tues.	9.125	HAT4	BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 32.88 m., Addr. "Radiolabor." Gyali-ut, 22. Daily 7-8 pm., Sat., 6-7 pm.
9.635	ZRO	ROME, ITALY, 31.13 m., Addr. (See 11.810 mc.) 12.05-9 pm.	9.530	W2XAF	SCHENECTADY, N. Y., 31.48 m., Addr. General Electric Co. 4 pm.-12 m. Sat. 1 pm.-12 m.	9.100	COCA	HAVANA, CUBA, 32.95 m., Addr. Galiano No. 102. Relays CMCA 9 am.-12 m.
9.630	HJ7ABD	BUARAMANGA, COL., 31.14 m. 5.45-6.30, 11.30 am.-1 pm., 6-11 pm.	9.530	VUC2	CALCUTTA, INDIA, 31.48 m. Addr. All India Radio. 2.06-4.06 am.	9.091	PJC2	CURACAO, D. W. INDIES, 33 m., 6.36-8.36 pm., Sun. 10.36 am.-12.36 pm.
9.618	HJ1ABP	CARTAGENA, COL., 31.20 m., Addr. P. O. Box 37. Daily 9 am.-1.30 pm., 4.30-10.15 pm., Sun. 4.30-9 pm.	9.526	XEDQ	GUADALAJARA, GAL., MEXICO, 31.49 m., n.-4.30 pm., 8-11.30 pm.	9.030	COBZ	HAVANA, CUBA, 33.32 m., Radio Salas Addr. P. O. Box 866. 7.45 am.-1.15 am. Sun. 7.45 am.-12 m. Relays CM8Z.
9.615	ZRK	KLIPHEVAL, SOUTH AFRICA, 31.2 m., Addr. P. O. Box 4559, Johannesburg. Daily. exc. Sat. 11.45 pm.-12.50 am. Daily exc. Sun. 3.20-7.20, 9-11.45 am., Sun. 3.30-4.30 or 4-5, 5.30-7, 9-11.45 am.	9.526	ZBW3	HONGKONG, CHINA, 31.49 m., Addr. P. O. Box 200. 11.30 pm. to 1 am., 3-10 am.	8.965	COKG	SANTIAGO, CUBA, 33.44 m. Addr. Box 137, 9-10 am., 11.30 am.-1.30 pm., 3-4.30, 5-6, 10-11 pm., 12 m.-2 am.
			9.525	LKC	JELO, NORWAY, 31.49 m., 4.30-10.30 am., Sun. 2.30-10.30 am.	8.841	HCJB	QUITO, ECUADOR, 33.5 m., 7-8.30 am., 11.45 am.-2.30 pm., 5-10 pm., except Mon. Sun. 12 n.-1.30 pm., 5.30-10 pm.
			9.523	ZRH	ROBERTS HEIGHTS, S. AFRICA, 31.5 m., Addr. (See ZRK, 9.608 mc.) Daily exc. Sun. 5-7.30 am.; Sun. 5.30-7 am.			

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Antenna Systems for HAMS

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1. Half-Wave Hertz Single-wire Untuned Feeder

● IT IS generally realized that a good antenna requires much lower transmitter power than a poor antenna for equal effectiveness; effectiveness being measured in signal strength at a distant point. Therefore, a series of articles has been prepared, of which the following is the first, describing amateur antennas and containing constructional data and tuning hints.

One of the simplest antennas is the half-wave Hertz with a single wire untuned feeder. For greatest efficiency, the antenna should be used on only one amateur band and should be cut for a half wavelength. If operation is desired on only one frequency, the antenna should be cut for that frequency, whereas if operation is desired over the entire band, the antenna should be cut for the center of that band. The following formula will determine the antenna length:—

$$\text{LENGTH (feet)} = \frac{468,000}{\text{frequency (KC.)}}$$

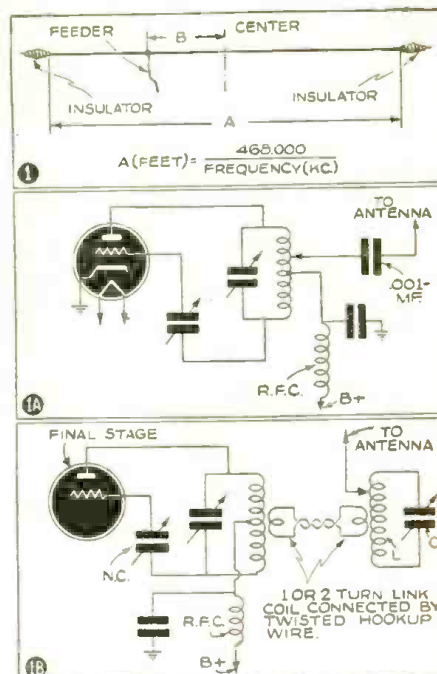
All untuned transmission lines or feeders have a definite surge impedance determined by the feeder's mechanical characteristics. If the feeder is terminated at the antenna in an impedance equal to its surge impedance, there will be no reflections from the antenna and no standing waves along the line to cause radiation from the line. A single wire line has an impedance of between 500 and 600 ohms. The impedance of a half-wave Hertz antenna varies from about 70 ohms at its center to about 2000 ohms at its extremities. At a distance from the center equal to 1/7 the length of the antenna, this antenna has a 500-600 ohm impedance, and so if the single wire feeder is coupled to the antenna at this point, no

standing waves will occur. For best results, a little experimenting should be done by varying the position of the feeder tap. The correct position will be indicated by a constant value of R.F. current along the line which may be any length up to several hundred feet. An R.F. ammeter can be placed at several points along the line, or several neon bulbs placed along the line, and the antenna tap adjusted until the current is the same at all points along the line. When tapped at the correct point, there will be minimum or no detuning of the final amplifier tank when the feeder is clipped thereon, and this is a simple method of adjustment. On long lines there will be a slight but steady diminution of current. The feeder should be at right-angles to the antenna for a distance equal to about 1/3 the length of the antenna to prevent interaction between antenna and feeder.

Coupling the feeder to the transmitter can be simply accomplished by clipping the feeder onto the final plate coil, starting at the point of minimum R.F. potential (ground) and going up the coil until the tube draws the desired plate current. If direct current is flowing through the coil a fixed condenser of .001 mf. or more should be placed in series with the feeder to keep D.C. out of the antenna. Otherwise, if the antenna were accidentally grounded, the power supply would be shorted. Also unfortunate accidents may result if some unsuspecting neighbor should come in contact with the antenna.

A more desirable method of coupling, resulting in elimination of any harmonics, is shown in Fig. 1b. The LC circuit should tune to the transmitter frequency while the feeder is adjusted on the coil in the same manner as before.

When this type of system is operated on



The half-wave Hertz Antenna, with single wire untuned feeder, showing different methods of coupling.

a harmonic, the feeder will have standing waves along it and will radiate. However, where it is impossible to erect more than one antenna and multi-band operation is desired, the antenna should be cut for the lowest operating frequency. The feeder should be tapped on the antenna so that distance "B" on the diagram is 1/6 the length of the antenna. Although not a perfect match on the highest wave band, a better match is afforded on the lower wave bands. Better results will be had with this multi-band antenna if the feeder is a multiple of a quarter wavelength long.

NEXT MONTH—Half-wave doublet with twisted pair feeders.

Ultra-High Frequency Antennas

● BRITISH radio listeners have had far more experience with the problems of ultra-high frequency reception than has the average American experimenter, for television has become part of the Briton's daily life. In this article, two engineers of the British branch of General Electric Co. discuss their findings.

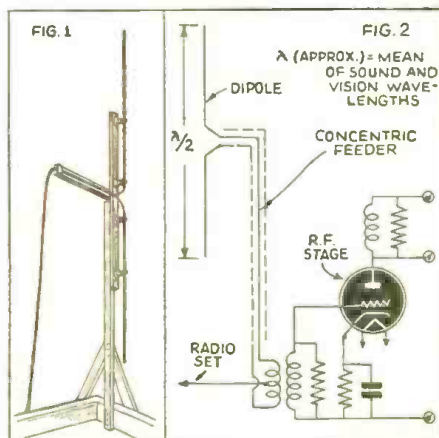
Television Aerial and Input Circuit

Owing to the relatively high level of radiated interference in the region of 7 meters it is an advantage in almost all cases to use a frequency selective aerial fed by a correctly matched low impedance line to the receiver input.

The interference is thereby substantially limited to the frequency range necessary for reception, and as the aerial is of relatively small dimensions it can be situated in a position of minimum interference.

The most satisfactory aerial of this type is the center-fed dipole, shown in Figs. 1 and 2, tuned by adjustment of its length to the mean sound and vision wavelengths.

The impedance of this varies from a maximum of several thousand ohms at its ends to about 80-100 ohms at the center. Transmission lines of this characteristic impedance can easily be obtained of compact construction in the form of a concentric



Center-fed dipole aerial used in England to pick up television and sound signals.

feeder, using a minimum of low-loss insulating material.

The feeder used for this purpose is shown in Fig. 1. It has an overall diameter of about 1/2 inch, and is protected externally from climatic conditions by a layer of insulating material. The characteristic im-

pedance is approximately 90 ohms, with attenuation at 45 mc. of approximately 1.0 db. per meter.

In positions of very weak signal strength, it is therefore possible to obtain improvement by using a higher aerial position, provided the vertical signal strength gradient is greater than about 1.0 per cent per meter.

At the receiver end, the line is terminated in a step-up transformer to match it to the input circuit of the first tube. This transformer also serves the purpose of reducing the effect of any direct pick-up on the feeder.

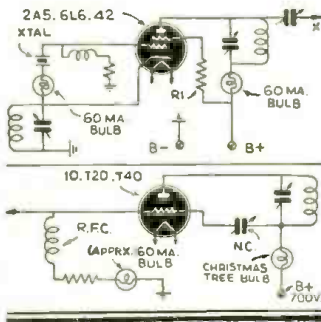
Since the aerial is used to receive both sound and vision signals, the secondary is tuned to 44 mc. by the grid-ground capacity of the R.F. amplifier tube (pentode) and damped by a terminating resistance to cover the necessary band-width of both the sound and vision channels. In the case of the combined television and broadcast receiver, the aerial coil is center tapped and connected to the aerial terminal of the broadcast receiver without the use of any switches. The feeder line is thereby used directly as an aerial for the broadcast receiver without modification, see Fig. 2.—*Excerpt from article "Television Receivers," by Espley and Edwards, in the Journal of the Television Society, London.*

Mc.	Call	Location	Mc.	Call	Location	Mc.	Call	Location
8.700	HKV	BOGOTA, COLOMBIA, 34.46 m. Tues. and Fri. 7-20 pm.	6.630	HIT	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 45.25 m., Addr. "La Voz de la RCA Victor," Apartado 1105. Daily exc. Sun. 12.10-1.40 pm., 5.40-8.40 pm.; also Sat. 10.40 pm.-12.40 am.	6.170	W2XE	NEW YORK CITY, 48.62 m., Addr. Col. B'cast System, 485 Madison Ave. Mon., Fri. 12 m. Sat. & Sun. 11.30 pm., 1 am.
8.665	COJK	CAMAGUEY, CUBA, 34.64 m., Addr. Finlay No. 3 Altos. 5.30-6.30, 8-11 pm., daily except Sat. and Sun.	6.625	PRADO	RIOBAMBA, ECUADOR, 45.28 m. Thurs. 9-11.45 pm.	49 Met. Broadcast Band		
8.665	W2XGB	HICKSVILLE, N. Y., 34.64 m., Addr. Press Wireless, Mon. to Fri. News at 9 am. and 5 pm.	6.610	YNLG	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, 45.39 m. Emisora Ruben Dario. 1.30-2.30, 6-10.15 pm.	6.156	YV5RD	CARACAS, VENEZUELA, 48.71 m. 11 am.-2 pm., 4-10.40 pm.
8.580	YNPR	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, 34.92 m. Radiodifusora Pilot.	6.558	HI4D	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 45.74 m. Except Sun. 11.55 am.-1.40 pm.	6.153	HI5N	MOCA CITY, D. R., 48.75 m. 6.40-9.10 pm.
7.894	YSD	SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR, 37.99 m., Addr. Dir. Genl. Tel. & Tel. 7-10.30 pm.	6.550	X8C	VERA CRUZ, MEX., 45.8 m. 8.15-9 am.	6.150	VPB	COLOMBO, CEYLON, 48.78 m., 7-11 am.
7.870	HCIRB	QUITO, ECUADOR, 38.1 m. La Voz de Quito. 8.30-11.30 pm.	6.550	TIRCC	SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 45.8 m., Addr. Radioemisora Catolica Costarricense. Sun. 11 am.-2 pm., 6-7, 8-9 pm. Daily 12 n.-2 pm., 6-7 pm., Thurs. 6-11 pm.	6.150	CJRO	WINNIPEG, MAN., CANADA, 48.78 m., Addr. (See 11.720 mc.) Daily 6 pm.-12 m., Sun. 5-10 pm.
7.854	HC2JSB	GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, 38.2 m. Evenings to 11 pm.	6.545	YV6R	BOLIVAR, VENEZUELA, 45.84 m., Addr. "Ecos de Orinoco." 6-10.30 pm.	6.150	ZPI4	VILLARRICA, PARAGUAY, 48.78 m. 4-6 pm.
7.797	HBP	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 38.48 m., Addr. Radio-Nations.	6.520	YV4RB	VALENCIA, VENEZUELA, 45.98 m. 11 am.-2 pm., 5-10 pm.	6.147	ZEB	BULAWAYO, RHODESIA, S. AFRICA, 48.8 m. Mon., Wed., and Fri. 1.15-3.15 pm.; Tues. 11 am.-12 n.; Thurs. 10 am.-12 n. Sun. 3.30-5 am.
7.614	CR6AA	LOBITO, ANGOLA, 39.39 m., Mon., Wed., Sats. 2.45-4.30 pm. Also 7.177.	6.516	YNIGG	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, 46.02 m., Addr. "La Voz de las Lagos." 1-2.20, 8-10 pm. Except Sundays.	6.145	HJ4ABG	MEDELLIN, COL., 48.79 m. 11 am.-12 n., 6-10.30 pm.
7.510	JVP	NAZAKI, JAPAN, 39.95 m., 8-9.30 am.	6.500	MIL	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 46.13 m. Addr. Apartado 623. 12.10-1.40 pm., 5.40-7.40 pm.	6.140	W8XK	PITTSBURGH, PA., 48.83 m., Addr. Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. Relays KDKA 11 pm.-12 m.
7.450	T12R3	SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 40.27 m. "Radioemisora Athena", 9.30-11 pm., exc. Sun.	6.480	HIIL	SANTIAGO DE LOS CABALLEROS, D. R., 46.28 m., Addr. Box 356. 9.40-11.40 am., 7.40-9.40 pm.	6.137	CR7AA	LAURENCO MARQUES, PORT. E. AFRICA, 48.87 m. Daily 12.05-1, 4.30-6.30, 9.30-11 am., 12.05-4 pm., Sun. 5-7 am., 10 am.-2 pm.
7.410	HCJB4	QUITO, ECUADOR, 40.46 m., 7-9.30 pm. Irregularly.	6.470	YNLAT	GRANADA, NICARAGUA, 46.36 m., Addr. Leonidas Tenorio, "La Voz del Mombacho." Irregular.	6.133	XEXA	MEXICO CITY, MEX., 48.93 m., Addr. Dept. of Education. Daily 8-11 am., 2.30-4 pm., 7.30 pm.-12.45 am. Sun. 1.30 pm.-12.45 am.
7.410	YDA	TANDJONGPARIK, JAVA, 40.46 m., Addr. N.I.R.O.M., Batavia, 10.30 pm.-2 am.; Sat. 7.30 pm.-2 am.	6.465	YV3RD	BARQUISIMETO, VENEZUELA, 46.37 m. Radio Barquisimeto, irregular.	6.130	VP38G	GEORGETOWN, BRIT. GUIANA, 48.94 m. 9-10 am., 2.15-6.30 pm., Sun. 5.30-11.30 am., 3-5 pm.
7.380	XECR	MEXICO CITY, MEX., 40.65 m., Addr. Radio Foreign Office. Sun. 7-8 pm.	6.450	HI4V	SAN FRANCISCO DE MACORIS, D. R., 46.48 m. 11.40 am.-1.40 pm., 5.10-9.40 pm.	6.130	TIEM	SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 48.94 m. "El Mundo", Apartado 1049. 11 am.-11 pm., Sun. 10 am.-6 pm.
7.220	HKE	BOGOTA, COL., S. A., 41.55 m. Tues. and Sat. 8-9 pm. Mon. and Thurs. 6.30-7 pm.	6.400	TGQA	QUEZALTENANGO, GUATEMALA, 46.88 m., Mon.-Fri. 9-11 pm. Sat. 10 pm.-1 am. Sun. 1-3 pm.	6.130	CHNX	HALIFAX, N. S., CAN., 48.94 m., Addr. P. O. Box 998. Mon.-Fri. 7 am.-11.15 pm., Sat. 11 am.-11 pm., Sun. 12 n.-11.15 pm. Relays CHNS.
7.200	YNAM	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, 41.67 m. Irregular at 9 pm.	6.384	ZIZ	BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, W. INDIES, 46.99 m. 4.4-4.45 pm. Wed. 7-7.30 am.	6.130	LKL	JELOY, NORWAY, 48.94 m. 11 am.-6 pm.
7.177	CR6AA	LOBITA, ANGOLA, PORT. WEST AFRICA, 41.75 m., Mon., Wed., and Sats. 2.45-4.30 pm. Also see 7.614 mc.	6.340	HIIX	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 47.32 m. Sun. 7.40-10.40 am., daily 12.10-1.10 pm., Tues. and Fri. 8.10-10.10 pm.	6.125	CXA4	MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY, 48.98 m., Addr. Radio Electrico de Montevideo, Mercedes 823. 8 am.-Noon. 2-10 pm.
7.100	FOBAA	PAPEETE, TAHITI, 42.25 m., Addr. Radio Club Oceanien. Tues. and Fri. 11 pm.-12.30 am.	6.335	OAXIA	ICA, PERU, 47.33 m., Addr. La Voz de Chicleyo, Casilla No. 9. 8-11 pm.	6.122	HJ3ABX	BOGOTA, COL., 49 m., Addr. La Voz de Col., Apartado 26-65. 12 n.-2 pm., 5.30-11 pm.; Sun. 6-11 pm.
7.088	PIIJ	DORDRECHT, HOLLAND, 42.3 m., Addr. Dr. M. Hellingman, Technical College. Sat. 11.10-11.50 am.	6.324	COCW	HAYANA, CUBA, 47.4 m., Addr. La Voz del Radio Philco, P. O. Box 130. 6.55 am.-12 m. Sun. 9.55 am.-10 pm.	6.122	HP5H	PANAMA CITY, PAN., 49 m., Addr. Box 1045. 10 am.-1 pm., 5-11 pm.
7.050	FG8AA	POINT-A-PITRE, GUADELOUPE, F.W.I., 42.55 m., 6-7 pm., also 9-10.30 pm. Irregular. P.O. Box 125.	6.310	HIZ	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 47.52 m. Daily except Sat. and Sun. 11.10 am.-2.25 pm., 5.10-8.40 pm. Sat. 5.10-11.10 pm. Sun. 11.40 am.-1.40 pm.	6.122	FK8AA	NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA, 49.00 m., Radio Noumea, Addr. Charles Gaveau, 44 Rue de l'Alma., Wed. & Sats. 2.30-3.30 am.
6.990	XEME	MERIDA, YUCATAN, 42.89 m., Addr. Calle 59, No. 517, "La Voz de Yucatan desde Merida." Irregular.	6.300	YV4RD	MARACAY, VENEZUELA, 47.62 m. 6.30-9.30 pm. exc. Sun.	6.117	XEUZ	MEXICO CITY, MEX., 49.03 m., Addr. 5 de Mayo 21. Relays XEFO 9 am.-1 pm., 7 pm.-2 am.
6.977	X8A	TACUBAYA, D. F., MEX., 43 m. 9.30 am.-1 pm., 7-8.30 pm.	6.295	OAX4G	LIMA, PERU, 47.63 m., Addr. Apartado 1242. Daily 7-10.30 pm.	6.115	OLR2C	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 49.05 m. (See 11.40 mc.)
6.805	HI7P	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, DOM. REP., 44.06 m., Addr. Emisora Diaria de Comercio. Daily exc. Sat. and Sun. 12.40-1.40, 6.40-8.40 pm. Sat. 12.40-1.40 pm. Sun. 10.40 am.-11.40 am.	6.280	HIG	TRUJILLO CITY, D. R., 47.77 m. 7.10-9.40 am., 11.40 am.-2.10 pm., 3.40-9.40 pm.	6.110	GSL	DAVENTRY, ENGLAND, 49.1 m., 6.20-8.30, 9.20-11.20 pm.
6.790	PZH	PARAMIRABO, SURINAM, 44.16 m., Addr. P. O. Box 18. Daily 6.06-8.36 am., Sun. 9.36-11.36 am. Daily 5.36-8.36 pm.	6.270	YV5RP	CARACAS, VENEZUELA, 47.79 m., Addr. "La Voz de la Philco." Daily to 10.30 pm.	6.110	XEGW	MEXICO CITY, MEX., 49.1 m., Addr. La Voz de Aguila Azteca desde Mex., Apartado 8403. Relays XEJW 11 pm.-1 am.
6.775	HIH	SAN PEDRO DE MACORIS, DOM. REP., 44.26 m. 12.10-1.40 pm., 7.30-9 pm. Sun. 3-4 am., 4.15-6 pm., 4.40-7.40 pm.	6.255	YV5RJ	CARACAS, VENEZUELA, 47.18 m. 5.30-8 pm.	6.108	HJ6AB	MANIZALES, COL., 49.14 m., Addr. P. O. Box 175. Mon.-Fri. 12.15-1 pm.; Tue. and Fri. 7.30-10 pm.; Sun. 2.30-5 pm.
6.750	JVT	NAZAKI, JAPAN, 44.44 m., Addr. Kokusai-Denwa Kaisha, Ltd., Tokyo. Irregular.	6.243	HIN	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 48 m., Addr. "La Voz del Partido Dominicano." 12 n.-2 pm., 6-10 pm.	6.100	YUA	BELGRADE, JUGOSLAVIA, 49.18 m. 1-3, 6.30-8.30 am., Noon-6.30 pm.
6.730	HI3C	LA ROMANA, DOM. REP., 44.58 m., Addr. "La Voz de la Feria." 12.30-2 pm., 5-6 pm.	6.235	HRD	LA CEIBA, HONDURAS, 48.12 m., Addr. "La Voz de Atlantida." 8-11 pm.; Sat. 8 pm.-1 am.; Sun. 4-6 pm.	6.100	W3XAL	BOUND BROOK, N. J., 49.18 m., Addr. Natl. Broad. Co.
6.720	PMH	BANDOENG, JAVA, 44.64 m. Relays N.I.R.O.M. programs, 4.30-11 or 11.30 am. Also Sat. 9.30 pm.-1.30 am.	6.225	YVIRG	VALERA, VENEZUELA, 48.15 m. 6-9.30 pm.	6.097	ZRK	KLIPHEUVEL, S. AFRICA, 49.2 m., Addr. S. African Broad. Co., Johannesburg. Daily 12 n.-4 pm., Sun. 12 n.-3.20 pm.
6.690	TIEP	SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 44.82 m., Addr. Apartado 257, La Voz del Tropico. Daily 7-11 pm.	6.210	---	SAIGON, INDO-CHINA, 48.28 m., Addr. Radio Boy-Landry, 17 Place A. Foray. 4.30 or 5.30-9.15 am.	6.097	ZRJ	JOHANNESBURG, S. AFRICA, 49.2 m., Addr. S. African Broad. Co. Daily exc. Sat. 11.45 pm.-12.50 am.; Daily exc. Sun. 3.15-7.30, 9-11.30 am. (Sat. 8.30-11.30 am.) Sun. 3.30-4.30 or 4.5 am., 5.30-7, 9-11.30 am.
6.675	H8Q	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 44.94 m., Addr. Radio-Nations. Off the air at present.	6.205	YV5R1	CORO, VENEZUELA, 48.32 m., Addr. Roger Leyba, care A. Urbina y Cia. Irregular.	6.095	JZH	TOKYO, JAPAN, 49.22 m., Addr. (See 11.800 mc., JZJ.) Irregular.
6.672	---	---	6.200	HI8Q	CIUDAD TRUJILLO, D. R., 48.36 m. Irregular.	(Continued on page 758)		
6.672	YVQ	MARACAY, VENEZUELA, 44.95 m. Irregular.	6.190	TG2	GUATEMALA CITY, GUAT., 48.4 m., Addr. Dir. Genl. of Electr. Commun. Relays TGI Mon.-Fri. 6-11 pm., Sat. 6 pm.-1 am. Sun. 7-11 am., 3-8 pm.			
6.635	HC2RL	GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, S. A., 45.18 m., Addr. P. O. Box 759. Sun. 5.45-7.45 pm., Tues. 9.15-11.15 pm.	6.185	HI1A	SANTIAGO, D. R., 48.5 m., Addr. P. O. Box 423. 7 am.-5 pm.			

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First Prize Winner Pilot Lights Replace Meters

Visitors to Ham shacks often frown around with the variable transmitter settings. Then, when the transmitter is put into operation, the buffer or amplifier stage draws excessive current which damages the tube unless battery bias is used. My rig at W8QKA has cheap meters which cannot

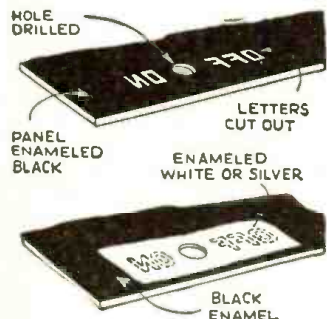


be used in circuit while the rig is in operation. Purchasing pilot light mountings fitted with colored jewel windows, I mounted these on the panel. I inserted one in the crystal circuit of the oscillator with a 60 ma. bulb in its socket. This enables me to watch the crystal current at all times for overheating. I wired another in series with the B positive lead to the final stage and put a Xmas tree bulb in the socket. When the amplifier is tuned, the bulb barely glows, but if excitation fails or the tank is detuned, etc., the bulb glows brightly and attracts the eye immediately.

Recently, I put a bulb into each stage, which makes tuning of individual stages easier and more precise. A Xmas tree bulb is the correct size for such tubes as 10's, 801's and their equivalents.—Operator, W8QKA.

Fancy Glass Panel

A neat and attractive panel may be made by taking a sheet of double-strength window glass the required size and drilling the

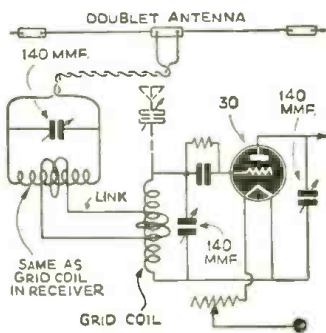


necessary holes in it. If a mixture of camphor and turpentine is used, the glass will drill easily. Drills may be made from old three-cornered files ground

Radio Kinks

Each month the Editor will award a 2 year subscription for the best kink submitted. All other kinks published will be awarded eight months' subscriptions to RADIO & TELEVISION. Look over these kinks; they will give you some idea of what is wanted. Send a typewritten or ink description with sketch of your favorite to the Kink Editor.

down to a three-cornered point on a grinding wheel. After drilling the holes, clean the glass thoroughly and apply a coat of black enamel to the back of the panel. Allow this to dry, then scrape the paint off the back of the panel with a razor blade where the lettering (such as AVC. ON, OFF, etc.) is to appear. Paint over the back in white or silver where the lettering was cut out. The finished job has a mirror-like appearance and will improve the looks of your receiver or transmitter. —Wayne Hawley.



Doublet Coupling

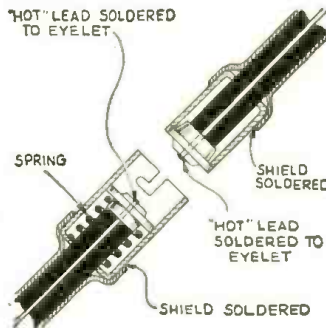
Here is a method of increasing the sensitivity of a small radio receiver.

Procure a coil form the same size as that used in the first stage of the set and wind a coil on it of the same size wire and number of turns as the grid coil of the set. Remove the antenna trimmer condenser, connect the coil, as shown in the accompanying diagram. Coupling to the grid coil of the set, is made with two single turn coils of ordinary hook-up wire. The condenser used to tune the coil you have wound should be of the same value as the main tuning condenser in the set. In the diagram the dotted line represents the original antenna connection, which has been removed.

I find a doublet works better than an inverted L to pull in weak signals.—Frank Smith, Jr.

Shielded Cable Connector

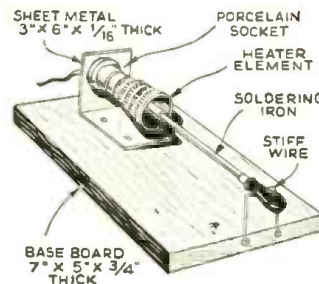
Connections between long sections of one-wire shielded cable,



for microphone or phonograph pick-up, can be easily and quickly made with male and female parts of an auto antenna connector. The wires are soldered to the insulated plugs. The shield is soldered to the case of the units. —Raymond T. Stephens.

Electric Heater For Soldering Iron

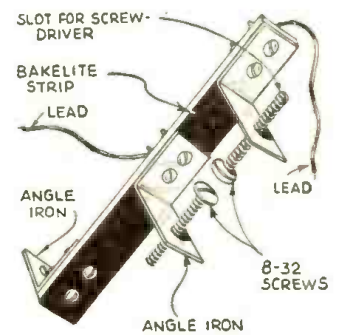
An electric heater, that brings any cheap soldering iron to operating temperature and maintains it at working heat, can be made from parts bought at the 10-cent store. The base of this iron heater is a piece of wood about 5" x 7" x 3/4". To this I screwed a



piece of 1/16" metal, the dimensions of which are shown in the sketch. On this metal I mounted a porcelain socket to hold an electric heating element in a horizontal position, and opposite the opening of the heating element I mounted a piece of stiff wire to serve as a rest for the handle of the iron. The head of the iron is inserted into the heating element and the current switched on to bring the iron to working temperature. The foot of the sheet metal must be mounted so that it comes between the heater and the wooden base in order to prevent scorching.—Carvil Mason.

Improvised Neutralizing Condenser

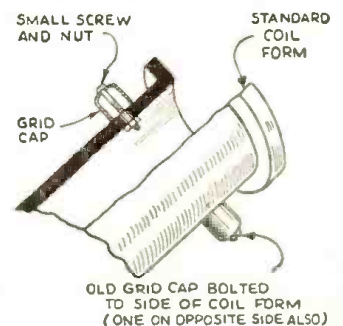
A simple neutralizing condenser, convenient for neutralizing a 6L6 beam power tube, is



easily constructed from workshop scrap. The essentials are: two 8/32 screws, two small angle irons and a strip of bakelite. One hole in each of the angle irons is threaded to take the screws. The irons are then mounted on a bakelite strip, as shown in the diagram, and are thus insulated from each other. The screws are then mounted as shown and a slot cut into the end of the upper one, so that it may be adjusted by a screwdriver. Lock nuts may be used on the screws to prevent their shifting, if desired. If the unit is to be baseboard mounted, a third angle iron can be used at one end of the bakelite strip, as shown.—Charles Allen.

Tank Coil Terminals

In low-powered transmitters, tank coils are usually wound on standard coil forms. The following kink has been used to provide a way to connect antenna feeders neatly to the coupling coil. Two grid caps from a pair of defunct tubes were obtained and drilled out to pass small bolts. They were then bolted to opposite sides of a standard coil form. The ends of the coupling coil were connected to the grid caps on the inside of



the coil. All that is necessary when changing coils is to pull the feeders, which are terminated in insulated grip cap connectors, yank the coils and substitute the new ones. —Richard L. Kile, K6QPG.



This economical 6-tube superhet, which will appeal to Hams and Fans alike, will operate a loud speaker.

A 6-Tube, 1.4 Volt for the "Ham"

This battery-operated 6-tube super has surprising sensitivity and selectivity. The circuit employs a regenerative mixer, an oscillator, I.F. amplifier, regenerative detector, B.F. oscillator and A.F. output tube. Operation is very economical, the total filament drain being only .3 ampere.

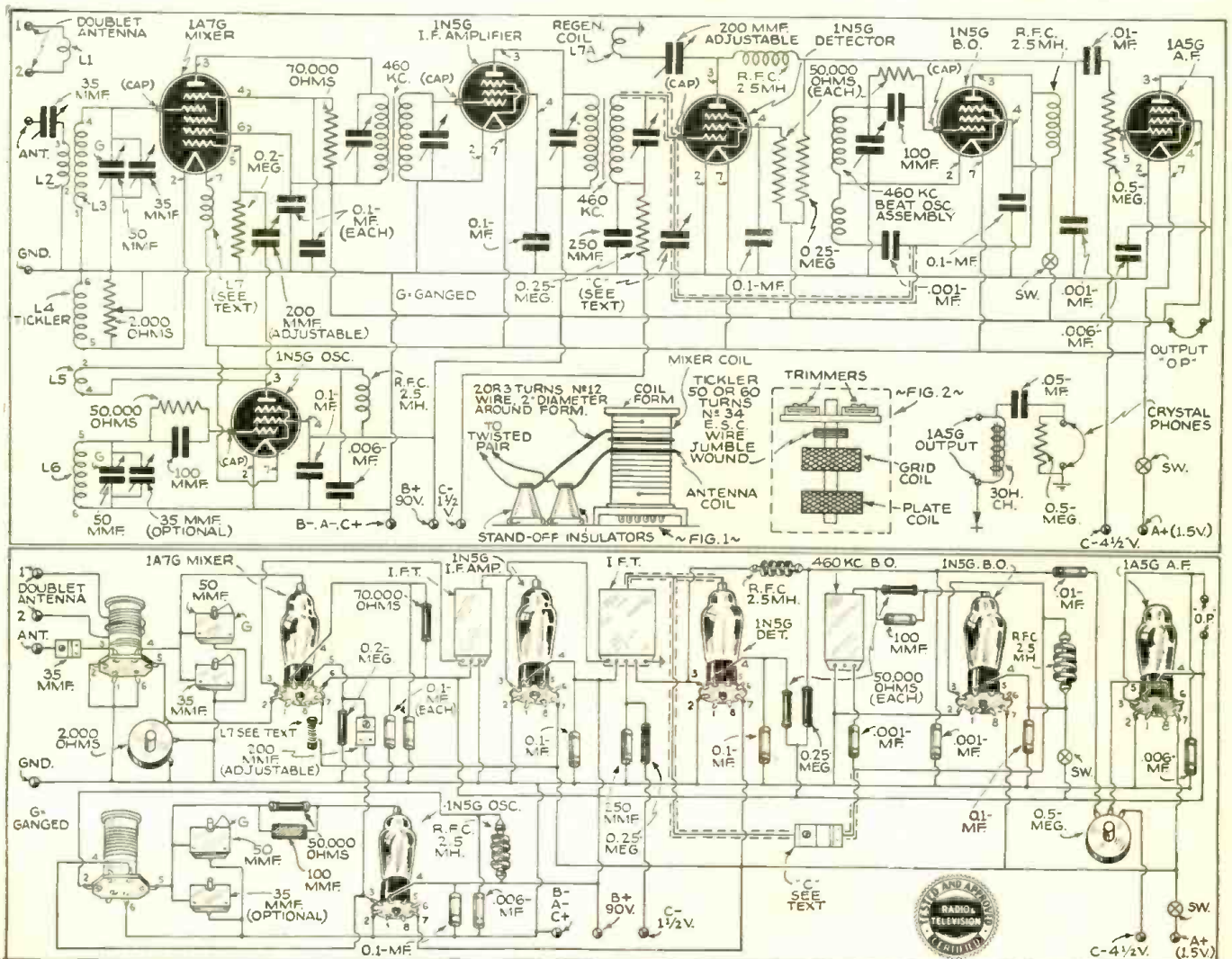
● THE fine results obtained with the 1.4 volt "Economy Three" T.R.F. receiver described in the February issue induced the writer to try out the new tubes in a superheterodyne circuit. The results far exceeded his expectations and the six-tube

The circuit, as is shown below, consists of a 1A7-G regenerative mixer, a 1N5-G oscillator, a 1N5-G 460 kc. I.F. amplifier, a 1N5-G regenerative detector, a 1N5-G beat-frequency oscillator and a 1A5-G

receiver to be described here. so far as sensitivity and selectivity are concerned, is the equal of many standard A.C. "communications" type receivers using the same number of tubes.

audio output amplifier. The tubes used are all of the new economical 1.4 volt type, the total filament drain being only 0.30 ampere and the measured "B" drain less than 0.02 ampere at 90 volts. The R.F. gain (sensitivity) in the 1A7-G circuit is tremendously increased by making the mixer regenerative. The method of introducing feed-back is novel but extremely simple

Wiring diagrams, both schematic and pictorial, for the superhet are given below.



SUPER-HET or S-W Fan

Harry D. Hooton,
W8KPX



and effective—a small home-made R.F. choke (L7) consisting of about 25 to 30 turns of No. 26 enameled wire is wound on an old broadcast R.F. choke spool (one-half inch diameter) and inserted in the positive leg of the 1A7-G filament return, close to the tube socket, as shown in the diagram. The other (negative) filament lead is returned to ground through the tickler winding, L4. A 2,000 ohm potentiometer shunted across L4 permits the feed-back to be varied over a considerable range. The oscillator is of the conventional type, the R.F. output being taken from the plate of the tube through a small adjustable coupling condenser. Although better screening between the oscillator coupling grid, G1, and the mixer elements could be obtained by returning the anode grid, G2, to ground, it has been connected to the positive 90 volt plate return, in order to take advantage of the higher conversion gain thus made possible.

The I.F. transformers are of the iron-core, air-trimmed type which gives the maximum gain in this circuit. The tickler winding in the detector circuit, L7A, consists of about 50 or 60 turns of No. 34 E.S.C. wire jumble wound on the I.F. transformer core, about one-fourth inch from the grid coil, as shown in the drawing. The direction of the winding is not important as the leads can be reversed until oscillation is obtained. It should be emphasized at this point that the detector is *not permitted to oscillate*; the feed-back condenser, in series with the tickler coil, is adjusted so that the 1N5-G is operating *just below the point of oscillation* at all times. A separate beat

oscillator is used for the reception of c.w. code signals when this is desired. This method of operation greatly facilitates the reception of the weaker signals, which would be lost in the noise if the detector circuit was allowed to oscillate. However, if a great increase in I.F. selectivity is desired, or if the set is to be used for c.w. code reception only, the detector can be permitted to oscillate and the output I.F. transformer adjusted to cut off one side-band, giving the effect of "single signal" reception. Alignment details will be found farther on in this article.

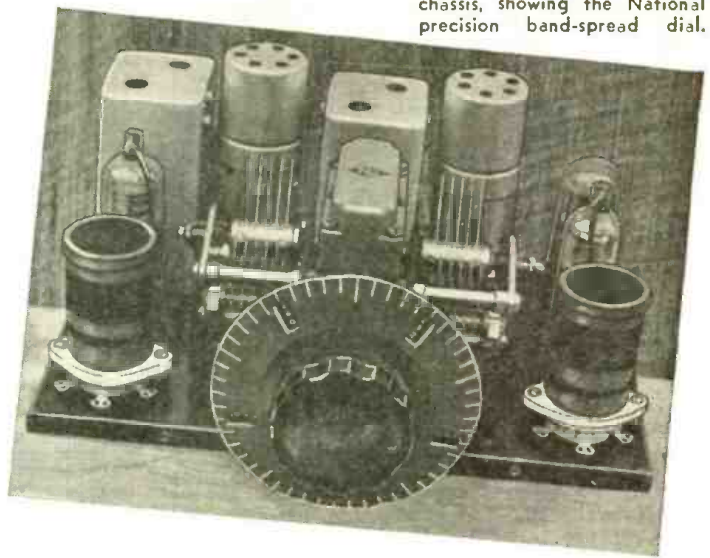
The mechanical construction of the receiver is not at all complicated or difficult. As the photos and drawings show, the various parts are mounted in the National "C-One-Ten" steel cabinet, no separate chassis being used. The dial and tuning condenser assembly is the National "PW-2" type, which spreads the tuning scale over 500 degrees on the dial. The photograph of the sub-base assembly, taken before the receiver was wired, shows how the tuning condensers, the I.F. transformers, the coils and the tubes are placed. For exact dimensions, refer to Fig. 3.

In wiring the circuit, keep the "hot" grid and plate leads as short and direct as possible. Place these leads right against the metal sub-base in order to limit their external fields; it may be necessary to

shield the plate and grid leads from the I.F. transformers and the 1A7-G and 1N5-G mixer and I.F. tubes to eliminate oscillation at the I.F. level. Place the bypass condensers right on the socket terminals themselves in order to obtain a short, low-impedance path to ground for the R.F. and I.F. currents. Use solid No. 14 tinned copper bus wire for making the

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Front view of the superhet chassis, showing the National precision band-spread dial.



Parts List, 1.4 Volt Super

NATIONAL CO.

- 1—PW-2 tuning unit (50 mmf. per section, double-spaced)
- 2—Iron-core I.F. transformers, 450-550 kc.
- 1—"C-One-Ten" cabinet, with panel and sub-base
- 1—R-201 R.F. choke, 12 mh.
- 1—R-100 R.F. choke, 2.5 mh.
- 1—Set XR-5 coil forms (see text)
- 2—5-prong isolantite sockets
- 4—8-prong isolantite sockets
- 2—UM-35 tuning condensers (35 mmf.)
- 3—No. 8 grid clips
- 1—Beat-frequency oscillator transformer, 450-550 kc.
- 1—M-30 padding condenser (30 mmf. max. capacity)

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- 2—Adjustable padding condensers, 220 mmf. max. capacity
- 2—Aluminum tube shields

SPRAGUE

- 6—Paper dielectric tubular condensers, 0.1 mf., 600 volts
- 2—Mica condensers, 0.006 mf.
- 2—Mica condensers, 0.0001 mf.
- 2—Mica condensers, 0.001 mf.
- 1—Mica condenser, 0.00025 mf.
- 1—Mica condenser, 0.01 mf.

I.R.C. (Resistors)

- 1—Fixed resistor, 200,000 ohms, ½ watt
- 3—Fixed resistors, 50,000 ohms, 1 watt
- 2—Fixed resistors, 250,000 ohms, 1 watt
- 1—Fixed resistor, 70,000 ohms, 1 watt

(Volume controls)

- 1—Volume control, 2,000 ohms, with DPST switch (regeneration)
- 1—Volume control, 500,000 ohms (audio volume)

BRUSH

- 1—Pair crystal headphones, or loudspeaker

RAYTHEON (Tubes)

- 1—1A7-G tube
- 4—1N5-G tubes
- 1—1A5-G tube

CROWE

- 4—Pointer knobs

WRIGHT DECOSTER

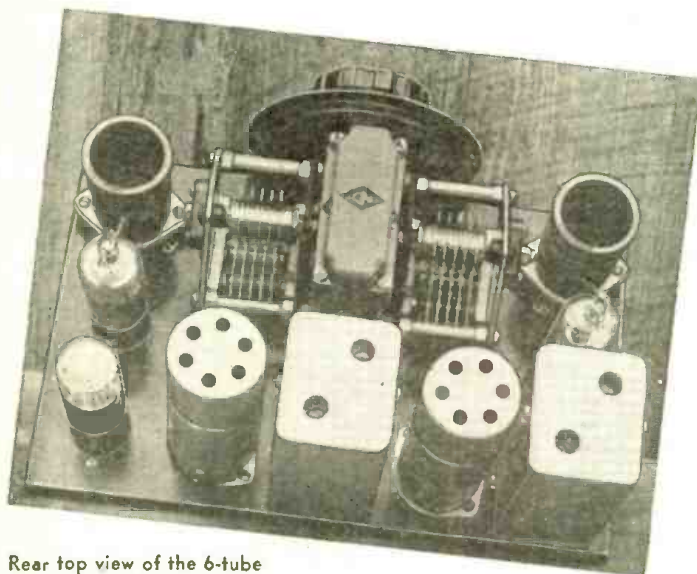
- 1—Permanent magnet dynamic speaker with universal transformer

EVEREADY (Batteries)

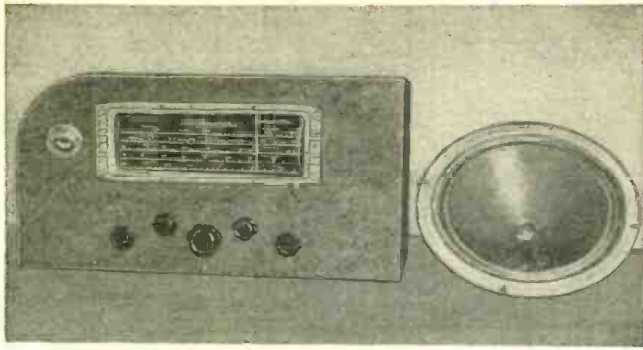
- 2—No. 386 "B" batteries
- 1—4½ volt "C" battery
- 1—1½ volt dry cell or 1½ volt "A" pack

MISCELLANEOUS

- Hook-up wire, solder, machine screws, etc.



Rear top view of the 6-tube receiver.



Front View of All-Wave 8-tube Super-het receiver.

How to Build An All-Wave 8-Tube



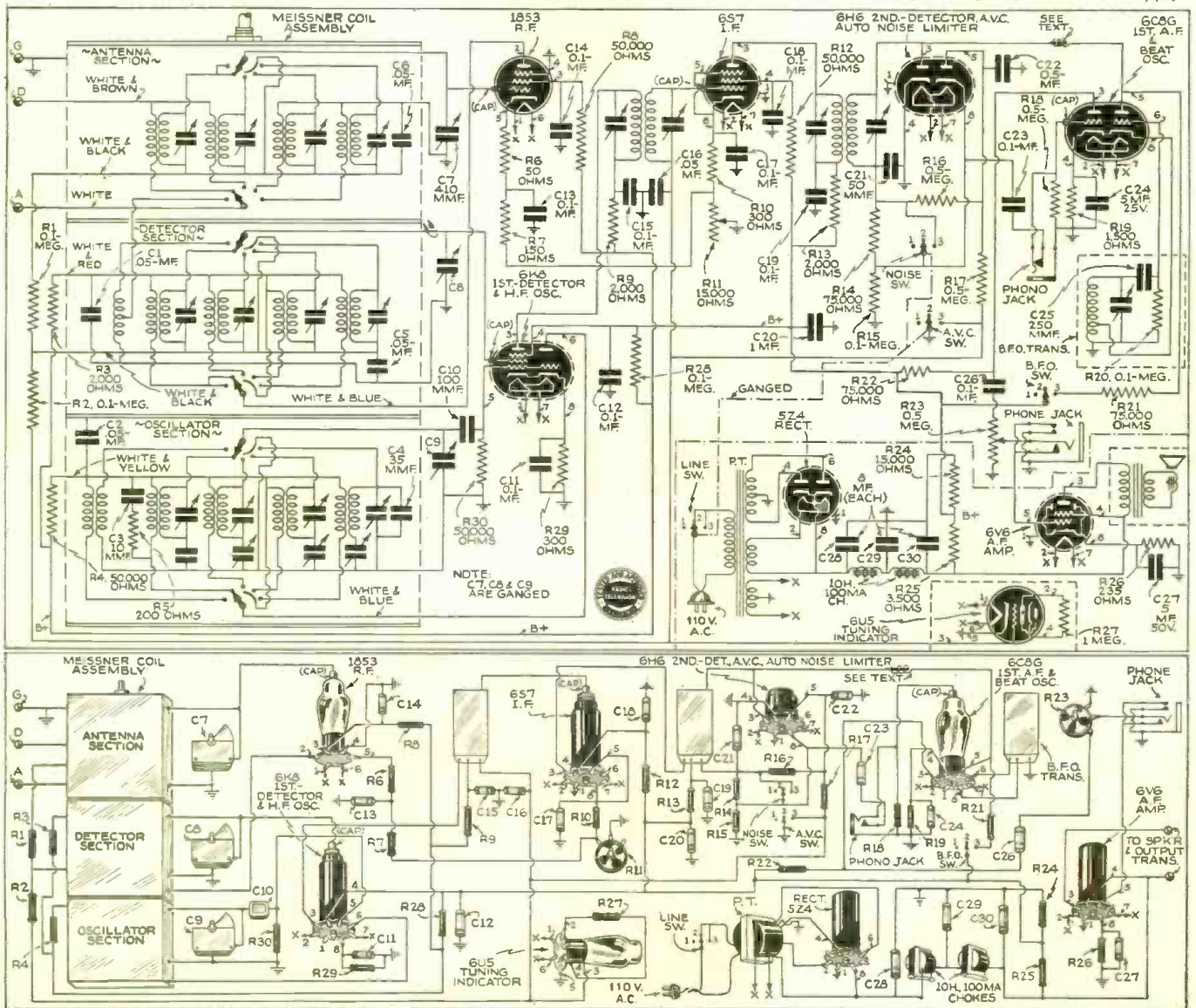
This unusual 5-band super-het, with range of 7 to 2,306 meters, employing 8 tubes for loud-speaker reception, can be built with 5 tubes for head-phone use. It has band-change switch, beat oscillator, noise-limiter and built-in power-supply.

● MANY Hams and SWL's would like a receiver covering not only the complete *short-wave* spectrum, but the *broadcast* band and the *long waves* as well. A receiver covering such a wide range presents rather impressive difficulties in the coil arrangement. Naturally one must have *coil switching*, but this presents quite a problem in designing the necessary coils and still greater difficulty in getting the coils for each band to "track" properly. Fortunately the problem has been solved by the availability of an efficient multi-wave coil assembly designed by the Meissner company. This coil assembly covers the frequency spectrum between 132 kc. and 42.5 megacycles in five bands. Designed to be used

with a 3-gang, 410 mmf. tuning condenser, the coil assembly comes already aligned at the factory so that only slight readjustment is necessary for efficient operation.

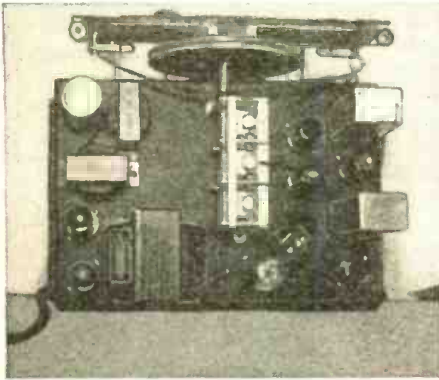
The set built around this coil unit by the writer contains a

Hook-up of 5-band 8-tube receiver: it can be built with 5 tubes for head-phones, eliminating power A.F. stage, "magic-eye", and "B" supply.



Herman Yellin
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Receiver



Top view of 8-tube super-het.

total of eight tubes, but the constructor can easily omit the power audio stage, the rectifier and power supply, and the "magic-eye" tuning indicator. Thus if the builder already has a power supply and amplifier, only five tubes need be used.

The complete receiver was assembled on a chassis factory-punched with the necessary holes, so that only a few small holes had to be drilled. Construction is thereby greatly facilitated. Incidentally, the large slide-rule type dial should be supported at its ends by a pair of simple brackets which can be obtained with the dial.

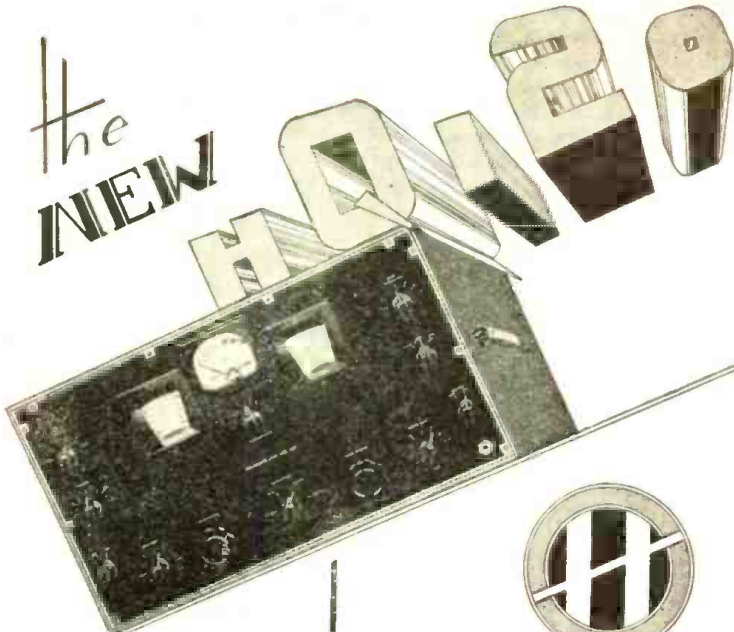
For the R.F. stage, the new variable-mu high frequency pentode, the 1853, was employed. Even on the lower frequencies, the increased gain over the standard 6K7 was noted. On the high frequencies, of course, the increase was more marked. Unfortunately, when using such a large value of tuning condenser, the use of an R.F. stage results in an actual loss instead of a gain on the very highest frequency band, so that on this band the R.F. stage is omitted. The sensitivity on this band is still adequate, however. It will be noted that only a portion of the 1853 cathode resistor is bypassed. This is done in order to minimize changes in input capacitance and input conductance with changes in plate current. Also note that the suppressor is connected directly to ground and *not* to the cathode.

Combination 1st Det. & H.F. Oscillator

A 6K8 tube is used as a combination first detector and high-frequency oscillator. This tube is equivalent to a 6L7-6C5 combination and has a much higher conversion efficiency than the old converter tubes. In the single I.F. stage is a 6S7 which is somewhat like a 6K7 except for its higher amplification and lower screen voltage. Its filament current is only 0.15 ampere. Following the 6S7 is a 6H6 which performs a multitude of functions. First, it operates as the second detector; second, it provides AVC; and third, (Continued on page 743)

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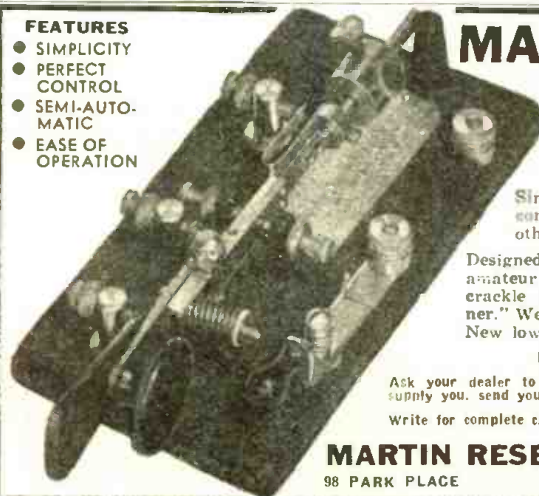
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Owing to the fact that a switch quickly converts the meter for the different ranges, tests of many kinds may be made rapidly with this instrument.

rectifier for reading voltages. If a meter with a lower maximum current reading were used, it would be necessary to shunt the meter for A.C. and use separate sets of multipliers for direct and alternating current.

● WHILE the necessity for a universal type of test meter is agreed upon by all experimenters, the form which it is to take is a matter of wide disagreement. Practically everyone will agree as to the desirability of having as great a meter sensitivity as practicable. However, the greater the meter sensitivity, the larger the size of the multipliers for a given range and so the higher the cost.

There is one school of technicians that leans toward the use of carbon or metallized resistors as multipliers, thereby greatly reducing the cost. However, carbon resistors tend to undergo changes in resistance with age and also have a tendency to change in value when subjected to overload. Therefore, an instrument which reads accurately when new may become quite

inaccurate after being in use for some time. Unless checked with a reliably accurate instrument, the owner will remain blissfully unaware of any errors in his cheap test meter.

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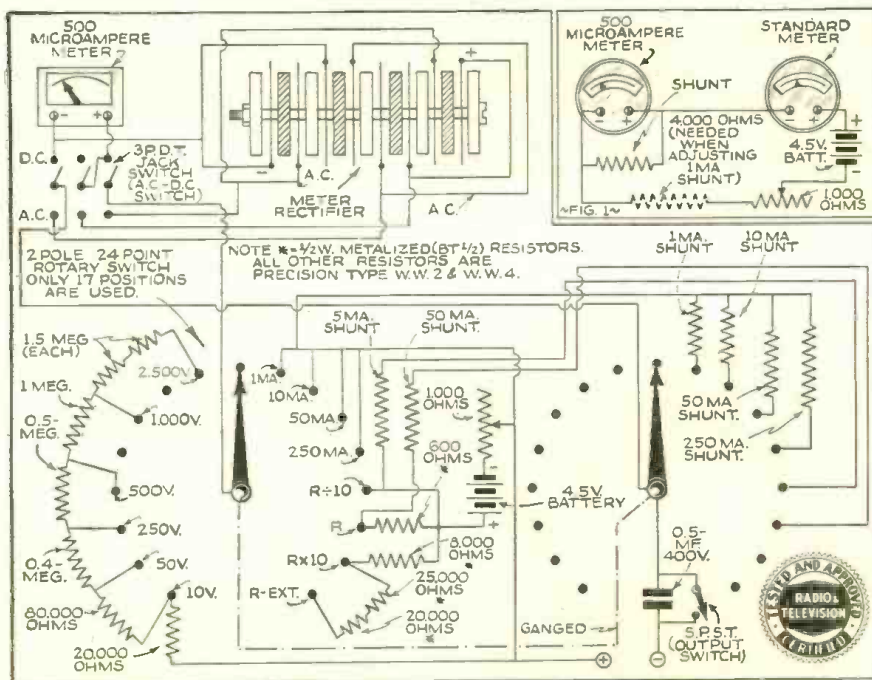
The writer is of the opinion that an instrument having a resistance of 2000 ohms per volt is of sufficient sensitivity for all ordinary purposes, and at the same time will result in multiplier resistor values which are economically feasible.

The universal test meter described herein was built around a 4" Triplett 500 microampere meter. One reason for the choice of the 500 microampere unit was that this was about the lowest current meter which would operate satisfactorily with a meter



Front view of the handsome test meter described in this article.

Wiring diagram for the all-around test meter, which, with its rectifier, permits A.C. and D.C. tests.



Measures Both A.C. and D.C.

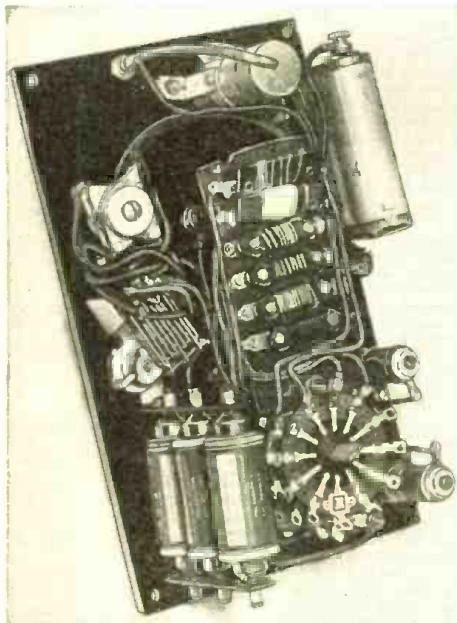
This meter has both A.C. and D.C. ranges of 0 to 10, 50, 250, 1000 and 2500 volts at a sensitivity of 2000 ohms per volt. Current ranges are 1, 10, 50 and 250 milliamperes d.c. Three resistance ranges are incorporated in the instrument using a built-in 4½ volt battery and provision has been made for connecting an external 22½ volt battery for reading very high resistance values. All these values can be read directly from the meter scale.

New Meter Scale Provided

Since no ready-made scale was available, it was necessary to have one drawn especially for this instrument. A full size facsimile is reproduced and can be cut out and pasted over the regular metal scale. When removing the regular metal scale, be extremely careful not to bend the meter pointer. Paste the new scale over the metal scale, being careful not to have any wrinkles in it and replace in the meter. This operation should be performed some place where there are no air currents, as a little dust in the meter movement will cause some stickiness.



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Rear view of the test meter, showing the resistance units.

The panel size shown in the drawing is about the minimum possible and need not be strictly adhered to. If a cabinet of different dimensions is already available, use a panel to fit it and re-arrange the parts to make a well balanced layout.

Not Necessary to Change Test Leads

As reference to the diagram will show, there are only two tip jacks, obviating the necessity of moving test leads to different jacks when it is desired to change from voltage to current or to output or to ohms. The two small switches under the meter are an A.C.-D.C. three-pole, double-throw jack switch used for connecting in the meter rectifier for reading A.C. voltages and the single-pole, single-throw jack switch which shorts out the built-in .5 mf. condenser used in measuring receiver output voltages. Between these two switches is the zero ohms adjuster. Incidentally, the resistors in the ohmmeter circuit are of the 1/2 watt metallized type, since they are not required to maintain the rated resistance values. The ohms adjuster takes care of any deviation from the correct and needed value. The main selector switch is a special Mallory 2-pole, 24-point rotary switch, not all of whose contacts are used, leaving several for any additional ranges to be added at some future time.

Reference to the photos will show the method of mounting the various components. The .5 mf. condenser and the 4 1/2 volt battery are fastened down by means of large size fuse clips or Mallory FPM-14
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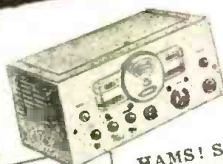
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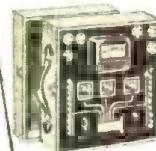
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Vertical Antenna

? Unfortunately, I have moved into a new location where I find it impossible to erect an outside antenna. Can one of the new type vertical antennas be employed?—Larry Hamsley, Hoboken, N. J.

A. There is no reason why such an antenna cannot be used. In fact, a prominent radio manufacturer has recently brought out a vertical antenna for home use. It consists of a 12-foot vertical rod. Attached to one end are two special insulators and metal straps. The straps are so constructed that they may be easily strapped or clamped around the roof top vent pipe or any similar protrusion. Also it is possible to mount the clamps on the outside of the building.

A single wire connected to the vertical connects it to the radio receiver and lightning arrester. Connection to the radio receiver is made through a 2000 mmf. condenser in order to isolate any charge picked up by the vertical. At the same time it allows radio frequencies to pass freely to the receiver. The arrester and coupler are shown.

The 99,000 ohm resistor acts as a leak for any static charge which might build up on the antenna and lead-in. The value of the resistance is sufficiently high so as not to affect signals picked up by the antenna proper. A gap-type arrester connected across the resistor discharges the antenna on large static charges to ground.

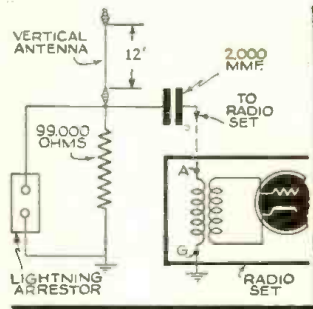
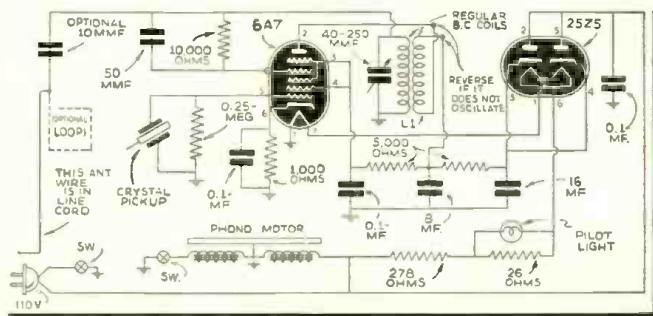


Diagram for Vertical antenna, No. 1174.

Remote Record Player

? Is it possible for you to print a diagram for a remote record player? This player should have a crystal pickup and at least one tube as amplifier.—Harold Morgan, Saginaw, Michigan.

A. A schematic of such a player unit is shown here. A crystal pickup feeds its audio output into the Number 1 grid of a 6A7. Grid Number 2 has a positive voltage applied to it through a 5000 ohm resistor. The remaining elements are so arranged as to become an oscillator, operating in the range from 540 to 740 kc. The coils L1 are used to determine the frequency of oscillation, tuning being accomplished by a 40-250 mmf. trimmer. Contained



Hook-up for remote "record player", No. 1175.

in the line cord is a length of wire which extends from the cord a few inches from the plug end. The other end of the wire is coupled to the grid of the oscillator circuit through a 10 mmf. condenser. This wire serves to radiate energy generated by the oscillator.

A 2525 is used to supply power to the 6A7. The rectified voltage is capacity-resistor filtered. The phono-motor is shown at the lower left.

To operate the unit, tune any receiver to 540 kc. With the unit in operation, carefully adjust the 40-250 mmf. condenser until

the record being played is heard through the receiver. This adjustment should be made carefully so that the oscillator is exactly in tune with the receiver. In cases where the receiver cannot tune to 540 kc., any other clear channel up to 740 kc. may be used.

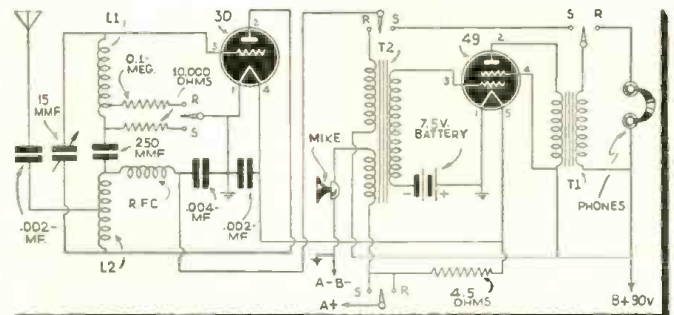
Where sufficient signal is not received at the receiver, due to undue static or stormy weather, couple an insulated wire from the set antenna post to the free lead on the record player line cord. Do not make positive contact with this line cord wire, merely twist the two insulated leads together.

2 1-2 Meter Transceiver

? Will you please publish a diagram of a 2½ meter transceiver, one using the two volt type tubes namely, a 30 and a 49. The transceiver should be for battery operation and should show all the necessary parts needed.—Walter Maaken, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

A. Here is a diagram of a 2½ meter transceiver. It can be built into a compact carrying case. Miniature dry batteries can be used and in spite of their small size they should give approximately 8 hours continuous service. A 4-pole double-throw anti-capacity switch changes the circuit from SEND TO RECEIVE.

Two-volt type tubes are used: a type 30 and a 49. The circuit diagram shows the values of the parts needed. From the circuit diagram it is seen that the 30 tube is used as a super-regenerative detector in the receiving position or as a modulated



Transceiver for 2.5 meter communication, No. 1176.

oscillator in the transmitting position. The 49 tube serves as a tetrode audio amplifier for receiving and a modulator tube for transmitting purposes. Transformer T1 serves as a modulation transformer for transmitting and an output transformer for receiving. The R.F. choke is the 2½ meter conventional type. The tuning coils needed are L1 and L2. L1 consists of 4 turns of number 12 wire tapped at turn 1. L2 consists of 4 turns number 12 wire and tapped at the center.

Veri Cards

? How does one go about getting "veri" cards from foreign stations?—L. J. Hanos, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A. Merely make a note of the time, date and character of the program received. This, together with an International Postal Reply coupon should be sent to the station, together with a request for verification.

Response Range of Hi-Fi Set

? Can you inform one of your ardent readers what is the response range of a so-called high-fidelity receiver?—M. K. Laboting, St. Louis, Mo.

A. A high-fidelity radio receiver should be capable of reproducing frequencies from about 30 to 8000 cycles or higher. The RMA defines such a receiver as one that has a frequency range of from 50 to 7500 kilocycles, with not more than 5% harmonic distortion.

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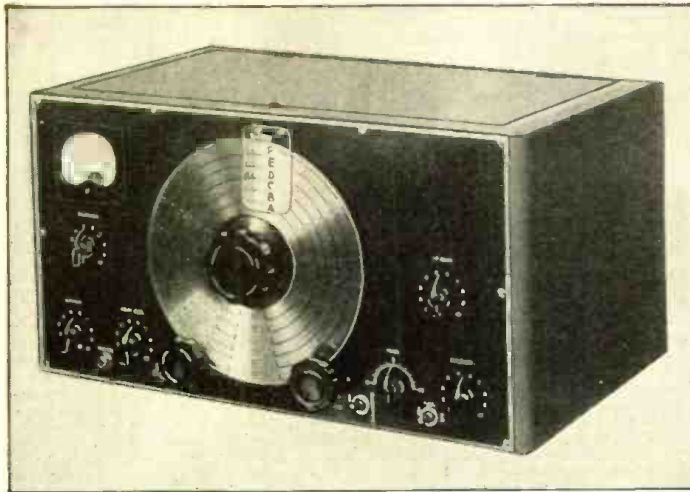


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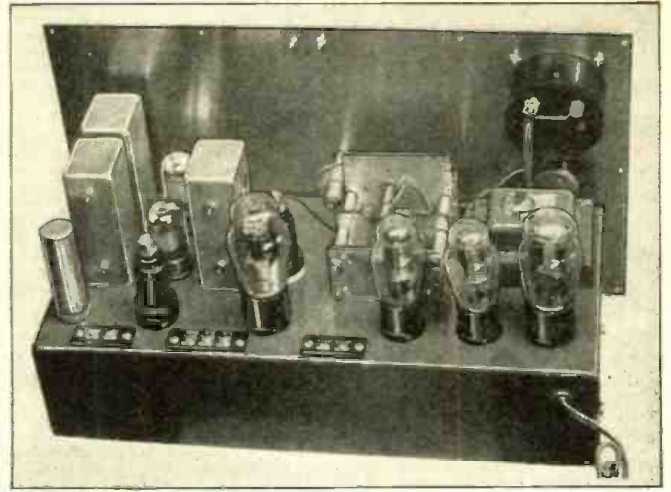


Fig. 2. Top of Chassis. Points to note include attractive layout and geared tuner.

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McMurdo Silver

Built from standard parts, or wired from a factory-assembled kit, this receiver introduces many new features.

● THIS new communications receiver follows closely the designs prescribed by the A.R.R.L. as the means of providing the maximum of results at a minimum cost. It goes considerably beyond these earlier designs in that it includes a new *noise limiter* which is as effective as it is simple, covers the full range of 5 through 550 meters with sensitivity of about 1 microvolt absolute throughout, has the highest signal-to-noise ratio of any receiver the writer has ever operated, is completely free of "warm-up" drift, is both "portable" (battery operated) and "permanent" (A.C. operated) in the same unit, can be expanded into anti-fading dual-diversity reception at no increase in size, yet can be built to "battleship" ruggedness by even a novice to use from three to eight tubes with maximum complete chassis cost below \$50.00. Capable of being built from standard parts, it is also available as a completely assembled 8 tube kit, requiring only a couple of hours to wire and test. It can be aligned and tested without any service gear whatsoever, although a test oscillator (borrowable from, or usable at

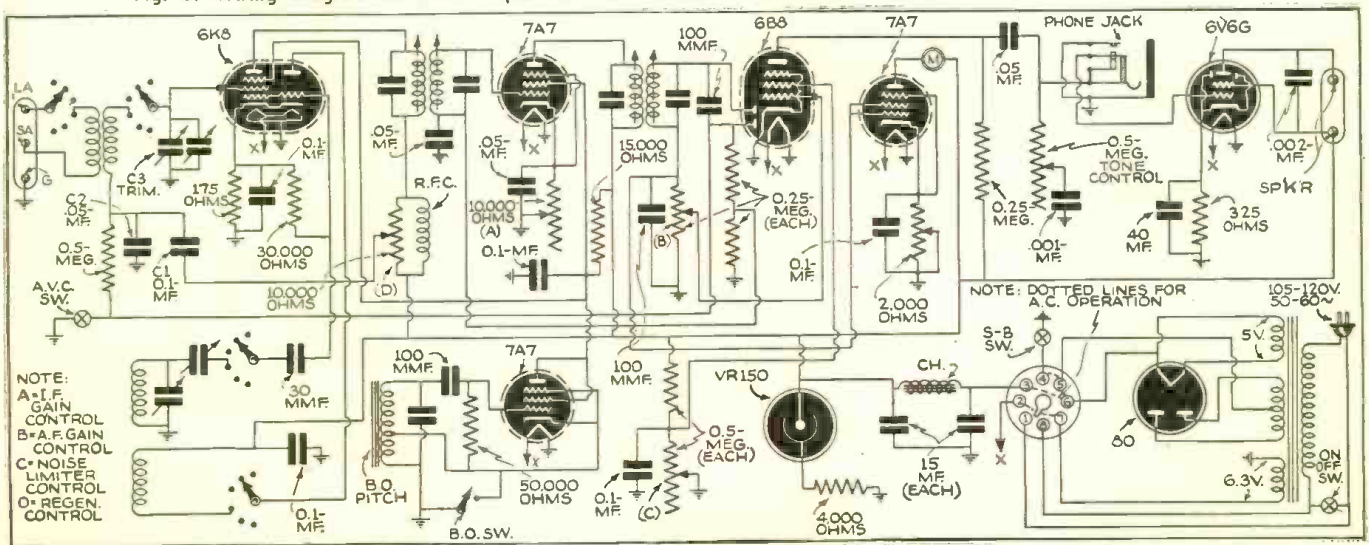
any local service shop) makes the task most easy and sure-fire.

When this receiver also has A.V.C., six low-C tuning bands, uses the newest all-glass "Loctal" tubes, has nearly twenty-two inches of effective dial length per band readable to one part in 5000—which can be stretched to eleven feet per band at slight extra cost—selectivity continuously variable from 12 kc. "high-fidelity" right up to sharper than the 1 kc. necessary to single-signal c.w. reception, 4.25 watts undistorted power output, and appearance and controllability which are outstanding even among very expensive communications receivers, it comes close to being the ideal. Yet this is what numerous Chicago amateurs, young and old, who have tested the new "Silver Super," have found it to be.

Regeneration Put to Work

All of this is made possible through regeneration, amazingly neglected considering its tremendous benefits by factory-built (Continued on page 749)

Fig. 3. Wiring diagram of Silver Super. It can also be assembled as a "3-tube set", as described herewith.



All-Wave 8-Tube Receiver

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half of the tube acts as an automatic noise-limiter of the modified Dickert type. This type of noise limiting is very effective on noise pulses whose amplitude is greater than the desired carrier signal. Two degrees of noise limiting have been made available; one for use in copying cw (telegraph) signals and the other for listening to phone signals. This is switched in automatically when operating the combination AVC-BFO switch, about which more later.

1 Tube Acts as 1st Audio and B.O.

A 6C8G dual triode is used as a first audio stage and as a beat oscillator to enable the listener to copy cw telegraph signals and to facilitate locating weak dx stations. The BFO transformer comes complete with a built-in grid condenser and resistor. The condenser shown coupling the plate of the BFO half of the 6C8G to the plate of the 6H6 detector is made by merely wrapping about five or six turns of hookup wire around the lead running from the r.f. transformer to the 6H6 plate.

Getting back to the rather unusual method of AVC-BFO switching: a single 4-pole, 3-position rotary switch is used for controlling all the various features of the receiver. The 110 volt A.C., the AVC, BFO, and the degree of noise suppression. As the diagram shows, in position 1 the receiver is disconnected from the 110 volt line; in position 2 the set is connected to the line, AVC is switched in, BFO switched off and the noise-limiter adjusted for action on voice signals. In position 3 the AVC is cut off, the BFO turned on and the noise-limiter adjusted for its greater limiting action for use on cw (telegraph) signals.

Head-Phone and Phono Jacks Provided

The 15,000 ohm potentiometer simultaneously controls the gain of the 18S3 and the 6S7 tubes, providing effective control against overloading the detector by any strong "local" signals. A phono jack has been incorporated so that the audio section of the receiver can be used with a phonograph pickup. A half megohm "pot." permits complete variation of audio power.

When a pickup is plugged into the phono jack, the R.F. section is automatically disconnected from the audio. Another jack located on the rear of the chassis permits the listener to use headphones. The 6V6 audio power tube is automatically disconnected when listening-in with phones.

The r.f. transformers are of a rather unconventional type. Instead of the trimmer condensers being adjustable, the transformers have fixed condensers and adjustable inductance coils. This is an extremely valuable feature for the ordinary type of adjustable mica trimmer varies in capacity with temperature, humidity and vibration. By varying the position of the Poliron cores in the coils, the inductance is adjusted to the proper value and, once set, the r.f.'s will remain permanently aligned.

Switch Coil Assembly

All the r.f. coils, mounted on a six gang, 5-band switch, are adjusted to exactly the proper value of inductance at the factory and the trimmer condensers are adjusted for correct "tracking" in the receiver. However, a little readjustment will be necessary in the individual receiver. Although complete coil information is given in the chart, it is inadvisable for the constructor to attempt to make these coils himself, because of the great difficulty in getting the coils for each band to have the proper inductance to "track" properly. So the purchase of the complete coil assembly is strongly advised. Incidentally, the small variable trimmer condensers shown in the diagram across each coil are of 12 mmf. maximum value. Between the antenna and r.f. sections and between the r.f. and oscillator coil sections a metal shield is placed.

Aligning the Receiver

Lining-up the receiver is not particularly difficult, even without a signal generator. First, the two r.f. transformers must be aligned to 456 kc. Without touching any of the trimmers on the r.f. coil assembly, tune in a station emitting a signal of approximately constant amplitude; an aviation

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COIL CHART

Band	Antenna	Detector	Oscillator
13.5-42.5 mc. (22.2 to 7 meters)	None	3 1/2 t. No. 14 spaced to 1/2" length on 3/8" dia. (air wound) 1 turns	grid coil 3 1/2 t. No. 14 spaced to 7/16" plate coil 4 turns No. 36 SSE interwound with grid coil coils 1/2" dia.
5.85-18.2 mc. (51 to 16.4 meters)	prim. 3 1/2 t. No. 36 DSC interwound at ground end of sec. secondary 10 3/4 turns No. 18 spaced 3/4" 3/4" diam. form.	sec. 10 3/4 t. No. 18 spaced to 3/8" prim. 7 1/2 t. No. 36 DSC interwound at ground end of secondary 3/4" dia. form	grid coil 10 3/4 t. No. 18 spaced to 3/4" plate coil 6 turns No. 36 DSC at grid end of grid coil
1.74-6.45 mc. (172 to 46.48 meters)	prim. 10 1/2 t. No. 36 SSE sec. 34 1/2 t. No. 28 both coils close wound and separated by 3/8" wound on 3/4" dia.	prim. 15 1/2 t. No. 36 SSE sec. 34 1/2 t. No. 28 enamel 3/4" dia. form	grid coil 30 1/2 t. No. 28 enamel plate coil 10 1/2 t. No. 36 SSE both close wound 3/4" dia. form
530-1800 kc. (565 to 166.6 meters)	prim. 254t No. 38 SSE sec. 91 t. 3 5/44 SSE universal wound on 3/4" dia. form	prim. 528 t. No. 38 SSE sec. 93 t. No. 3 5/44 SSE coils spaced 3/16" wound on 3/4" dia. form	grid 62 t. No. 32 SSE 3/32" wide plate 30 t. No. 32 SSE 3/32" wide both coils close together universal wound on 3/4" dia.
132-405 kc. (2306 to 740 meters)	sec. 492 t. No. 3-41 * SSE prim. 715 t. No. 38 SSE each coil 3/4" wide wound on 1/2" dia form universal wound	prim. 1305 t. No. 38 SSE 3/16" wide sec. 492 t. No. 3-41 SSE 3/4" wide coils spaced 5/16" apart universal wound on 1/2" dia.	grid 217 t. No. 32 SSE 3/16" wide plate 69 t. No. 32 SSE 3/16" wide coils close together universal wound on 1/2" dia.

NOTE: No. 3-41 SSE and 3 5/44 SSE wire is Litz (stranded) wire.

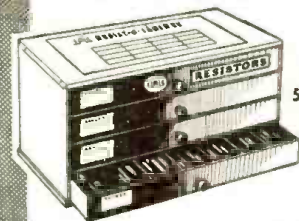


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beacon station is ideal. Then merely adjust the i.f. coils until the signal is at a maximum. To line up the front-end of the set, start with the lowest frequency band. Tune in a signal at the high frequency end of the band, preferably a signal of known frequency, and adjust the oscillator alignaire (trimmer) so that the frequency of the signal corresponds to the frequency printed on the dial scale. Adjust the antenna and detector coil trimmers for maximum response. Then tune in a signal at the low frequency end of the band and adjust the oscillator padding condenser while rocking the tuning condenser to obtain maximum response. The oscillator padder is the condenser in series with each oscillator coil. The above procedure should be repeated for each band. On the highest frequency band there are no aligning or padding condensers, the coils being adjusted by spacing the end turn to give the desired amount of inductance for tracking.

Parts List

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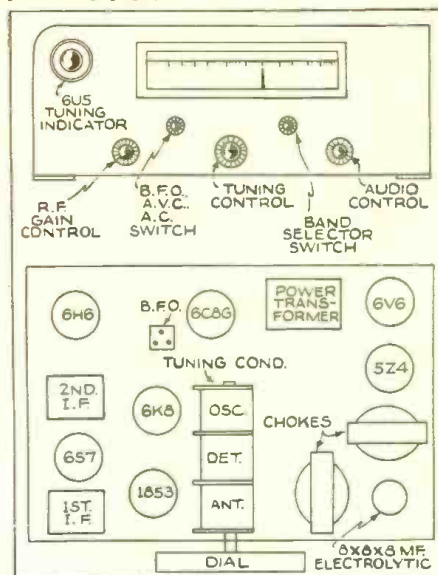
- 1—15,000 ohm potentiometer, type 14-118
- 1—500,000 ohm potentiometer, type 11-133
- 3—500,000 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 5—100,000 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 3—75,000 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 4—30,000 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 3—2,000 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 1—1,500 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 1—235 ohm, 10 watt type AB
- 1—3,500 ohms, 20 watts
- 1—15,000 ohm, 20 watts
- 2—300 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 1—150 ohm, ½ watt BT½
- 1—50 ohm, ½ watt BT½

RCA RADIOTRONS

- 1—1853
- 1—6K8
- 1—6S7
- 1—6H6
- 1—6C8G
- 1—6V6
- 1—5Z4
- 1—6U5

SPRAGUE PRODUCTS COMPANY

- 10—.1 mf. 600 volt paper condensers type TC-1
- 1—.05 mf. 600 volt TC-15
- 1—.5 mf. 600 volt TC-5
- 1—8 x 8 x 8 mf. electrolytic PLS-888
- 1—5 mf. 50 volt electrolytic TA-55
- 1—5 mf. 25 volt electrolytic HC-5
- 1—1 mf. 450 volt electrolytic RE-1
- 1—.0001 mf. mica 1FM-31
- 1—.00005 mf. mica 1FM-45



Layout of panel and sub-base.

MEISSNER COMPANY

- 1—All-wave coil assembly 13-7600
- 1—3 gang tuning condenser 410 mmf. No. 21-5141B
- 1—9" Slide-Rule dial with brackets No. 23-8206
- 1—Standard chassis No. 11-8226
- 1—Panel No. 11-8221
- 1—Cabinet No. 11-8221
- 4—Ceramic octal sockets No. 25-8437
- 3—Bakelite octal sockets No. 25-8209
- 4—1½" knobs No. 25-8224
- 1—1½" knob No. 25-8225
- 1—Magic eye socket assembly No. 19285

ALADDIN RADIO INDUSTRIES

- 1—465 kc. I.F. transformer type P-101
- 1—465 kc. I.F. transformer type P-200
- 1—BFO transformer, 465 kc. type C-350

CINAUDAGRAPH CORPORATION

- 1—10" P.M. speaker type NZ10-10 (with 5000 ohm output transformer)

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- 1—4-pole, 3-position rotary switch shorting type No. 3143
- 1—2 circuit midget jack type A-2A
- 1—2 circuit jack type No. 15

JEFFERSON TRANSFORMER CO.

- 1—350-350 volt transformer No. 463-431
- 2—10 henry 100 ma. chokes No. 466-410

I COVER THE PACIFIC COAST!

This column has been added as a new service to readers of RADIO & TELEVISION. Cooperation of Pacific coast listeners and any reports of reception will be greatly appreciated. Please address any reports or other correspondence to Lyle M. Nelson, RADIO & TELEVISION, 99 Hudson Street, New York, N. Y.

(All time is Pacific Standard)

● INCREASED activity among short-wave stations in the far East has been reported from all parts of the Pacific Coast during the last few months. Stations in Asia and Oceania have always, particularly during this time of the year, occupied the major part of Pacific Coast fixing.

A New Zealand station has been reported testing on 6.95 mc. by many listeners. According to these reports the call letters are ZL2ZB and the address is announced as: Hope Gibbons Building, Dixon Street, Wellington, C1. New Zealand. The station is heard in the early morning hours with best reception near 3 a.m.

According to W. T. Choppen of Timaru, New Zealand, new transmitters to be installed at Wellington will be ZLT1 on 6.085 mc., ZLT2 on 9.54 mc., ZLT3 on 11.78 mc., ZLT4 on 15.28 mc., ZLT5 on 17.77 mc., and ZLT6 on 25.91 mc.

The mysterious Chinese station on 11.40 has finally been identified as XGRV of Chungking. This popular broadcaster is very well received every morning from 4 to 4:30 and sometimes later.

Two other new Chinese stations to appear on the air during the last month are XGXA on 6.98 mc. and XGXB (possibly XGXC) on 7.02 mc. Both stations come through to the Pacific Coast with good volume. XGXA is on the air from 6 to 7:20 a.m. daily. Occasionally it has been reported as early as 4 a.m. XGXB (or G), although heard very well, is rather irregular in schedule. It can usually be picked up in the mornings from 5 to 7.

Portable transmitters located somewhere in the jungles of Belgian Congo and New Guinea have been reported on the 20 meter amateur band during the mornings and late evenings by George Goehring of Oakland, California.

A new station in Siam has been putting a fair signal through to the coast. The station works on 6.11 mc. from 5:10 to 7 a.m. on Wednesday. It has also been reported broadcasting irregularly on other weekdays. According to word from Siam the call of HS8PJ has been changed to HS6PJ.

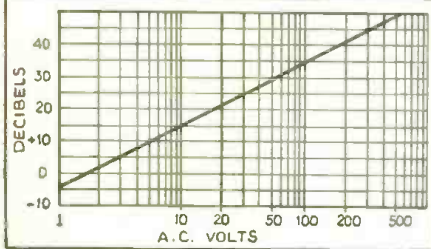
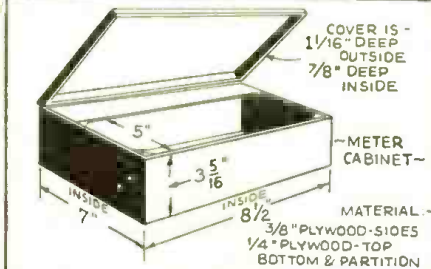
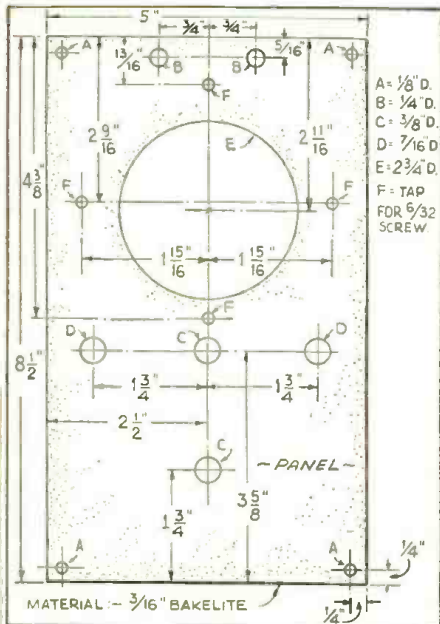
Application has been made by "Radio Burma" of Rangoon for permission to use the call letters XYZ and XZZ on 6.012 and 3.79 mcs., according to John Cavanaugh of Oregon City. The latest schedule for "Radio Burma" is from 2:45 to 5:30 a.m. and from 5:30 to 7 p.m. with best reception during the morning broadcast, he reports.

Station RV15 of Khabarovsk, U.S.S.R., is back on 4.27 mcs. after various reports had placed it on 6.05 and 6.82 mcs. Latest developments seem to indicate that the stations heard on the latter frequencies were new stations and not RV15 as believed.

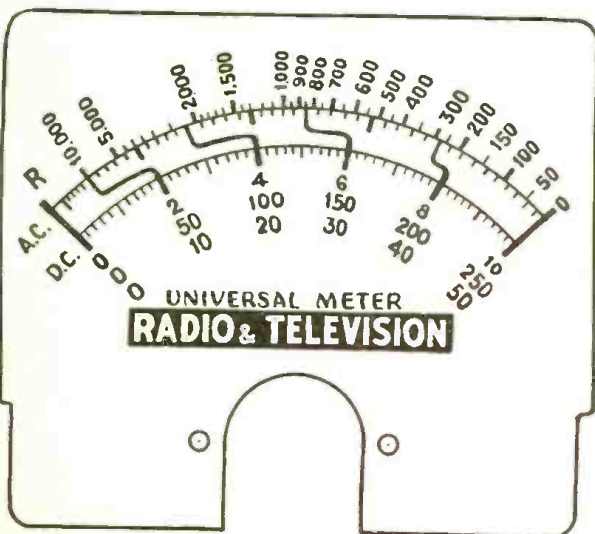
ROUND 'N' ABOUT—from listeners' reports. VPD of Suva has added a number of new frequencies. It can now operate on 15.16, 11.89 and 6.13 mcs. with a power up to 10,000 watts. . . . "Radio Hanoi" is using additional frequency of 11.91 mc. from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Station still very weak on 9.51 mc. . . . New station TAQ of Ankara, Turkey, coming through weakly on 15.20 mc. from 2:30 to 4 p.m. . . . New TAP on 9.465 also reported on the air during afternoons. . . . Prague is now on 11.84 mc. from 4 p.m. to 6:15 with good volume. . . . New Spanish Loyalist station "Radio Norte," EA4RM, on 9.49 after 6 p.m. with weak signal on coast. ZBW on 9.53 mc. is still very well received from 5 to 7 a.m. . . . PCJ coming through very well on 9.59 mc. during evenings.

This Universal Test Meter

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Above—Chassis and cabinet details. Below—Full size template for meter dial: cut this one out for your meter or copy it.



mounting clips. The battery can thus be readily replaced. The holes in the panel for fastening the meter should preferably be tapped for 6/32 screws—this will greatly facilitate mounting the meter.

Shunts May Be Home-made

The shunts used for the four current ranges and the two low ohm ranges can be purchased ready made, or easily made by the experimenter, if one has access to another milliammeter of the necessary range. Shunts can be made from the resistance wire procured from old rheostats or from regular No. 24 or No. 28 resistance wire. Fig. 1 shows the method of hooking up the standard meter in series with our 500 microampere meter, which is to be shunted with the home-made shunt. These two meters must be hooked up in series with a battery (the 4 1/2 volt battery will do) and a variable current-limiting resistor. The 1000 ohm zero adjuster can be used for the low current ranges; for the 100 ma. and 250 ma. ranges a 100 ohm variable resistor should be used. Adjust the length of wire used for the shunt until the 500 microampere meter reads the same amount of current as the standard meter. Always use the maximum amount of series resistor until the shunt has assumed its approximate final resistance value.

To measure A.C. or D.C. voltages, turn the A.C.-D.C. switch to either A.C. or D.C. and rotate the selector switch to the desired range. If in doubt as to the magnitude of voltage, play safe and use the highest range! With the A.C.-D.C. switch in the D.C. position, current can be measured by rotating the selector switch to the required range.

TO MEASURE OHMS, have the A.C.-D.C. switch on D.C. and rotate the selector switch to one of the resistance ranges. For measuring very high values turn the selector switch to R-ext. and connect a 22 1/2 volt battery in series with the test leads. Scale readings should be multiplied by 60 since the meter scale reads 900 ohms at the center of scale. When the switch is turned to the position "R ÷ 10," merely divide the scale readings by 10 and similarly when using the "R x 10" range, multiply the scale readings by 10. For each range, the ohms adjuster rheostat should be adjusted so that with the two test prods shorted together, the meter will read zero ohms. On the R ÷ 10 range, this adjustment is somewhat critical and care should be taken not to turn the rheostat to its zero resistance position. If it is expected to use the external battery quite frequently, it might be advisable to include as part of the 45,000 ohm resistor a 10,000 ohm variable rheostat to serve as a more effective zero adjuster for this high resistance range. Parenthetically, it might be mentioned that the 45,000 ohm resistor consists of a 20,000 and a 25,000 ohm resistors in series.

OUTPUT—Since the output of a radio receiver consists of an alternating voltage, and since fre-

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More About Frequency Modulation

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conditions, frequency modulation is the only system which is worthy of consideration."

Some of the critics of the new Armstrong modulation system have stated that ordinary transmission by amplitude modulation on the ultra short waves is so static and noise-free that it compares favorably with the Armstrong method, but in a recent letter to the *New York Times*, Major Armstrong challenges his critics to state (or to demonstrate) how they can produce the static and noise-free transmission with their system comparable to that obtained by his frequency modulation method.

Through the courtesy of the General Electric Company, we present herewith the wiring diagram and receiving antenna data on the new 12-tube frequency modulation receiver.

(Experimenters might try connecting a high frequency T.R.F. or other type R.F. receiving unit ahead of the second detector, instead of the superhet line-up shown in the standard diagram, incorporating of course the demodulator tube shown in the present diagram. In any event, it is highly important that the various stages be properly "lined up" with an oscillograph, if possible, as otherwise there is likely to be quite an amount of distortion.—Editor.)

The Model GM-125 receiver is a de luxe instrument designed solely for the purpose of receiving and reproducing programs transmitted by the frequency modulation system. By special electrical and acoustic treatment, this receiver will reproduce program material with the exceptionally realistic fidelity that is characteristic of this method of transmission and reception.

Antenna and Ground

Since this receiver operates at a relatively high radio frequency, it is very essential to construct a good antenna and ground system in order to obtain maximum results.

For distances up to within thirty miles from the transmitter, a simple horizontal di-pole as shown in Fig. 1 should give excellent results. It should be located free from all obstructions and placed as high from the earth as possible. Make sure it is run approximately at right-angles to the direction of the transmitter; i.e., if the transmitter is located due west, run the horizontal doublet in a north and south direction. The horizontal flat top has an effective antenna length of 10 feet 8 inches and consists of No. 12 or No. 14 bare copper wire (preferably stranded), cut in the middle and the two halves insulated by glass insulators. A twisted lead-in wire is then soldered to each side of the doublet as shown, and the other two ends of the transmission line are connected to the No. 1 and No. 2 terminals on the receiver chassis. The lead-in transmission line may be of any length up to 100 feet and should consist of low loss antenna lead-in wire. A good ground connection to a water pipe is connected to the terminal marked "G."

Somewhat better results may be obtained by constructing the antenna shown in Fig. 2. This varies somewhat from the di-pole antenna and is more efficient due to the fact that the transmission line has very little loss.

The antenna proper consists of a 10 foot 8 inch length of 1 inch diameter copper pipe supported at the middle by a pole lo-

Tube Voltage Table

Tube	Application	Plate to Gnd Volts	Screen to Gnd Volts	Cathode to Gnd Volts	Cathode Cur. MA	Filament Volts
6SK7	RF	240	90	0	7.5	6.4
6K8	Conv.	238	90	0	8.0	6.4
	Osc.	188				
6SK7	1st IF	238	90	0	8.1	6.4
6SK7	2nd IF	230	83	0	6.1	6.4
6SK7	3rd IF	225	83	2.9	6.1	6.4
6S17	4th IF	65	65	0	7.2	6.4
						6.4
6Q7G	1st Audio	65	—	1.7	2.0	6.4
6J5G	Inverter	48	—	—	112	6.4
(2) 6L6G	Output	267	285	—	180	50
5U4G	Rectifier	350/350	—	—	—	—

RMS
Line Voltage—120

No signal input

cated as high above the ground as possible. The transmission line is made up of two No. 12 or No. 14 copper wires, spaced about 2 inches apart and transposed every two or three feet. The antenna end of the transmission line is soldered 13½ inches each side of the center of the copper pipe and should form a triangle, 27 inches on all sides. As in the previous installation, the horizontal flat-top should run approximately at right-angles to the direction of the transmitter.

For greater distances, somewhat better results may be obtained by using a reflector in conjunction with the antenna described and shown in Fig. 2. A suggested system is to use a 1-inch diameter copper pipe similar to the antenna, running parallel to the regular antenna and located farthest from the direction of the received signal. Fig. 3 shows a diagram looking from top and dimensions should be followed very carefully. By experimenting, however, with the distance between reflector and antenna, improvement in the individual installation may be noted.

Note—The reflector is a floating copper bar and there are no external connections. Connect and install the regular antenna as shown in Fig. 2.

Operation

The receiver has three operating controls, as follows:

Volume Control and Power Switch.

The control marked volume (left-hand control) also actuates the power switch for the receiver. When the control is in the extreme counterclockwise position, the receiver power is off. From this position, slight rotation in the clockwise direction will turn the receiver on and the volume will be at a minimum setting. Further clockwise rotation will increase volume until full output is attained.

Tone Control

This control (right-hand control) is continuously variable from bass to full-range to treble. The proper setting depends largely upon the tone most pleasing to the listener and upon the type of program being received.

Tuning Control

The tuning control is the large drum located above the volume and tone control knobs. To tune the receiver merely rotate the drum dial with the thumb. The scale is calibrated in megacycles so as to approximately locate the desired station.

When a station is located, a final adjustment is made by leaving the drum dial set at the point of minimum noise background. This point of exact tune is very important as it is only when the receiver is tuned to the position that the full, rich tones are available.

Circuit Alignment

I.F. Amplifier

Due to the good stability of components and the wide band characteristics of this amplifier, alignment should be unnecessary under normal operating conditions. Should it become imperative that an I.F. alignment is desirable, it will be necessary to use a cathode ray oscilloscope in conjunction with a 3.0 megacycle signal generator with a superimposed ± 300 kc. sweep frequency. This generator may be built up by constructing an oscillator with the tank condenser semi-fixed and variable, the variable portion being designed to be rotated by a motor and of proper capacity to give ± 300 kc. variation of the 3.0 megacycle mid-frequency. Connect the vertical plates of the oscilloscope across the resistor R-15 of the 4th I.F. stage and align transformers T-7, T-6, T-5 and T-4 in a progressive step by step method.

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Frequency Demodulator

With the same oscillator and sweep signal as used above, connect the vertical oscilloscope plates across the resistors, R-18 and R-19, then align the transformer T-8 for a cross-over curve as shown in Fig. 4. Proper alignment of trimmer C-51 is indicated when the curve crosses about mid-way in a vertical plane. Proper alignment of C-50 is indicated when the sides of the curve near cross-over are nearest to a straight line.

Note—Keep signal input high enough so that noise limiter is functioning. This point is indicated when an increase in signal input no longer changes the size of the curve.

R.F. Alignment

Make sure the last division on the low frequency end of the drum dial coincides with the escutcheon mark when the gang condenser is completely closed; then, proceed as follows:

1. Connect a high resistance 0-10 V. D.C. voltmeter across R-15.
2. Apply a 42.8 megacycle unmodulated signal to the antenna terminal board.
3. Set dial scale so it is tuned to 42.8 megacycle and peak oscillator trimmer C-4 for maximum voltage reading on the meter.
4. Peak the antenna (C-2) and R.F. (C-3) trimmers for maximum voltage output on meter.

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Watts Consumption	160
Tuning Frequency Range	37-44 mc.
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radio sets employing it are known as T.R.F. receivers. The action of such an amplifier is the same as the one already described. Plate current, flowing through the primary of the transformer, by magnetic action causes an alternating voltage to be placed on the grid of the following tube. In this instance, however, the secondary is tuned to resonance at the frequency desired by means of the variable condenser connected across it. Sometimes the primary is also tuned in this fashion. It should be observed in Figure 2 that use was made of screen grid tubes, in this way avoiding feedback through tube capacities, a situation difficult to overcome with the triodes shown in Figure 1, except through the use of an external neutralizing device.

In receivers employing R.F. amplification, the T.R.F. (tuned radio frequency) amplifier has found the widest application, but it should not be thought that the circuits described so far are the only ones in use.

Tuned Impedance R.F. Coupling

In the tuned impedance coupled R.F. amplifier, shown in Figure 3, we obtain a voltage drop across an impedance and apply the changes in voltage across this impedance to the grid of the next tube through a fixed condenser. The coupling device consists of a coil and condenser placed in parallel (or shunt) and inserted between the plate of the tube and the source of voltage; that is, in the plate circuit. In rotating the variable condenser, the coil-condenser combination is tuned to resonance with the frequency to be received, and in so doing offers the greatest possible impedance to that frequency. The plate current meeting this maximum impedance produces the highest possible voltage drop across the coil-condenser combination. The voltage changes are applied to the grid of the following tube by means of the fixed condenser connected to the impedance. The size of the coil and the capacity of the variable condenser are so chosen that they tune over the desired bands of frequencies. In a circuit of this type, difficulty is often experienced with feedback, since it cannot be controlled by neutralization. Resistors to control oscillation are placed in the positive voltage lead. Generally speaking, such R.F. amplifiers are seldom multiple staged, due to oscillation tendencies.

Resistance Coupling

Another type of amplifier is known as the resistance coupled R.F. amplifier, and is shown in Figure 4. This circuit is now seldom used for amplification before the detector stage, but has found wide use as an audio frequency amplifier and will be described in a future article on audio amplifiers.

Band Pass Filters

Sometimes certain undesirable effects known as cross-modulation and second harmonic generation are present in receivers. In order to avoid this effect, a band pass filter or band selector is used, as shown in Figure 5. The purpose of such a filter is simply to present a high impedance or resistance to all unwanted frequencies and at the same time allow the reception of those frequencies it is desired to receive. Since the band-pass filter couples the antenna to the grid of the first tube through a number of tuned circuits, a sufficiently high order of selectivity is obtained so that a strong signal, after passing through the filter, will not be strong enough to cause the R.F. tube to act as a detector.

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Band-Switch

At the lower left of the dial is the wave-change knob operating four separate switches insulated with the new "X2B" beneath the chassis. These have double-spaced contacts spread over a full 360 degrees to give short connecting lead lengths and the lowest possible inter-circuit capacity. R.F. and oscillator circuits are simultaneously

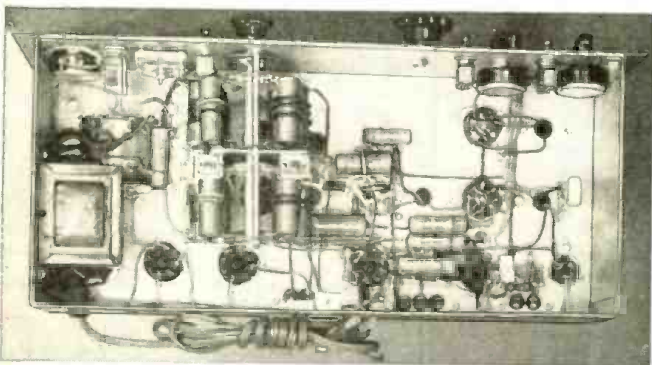


Fig. 4. Sub-chassis view. The coil and switch unit is factory-assembled.

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Fig. 1 shows all of the controls essential

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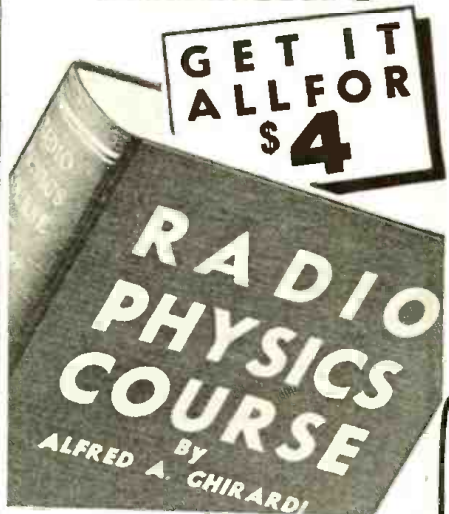
At the upper left of the panel is the calibrated S-meter, with below it the noise limiter knob, the extreme upper right knob being the beat oscillator pitch control. Along the bottom, left to right, are tone control, head-phone jack, antenna trimmer, beat oscillator on-off switch, wave change switch, vernier tuning, send-receive switch, audio volume control, a.v.c. on-off switch and i.f. selectivity control. Attention is called to the antenna trimmer knob: manual control of circuit tracking is provided in order to insure the very best possible results, and to take no chances of differences in antennae or adjustments of first detector regeneration upsetting circuit tracking, in line with recent trends in this direction in the newer communication receivers.

Fig. 3 shows a 6K8 tube used as detector.

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New Type Communications Receiver

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oscillator. Numerous tests of many different combinations of different tubes, single and separate, showed the 6K8 to be definitely the best converter available today in terms of stable oscillator output right down to 5 meters, maximum conversion gain, and freedom for interaction between first detector and oscillator circuits. Regeneration is independent of wavelength, and permanently set upon installing the receiver, is adjusted by the potentiometer connected to the feed-back condenser C1. Stable and permanent regeneration is secured in a manner new to receivers. An R.F. choke, R.F.C., in the plate return lead provides R.F. voltage which is fed back from the arm of a potentiometer across R.F.C. to the grid circuit A.V.C. return through C1. At first this may look inoperative, but consideration of the capacity ratios of C1 and C2 should make it clear that regenerative feed-back does occur. Tuning condenser capacity is 140 mmf.—amply low for maximum gain, and far lower than is found in most all-wave or even communication receivers. C3 is the antenna trimmer, adjustable from the front panel. High impedance antenna primaries prevent differences in antennae upsetting regeneration or circuit tracking, but no chance is taken with hard-to-get signals and C3 is made manually variable. It is not critical and can be forgotten except when the weakest of signals must be pulled through.

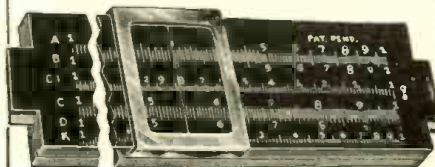
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The I.F. amplifier uses two permeability-tuned high-Q I.F. transformers. These are the most stable types known today, for their tuning capacities can not vary, being "Silvercons," in which silver is directly plated onto mica, so that capacity cannot change. They are really fixed condensers. Tuning is effected by micrometric adjustment of powdered R.F. iron cores inside each I.F. coil. These two transformers represent much research and experiment to allow them to be regenerated without any frequency shift. Ordinary 455 kc. transformers used in a regenerative I.F. amplifier will show up to 10 kc. frequency shift for different degrees of regeneration, and this is, of course, highly undesirable, if not intolerable. Careful adjustment of coupling and stray capacities results in the "Silver Super" showing no measureable frequency shift at any degree of regeneration. The I.F. tube is the new 7A7, all-glass "Loctal" type. In this new tube, element leads enter a flat base or stem, instead of running up through the usual 1½" long stem tube and so providing harmful capacity and inductance. Having no molded bakelite base, but rather contact pins set directly in the glass itself, base losses are a thing of the past. A small metal socket aligning-cap shields the base so that both grid and plate leads come out the same end—the new "single-ended" type of R.F. pentode construction. Gain is higher than for the older 6K7, for the "Loctal" idea makes real sense in tube design. A second 7A7 is the beat oscillator, coupled to the second detector by capacity provided through judicious parts placement, and tuned from the front panel by a knob controlling its powdered iron core so as to permit optimum choice of beat note for single-signal selectivity, zero beating for broadcast reception, or different beat note pitches to reduce heterodyne interference—which is noticeably absent due to the extreme selectivity possible. I.F. regeneration—selectivity and gain control—is through cathode bias with feed-back

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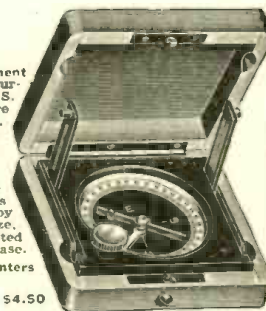
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The writer will gladly answer questions, or give complete parts list and full "how-to-build-it" details to any who may care to write to him in care of this magazine.

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A Letter from London

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to a letter from the editorial department of the *British Broadcasting Corporation*, asking further information, J. R. T. Hopper writes: "We would like to make it clear that the cable has been installed by the Post Office primarily for multi-telephone work, and that the suggestion that it may be used for television has been purely incidental. As a matter of fact, decision on the possibilities and method of extending television beyond the London area lies with the Television Advisory Committee, and so far no official announcement has been made."

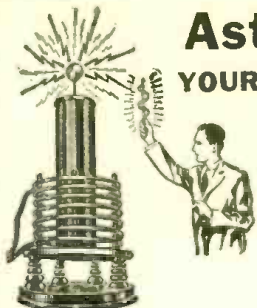


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Antennas—Past, Present and Future

Harold H. Beverage
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200 miles or so apart. It is interesting to note that there are as many cycles between 5 meters (60 megacycles) and 10 meters (30 megacycles) as there are in the entire radio spectrum above 10 meters. The services that will undoubtedly develop in the ultra-short wave spectrum may eventually become as important, or even more important, than the services now existing in all of the rest of the radio spectrum. For example, the ultra-short wave band is the only part of the spectrum suitable for high definition television. Bands of 6 megacycles width in this spectrum have already been ear-marked by the Federal Communications Commission for experimental television transmission.

We have seen that in the transition from the long waves to short waves, there was a radical change in the type of antennas that were found useful and necessary for the new services. Will the development of the ultra-short wave spectrum see a radical change in antenna structures such as we do not dream of today?

In the long distance use of short waves, a limit was found in the concentration of the radio beam that could be used successfully. To obtain a high power gain, it was necessary to concentrate the radiation into a narrow beam in the vertical plane as well as the horizontal plane. It was found that there is no single vertical angle at which the radiation can be launched that will be effective over a considerable period of time. The classic work of the Bell Laboratories in the development of the MUSA system indicates very clearly that the signals may travel over several bundles of rays, but that these paths are quite variable and require a wide range of vertical angles to obtain reliable communication over a considerable period of time. This phenomenon sets a limit on the usable concentration of the radiated or received radio energy. As a practical matter, an antenna with a concentration which produces a power gain of 100 is probably close to the useful limit. Will a similar limitation in the concentration of power be found on the ultra-short waves? No such limitation is known today, and as the wavelength becomes shorter it is practicable to build antennas that will highly concentrate the radio beam. Will we see strange contraptions with power gains of 1000 or more on relay chains carrying television network programs and multiplexed mass communication? If power gains of a high order can be used, the transmitter power required will decrease in proportion so we may see a miniature "acorn" tube transmitter associated with an enormous directive antenna structure. The possibilities of using radio repeaters even smaller than telephone type repeaters, and concentrations of energy that reduce the attenuation over a given path to a very low value are indeed intriguing to the imagination.

Another factor that will affect the antenna design for the ultra-short waves is the necessity for providing antennas covering an extremely wide band for high definition television. We have already seen some radical departures from familiar forms of antennas in this field in the television antenna recently erected on the Empire State Building in New York. Here we see radiator elements looking like Indian clubs projecting from an expanding throat, appearing somewhat like the stream-

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Television "Sight Effects"

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looking at a miniature house. And what a house!—the shingles were even cut on a taper, and every detail of the full-sized door, even down to the doctor's nameplate, was accurately reproduced in the miniature. The chimney of this model house was constructed of lumps of sugar suitably painted with water colors.

In one of the interesting scenes, an animated spider's web was desired, and here the spiders—which were made in the studio specially for the purpose—were caused to move by a series of small rods rotating inside hollow tubes forming part of the web. These rods were geared together by means of a chain and driven by a motor.

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The writer was quite astonished to learn at what speed some of these objects were constructed and painted. Warships in miniature are made in a jiffy, as also are models of certain animals desired, not to mention artificial flowers and trees, miniatures of people in any style of dress or uniform, etc.

In making motion pictures, such effects as those here described are very easy to produce, for the camera can be stopped while certain changes are made in the objects or in the scene before the camera; but in television, the action of the scene cannot be stopped to permit such changes being made and the action must be continuous. Thus, an entirely new method of procedure had to be worked out by Mr. Eddy and his associates.

NOTICE

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BOOK REVIEW

RADIO-FREQUENCY ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS. Hugh A. Brown, M.S., E.E., 384 pages, illustrated, size 6" x 9". Published by McGraw-Hill Co., Inc., New York and London.

Mr. Brown, who is Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering at the University of Illinois, has done a masterly work, covering his subject most thoroughly. Not only does he give the necessary formulae for use in various types of measurement work, but also gives diagrams of apparatus and lucid explanations on procedure. The book is very well illustrated with circuits and schematics, as well as a number of very interesting graphs, etc. The principal chapter headings are: Measurements of Circuit Constants; Measurement of Frequency; Antenna Measurements; Electromagnetic-Wave Measurements; Measurement of Electron-Tube Coefficients and Amplifier Performance; Electromotive Force; Current Power; Measurement of Wave Form; Modulation, Receiver and Piezo-Electric Crystal Measurements. The index is particularly ample and easy to use.

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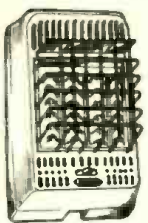
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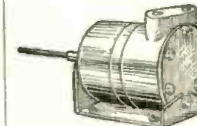
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various connections in the R.F. circuit; the filament, I.F. and A.F. circuits are wired with the stranded push-back hook-up wire.

The I.F. circuit should be aligned from the 460 kc. signal of a test oscillator if possible. However, in lieu of a test oscillator routine, the following procedure may be used. Plug in a pair of coils covering the 7 mc. amateur band and tune for one of the "dotter" stations usually heard in this region. A weak, steady signal is best for alignment purposes. Turn up the mixer regeneration control about three fourths way full-on and rotate the R.F. (mixer) trimmer condenser for maximum sensitivity. Now with an insulated screw-driver or neutralizing tool, beginning with the output I.F. transformer, adjust each I.F. trimmer screw for maximum signal strength.

The beat-frequency oscillator is built on a separate 4x3x1 1/2 inch chassis and is coupled to the 1N5-G detector control grid as indicated in Fig. 1. Condenser "C," indicated on the diagram, consists of two pieces of insulated hook-up wire about one inch long, loosely twisted together. The lead from the oscillator must be shielded right up to the point where it connects to condenser "C"; otherwise, the oscillator signal will get into the I.F. amplifier, causing the detector to block on strong signals.

If the receiver is to be used for c.w. code reception only, the beat-frequency oscillator may be omitted and the receiver aligned as follows: First, tune a "dotter" signal as outlined above and, with the detector out of oscillation, adjust the I.F. trimmers for maximum volume. Adjust the mixer regeneration control just below the point of oscillation and rotate the mixer and oscillator trimmers for greatest sensitivity. Now, while tuning back and forth across a signal, turn the output I.F. transformer grid trimmer screw to the right or left until the signal can be barely heard. Adjust the detector regeneration condenser until the 1N5-G is oscillating and advance the I.F. trimmer, still rotating the dial back and forth across the signal, until a point is found where one side-band is almost completely cut off.

The set will operate a loudspeaker with fairly good volume on most stations. When purchasing a speaker it is advisable to get a permanent magnet dynamic type fitted with a universal output transformer, which will permit accurately matched output from the 1A5-G audio amplifier. When using crystal headphones, an A.F. choke of about 30 henries, 15 ma. rating and an .05 mf., 600 volt condenser should be connected to the 1A5-G plate as shown in Fig. 1. Be sure that the coupling condenser is not leaky and is of good quality.

Either a doublet or single-wire antenna may be used with the receiver.

Coil Data

Grid Coil Spacing	Tickler Wire	Mixer Wire	Dia.	Band	
				10 meters	20 meters
L3 4 turns 1"	L4 3 turns 20 E. 1"		1"	10 meters	
12 turns 1 1/2"	4 turns 20 E. 1"		1"	20 meters	
17 turns 1 3/4"	6 turns 22 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	40 meters	
37 turns 1 3/4"	9 turns 26 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	80 meters	
58 turns 1 3/4"	14 turns 28 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	160 meters	
	Antenna coil L2 same wire and number of turns as for tickler.				

Oscillator Coils

Grid Coil Spacing	Tickler Wire	Mixer Wire	Dia.	Band	
				10 meters	20 meters
L6 4 turns 1"	L5 3 turns 20 E. 1"		1"	10 meters	
12 turns 1 1/2"	4 turns 20 E. 1"		1"	20 meters	
15 turns 1 3/4"	6 turns 22 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	40 meters	
32 turns 1 3/4"	9 turns 26 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	80 meters	
52 turns 1 3/4"	16 turns 28 E. 1 1/2"		1 1/2"	160 meters	

All coil forms are 5-prong types. All ticklers close-wound on "cold" or ground end of form.

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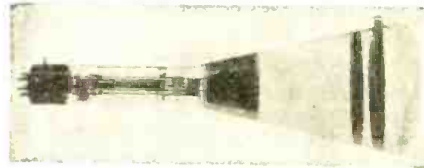
New Band-Switching Pre-Selector

● A NEW 5-band pre-selector, which has continuous coverage from 5 to 185 meters (1.6 to 64 mc.) with band-switching, has been announced by the Browning Laboratories, Inc.

The unit employs an 1852 tube as regenerative r.f. amplifier. Image rejection ratios of 500 or more are obtainable, while the use of a high-Q tuned antenna system affords marked gain in the signal-to-noise ratio. r.f. amplification may be as high as 800, even on the 5 and 10 meter bands, depending upon the amount of regeneration used. The main tank condenser with electrical band-spread, used for tuning, is provided with a dial calibrated for each of the five bands.

The unit, which is known as model No. BL-5DX, includes a filament transformer so that it may be used with any receiver. It may be had either in kit form or completely assembled.

refinements in its "gun" structure to obtain better focus and modulating characteristics. The electron gun is operated at the same potentials and in the same manner as other tubes of corresponding type and screen diameter.

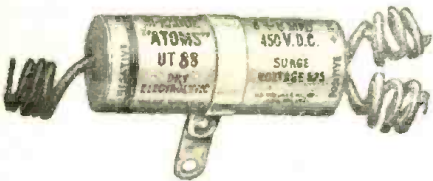


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● A NEW line of carbon fixed resistors of solid molded construction, permanently bonded into one compact unit, has been announced by Consolidated Wire & Associated Corporations. These resistors are guaranteed within 10% plus or minus and variation is maintained within a 5% average. They are completely moisture-proof and non-inductive, having no capacity effect, and maintaining resistance value over an extremely wide temperature range.

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● A NEW type of television tube, called the "Intensifier," is considered by its manufacturers as "the first fundamental improvement affecting sensitivity since the inception of cathode-ray tubes 40 years ago."

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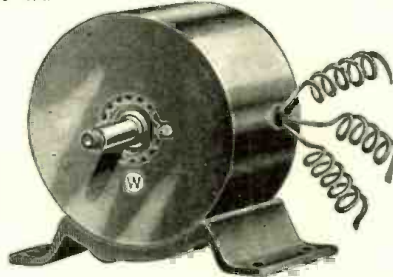
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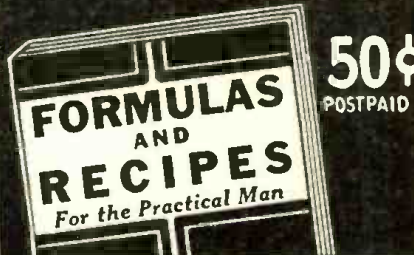
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"Buncher" and "Catcher" = Klystron

Two rhumbatrons, called the "buncher" and "catcher," together with other apparatus, make the Klystron. Its name comes from the Greek verb "klyzo," denoting the breaking of waves on a beach. This is roughly descriptive of the action of the device, for in the buncher Rhumbatron is an oscillating electric field, parallel to a stream of electrons passing through it. The field is of such strength as to change the speeds of the electrons by appreciable fractions, accelerating some, slowing down others. After passing through the buncher, the electrons with increased speeds begin to overtake those with decreased speeds which are ahead of them. This motion groups the electrons into bunches separated by relatively empty spaces. By passing the stream through the catcher rhumbatron, within which is an oscillating electric field changing synchronously so as to take energy away from the bunched electrons, a considerable fraction of the power of the electron-bunches is converted into power of high-frequency oscillations.

Advantages of the Klystron principle are threefold. It produces strong waves; they are at stable frequencies; and they have strong amplification at the receiving end. The present working minimum wavelength employed by airlines in radio work is about one meter. But the Stanford Klystron produces waves one-tenth that length. Such waves, when emitted from a reflector one meter in diameter, would radiate within a narrow angle of only six degrees. The Klystron's inventors believe wavelengths considerably less than 10 centimeters can be reached, thereby still further narrowing the angle of radiation.

Electronic Television Course

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order to transmit an image by television, we must pick up this image point by point and line by line, and transmit each point rapidly enough so that the eye may receive each complete picture in rapid enough succession to give the illusion of motion. Motion pictures in our theaters, when projected on a screen, are repeated at the rate of 24 pictures per second and each picture is interrupted twice by a shutter incorporated in the projecting apparatus, so that the eye receives 48 periods of light and 48 periods of dark for each second that we view the

radio frequency television transmitter, suitably coupled to an antenna for radiating the electrical impulses picked up and produced by the picture tube. The deflection circuits mentioned in the above paragraph serve to deflect the electronic cathode beam in a vertical and horizontal direction, while it sweeps the mosaic screen or target electrode, as the case may be. The vertical deflection circuit causes the beam to move from top to bottom 60 times per second and the horizontal deflection circuit causes the beam to move from left to right 13,230 times per second. The sequence in which the picture is scanned is as follows: lines, No. 1, 3, 5, 7, etc., to 220½ are scanned in the first 1/60th of a second (see Fig. 5-A). The beam then returns and scans lines Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8, etc., in other words, the beam scans one-half of the picture, then returns and scans the space between the lines previously scanned, giving us 60 half-frames or 30 complete frames or pictures per second. This process of scanning each picture twice, is called *interlaced scanning* because each pair of odd lines is interlaced by an even line. This is analogous to the motion pictures in the theater where each picture on the film is projected upon the screen twice while standing still in the projection aperture.

Interlaced scanning reduces the amount of flicker in a picture when viewed, because the eye receives two impulses of light; whereas in sequential scanning (scanning lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) the eye would perceive each picture but once and consequently the apparent projection rate would be slower and cause more flicker. During the interval of time that the vertical deflection circuit is sweeping the beam downward, the horizontal deflection circuit is moving the beam from left to right rapidly enough to scan 220½ lines. It might be well to mention at this point that the electronic beam moves in both directions; top to bottom and left to right in a linear manner, and when reaching the end of a line or frame returns to its starting point in 1/10th of the time that it took to travel the line or frame, as illustrated in Figure 5. It will be perceived that the voltage or current wave-forms assume the shape of a *saw-tooth* and it is for this reason that oscillators producing this wave shape are often termed *saw-tooth* oscillators. This quick return of the electronic beam causes a large signal in the output of the pick-up tube which is used at the receiving end for a synchronizing pulse. When delivered to the grids of the sweep circuit oscillators it causes them to keep in step with those of the transmitter, thus giving perfect synchronization between transmitter and receivers.

Due to the fact that the television signal is transmitted *negatively* (the carrier of the transmitter increases in amplitude for the black portions of a picture and decreases in amplitude for the whites), these synchronizing impulses represent the highest modulation capabilities of the television transmitter and when received they represent in the picture what may be termed "blacker than black" and consequently are of no significance, as far as the eye is concerned when viewing an image.

In Chapter No. 3, we shall discuss the radio and video frequencies involved in the transmission and reception of television images, the elements of cathode ray receiving tubes, electro-static and electro-magnetic deflection, and the modulation of a cathode ray electronic beam by the transmitted picture impulses.

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picture. In modern television, we have stepped up this rate of projection to 30 complete frames or 60 half-frames per second.

Television standards in the United States, as agreed upon by the Radio Manufacturers' Association *Television Committee*, standardized 441 lines per picture, 30 pictures per second, interlaced (i.e., 60 half-frame pictures), an aspect ratio of 3 to 4 (3 units in height to 4 in width) negative transmission and 10% of each line and frame allotted to synchronizing impulses. These standards and their relation to the transmission and reception of television images will be more fully explained in this and subsequent chapters of this course.

Figure No. 4 shows in block diagram the essential apparatus required for the transmission of a television image. It consists of an iconoscope, monoscope or image dissector, vertical and horizontal deflection circuits, amplifiers, power supplies, and a

Answers to QUIZ on page 719

1. b
2. aC, bE, cA, dF, eD, fB
3. c
4. c, minimum; d, maximum
5. d
6. a—too costly
7. c & d
8. all—though not all are classed as movie stars, their major activities being in other fields.
9. b
10. d
11. aC, bF, cE, dA, eB, fD
12. cA
13. d—KOIL, Blue; WOW, Red
14. c—experimental
15. c
16. Most often c or b; sometimes b & c; almost never a or d
17. b

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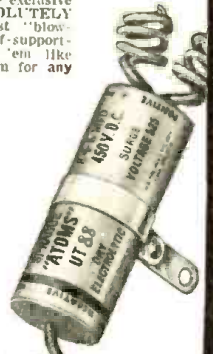
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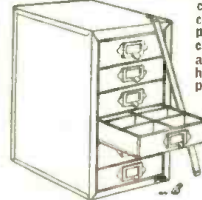
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6.090	ZBW2	HONGKONG, CHINA, 49.26 m., Addr. P. O. Box 200. Irregular.
6.083	VQ7LO	NAIROBI, KENYA, AFRICA, 49.31 m., Addr. Cable and Wireless, Ltd. Mon., Fri. 5.30-6 am., 11.15 am.-2.15 pm., also Tues. and Thurs. 8.15-9.15 am.; Sat. 11.15 am.-3.15 pm.; Sun. 10.45 am.-1.45 pm.
6.081	YVIRD	MARACAIBO, VEN., 49.32 m. 6-11 pm.
6.080	W9XAA	CHICAGO, ILL., 49.34 m., Addr. Chicago Fed. of Labor. Relays WCFL Irregular.
6.079	DJM	BERLIN, GERMANY, 49.34 m., Addr., Broadcasting House. 4.50-11 pm.
6.077	OAX4Z	LIMA, PERU, 49.35 m. Radio National 7 pm.-1.30 am. Except Sun.
6.075	VP3MR	GEORGETOWN, BRI. GUIANA, 49.35 m. Sun. 7.45-10.15 am.; Daily 4.45-8.45 pm.
6.070	CFRX	TORONTO, CAN., 49.42 m. Relays CFRB 7.30 am.-12 m., Sun. 10 am.-12 m.
6.070	VE9CS	VANCOUVER, B. C., CAN., 49.42 m. Sun. 1.45-9 pm., 10.30 pm.-1 am.; Tues. 6-7.30 pm., 11.30 pm.-1.30 am. Daily 6-7.30 pm.
6.069	—	TANANARIVE, MADAGASCAR, 49.42 m., Addr. (See 9.53 mc.) 12.30-12.45, 3.30-4.30, 10-11 am., Sun 2.30-4.30 am.
6.065	SBO	MOTALA, SWEDEN, 49.46 m. Relays Stockholm 4.15-5 pm.
6.060	—	TANANARIVE, MADAGASCAR, 49.5 m., 12.30-12.45, 3.30-4.30, 10-11 am.

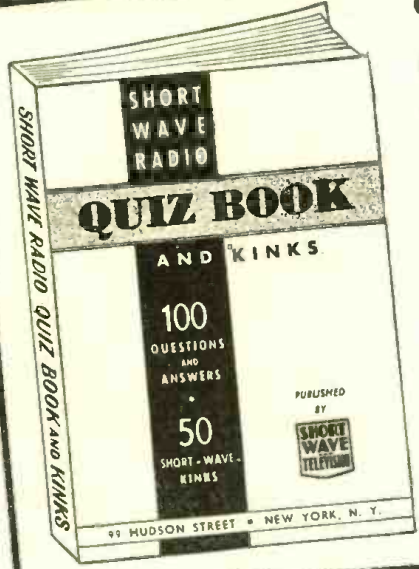
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Mc.	Call	Station
6.060	W8XAL	CINCINNATI, OHIO, 49.5 m., Addr. Crosley Radio Corp. Relays WLW Tues., Fri., Sun. 5.45 am.-12 n., 11 pm.-2 am.; Wed. 5.45 am.-12 n., 9 pm.-2 am.; Mon., Thurs., Sat. 5.45 am.-2 am.
6.060	W3XAU	PHILADELPHIA, PA., 49.5 m. Relays WCAU Tues., Fri., Sun. 1 pm.-Mid. Wed. 1-10 pm.
6.057	ZHJ	PENANG, FED. MALAY STATES, 49.51 m. 6.40-8.40 am., except Sun., also Sat. 11 pm.-1 am.
6.054	HJ6A8A	PEREIRA, COL., 49.52 m. 9.30 am.-12 n., 6.30-10 pm.
6.050	GSA	DAVENTRY, ENGLAND, 49.59 m., 10.45 am.-12 n., 12.20-4, 4.15-6 pm.
6.050	HJIABG	BARRANQUILLA, COL., 49.65 m., Addr. Emisora Atlantico. 11 am.-11 pm.; Sun. 11 am.-8 pm.
6.050	HP5F	COLON, PAN., 49.59 m. Addr. Carlton Hotel. Irregular.
6.045	RV15	KHABAROVSK, U.S.S.R., 49.63 m. 2-11 am.
6.045	XETW	TAMPICO, MEXICO, 49.6 m. Irregular 7-11 pm.
6.040	W4XB	MIAMI BEACH, FLA., 49.65 m. 1-3 pm., 9 pm.-12 m. Relays WIOD.
6.040	W1XAL	BOSTON, MASS., 49.65 m. Addr. University Club. Irregular.
6.033	HP5B	PANAMA CITY, PAN., 49.75 m., Addr. P. O. Box 910. 10.30 am.-2, 6-10 pm.
6.030	VE9CA	CALGARY, ALTA, CAN., 49.75 m. Thur. 9 am.-1 am.; Sun. 12 n.-12 m.

Mc.	Call	Station
6.030	RV59	MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., 49.75 m. 5-6, 10-11 pm. Irregular.
6.030	OLR2B	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 49.75 m. (See 11.875 mc.) Off the air at present.
6.023	XEUW	VERA CRUZ, MEX., 49.82 m., Addr. Av., Independencia 98. 10 pm.-1 am.
6.020	DJC	BERLIN, GERMANY, 49.83 m., Addr. (See 6.079 mc.) 1-4.30 pm.
6.017	H13U	SANTIAGO DE LOS CABALLEROS D. R., 49.85 m. 7.30-9 am., 12 n.-2 pm., 5-7 pm., 8-9.30 pm.; Sun. 12.30-2, 5-6 pm.
6.015	PRA8	PERNAMBUCO, BRAZIL, 49.84 m., Radio Club of Pernambuco, 4-9 pm.
6.010	OLR2A	PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 49.92 m., Addr. (See OLR, 11.84 mc.) Wed., Thurs., 4.40-5.10 pm.
6.010	COCO	HAVANA, CUBA, 49.92 m., Addr. P. O. Box 98. Daily 7.55 am.-12 m., Sun. until 11 pm.
6.010	VK9MI	S. S. KANIMBLA, 49.92 m. (Travels between Australia and New Zealand.) Sun., Wed., Thurs. 6.55-7.30 am.
6.010	CJXC	SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, 49.92 m. Relays CJCB 7 am.-1 pm., 4-8 pm. 1.30 pm. 8.30 pm.
6.007	ZRH	ROBERTS HEIGHTS, S. AFRICA, 49.94 m., Addr. (See ZRK, 9.606 mc.) Daily exc. Sun. 10 am.-3.30 pm.; Sun. 9 am.-12 n., 12.15-3.15 pm. Daily exc. Sat. 11.45 pm.-12.50 am.
6.007	ZRJ	JOHANNESBURG, S. AFRICA, 49.94 m., Addr. S. African Broadcast. Co., 3.30-4 pm. exc. Sun.
6.005	HP5K	COLON, PAN., 49.96 m., Addr. Box 33, La Voz de la Victor. 7-9 am., 10.30 am.-1 pm., 5-11 pm.

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6.000	ZBA	SALISBURY, RHODESIA, S. AFRICA, 50 m. (See 6.147 mc., ZEB.) Also Sun. 3.30-5 am.
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5.970	YV5RC	CARACAS, VEN., 50.26 m., Addr. Radio Caracas. Sun. 7 am.-10 pm. Daily 7-8 am., 1-1.45 pm., 4-9.30 or 10 pm.
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5.920	YV4RH	VALENCIA, VEN., 50.68 m. 5-9.30 pm.
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5.900	TILS	SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 50.85 m. 6-10 pm.
5.898	YV3RA	BARQUISIMETO, VEN., 50.86 m., Addr. La Voz de Lara, 12 n.-1 pm., 6-10 pm.
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5.790	TGS	GUATEMALA CITY, GUAT., 51.75 m. Casa Presidencial, Senor J. M. Caballero. Irregular.
5.758	YNOP	MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, 52.11 m. 8-9.30 pm.
5.740	YV2RA	SAN CRISTOBAL, VENEZUELA, 52.23 m., Addr. La Voz de Tachira. 11.30 am.-12 n., 5.30-9 pm., Sun. till 10 pm.
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YV4APB	14.16	4	7	Me.
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YV4AE	14.065	5	7	Wash., Ill., N. J., Colo., Ariz.
YV5AK	14.030	5	8	France, Conn.
YV5ADY	14.11	5	5	N. Y.
YV5ABY	14.1	5	9	Ohio, N. Y.
YV5AY	14.1	5	4	N. Y.
YV5AE	14.165	4	7	N. J.
YV5ABF	14.06	4	6	Colo.
YV6AM	14.087	4	7	Ill.
VP4TK	14.1	5	6	France

Due to the large number of Europeans heard and reported by our observers during January, it is impossible for us to print the usual list. This continent seemed to be very well heard last month, and about two hundred stations were reported. Therefore, we will skip Europe for this issue, but continue to send in your reports on this continent as it will probably be used in the next issue.

From Australia we have only a very few stations reported. They were rarely heard during January.

VK2XU	14.1	5	8	France
VK2ABU	14.05	5	8	Penna.
VK2RY	14.234	4	7	Penna.
VK2JO	14.135	4	6	Ariz.
VK2GN	14.	4	6	South Africa
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VK2AFQ	14.1	5	6	Ohio
VK3KX	14.25	5	9	France
VK3XG	14.337	4	6	Penna.
VK4JP	14.	4	6	South Africa
VK5MF	14.3	5	8	France
VK7CL	14.09	4-5	6	Penna., Ohio
VK9VG	14.31	5	6-8	France

Oceanic stations increased in number during January, particularly those located in the Hawaiian Islands and the Netherland Indies.

K6OFW	14.225	4-5	7-8	Kan., Colo., France, South Africa, Ala.
K6ILW	14.12	5	6-8	Ark., Ore., Colo.
K6IQN	14.085	4	7	Ark., Ill., Colo.
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K6QQM	28.9	5	8	Ore.
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K6BNR	14.18	5	9	Wash., Ill., Colo., Ariz., Utah
K6PLZ	14.185	5	8	Wash., Ill., Colo.
K6OQE	14.190	5	8	Wash., Ill., Colo., Ariz.
K6OJI	28.375	5	9	Penna.
K6OJI	14.2	5	9	Wash., Ill., Colo., Ariz.
K6KGA	14.18	4-5	3-7	Wash., Ill., Colo., Ariz., Utah
K6MZQ	14.185	4	7	Wash., Colo.
K6OTH	14.175	5	8-9	Wash., South Africa
K6BIR	29.01	4	5	Ill.
K6NVV	28.75	5	6	Ill.
K6QAF	14.21	5	5	Colo.
K6DTT	14.250	5	9	South Africa
VR6AY	14.342	4-5	5-6	Kan., Ohio, Ill., France, Colo., Ala., South Africa

KA1ME	14.145	4-5	6-8	Kan., South Africa
KA1CS	14.310	5	9	South Africa
KA1HS	14.282	5	8	South Africa
KA1BH	14.11	5	9	South Africa
KA1JM	14.	5	8	South Africa
KA2OV	14.228	4	5	Utah
KA7EF	14.14	5	6	Utah, Wash., South Africa
VR2FF	14.2	5	5	France
PK1MF	14.26	5	8	France
PK1MX	14.08	5	9	France
PK1VY	14.285	5	9	France
PK1ZZ	14.3	5	9	France
PK1GR	14.	5	8	South Africa
PK2KT	14.	5	8	South Africa
PK2AY	14.295	5	9	France
PK2FS	14.14	5	9	France
PK3WI	14.225	4-5	6-9	France, South Africa
PK4CB	14.34	5	6	France
PK4KH	14.3	5	7	France
PK4KS	14.31	4	6-7	Kan., Ariz., N. Y.
PK6XX	14.050	5	8	France
ZL3GU	14.3	-	-	France
ZL3IF	28.25	5	6	Ore.
ZL4CB	14.115	4	4	France
ZL6AZ	28.1	5	7	Ore.

Well, that finishes it for another month. It is hoped that you will like our new arrangement, and your letter of comment will be greatly appreciated. If you have any ideas for bettering this department, send them in to us. Your criticisms are always welcome.

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