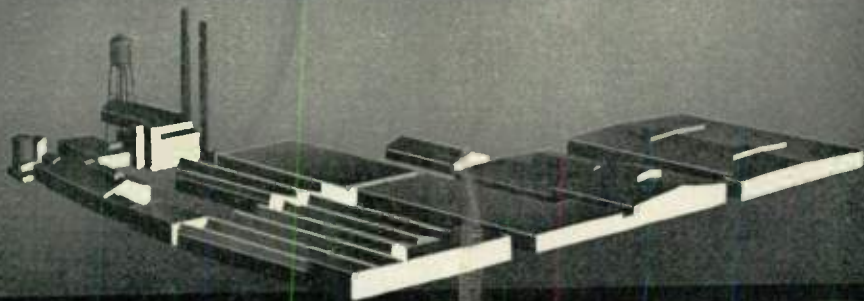


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# RADIO SERVICE HINTS

## Practical Suggestions on Solution of Radio Servicing Problems Encountered in Actual Experience by Servicemen Everywhere

This section, conducted by our servicemen readers, will be a regular feature of the C-D Capacitor, and is intended to provide other servicemen with helpful notes on testing, locating troubles in specific models of sets, repairing them, or any other suggestions to simplify service work.

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### Clean Parts Make Big Improvement

When the principal causes of trouble have been corrected and repaired in all sets, the writer has found that a big improvement in the operation can be effected if the set is given a thorough cleaning.

Apply carbon tetrachloride with a small brush to the ground springs of variable condensers, volume control bearings, and other moving parts where dirt and dust collects. Then when the set is cleaned thoroughly realign the set to compensate for changes in calibration from warped and worn metal parts. By doing this the improved results in the operation of any type of receiver will more than pay for the little extra effort on the part of the serviceman to satisfy a customer whose repeat business he expects.—O. K. Powell, Ainsworth, Texas.

### Low Turntable Speed

On a number of occasions the writer has had to repair phonoradio sets such as the Stromberg-Carlson 1941 models and others which employ Webster record changers that developed low turn-

table speed. This trouble was usually found in the gear coupling with the motor and large changing mechanism gear.

To remedy this, remove the middle gear and polish the shaft and hole with fine emery cloth. Then clean the gear thoroughly with gasoline and reassemble the mechanism being sure to recoil same with a high grade machine oil. Spring and spacing washers must be replaced as found originally with the spring washer on the bottom side of the shaft.—Nicholas G. Laditka, Cleveland, Ohio.

### Continuity Check with Tube Tester

A tube checker can be used as an emergency continuity tester in the following manner. Set the tube tester for "short test" and plug the test prods into the plate and cathode prongs of some tube socket. Whenever continuity exists, the neon indicator will glow. The capacity of capacitors can be checked by noting the brightness of the indicator and comparing its brightness with known capacities. This test can even be used with small mica capacitors.—J. S. Jackson, Jr., Bowling Green, Ky.



## Substitute Tubes

Several types of a.c.-d.c. receivers employing beam power tubes very often distort tone and quality of reception after the set has been on for five or ten minutes. After checking all capacitors and other parts in the set, and seeing that the voltage is about 74 on the screen grid of the beam power output tube, try replacing with a new output tube. Tubes such as the 2516, 3516, 5016, and 35A5 will very often check O.K. on a tube checker, yet the tubes will cause a drop in voltage sufficient to cause the distortion. The writer found that the bantam type tubes have been the cause of this trouble in many sets.—*Milton V. Ratynski, Richmond, Va.*

## A 6-Volt Battery for 2-Volt Tubes

Any 6-volt three cell storage battery may easily be converted into a 2-volt battery as shown in the accompanying sketch.

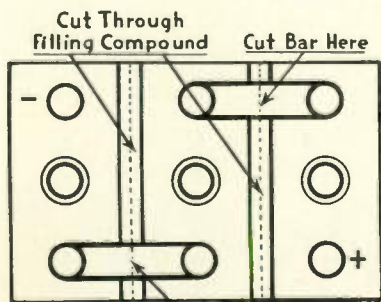


Fig. 1- 6 volt Battery

The first operation is to disconnect the terminal bars between the three 2-volt cells by cutting them apart with a hack saw. See Fig. 1. The sealing compound on the top of the battery is then cut through with a knife so that the center cell can be

raised and its position reversed as shown in Fig. 2.

Two heavy lead terminal bars made from an old lead pipe can then be used to reconnect the cells as shown. Holes drilled through the bars and into the terminal posts may be tapped for machine screws in order to make good electrical contact with terminals.—*H. J. Sundmeyer, London, Ark.*

## Chevrolet 1940 Custom Receivers

On checking noise suppression in sets of this model as given in the July 1940 issue of the "C-D Capacitor" it was found the sets were still roisy. All capacitors were installed and checked O.K. on the generator, ignition switch and ammeter, and grounds on front wheels, cylinder head, and mufflers. However, it was finally found that grounding the front of the set chassis with heavy copper braid to the metal

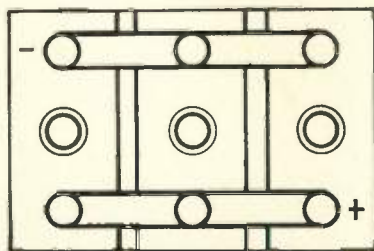


Fig. 2- 2 volt Battery

dash board completely eliminated all noises. This additional means of noise elimination has been successful on most all sets of this model which the writer has been called upon to service for noisy reception.—*Leo Stein, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.*



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**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—New transmitting and receiving tubes, new radio parts. Wanted metal lathe, drill press, or what have you to trade? Frank Caulkins, 385 Perkins St., Akron, Ohio.

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# SERVICING INTERMITTENTS\*

## Methods and tricks to use in finding faulty parts which cause periodic operation

**I**ntermittent reception is a broad term which includes fading, slow and rapid, static-like noises which are due to set or antenna-ground faults. All of these troubles may be considered akin and a common procedure can be used for hunting them.

Intermittents are not difficult to recognize as a type of trouble, but there may be a problem deciding whether the trouble is in the set or elsewhere. Antenna, ground, or the a.c. line may be the cause.

### External Faults

The aerial system should be the first point of inspection when tackling an intermittent case. Connections from the far end of the wire to the set must be really given a "going over." Wrap-arounds are not good enough. Every joint should be soldered securely. Lightning arresters are a particular source of intermittents or noise. The bolts passing through the porcelain housing loosen through expansion and contraction, sometimes permitting the two gap blades to touch—result, plenty of noise and intermittents.

Ground leads, too, are subjects for suspicion. Large variations in ground resistance cannot be tolerated. Connections to the water pipe should

be close to the entrance into the ground to avoid as many joints in the pipe as possible, as these are usually painted and have considerable resistance. Grounds in extremely dry locations, formed by driving rods or pipes into the earth, may be improved by saturating the soil with a salt-water solution. Replace badly rusted, loose clamps.

The power line and house wiring is, many times, the cause of the intermittent operation of the set.

### Power Line Ground

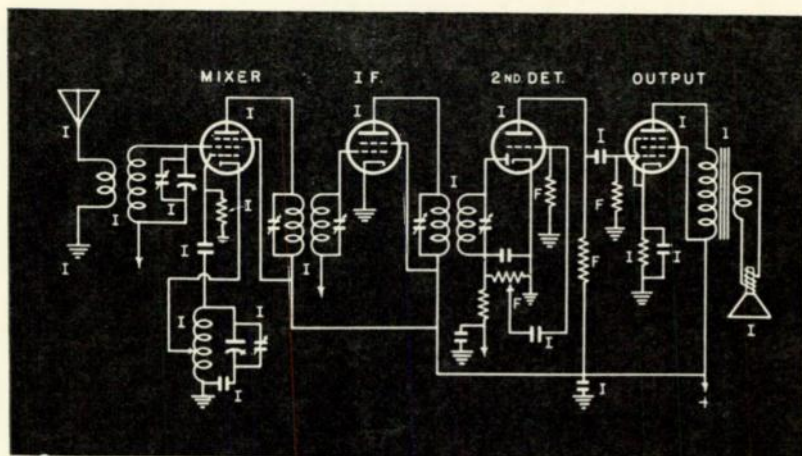
Bad connections, loose bulbs, fuses and other appliances are many times the cause of intermittents. Wiring may be loose at outlet plates, or elsewhere in the house. Such conditions may be observed with a light connected to the radio outlet. Use a low wattage bulb and watch for flickering.

One of the worst power line intermittents is due to the varying ground path between the set and earth. A set playing at normal volume level will suddenly become twice as loud or cut off altogether as some appliance is turned on elsewhere in the house. This usually occurs when radio and appliance are on the same branch circuit. The

\* By courtesy of "Radio Today."

reason for this remote and undesired volume control is a poor ground on the set. As lights or other electrical devices are paralleled across the line, the impedance path to ground is reduced, thus boosting the signal.

Any that are even slightly suspicious should be temporarily replaced as a test. Tubes with indirectly heated cathodes are usually the ones to cause trouble rather than the filament types.



Some of the more common causes of intermittents and fading. Parts labeled I are sources of intermittents and those marked F cause fading. Their effects are sometimes reversed.

A.C. sets are subject to this sort of trouble more than the a.c.-d.c. variety. The reason being, that a.c.-d.c. sets are connected directly to the line, while a.c. sets are isolated by the transformer. A cure may be effected by placing two 0.01 mfd. paper capacitors in series across the a.c. line-side of the power transformer and connecting the junction of the capacitors to the chassis of the set. A good separate set-ground may be needed in stubborn cases.

After the preliminary investigation of the antenna, ground, and power line has been made, the next step should be the testing of the tubes, especially for shorts while hot.

### Spotting Troubles

The obvious method to use in speeding up intermittent searches, is that of identifying certain characteristic types of action at particular points in the circuit. Intermittents will affect the AVC circuits, while those in the audio section will not unless shorts change tube voltages. Intermittents in circuits ahead of the volume control will be varied in volume, while those "back" of control will not. For example, this is the method of distinguishing IF transformer failure from audio transformer breakdown. The type of crackling noise is exactly the same, but audio

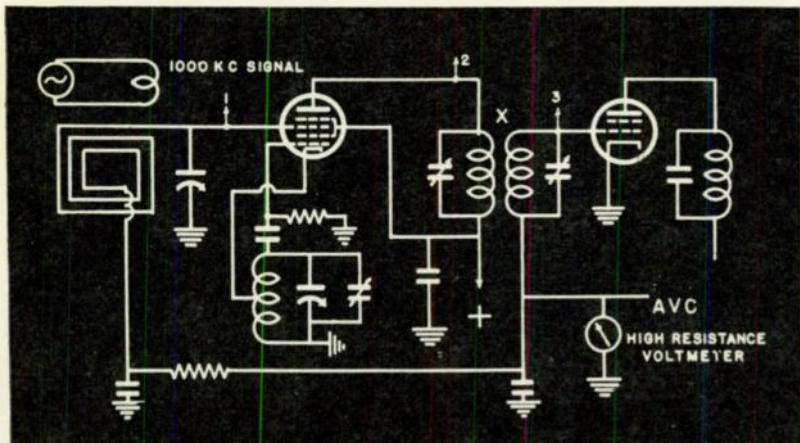
transformers are generally located after the volume control and, therefore, don't have their ailments varied in strength by the control.

### Voltage Boosting

Faults producing intermittents may occur in any portion of the circuit. Parts which have screen or plate d.c. voltages on them are usually the ones which cause intermittent operation of the set. These parts may be weak and break down at some crucial moment when the line voltage, and consequently the d.c. operating voltage rises. For this reason, the location of these faulty parts may be speeded up by boosting the over-all voltage on the set until the erring condenser, resistor, transformer, etc., is broken down permanently. This process may take a few innocent parts with it, but the result will be a better set, since those weaker sisters will be out.

For this work, some sort of auto-transformer will be handy. The line voltage may be raised about 10 per cent from the usual value under which the set was working. Break-downs may not be due to the higher voltage alone, but also the rate of rise of voltage. For this reason, the line voltage should be "jogged" with the auto-transformer.

Particular things to examine as possible sources of intermittents are screen and plate circuit by-pass condensers, bad connections, open IF or audio transformers, breakdown of high value resistors. Interstage coupling capacitors, especially in the audio section are a major cause of intermittents. The usual complaint is due to connecting leads breaking off from the foil, but with no external indication. Give these a little axial exercising.



Basic method for locating intermittent with signal tracing. Signal is picked up at 1 and 2 OK. Varying signal at 3 indicates faulty IF transformer. Other sections checked similarly.

## Power Supply Failures

Power supply failures that occur intermittently will present themselves by varying the current drain of the set and the wattage input. This is also the case of by-pass units which are a part of the d.c. power network. A power line wattmeter or other indicator is valuable as an indicator of this trouble. If such an instrument is not at hand, a substitute may be rigged up with a 25-ohm 100-watt resistor in series with an outlet receptacle. The resistor should be of the semi-variable type. Connect your a.c. voltmeter across the resistor and adjust the slider until approximately two volts drop is obtained with the set plugged into the outlet. Any change in the power input to the set through shorts or opens in the circuits will show up on the meter. The device may be calibrated into watts. Watts equal to  $E^2/R$ .

Intermittents are almost always tied up with a change in heat. When sets are brought into the shop, they should be left in the cabinet while operating runs are made. Wrap the set in heavy canvas or other slow-burning material to boost the temperature in the set. Condenser failures which cause intermittents will be broken down completely in the extra heat.

## Fading Troubles

Slow fading is just as much a form of intermittents as the complete cut-off variety. Slow fading will usually be found due to changes in resistance of volume controls, bias resistors, and plate load resistors.

Heat is the major factor in changing the value of resistors. Picking out the one which is giving the trouble will be a job in more complex receivers. Here again, the methods of observing other circuit variations can be used to advantage. Variations in the AVC bias, or second detector plate current, will indicate the trouble to be in the RF portions, of course. It is possible that an RF or IF tube screen-dropping resistors are changing value and the amplification of the signal.

Extra heat is often applied to hasten or completely break down parts causing intermittents. Methods of applying the heat range from use of a soldering iron near the part to the small alcohol blow-torch. A wire gauze or screen should be used between the flame and the part when the torch is employed. Do not let the open flame come in contact with any of the set parts. These tricks all require skill and care, but will often be valuable in hastening the breakdown of faulty parts.

## Using the Signal

One of the advantages of signal tracing equipment is its use in hunting intermittents. By monitoring several vital parts of the receiver circuit at one time, any breakdown may be localized into one of these sections. Further and detailed testing of the parts in that section of the circuit locate the troubles.

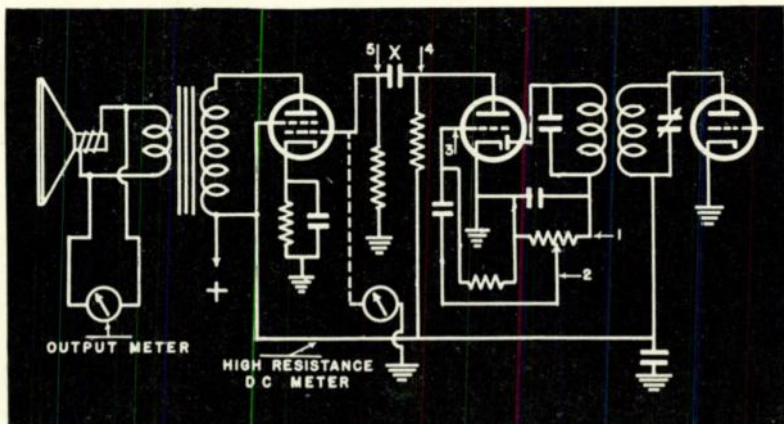
Signal substitution is easily applied to intermittent hunting. Connect your oscillator so that it delivers a signal of the correct frequency to



the suspected stage or stages. The output meter connected in its usual way will show the intermittents and slow fading. By moving the signal toward or away from the output meter, the trouble is localized. Coup-

### Remove Suspected Parts

Where individual parts are suspected of causing the intermittents, they are more completely tested after they have been removed from the circuit. Capacity is easily checked



Signal substitution used in audio end to run down intermittent coupling condenser. Signal applied to 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Wavering of output up to 5 shows bad condenser. Leakage indicated by meter.

ling condensers, RF and IF transformers are checked by putting the signal generator before and after the part while noting the action of the output meter. By-pass condensers in screen and cathode circuits must really do their job when the signal is applied to these circuits. A marked increase in the output will indicate that they are not working. Well shielded oscillator probes are needed to prevent excessive radiation to the grid circuit which would cause greater output and give a false indication.

while connected in the circuit by using any standard type of capacity tester. However, more than a capacity test is usually necessary. The leakage current at 10 to 20 per cent more than normal operating voltage should be measured while the capacitor is kept at a temperature equal to operating conditions. At least one tester of condensers puts a strong RF current through them to measure their impedance as well as capacity. Any capacitor which has a loose connection internally will be quickly broken down with the heavy current.

Noisy IF and RF transformers can be checked by putting a few mills of d.c. through each winding while listening to a pair of headphones attached to the free winding. Any noise will indicate that the winding connected to the d.c. is at fault because of a damaged winding or moisture. Remember that IF transformer windings usually have only about 10 ohms resistance, therefore, a d.c. test voltage should be quite low and a protective resistance used in series to prevent destroying the winding.

### Use a System

While intermittent troubles are sometimes the most difficult to clear up, the development of a system for going after these faults will make the jobs simpler. The following is suggested as a guide to be so modified as is necessary to fit your particular equipment, etc.

First, examine the antenna, ground, and power line for loose connections, and high resistance grounds.

Second, check tubes, especially for shorts while they are hot and being tapped to vibrate the elements. Cathode leakage tests are also very important.

Third, attempt to localize the intermittent part by making a few checks of the AVC, or second detector cathode current, and whether the volume control has any effect on the occurrence and volume of the intermittents. Have the set operate for some time in its case, or wrapped up so that usual operating temperatures are reached. Use signal tracing and substitution as needed to find the difficult troubles.

## THE RADIO TRADING POST

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## F-M BROADCASTING\*

Much is heard these days concerning frequency modulation. While it is true that f-m is playing an ever more important role in radio broadcasting, the serviceman has had little servicing to do on f-m receivers. The obvious reason for this situation lies in the fact that only a small number of receivers are in the hands of the public. However, the Federal Communications Commission has granted some 43 construction permits for f-m stations in some 15 different states, and there are approximately 51 applications still awaiting official action. In view of this, it seems likely that the sale of f-m units will increase rapidly in the near future—and that the serviceman will soon be gaining practical f-m experience. In the meantime, it will be well to keep up to date on the subject.

The accompanying table lists the stations that have had FCC approval (to April 15) and gives their commercial call letters. In this connection it is interesting to note the method used in assigning these call letters. The first letter is either a W or K, depending upon whether the station is east or west of the Mississippi River. This is followed

by two numbers indicating the frequency assignment in the 40-mc band. The final letters are used to designate the city or general locality of the station. For example, W63NY is a New York City station operating on 46.3 mc, while K47SL is located in Salt Lake City and operates on 44.7 mc.

At least two stations are operating on a commercial basis, the remaining stations are operating with experimental equipment while awaiting delivery of their commercial transmitters. Since the National Defense effort has made early deliveries questionable, many stations will be permitted to operate on a commercial basis with existing experimental transmitters.

Some sixteen or more f-m receiver manufacturers have been licensed under Armstrong patents, and eight or ten of these have already launched production. In general these sets may be placed in three classifications: (1) combination a-m/f-m sets, (2) straight f-m receivers, and (3) f-m tuners to be used with the audio portion of conventional receivers. In some cases the tuners will cover both the regular broadcast and the f-m band.

### F-M BROADCASTING STATIONS

State and City	Owner	Call Letters	Freq. Mc.
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>			
Los Angeles	Don Lee Broadcasting System	K45LA	44.5
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>			
Hartford	The Travelers Broadcasting Svc.	W53H	45.3
	WDRC, Inc.	W65H	46.5
<b>ILLINOIS</b>			
Chicago	NBC	W63C	46.3
	WJJD, Inc.	W47C	44.7
	WGN, Inc.	W59C	45.9
	CBS	W67C	46.7
	Moody Bible Institute		47.5
	Zenith Radio Corp.	W51C	45.1
Rockford	Rockford Broadcasters, Inc.	W71RF	47.1

\* By courtesy of "Service" magazine.

State and City	Owner	Call Letters	Freq. Mc.
<b>INDIANA</b>			
Evansville	Evansville on the Air	W45V	44.5
South Bend	South Bend Tribune	W71SB	47.1
Ft. Wayne	Westinghouse Radio Stations	W49FW	44.9
<b>LOUISIANA</b>			
Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge Broadcasting Co.	W45RG	44.5
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>			
Boston	Westinghouse Radio Stations	W67B	46.7
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<b>MICHIGAN</b>			
Detroit	Evening News Assoc.	W45D	44.5
	John Lord Booth	W49D	44.9
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Mt. Washington	Yankee Network	W39B	43.9
<b>NEW YORK</b>			
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	Bamberger Broadcasting Svc.	W71NY	47.1
	W. G. H. Finch	W55NY	45.5
	NBC	W51NY	45.1
	Marcus Loew Booking Agency	W63NY	46.3
	Frequency Broadcasting Corp.	W59NY	45.9
	Metropolitan Television, Inc.	W75NY	47.5
	E. H. Armstrong		43.1
Schenectady	General Electric Co.	W57A	45.7
	Capitol Broadcasting Co.	W47A	44.7
Binghamton	Howitt-Wood Radio Co.	W49BN	44.9
Syracuse	Central New York Broadcasting	W63SY	46.3
Rochester	Stromberg-Carlson		45.1
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>			
Winston-Salem	Gordon Gray		44.1
<b>OHIO</b>			
Columbus	WBNS, Inc.	W45CM	44.5
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>			
Philadelphia	WCAU Broadcasting Co.	W69PH	46.9
	WFIL Broadcasting Corp.	W53PH	45.3
	Pennsylvania Broadcasting Co.	W47PH	44.7
	Westinghouse Radio Stations	W57PH	45.7
Pittsburgh	Walker-Downing Radio Corp.	W47P	44.7
	Westinghouse Radio Stations	W75P	47.5
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Nashville	National Life & Accident	W47NV	44.7
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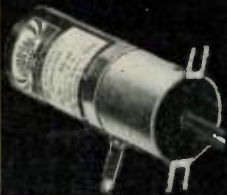
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