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Shall WCAP Stop Broadcasting?

Future of This Station's Entertainment Service May Be
Decided Next Week

By WALTER BARRETT

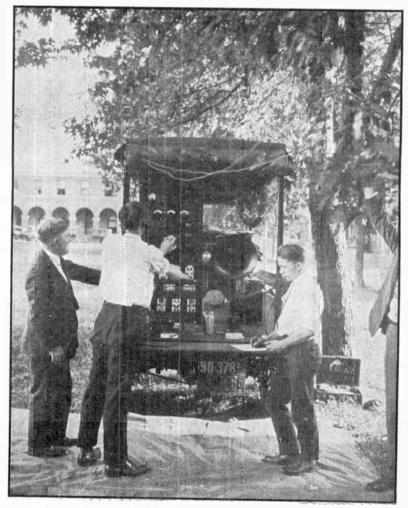
ON a decision of the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia next week, hangs the fate of WCAP, the popular and powerful broadcasting station of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company.

There are persistent rumors in Washington—and they are taken seriously in some quarters—that should the Utilities Commission order a reduction in !elephone also the telephone company's light class broadcasting service would automatically cease.

What the telephone company expects to ultimately gain through its radio broadcasting has never been satisfactorily explained. Where the revenues for the costly service are derived, is another question that has not been definitely cleared up. However, the Federation of Citizens' Associations, in its petition to the Utilities Commission demanding a reduction in telephone rates, charges that the thousands of telephone subscribers in the District of Columbia are paying for this radio service.

If the Utilities Commission, in its investigation, finds that the telephone company is using surplus profits derived from its telephone service to pay for its radio service, it undoubtedly will order a reduction in the present 'phone rates. Then, where will the funds come from for the broadcasting service? The answer is simple. The pub-

The answer is simple. The public will either have to pay the cost of operating the telephone company's broadcasting station, or depend entirely on the Radio Corpert



WCAP's radio truck which will go out of operation if the station shuts down,

poration of America's station, WRC, for its local radio entertainment. The telephone company has nothing to lose, except an enor-

mous amount of free advertising, should it shut down its broadcasting station. The thousands of radio (Continued on page 2.)

Radio Fans Neglect to Protect Their Apparatus

By D. O. GABLE

TAKE a trip into your cellar; no, not for what you think I mean, but take a trip there and inspect the protection on the electrical lighting system in your home. You will find that your electric meter is fused on the incoming and outgoing sides. This not only protects the meter but also protects the valuable apparatus at the generating station and in your home In fact, if you should go on to examine the entire system supplying electrical power to your home you would soon discover that there is a most elaborate amount of protection at every point you turn. On casual inspection, however, you might say that the entire scheme had been overdone, and, still, most any electrical engineer will tell you that they are constantly searching for more means of protection. In fact, the entire application of electrical energy is a study of safety and protection when it comes to our radio outfits. We often neglect to place fuses on the lead wires from our storage battery, although, an or-dinary storage battery is easily capable of giving 200 amperes or more on a dead short circuit. Such a high current can often melt a copper wire and is certainly sufficient to cause a fire if not checked in time. Yet, this is only one hazard that radio fans run daily and think nothing of it.

Still another neglected feature is the protection of the vacuum tubes in the radio set. Millions of dol-lars are spent by radio fans every year to renew or replace tubes that are burnt out through just plain accident. Still many radio people continue with the old routine and are content to gamble with luck that it won't happen again. Accidents will happen, no matter how many precautions are taken, and although you may take the ut-most care yourself you must always take precautionary steps against others who are perfectly capable of causing much trouble. Vacuum tubes are burnt out in many accidental ways: some are placed across the high voltage "B" battery, others are blown out by a large share of the credit for the excessive "A" battery voltage, and, prosperity of Washington's radio

then some are blown by strange and mysterious ways, such as placing a WD-12 tube in a set that was just operating with a 201- Λ : forgetting that the filament voltage of the WD-12 is 4.5 and the filament voltage of the 201-A is 5.0 volts. Flash, goes the tube in a mere fraction of a second. A \$5.00 tube is gone in an instant, and yet, for a small cost this tube and all others could be insured against all mistakes.

It was an easy matter to design a fuse to protect your home and radio set from fire that might be caused by a shorted storage batfery, but there was an altogether different problem when radio engineers endeavored to protect the vacuum tube. A tube fuse must not only be capable of blowing on an exceedingly low current as compared to the battery fuse, but also must be always ready to function in a much shorter period of time. The tube fuse must act and act effectively before any harm is done to the tube filament. In the case of the battery fuse nothing serious would happen if the fuse did not act promptly within 1/1,000th of a second, but a tube fuse must regularly act exactly within the allotted time. One of the oldest New England radio houses has spent much time and money to perfect a tube fuse that slips over the filament leg of the fiihe

Shall WCAP Stop Broadcasting?

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fans in Washington and the Eastern section of the country, who enjoy WCAP's programs, would suffer the greatest loss.

Thousands of dollars have been spent by the telephone company in equipping its broadcasting station. and furnishing for more than a year, air entertainment that can find no equal in any section of the country. WCAP also can take dealers. The high class programs broadcast by this station undoubtedly increased the sale of radio receiving sets while at the same time stimulated interest in radio.

Any person who heard WCAP the other night broadcast that epochal international and trans-continental radio and long distonce telephone demonstration, and did not immediately become a radio enthusiast, fails to appreciate the seeming miracles of the present era. Scores of cases could be cited where the telephone company indirectly has stimulated an interest in radio among persons who, from the inception of the radio craze, have steadfastly contended that it was a fad that would soon disappear into oblivion.

Should it be true that the excess profits of the telephone company are paying for the broadcasting service, the rate reduction which the Utilities Commission will order will amount to about 50 cents a month. The broadcasting service, therefore, on this basis, would be costing telephone subscribers a little more than 10 cents a week. A vast majority of the telephone subscribers are radio fans. Are they not willing to contribute 50 cents a month toward paying for the entertainment they receive through WCAP, sixteen nights a month?

A continuation of the present

telephone rates will see a continuation in the telephone company's broadcasting service. A reduction probably will sound the death of WCAP.

Announcement

IN the issue of January 14 the hook-up and description of the Superdyne Receiver was featured. Almost immediately letters from radio fans in Washington and from as far away as Florida began pouring into the office of publication, seeking additional information. All of these requests have been tabulated and forwarded to the manufacturer of the set. As soon as the information desired can be compiled at the factory, those readers of the BROADCAST RECEIVER who have requested additional data, will be furnished with copies.—EDITOR.

Long Distance Crystal Receving Station

By J. K. Donovan

MANY experts have come to the conclusion that all effective radio receiving will eventually revolve about the crystal set. After the inefficient coherer method the crystal was the first development, then the three-element tube. Conditions everywhere, at present, indicate that receiving will finally abandon the tube with its complicated apparatus and again adopt the old system. The greater part of radio progress has thus far been directed to the perfection of Experimenters with the tube. crystal stations, however, have not remained entirely inactive nor have their efforts been fruitless. DX crystal receiving has now actually been accomplished. After exhaustive experimentation for several years the Donamhain circuit has been evolved.

The Donamhain DX crystal receiving circuit is about as efficient and selective as any so far devised. The first salient feature of this set is its antenna installation. An aerial of less than 140 feet long has been found to be ineffective. This, however, may comprise as many wires as necessary. If the aerial is located in a congested district, where a greater length than 50 feet is not permitted, the difficulty may be somewhat lessened by employing two or more ground connections. Even if your aerial is sufficiently long it would be a good practice to follow this plan. Automobile tire rims, metal plates, coils, etc., will give fine results if added to the ground system. These should be buried preferably in the cellar, as the earth is usually damper at this depth. An underground loop has been operated successfully in connection with this hook up, thus entirely eliminating the elevated antenna.

If you construct a ground system as described it would be well to connect your ground wire to the aerial binding post and your nerial lead-in to the ground binding post, as this gives much sharper tuning. Ground wires should be connected to all-metal objects which would appear to detract from the energy of the aerial.

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DONAMHAIN CIRCUIT
TWO CONDENSERS

DONAMHAIN
CIRCUIT
ONE CONDENSERS

This increases the effective height of your wires. A 50-foot counterpoise also would increase the efficiency of the aerial if you have trouble with your ground connections.

Keep resistance in antenna connections as low as possible by scraping corrosion from your wires at least twice each month. A good cat whisker and crystal are of prime importance for satisfactory results. An efficient cat whisker may be easily constructed of a short piece of bare copper wire, this should be filed to a fine point once each week. A galena crystal is not advisable. Galena gives superior results for about two weeks but it must be confinually broken to preserve its sensitiveness. Due to its extremely soft surface it must be replaced very often if the maximum volume is desired.

Two variable condensers and a variocoupler are the tuning instruments embodied in the Donamhain circuit. The condensers should be 43 plate (.005 MFD.) and 23 plate (.001 MFD.). Excellent long-dis-

tance reception, however, may still be accomplished by elimination of one of the condensers (23 plate). A good detector stand and .00i MFD. by-pass should also be used. When tuning this circuit place the first switch on the first tap and the second switch on the last tap. Set the variocoupler secondary at 50 degrees by the dial, or straight up and down, then tune with the condensers. This method utilizes all of the coil and besides minimizing the possibility of loss by "dead ends" renders the set capable of a greater selectivity. The Donamhain circuit may be tuned on other taps but the above mentioned are the most satisfactory.

For summer thunderstorms a good lightning arrester or ground switch should be used. A ground switch may be constructed of two binding posts and a two-inch piece of bus bar. Serew the two binding posts about an inch apart with their connection holes directly facing each other. Connect the ground binding post to the serew of one of them and the aerial bind-

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A Page With The Editor

THE BROADCAST RECEIVER, beginning with this issue, becomes a semimonthly instead of a weekly publication. Hereafter it will appear on the 1st and 15th of each

nonth.

The change was made for several important reasons. First, it was found impossible, due to the vast amount of work in publishing a magazine of the type of THE BROADCAST RECEIVER, to enlarge it to the size desired by the publishers and continue as a weekly and at the same time give to the readers and advertisers the high-class service that has been maintained Second, it was in the past. Second, it was planned to publish as a weekly feature the advance programs of the local and distant broadcasting stations. These programs, arranged so far in advance in the date of publication, have been juggled and changed so frequently that they were virtually valueless to the radio listener who used them. The advance programs, therefore, will not be published in this and subsequent issues.

As a semimonthly, The Broad-cast Receiver will take rank among national radio magazines as an instructor and entertainer in the realm of radio. Future issues will be bigger and better, with no change in price—10 cents a copy.

Don't miss an issue.

THE outstanding need of radio to-day, both for the enjoyment of the art and to promote its further development as a sound industry, is more efficient amplifica-

Not only research engineers but manufacturers agree that the wider use of better amplification is the next stage of development of the utility. This will not only vastly increase the number of radio users, but immeasurably improve the standard and quality of results obtained in homes throughout the land.

To be sure, amplification is al-

ready used with a vengrance. Vengeance is often the precise word! Too much of it sounds like an alley cat singing to its mate: "Last night on the back fence I loved you best of all."

Radio's supreme need is amplification with distortion. To amplify is easy, but to amplify so that no distortion or change in the sound is made requires apparatus designed and constructed by specialists in amplification. In all amplifiers there are transformers and vacuum tubes. The transformer is the heart of the amplifier. Unless the proper transformer is used, the singer's voice in Washington is distorted into squalls and squawks in Chicago. The voice will be amplified, but the tone and the rich natural quality will not be preserved without a proper trans-

The general public is realizing more every day that amplification is the most important single factor in radio. It is so fundamental that without amplification, radio to-day would be impossible. Changing electric waves to sound waves wouldn't mean much if they couldn't be heard plainly. Ampli-

fication builds them up so that they are clear and easy to hear. Amplification is used at the transmitting station as well as at the receiving instrument. Faint whispers thousands of miles away become clear, living voices in the homes of millions.

Amplification is multiplication. The small amount of sound energy generated by the voice or violin string at the broadcasting station is changed to electrical energy and then multiplied or amplified millions of times. This large amount of energy is then put into an antenna and radiated out into space as an electromagnetic wave. When this wave strikes a similar antenna thousands of miles away it gives up to it a small amount of this energy to be amplified again so that a whole room full of people at the remote point can listen and understand-

In a very real and vital sense the key to radio is amplification, and the public is increasingly realizing this. Even more important, they are demanding amplification which gives not only volume but quality of sound—amplification

without distortion.

What's Coming Next

BRUCE Lum, whose informative articles have been a regular feature of The Broadcast Receiver, has written another interesting story for the issue of March 1. Don't miss it.

MECHANICALLY inclined amateurs, especially those who have just been bitten by the "radio bug" will be interested in the article Carlton E. Butler, Radio Engineer, has written for the issue of March 1, on "A Good Beginner's

Hook-Up." This hook-up describes in detail the famous ultra audion circuit which is unusually easy to construct. It is a real "DX" circuit

A SPECIAL "Show Number" of the Broadcast Receiver will be issued on March 15, four days prior to the opening of Washington's first annual radio show at Convention Hall. Besides the regular technical and news features, the show edition will contain a complete program of the radio show.

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Interference from Regenerative Sets

By C. B. Joliffe, Radio Laboratory, Bureáu of Standards

EDITOR'S NOTE.—This interesting and valuable talk on interference from regenerative receiving sets was broadcast recently from WRC by C. B. Jolliffe, of the radio laboratory of the Eureau of Standards. It is published at the request of hundreds of our readers.

AS YOU tuned in to-night, did you come in with a whistle? If so, you probably caused many people in your neighborhood discomfort. You would not walk into a hall whistling loudly during a concert or lecture. If you did you would probably be told to leave. For the same reason, if users of receiving sets which may be made to produce whistles insist on going into and out of radio concerts and lectures whistling and causing disturbances the large number of users of radio receiving sets who are operating their sets so as not to cause this type of interference will demand that some means be taken to stop the use of sets which can go into self-generation, that is oscillate. It may be necessary to put regulations prohibiting the use of such sets into the laws of the Nation. We hope not.

The so-called "regenerative receiving set" is blamed for the most of this type of interference, but it should be pointed out that it may be caused by other types of receiving sets as well. Sets which include radio frequency amplification may cause the same kind of interference unless they are kept stable at all times. In general, whenever an electron tube circuit, which is connected or coupled to an antenna circuit, is allowed to go into self-generation; that is, produce whistles with incoming signals, interference is produced.

Many article in the technical and popular magazines have condemned the receiving sets which produce whistles without suggesting any more constructive method of eliminating the interference than to throw the set away and buy one which the salesman says will not re-radiate. It would seem

to me more desirable to explain how this interference is produced, how it can be avoided and the set used satisfactorily and without

causing interference. In order to be specific let us take for an example the so-called regenerative receiving set which is used by a large number of people. Suppose a distant station is tuned in without the set producing any whisfles—let us say the regeneration control set at zero. Now if the regeneration control, called tickler, plate variometer, or loudness control is increased the signal becomes louder. The set is now in the regenerative condition and is operating without causing any inferference. As the regenerative control is further increased, the signal is still further increased but there comes a point at which a dull click is heard, the music becomes distorted, and a whistle or gurgling sound appears. As the fun-ing control is varied slightly the pitch of the whistle changes. The set has passed out of the region of regeneration and has become a transmitting set. It is now in the self-generating or oscillating condition. Other receiving sets in the neighborhood can hear the whistle and interference is being produced. This whistle is usually used to locate a station and hunting for stations by this beat-note method in order to get distance records is responsible for a large amount of

this type of interference.

An article on "Hints on the Adjustment of Radio Receivers," by L. W. Chubb, of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, in "Radio" (Toronto, Canada), May, 1923, explains how a regenerative receiving set may be adjusted to receive stations without any disturbance being produced. A portion of the article is

quoted:
"I would like to suggest," says
Mr. Chubb, "the following method
of receiving broadcasting programs with your regenerative receivers: After adjusting the filament currents of the vacuum
tubes to a point which you have
found to be satisfactory, increase
your regeneration to a point just
below oscillation. Now tune the
set slowly up or down the scale,

keeping the regeneration adjusted just below oscillation until the desired signal is heard or a breathing sound is noticed, indicating the presence of a carrier wave from a station which may not be operating at the instant. If your receiver is well designed, the adjustment will be practically the same throughout the range of broadcasting wave lengths, and any worthwhile signal can easily be tuned in, after which the volume may be increased by a final adjustment of the regeneration."

This method suggested by Mr. Chubb is well worth trying. Maybe you won't get a station 2,000 miles away, but your neighbor will be able to enjoy without interruption the program from this or other stations. A distance record obtained with a regenerative set which is never allowed to whistle is much more to your credit than one obtained by requiring your neighborhood to give up radio reception for the evening.

Some people have stated that a regenerative receiving set sends out radiation which causes interference when it is in the regenerative condition but not in the selfgenerating condition: that is, adjusted so that the signals are being received with maximum loudness without sending out whistles. It has been stated by some that a regenerative set acts as a screen to prevent other persons receiving the same station, but still others have explained long-distance reception by crystal receiving sets to re-radiation from regenerative receivers. These statements would seem contradictory.

When two antennas or receiving sets are close together then they may be in the magnetic or electric field of each other and any change in the current of one will cause by induction a change in the current of the other. To cause this, the two antennas or sets must be quite close together and would be an exceptional case. Two antennas at the Bureau of Standards which have parallel lead-in conductors approximately 100 feet apart and open ends approximately 50 feet apart and fastened between the same buildings cause no effect on one another when the sets attached

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to them are in a regenerative condition but not generating. There is, however, much interference when one or both sets are in the self-generating condition, the whistles being quite loud. When, however, a small low antenna was erected parallel to and about 25 feet under one of the antennas, an insensitive receiving set attached to the small antenna would receive clear signals from a transmitting station when a highly regenerative receiving set on the larger antenna was receiving the same station. However, when the regeneration in the set attached to the large antenna was reduced to zero, the signals in the insensitive receiving set were reduced nearly to zero. Under such a condition a regenerative receiving set assists an insensitive receiving set in receiving signals, but it is the exceptional case. Such results as these have been reported from other laboratories and are to be expected if the phenomenon is considered from alternating current theory.

A simple numerical calculation can show that if an antenna A is receiving a program from a given transmitting station and a regenerative receiving set is operated properly, that is, giving maximum signals without whistles, on an antenna B 100 feet away, the change in the signal at A caused by the regenerative receiving set at B can not be greater than 1/10 of the strength of the signal received directly from the transmitting station. Such a small change can not be detected by the ear.

Summarizing, any receiving set that is producing whistles is causing interference and the whistles should be stopped. However, a regenerative receiving set properly controlled does not cause interferen ce.

The By-Pass Condenser

ONE of the pieces of apparatus most neglected by the constructors of radio receivers is the radio frequency by-pass or phone condenser.

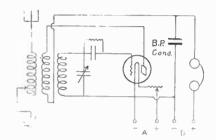
The radio frequency current that is present in the telephone or plate circuit and which is fed back into the secondary or grid circuit, causes the action called regeneration to take place, and thus increases to a very considerable extent the receiving signal intensity.
It is, however, very necessary

for the maximum of results that

there shall be no resistance in the way of this radio frequency energy which is present in the plate circuit.

It is the function of the by-pass condenser, therefore, to make the way clear for the feed back of these currents, so that one's radio receiver may work with the utmost efficiency.

The diagram shows the proper position for this by-pass con-



denser, and we urge that all our readers who have the condenser connected in another manner make a change, or rather place the condenser in the recommended position and then compare the results obtained with the new location with those obtained with the condenser in the former position. We firmly believe that the results will be noticeable enough to make a change in most receivers.

IN A telegraphic dispatch from Minneapolis, Walter K. Foley, chief of the medical service of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau Hospital No. 68, is quoted as declaring that radio is a valuable adjunct to the treatment for tuberculosis and is of great therapeutic value in the treatment of other hospital cases.

He revealed that more than 250 radio sets are being used in the hospital and that whenever a patient enters he is given the option of receiving a radio set as part of

the hospital equipment. Here is additional proof of the assertion that radio has tremendous value in addition to that of providing amusement and enter-tainment. It is relieving the suffering, not only by causing time to pass more rapidly for them, but by actually assisting them in their fight for recovery. Dr. Foley does not explain just how radio accomplishes what he says it does, but he comes out with the flat assertion that we who are engaged in the radio business are doing our share in returning strength and health to the men who sacrificed theirs for

"Push-Pull" System of Amplification Makes Loud Speaker Practical

Third Stage Possible with Tapped Transformers and Two **Amplifier Tubes**

By CARLTON E. BUTLER, Radio Engineer.

"HOW can I add to my present set so that I can use a loud-speaker?" is a question often asked. The use of a loudspeaker on distant stations as well as local stations is sought for by most every one who owns a radio set.

Many one tube sets will operate

a loudspeaker on powerful broad-casting stations that are in the near vicinity. Many two tube sets will operate a loudspeaker on stations within a radius of fifty miles, and a dectector and two-stage audio frequency amplifier will often have suffcient volume to operate a loudspeaker on stations a great deal further away.

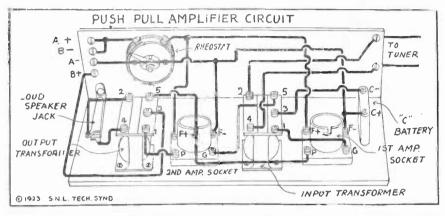
To accomplish these results the tubes must be pushed to their ut-most and the set must be efficiently built and installed properly, and last, but not least, operated with

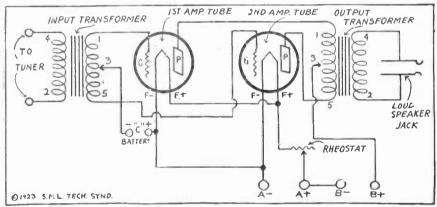
skill.

When the set and the tubes are forced, the filaments are burned at a greater than normal brilliance, especially the detector tube. This produces distortion in various forms, and introduces a great number of disagreeable noises. The loudspeaker can but faithfully reproduce the quality of the material that it put into it, and if distorted music is furnished the loudspeaker. then the sound coming forth from the horn will be distorted.

A high amount of "B" battery current can be used on the amplifier tubes to bring out more volume, but this method produces distortion unless a blasing or "C" battery is used. In addition an added drawback is that the current from the "B" battery is constantly being impressed on the windings of the phone or loudspeaker. This exerts a pull on the diaphram of the unit that also adds distortion to the output.

One of the best means of avoiding the above difficulties is in the construction of a Push-Pull or "Differential" amplifier. Due to the fact that it has been almost an im-





possibility to secure the transformers, I have not shown the construction of this type of amplifier before. Several well known manufacturers have now placed transformers of this type on the market, one transformer having a tapped secondary and called an "input" transformer, and the other having a tapped primary and called an "output" transformer.

Follow the picture diagram and the wiring diagram given in assembling the apparatus. Two binding posts are shown at the left side of the wiring diagram and one at the hight side of the picture diagram. These binding posts are connected to the primary of the first or "input" transformer.

Number one terminal of the secondary winding of the input transformer is wired to the grid of the first amplifier tube. Number five terminal of the transformer, or the other end of the secondary winding is wired to the grid of the second tube. The mid-tap or number three terminal of the transformer is wired to the negative terminal of the "C" batteries.

The positive terminal of the "C" battery is connected to the negative filament line, which in turn is wired to the negative filament binding post of each socket and to the negative "A" battery binding post on the front of the panel. The plate of the first tube is wired to number 1 terminal of the output transformer. The number five terminal of this transformer is connected to the plate of the second tube. The mid-tap is wired to the positive "B" binding post.

Negative "B" and positive "A"

battery binding posts are connected together and to the rheostat. The other side of the rheostal is connected to the "F+" post on each socket. Number 2 and 4 terminals of the secondary of the output transformer are wired to a single stage jack for the loud-speaker and the connections are complete. In the diagram only one rheostat is shown to control the two amplifier tubes given in the push-pull amplifier. For this reason you should use two tubes of like characteristics. That is, a UV199 and a UV 201-A should not be used together in the circuit. Use either two UV 201-A or two UV 199 tubes together.

Another reason for this is that a balancing action takes place between the two tubes used and if they are not of the same general characteristics one tube will do more than its share. The circuit will operate nearly as well with one tube entirely removed from

the socket.

The conventional amplification unit of an audio frequency transformer and an amplifying lube, in the case of the push-pull circuit, is supplanted by two transformers and two tubes. The first transformer serves as an amplifying

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tranformer and delivers the energy to the grid of each of the tubes. The grid of one tube is taken from one end of the secondary, the grid of the other tube from the other end.

This arrangement takes care of both sides of the cycle of current instead of only one half of the cycle as in the case of the usual straight audio frequency amplifier. When one tube is removed from the amplifier then only one tube is working and only one half of the

current cycle is amplified.

In general the benefits to be derived from this type of amplification is that pure distortionless output is assured, if, of course, it is not distorted when put into the amplifier. The volume is greater than that of a single stage of audio frequency amplification and for these reasons it is especially desirable when a loudspeaker is to be run from a set which cannot be made to operate a loudspeaker without forcing the tubes.

A substitution can be made for the special transformers required for the "Push-Pull" circuit if you are unable to obtain them in local radio stores. Purchase four low radio transformers of a good make, two for the input, and two for the

output side of the circuit.

Connect the B+ terminal of the primary of the first transformer to the "P" terminal of the second ansformer. Wire the "F" terminal of the secondary of the first transformer to the "G" terminal of the second transformer. This connects up the primaries of the two transformers in series, and the secondaries of the transformers in series.

Now use the "P" terminal of the first transformer and the "B" connection on the primary of the second transformer as the primary connections of your push-pull input transformer. The "G" terminal of the first transformer secondary and the "F" terminal of the secondary of the second transformer now serve as the connections for the secondary of the input transformer. The mid-tap of the transformer is taken off of the wire connecting the secondary of the two transformers together.

Similarly connect the other two transformers together so that their primaries are in series, using the connection between the two primaries for the mid-tap of the output transformer. The two secondaries connected together form the secondary of the output transformer.

Tests have proven that this method is quite practical, however, it proves to be a rather expensive method as four audio frequency transformers are required to add a single stage of amplification. Get the regular tapped transformers for the push-pull circuit if available, if not the method just described will suffice. Use four transformers of the same characteristics and, if possible, of the same manufacturer.

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Dry Cells Run Down Rapidly in Radio Work

Current Required to Heat Filament of Tubes Exhaust Batteries in Few Days.

A GOOD many complaints have come in from my radio fans who own and operate dry cell tubes in their sets. All of these complaints center around one thing; that the dry cells they are using for the filament supply for their set do not last over a short period of time, and that they have to buy new batteries frequently.

The dry cell usually lasts for a period of several months when used for intermittant duty such as furnishing current for the purpose of ringing a doorbell or a buzzer.

The demands of a radio set upon dry batteries is of an entirely different character. When the cell is used for lighting the filament of a vacuum tube the current demand is steady and heavy, and is required for hours at a time, often overnight if you forget to turn off the rheostats.

It is not an uncommon thing to be forced to change dry cell batteries every ten days or two weeks. If you use a storage battery to light the filaments of your tubes a few cents will pay for the cost of recharging. This is much cheaper than the cost of several new batteries. A single charge of your storage battery will light your tubes for over a month; so, in the long run, it is cheaper to use the storage battery.

Dry cells can be connected in parallel to lengthen the life of the "A" battery but you will find that if you have an old dry cell in the bank of batteries it will allow the current from the good cells to flow through it and thereby run the whole bank down in short

time.

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KAO-Young Men's Christian Association, Denver, Colo.	360	KFDD-St. Michaels Cathedral Boise, Idaho	360
KFI-E. C. Anthony Los Angeles, Calif.	-86124	KFDF—Wyoming Radio Corp	360
KFZ-Doerr Mitchell Electric CoSpokane, Wash,	283	KFDH—University of Arizona	360
Kirk—Tacoma Daily LedgerTacom, Wash,	252	KFDJ-Oregon Agri. CollegeCorvallis, Oreg.	360
KGG—Hallock & Watson Radio Service, Portland, Oreg.	360	KFDL-Knight-Campbell Music Co Denver, Colo.	300
KGN-Northwestern Radio Mfg. CoPortland, Oreg.	360	KFDO-H. E. CuttingBozenian, Mont.	248
KGU-M. A. Mulrony	360	KFDR-Bullock's Hardware & Sporting Goods,	
KGW—Oregonian Publishing CoPortland, Oreg.	492		360
KGY—St. Martins CollegeLacey, Wash. KHJ—Times Mirror CoLos Angeles, Calif.	258	KFDU-Nebraska Radio & Electric Co., Lincoln, Nebr.	240
KHQ—Louis Wasmer	395 360	KFDV-Gilbrech & StinsonFayetteville, Ark.	360
KJQ-C. O. GouldStockton, Calif.	360		360
KJR-Northwest Radio Service Co Seattle, Wash.	270	KFDY—South Pakota College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, Brooklings, S. Dak.	360
KJS-Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Inc.,		KFDZ—Harry O. Iverson	231
Los Angeles, Calif.			300
KLN-Monterey Electric ShopMonterey, Calif.	261		360
KLS-Warner BrothersOakland, Calif.	360		360
KLX-Tribune Publishing CoOakland, Calif.	360		240
Reynolds Radio Co Denver, Colo.	360	KFEQ-J. L. Scroggin	360
KMC-Lindsay-Weatherill & Co	360	KFER—Auto Electric Service CoFt. Dodge, Iowa	231
KMJ—San Joaquin Light & Power Corp., Fresno, Calif. KMO—Love Electric CoTacoma, Wash.			263
KNT—Grays Harbor Radio CoAberdeen, Wash.	$\frac{360}{263}$		261
KNV-Radio Supply Co Los Angeles, Calif.	256	KFEY-Bunker Hill & Sullivan Mining & Const. Co.,	200
KNX—Electric Lighting Supply Co., Los Angeles, Calif.	360		360 360
KOB-New Mexico College of Agriculture and			360
Mechanical Arts, State College, N. Mex.	360		360
KOP-Detroit Police Dept Detroit, Mich.	286	KFFO-Dr. E. H. SmithHillsboro, Oreg.	229
KOQ-Modesto Evening NewsModesto, Calif.	360	KFFQ-Markschoffel Motor CoColorado Springs, Colo.	360
KPO—Hale Bros. San Francisco, Calif.	423		226
KQI—University of CaliforniaBerkeley, Calif. KQP—Apple City Radio Club	$\frac{360}{360}$		300
KQV-Doubleday-Hill Electric CoPittsburgh, Pa.	360		278
KQW-Charles D. HerreldSan Jose, Calif.	360		$\frac{275}{226}$
KRE-Berkeley Daily GazetteBerkeley, Calif.	278		254
KSD—Post-Dispatch	546		248
KSS—Prest & Dean Radio Rsch. Lab.,			360
Long Beach, Calif.	360		360
KTW-First Presbyterian ChurchSeattle, Wach.	360		266
KUO—The Examiner Printing Co., San Francisco, Calif.	360	KFGL—Arlington GarageArlington, Oreg.	234
KUS—City Dye Works & Ludry Co., Los Angeles, Calif. KUY—Coast Radio Co	$\frac{360}{256}$		226
KWG-Portable Wireless Telephone Co., Stockton, Calif.	360	KFGV-Heidbreder Radio Supply Co	224
KWH-Los Angeles ExaminerLos Angeles, Calif.	360		250
KXD-Herald Publishing CoModesto, Calif.	252		268
KIQ-Flectric Shop	360	KFHA—Western State Col. of ColoGunnison, Colo.	252
W-Westinghouse Elec, & Mfg. CoChicago, Ill.	536		280 226
KZM-Preston, D. AllenOakland, Calif.	360		266
KZN-The Desert NewsSalt Lake City, Utah	360		283
KZV-Wenatchee Hat, & Motor Co., Wenatchee, Wash.	360		300
KDKA—Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	326	KFHQ-Curtis Bros. Hardware Store, Los Gatos, Calif.	242
KDPT—Southern Electric CoSan Diego, Calif.	270	KFHR—Star Elec. & Radio CoSeattle, Wash.	270
KDLY—Telegram Publishing CoSalt Lake City, Utah	244 360	KFHS-Robert Washington NelsonHutchinson, Kans.	229
KDYM-Savoy TheatreSan Diego, Calif.	252	KFIB-Franklin W. JenkinsSt. Louis, Mo.	244
KDYQ-Oregon Institute of Technology, Portland, Oreg.	360	KFIC-Philip Laskowitz Denver, Colo.	224
KDYS—The Tribune, IncGreat Falls, Mont.	360	KFID—Ross Arbuckles Garage	246
No w-Smith, Hughes & CoPhoenix, Ariz.	360	KFIF—Benson Tech. Student BodyPortland, Oreg.	300
KDYN—Star Bulletin Publishing CoHonolulu, T. H.	360	KFIK—Gladbrook Electric Co	234
KDZB-Frank E. SiefertBakersfield, Calif.	240		234
KDZE—Rhodes Co	455		252
KDZF-Automobile Club of Southern California,	0.00	KFIQ-Yakima Valley Broadcasting Association.	
KDZI—Electric Supply CoWenatchee, Wash.	278	Yakima, Wash.	224
KDZK—Nevada Machinery & Electric CoReno, Nev.	360 360	KFIU—Alaska Elec. Lt. & Fower Co., Juneau, Alaska	226
KDZO—Pyle & Nichols Danyar Colo	360	Kriv—v. H. BroylesPittsburg, Kans.	240
KDZR—Bellingham Publishing CoBellingham, Wash.	261	KFIX-Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ,	
KDZT-Seattle Radio AssociationSeattle, Wash.	360		240
KDZY-Cope & Corawell CoSalt Lake City, Utah	360		236
KFAD-McArthur Bros. Mercantile Co., Phoenix, Ariz.	300	KFJA—Central Power CoBrand Island, Nebr.	$273 \\ 244$
KFAE-State College of WashingtonPullman, Wash.	360	NFJB-Marshall Electric Co., Inc., Marshalltown Jowa 4	248
KFAF—Western Radio CorporationDenver, Colo.	360		233
KFAJ—University of ColoradoBoulder, Colo. KFAN—Electric ShopMoscow, Idaho	360	MFJD—Weld County Printing & Pub. Co., Greeley Colo :	236
KFAP—Standard Publishing CoButte, Mont.	360 360	KFJF-National Radio Mfg. Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.	252
KFAR—Studio Lighting Service CoHollywood, Calif	280	NFJH-The Sugar Bowl Selma Calif. 2	273
KFAT-Dr. J. T. DanohueEugene. Oreg.	275	KFJI—Liberty Theatre	252
KFAU—Independent School District of Boise City,			236
Boise, Idaho	270	KFJR-Ashley C Divon & Co Staveney lle Mont e	229
KFAV—Abbot Kinney CompanyVenice, Calif.	258	KFJU—Central Power Co Kearney Nehr	258 234
KFAY-W. J. Virgin	283	MrJV—T. H. Warren. Devier Jours 9	224
Santa Anna, Calif.	280	MFJW—Le Grand Radio CoTowanda, Kans. 2	226
KFBB—F. A. Buttrey & Co Havre Mont	360	- MrJA-10Wa State Teachers College Cedar Falls Jowa 9	229
NFBU-W. R. AzbillSan Diego, Calif.	360	KFJY-Tunwall Radio CoFort Dodge lows 2	246
Krise—Reuben H. HornSan Luis Obispo Calif	360	MFJZ-Texas Nat'l Guard, 112th Cav., Ft. Worth Tex 2	254
KFBK-Kimball-Upson CoSacramento, Calif.	283	KFKA—Colorado State Teachers College, Greeley, Colo.	248
Everett, Wash.	224	KFKH—Denver Park Amusement Co., Lakenide Colo.	2548
hebs—Chronicle News and Gas & Elec, Supply Co.		MFMU—Conway Radio Laboratories Consess Ark 9	226 224
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KFBU—Bishop N. S. Thomas Laramie, Wyo. KFCD—Salem Elec. Co. Salem, Oreg.	283	NEWAWestinghouse Electric Co Hastings Mahn a	104 286
KFCF—Frank A. Moore	360	NEW Z-Nasour Bros Radio Co. Colorado Springe Colo.	234
MUH-Electric Service StationBillings Mont	360 360	MFLA—Abner R. Wilson Rutte Mont of	83
KFCK—Colorado Springs Radio Co.,	43434)	INFERD SIEDAL ELECTRIC MIS CO Manamiros Mich e	248
Colorado Springs, Colo	242	NFUE-National Educational Service Derver Colo 9	168
KFCM-Richmond Radio Shon Richmond Calif	360	KELD Erickson Radio Co., IncSalt Lake City, Utah 2	61
KFUP—Raiph W. Flygare Ogden Hitch	300	NFLU-Bizzell Radio Shon I ittle Deals Anton	40
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KFCY—Western Union College LeMars, Iowa KFCZ—Omaha Central High SchoolOmaha, Nebr.	252	DATE LIV — Rev. A. 'F' B'rvkman Doglegons Til o	29
KFDA—Adler's Music Store	258	MFLW -MISSOULA ELECTRIC Supply Co. Missoula Mont. 9	34
KFDB—Mercantile Trust CoSan Francisco, Calif.	360 509	AND MAN TO COURSE IN. CHOREN Contractor Transfer	40
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1	KFMQ—University of ArkansasFayetteville, Ark.	263 261	WARP—Robert F. Weinnig	
		360	WARR—Scott High SchoolToledo, Ohio WARS—Essex Mfg. CoNewark, N. J. 244	
	WRT—Southern Radio Corporation	360 337		:
•	WCE-Findley Electric CoMinneapons, Minn.	360	WABU—Victor Talking Machine CoCamden, N. J. 220	
	WCM University of Texas Austin, Tex.	360 360)
	BRIGHT Despois Error Dropp Defect Mich.	517	WBAD—Indian Pipe Bille Colombia West Lafayette, Ind. WBAD—Sterling Electric Co. and Journal Printing Co., WBAD—Sterling Electric Co.	
	WDM—Church of the Covenant	360	WBAD—Sterling Electric Co. and Southern Minneapolis, Minn. 360	
	Piano Cornoration, New 101K, N. I.	405 278	WBAH—The Dayton Co	
	WDZ—James L. Bush	278 360	Tamae Millibin University Decatur, III. 300	
	WEV-Hurlburt-Still Electrical Co Houston, Tex.	360 261	WBAP—Wortham-Carter Pub. Co., The Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Tex. 476	3
	WEV—Huriburt-Still Electrical Co Houston, Tex. WEW—St. Louis University	395	Columbus, Ohio 390	
		360	WBAW—Marietta College	
	WGI—American Radio & Research Corporation, Medford, Hillside, Mass.	360		2
	WGL—Thomas F. J. Howlett	360 319	WBBA—Newark Radio Laboratory	
	WCV_Interstate Electric Co New Orleans, La.	360		9
	WGY—General Electric CoSchenectady, N. Y. Madison, Wis.	380 360	WCAE—Kaufman & Baer Co	*
	WIII — Sweeney School Co	411	Rougers, mich.	
	WHK—The Radiovox Company	360 360	WCAG—Clyde R. Randall	
	WHY_Iowa Radio Corporation Des Moines, Iowa	360	WATER I Nobrocks Weslevan University.	
	WHK-K. & L. Electric Co. McKeesport, Pa. WHL-Continental Elec. Supply Co., Washington, D. C. Philodelphia.	$\frac{234}{360}$	University F., Nebr. 360	
	WIP—Film net Bros Fillageiphia, fa,	509		0
	WIZ-Cino Radio Mfg. Co	$\frac{360}{229}$	WCAM—Villanova College	
	W.III—White & Boyer Cowasnington, D. C.	273	WCAP_Chesaneake & Potomac let. Co.,	- 1
	WJK—Service Radio Equipment CoToledo, Onio	360 360	Washington, D. C. San Antonio, Tex. 366	
	WJX-DeForest Radio Tei. & Tel. Co., New York, N. Y. WJY-Radio Corp. of America-Aeolian Hall, N. Y. C.	405	and the Disputation in the Intille Institute, will head out to a series	6
	WJZ-Radio Corp. of America-Aeolian Hail, N. Y. C. WKA-Landaus Music & Jewelry Co., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	$\frac{455}{360}$	WCAT—S. Dak. School of MinesRapid City, S. Dak.	G I
	WKY-Oklahoma Radio ShopOklahoma City, Okla.	360		
	WLH-University of MinnesotaMinneapolis, Minn. WLH-Hamilton Mfg. CoIndianapolis, Ind.	360 360	WCAX—University of VermontBurnington, v. Burnington, v. Burn	U
	WINV—Crosley Manufacturing CoCincinnati, Onto	309	WCAY—Resselman O Driscoll Music House, Wis. 26:	
	WMA—Arrow Radio LaboratoriesAnderson, Ind.	360 500	WCAZ—Carthage College	
	ANNUE Descision Equipment Co. Cincinnati, Onto	248	WCBA—Charles W. Handacating Station Zion III. 34	5
	WMU—Doubleday-Hill Co	261 400	WDAE—Tampa Daily Times	1
	WNO-Wireless Telephone Co. of Hudson County,			3
	Jersey City, N. J. WOC-Palmer School of ChiopracticDavenport, Iowa	360 484	What Hartford Courant Hartford, Conn. 26	1
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	WOK-Arkansas Light & Power CoPine Bluff, Iowa	360 509	WDAM—Weston Electric Co	60
	Wostern Radio Co Kansas City, Mo.	900	WDAP—The Board of Trade	
	WOR-L. Bamberger Co	405	WDAR-Lit Brothers Worcester Mass. 30	30
	WPA—Fort Worth RecordFort Worth, Tex.	441		
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	WQX—Walter A. Kushi	469	WEAA - Fallain & Lathrop Blackshurg, Va. 36	30
			WEAF-American Tel & Tel	
	WRI.—Union College		WEAH—Wichita Board of Trade. Ithaca, N. Y. 28	86
	WIDD _City of Dallas (Police and Fire Signar		WEAJ—University of South Dakota, Verminon, S. Baki	
	Department), Banas, 102.	273	WEAM-North Plainfield, Bollough North Plainfield, N. J. 25	52
	WSB-Atlanta Journal	273	WEAN—Shepard Commbus Ohio 36	73 60
	WSI,—J. & M. Electric Co	360	WEAO-Ohio State University Mobile, Ala. 30	60
			WEAR—Baltimore Am. & News Pub. Co., Baltimore, Md. 30 WEAS—Hecht Company	60 60
	WTG-Kansas State Agr. Confedential Bay City, Mich	360	WEAS-Heent Company Co. Slour City Iowa 36	69
			WEAY-Will Horwitz, Jr. Waterloo, Iowa 30	60
	wwj—The Detroit News	280	WEAZ—Donald Redmond	76 34
1			KFAB—Carl C. Woese Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 2	73
	WAAC-Tulane University	360	WFAF-Henry C. Spiagning Lab Waterford, N. Y. 3	60 36
	WAAF—Chicago Daily Drovers JournalChicago, Ill	. 286 . 280	WFAH Electric Supply Co	
	WAAK-Gimbel Bros	263	215110 (1110)	00
	WAAN—University of Missouri	. 264 . 360	WFAM-Times Publishing Co	860 860
	WAAQ—New England Motor Sales Co., Decatur, Ga	. 360	WFAN—Hutchinson Elec. Service Co., Ind. Cameron	
			Sioux Falls, S. Dak. 3	860 860
	WAAZ Hollister-Miller Motor College	l. 266	WFAT—Daily Argus Leader Lincoln Nebr. 2	275
	WABB—Dr. John B. Lawrence	1. 229		860
	WARC—Fulwider-Griffles Battery Dayton, Ohi	0 286	WGAD—Spanish Am. Sell. of Telegraphic Enconada, P. R. 3	360
	WABE-Y. M. C. A. Bogister-News Co. Mt. Vernon, Il	1. 234		360
	WABF-Mt. Vernon Register-News Co., Jacksonville, Fla	1. 248	WGAL-Lancaster Elec. Supply to Lancaster, Pa. 2	248 360
	WABII-Lake Shore Tire Co. Bangor, Mc	e. 240	WGAN-Cecil E. Lloyd Shrevenort, La. 3	360
	WABI—Bangor Railway and Electric South Bend, Inc	d. 240	WGAQ-W. G. Patterson Altoona Pa.	261 360
	WABK—First Baptist Church Storrs Coni	n. 283	WGAX-Radio Elec. Co., Washington Madison Wis.	360
1	WABL-Connecticut Agri. Corregon Saginaw. Micl	h. 254	WGAY-North Western Wine South Bend, Ind.	300
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	WJAS-Capper PublicationsTopeka, Kar	s. 3	60	WQAN—Scranton TimesScranton, Pa. WQAO—Calvary Baptist ChurchNew York, N. Y.	360
	WJAY-Kelly-Vawter Jewelry Co	o. 3	60 90	WQAQ—West Texas Radio Co	360 266
	WJAZ-Chicago Radio Laboratory	11. 4	48	WQAT—Radio Equipment CorporationRichmond, Va.	360
	WKAA—H. F. Paar	I. 2	68 40	WQAV—Huntington and Guerry, IncGreenville, S. C. WQAW—Catholic University of America,	258
	WKAF-W. S. Radio Supply Co. and Wm. Schack, Wichita Falls, Te	x. 3	60	Washington, D. C. WQAX-Radio Equipment CoPeoria, Ill.	236 360
	WKAN—Alabama Radio Mfg. CoMentgomery, Al WKAP—Dutee Wilcox Flint	a. 3 I. 3 R. 3 h. 2 o. 3 H. 2 a. 2	60 60 60 80 60 54 26 80	WRAA—Rice Institute	360 249 224 231 249 244 236 360 360
	WLAH-Samuel WoodworthSyracuse, N.	Y. 2	34	WRAW-Horace D. Good	238 268
	WLAJ-Waco Electrical Supply CoWaco, Te WLAK-Vermont Farm Mach, CoBellows Falls, V		60 60	WRAY—Radio Sales CorporationScranton, Pa. WSAA—B. S. Sprague Elec. CoMarietta, Ohio	280 360
	WLAL-Tulsa Radio CoTulsa, Okl WLAN-Putnam Hardware CoHoulton, N	a. 3	80 83	WSAB-Southeast Mo. State College,	
	WLAP-W. V. Jordan Louisville, K WLAQ-Arthur S. Schilling Kalamazoo, Mic	v 9:	60	Cape Girardeau, Mo. WSAC—Clemson Agri. CollegeClemson College, S. C.	360 360
	WOAR-Henry P. LundskowKenosha, W	is, 2	83 29	WSAH-A. G. Leonard, jre	261 248
	WLAS—Central Radio Supply CoHutchinson, Kar WLAT—Radio and Specialty CoBurlington, Iov		44 60	WSAI-U, S. Playing Card Co	309
	WLAW-New York Police Dept New York, N.	a. 2	54 60	WSAL-Franklin Electrical CoBrookville, Ind.	360 246
	WLAX-Greencastle Community Broadcasting Statio	n,		WSAN—Allentown Radio ClubAllentown, Pa. WSAP—Seventh Day Adventist Church., N. Y., N. Y.	229 263
	Greencastle, In WMAB—Radio Supply CoOklahoma City, Okl	d. 2 a. 3	31 60	WSAR—Doughty & Welch Elec, CoFall River, Mass.	254
	WMAC-J. Edward Page	Y. 2	61 60	WSAT—Plainview Elec. Co	263 275
	WMAH—General Supply CoLincoln, Net	r. 2	54	WSAX—Chicago Radio Laboratory	263
	WMAJ-Drovers Telegram Co	Y. 3	75 60	WSAZ-Chase Electric Shop	233 258
	WMAN—Trenton Hardware CoTrenton, N. WMAN—First Baptist ChurchColumbus, Oh		50 86	WTAB—Fall River Daily HeraldFall River, Mass.	248
	WMAP-Utility Battery Service, IncEaston, Oh WMAQ-Chicago Daily News	io 2	46 48	WTAC—Penn Traffic CoJohnstown, Pa. WTAD—Robert E. ComptonCarthage, Ill.	360 22 9
	WMAV-Alabama Polytechnic InstituteAuburn, Al	a. 2	50	WTAG—Kern Music Co	258 236
	WMAW—Wahpeton Elec. CoWahpeton, N. Da WMAY—Kingshighway Presby. ChurchSt. Louis, M	o. 2	60 80	WTAL-Toledo Radio and Electrical Co., Toledo, Ohio	236 252
	WMAZ-Mercer UniversityMacon, G WNAB-Park City Daily NewsBowling Green, K		68 60	WTAM-Williard Storage Battery CoCleveland, Ohio	3110
	WNAC-Shepard StoresBoston, Mas	S. 2	78	WTAN-Orndorff Radio Shop	240 390
	WNAD-Oklahoma Radio Eng. CoNorman, Okl WNAL-R. J. RockwellOmaha, Net	r. 2	60 42	WTAQ-S. H. Van Gorden & SonOsselo, Wis. WTAR-Reliance Electric CoNorfolk, Va.	226 226
	WNAM—Ideal Apparatus CoEvansville, In WNAN—Syracuse Radio Telephone Co Syracuse, N.	d. 3 Y. 2	60 86	WTAS-Charles E. ErbsteinElgin, Ill.	275
	WNAP-Wittenberg CollegeSpringfield, Oh WNAQ-Charleston Radio Elec. CoCharleston, S.	io 3	60	WTAT-Edison Elect. Ill. CoBoston, Mass. WTAU-Ruegy Battery & Elec. CoTecumseh, Nebr.	244 360
	WNAR-Rhodes, C. C. Butler, M	0. 2	60 31	WTAW-Agri. and Mech. College., College Station, Tex. WTAX-Williams Hardware CoStreator, Ill.	254 231
	WNAS—Texas Radio Corporation and Austin Statesmen, Austin, Te		60	WTAY-Iodar-Oak Leaves Broadcasting Station,	
	WNAT-Lenning Bros. Co	a. 3	60 36	Oak Park, Ill. WTAZ—Thomas J. McGuireLambertville, N. J.	226 283
	WNAWHenry KunzmannFortress Monroe, V	a. 3	60	WWAB—Swern Hoenig & CoTrenton, N. J. WWAC—Sanger BrothersWaco, Tex.	226 360
	WNAX—I akota Radio Apparatus Co., Yankton, S. Da WNAY—Ship Owners' Radio ServiceBaltimore, M	d. 2	44 60	WWAD-Wright & Wright, IncPhiladelphia, Pa. WWAE-Alamo Dance HallJoliet, Ill.	360
	WOAA-Dr. Walter HardyArdmore, Okl WOAC-Maus Radio CoLima, Oh	a. 3	60 66	WWAF-Galvin Radio Supply CoCamden, N. J.	227 236
	WOAD-Friday Battery & Elec. CoSigourney, Iov		60	WWA0-Michigan College of MinesHoughton, Mich.	244
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Crystal Set Makes Good Wavetrap

Undesirable Signals Can Be Tuned Out on Main Set.

IF you place an oscillatory circuit in series with the antenna lead of your set and tune it to the frequency of a station whose signals you do not wish to receive, these signals will be weakened considerably or eliminated entirely.

A very good wavetrap can be made by using a crystal receiver which has an inductance and capacity in the form of a variable condenser and a coil of wire. Attach a pair of headphones to the crystal receiver. Connect the aerial to the aerial binding post of the crystal receiver. Connect the ground binding post of the crystal set to the antenna binding post of the main receiving set.

Now tune in the station you wish to eliminate on the crystal receiver until its volume in the headphones is as loud as possible. Now the greater part of the energy from this station will be absorbed by the oscillatory circuit of the crystal receiver and you can tune in other stations on the main set without hearing the local station on all of the tuner dial.

Once of crystal set is adjusted for a certain station no further adjustments are necessary for that particular station. This arrangement will only eliminate one station at a time and if two strong stations are going at the same time in your vicinity you will have to employ two wavetraps, one to tune out each undesirable signal,

There are some losses introduced by the use of a crystal set in the aerial circuit in this manner and it is advisable to provide a means of shorting the wavetrap out when its use is not required. This is easily done by placing a shorting switch between the aerial and ground binding posts of the crystal set. Close this switch when there are no interfering stations on.

Long Distance Crystal Receiving Station.

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ing post to the screw of the other. Insert the straight piece of bus bar in the holes of the posts so that it may be easily slid back and forth. When the set is in use the bus bar should pass through only one of the posts but during a thunderstorm it should pass through and be tightened in both of them with the set screw. This protects your set from probable damage due to unusually severe charges of static.

The following stations have been received QSA almost nightly on the Donamhain circuit: 2XI, 8XT, KDKA, WBZ, WFI, WGR, WGY, WJZ, WLW, WOR, WOO, WWJ, WIP, WDAR, WEAF, WHAZ, WDAR, WEAF, W , WSAI, WTAM, WJ.\X,

On several occasions KDKA has been received with sufficient volume as to be audible over an entire room. Our two powerful local stations are invariably received with as great a volume as this. A small aluminum pan may satisfactorily be used as a loud speaker. Set the pan upright on a table and set the phones upright in it with their backs turned toward you. This speaker will deflect the sound waves in such a manner as will serve to render them pleasantly audible at a considerable distance. Always be careful not to drop or jar the phones as this weakens the permanent magnets.

The crystal should be washed daily in denatured alcohol in order to remove dust and the oily film left by the hands and to enable it to give the greatest and longest service. The following stations have been received frequently, using only one condenser, in the Donamhain circuit: 2XI, 8XT, KDKA, WFI, WYG, WJZ, WLW, WOR, WWJ, WDAR, WEAF, WHAZ, and WTAM.

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Government to Cooperate in Washington's Radio Show

Unusual Exhibits on Public View for First Time

WASHINGTON'S radio dealers, with the cooperation of officials of the Federal Government, will stage in Convention Hall here the week of March 19 to 26, one of the most pretentious radio expositions ever held in the United States.

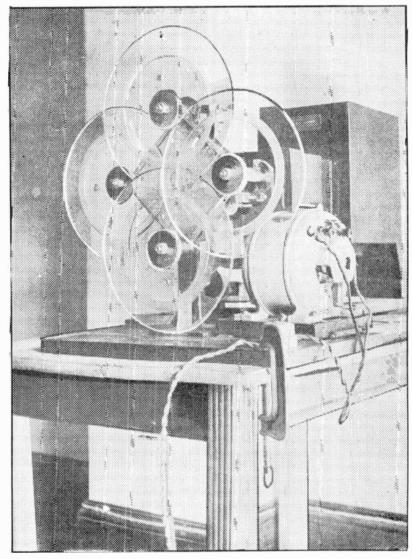
With the array of exhibits that have featured radio shows in other cities, augmented by special Government displays, some of which have never been on public view, Washington's first radio show is destined to attract nation-wide attention.

The Department of Commerce, which has supervision and control over all of America's activities in the field of radio; the Bureau of Standards, the Government's famous experimental laboratory, and other Federal agencies interested directly or indirectly with radio and its development, will take an active and leading part in making the radio exposition in the Nation's Capital an epoch in radio history.

The fighting arm of the Government—the Army, Navy and Marine Corps—also will be represented at the show with exhibits of historical value. The Navy has planned a replica of the 300 wattradio transmitting station on the giant dirigible Shenandoah, which kept the Navy Department in constant communication with the big ship during her sensational gale driven flight up the Atlantic Coast in January. The Army, which proudly boasts that its radio engineers are at least two years in advance of the radio wizards employed by the leading manufacturers of radio products in the development of improved apparatus, has promised an exhibit to prove its claim.

Officials of the Government Departments, including President Coolidge, the chief executive, and members of his cabinet, are expected to take an important part in the elaborate and unique entertainment features of the show, tentative arrangements for which already have been made.

Efforts are being made by the committee in charge of the show



Radio photography apparatus, the invention of C. Francis Jenkins, for the transmission of pictures by radio.

to have the President speak on the subject of radio on the opening night of the exposition, which will be broadcast to the nation through a chain of high powered broadcasting stations scattered across the continent and linked together by telephone lines. Secretary of Commerce Hoover, the "Czar" of radio; Secretary of War Weeks, Secretary of Navy Denby, and Chief Radio Supervisor Terrell, as well as the master radio minds of the Bureau of Standards, are to be

urged to participate in the show program.

Besides the Government exhibits, the secrets of the modest appearing laboratory of C. Francis Jenkins, noted Washington inventor, whose creative genius has given to the world the motion picture machine and the even more remarkable apparatus which transmits pictures by radio, will be revealed publicly for the first time at Washington's show.

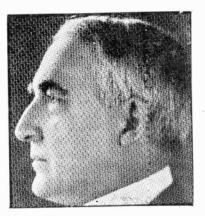
Mr. Jenkins has declined flatter-

ing offers to exhibit at radio shows in other sections of the country the remarkable machine which makes it possible for pictures, movable or stationary, and even great panoramas of transpiring scenes to travel on the radio waves. A conspicuous place in the show auditorium will be assigned Mr. Jenkins for the display of his radio photography apparatus.

The whole apparatus is comparable to a camera with lens in Washington and its photographic plate in Boston; with this difference, that the one lens in Washington may put its picture on ten, one hundred or a thousand photographic plates is as many different cities simultaneously, and at distances limited only by the power of the broadcasting station.

Other Washington geniuses are coming to the show with radio inventions that never before have been seen at similar exhibits in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and other large cities. For instance, the first coin controlled radio receiving set ever created, will be on display. This device, the invention of D. J. Richardson, will reveal for 5 cents, what the ether waves are saying. It presents a number of unique features and differs from all other vending machines in that it assures prospective patrons that it is in working operation before they deposit a coin in the receiver.

Robert Lawrence, who came into radio fame through the broadcast-



Pictures of late President Harding, transmitted by radio from Washington to Philadelphia, a distance of 139 miles, in three minutes.

ing of community singing fests through WCAP, the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company station, is director of the entertain-ment program. Unusual "stunts" never before attempted at other radio shows are planned by Mr. Lawrence.

Convention Hall, the scene of the big event, will be wired through-



C. Francis Jenkins, the Washington inventor, whose radio photography apparatus will be exhibited at the radio show.

out for the public speech amplification system. Amplifying horns will carry the program features to the most remote corner of the big auditorium, and thereby preclude crowding any one point.

Unlike previous radio shows the Washington exposition will prohibit all private demonstrations of radio sets in the booths. This plan was adopted in order to avoid a bedlam of noise which would resull from hundreds of receiving sets in operation at the same time. Each exhibitor, however, will be assigned a certain period in which to demonstrate his products without interference from other exhibitors. His demonstration will be designed to form a part of the entertainment program and therefore will be more elaborate and interesting than a simple exhibition of the merits of the set.

Washington's radio dealers have taken more than 50 per cent of the available space for exhibits. A number of nationally known manufacturers of radio products also have reserved space. Alfred L. Stern, director of the show, predicts that every inch of the 60,000 square feet of floor space, will be contracted for long before the date for the opening of the show.

The first radio show in Washington which is destined to be an annual affair in the future, will be held under the auspices of the Radio Merchants' Association of Washington, of which William P. Boyer, a leading dealer in radio apparatus, is president. Fred S. Lincoln, a prominent Washington business man is chairman of the general show committee.

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Future Developments in Radio

BY H. GERNSBACK

STRANGE as it may seem, there are still many people who have an idea that radio is only a fad, and that it will not last—all this, in spite of the fact that the industry during the last two years has leaped from an annual turnover of approximately \$8,000,000 to about \$200,000,000 per year. These same doubters do not seem to appreciate the fact that radio is well on the road to becoming one of the 10 leading industries in our country. There are many wellwishers, however, who believe that it will soon be on the same level as the automobile industry is today.

We hear, on all sides, the cry that radio cannot last because it is not built upon a solid economic foundation. The argument is that the entire radio industry is founded upon broadcasting—which, of course, is true. The line of reasoning then is, that sooner or later the broadcast stations will find that it does not pay them to broadcast entertainments free, and that they will eventually shut down. And naturally, if that does happen (so with the automobile industry. claiming that it would be just as logical for an automobile manufacturer to sell a car to his customer and then provide him with free gasoline.

The trouble with these pessimists is that they preach only half (or near) truths. In the first place. there is no parallel between the radio industry and any other industry (this the writer has pointed out in his editorials for the past 15 years), just as there is no parallel for the motion picture industry. The two are distinctly thoughts on this planet. new Thev never existed before.

The "Doubting Thomases" may rest assured that if there should at any time arise a threat, or even a near threat, to do away with free broadcasting, the industry will then rise to the occasion and meet that emergency. Of course, there are some people who claim that broadcasting should be paid for by a Federal tax. Personally the writer does not believe in any such measure. He is of the opinion that this would be the worst blow that could be dealt the industry at this time.

Broadcasting, as it is carried on in America today, is distinctly an American institution. It is founded upon a broad and human basis. That the policy is right has been proven by the extraordinary, as well as the tremendous growth of radio in this country. If any argument were necessary, we would only need to point to England, France, Germany, Australia and other countries, which have recently taken up radio in conjunction with a Governmental tax. What is the result? The industry has been stifled.

Take the second greatest country, from the standpoint of the radio industry—England. is the situation there? The percentage of stations, as compared to the United States, is very small. that is, licensed stations which pay a tax to the Government On the other hand, so-called "bootleg" stations, i. e., those which operate critics say), the entire industry will go up in smoke. They even go so far as to make analogies stations, i. e., those which operate without paying a tax, are said to be so great in number as to constitute a scandal stitute a scandal.

> No, we do not believe that broadcasting should be regulated by a Federal tax. We believe that in due time the radio industry will solve the problem, if it threatens to become serious. Probably in time most stations will derive revenue from indirect advertising, as does station WEAF of New York City. This station, which is classed as a commercial station, furnishes excellent entertainment, nearly all of which is paid for by indirect advertising; and the publicity given the various firms renting this station by the hour or by the evening has, so far, not proven objectionable.

> No listener-in, for instance objects to the announcer when he says: "You will now hear the Jones & Jones Department Store Band," or "The Male Quartette of the John Doe Garter Company will now broadcast a selection." In deriving a monetary benefit from the indirect advertising the broadcast station will be enabled to enlist

better talent than those stations without this means of support. All in all, we feel certain that the radio industry is built upon a stable foundation, and that it will continue to grow rapidly.

We must now speak of the next set of doubters, those who discourage their acquaintances from buying radio sets. The argument in this case is that the prospective radio fan should wait for a while as the sets at present are not the best that can be had and will soon he superseded by better ones. Of course, this is a perfectly good argument, though foolish. Moreover, it is true that if the first motion picture attendants had given this advice, we would not today have good pictures; and if we had not bought the first squeaky, unmanageable phonographs, we would not have a good phonograph today; and if we had not patronized the makers of the first horseless carriages that puffed along the road and stopped more often than they ran, we would not be riding in limousines today.

With all our progress, we still have practically every year, new model phonographs, new and better automobiles, as well as airplanes, and we will have them for many years to come. The same thing holds true of our present radio outfits. We will have new models every year for many years to come. The outfits we have today are tolerably good ones, and all those made by reputable manufacturers will be found to do the work as advertised. To be sure. we still have a good deal of poor merchandise with us, but no reputable dealer will carry it. Aside from all this, there are really excellent radio outfits on the murket today which no one need be ashamed to own. All these sets perform well and give the entertainment for which they were designed. So why wait?

While speaking of next year's set or perhaps of the radio outfit of five years hence, the writer would like to put a thought into the minds of our designers.

There was a time when there were no complete radio outfits. We

bought the different parts, such as a loose coupler, detector and condenser, and assembled them on a board. There was no such thing in those days as a graduated dial. Then someone conceived the idea of putting all the apparatus into a box. The apparatus was then controlled by means of knobs and graduated dials. We have stuck to this idea for a number of years, but the writer feels that this is not the ultimate radio outfit. He believes that the dial and knob idea is entirely wrong.

Recent experiments, which were made by the writer, have convinced him that future radio sets will have no dials whatsoever. Instead, we will have nothing but a panel on which will be a series of jacks, each labeled with the name of a station. If, for instance, we wish to listen to KYW, we will insert a plug into a jack labeled KYW. If we wish to listen to WDAP, we will insert a plug into that jack. The plugs will be constructed in such a way that a slight turning of one will bring the sta-tion into full intensity. The plug, in other words, will act as a sort of vernier. When the outfit is first set up it will be tuned by the owner or by the firm installing it, in such a manner that all tuning

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elements are fixed, or rather Each outfit will be locked. equipped with a dozen or more jacks, so that a dozen or more stations may be listened to. The owner will first pick out the stations, local or long distance, which he desires to listen to, and he will then provide his jack-openings with inscribed tags, identifying each one. It will then be a simple matter for any member of the family to instantly operate the outfit.

Of course the writer is well aware of the criticism which will now arise. What about other DX stations we may wish to get? The answer to this is: If you wish to play radio golf, there are a quanlity of outfits with which that purpose can be accomplished. There is no reason why a man could not have two outfits, one for the family and one for his experimental work. But the argument for the dial-less, tuning-less radio outfit is a sound one. After all, the lady of the house has a right to have radio entertainment without requiring an expert to operate the

At the present time, the writer ventures to say that there are not 1,000 women in the United States who can operate the family radio outfit satisfactorily. Radio cannot become really great until this objection has been overcome. As a matter of fact, if the truth must he known, the average householder who wants a radio outfit does not wish to go hunting all over the Universe for broadcasting stations.



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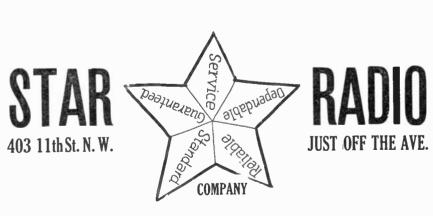
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The Interference Problem in Radio

By E. F. McDonald Jr.

President of the National Association of Broadcasters.

IN analyzing the interference situation at the present time, it should always be remembered that while broadcasting is of paramount importance to millions of people throughout the country, there are other phases of the radio industry which must be considered and upon which depend much of the commerce of the world. Trans-Atlantic and shipto-shore radio traffic are of vital importance. The work of the serious radio experimenter is also of the highest value in furthering the advancement of the radio art. In order that the broadcast listener may get the most out of his radio receiver, a thorough knowledge of the causes of the interference which he occasionally experiences together with the various means available for their reduction or elimination is essential.

There are, of course, various types of interference occasioned by different causes. The most annoying at the present time are telegraph code interferences from ship and shore stations working on low wave lengths of around 450 meters, and the re-radiation of radio receivers of improper design or improperly operated by un-skilled users. It is to the interest of all participating in the radio industry to assist in correcting these conditions as well as the other causes of interference. The National Association of Broadcasters have been in conference with Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, on the subject of ship interference, and through his efforts and cooperation are arranging for international regulations providing for the carrying on of ship-to-shore traffic on lengths outside the broadcasting band. This article, therefore, treats only with the interference created by re-radiation from radio receivers.

It is a popular fallacy that all that is necessary to put a stop to any undesirable condition is the passing of legislation. Unfortunately this idea has occasionally taken root and grown into something that constitutes a real menace at the heart of our American civilization. There is nothing more

detrimental to the morale of a nation than the adoption of legislation which is obviously impossible of enforcement and which, through the ease with which it may be ignored, teaches wholesale disrespect for not only the law but the authorities that make it.

We have, at the present time, a startling example of an "iron-clad" law which so far at least has been impossible to enforce, and which has possibly worked at greater evil than that which it was designed to eliminate—the Prohibition Amendment. During the war the Navy Department undertook through its Intelligence Service to prohibit the use of transmitting and receiving apparatus throughout the country. The prohibition on transmitting was comparatively easy to enforce, but although every effort was made to eliminate reception, in the final analysis it came down simply and squarely to reliance on the loyalty and patriotism of the in-dividuals which go to make up our great nation. Übviously the individuals who really desired to use radio for ulterior purposes had no such sense of loyalty and as a consequence, to a great extent all that was accomplished was the pronibition of the use of radio receivers in the hands of those who would not use them in any case to the disadvantage of the country, whereas it was practically impossible to stop the use of such apparatus in the hands of those intent on serving their own ends.

For these reasons, the adoption of legislation prohibiting the use of receivers which feed back energy into the antenna is obviously absurd. The adoption of an act of this kind would be comparatively easy but the enforcement would require a greater force of officers and special agents than we have at the present time attempting to enforce prohibition. Certainly our Government can not afford such an expenditure even if it were possible to completely eliminate radio feedbacks by such means. It should be remembered that in the first place the locating of the offending receivers which feed back into antennae would be comparatively difficult, and even when

they were located, it would be a simple matter for the user of a set of this kind to disconnect the tickler coil or whatever means was used to feed back the energy, while the inspector was present, and attach it the moment he left. The enforcement of any such act would also be rendered extremely difficult because of the statutes prohibiting the entrance of private dwellings without proper search warrants.

Granting that the feed back from radio receiving sets is harmful and that preventative legislation if not impossible, at least is impractical, what is to be done? Only end the present annoyance but, through uniform retail price and its advantages from the selectivity standpoint, will be desirable for general public use. Let's have no more unenforceable legislation!

Obviously the solution to the problem is constructive action on the part of the radio manufacturer. At the present time the laboratories of eight of the largest manufacturers of receiving apparatus are at work night and day on the production of a simple device to be connected ahead of receivers feeding back which will not allow the passing of this energy out to the antenna. Such a device when developed and perfected will be put on the market by the manufacturers, according to an agreement among them, at practically actual cost, so that the users of all types of sets will have the benefit of this device without undue expense. It is not fair or reasonable to expect the users of feed-back receivers to junk and throw away apparatus representing the investment of many hundreds of thousands of dollars, when by the addition of some simple device the harmful reradiation can be entirely removed and reception improved.

The public will not be hard to persuade to use a device which will cost little and which will not only through reciprocity eventually eliminate all feed-back howls but will also improve reception and increase the selectivity of a receiver with which it is used.

It is often said that one of the most interesting phases of radio to

the novice is its possibility of original experiment. Many of the more important developments in the radio field have been made by novices. From this standpoint then, the development of a oneway valve to prevent radiation from receivers certainly offers wonderful possibilities. With the general public interested in the development of a universal attachment of this kind, as well as with the well-equipped laboratories of the larger manufacturers of radio apparatus earnestly working on the problem, it is safe to predict that not much time will elapse before there is available a universal radiation preventer which will be adaptable to all types of receivers and will not only end the present annoyance but, through uniform retail price and its advantages from the selectivity standpoint, will be desirable for generaly public use. Let's have no more unenforceable legislation!



Questions and Answers

FOREWORD BY THE TECHNICAL EDITOR—Most question and answer columns are operated solely as a clearing house for all types of inquiries in this prolific field of radio. From constant study and perusal of these columns in radio publications, the Technical Editor has come to the conclusion that the average inquiry is made without any basic knowledge of fundamentals in radio. The novice in radio has his opinion tossed about on a stormy sea of prejudiced notions and unfounded hunches. Advice and misinformation, alleged "straight dope" and recommendations are running wild.

The purpose of this column will be to set the owners of receiving sets on the right road to understanding the basic HOWS and WHYS of this new hobby. The questions answered in it will be chosen with the greatest care and answered in non-technical discussions of these ever important basics. By this method we are certain that each issue of THE BROADCAST RECEIVER will have something of very certain value to most owners of radio receiving sets.

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Question—Please tell me something about the sodion tube. Does it produce better results than other types of tubes on the market?

—R. M. K.

Answer-The sodion tube resembles other vacuum tubes in appearance, but in internal structure and in operation entirely different principles are employed. tube is highly evacuated, and has a filament and plate similar to the usual type of tube. It has, however, no "grid," but employs instead a trough-shaped electrode, which is placed around the filament, the open side of the trough being toward the plate. In another respect the tube is radically different from the usual tube, and that is in the fact that within the container is a quantity of alkali metal, sodium. When in an operative condition this sodium is in a vaporous condition, and the particles of the metal play an important

It is claimed that results which are equal to those obtainable with the usual type of vacuum tubes, employing regeneration, are obtained with this tube. Owing to the construction and method of operation of the tube, the sodium

part in the operation of the tube.

It is from the name of these particles, "sodium" ions, that the tube

derives its name Sodium.

tube can not be made to oscillate, so that no squeals or whistles can be made to appear with the signal, no matter how the tube is adjusted. The tone quality is remarkably good, so clear and clean cut that the tube has been termed the "crystal clear" detector tube.

Question—In my receiver I have been using a dry-cell tube for detector. As I understand that the UV-200 type was a much better detector than the one I was using, I changed over to that type. After much trouble I finally heard two local stations, but not at all as clearly or as loudly as with the old tube. Do you think that the trouble is in the tube, or is there some reason that such a tube will not operate in my circuit?

-E: R. N.

Answer—In general, the UV-200 is a much more sensitive detector than any of the "hard" tubes. In order to realize the best results from this tube, however, it is necessary that the voltage of the "B" battery be very closely adjustable. The taps which are made on the battery itself do not provide a sufficiently fine regulation, so that a "potentiometer" is generally used to obtain the fine adjustment. This instrument is simply a resistance (of reasonably high value, so that

it will not draw an excessive current from the filament battery) with a variable contact. The two ends of the winding are connected to the terminals of the filament lighting battery. The negative ter-minal of the "B" battery, instead of being taken to the positive "A" terminal, is connected to the arm of the potentiometer. The "B" battery voltage is then adjusted approximately by means of the taps on the unit, and then a fine adjustment is obtained by moving the arm of the potentiometer. smooth change in the "B" battery voltage of about six volts may be obtained in this way. The resistance of the potentiometer may be anywhere from 200 to 400 olims. You do not say what type of heating battery von use—the UV-200 should be operated from a storage battery, as the current drawn by the filament is so high that it will exhaust dry cells in a very short

Question—have you any information regarding the ST-100 circuit? If so, will you kindly advise as to the following: (1) Number of tubes; (2) type of circuit; (3) range; (4) volume. Is this circuit used in any receivers which are on the market at the present time?

—H. H. R.

Answer—This circuit is not in common use in this country. According to reports, experimenters in Great Britain have obtained very favorable results with it. The general classification of the circuit is "one-tube reflex, with crystal detector and one stage (or more) of separate audio frequency amplification." Two tubes are required; more may be used if desired. We have no information as to the range or volume obtainable with the circuit. Claims for great distance and volume have been made for it in various reports.

Question—Is it possible to have an aerial which is too long to receive broadcasts? I have a twowire aerial which is nearly 200 feet long. The results which I have obtained with my set have been rather disappointing, and my friends have suggested that the aerial is the cause. I do not quite see this, because I have also been told that "the longer and higher" the aerial is, the better.

-F. C. V.

Answer—For broadcast reception it is not advisable to use an antenna which is over 100 feet

long. Excellent results are obtainable with aerials considerably shorter than this. Without any shorter than this. doubt the antenna which you have heen using is too large for satisfactory broadcast reception. A rather crude mechanical analogy may be taken from the strings on a piano: With a given size of wire the pitch of the note may be adjusted by altering the length and tension of the wire. To reach the higher notes it is necessary to use fine wire and shorter lengths. With an antenna which is very large, the higher frequencies can not be received, for it is something the same as trying to get a highpitched note from a heavy long wire. If you can not change the suspension of the antenna as used at present, cut the wire and insert an insulator about 400 feet away from the receiver. If the remaining length is greater than 40 or 50 feet, cut the wire again at a point beyond the first insulator and insert a second insulator. The purpose of this second insulator is to prevent the unused portion of the wire from acting as an aerial for the broadcast wave lengths and absorbing energy from the waves which might otherwise be led to the receiver.

Question—Is there any reason why signals should be improved when I touch the cases of my receivers with my hands? No matter how carefully I tune-in a station, I can always increase the strength of the signals slightly by touching the receivers. Is this a usual occurrence? I am not troubled with body-capacity effects with the receiver, as the panel is shielded and the shield is grounded. Is there any way in which this added signal strength could be obtained without the necessity of touching the receivers?

-S. E. D. Answer-Effects of the nature which you describe are peculiar to particular sets, and do not hold in all cases, or even in most. Without definite information as to the exact connections of your set, it is only possible to guess at the procedure for maintaining the signals at their greater strength. might try the following: (1) Grounding the filament of the tubes; (2) connecting the cores of the audio frequency transformers to plus "B" or minus "A": (3) placing the phones between the filament and "B" battery, instead of between the "B" battery and plate.

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the condition of the cable service at the time was such that it re-

quired three days to get a reply.

"Last spring I found it necessary to send my five-year-old daughter to a school in the United States, so that she should properly learn the English language," said Mr. Rexach. "Recently we were advised that the child had suddenly became sick and her condition was serious; the fact that she was born in the Tropics and unaccustomed to a cold climate making it worse for her recovery. We decided to try amateur radio.

"At various times I had communicated fairly regularly with amateurs in the southern part of the States, but seldom with New York, as the interference at that end was terrific. However, H. H. Carman, an amateur at Freeport, L. I., said he could copy my signals at any time. He willingly offered his services and we at once

made a nightly schedule.

"Exactly 10.30 p. m. every night I would call 2EL and he would always come back with the courteous 'QTC? QSA QRV GA'. He would then telephone direct to the child's residence and inquire how she was getting along. He transmitted the information to me immediately. Frequently it required less than two minutes to obtain a reply as I used to stand by until he called again. If amateur radio should do nothing else for me in my whole life-time, I will always feel that my debt to my fellow amateurs and to the American Radio Relay League, can never be fully paid."

Broadcasters Increase

TWENTY-SEVEN new broadcasting stations started operation during January and twenty "signed off" for the last time, according to the Department of Commerce. Broadcasting gained seven stations. On February 1 there were 435 stations in the United States.

The new stations licensed last week by the department follow: WBBN, Wilmington, N. C. (10 watts); WBBQ, Pawtucket, R. I. (50 watts): WBBM, Lincoln, Ill. (200 watts): WBBK, Pittsburgh, Pa. (10 watts); WBBO, Rogers, Mich. (500 watts); WBBR, Rossville, N. Y. (500 watts); WBBF, Petoskey, Mich. (10 watts); KDZE, Seattle, Wash. (100 watts); and KFJQ, Grand Forks, N. Dak. (5

Station WJAS, at Pittsburgh,

Pa., increased its power to 500 watts and was transferred last week from class A to class B.

The stations which ended their broadcast service in January follow: KFAV, Venice, Calif.; WJAB, Lincoln, Nebr.; KFIY, Seattle, Wash.; KFCK, Colorado Springs, Colo.; KFKH, Lakeside, Colo.; WOAJ, Parsons, Kans.; WDAX, Centerville, Iowa; WABC, Andergen Linda WEIK Cledback, Lawrence Lawre son, Ind.; KFIK, Gladbrook, Iowa; WAAZ, Emporia, Kans.; KFIB, St. WAAZ, Emporia, Rans.; KF16, St. Louis, Mo.; WBAW, Marietta, Ohio; KFDU, Lincoln, Nebr.; WGAY, Madison, Wis.; WLAN, Houlton, Me.; WLAT, Burlington, Iowa; WABJ, South Bend, Ind.; KFCD, Salem, Oreg.; WKAW, Belit Wis and KFID Cropley loit, Wis.; and KFJD, Greeley,

WCAP's New Studio **Opened**

THE new broadcasting studio of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company was formally dedicated Thursday night with an elaborate program. The studio is located on the third floor of the Homer Building, at Thirteenth and F Streets N. W.

There are two studios—A and B. The former is larger than studio B and will be used for bands, or-chestras, etc. Studio B is a small room and will be used by speakers

and lecturers.

In both studios the draperies on the walls are so hung that they may be adjusted to give the correct degree of deadening for the particular kind of entertainment being transmitted. Bands require more deadening than a quartet or a singer, and a speaker requires less deadening. In every case the studio director may make the proper adjustments.

These hangings are of light gray monk's cloth, which has been found to be more efficient and less costly than many of the other ma-

terials now in use.

A small soundproof chamber with a double glass window separates studios A and B, and from this room the announcer operates the controls and signal lights in the studios. The progress of the different operations is shown by colored lights, which signal the artist when all arrangement are complete for that particular number. As soon as one studio goes into operation a red light appears over that door to warn against intrusion.



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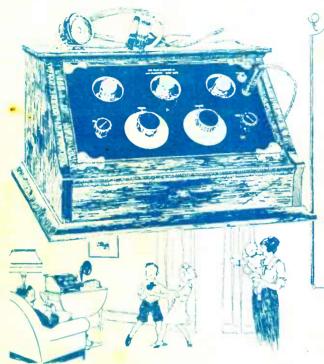
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