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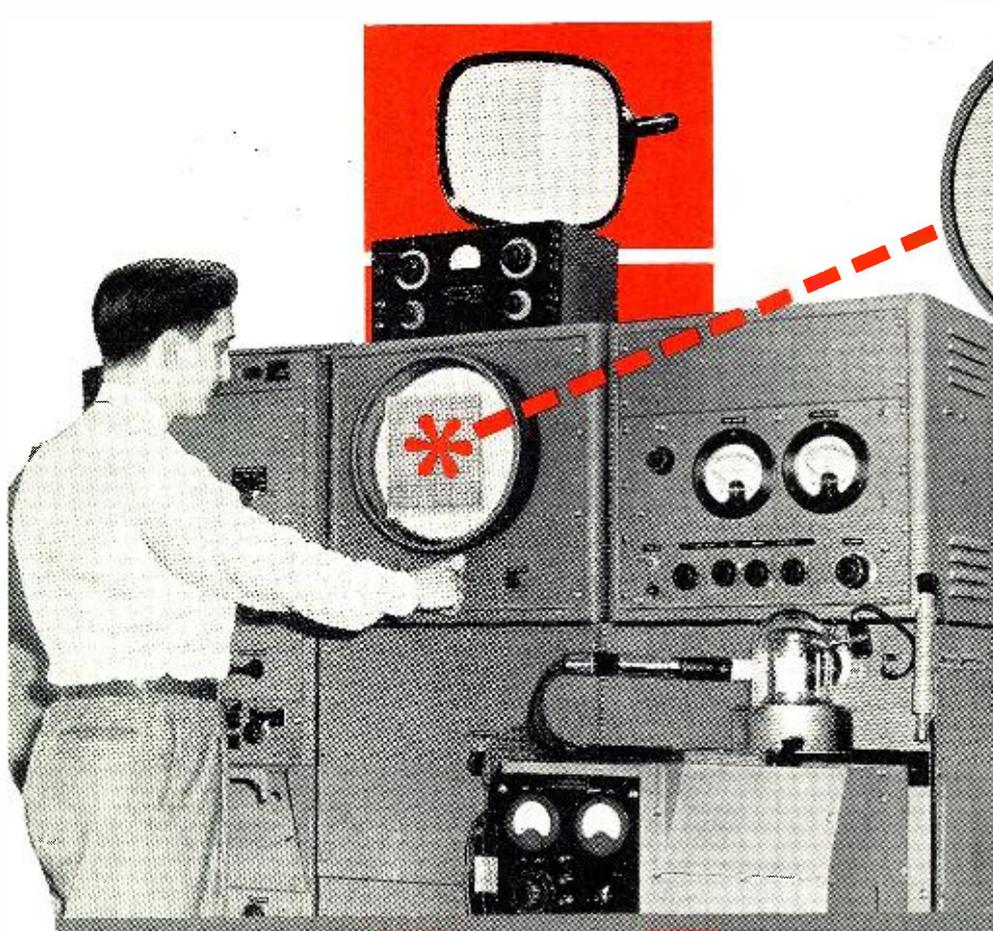
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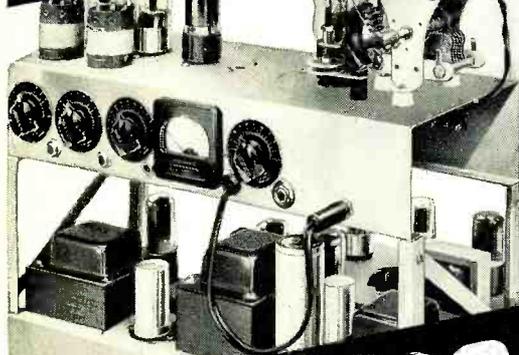
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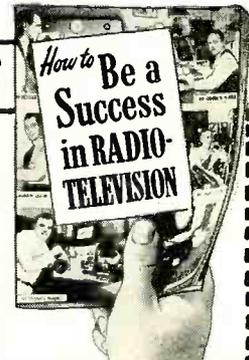
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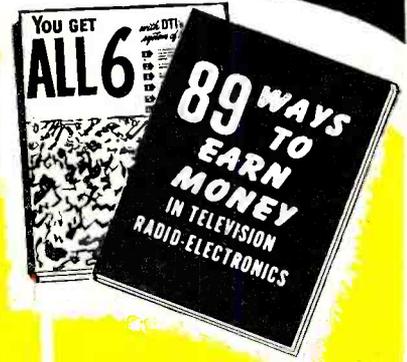
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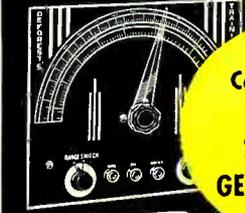
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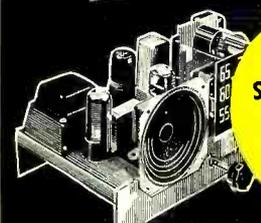
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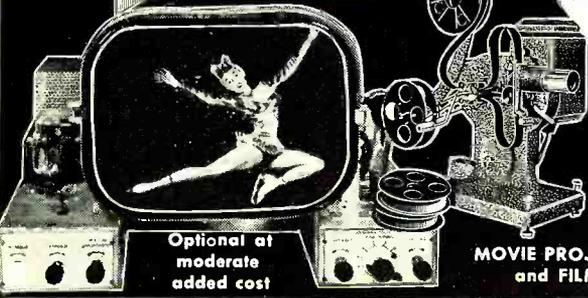
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TO THOSE of us who are in a position to observe the Audio Industry, it becomes more apparent than ever that the impact of audio on the public has reached major proportions. And those of us who are charged with the responsibility of maintaining a balanced technical publication need only to look at the daily mail to confirm our own belief that as far as the theory, construction, and applications for audio equipment are concerned, there is an ever-increasing interest and a continually expanding market.

The recent Audio Fair in New York gave us an opportunity to actually talk to many of our readers. We discussed their varied interests and problems. As a result, these personal contacts proved what we already surmized—that audio interest in all phases—theory, construction, and application—is on the increase. Some of those to whom we talked were newcomers who only during the last year realized the importance of good, sound equipment. Many of them are buying or intend to buy their equipment and assemble it into well thought-out sound systems. There are others who would rather construct their equipment from the very basic units on up. Regardless of whether they buy or build, their interests are of great importance to the entire audio industry. With an ever-increasing interest there is only one answer—a continually expanding market.

With the exception of television, audio ranks high in reader interest and preference. For example, we recently mailed an extensive questionnaire to one out of every ten of our readers. In this survey, we asked the reader to indicate his preference for feature articles and for departments. We also asked him to check subjects in which he had no interest. It was extremely gratifying to the editors that a high percentage of those receiving the questionnaire took the necessary time to complete the extensive listings and to return them to us for compilation. The purpose of the questionnaire was two-fold. First, to give the reader an opportunity to state his preference for articles in each facet of electronics. Second, to determine his specific activity or profession in the industry.

There are more than 220,000 technicians and others purchasing RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS each month. We sampled in excess of 22,000 individuals. Many have written to the editors requesting the results of the survey. While the final tabulations have not been made at this writing, we are able to give you some of the highlights

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We asked for the principal classification of our readers and find that approximately 73,000 are engaged in full time radio and television servicing, more than 50,000 are active in the communications field and over 42,000 are in equipment manufacturing. While these are the principal classifications shown on the lists, there are, in addition, another 10,000 dealers, approximately 8000 teacher-instructors, 6000 parts manufacturers, and nearly 4000 distributor-jobbers.

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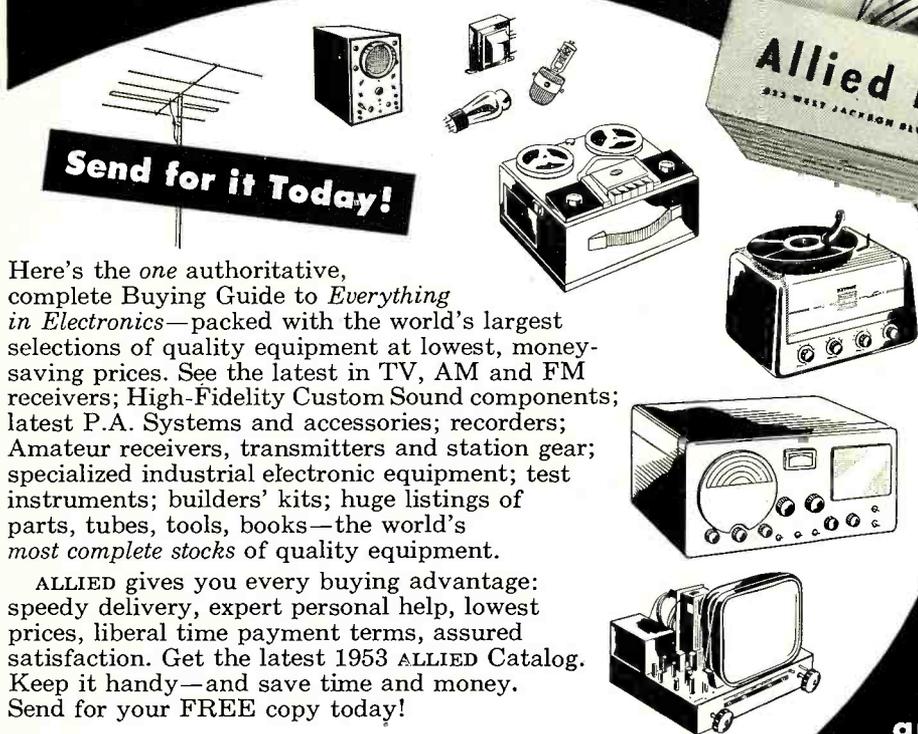
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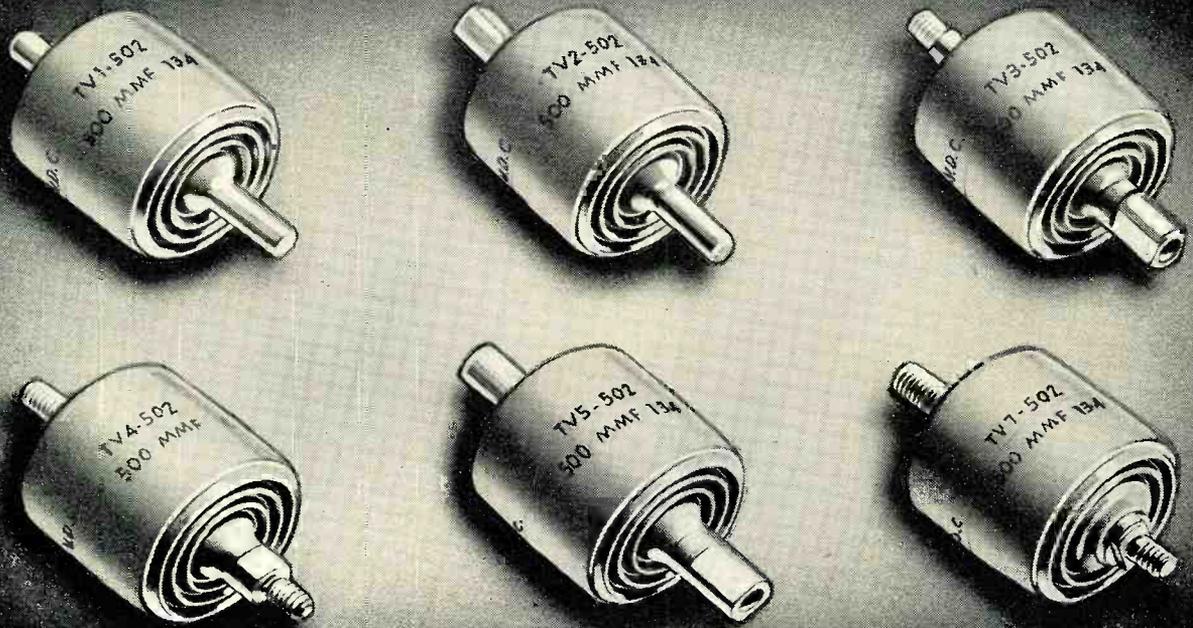
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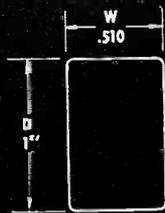
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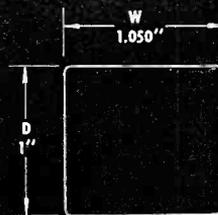
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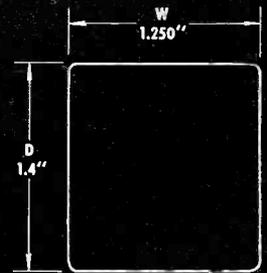
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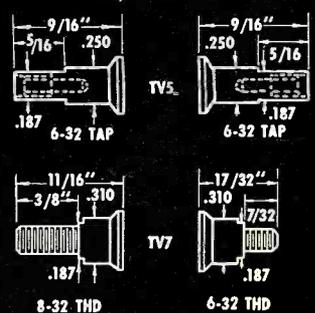
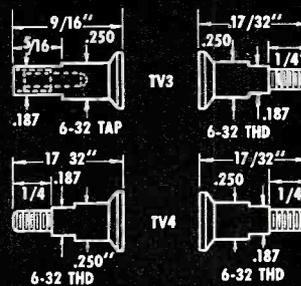
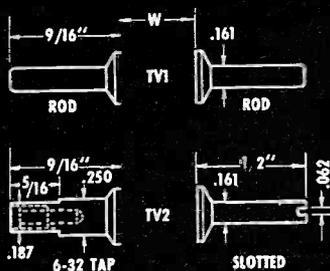
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20,000	500	TV1-502	40,000	2 Rod
20,000	500	TV2-502	40,000	1 Slot, 1 Tap
20,000	500	TV3-502	40,000	1 Tap, 1 Thread
20,000	500	TV4-502	40,000	2 Male Thread
20,000	500	TV5-502	40,000	2 Female Tap
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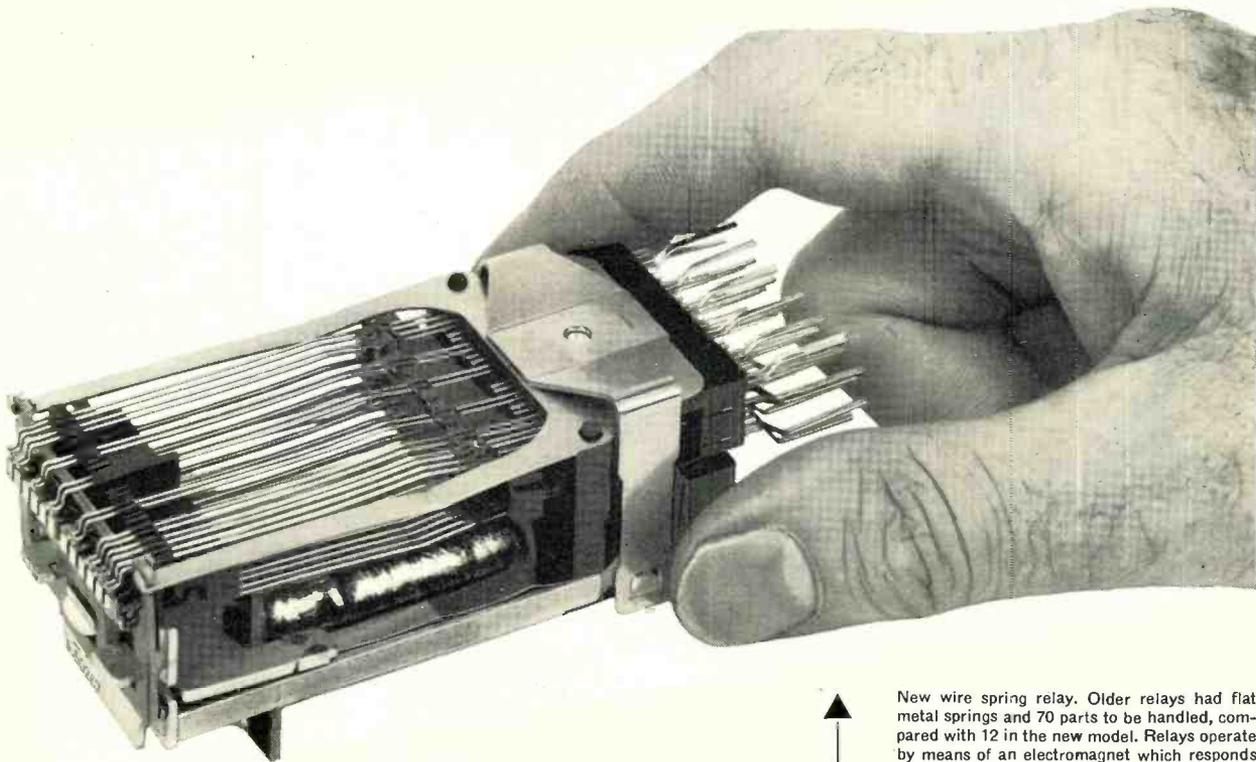
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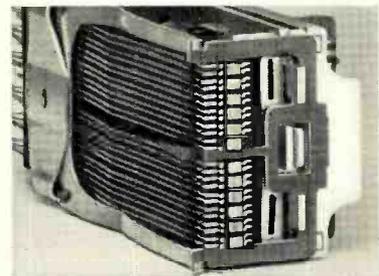
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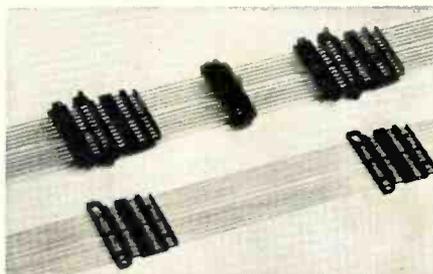
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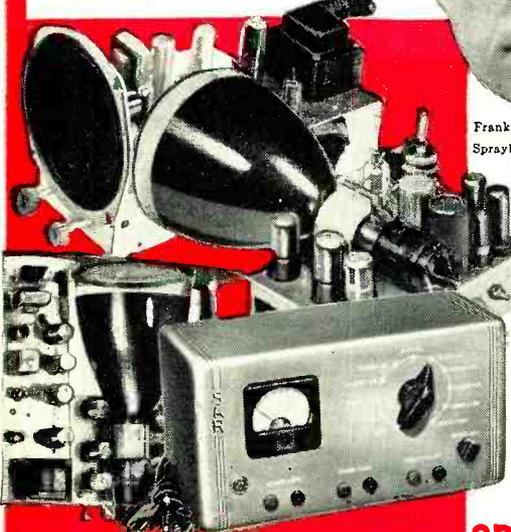


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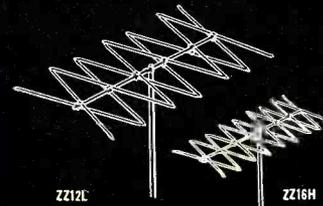
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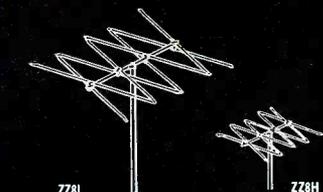
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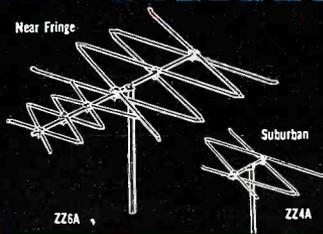
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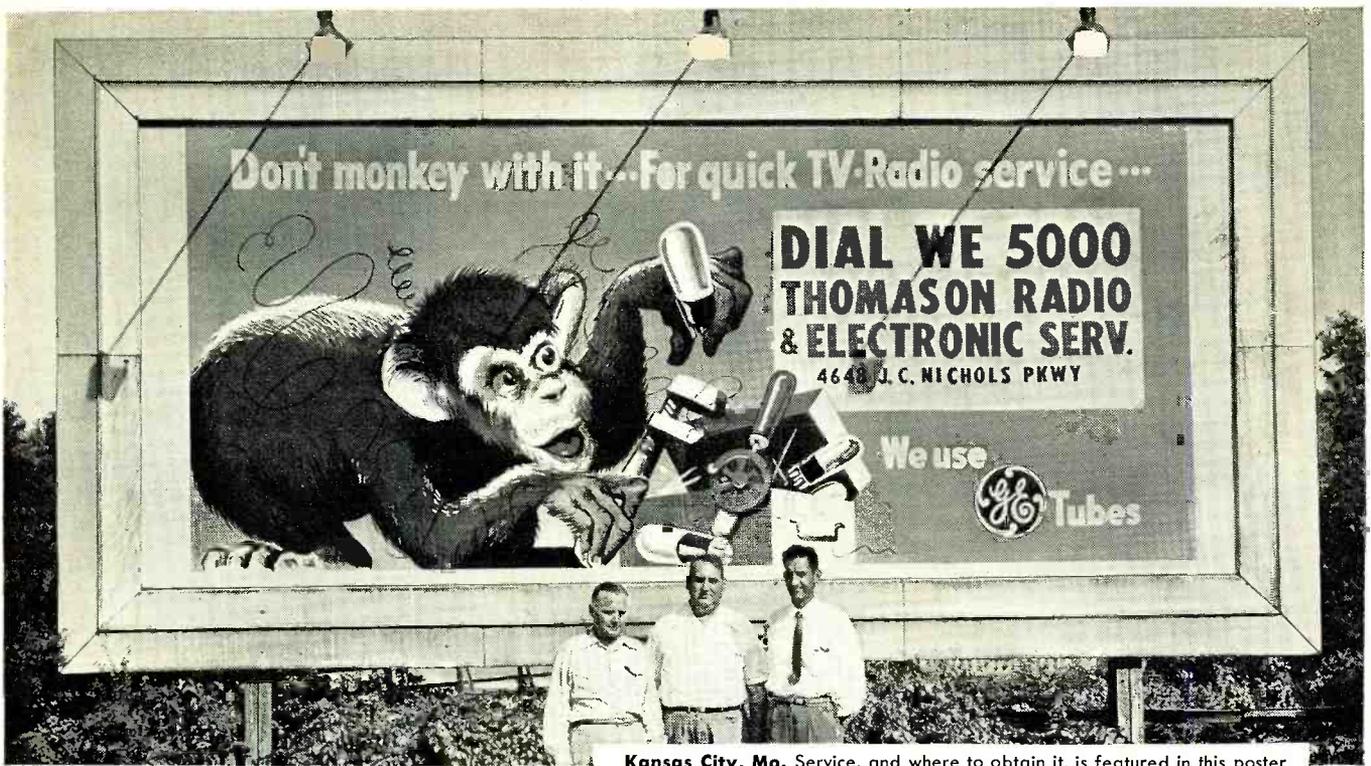
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THE ULTRA-HIGHS, described on a host of occasions in Washington as the sparkling band which would truly launch a glittering gateway to a new TV world, saw this vivid prediction suddenly come to life in Portland, Oregon, just as the Fall made its debut.

In a surprise move, the Commission granted Herb Mayer permission to put his Channel 27 station on the air on an interim basis, using the experimental transmitting gear sent from Bridgeport, Conn., with an effective radiated power (erp) of 17.6 kilowatts. The full approved erp of 88 kilowatts, from a 5-kilowatt transmitter, is expected to be available sometime next year.

The station's prexy, thrilled by the honor of not only being the first u.h.f. telecaster, but the first TV station to go on the air in the northwest, dined and wined local retail and civic leaders, distributors and advertising men at a reception and luncheon, and then brought everyone to the transmitter site in the western hills of the city. On view was a 14-bay antenna about 1300-feet above sea level, and a cinder-block house serving as home for the 1-kilowatt transmitter.

The initial results were noted as impressive, with an 87-dbu signal hitting the city of Portland, a 74-dbu * signal covering the adjacent cities of Vancouver, Washington; St. Helens and Oregon City, Oregon, and 64-dbu signals reaching Salem, Oregon and Longview, Washington.

At this writing, over 5000 sets were reported to have been installed. It was believed that the quantity would be tripled and quadrupled within a matter of weeks.

CONTINUING ITS WHIRLWIND pace, the FCC has sent approvals to nearly a score more applicants for TV construction permits, bringing the total to 63, commercial interests receiving 54 and educational 9, and announced that processing will continue on 170 mutually exclusive applications on hand, and thereafter, for a limited time, would only handle the baskets of pending noncompetitive bids.

The south retained its lead in the new-grant race, and is expected to hold this favored position for many, many weeks. Among the southern

cities approved for TV were Jackson, Mississippi; Columbia, South Carolina; Montgomery, Alabama; and Roanoke, Virginia.

Jackson won Channel 25 and the transmitter there will be operated by *Mississippi Publishers* on a power of 205 kilowatts. WCOV in Montgomery, owned by *Capital Broadcasting*, received Channel 26 and will pump out 88-kilowatt signals. Columbia was quite fortunate, receiving two grants. One went to WCOS, the property of *Radio Columbia*, who will use Channel 25 and a power of 89 kilowatts. WNOK, a *Palmetto Radio Corp.* station, received Channel 67, and will transmit with a power of 680 kilowatts. There were a pair of grants approved for Roanoke, too, with one a u.h.f. assignment (Channel 27) and another on Channel 10. The ultra-high award was won by WROV, *Radio Roanoke*, who will telecast on 105 kilowatts. WSLS, a *Roanoke Broadcasting* property, will use Channel 10 and a power of 250 kilowatts. *Little Rock Telecasters* in Little Rock, Arkansas, were told that they would be able to operate on Channel 17 with a power of 22 kilowatts. KMJ, a *McClatchy Broadcasting* station, in Fresno, California, will have a TV affiliate also and operate on Channel 24 with a power of 105 kw. Denver, the first city to win approval for a TV station since the freeze lift, also won a u.h.f. approval. Awarded to *Mountain States Television* for Channel 20, TV-casting will be via a 89-kw. transmitter. Another grant was also issued to Harrisburg, to WHP, who will have Channel 55 and use a power of 240 kilowatts. In Youngstown, *Polan Industries*, who had submitted a plea for a channel change, was awarded Channel 21 and a power of 170 kilowatts. The *Washtenaw Broadcasting Co.*, operators of WPAG, in Ann Arbor, Mich., were authorized to proceed with their construction of Channel 20 station operating on 1.75 kilowatts. Channel 39 in Rockford, Ill., will be operated by the *Winnebago Television Corp.*, and a power of 15.5 kilowatts will be used.

Based on estimated commencement dates, cited in the grants, some of the ultra-high stations are expected to be

* A "dbu" represents field strength in db above one microvolt-per-meter.

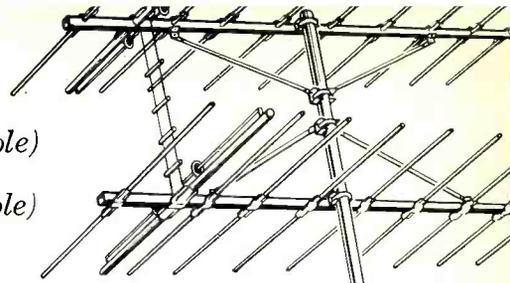
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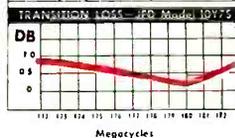
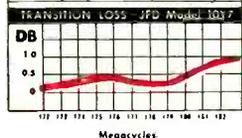
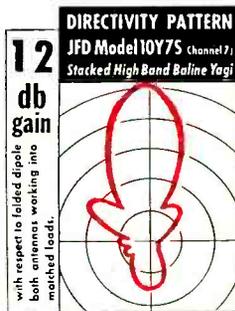
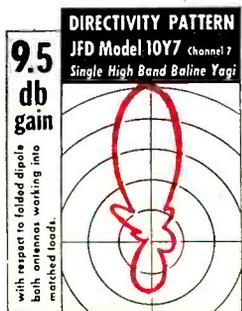
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6	10Y6S	51.40
7-13	10Y7S-10Y13S	27.70

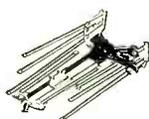
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5	10Y5	28.45
6	10Y6	25.70

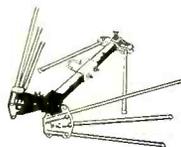


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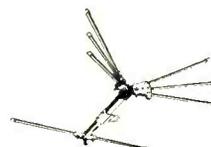
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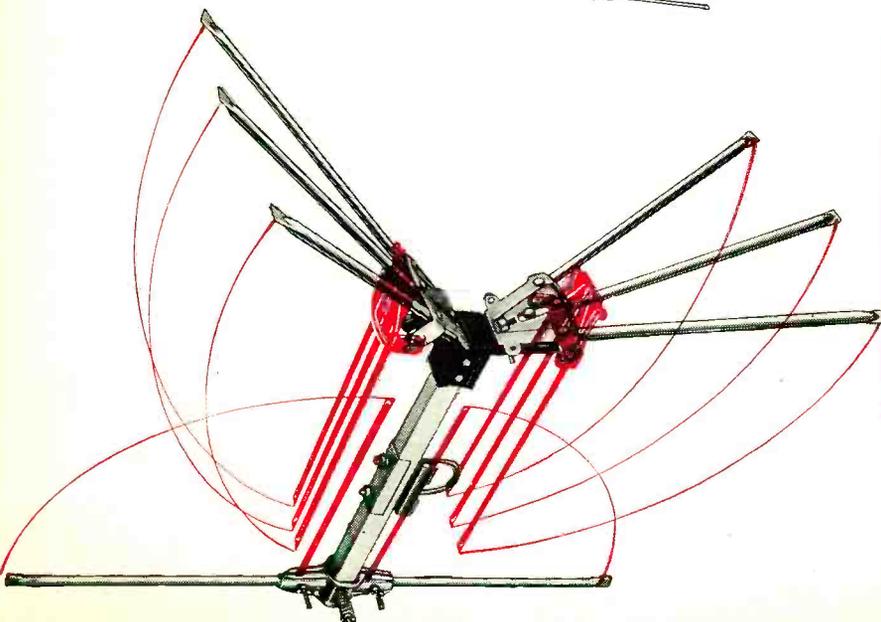
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on the air as this issue comes off the press, and most in the early part of '53.

BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT, for nearly three years the ultra-high proving ground in the east, may soon return to its prized status, through the facilities of Channel 43, which will be operated by *Southern Connecticut and Long Island Television Company*. According to the prexy of the new station, Philip Merryman, who owns WICC, arrangements have been made with the suppliers of the transmitting gear, to field test all of the lab developments evolved by the manufacturer, following the pattern employed by RCA at their experimental setup.

The new station is expected to cover an area that will include Waterbury as well as the eastern part of Long Island, plus fringe New York, offering coverage to about 2,000,000 viewers.

This transmitter is also expected to begin operation before the New Year is welcomed in.

THE RUMBLE OF DISSATISFACTION

among prospective new-station operators seeking better assignments, which just rippled the air during the early post-freeze days, has begun to gain db and in some instances produce waves of rocking blasts. In Lancaster, Pa., and Nashville, Tenn., the roar has been deafening.

The commotion in these areas stems from the requests of WLAN of Lancaster and WMCT in Nashville. In the latter case, the Commission acknowledged that it had erred in its assignment for that area and deleted Channel 5 from Nashville, to satisfy the minimum 190-mile co-channel separation from the transmitter site of WMCT-TV, Channel 5 being allocated to Old Hickory, Tennessee, about 11 miles from Nashville. In explaining their change of plan, the Commission admitted that they did not realize that a 187.5-mile separation existed between Nashville and WMCT's (Memphis) transmitter location.

The WLAN case had not been solved at this writing, and may involve weeks of deliberation. The operators of the station had asked the Commission to consider the frequency shift of WGAL-TV (who had received a Channel 4 renewal in the summer) from Channel 4 to 8, and appeared before the U. S. Court of Appeals seeking relief. Then the plea was dropped when the Commission disclosed that Channel 8 had not been firmly assigned and WLAN would be able to compete for the assignment. Subsequently, the Commission told the station that it would have to appear in a comparative hearing to review the requested shift, but allowed WGAL-TV permission to operate on Channel 8. The hearing plan was severely criticized by Commissioner George Sterling who declared that the competitive sessions will cause

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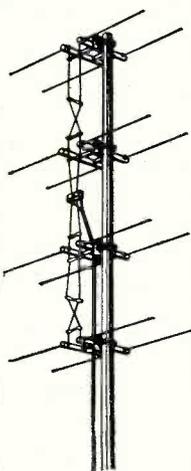
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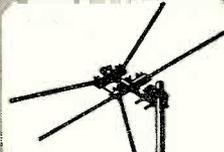
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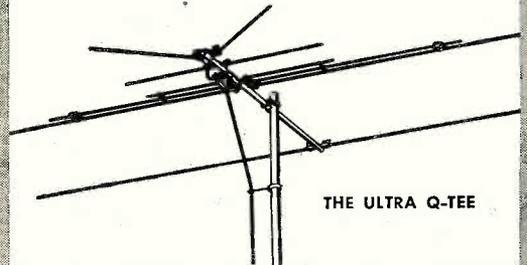
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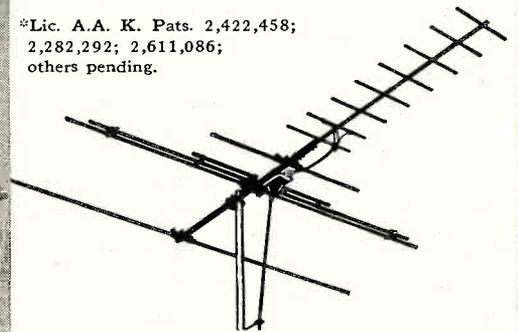
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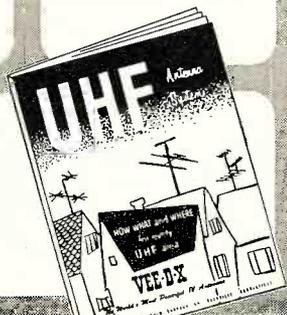


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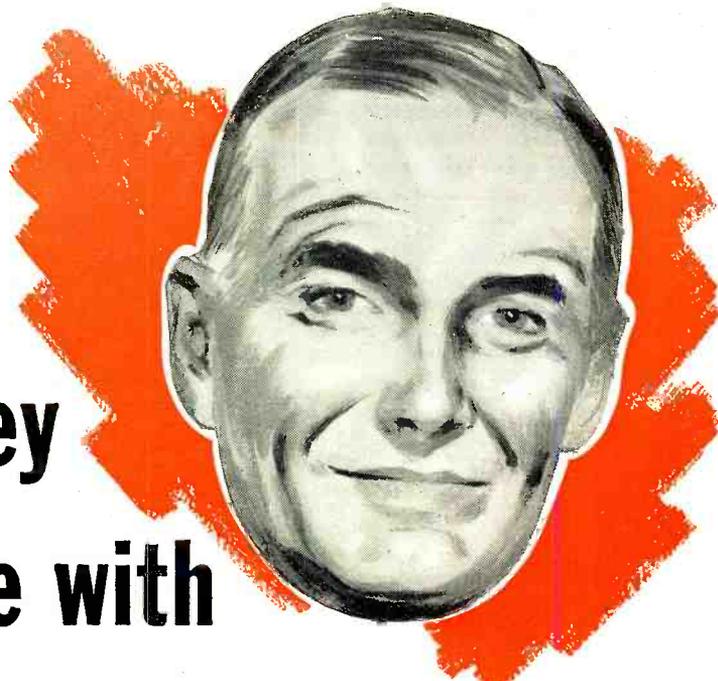
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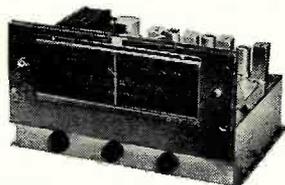
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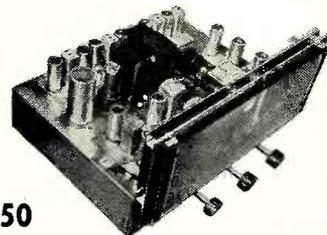


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A terrific value in an FM tuner! 11 tubes. Formerly sold for \$87.50. Nothing has been changed. The tuner is available in kit form with the IF Amplifier mounted in the chassis and wired and tested by us. You mount the RF Tuning Unit, power supply and after some simple wiring, it's all set to operate. If you had a million dollars, you couldn't buy a finer tuner than this COLLINS unit. It's the best at a really fair price! Buy direct and save! Tube lineup: 6J6 RF amp, 6AG5 converter, 6C4 oscillator, 6BA6 1st IF, (2) 6AU6 2nd and 3rd IF, (2) 6AU6 limiters, 6AL5 discriminator, 6AL7-GT double tuning eye, 5Y3-GT rectifier. Sensitivity 6 to 10 microvolts, less than 1/2 of 1% distortion, 20 to 20,000 cycle response with 2DB variation. Chassis dimensions: 12 1/2" wide, 8" deep, 7" high. Shipping weight 10 lbs.

The New 1953 Model Redesigned Smaller Chassis

FM-AM TUNER KIT \$77⁵⁰

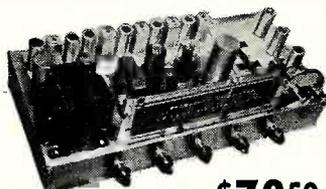


The original 15 tube deluxe FM/AM pre-fab kit redesigned on a smaller chassis. The tuner now measures 14" wide by 12" deep by 7 1/2" high. This attractive, new front and dial assembly opens up new applications where space is at a premium. Kit includes everything necessary to put it into operation—punched chassis, tubes, wired and aligned components, power supply, hardware, etc. Kit comprises FMF-3 tuning unit, IF-6 amplifier, AM-4 AM tuning unit, magic eye assembly and complete instructions. All tubes included. Shipping weight 17 lbs.

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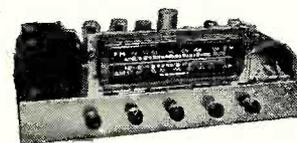


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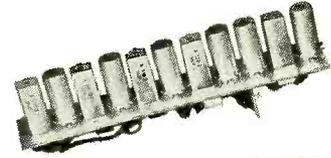
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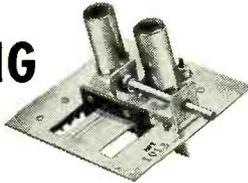
FM IF AMPLIFIER



FM 10.7 MC, IF-6 Amplifier. **\$19⁷⁵**

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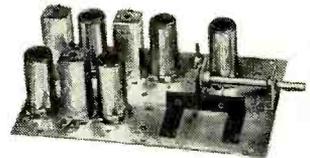


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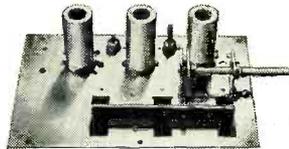
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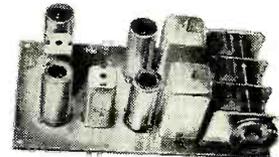


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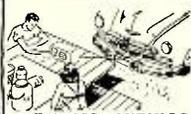
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The 1953 Parts Show will run from Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., with a supplementary program of seminars patterned after those at the 1952 Show. Both the Exhibition Hall and fifth and sixth floors of the hotel will be utilized again in 1953 and, in addition, a new section will be added to the Exhibition Hall area to accommodate an estimated forty more booths.

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HAROLD G. GULLIKSEN recently joined *Electro-Voice, Inc.* as an industrial designer and art consultant to the company's advertising department . . .

JACOB J. MUCHER, one of the founders of *Clarostat Mfg. Co., Inc.*, passed away recently at the home of his daughter. He and his two brothers founded the company in 1921 and Mr. Mucher served as the treasurer and chief tool designer of the firm for twenty-five years . . . **DOUGLAS C. LYNCH** has been elected vice-president in charge of sales for *The Brush Development Company*. He will be responsible for the sale of all company products . . .

Waldom Electronics, Inc., Chicago manufacturer of replacement cones and field coils, has elected **FRED R. ELLINGER** to the post of president. He succeeds the late **JEROME PRINCE** in the post . . . **SEYMOUR MINTZ**, advertising director of *Admiral Corporation*

has been elected vice-president in charge of advertising . . . **L. E. COTSEN** has been named manager of renewal sales for *Tung-Sol Electric Inc.* of Newark. He was formerly manager of the company's eastern division sales office, a post which is now being filled by **WALTER R. OHLSEN** . . . **EDWIN L. WHITE**, chief of safety and special radio service bureau, Federal Communications Commission, has been appointed a Colonel in the Civil Air Patrol with duties as Communications Advisor to the National Commander, Major-General Lucas V. Beau, N.C. . . . **THOMAS H. MOSS** has been named assistant sales manager of *The Turner Company*. He will be in charge of all phases of the recently-expanded sales program of the company's microphones and television boosters, including sales promotion, advertising, distributor relations, and customer service . . .

WILLIAM L. THIBADEAU has returned to *Starrett Television Corporation* as general sales manager after an absence of two years during which he was manager of national sales for *Sheraton Television Corp.* . . . **STANLEY BERNSTEIN** has been named executive vice-president and general manager of *Electrical Tower Service, Inc.*, Peoria firm specializing in the installation and erection of radio and communication towers and antennas . . . **WILLIAM J. SHANAHAN** is the new technical director of *Skiatron Electronics & Television Corporation's* system of pay-as-you-see-television. He will be directly responsible for all technical phases of the company's recently-announced public tests. He was formerly associated with *Hazeltine Corporation* . . . **LOUIS RIFKIND**, president of the *Associated Distributing Corporation* of Baltimore, died recently in that city. His son, David, vice-president and general manager of the firm, will continue to operate the business . . . *Hoffman Sales Corporation* of Los Angeles has named **JOHN F. HERBST** to the post of sales manager. He was formerly western regional sales manager for the *Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc.* . . . **E. B. HARRISON** is the new general sales manager of the *Peerless Electrical Products Division* of *Altec Lansing Corporation* of Beverly Hills. He will direct the sales of the division's products and act as a consultant on transformer design . . . **DONALD MACGREGOR**, vice-president in charge of manufacturing for *Zenith Radio Corporation*, has been elected president of *Webster-Chicago Corporation*. He succeeds **R. F. BLASH** who has been named chairman of the board.

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HAROLD A. JONES has been promoted to the newly-created post of manager of the Technical Information Center for *Motorola Inc.*



In his new capacity Mr. Jones will direct the production and distribution of all technical publications covering the sales promotion, sales training, public relations, and service activities of the division.

He holds a BS in Electrical Engineering and is a member of Eta Kappa Nu, the honorary electrical engineering society.

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ALLIED SOUND CORPORATION has been formed under the direction of Irving Greene, well-known audio consultant. The new firm is occupying quarters at 115 West 45th Street, New York, which have been designed solely for the sale and demonstration of the various components that comprise a home music system . . . **PHILCO CORPORATION**

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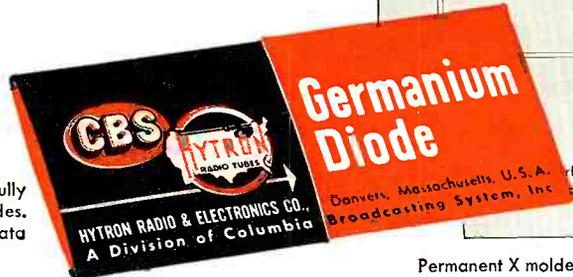
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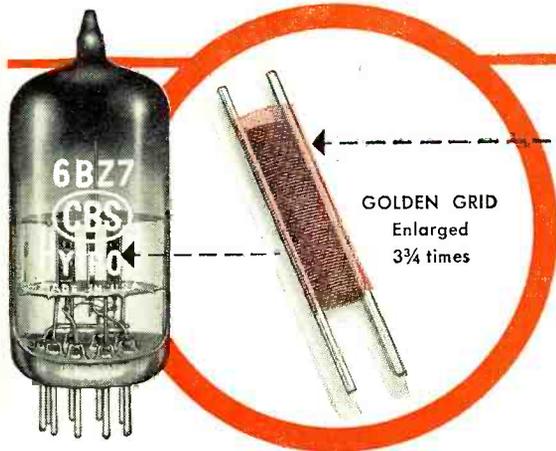
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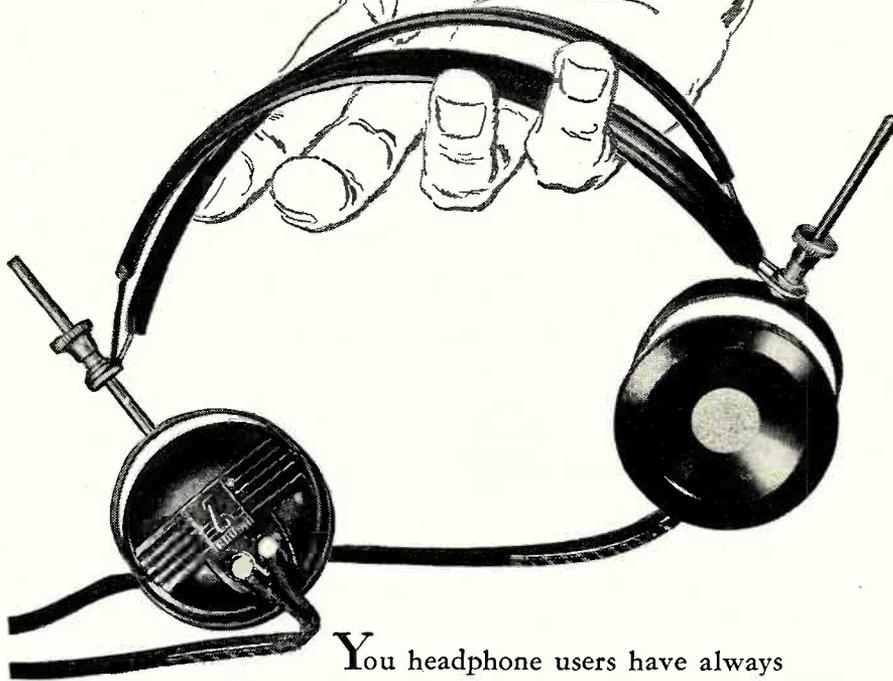
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A major in physics and chemistry, Mr. Meadows was graduated from Phillips University with an AB degree. He also attended the University of Oklahoma, taking graduate work in communications.

He joins the *Dage* organization after 12 years' association with *Radio Corporation of America* where he served in the engineering, sales, and administrative departments. He has worked with broadcasting and television equipment distribution since 1947.

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A. D. PLAMONDON, JR., who has been chairman of the RTMA board of directors since his election at the June convention, has assumed the additional duties of president of the association.

The Board of Directors also elected Glen McDaniel, who recently resigned as RTMA president, to the post of general counsel and promoted General Manager James D. Secrest to the post of executive vice-president. Mr. McDaniel succeeds Judge John W. Van Allen who retires after 25 years' service to the association.

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NEDA has named its 1952-53 slate of officers, according to the announcement made by L. B. Calamaras, executive vice-president of the distributor association.

W. D. Jenkins of *Radio Supply Co.*, Richmond, Va., was named president; Dahl W. Mack, *Scranton Radio & Television Supply Co.*, Scranton, Pa., is the new first vice-president; Gerald E. Murphy, *Electronic Supply Corp.*, Battle Creek, Michigan, will serve as second vice-president with Max I. Epstein, *Federated Purchaser*, New York City as treasurer and J. Howard Klein, *All-State Distributing Co.*, Dallas, Texas, as secretary.

Aaron Lippman, *Aaron Lippman & Co.*, Newark, New Jersey, was unanimously re-elected chairman of the board.

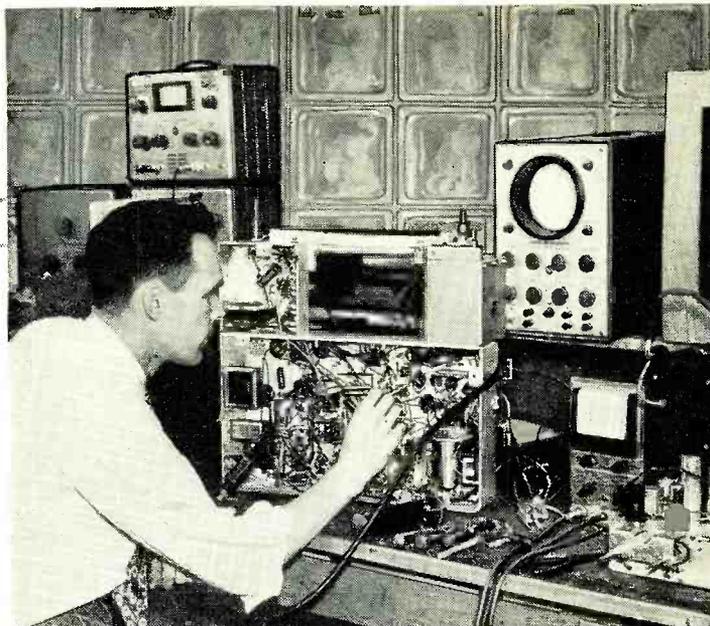
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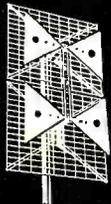
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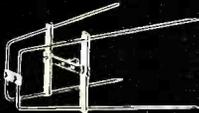
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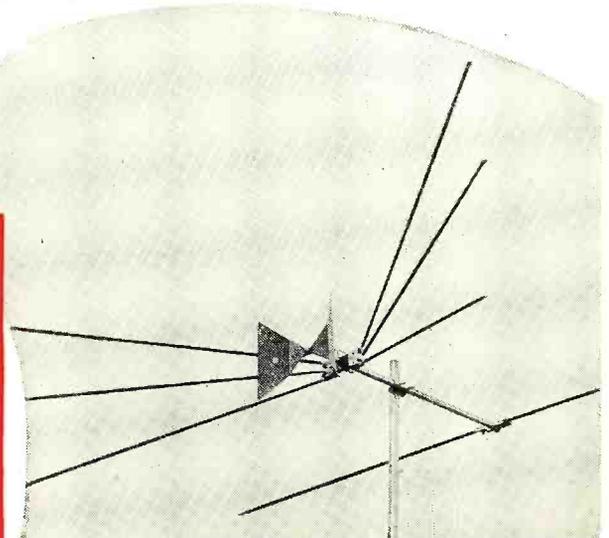


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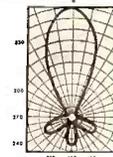
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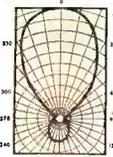
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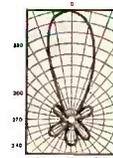
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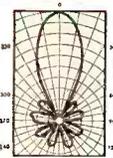
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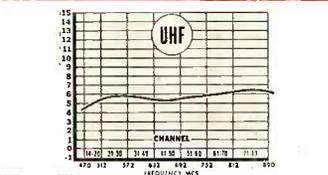
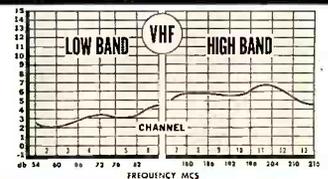


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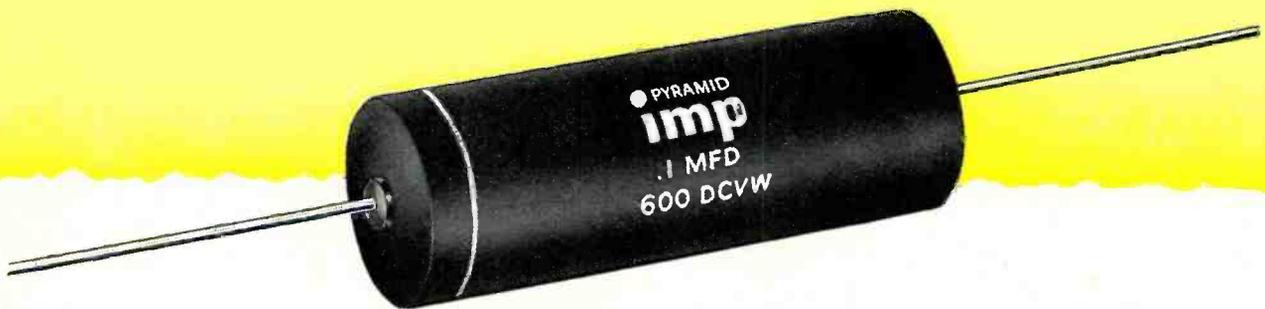
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Details on a precedent-making hook-up between Great Britain, France, and Belgium, including data on standards conversion.

FOR the first time in history, seven transmitters, working on three different standards, and covering three countries (France, Great Britain, and Belgium) were linked together to telecast the same international programs for a full week, ending on July 14th, the French national day.

This achievement, which was enthusiastically received by all viewers, was made possible through the close cooperation of *Radiodiffusion et Television Francaise (R.T.F.)* and the *British Broadcasting Corporation (B.B.C.)*.

The transmissions made use of the existing facilities in France and Great Britain—in particular, full use was made of the Paris-Lille television link and of the coaxial and Hertzian cables linking the four British transmitters.

Between Lille and London, a chain of four microwave relays was set up and went straight across the Channel.

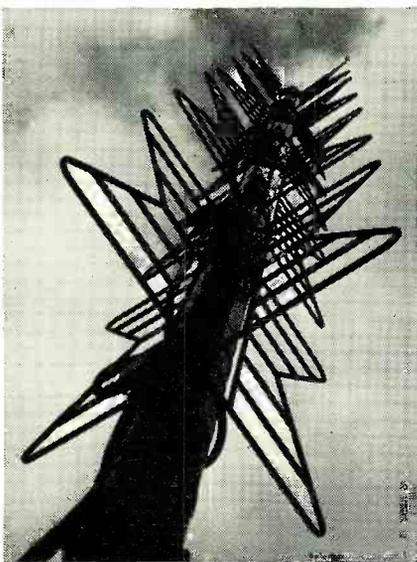
While this might be considered a well-established technique, there remained one important point to be covered. Great Britain uses a 405-line standard while France has an 819-line standard. Thus, there had to be, somewhere in the chain from Lille to London, a transformation of standards.

Similarly, since the old French standard of 441 lines is being kept in operation in Paris until 1958 a second conversion was necessary in Paris to change from the 819-line standard to the 441-line standard to feed the two Paris transmitters.

The Converter

Engineers on both sides of the Channel have been busy these past few years trying to solve the problems involved in the conversion of standards.

Many solutions have been advanced—some subtle, some ingenious, and some extremely complex. The final answer is surprisingly simple and seems to be a case of Christopher Columbus' celebrated egg.



(Left) Close-up of the 185.25 mc. turnstile antenna. (Above) Antenna array atop the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.

By

A. V. J. MARTIN

Editor, "Television"
Paris, France

In the final version, a high-quality receiver displays a good 819-line picture which is then picked up by a 441- or 405-line camera. It is as simple as all that!

In reality, the procedure is not quite as simple as it seems. The phosphor on the tube must have a decay time such that the picture will be "stored" long enough for scanning by the camera, but this time must not be too long or there would be some smearing in the case of rapidly moving objects.

The decay time used is comparable to that necessary to scan a single frame. This decay time is obtained through the use of a zinc beryllium silicate phosphor having an exponential decay characteristic such that the brightness falls to 28 per-cent of its original value in 1/50th of a second.

The frame frequency is 50 cps in France and Great Britain. Of course, the system works one way—only when the receiver displays a high-definition picture to be transformed into a lower definition standard.

This same system could not be used for transmitting programs from the British standard to the French standard since the 405-line picture is inferior in quality to the French standard, whose over-all definition is four times better.

Two of these simple CRT-camera converters were in use during the

French-British television week—one at the Eiffel Tower (converting the 819 lines into the 441 lines) and the other at Cassel (converting the 819 lines to the 405-line standard).

Four mobile pickup units, installed in cars, were used for outside pickups and to supplement coverage from the Paris studios. All of the pickups were made on 819 lines. The mobile equipment was linked to the control room through 9000 mc. relays.

The 819-line video signal was sent direct to the high-definition Paris transmitter atop the Eiffel Tower and to the relay transmitter in Lille. It was also transformed to 441 lines and fed to the old medium-definition transmitter at the Eiffel Tower.

The relay from Paris to Lille uses two intermediate stations. At Lille, the 819-line signal was radiated over the local high-definition transmitter, over northern France and the southern part of Belgium. A high-quality receiver installed at Cassel received the Lille programs and this part of the link was supplemented by a microwave link as a standby.

The 819-line picture coming from Paris was finally displayed on the receiver in Cassel where the French part of the transmission ended and that of the *B.B.C.* began.

At Cassel, the 819-line picture was converted into 405 lines and then sent across the Channel to London by



Control Room No. 2 in the studios of Radiodiffusion et Television Francaises.

microwave relay, using three intermediate stations.

It was radiated by the 45 mc. transmitter at Alexandra Palace, London and the signal was piped through the coaxial link to the regional transmitters of Sutton Coldfield and Holme Moss. From Manchester, near Holme Moss, the program was sent to the Scottish transmitter of Kirk O'Shotts through the seven-station microwave link.

Pickup Equipment

Besides the standard studio equipment, four mobile units were used in the transmissions:

1. A *Pye* mobile unit using four image-orthicon cameras. This equipment was loaned for the duration of the experiment.
2. A *Radio-Industrie* mobile unit which was especially constructed for the occasion and incorporated three image-orthicon cameras.
3. The regular *R.T.F.* car for outside pickups with its two super-icoscope cameras (*Radio-Industrie*).
4. A new *R.T.F.* hand-carried "trunk" unit with two photicon cameras, put in use for the first time (*Thomson-Houston*).

Three microwave relays, operating on 9000 mc. and made by the *Compagnie des Compteurs*, linked the outside equipment with the Eiffel Tower.

There the signal was demodulated, amplified, controlled, and applied simultaneously to the 819-line transmitter, the Paris-Lille microwave relay, and the 819/441 converter.

Paris Transmitter

The 819-line high-definition transmitter is located on the fourth floor of the Eiffel Tower in the room that Eiffel called his "salon" and reserved for his own use.

The picture carrier is on 185.25 mc. and the sound carrier is 174.1 mc. Both used amplitude modulation.

The total width of the channel is

14 mc., the video transmitter working on the vestigial upper sideband principle.

The antennas are installed on the topmost part of the tower and comprise an array of four turnstiles—shortly to be replaced by a 6-bay diplexed array. Horizontal polarization is used.

The official service radius is on the order of 50 miles (80 km.) but the practical coverage is much greater.

The 819-line standard has been adopted as the official French standard and will be used by all stations, existing or projected, that form the French television chain.

Medium-Definition Unit

Prior to the adoption of the high-definition standard, Paris had a transmitter working, since 1938, on 441 lines.

This transmitter will be kept in service until 1958 to give the owners of the old 441-line receivers their

money's worth in programs. These receivers are now considered obsolete in view of the low quality pictures provided by such relatively low lineage.

The 441-line transmitter is located at the foot of the Eiffel Tower and radiates the picture on a 46 mc. carrier and sound on a 42 mc. carrier. The total bandwidth of the channel is 8 mc., both sidebands being transmitted. Peak powers are 30 kw. for the video and 20 kw. for the aural.

A 5-inch coaxial cable runs from the transmitter to the fourth floor of the Eiffel Tower which supports an array of dipoles for the picture frequency and another array for the sound frequency. These antennas are vertically polarized.

Usually the 441-line program is different from the material carried over the 819-line transmitter, except for star studio features where two sets of cameras are used. This, incidentally, is rather a nuisance from a production standpoint.

During the French-British television week, a 819/441 line converter was used and was installed in the 441-line transmitter building. It proved so successful that it will undoubtedly remain in operation.

The converter was developed by *Radio-Industrie*, a French firm.

Paris-Lille Relay

At Paris, the 819-line signal is fed to a microwave transmitter, the first of the chain that links Paris to Lille on a wavelength of 30 centimeters (approximately 900 mc.).

This radio link, which uses two intermediate stations at Villers-Cotterets and Saily-Saillisel (near Peronne), is regularly used to transmit television programs from Paris to the Lille transmitter.

This link is an experimental one and will soon be replaced by a permanent link which is currently under construction.

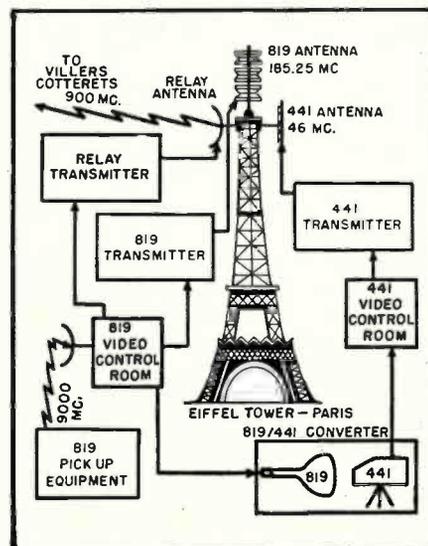
The three "hops" are: from Paris to Villers-Cotterets, 44 miles (70 km.); from Villers-Cotterets to Saily-Saillisel, 50 miles (80 km.); and from Saily-Saillisel to Lille, 42 miles (67 km.).

The sound (30 to 15,000 cps) and vision (0 to 15 mc.) signals are transmitted simultaneously, both by frequency modulation. The deviation ratio is 30 for the sound and 1 for the vision.

Each transmitter has an output power of 5 watts and feeds a dipole placed at the focus of a parabolic dish reflector 3 meters in diameter. This gives a 25 db gain. The half-power point width of the beam is 8 degrees which allows easy siting (and eventually some swaying of the parabolas in the wind). The starting point of the radio link is the dish antenna on the third floor of the Eiffel Tower and the end point is at the Lille belfry, some 100 meters high.

The two intermediate stations are unattended and remotely controlled. All of the equipment is mounted on

Details of the various transmitter installations at the Eiffel Tower. See text.



a steel tower 75 meters high. This equipment comprises a receiving antenna, a first frequency changer, an i.f. amplifier (68 to 102 mc.), a second frequency changer, which transposes the frequency to the 900 mc. band, a power amplifier, and a transmitting antenna. It will be noticed that there is no demodulation but double-frequency changing.

The first intermediate station receives on 940 mc. and transmits on 905 mc. while the reverse is true for the second intermediate station.

Lille

The signal received from Paris over the radio link is detected and used to modulate the Lille 819-line transmitter which is similar to the Paris transmitter and operates on the same frequencies. The geographical separation was considered to be sufficient to permit this type of operation.

Besides serving the one million French citizens in the Lille region, this transmitter covers a considerable area of Belgium where the programs are enthusiastically received.

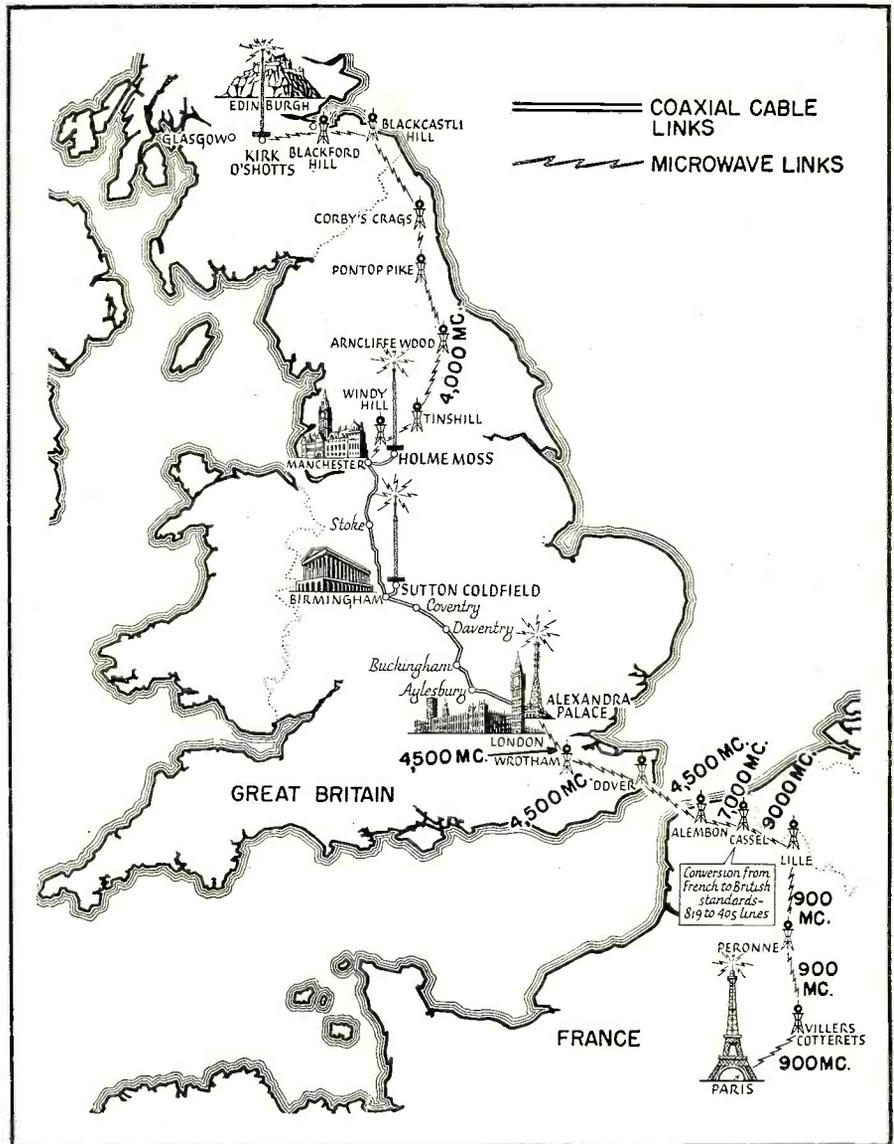
The transmitter and local studio are located in the Lille belfry while the antennas are atop the building, 100 meters above street level.

During the French-British television week, a temporary radio link (working on approximately 9000 mc.) was installed by R.T.F. between Lille and Cassel and was modulated at Lille by the signal coming in from Paris.

Cassel

The 9000 mc. relay (*Campagne des Compteurs*) ended at Cassel where the video signal was delivered to the B.B.C., who took over the liaison from there.

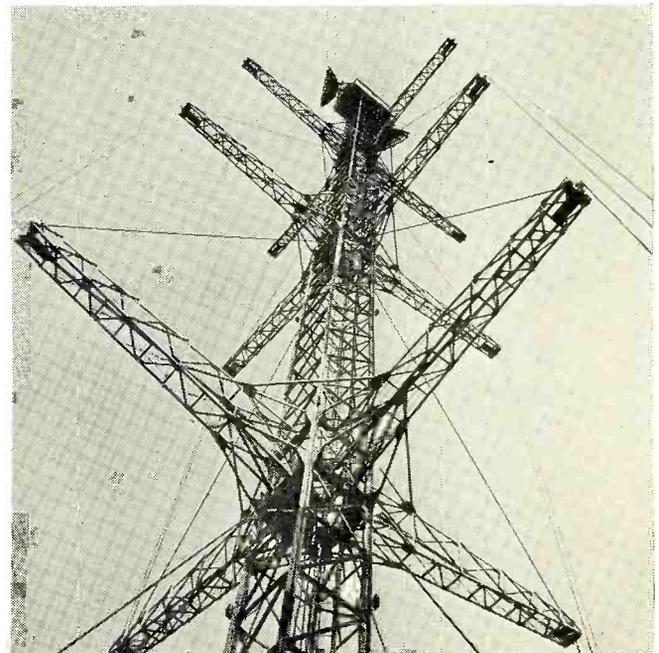
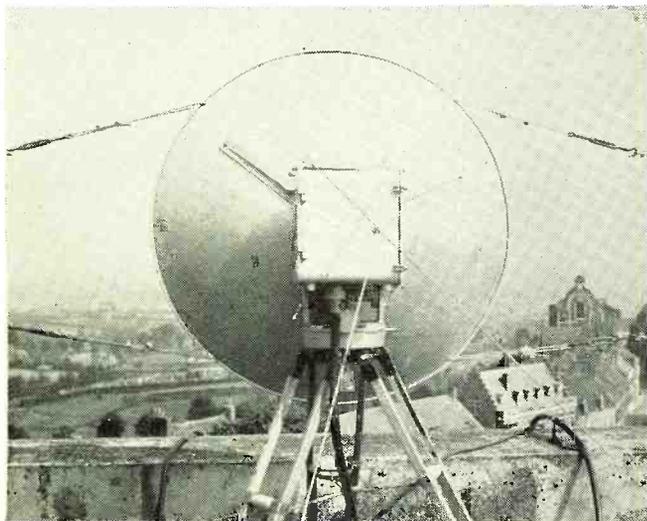
The Lille-Cassel 9000 mc. relay was paralleled with direct reception of the Lille television transmitter, only 30
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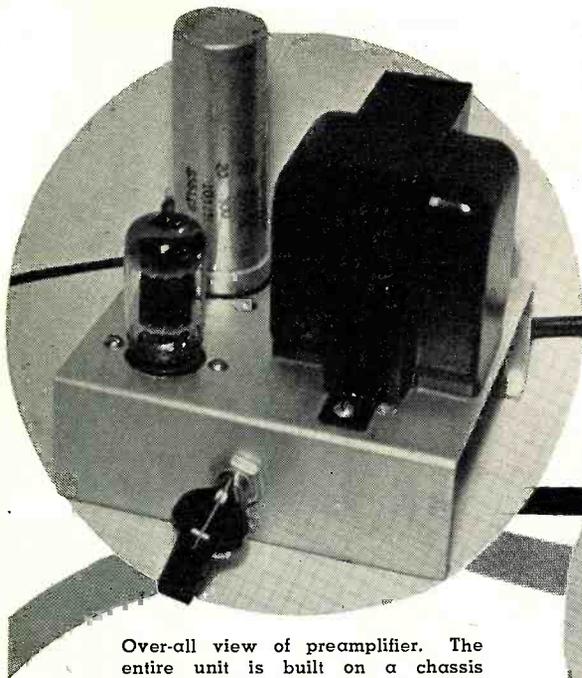
How the television signal was routed from Paris to various television transmitters in Great Britain. Both coaxial cable and microwave relays were used.

Close-up view of the relay station at Villers-Cotterets, one of the relay points between Paris and Lille.

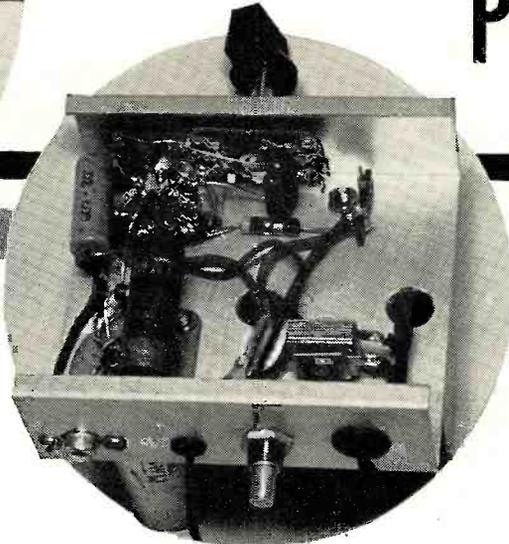
The receiving antenna on the roof of the Mount Cassel building. Antenna is beamed toward the Lille station.



A PREAMP FOR MAGNETIC PICKUPS



Over-all view of preamplifier. The entire unit is built on a chassis measuring 4" x 4" x 1½". Its small size poses no installation problems.



Underchassis view of preamplifier showing compact layout. Small size components were used throughout to minimize bulk of unit.

By

WILLIAM CREVISTON

Details on an easy-to-build unit which uses a single tube and incorporates a selenium rectifier type power supply.

HUM and distortion are not unknown in preamplifiers for magnetic phonograph pickups, despite the considerable engineering time that has been spent on their design. The problem is to amplify a 1 to 10 millivolt signal, putting in a 20 db bass boost, in as clean and quiet a manner as possible. Three basic circuits for doing this are known. Two of them are in general use in this country, but the third is popular mainly in England, having been employed in some new circuits described by D.T.N. Williamson in the May, 1952 issue of "Wireless World." This circuit is the basis of the preamplifier described here, in a form duplicating the main external characteristics of the *G-E* and similar preamps but giving better performance with fewer parts.

Basic Circuits

Let's run through the three methods of getting the bass boost. The first method is the one used by *G-E* and others in their manufactured units. Fig. 3A shows the circuit with the trimmings left out. The bass boost is accomplished by the resistors R_1 and R_2 and condenser C_1 , drawn in heavy lines. At high frequencies, the condenser C_1 looks like a short circuit, and the signal level is knocked down about 8 times by the voltage divider R_1 , R_2 . At bass frequencies, C_1 looks like an

open circuit; the signal doesn't know R_2 is there, and goes on its unattenuated way from the plate of the first triode to the grid of the second triode.

The tube is usually a metal 6SC7 double triode, which is considered less "hummy" than the more common (nowadays) 6SL7. The metal shell reduces hum, too, when there is a power transformer nearby. Any other appropriate tube could be used.

The second widely-used circuit is the two-stage feedback system, shown simplified in Fig. 3B. The bass equalization is in a feedback loop, shown in heavy lines, from the plate of the second stage to the cathode of the first stage. At high frequencies, C_1 looks like a short circuit, and the over-all gain is knocked down by a factor depending on resistors R_1 and R_2 . At

very low frequencies, C_1 looks like an open circuit and there isn't any negative feedback, hence more gain.

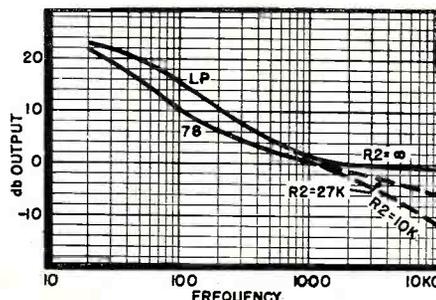
This circuit has two advantages over the first circuit: lower distortion at high frequencies, and low output impedance, due to the negative feedback. This permits one to use a long shielded cable on the output without much loss of high frequencies.

It has the disadvantage, however, that the first stage cathode is off ground to the extent of 2200 ohms, and cannot be bypassed. This makes the hum problem worse. The output of *G-E*, *Pickering*, and such pickups is 10 millivolts at 1000 cycles, but only around 1 millivolt at 60 cycles. Hence the hum level must be very low indeed. The only reason why preamplifier hum is not more noticeable in practice is that it tends to be masked by turntable rumble.

The third circuit, shown simplified in Fig. 3C, combines the benefits of negative feedback with the advantage of a bypassed or grounded cathode. We get low distortion and at the same time realize the full low-hum potentialities of our tube.

The negative feedback runs from the plate of the triode right back to the grid, through R_2 and C_1 . For this type of feedback to work, the signal source must, in general, have a low impedance, *e.g.*, be a magnetic pickup cartridge. In series with the source is a resistor R_1 , conveniently 100,000 ohms. The feedback ratio is determined by the two resistors, R_1 and R_2 . At high frequencies the negative feedback is in force. At low frequencies C_1 has a high reactance and the gain is

Fig. 1. Response curves of preamplifier using the plate-grid type of feedback.



the gain of the stage without feedback.

This scheme was first described by J. Ellis in England², then by L. Fleming⁴, and most recently used by Williamson³. All these versions use a single pentode which lacks the gain to bring U. S. magnetic pickup levels up to the desirable value of 1 volt. The present circuit in complete form employs a dual triode with adequate gain.

Complete Circuit

Fig. 2 is the complete circuit and Fig. 1 the frequency response curves. The first stage, V_1 , has the plate-grid feedback network R_1, R_2, C_1 . With C_1 in the circuit alone the turnover frequency is about 800 cycles. A switch is provided to lower the turnover to 400 cycles, shunting condenser C_2 across the original condenser C_1 . The bass boost curves follow the recommendations of John Goodell¹. The feedback loop is connected to the far side of the interstage coupling condenser, partly because it includes condenser C_4 in the feedback loop, giving a trifle more bass, and partly because it gives the little condensers C_2 and C_1 a bit less d.c. voltage to worry about.

The second stage V_2 is just an ordinary straight resistance-coupled amplifier. "Contact potential" bias is used throughout. It works at least as well with high- μ tubes as does cathode-resistor bias. Some authorities say it is better.

The operation of the plate-grid feedback system requires a source impedance that is low compared to the 100,000-ohm series-input resistor R_1 . Magnetic pickups work fine with it. Crystal pickups do not.

Fig. 1 shows the two bass boost curves obtained with the values of C_1 and C_2 shown in the diagram. Some high-frequency cut is needed with most recording characteristics, and this is generally accomplished by shunting the magnetic pickup with a resistance of somewhere around 20,000 ohms. It is a good scheme to terminate the pickup cartridge in 22,000 ohms as shown at R_2 , and then depend on the main amplifier tone control to adjust the high end to the particular record. Goodell's excellent article¹ should be referred to for further details on particular equalization characteristics.

Power Supply

Fig. 2 shows a self-contained power supply, although power can be drawn from the main amplifier if this is convenient. The power transformer used is one of those handy little jobs made for powering TV boosters. A small selenium rectifier and a three-section electrolytic complete the parts list. Particular note should be taken of the hum-balancing pot, R_8 . If this pot is adjusted for minimum hum, the hum level can be as low as 5 microvolts referred to the first grid, or about 50 db below average signal level. This is an improvement of 10 to 20 db over the hum level with a fixed centertap.

Filament voltages almost always run too high when a power transformer filament winding is underloaded. In this case a 3.3 ohm resistor R_0 was required to bring the heater voltage to the desirable value of 6.0 volts.

Tube Types

The 12AT7 or 12AY7 can be used interchangeably in this amplifier. Contrary to the impression in some quarters, the high- μ ($\mu = 100$) 12AX7 is not a good equivalent for the low-noise 12AY7. The "AX" has a much higher μ and lower G_m than the "AY," and a set of load resistors and biases that is right for one is not optimum for the other. The 12AT7 is electrically very close to the 12AY7, however. In many cases the 12AT7 is as quiet too. Following a note by L. Fleming in his article on hum control⁵, the writer tried half a dozen 12AT7's for hum level and found that four of them were actually quieter, humwise, than the 12AY7 sample available. Of the other two AT's, one was slightly "hummier" than the AY and the other was badly microphonic.

Design Principles

Anyone with an audio oscillator and a scope, or anyone with just the desire to fiddle with parts values, may be helped by these simple rules on the design of the bass equalizing network. Referring to Figs. 1 and 2, the gain of the first stage V_1 at extreme bass frequencies (e.g., 20 cycles) is simply the stage gain of the triode, which is about 30. The high frequency gain, above 1000 cycles (ignoring high frequency drop due to R_2 , which is a different subject) for the first stage is approximately the ratio of the sum of R_1 and R_2 to R_1 . For example, if R_1 is 200,000 ohms and R_2 is 100,000, the high-frequency stage gain will be about 3. The

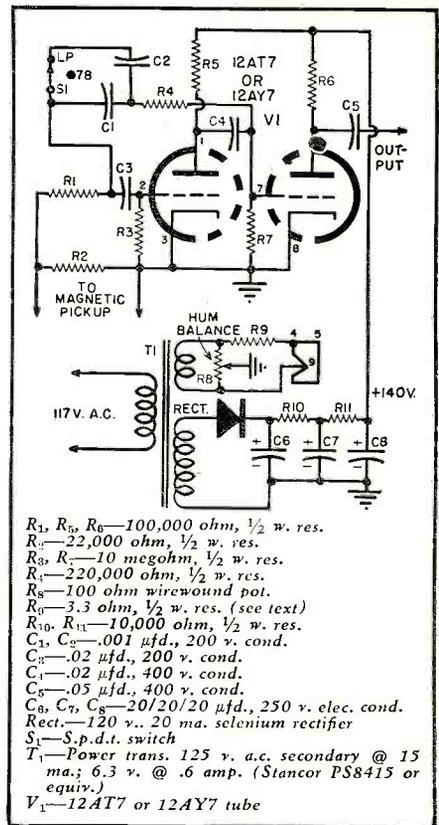


Fig. 2. Circuit diagram of self-powered, high-quality preamp. Bass boost is by plate-to-grid feedback; cathodes grounded.

turnover frequency is about where the capacitive reactance of feedback condenser C_1 (or C_2) is equal to the resistance R_1 . These three considerations determine the whole low frequency end of the curve. The rise rate of the curve is automatically 6 db per octave, because it is determined by a single reactive component, C_2 .

The preamplifier shown in the photo (Continued on page 102)

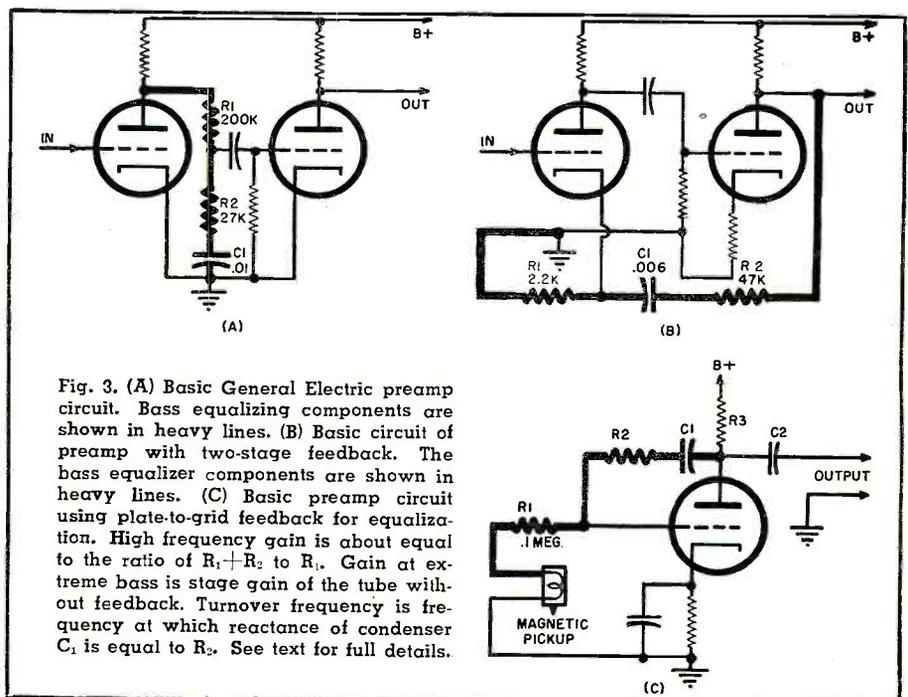


Fig. 3. (A) Basic General Electric preamp circuit. Bass equalizing components are shown in heavy lines. (B) Basic circuit of preamp with two-stage feedback. The bass equalizer components are shown in heavy lines. (C) Basic preamp circuit using plate-to-grid feedback for equalization. High frequency gain is about equal to the ratio of $R_1 + R_2$ to R_1 . Gain at extreme bass is stage gain of the tube without feedback. Turnover frequency is frequency at which reactance of condenser C_1 is equal to R_2 . See text for full details.

U.H.F.

ANTENNAS

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Part I. "How-to-do-it" information on the selection and installation of antennas for coverage of the newly-opened u.h.f. bands.

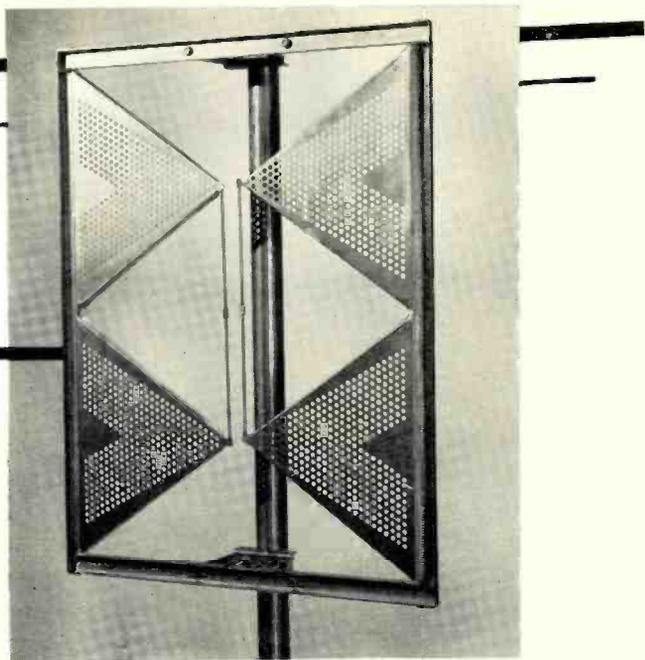


Fig. 1. A two-stacked fan dipole for u.h.f. reception.

COMMERCIAL telecasting has been with us now for almost seven years and although great progress has been made in both broadcasting and receiving equipment, the dependency of the receiver upon its antenna remains as great now as it did back in 1946. Without an antenna, very few sets are capable of providing satisfactory pictures. In general, the best pictures are produced when the antenna is roof mounted (or otherwise positioned at some outside point).

For seven years, we have been concerned with 13 channels extending from 54 to 88 mc. and from 174 to 216 mc. A certain number of antennas have been developed which are capable of good performance within these frequencies. Now, however, we are faced with expansion into the u.h.f. television band (470-890 mc.) and the problems of reception which are encountered with v.h.f. television receivers are intensified. Power for u.h.f. is quite difficult to generate, losses in signal travel between station and receiver are greater, and the ability of the receiver to amplify within this region is considerably poorer. Faced with this situation, the television technician can appreciate how important the antenna becomes. It can truly be said—without qualification—that your success in dealing with u.h.f. receivers will depend more upon your installation know-how than upon your u.h.f. circuit know-how!

To deal with these difficulties, a host of antennas have been developed. Some of these arrays resemble those with which we are familiar, but there are many which will be strange to the television technician. To develop an understanding of these antennas and what can be expected of them, it may first be best to start with the simple half-wave dipole. Not only are many arrays nothing more than elaborations

of the dipole, but when comparisons are made between the gains of different arrays, the dipole is the standard against which these comparisons are made.

The half-wave dipole response pattern is shown in Fig. 4. Note that a signal is best received from a direction which is at right angles (or broadside) to the antenna wires. As the angle made with the 0-180 degree line increases, the strength of the received signal decreases until, when we are facing one end of the antenna, signal reception is poorest. The dipole, then, is a directional antenna since it receives energy best from the broadside direction and poorest (or not at all) off the ends.

When we swing the dipole antenna around, the whole response pattern swings with it. Suppose the ends of the antenna are pointing east and west; maximum response will be obtained then from signals coming from the north and south. If we swing the antenna 90°, the ends will be pointing north and south and maximum signal reception will be obtained for signals coming from the east and west.

The response of a dipole, as shown in Fig. 4, retains its figure-8 shape even when the signal frequency is raised until it is double the value to which the antenna was originally cut. At twice the original frequency the two large lobes (or halves) of the figure-8 may be somewhat narrower, but the over-all appearance of the response curve remains essentially the same.

However, when an antenna is employed to receive signals whose frequencies exceed twice the fundamental frequency for which the antenna was cut, side lobes appear. Fig. 3A shows the response of a dipole cut for 55 mc. Figs. 3B, C, and D show what the pattern becomes at 85 mc., 175

mc., and 195 mc. In the four-lobed patterns of Figs. 3C and 3D, signals coming from any one of these four directions will induce maximum voltage in the dipole. Note, too, that none of these four lobes point in the same direction as the original two lobes and this might require a different positioning of the antenna. Finally, multi-lobed patterns make the antenna more susceptible to ghosts and other interfering signals.

The number of lobes will increase as this antenna is used to receive higher and higher frequency signals. Also, there is a tendency for the larger lobes to break up into a series of smaller ones. The illustration in Fig. 5 brings this out clearly and shows why it is generally not advisable to use v.h.f. antennas to receive u.h.f. signals. Not only does the array lose much of its directivity, but even a reflector appears to exert little influence in cutting down the number of lobes. There are some exceptions to this behavior, and these will be brought out later.

(The fact that the response pattern of an array changes with frequency is one that is not fully appreciated by many technicians. It explains, for example, why an array must be turned one way for signals of one frequency and then turned to another direction for signals of another frequency. It could also explain why the signals of one station might be strongly received while the reception of another station located in the same general direction might be poor. Obviously there are also other reasons for unequal signal reception.)

Now, it was stated that v.h.f. antennas are not usually suitable for use at u.h.f. However, if we reduce the dimensions of the v.h.f. antenna, or in other words, raise its resonant frequency, then it will possess the

same pattern at u.h.f. as it does at v.h.f. The figure-8 pattern of a 55-mc. dipole is the same as the figure-8 pattern of a 550-mc. dipole. In each case, both dipoles are cut to their resonant frequencies and we are not using a 55-mc. antenna to capture 550-mc. signals.

At u.h.f., the wavelength is much smaller than at v.h.f. Since antennas are cut according to wavelength, this means that the physical dimensions of a half-wave dipole at 550-mc. will be 1/10 of what it is at 55 mc. This smaller physical size is convenient, because it permits easier handling, a simpler supporting structure, and lower cost. It can also be employed to advantage by permitting the addition of more elements to the array. The purpose of an antenna is to intercept as much of the passing signal energy as possible. Obviously, the greater the physical size of the array, the greater the amount of energy intercepted and the more signal the set receives. Because of this, fairly elaborate arrays will be more in evidence at u.h.f. than they are at v.h.f.

Gain. The two most important characteristics of any antenna array, from the standpoint of the technician, are its gain and directional response. The power gain of an array is the ratio of the signal power which this array develops to the signal power which a thin half-wave dipole develops at the same location. Thus, a gain of 10 means that the array would develop 10 times as much power as a half-wave dipole antenna placed at the same point.

Many times, the decibel (db) is used as the unit of gain. In this case, since power is being employed, the formula is:

$$db = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_2}$$

A ratio of P_1 to P_2 of 100 would give the equivalent decibel rating of 20. This follows from the fact that the $\log_{10} 100 = 2$, and 2×10 equal 20 db. The 0 db line is taken as the gain of the reference dipole adjusted to resonance at each different frequency. Thus, suppose that we are told that a certain array has the gain curve shown in Fig. 6. At 500 mc., the gain of this antenna is 6 db greater than a half-wave dipole, cut to 500 mc., and placed in the same position as this array. At 600 mc., this array has a gain of 8 db greater than a half-wave dipole, cut to 600 mc. The same is true for all points along the gain curve.

Directivity. When speaking of the directivity of a directional antenna, we mean the sharpness with which the signal is confined or directed to a particular direction. It may, in a sense, be compared with the selectivity of a receiver in allowing one signal to pass through and rejecting all others. The more selective the set, the sharper and more peaked its tuning curve. In radio sets, sharp selectivity can usually be attained only

when several tuning circuits are used in conjunction with each other. One coil and condenser combination, by itself, would not be adequate. It is much the same with antennas. Ordinarily, several radiators must be used before a highly directive pattern is obtained. Just one or two elements, by themselves, might show definite directive effects, but these would not be as clear cut as those obtained if a greater number of elements are used.

When speaking of antenna directivity, the term "beam angle" is often employed. Beam angle is the angle between the two points on a response curve at which the signal voltage is .707 (or 70.7%) of its maximum value. In Fig. 2, the angle between points A-B, or the angle θ , is the beam angle for this response curve. At each of these points (A and B), the signal strength is .707 of its value at point C.

The half-wave dipole is the simplest type of v.h.f. antenna and it is like-

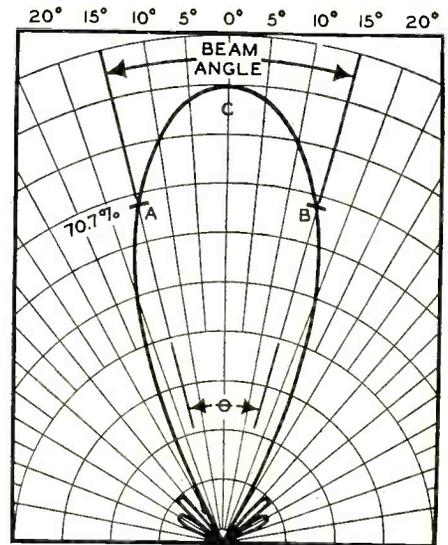


Fig. 2. An illustration of the standard definition of the term "beam angle."

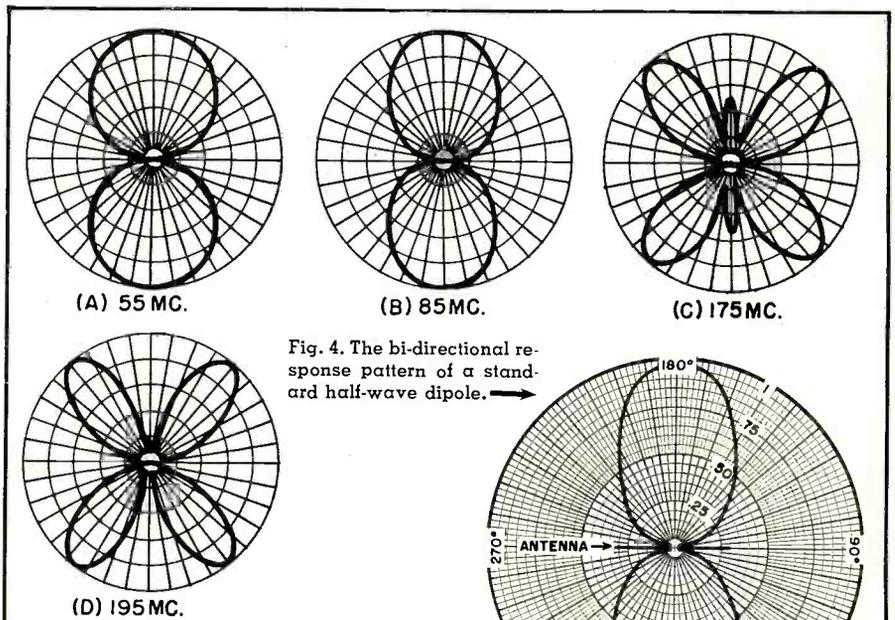


Fig. 3. The response of a 55 mc. dipole at (A) 55 mc., (B) 85 mc., (C) 175 mc. and (D) at 195 megacycles.

Fig. 5. The response pattern of a 55 mc. dipole and reflector at 550 mc. Note how pattern is almost non-directional.

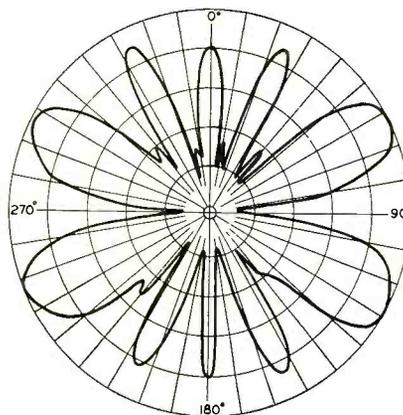


Fig. 4. The bi-directional response pattern of a standard half-wave dipole.

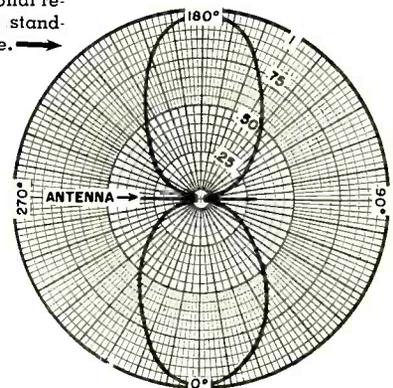
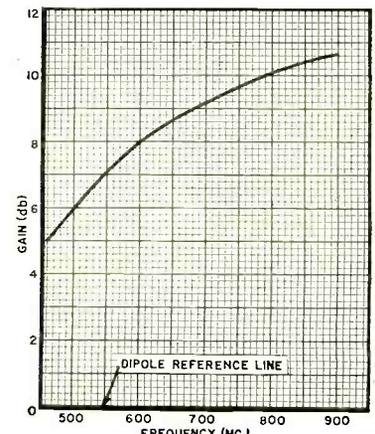


Fig. 6. The 0 db line on the graph represents the gain of the reference dipole.



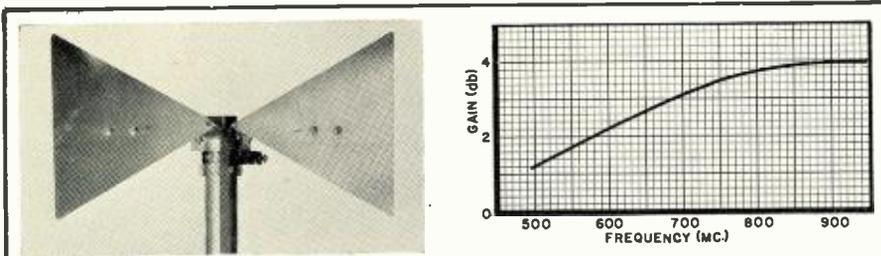


Fig. 7. (Left) A commercial-type fan antenna. (Right) The gain curve of the unit.

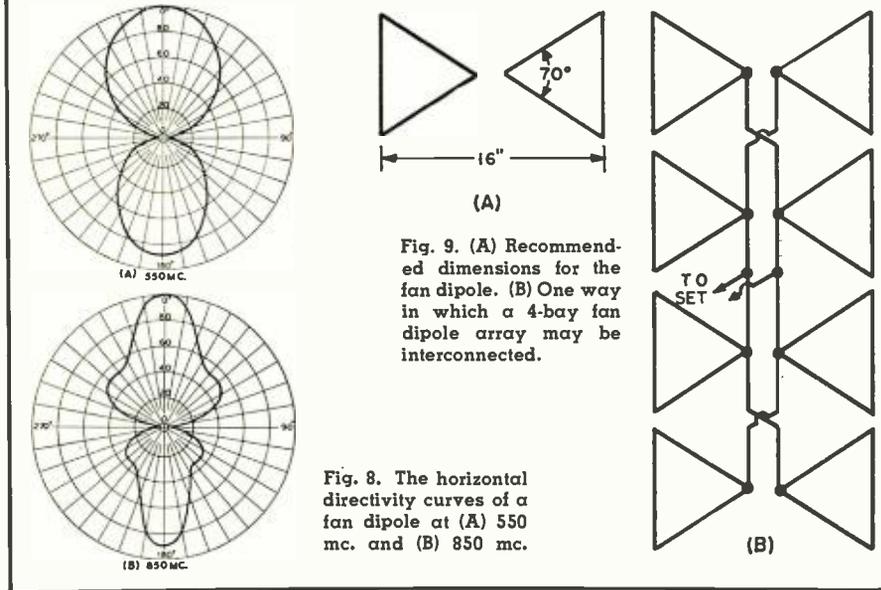


Fig. 9. (A) Recommended dimensions for the fan dipole. (B) One way in which a 4-bay fan dipole array may be interconnected.

Fig. 8. The horizontal directivity curves of a fan dipole at (A) 550 mc. and (B) 850 mc.

wise the simplest u.h.f. antenna. However, to increase its effective surface area, the unit is constructed of two triangles of metal, supported by a suitable insulator. See Fig. 7. By using triangular sheets of metal instead of rods, the unit becomes a broadband affair, capable of receiving all signals within the u.h.f. television band (470—890 mc.). The response pattern of the fan dipole retains its figure-8 pattern at both the upper and lower ends of the band. See Fig. 8. This behavior might have been anticipated in view of the fact that the highest frequency is not quite twice as great as the lowest frequency.

Because of its somewhat altered

construction, the fan dipole is capable of greater gain than the conventional dipole using thin rods. This increase, however, is quite small and, in consequence, the fan dipole provides satisfactory reception only in strong signal areas where there are relatively few ghost signals.

The impedance of a fan or triangular dipole varies with the corner angle of the dipole section. To best match 300-ohm balanced lead-in lines, the corner angle should be about 70°. See Fig. 9A. Also recommended for greatest gain is an over-all dipole length of 16 inches.

*As recommended by antenna engineers at RCA (Johnson), JFD, and other manufacturers.

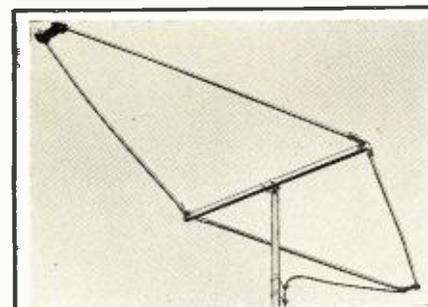


Fig. 10. A u.h.f. rhombic antenna by J.F.D.

Fig. 11. Specifications on a rhombic unit.

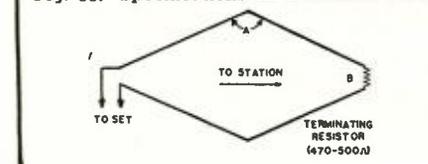
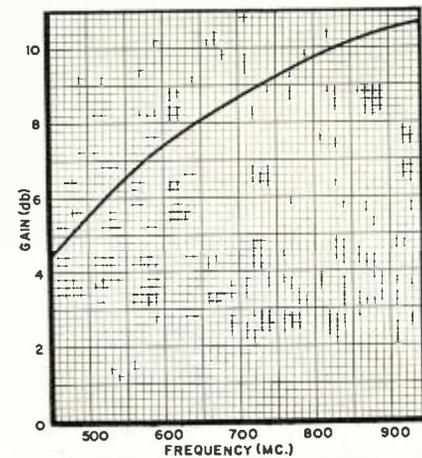


Fig. 12. Gain characteristics of the rhombic antenna shown in the photo of Fig. 10.



Fan dipoles can be stacked two high, as shown in Fig. 1, and four high, to provide increased gain. For the 2-bay unit, the gain varies from a low of 4.5 db at 500 mc. to a high of 8.3 db at about 850 mc. With a 4-bay array, the gain limits are 7 and 10.4 db.

In all the curves shown, 300-ohm twin-lead transmission line was connected to the antennas to conduct the signal to the receiver. For a single fan dipole, the 300-ohm line attaches directly to the narrow ends of the triangular sheets. For the two stacked fan dipoles, two small rods connect similar ends together (as shown in Fig. 1) and the 300-ohm twin-lead would attach to the center points of these rods. In the 4-bay array, the arrangement shown in Fig. 9B would have to be used. These matching systems are similar to those used with v.h.f. arrays.

Rhombic Antennas

The rhombic antenna has been used to some extent for v.h.f. reception in weak signal areas. It has broad band-pass properties, is uni-directional, possesses a sharply defined directivity pattern, and is capable of good gain. That it is not extensively employed at v.h.f. is due principally to the fact that its dimensions are quite large and the array neither lends itself to rotation by a rotator, nor to limited spaces such as apartment building rooftops where more than one array might be installed.

The specifications for a rhombic antenna are given in Fig. 11. The length of each of the four sides (also known as legs) should be at least several wavelengths long. In fact, the longer each side, the greater the gain and the sharper the horizontal directivity pattern of the array. The angle at A varies with the length of the legs, but it generally falls between 110-130 degrees. For legs which are 2 wavelengths long, an angle of 100° is recommended; for legs 3 wavelengths long, the angle is 120°; and for 4 wavelengths long, it is 130°. If the wires at point B are simply connected together, the array is bi-directional. But if, as is more usual, a carbon resistor having a value of 470 to 500 ohms is inserted at this point, the response pattern becomes uni-directional. The input impedance at the other end is equal to the value of this resistor, but connecting a 300-ohm twin-lead here will, for all practical purposes, serve very nicely with some slight loss in gain. (Open-wire transmission line has an impedance of 450 ohms and will produce a better match.)

Rhombic antennas, because of their broadband properties, can be used easily over a 2 to 1 frequency range. Their gain (as shown for u.h.f. array in Fig. 12) enables them to be used in relatively weak signal areas. Their sharp directivity patterns (their beam angle is on the order of 25° or less) indicate that they would be extremely

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MULTI-BAND V.F.O. MOBILE TRANSMITTER

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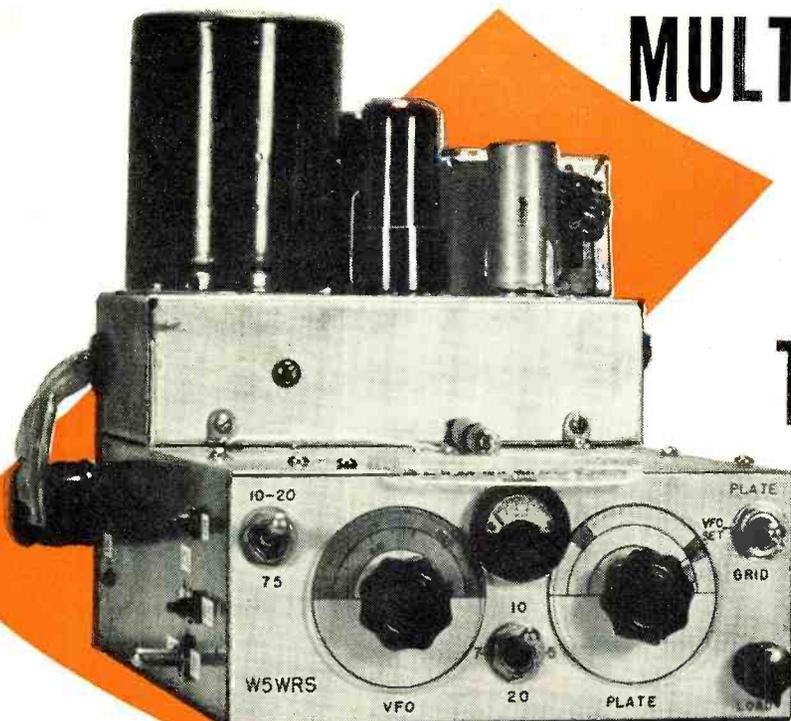


Fig. 1. Front view of the complete 30-watt v.f.o. transmitter. A multi-band tank circuit and front-panel loading control add to operating convenience.

Construction details on a versatile mobile transmitting installation. Features include multi-band operation, two tubes in the r.f. section, bandswitching, v.f.o. or crystal frequency control, and a high-efficiency audio system. Several interesting modifications of the auto receiver are also described in some detail

A COMPLETE mobile transmitting installation which embodies most of the desirable features of performance and operating convenience that characterize the usual fixed-station installation is not only possible but highly practical. This article describes the installation made by Earle Fletcher, W5WRS, as adapted to a 1951 model *Chevrolet* sedan. The rig pictured is a battle-scarred veteran of many thousands of miles of travel and has provided reliable communications under nearly any condition that a mobile station would normally encounter.

Experience has shown that the planning stage for a mobile installation should include consideration of the entire system—including the power source, transmitter and receiver control system, receiver modifications, etc.—as a coordinated scheme if the utmost in convenience, performance, and operating enjoyment is to be had.

The power input to the transmitter final amplifier should be limited to about 30 watts if undue battery trouble is to be avoided. As low as 15 watts input power, with a really good audio system and a resonant antenna, will do a surprisingly good job of communicating, even on the 75-meter band.

The R.F. Unit

The entire r.f. portion of the rig

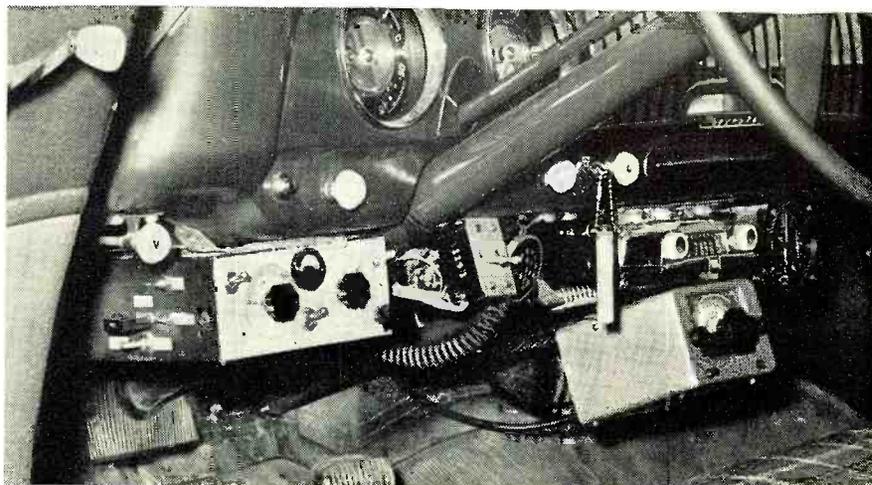
uses only two tubes, V_1 and V_2 (Fig. 3). The 6AG7 works in a conventional electron-coupled Colpitts oscillator, with one grid tank working on 3.8 mc. and the other grid tank operating on 7.0 mc. The 6AG7 doubles to give 20 meter operation, or quadruples for 10 meters. The 2E26 final amplifier works straight-through on all three bands. Seventy-five meter crystals are used for that band, and 40 meter crystals are used for 20- or 10-meter output. The v.f.o. main tuning condenser, C_1 ,

should be set at its minimum capacity position for crystal operation, although the crystal may actually be "rubbered" over a small frequency range if desired. Trimmer condensers C_1 and C_2 set the upper frequency limit to which the v.f.o. will tune, and C_3 and C_4 are the band-spreading condensers.

Align the v.f.o. circuit by setting C_1 at minimum capacity; adjust C_1 or C_2 for the proper output frequency at the high-frequency end of the band; and then adjust C_3 and C_4 for bandspread over the entire dial on 75 meters, and nearly so on 10 meters. When calibrating the 10-meter scale keep in mind the harmonic relationship between 20 and 10 meters, so that none of the 20-meter band will be lost on the low frequency edge. In other words, adjust C_1 for the high end of 10 meters, and C_3 for the low end of 20 meters. The 20-meter calibration will occupy about one third of the dial because of the relatively narrow band.

The grid coils are located near the main tuning condenser, with trimmers C_1 and C_2 mounted on the left edge of

Fig. 2. Installation of the versatile mobile rig in a 1951 Chevrolet sedan. The modulator chassis projects up under dash at rear of the r.f. chassis.



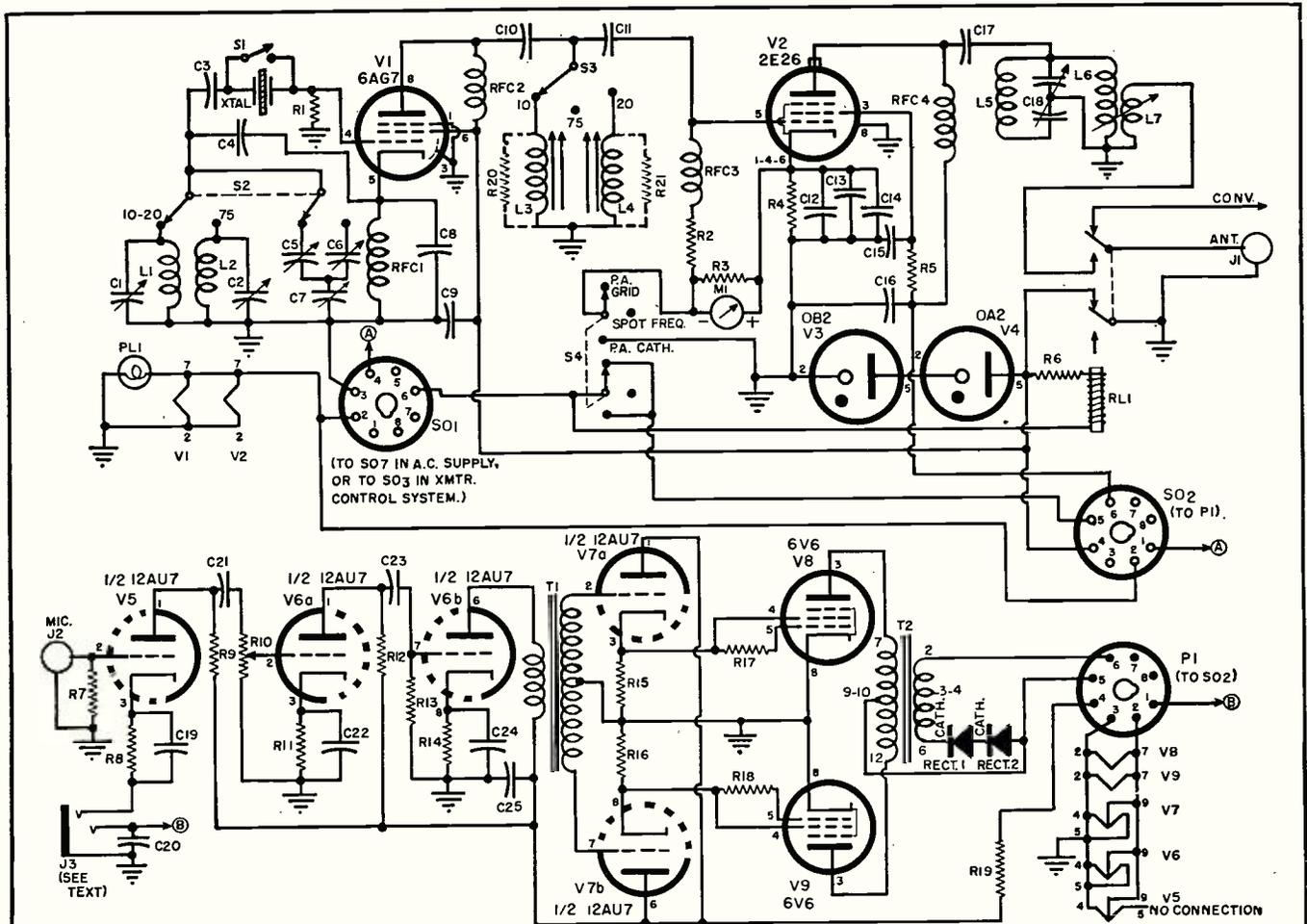
the chassis near the crystal socket. C_5 and C_6 are soldered with heavy leads directly from C_7 to S_2 . All of the v.f.o. components should be mounted as rigidly as possible and the wiring done with heavy bus-bar wire, remembering that the transmitter will be subjected to considerable shock and vibration in the automobile. The stability and drift characteristics of the v.f.o. are quite adequate, even on 10 meters.

Coils L_3 and L_4 are mounted on a small bracket in the approximate center of the v.f.o. compartment. A toggle switch of the center-"off" variety switches the coils for doubling to 14

mc. or quadrupling to 28 mc. in the 6AG7 plate circuit. The coils are self-resonant with the stray capacity in the circuit and are sufficiently broadband that no loss of grid drive occurs when tuning the v.f.o. across an entire band. Adequate drive is obtained on 3.8 mc. without an additional tuned circuit. If more than 2.5 ma. of grid drive is obtained when these coils are peaked, a 1-watt carbon resistor of the proper value to reduce the grid current to 2.5 ma. (with the final amplifier loaded) should be shunted directly across each coil. Values of 10,000 ohms or less will probably be found to be in the proper range.

The 2E26 output tank circuit is of the multi-band type and requires no switching. All three bands are tuned by a single 180-degree rotation of C_{15} . The 75-meter band will tune near maximum capacitance, and the 20-meter band will also tune near maximum capacitance but at slightly less capacity than 75 meters. The 10-meter band will tune near minimum capacitance. One important precaution is to see that the 75- and 20-meter bands do not tune at exactly the same spot on the dial, as excessive harmonic output would result. This can be corrected by removing a turn or two of wire from the high fre-

Fig. 3. Complete circuit diagram and parts list covering the multi-band mobile transmitter. See Figs. 4, 7, and 8 for other circuit data.



- R_1 —47,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_2 —22,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
- R_3 —5 ma. meter shunt
- R_4 —95 ma. meter shunt
- R_5 —35,000 ohm, 20 w. wirewound res.
- R_6 —2500 ohm, 50 w. wirewound res.
- R_7 —1 megohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_8 —1000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_9 —50,000 ohm, 1 w. res. (low-noise, metallic-film type. Continental Carbon X or equiv.)
- R_{10} —250,000 ohm, audio-frequency taper pot.
- R_{11} —1800 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_{12} , R_{13} , R_{14} —100,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_{15} —470,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_{16} —820 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_{17} , R_{18} —22,000 ohm, 1/2 w. res.
- R_{19} —1000 ohm, 1 w. res.
- R_{20} , R_{21} —See text
- C_1 , C_2 , C_3 , C_4 —4-80 μ fd. mica trimmer
- C_5 —100 μ fd. silver mica cond.
- C_6 —200 μ fd. silver mica cond.
- C_7 —50 μ fd. midget variable air cond.
- C_8 —1000 μ fd. silver mica cond.
- C_9 , C_{10} , C_{13} , C_{15} —0.05 μ fd., 500 v. disc ceramic cond.
- C_{12} —0.1 μ fd., 500 v. disc ceramic cond.
- C_{13} , C_{14} —0.01 μ fd., 500 v. disc ceramic cond.

- C_{10} , C_{17} —0.02 μ fd., 1250 v. mica cond.
- C_{18} —140/140 μ fd. variable air cond. (Bud MC Dual, Type 912A)
- C_{19} , C_{20} , C_{21} —25 μ fd., 25 v. elec. cond.
- C_{20} —25 μ fd., 200 v. cond.
- C_{21} —0.05 μ fd., 500 v. mica cond.
- C_{22} —0.02 μ fd., 500 v. mica cond.
- C_{23} —16 μ fd., 450 v. elec. cond.
- S_1 —S.p.s.t. toggle sw.
- S_2 —D.p.d.t. toggle sw.
- S_3 —S.p.d.t. toggle sw., center-"off" type
- S_4 —D.p.d.t. toggle sw., center-"off" type
- J_1 —Motorola-type jack (Cinch No. 81F)
- J_2 —Shorting-type microphone connector (Amphenol 75-CL-PCM1)
- J_3 —Three-way microphone jack
- SO_1 , SO_2 —Octal socket
- P_1 —Octal plug
- PL_1 —6.3 v. pilot lamp
- RL_1 —D.p.d.t. relay, 117 v.a.c., 445 ohm d.c. resistance (Allied Control Type BO)
- $RECT.1$, $RECT.2$ —100 ma. selenium rectifier
- M_1 —0.1 ma. midget meter, 1" mounting hole
- RFC_1 , RFC_2 , RFC_3 —2.5 mhy., r.f. choke (National R-50)
- RFC_4 —2.5 mhy. r.f. choke (National R-100)

- T_1 —1:3 ratio audio interstage trans. (Chicago 1N-14, see text)
 - T_2 —Multi-match 15-watt modulation trans. (UTC Type CVM-O)
 - L_1 —9 t. 1" dia., 16 t. per-inch (#3015 "Mini-inductor")
 - L_2 —24 t. 1" dia., 16 t. per-inch (#3015 "Mini-inductor")
 - L_3 —7 t. #24 en., closewound on 3/8" dia. slug-tuned ceramic form (Cambridge Thermionic)
 - L_4 —31 t. #26 en., closewound on 3/8" dia. slug-tuned ceramic form (Cambridge Thermionic)
 - L_5 —14 t. 1" dia., 8 t. per-inch (#3014 "Mini-inductor")
 - L_6 —21 t. 1" dia., 16 t. per-inch (#3015 "Mini-inductor")
 - L_7 —8 t., 1/2" dia., 16 t. per-inch (#3003 "Mini-inductor")
- Xtal.—See text
 V_1 —6AG7 tube
 V_2 —2E26 tube
 V_3 —OB2 tube
 V_4 —0A2 tube
 V_5 , V_6 , V_7 —12AU7 tube
 V_8 , V_9 —6V6 tube

quency tank coil, L_{15} . It is best to check the tuning of the final tank circuit with a grid dipper before the transmitter is operated.

The multi-band tank coils, L_{16} and L_{17} , are mounted at right angles to each other near the dual tank condenser. The variable link, L_{17} , is mounted variometer-fashion within the low frequency coil, L_{16} . Short pieces of plastic insulation, stripped from a wire slightly larger than the wire size of L_{17} , are slipped over the L_{17} leads and cemented through the sides of L_{16} to act as bearings. Connections are made to the link by slipping a *Fahnestock* clip over each link terminal-wire. The link coil is therefore free to rotate 360 degrees, turned from the front panel by a heavy extension wire soldered to the ground terminal of the link and extending through the partition to the front panel where it is soldered into a small hole drilled in the end of an old volume control shaft assembly.

The shunt-feed choke, RFC_3 , should be of the type specified, as several other varieties went series-resonant and burned up at 10 meters.

The meter is switched to read either the final amplifier loaded grid current; total loaded cathode current; or the unloaded grid current. This last position removes the high voltage from the final amplifier and modulator and allows non-swish operation of the v.f.o. for zero-beating purposes. The 2E26 cathode current should be adjusted to 63 ma. for the maximum rated input of 27.0 watts.

The antenna changeover relay, RL_1 , is a 117 volt a.c. type, with its coil

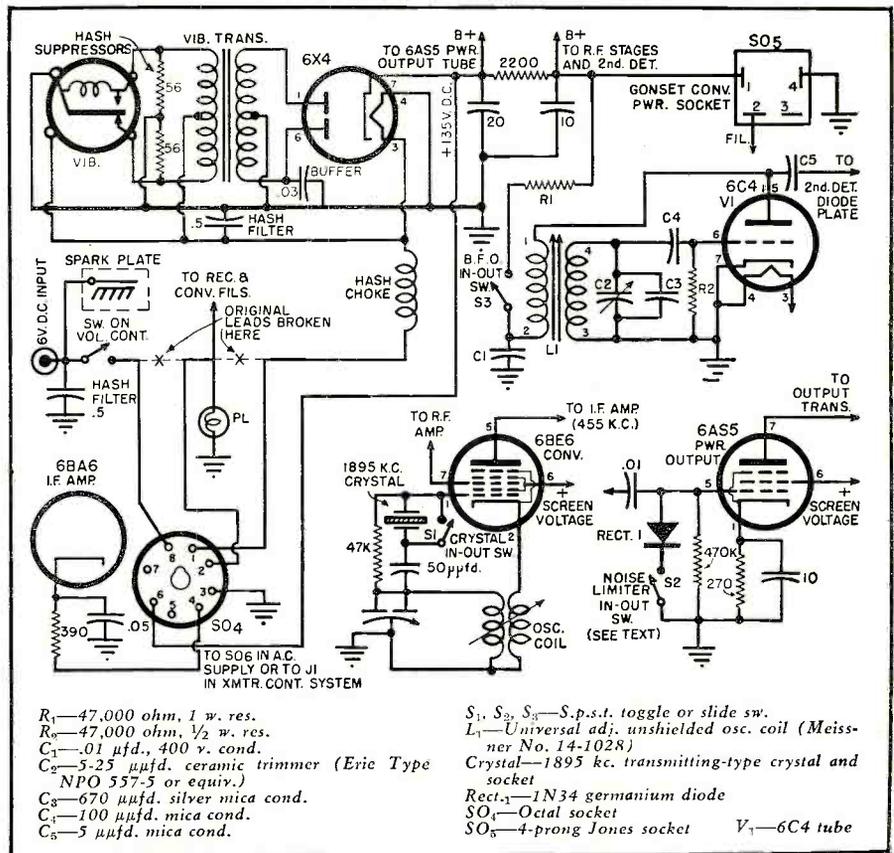


Fig. 4. Diagram and parts list covering receiver modifications discussed in text.

utilized as part of the dropping resistor for the VR tubes. One set of contacts on the relay is used to ground the "B-plus" line to the oscillator on "standby," thereby killing the oscilla-

tor instantly and preventing the filter condensers from holding the voltage up for a second or two after it is desired to stand by.

The complete r.f. unit is constructed

Fig. 5. Top view of transmitter. The modulator chassis is fastened to the main chassis by means of small angle brackets.

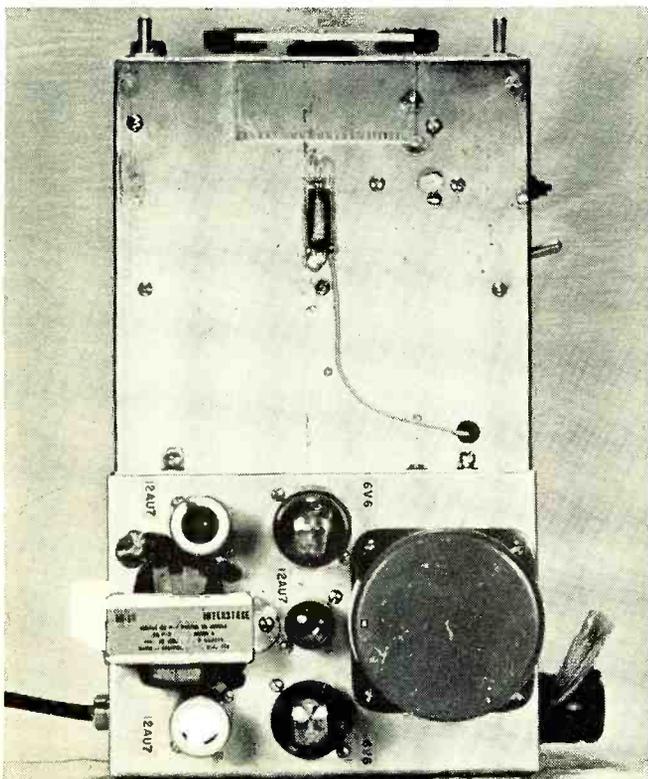
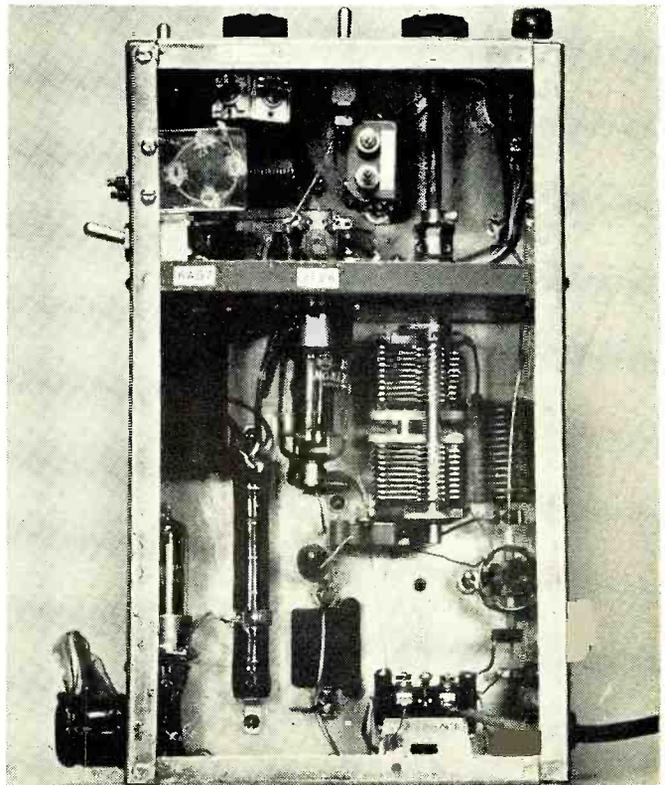


Fig. 6. Bottom view of r.f. chassis. Note mounting arrangement of multi-band tank coils and rotating link in the i.f. coil.



ploy a vibrator power supply circuit similar to the one shown in Fig. 4. To permit either a.c. or battery operation, it is necessary to break the leads marked "X" in the schematic and bring them out to an octal socket mounted on the receiver case. A jumper plug is kept in the socket for normal battery operation. W5WRS chose to silence the receiver on "transmit" by merely opening the i.f. tube cathode ground connection, which is an effective method.

The beat frequency oscillator tube, V_1 , and associated components are mounted on a small bracket and bolted inside the receiver case, with the b.f.o. "on-off" switch, S_3 , located so as to be accessible from the front. To adjust the b.f.o., tune in a station for maximum signal strength; then turn on the b.f.o. and adjust C_2 for zero beat. The b.f.o. is almost a "must" for v.f.o. operation.

A simple, but effective, noise limiter may be installed by connecting a 1N34 crystal diode, in series with a toggle switch, across the power output tube head has fixed bias applied to its grid instead of cathode bias as shown, merely connect the switch to the bottom end of the grid resistor instead of to ground.

Another extremely satisfying modification is to have the auto receiver crystal-controlled on the 1440 kc. output frequency of the converter (assuming a tunable type is used, such as the Gonset "Tri-Band"). The converter dial calibration is then always accurate, and time is saved in not having to make a critical tuning adjustment of the receiver dial, especially on those receivers not equipped with push-buttons. With the 1895 kc. crystal in the circuit, tune the receiver dial to the general region of 1440 kc. and the crystal will suddenly lock in and control the oscillator frequency. The 1440 kc. converter output will then produce the desired 455 kc. i.f. frequency. The auto receiver dial may be rocked back and forth over a quite wide range for peaking the input circuits for maximum response; a beneficial procedure since few receivers are perfectly aligned. The crystal and its "in-out" switch, S_1 , should be mounted as close as possible to the converter tube, and the switch should be operated by drilling a hole in the handle and inserting an extension rod, if necessary.

The Control System

The control system shown in Fig. 7 is designed around the popular PE-103A dynamotor, but other dynamotors or vibrator supplies may be used with equal success. Switches S_2 and S_3 are mounted on a small dash bracket, along with RL_2 , R_1 , and J_1 . RL_2 cannot be energized unless the auto ignition switch is turned on. The ground return is then made either by the microphone push-to-talk switch, or the auxiliary dash switch, S_2 . The contacts on RL_2 provide the ground re-

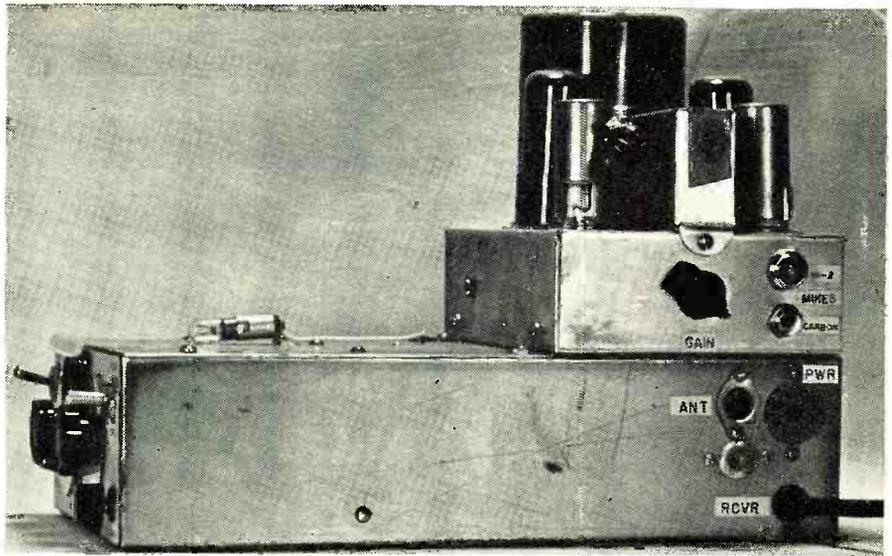


Fig. 9. Right-side view of unit showing transmitter power and antenna connectors.

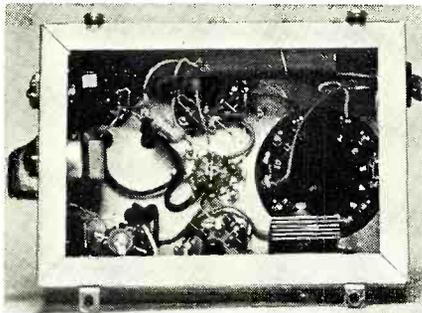


Fig. 10. Bottom view of modulator unit. The selenium rectifiers are stacked on one bolt and mounted with insulated washers near modulation transformer. Parts layout in this circuit is not critical.

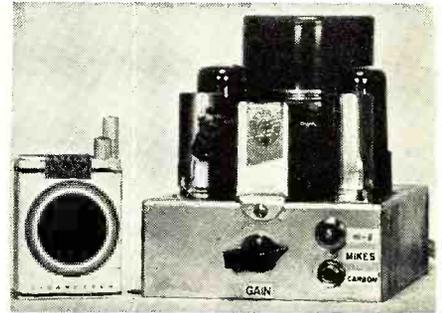


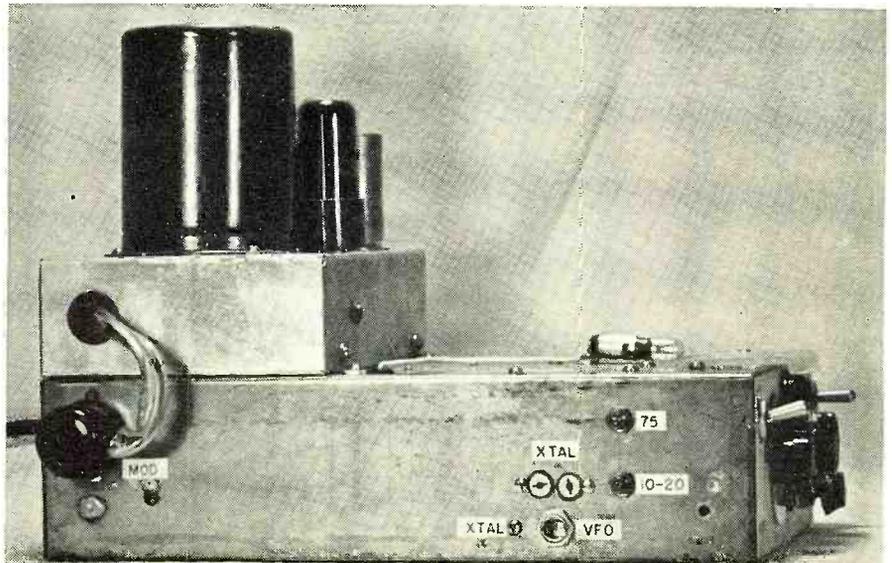
Fig. 11. The compact, but powerful, modulator may be removed from the r.f. chassis and mounted remotely at any convenient location under dashboard of automobile. See text for complete details.

turn for the cathode circuit of the receiver i.f. tube on "standby," or the ground return for the dynamotor starting-relay coil, RL_3 , on "transmit." The auxiliary switch, S_3 , permits the receiver to be turned on for zero beating or monitoring purposes while the

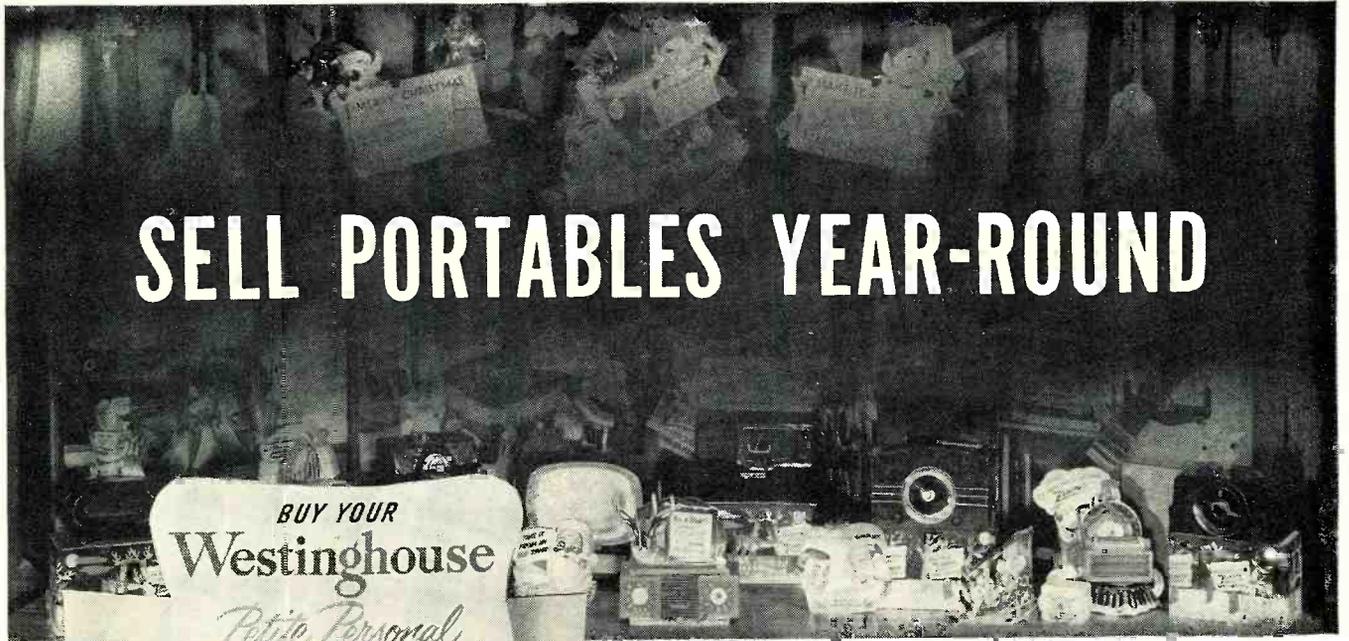
transmitter is on. RL_3 cannot be energized unless the main filament circuit breaker, S_1 , is closed. One set of contacts on RL_2 connects the dynamotor high voltage output—and bleeds filter condenser C_3 —to ground on "standby."

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Fig. 12. Left-side view of transmitter showing crystal socket, crystal-v.f.o. switch, and cable between the modulator chassis and radio frequency chassis.



SELL PORTABLES YEAR-ROUND



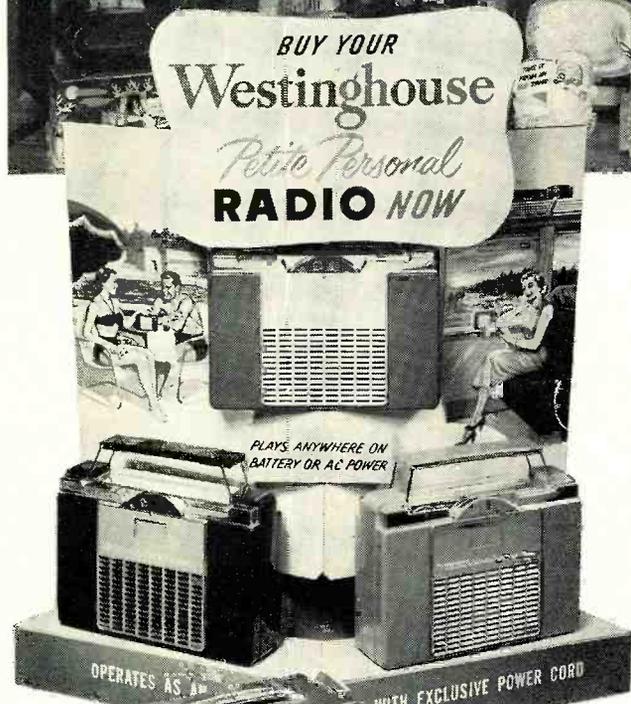
A seasonal display, such as this effective Zenith window, helps to promote the sale of portables the year-round instead of just in the summer.

Portables can be merchandised profitably both summer and winter. Climb on this "gravy train".

FOR too long the portable radio has been considered a seasonal stepchild. You either made your "killing" during the spring and early summer months or you just weren't in the portable business. Time, however, has made changes even in the selling processes of portable radios. At least, no longer does the manufacturer think of limited, seasonal horizons when his mind turns to portables. Most dealers as yet are not so inclined.

Probably no definition more aptly describes a portable than the one subscribed to by this writer—"the radio away from home." The recent technical advances made in their design have given portables a greater range than ever before. Longer lasting batteries have made them more economical. The passing years have also set aside the idea that summertime means vacation-time. Today a great many people take their time-off during the winter months, either at southern beaches or snow-imbedded resorts. Thus, there are many winter vacationers who are in the market for portables. Probably typical of the unseasonal marketing is the front cover shot; it was taken on a hot July afternoon. Certainly if a Christmas tree can be promoted in July, a portable can be promoted in December.

Recognizing the change in trend, manufacturers of portables are preparing merchandising programs based on year-round selling. A look at dealers' windows gives a practical indication of the portable trend. More and more
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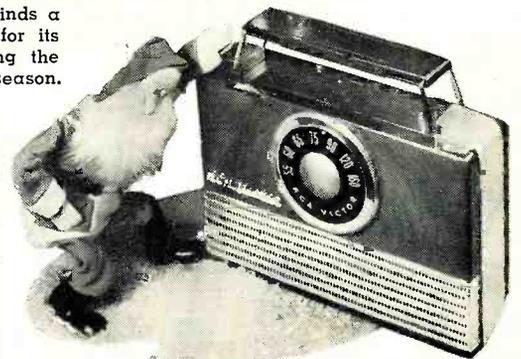
This Westinghouse display is only one of the many such sales aids available from radio manufacturers.

Hallicrafters offers a new model portable for holiday market.

This Emerson-Pan-American tie-in is aimed at the travel market.



RCA Victor finds a ready market for its portables during the Christmas-gift season.

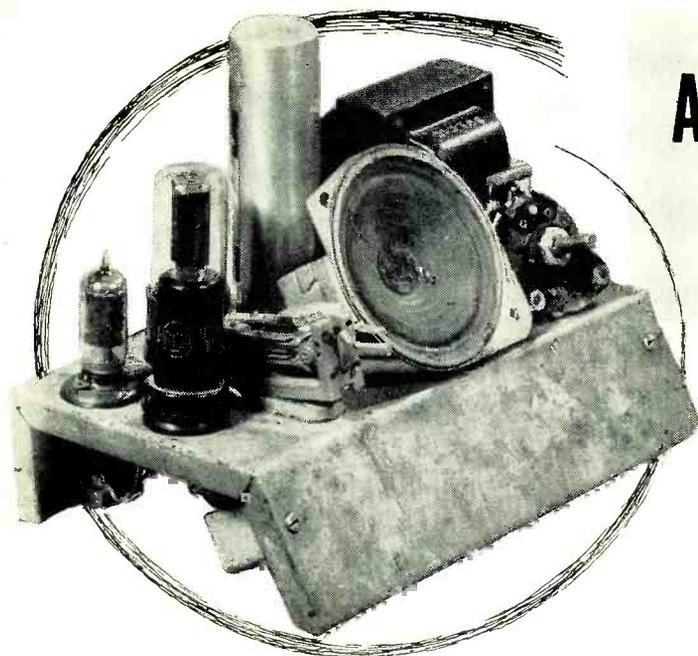


A CARRIER-CURRENT INTERCOM

By

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Complete construction details for building a trouble-free intercom system which requires no interconnecting wires.



Front view of the home-built intercom with cabinet removed to show the parts layout. Two such units are required in the system. The speaker is the "mike" on "transmit."

THE DEVICE to be described provides a simple means for communicating between rooms or sections of a dwelling, or even between buildings. The medium of transmission is neither radiant energy nor the bothersome wire connections used in conventional intercommunication systems. Instead, the a.c. power lines are utilized as the connecting link between the transmitter and receiver. Thus, to establish communication between two points, it is merely necessary to plug two identical units into the wall socket, one at each station. Both units are normally receivers, but are converted into transmitters when a spring-loaded switch is actuated whenever the operator wishes to speak.

The presence of the power line frequency would make it quite difficult to use the lines as a feeder for the actual audio frequencies. However, by employing a modulated radio frequency, discrimination against the relatively low power line frequency is easily accomplished. The power line then becomes a low characteristic impedance transmission line and the transmitter and receiver tank circuits, in conjunction with the line, resemble the link-coupled resonant circuits often used in amateur transmitters. The power line is not a good radio-frequency transmission line. Most of the radio-frequency energy injected into a power line is dissipated in poor dielectric material, electric appliances, transformers, and meters. Nevertheless, a moderate amount of transmitting power and suitable amplification in the receiver will result in sufficient compensation for these losses and render good communication possible over the distances involved. The carrier frequency is approximately 150 kilocycles. Although other frequencies could be employed, rapid attenuation

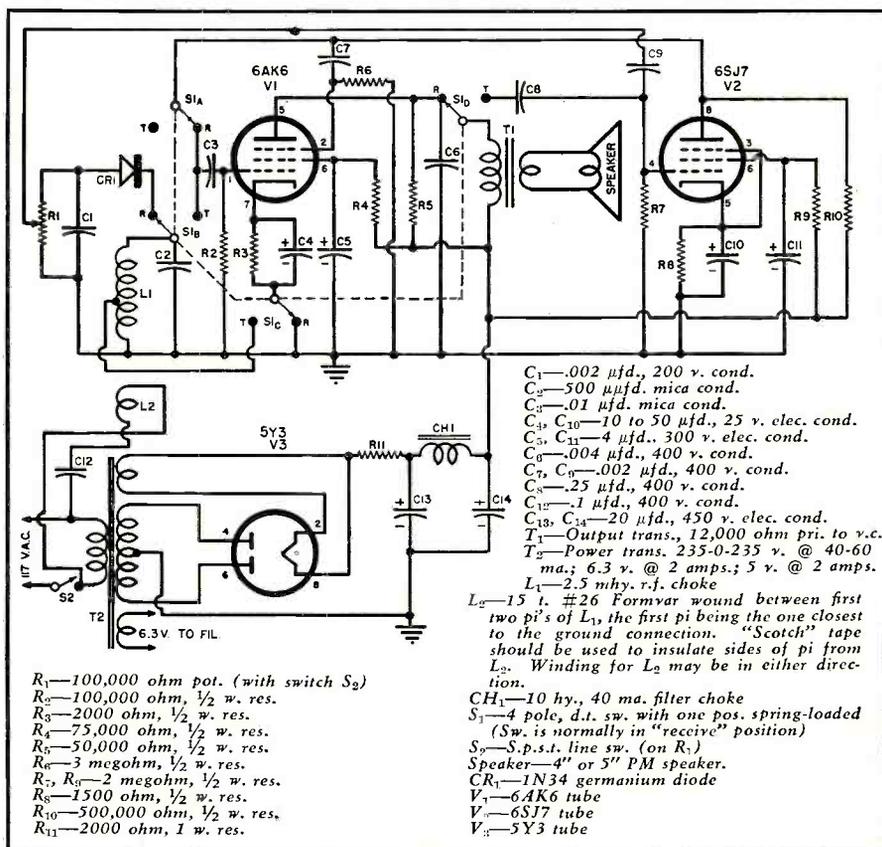
results if we use frequencies much higher than this. At lower frequencies there is less attenuation, but trouble is encountered from line noises due to motors, power frequency harmonics, leaky insulators, etc. The "Q" of the resonant circuit is necessarily low in order to accommodate the sideband energy. As a consequence, a very low carrier frequency will not provide

high discrimination against line interference. If the experimenter desires to deviate from the chosen carrier frequency, these facts should be kept in mind.

Two identical units should be constructed from the schematic diagram of Fig. 1. The circuit consists of three tubes, one of which is a rectifier. During "receive," a germanium diode functions as a detector with the remainder of the receiver comprising a

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Fig. 1. Complete circuit diagram of communicator. Two such units are required.



LOCATING

TV

INTERMITTENTS

By

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Hints on combating the most time-consuming and annoying service problem encountered by the television technician.

THE dread of every radio technician is the set that plays only intermittently. With the increased complexity of the television receiver, the intermittent defects are correspondingly more difficult to locate and repair. Our readers are all familiar with the set that suddenly goes dead but gives excellent pictures as soon as the technician enters the house. The customer complains that his receiver appears to go bad only at certain hours, or will play only for half an hour at a time, or loses the picture every time Junior jumps down the stairs. All these are symptoms of an intermittent defect and most technicians warn the owner that intermittents are hard to find and usually run into a higher repair bill than a more definitive defect. Difficulties of this type can be overcome by using a methodical approach and a few simple tricks known to many experienced technicians. In this article we present the most efficient and direct method for eliminating intermittents using a minimum of instruments and time.

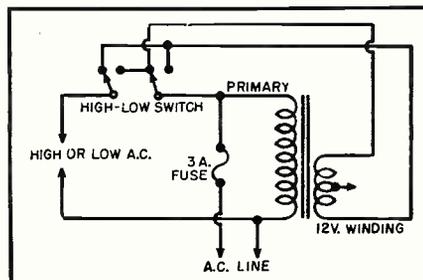
Localizing the Defect

When a TV set has good sound but nothing appears on the screen we naturally need not check the sound section. We know that the defect must be in the picture sections only. In the same manner we can localize the intermittent defect. Fig. 2 shows the block diagram of a typical TV receiver and the various sections which perform different functions. Depend-

ing on how the intermittent defect appears, it is possible to determine the section in which it is most likely to occur. Table 1 lists the most frequently encountered intermittents and the section in which they usually originate.

Once the section in which the intermittent occurs is determined, the actual culprit can be found by two different methods. The first and sometimes the fastest is to replace suspected parts. This is only expedient in cases where only a few parts can cause the defect as in keystoneing where another deflection yoke can quickly be substituted and there is a good likelihood that this will cure the defect. Where a number of tubes and their circuits are suspected it is not practical to replace all of them at once. The second method must be applied which consists of finding the guilty component by causing the in-

Fig. 1. A simple circuit for supplying variable a.c. to check intermittents caused by either high or low power line voltage.



termittent at will. But the difficult part about most intermittent defects is that they occur at apparently random intervals and it is too time consuming to sit and wait until a part breaks down. The main trick in servicing such intermittents is to reproduce whatever causes the breakdown and then locate the defective part.

Types of Intermittents

Intermittent defects are due to any of these causes.

1. Mechanical: This includes poor solder joints, broken wires, loose elements, microphonic tubes, intermittent tubes, loose metal parts inside the chassis, connections almost touching ground or other terminals, poor socket contact, broken or charred insulation, etc.

2. Thermal: Heat causes expansion of metal parts and often produces a mechanical intermittent due to near-shorts, or near breaks in wiring. In addition, heat affects the electrical operation of resistors and condensers. Electrolytic condensers and oil filled types are especially susceptible to heat. The electrolyte may dry up or wax insulation may melt, both of which result in changed capacitance and therefore distortion or circuit failure. Carbon resistors may increase as much as 50% in resistance value under excessive heat and selenium rectifiers show a greater tendency to arc or break down under heat.

3. Voltage: Abnormally high or low voltages, either due to line voltage variations or defective power supplies, can cause intermittents. In many instances safe voltage ratings of parts can be approached or exceeded; however, incorrect voltage on some tubes can cause tube failure. In the high voltage section excessive voltage can cause arcing or corona and insufficient flyback voltages may reduce picture size or lower brightness. Low filament voltage means less amplification through each tube, weaker pictures, and shorter tube life.

4. Humidity: This factor usually affects only the HV section and certain types of condensers. High humidity can cause arcing, corona, and HV breakdown where the insulation is barely sufficient in dry conditions. Humidity also affects paper type condensers having a not too substantial wax coating. A combination of humidity and salt content, found near the seashore, is often responsible for corrosion of chassis or other metal parts causing poor electrical contact and therefore mechanical intermittents.

The most vexing type of trouble is usually the one that takes place in the customer's home, but fails to show up on the service bench. The reason for such intermittents lies in the different operating conditions in the home. Where a mechanical intermittent is observed it is simple enough to duplicate the effect. Jarring the set, banging the bench or rapping individual tubes and parts will help locate

this type of defect. Heat intermittents can also be brought out without too much trouble in the shop and, by supplying different voltages to the set, conditions of varying line voltage can be simulated. Excessive humidity presents a problem, but with a little ingenuity almost any humidity condition can be simulated.

Mechanical Intermittents

Whenever the defect can be traced directly to such mechanical actions as floor vibration, jarring the set, moving a chair, banging a door, switching stations, closing windows, or any other commonplace action which might give some mechanical shock to the chassis, a mechanical intermittent exists. The conventional way of locating it consists of first tapping each tube lightly with a finger, screwdriver handle, or a tube tapper. If none of the tubes appear defective the entire set is jarred repeatedly in the hope that the intermittent defect will become permanent and can then be located by regular troubleshooting procedures. Finally the chassis is inspected closely, individual parts are tapped or pulled until, by chance, the defect is found.

To speed up this procedure we suggest a little thought first as to which section of the receiver could possibly cause the observed defect. Connecting a meter to the "B plus" bus will show if the voltage varies greatly during the defective period. This will automatically limit the possible defects to only a few parts in the set. Here are some mechanical intermittents which are a bit unusual and tricky. If the picture tube appears defective or intermittent try rotating, tapping, or tilting it. Sometimes small pieces of the internal coating get loose and cause shorts in the electron gun. Shaking these fragments toward the bulb of the tube will make them harmless unless the tube is again tilted back. If the tube pins appear intermittent in any tube, apply a soldering iron to each pin for at least two minutes. This will cause the internal solder joint to be solid again. Occasionally it appears that no possible bad connection can be found at all and many such defects are cured by applying a heavy duty iron to every ground connection to insure good contact.

Thermal Intermittents

When the defect appears only after the set has been operating for a while the defect is most likely due to heat. In order to bring such defects into the open it is best to try and localize it to the particular section which goes bad. If the "B plus" is affected the most frequent offender is one of the electrolytic condensers. Substituting a good one, in turn, for each suspected one and letting the set heat up is quite time consuming. Many technicians keep an infrared heat lamp on their benches to reproduce the temperature in the cabinet after a long warm-up period. The heat from such a lamp can be quite intense and could

INTERMITTENT	SECTION
Sound and raster	"B plus" supply, filament shorting
Sound	Audio amp. volume control, sound i.f.
Weak sound	Audio output tube, coupling condenser
Distorted sound	Audio coupling condenser, audio "B plus" filter or bypass condenser, discriminator
Hum	Transformer lamination vibration, video amp. audio filter or bypass, discriminator
Raster	HV, horiz. osc., brightness control, video amp., picture tube
Picture (raster OK)	Video amp., tuner contact
Loss of horiz. sync	Horiz. a.f.c., sync section, horiz. osc.
Loss of vertical sync	Sync section, integrating network, vert. osc.
Loss of both	Sync section, video amp., HV arcing
Change in width	Horiz. sweep, horiz. osc., HV
Change in height	Vert. sweep, vert. osc.
Change in both height and width	HV, "B plus" supply, horiz. sweep
Change in brightness	HV, brightness control, horiz. sweep, video amplifier
Flashing	Video amp., antenna, tuner
Picture overload	Picture i.f., a.g.c. system
Keystoning (trapezoidal raster)	Deflection yoke, horiz. or vert. sweep
Loss of focus	Focus control, "B plus" supply, first anode voltage, HV

Table 1. The most frequently-encountered intermittents and where they originate.

damage parts if left on too long. We recommend putting the heat lamp about a foot away from the suspected part and leaving it on for no longer than 15 minutes. Another use for this heat lamp will be to bake out moisture from HV components before applying new insulation, as described later.

If it seems impossible to localize the intermittent and it is desired to heat up the entire set, the simplest method is to utilize the regular receiver cabinet. Covering all ventilating holes with a blanket or taping them up will prevent ventilation and insure quick heat build-up, thereby hastening the intermittent condition. If the line voltage is increased at the same time the heating will be still more rapid and intense. Whenever a heat run is made it is good practice to connect the set to the a.c. line through a 3 amp. fuse to protect the set in the event excessive current is drawn.

In addition to electrolytics, selenium rectifiers are also very sensitive to heat. Under excessive heat the rectifiers are subject to arc-over or bubbling on the coated side which eventually

means high resistance and lowered "B plus" voltages. The smell of a defective selenium rectifier, however, is always a quick and sure clue to this type of intermittent.

Earlier we mentioned that carbon resistors increase in resistance with heat. The difficult part about locating such a defect is that usually the "cold" resistance is within ratings and measurements must therefore be made while the resistor is hot. Applying the infrared lamp while the ohmmeter is connected will quickly locate this type of intermittent.

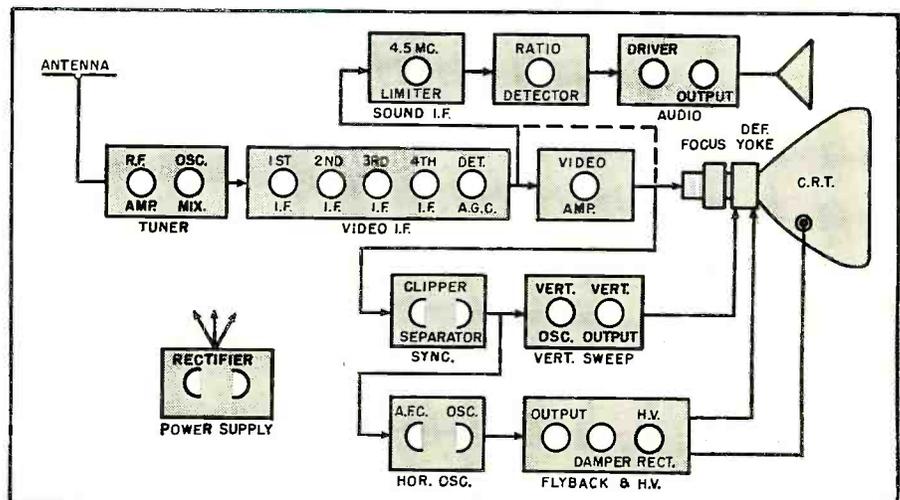
Whenever a heat intermittent is suspected be sure to check also for a mechanical failure. Frequently the expansion due to heat causes near-shorts, poor solder joints and other mechanical defects in the wiring. Melted insulation, discolored resistors or condensers are all a sign of overheating and often cause mechanical defects.

Voltage Intermittents

Defects due to low a.c. line voltage are most frequent in the HV and sweep section. Perhaps the most com-

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Fig. 2. Block diagram of an intercarrier TV set showing the various sections.



THE CASCADE-CASCADE ON 2 METERS

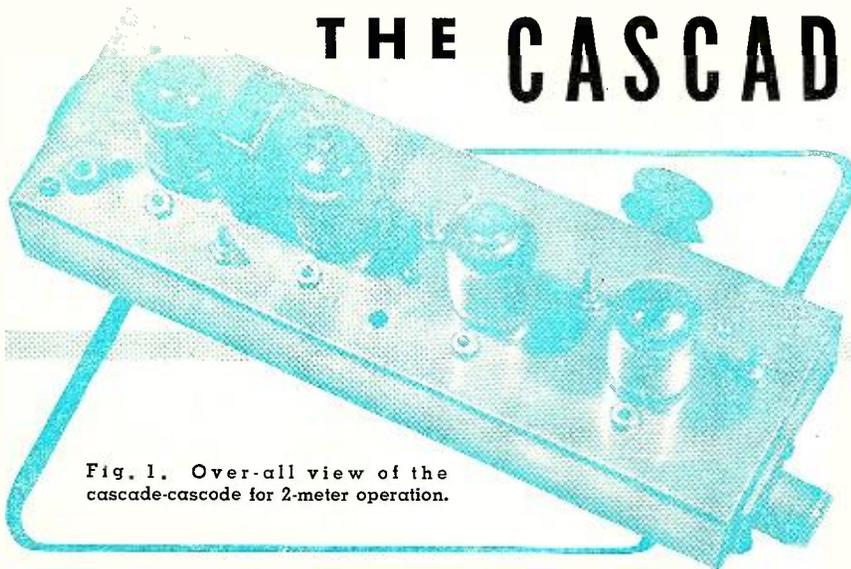


Fig. 1. Over-all view of the cascade-cascade for 2-meter operation.

By

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Details on a crystal-controlled, bandpass converter which permits bandspread tuning on communication receiver dial.

PROGRESS in the development of the v.h.f. bands has been paced, for the most part, by the progress made in receiving equipment. For many years, the standard equipment for ham use above 30 megacycles was the superregenerative receiver. There are still those today who cling to the legendary theory that a superregenerative receiver will do about as well as the best superhet, and with much less trouble. Soon after World War II, the majority of these superregen addicts broke down and obtained a 522, thereby learning just how good a v.h.f. superhet could be. The advent of the 522's brought about a major change in the thinking and in the equipment of most v.h.f. men. They doomed the modulated oscillator to the same fate as the Dodo bird—extinction, in other words. With the combination of better receivers and better transmitters, the range and effectiveness of the v.h.f. bands were immediately improved. Such things as regular reception under all conditions, between points 100 or more miles apart, became common practice.

More recently, there has emerged a new trend, or phase, in the develop-

ment of v.h.f. communication. This is the low-noise converter in combination with a standard communications receiver as the i.f. As this trend develops, it is working the same revolution in v.h.f. performance brought about by the 522's some five years ago. There is little room for improvement in transmitters at this time; however, the improvement which can be achieved by a well-designed, low-noise converter is truly remarkable.

There are several types of converters and each has certain advantages.

For ease of classification, they may be grouped as follows: 1. Tuned r.f.—tuned oscillator; 2. Bandpass r.f.—tuned oscillator; and 3. Bandpass r.f.—crystal oscillator.

In the first type, we have what might be called the theoretically ideal design. Such a unit would provide the maximum possible selectivity and, therefore, the lowest noise figure, theoretically at least. However, the design and construction of such a device poses many serious problems. The mechanical problem of gang-tuning three or four r.f. circuits, together with an oscillator; the phys-

ical problem of obtaining short leads; low inductance tuning condensers; adequate shielding between stages; and lastly, but by no means least, the problem of obtaining a drift-free local oscillator, are all very discouraging and tend to turn one away from this approach.

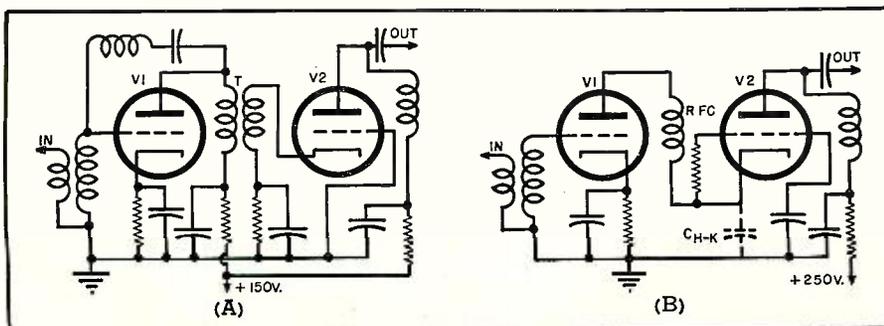
The second classification has many devotees and rightly so, because it has much to recommend it. Perhaps the only drawback is the problem of obtaining a stable oscillator. The degree of stability required depends very much on the selectivity of the receiver used as the 2nd i.f. If maximum selectivity and complete freedom from drift are desired, the answer lies in the third classification of converters.

In the crystal-controlled, bandpass converter, the communications receiver is used as a tunable 2nd i.f. The dial of the communications receiver is the only tuning control and the receiver is used exactly the same as if it were tuning any of the low-frequency channels. The operator has the advantage of bandspread tuning which eliminates the customary critical tuning of the local oscillator in the second type of converter mentioned. Another advantage which will be described in more detail later is the fact that by the proper choice of the injection frequency, the communications receiver dial becomes automatically a frequency calibrated, direct-reading dial for the band you are working. No searching for stations of known frequency to determine the band edges, or the tuning range of the system.

In considering a converter of the type to be described, it is well to consider the separate sections, such as r.f. amplifier, mixer, oscillator-multiplier, and impedance matching transformer, as individual problems in order that they may be studied in more detail.

In general, the major problem in the design of r.f. amplifiers for v.h.f. work is noise. This noise is the noise which is generated largely in the tubes themselves. We would all like a receiver which was completely noiseless until we connected the antenna and then we would like to have the only noise

Fig. 2. (A) Original circuit using transformer coupling. (B) Simplified circuit in which T has been eliminated and an r.f. choke substituted and made series-resonant with the cathode-to-ground capacity (C_{H-K} , shown dotted) in the circuit.



that of signals. This utopian situation may be impossible to achieve; however, we can go a long way toward that goal by reducing the known sources of noise in the receiver. Pentodes, although they offer high gain, are, almost without exception, considerably noisier than triodes. This is due, in large measure, to the additional elements within the tube, each of which contributes some part of the noise. The use of triodes has been restricted, however, because of the high grid-to-plate capacity which tends to cause oscillation. Neutralization can be resorted to; however, this is often quite critical and may be very difficult to achieve when a band of frequencies must be tuned. Any tendency toward regeneration is undesirable since this too increases the noise.

By now, most hams have heard of the cascode circuit for r.f. amplifiers which came out of World War II radar designs. In this circuit, a triode, conventionally connected, drives a grounded-grid triode to achieve a very high order of gain with low noise. The input triode is prevented from oscillating, in the original circuit, by a parallel resonant circuit, consisting of the grid-plate capacity across a small inductance. This LC combination is made resonant at the center of the passband and is broad enough to extend well beyond the band on either side. The high impedance thus created neutralizes the voltage fed back from the plate to the grid which would normally cause oscillation. Another feature of the original circuit was a transformer for coupling the plate of the first triode to the cathode of the grounded grid triode. Both of these devices, although relatively simple, are extra components and serve as additional complications. In the cascade-cascode, they are eliminated in the manner shown in Fig. 2B resulting in a much simpler circuit.

The r.f. choke shown in Fig. 2B is made series resonant with the cathode-to-ground capacity of V_2 at the operating frequency of the amplifier. This low impedance path so reduces the plate-to-ground impedance of V_1 that feedback from the plate-to-grid of V_1 is negligible. The construction of this choke is not critical and its effect covers a wide band of frequencies either side of its resonant frequency. The second simplification is in the elimination of the coupling transformer, T , shown in Fig. 2A, between the plate of V_1 and the cathode of V_2 . This is accomplished by direct coupling the d.c. from V_2 to V_1 and increasing the supply voltage from 150 to 250 volts. The resulting circuit is even more simple when it is reduced to actual wiring since most of the connections are made between the socket terminals themselves and adjacent terminals or ground.

The circuit shown in Fig. 2B is the basic one used in the cascade-cascode. Two cascodes are used in series, cascaded, to provide higher gain, greater circuit simplicity, easier bandpassing.

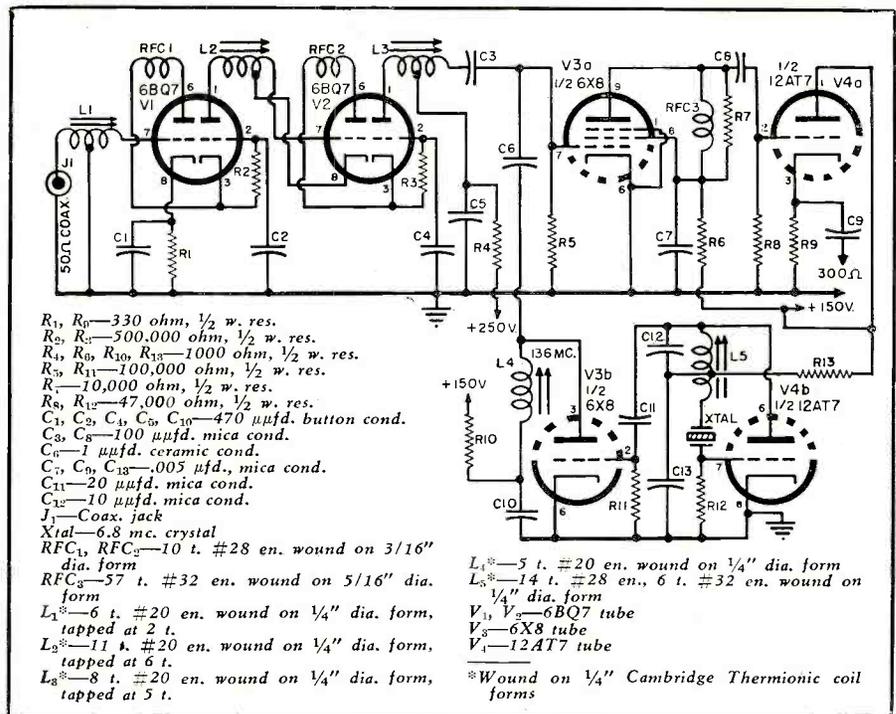


Fig. 3. Complete circuit diagram of the cascade-cascode converter for 2-meters.

The resulting r.f. amplifier provides gains almost unbelievable a few years ago. Two of the latest type television r.f. amplifier tubes are used so that although four triode sections are employed, only two tubes are needed for this part of the converter.

The method of coupling deserves some study since it is largely responsible for the excellent bandpass characteristics of the amplifier. Three double-tuned transformers are used in the amplifier portion of the converter. This permits stagger tuning and makes possible a flat response throughout the 4 mc. 2-meter band, with rapid drop off on either side, with approximately 1 mc. to spare. To see how these double-tuned transformers work, it is necessary to refer to Fig. 4.

Fig. 4A shows a conventional, double-tuned transformer such as those

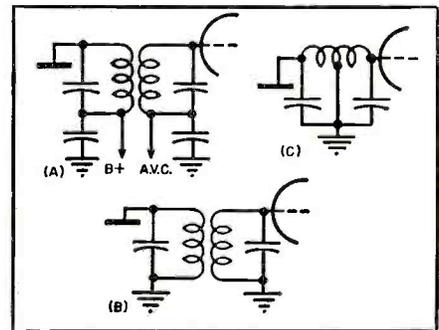
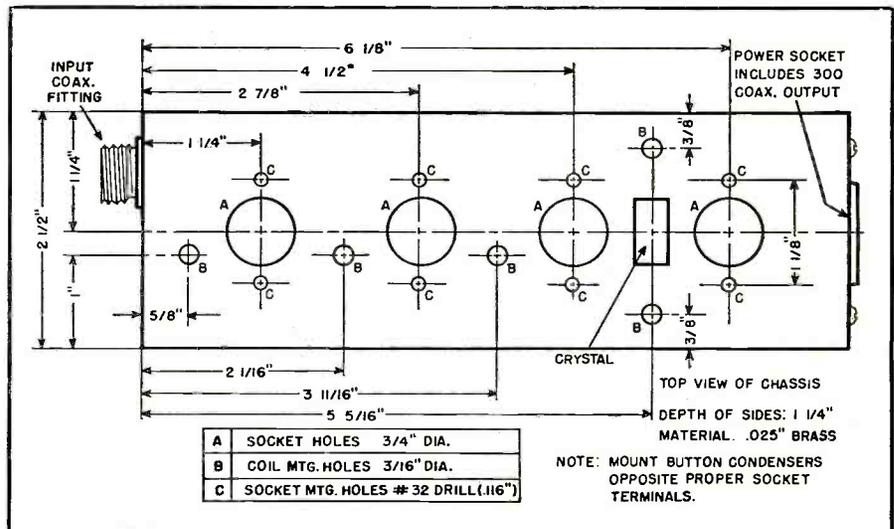


Fig. 4. (A) Conventional, double-tuned transformer. (B) The i.f. or r.f. equivalent circuit. (C) Same circuit redrawn to show two coils wound on the same form, centertapped.

encountered in most i.f. amplifiers. Fig. 4B shows the circuit, neglecting (Continued on page 124)

Fig. 5. Layout for converter chassis. Arrangement should be followed exactly.



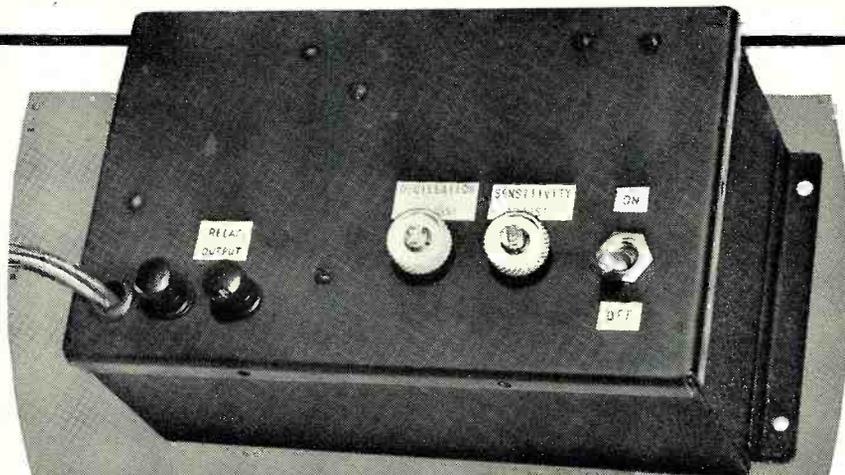
A NOVEL CAPACITANCE RELAY

By

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THE capacitance relay or alarm has long been known and used in industrial plants to handle counting and sorting operations. It has found use in various businesses in connection with door openers and advertising displays. It has been employed as a burglar alarm, to guard dangerous areas of machines, and even as a foul line indicator in bowling alleys. However, its use in the home has never been widespread. Probably the main reason for its non-acceptance is simply one of economy. Most published circuits to date have used eighteen to thirty-five watts for filament power alone. Actually, there are few home applications that would justify continuous operation at this rate. The circuit to be described consumes less than two watts—an amount that will be barely noticeable on the electric bill. Thus, the uses to which this device can be put are limited only by the constructor's imagination. The unit has been used successfully by the author as a training device for the family cat. It developed that the cat had taken a fancy to a particular chair and derived great satisfaction in using it as a scratching board. This, of course, called for immediate action and the capacitance relay was called upon. The feeler antenna, placed under the chair, warned of her approach to the chair, thus steps could be taken before any damage was done. The cat eventually got the idea and we all lived happily ever after.

Before the circuit operation is described in detail, it might be well to describe and define a capacitance relay. Specifically, it is a device which is actuated by any change in the capacitance relation between the feeler antenna and its surroundings. The amount of change the device will tolerate is the "sensitivity." Further, the definition of capacitance describes what type of change will actuate the device. We know from the definition of capacitance that capacitance depends upon the dielectric, the effective area of the plates, and the distance between the plates. The feeler antenna can consist of a piece of wire, a fence, a screen, or a machine, as one plate; the surrounding earth and metal objects as the other plate. A change in the capacitance can be caused by the approach of a human or animal or any metallic object such as an automobile or other machine.



Front panel view of the capacitance relay. The entire unit can be housed in a case measuring $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ inches. A single 12AT7 tube is required.

Construction details on a unit which is designed for continuous operation and draws only 2 watts.

Circuitwise, the capacitance relay consists of three separate circuits, namely, an r.f. oscillator, a diode rectifier, and a relay amplifier. The oscillator portion, which is really the heart of the device, consists of a straightforward Hartley oscillator. However its conditions of operation differ from those of the usual or conventional oscillator where stability under changing load is the chief consideration. In this circuit the grid condenser, C_2 , is adjusted so that the unit is oscillating very weakly, i.e., the oscillator has not reached the equilibrium condition which allows it to maintain a relatively constant output with a varying load. This latter condition is obtained by making the grid condenser a high reactance for the r.f. frequency used. By reducing the capacitance of the grid condenser (with the circuit still oscillating), we find that the r.f. output of the oscillator is quite sensitive to variations in feedback caused by any change in the capacitance of the feeler antenna to ground.

This changing r.f. oscillator voltage, due to a variation in feeler antenna capacitance, can be reflected as a d.c. current change by rectifying the r.f. and applying the resulting negative d.c. voltage to the grid of a triode relay amplifier. In this case, the diode rectifier consists of a 1N34 germanium diode and the oscillator and relay amplifier are combined in one envelope in the form of a 12AT7 dual triode.

Even though the oscillator grid condenser C_2 is adjusted so that oscillation is very weak, the rectified d.c. voltage measured across R_2 may be from 9 to 16 volts. This is beyond the grid cut-off voltage for the 12AT7 which is approximately 3 volts. Thus it becomes necessary to use a potentiometer

to adjust the grid voltage of the relay amplifier to cut-off or slightly less, according to the desired sensitivity. By adjusting the potentiometer R_2 so that the voltage applied to the grid is far beyond cut-off, it becomes necessary to make a greater capacitance change to reduce the r.f. voltage and consequently the negative grid bias on the relay amplifier to a value low enough to cause current to flow and thus close the relay. Under these conditions, the relay is relatively insensitive. Adjusting potentiometer R_2 to a value so that the relay amplifier is conducting slightly (but not enough to close the relay) will result in maximum sensitivity. Now only a small capacitance change will be necessary to reduce the amplifier grid bias enough to close the relay. Actually, the oscillator grid control C_2 also controls the sensitivity to some extent and, in practice, it will be found that the two will interact. However the use of a potentiometer gives the device much greater flexibility. This gives C_2 the job of adapting the oscillator to whatever feeler antenna might be used and to obtain the desired intensity of oscillation.

As can be seen from the circuit diagram, the a.c. line voltage is applied directly to the tubes. Thus the oscillator portion oscillates on only half of the a.c. cycle. The resistor-condenser combination R_2, C_3 must then maintain the negative voltage on the grid of the relay amplifier during the negative half of the a.c. cycle when the oscillator is not oscillating. The condenser C_3 must also serve another purpose besides that of d.c. filter for the rectified r.f. oscillator voltage. It must also serve as a sort of "shock absorber" for line voltage fluctuations,

thus preventing the relay from closing every time a refrigerator or oil burner starts. This RC combination also determines the reaction time of the whole device, that is, the speed with which it will respond to a capacitance variation. For example, if your particular application requires that the device go off only for capacitance changes that last, say, from a half to one second, it would be necessary to increase the capacitance of C_3 from the value shown. This value is most easily determined by experiment. The values for C_3 (.01 $\mu\text{fd.}$) and R_2 (2 megohms) provide fairly good stability for the usual line fluctuations and give a fairly fast reaction speed.

The previous discussion on reaction time also partially applies to the relay coil and its parallel condenser. In this case the value of 1 $\mu\text{fd.}$ was chosen to eliminate relay chatter and buzz. If a lower resistance relay is used, a larger value condenser will be necessary.

One of the novel features of this device is the method of obtaining the filament voltage. A 3 $\mu\text{fd.}$ condenser is used in series with the filament across the line to produce the necessary twelve volts for the 12AT7. This provides real economy over the usual series-filament voltage dropping resistor. This latter method of obtaining filament voltage would consume a total of almost 18 watts while the condenser method uses only 1.8 watts. It also provides a saving in space and weight over a transformer. A 3 $\mu\text{fd.}$ condenser might be rather large, but at most, it's less than half the size of a filament transformer. Needless to say, an electrolytic condenser cannot be used for this application.

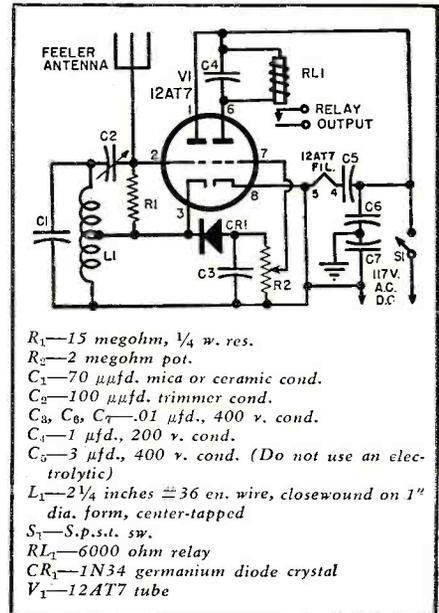
An intelligent discussion of the sensitivity of a unit such as this is difficult, especially without knowing the application and hence the type of feeler antenna to be used. In one case it might consist of a short piece of wire while in another case it might consist of a large machine or wire fence. In the beginning of this article we discussed the fact that among the factors determining capacitance is the effective area of the plates. Thus the sensitivity will not be as great if the feeler antenna is merely a six-inch piece of wire rather than, say, a window screen used as the feeler antenna. However it is not as simple as that. The residual capacitance this feeler has to ground also determines the sensitivity. For example, if the feeler antenna has a residual capacitance of 50 $\mu\text{fd.}$ and a person's approach a certain distance away introduces a change of 10 $\mu\text{fd.}$, the resultant change in oscillator feedback will be much greater than if the residual capacitance were 200 $\mu\text{fd.}$ and the person's approach introduced 10 $\mu\text{fd.}$ as before. This can be readily seen if the grid coupling condenser and the residual capacity are visualized as being in series as a capacitance-voltage divider. Then for a lower residual capacity, the grid coupling condenser will have a lower

value. Hence a small grid-to-ground capacitance change will produce a greater voltage change in the capacitance divider. This voltage change is actually an oscillator feedback change.

The purpose of the photographs showing the unit as constructed by the author is not to suggest that the unit be built in exactly the same manner, but rather to point out some features which the constructor may wish to include. The whole unit is built on an aluminum cover made to fit an old surplus junction box measuring $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ inches. To avoid any body capacitance difficulties when setting the equipment in operation, the antenna post was brought through the side while the operating controls are on the top of the opposite edge. If the operator's body capacitance is included when the equipment is set up, the unit will have less sensitivity. When the operator moves away from the unit after setting it up, his body capacitance is subtracted from the residual capacitance. This increases the feedback and consequently the negative voltage on the grid of the relay amplifier.

Both rotor and stator of the oscillator grid condenser C_2 must be insulated. This operation can be simplified somewhat by using a ceramic or mica trimmer and adjusting it with an insulated rod. However that insulated rod always seems to be lost when needed most. By using an air trimmer and insulated coupling, adjustments may be made with an ordinary screwdriver.

The coil for the unit was wound on a one-inch diameter bakelite rod and consists of enough turns of number 36 enamel wire to fill $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches with a tap brought out at the center or $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". This inductance, in combination with 70 $\mu\text{fd.}$ for C_1 , will place the oscillator on approximately 550 kc. The exact frequency used is not too critical. Because of the low frequency and be-



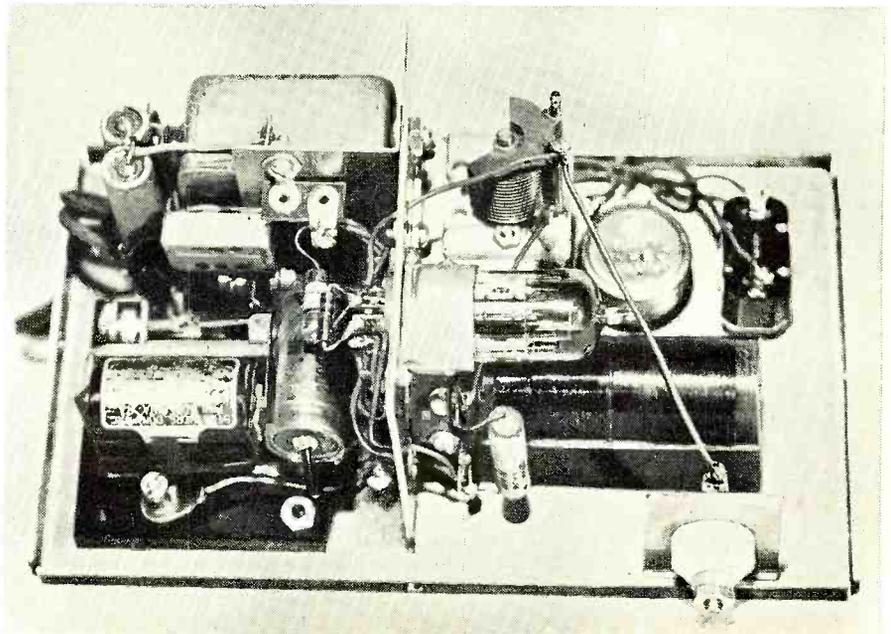
Complete circuit diagram of the capacitance relay. Standard parts are employed.

cause the oscillator is just barely oscillating, no radiation or interference problems exist.

Since the unit was built into a metal case, in order to avoid any danger of serious shock and fuse-blowing, neither side of the line was connected to the case. However to eliminate hand capacity effects it is necessary to place the case at a.c. ground. This is accomplished by means of the two .01 $\mu\text{fd.}$ condensers from each side of the line to the case (C_6 and C_7).

The adjustment of C_2 and R_2 can be set up quickly and easily with the aid of a d.c. vacuum tube voltmeter, however the use of such an instrument is not essential. If a v.t.v.m. is available, it can be set to measure the negative d.c. voltage from the detector, that is, (Continued on page 139)

Top chassis view of relay with cover removed to show the compact parts layout.



DX TELEVISION

By
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THESE are cowboys on Peachtree Street in Atlanta, Georgia—the Johnsons know, because we've seen them. The only thing remarkable about this fact is that we saw them from Denver—via a television signal loosed from the transmitting tower of WSB in Atlanta—months before Denver had a television station of its own!

Because Denver was one of the most television-hungry cities in America—the largest to be caught by the “freeze” without a station—it became the center of an extremely active group of television DX-ers—of whom the writer was one. From the experience of this group has come some practical ideas to help *you* pull in long distance television—and enjoy one of the few real thrills left in radio.

The writer's interest in television DX was sparked by work on an article which appeared in RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS this past year—and dealt with DX-ing by a service technician in Longmont, Colorado. After seeing what *could* be done, it was inevitable that the Johnson family would acquire a television set, despite the fact that at that time it appeared television for Denver was a long ways away.

The set, however, was nothing fancy. It couldn't be—because it had to be lugged from San Francisco, where the writer happened to be on business. Furthermore, there was a little matter of explaining to the XYL that a television set was something the household could not do without, and that those new drapes for the bedroom could wait.

(How to sell an XYL an idea like this will be discussed later—so read on!)

At any rate, the set chosen was a little second-hand 7-inch *Admiral*, which sold for \$50.00. Sharpies, with time to shop, have been known to buy similar 7-inch sets for \$25.00 or less.

The little set managed to survive the trip all right—and was brought home and hooked up—in late January. Wonder of wonders—for a few fleeting seconds one memorable Sunday morning—it brought in a picture.

But all of the dope said that sporadic “E” reception wouldn't begin until May—and unfortunately, the dope was right. For weeks the little set produced nothing—although by this time the XYL was becoming interested enough to monitor Channel 2 several times a day—and the Num-



Jim Livesay, WØTRP, has logged over 20 DX television stations. This new “hobby” has gained a tremendous following in the U. S.

Despite the fact that TV stations are springing up all over the U.S., television DX-ing still has many ardent adherents.

ber Two Son had learned to say something which sounded like “no pictures today, Mommy.”

Meanwhile, the OM, being the conservative type, had decided that a booster might be a good idea, so had parted with another \$10.95 to buy a “bargain” 6J6 booster.

Then, one evening—May 3rd—the 10-meter phone band came alive with a bang on “short skip.” So it was time to check the theory that if 10 meters was open, Channel 2 should not be far behind.

Bright and early Sunday morning the little TV set was turned on. And there it was—intermittent—fading—but a picture: KPRC in Houston, Texas.

Because the picture seemed to be a bit muddled-up, it was decided that the home-brewed V-beam being used was probably causing ghosts—so a standard TV antenna (Dubl-V) was hastily erected on a rotating mast assembly—and we were ready to try again.

The next chance came on May 9, and the XYL reported that the picture still displayed people with three heads—so the OM knew that he had a service job on his hands. It turned out to be nothing more complicated than replacing the horizontal oscillator tube.

One fact was already apparent—the wire V-beam, which cost less than \$2.00 to erect, was a lot better than

the smaller Dubl-V. And it became evident from checking with other hams and TVL's in the city that the big V-beam has the pleasant habit of brewing up signals when large stacked TV arrays, and much hotter receivers, weren't doing a thing.

The V-beam was about as simple as an antenna could be—consisting of two wires (see diagram) fed with a feeder on one end. An open wire line (the original was homemade but the *Gonset* line would be ideal) was used to tie the antenna to the set.

Fine on Channel 2—which after all is fairly low frequency. But surely a standard TV antenna would do the job better when the higher frequencies opened up.

On May 17 they did—with a bang—signals coming in as high as Channel 5. In every case the V-beam outperformed the TV antenna—in *any direction*—and the average held true all summer long. Further cross-checking with other listeners showed that the beam was staying in there with the best of them—and out-performing all but the best.

Exactly *why* the writer doesn't know. However, here is a theory, for what it is worth.

Big stacked arrays have as their basic purpose concentrating reception at *very* low angles—a factor which is probably more important than sheer gain in fringe area reception. But TV

DX is fairly high angle. And a wire V-beam is a fairly wide angle device—capable of receiving from a number of angles—and from many different directions. Likewise, having a lot of wire out seems to give better over-all efficiency—or as one practical soul put it—gets a “better grip on the ether.”

However, the V-beam does have one serious disadvantage—it picks up signals from many different directions at the same time. And until you have seen TV stations pile up five deep on the same channel you don't know what interference is.

So—in the writer's opinion—the best answer for the antenna problem is to put up a V-beam for best reception when signals are coming in chiefly from one area. And then have a rotating array, with an antenna with a fairly good front-to-back ratio, to allow selection should there be several stations coming in on the same channel but in different directions.

So much for antennas. But when do TV signals come in?

Again there is much opinion in all of this. But the opinion of Denver listeners—and their logs—seem to show a definite pattern.

The writer's own log clearly gives the morning hours the nod during the summer season of '52, with a lot of signals coming in as early as 7 a.m.—with 10 a.m. being a particularly good time. Relatively few signals were logged at noon—but the afternoon hours showed more signals—and the early evening second only to the morning.

All of this boils down to the fact that there might be signals to be heard (or seen!) almost any time—so it would be nice to know when to listen.

As mentioned earlier, it seemed to the writer that monitoring the 10 meter phone band was an easy way to get a tip-off on good skip conditions. And the experience described previously was no fluke—not once in months of listening did TV DX come in at a time when there was no short skip on 10 meters. However—unfortunately—many times skip did come in on 10 when TV was dead to the world.

Even so, the cue, obviously, is to watch 10 meters. If that band is dead for short skip (reception under 1000 miles) go shoot pool, or mow the lawn, or something, for TV DX probably won't happen. But when the 10 meter band comes alive with short skip signals, get a can of beer and stay with the TV set, because something is probably going to happen.

If you are an experimenter at heart you may want to test another theory—not the writer's this time, but that of one of the champion “DX-ers” among the several hundred in Denver who did a lot of listening—or watching: Jim Livesay, WØTRP.

Jim, who is an engineer, and whose background includes several years as an officer in the Signal Corps, is now general engineer for the Colorado Central Power Company. In this ca-

capacity, part of his job is to keep an eye on the company's high frequency radio gear, operating on 47.94 megacycles, used to maintain communication with company trucks.

Jim noticed during 1950 that during the summer months quite frequently “skip” signals from other services would interfere with local communication. He reasoned that if 47 megacycles would come alive, so should Channel 2, and on the strength of that idea bought a TV set.

In '51 he received stations intermittently throughout most of the summer—and during December and early January of '52 had some excellent reception. His receiver is a 17" Admiral—with a good booster and a parasitic array, cut for Channel 3. The antenna, a yagi, is a bit unusual in that the tubing used is quite large in diameter, the idea being to get as wide a band of response as possible, in order to cover the low frequency channels. (The limitations of any parasitic array in frequency coverage are one of the reasons the writer chose two types of driven arrays.)

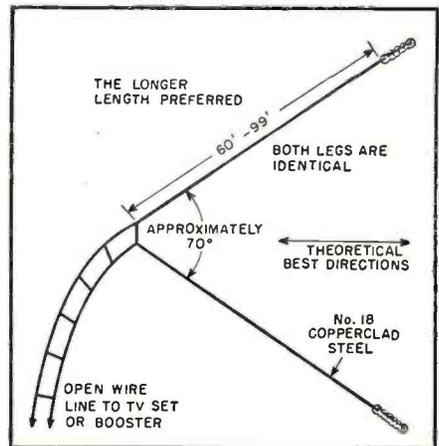
Livesay's carefully-kept log shows one highly-interesting thing: in Denver, at least, almost invariably sporadic “E” skip during '52 came during times of high barometric pressure—and since the barometer would go up first, it served to give some warning that conditions were about to be favorable.

Never once, according to Jim, was skip received when barometric pressure was low. He doesn't regard his observations as at all conclusive—but perhaps other DX-ers will test it further.

Jim was one of the first DX-ers in the Denver area, and when his activities became known through a news story in the *Denver Post*, he became



TV DX stations are not necessarily weak. Some pound through like locals. Here's proof, in the form of a picture of KPRC's (Houston) pattern as received in Denver.

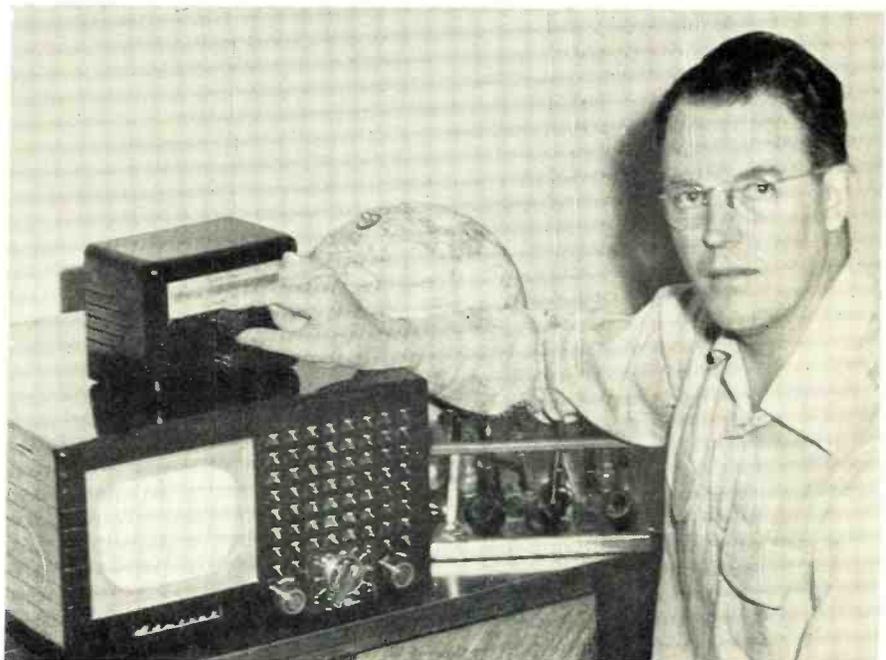


Top view of WØLBV's TV DX antenna.

the unofficial “Paul Revere” of a network of listeners. When the 47.94 megacycle signals at the power company began to show signs of skip, he would give his attractive wife, Trudy, a ring—and she would watch for signals to appear. If they did, she would, in turn, call others in the “network”

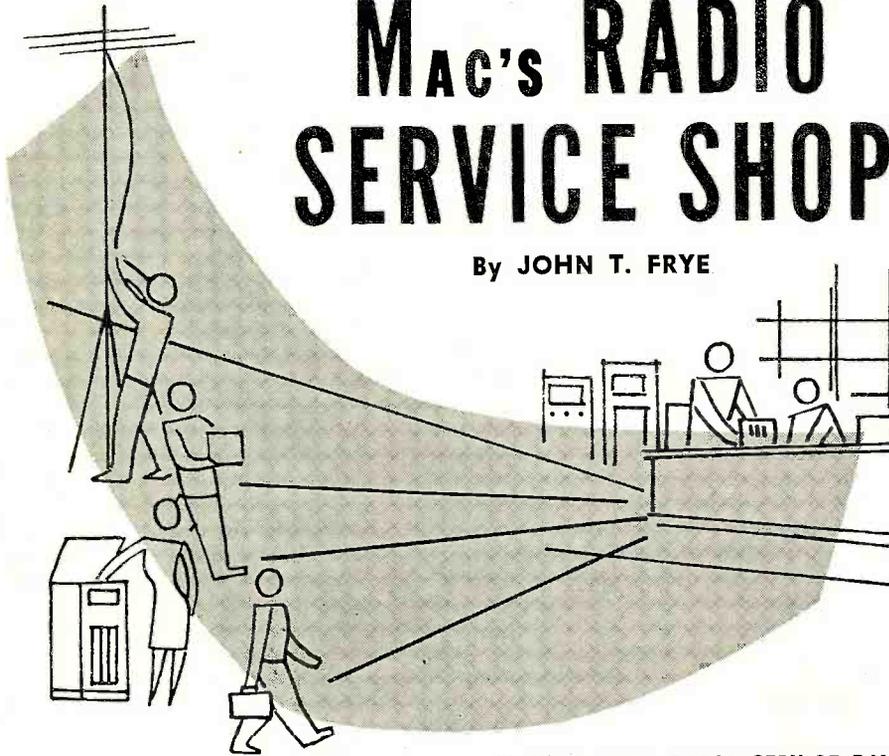
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With this simple receiving gear—a three-year-old 7" TV set and “bargain” booster, plus a good antenna, author has picked up stations from Pittsburgh to the Pacific.



MAC'S RADIO SERVICE SHOP

By JOHN T. FRYE



MAKING AUTO RADIO SERVICE PAY

"MAN, what a fine snowstorm this is!" Barney exclaimed as he stamped into the service shop on a blowy December morning.

Mac, his boss, looked up thoughtfully from the blueprints he had been inspecting to the flushed face and sparkling eyes of the youth and slowly said, "You'd never guess how old that remark suddenly makes me feel. I can barely remember back to when I used to think the first snowstorm of the year was exciting fun. Now, thanks to the Age of the Automobile, it is just a darned nuisance. When I see those big fat flakes starting to drift down, all I can think of are icy streets, stalling at the curb, tire chains, and dented fenders."

"What a cheerful outlook!" Barney commented. "Let's change the subject, quick. What are the blueprints about?"

"There's no escape from the auto albatross there," Mac grinned. "These prints are of the addition to the shop that is going to be built back there on the alley in the very near future. Intended for our new auto radio repair department, it will be a full twenty-four by twenty-four feet and will have two overhead doors opening out on the alley."

"Sounds like a lot of room for only two stalls."

"I want plenty of room," Mac retorted. "I want to be able to throw the doors of both cars wide open and still be able to get between them, in front of them, and behind them with the service-bench-on-wheels that is going to be a feature of the shop."

"Why all this sudden interest in auto radio service?"

"As you know, I have long felt that

this branch of service was being neglected; but the thing that really started me thinking about it in earnest was the publication of a recent survey. This survey revealed that for every three radios operating in the home, a fourth was used on the highway. In the past half-dozen years, the number of auto radios has zoomed up from seven and a half million to *twenty-seven and a half million*. 92.4% of all postwar cars are radio equipped. If things keep on at this rate, that means that nearly five million new auto radios will roll off the production line next year."

"Yeah," Barney said with mounting enthusiasm, "and we know the competition is not too keen. As we were saying a while back, it is becoming harder and harder to get an auto radio set fixed. Radiomen don't like to fool with them."

"And not without reason," Mac conceded. "Taking the set out of the car and putting it back is often hard, dirty, hot work to which the radio technician is not accustomed and at which he is not too adept. On top of that auto radio service requires the stocking of many specialized and slow-moving parts; it means that the shop must add special equipment such as vibrator-testing apparatus, special power supplies, heavy-duty drills, and punches or saws for cutting holes in the body, firewall, etc. New techniques must be learned, too, for auto radio service requires a knowledge of auto ignition systems, an understanding of the production and suppression of electrical noise, and a mastery of the vibrator-type of power supply that is foreign to house radio and television servicing.

"Still worse, though, has been the fact that in the past many radiomen came to believe that no money was to be made in auto radio service. For one thing so much time was consumed in taking the set out of the car and putting it back. In many modern cars this is really a major operation. The customer, thinking in terms of having his house radio repaired, often yelled long and loud when he found that putting a fifty-cent coupling condenser in his car receiver cost him ten dollars while he could have the same condenser put into his a.c.-d.c. house receiver for three-fifty. But the technician knew that he could service half a dozen midget sets while he was fixing that one auto radio receiver, and he could do this comfortably at his bench instead of having to stand on his head and bark his knuckles trying to get the blankety-blank automobile set to go back where it belonged."

"Wait up!" Barney commanded. "You're taking the bloom right off my first enthusiasm for this expansion project. Every discouraging word you say about how hard auto radio service is sinks right home on this boy, for he likely will be the one taking 'em out and putting 'em back. But if you can't make money in the business, why are we going into it?"

"I didn't say money *couldn't* be made. I said many radiomen thought it couldn't—and it probably can't as long as auto radio service is treated as a sort of poor relation and is denied the time and thought and equipment this branch of the service requires. Especially it can't be made to pay as long as you refuse to be realistic about charging for it. And don't break out in a cold sweat at the prospect of doing a little work for a change. While it's true I'll expect you to do your share of the actual repair work, I'm hiring another man to do all the removal, replacement, and new installation of sets."

"Who dat?"

"A young garage mechanic I know whose specialties have been ignition system maintenance and body work. I wanted a man who really knows his way about automobiles and feels at home with a wrench in his hand—one who can work just as well with his back on a creeper as he can standing on his feet. The purely mechanical jobs that look so hard and awkward to us will be a lead-pipe cinch to such a fellow; moreover, he will be a great help in running down those noise problems that are finally traced back to some fault in the ignition system itself."

"You said something about charges. Are you really going to pour it on?"

"No, but I'm going to see to it that charges for auto radio service actually reflect the costs of that department. In other words, I'll not allow the radio and television department to carry the auto service department. The bill for an automobile radio repair job will consist of two separate charges: first,

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A DUO-DIODE MODULATION MONITOR

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THE modulation monitor described in this article was designed and constructed as a simple, low cost unit which would indicate 100% negative peak modulation on plate modulated transmitters, without using a high voltage diode as commonly used in negative peak indicators. It was further desired to have the monitor indicate at 100% regardless of the power input, plate voltage, or loading of the modulated stage without necessitating any readjustment of the monitor.

Neon indicators were chosen because they are capable of instantaneous indication, thus the indication is not affected by the mechanical lag of meters. Furthermore, the flash of a lamp will attract the operator's attention more than a meter pointer passing a given point.

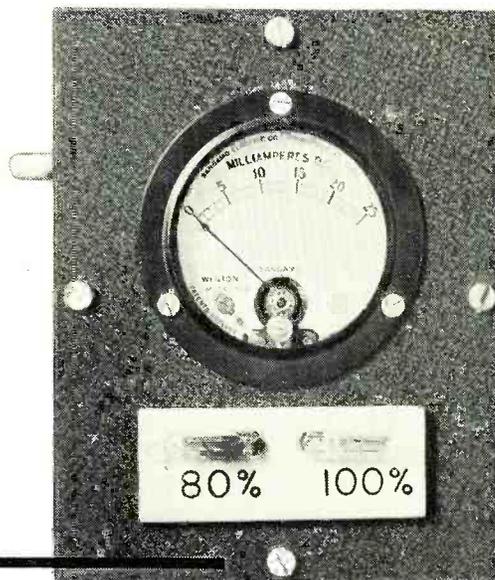
After constructing the original model it was decided to incorporate a second indicator lamp which would flash at a value which could be set anywhere below 100% modulation. In the authors' unit this second lamp is set at 80%, and the mike gain is adjusted to have the 80% lamp flash consistently and the 100% lamp flash on occasional peaks. This feature satisfies an inherent human desire to be assured of sufficiently heavy modulation, without actually overmodulating.

The modulation monitor, as seen in Figs. 1 and 3, is built in two sections. The greater portion of the circuit is built into the transmitter.

The indicator lamps and meter are mounted in a 3 x 4 x 5 inch utility box making a neat compact unit to place on the operating table. The reader, of course, is not limited to the type of construction used by the authors. The components could be included in any unit which is used on the operating table, such as the speech amplifier, v.f.o., etc.

The schematic diagram of the unit is shown in Fig. 2. It can be seen that the diodes are connected backwards,

Fig. 1. Neon lamps are cemented in plastic mount. Leads run through holes behind the lamps and terminate behind panel. Meter is used for reading modulator plate current.



Low-voltage diodes and neon lamps are used to indicate predetermined percentage of modulation and overmodulation.

compared to the usual diode-type negative peak indicator. Therein lies the reason for the ability to use a low voltage diode.

To explain the operation we will analyze lamp NE_1 ; however, the discussion will also apply to NE_2 because both units are identical. R_1 is connected to the junction of the modulator transformer and the cold end of the plate tank. Provided the voltage at this point remains more positive than the voltage at the arm of R_3 , the diode V_1 will conduct. It can be seen that R_1 and V_{1a} are effectively series resistors when V_{1a} is conducting. Its resistance is a small fraction of R_1 and almost all of the plate voltage will be dropped across R_1 . As the voltage at the cold

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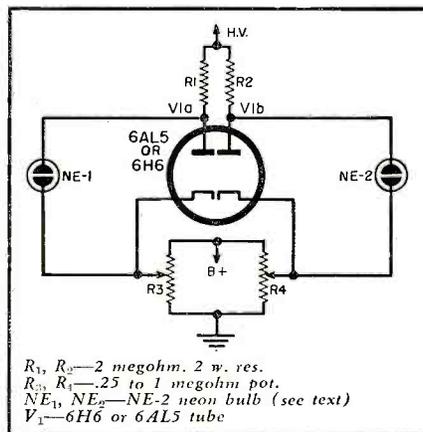
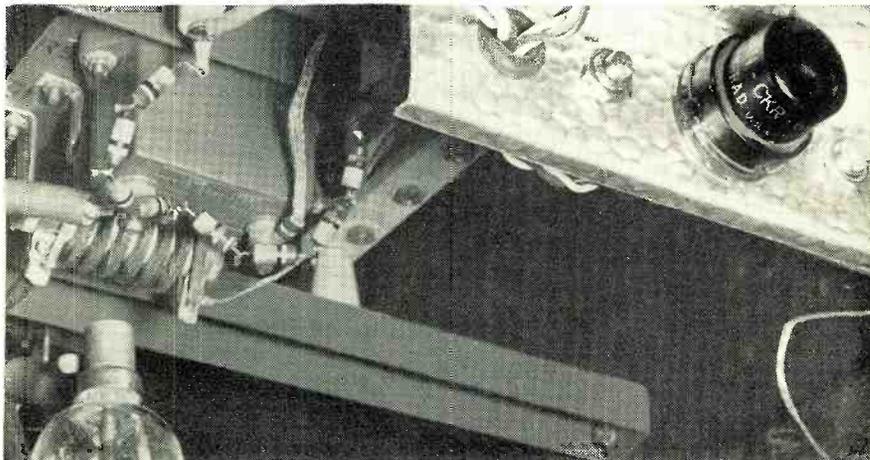


Fig. 2. Complete circuit diagram for the duo-diode modulation monitor unit.

Fig. 3. The diode and its associated resistors shown mounted on the rear of a BC-610. "B-plus" for R_3 and R_4 and filament power are taken from the exciter deck. Note that composite resistors R_1 and R_2 are made up of 1/2 watt resistors in series to prevent arc-over from the high-voltage point to the diode end.



HI-FI LOUDSPEAKER DESIGN

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Fig. 1. The "Diffusicone" system of wide-angle high-frequency dispersion.

Details on a new loudspeaker design which features a replaceable basket-diaphragm and wide-angle dispersion.

acteristic of a high-fidelity loudspeaker. Equally essential to high fidelity is the wide-angle distribution of the high frequencies.

High-frequency sound radiates from a simple diaphragm in the form of a fairly sharp beam. The higher the frequency, the more sharply is this beam defined. A plot of the acoustic pressure output of a simple type of diaphragm for, say 10,000 cycles-per-second would show a rapid drop of energy as measurements were made off-axis of the speaker. This condition is shown in Fig. 2. An amplifier that behaved in this manner would surely not be classified as a high-fidelity unit, however, this is essentially the characteristic frequency droop which will pertain to a high-fidelity system which uses the usual type of a single, wide-range speaker. The fidelity of the system would appear to be continuously deteriorating as the listener moves away from directly in front of the speaker. In a practical sense, the higher the frequency range of the speaker, the less relative high-frequency energy will be heard. This is an acoustic paradox which must be met and overcome.

There are solutions to this problem that lead one to multi-speaker systems where the high frequencies are separated from the low frequencies by means of suitable frequency-dividing networks. The separated high frequencies are subsequently radiated by tweeter horns especially designed to disperse these high frequencies over a wide angle. In cases of space limitation, or where economic considerations must govern the choice of the speaker,

wide-angle diffusion of high frequencies may be realized from a diaphragm type of loudspeaker employing a high frequency diffusion system like that illustrated in Fig. 1. This system is descriptively known as a "Diffusicone."

This high-frequency diffusion system is made up of an on-axis horn load, an angularly displaced concentric horn load, and a diffraction ring which terminates this latter horn. This diffusion system is placed in the central area of a matched twelve-inch diaphragm and is effective in producing wide-angle, high-frequency sound distribution from a single, direct-radiator type of speaker. High frequencies are radiated for the most part by the apex area of the diaphragm. Consequently, to increase the efficiency of a loudspeaker for the high frequencies, the most natural area of the diaphragm to modify is the apex area. Accordingly, this diffusion system is located in this diaphragm apex section. A cross-section of this system in place is shown in Fig. 3. Element "A" is a direct axial horn load; element "B" is a radially displaced concentric horn load; element "C" is a diffraction ring across the mouth of this latter horn; and element "D" is a duralumin diaphragm which energizes the diffusion system.

Horn Loading and Efficiency

One way of increasing the acoustical efficiency of any diaphragm is to horn load it. When a diaphragm energizes the narrow end (the throat) of a horn, all the sound pressure from the diaphragm is concentrated at this narrow end. At this point in the horn the sound pressure is high, but it displaces only a small volume of air. At the large end of the horn (the mouth) the sound pressure has had a chance to spread out over a large area. Consequently at this terminal end of the horn, the sound pressures have been reduced, but a correspondingly larger volume of air is displaced.

This effect is analogous to transformer action where the primary winding has a low voltage with high current, while the secondary winding has a high voltage with low current. If the secondary of this transformer is properly matched in im-

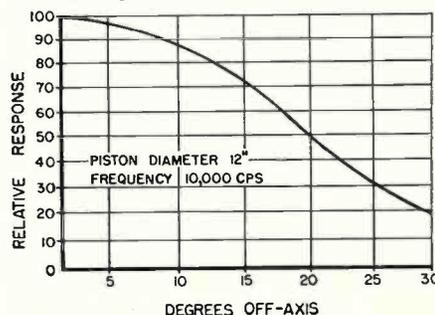
IN THESE DAYS of advanced electronic design, it is fairly easy to obtain an audio amplifier that has built into it any electrical characteristic that one may desire. There are pentode output types; there are triode output types. There are amplifiers that are flat from 10 cycles-per-second to 200,000 cycles-per-second; and there are amplifiers whose frequency range at either end may be raised or lowered at will. There are dynamic noise suppression circuits; and there are amplifiers with built-in record compensation equalizers. Name the characteristic you desire, and it will probably be available. If what you want does not exist, just wait a short while. Our advanced electronic experts will soon pop up with the answer.

In contrast, advanced design in loudspeaker practice has not been as apparently spectacular. Loudspeakers are, in the main, mechanical devices. To the electronic engineer, then, the subject of advanced mechanical design may not appear very glamorous on the surface. However, since these advanced electromechanical improvements are so intimately tied in with electronic devices, it is only fair to the reader who is well versed in electronics to present data on the new and radical innovations in modern loudspeaker design, which will aid him in getting the most out of his expensive and advanced electronic reproducing equipment. The factors that go into a high-fidelity speaker of the single diaphragm type and the advanced solutions for some of the more difficult problems of designing such a loudspeaker will be discussed in this article.

Wide-Angle Dispersion

Wide frequency range is commonly recognized as one fundamental char-

Fig. 2. Relative response of a 12" piston as a function of off-axis angle for a frequency of 10,000 cycles-per-second.



pedance, then maximum power is transferred from the primary source to the secondary load. Similarly a horn may be considered to be an acoustic matching transformer which, through its large mouth, gets a good grip on the atmospheric load into which it radiates its energy. A better impedance match between the "large area" atmosphere and the small area diaphragm is thus obtained. This results in more acoustic output from the diaphragm than when the diaphragm has to grab hold of the atmosphere around it without benefit of an "acoustic lever" such as a horn. Because of this inherent efficiency, horn loading is invariably used where maximum acoustic output is desired for a given available power into the diaphragm of the driver unit, such as in public address systems. Horn loading is now the trend for low frequency reproducers because of its inherent high-efficiency loading characteristic as compared to the direct-radiator type of baffling.

Fortunately, horn loading shows no preference as far as frequency is concerned. Low frequencies, which are long in wavelength, require large horns. High frequencies, which are short in wavelength, are satisfied with small horns. At the frequency range in which we are interested—the high frequencies—the size of the horn necessary to provide an adequate loading effect becomes small enough so that it may be fixed to the central area of the diaphragm without upsetting the major piston action of the diaphragm. Thus the diaphragm proper may continue to function unrestrained as a unified piston for the low frequencies. However, for the high frequencies which are in the main generated in the apex area, the diaphragm is transformed into the multi-horn "Diffusicone" element.

The Diffusion System

The theory of operation of this diffusion system may be understood by referring to Fig. 3. The "Diffusicone" element is so proportioned that it splits the area of the radiating apex into two equal parts. These two equal parts, in turn, feed the two horns of the system—the inner horn "A," and the outer concentric horn "B." This radiating apex which energizes the two horns is a rigidly braced duralumin dome. This dome is located at the very area of the diaphragm where the voice coil vibratory driving force is applied. There is no intervening energy absorption element between the voice coil support and the dome. Accordingly the high-frequency energy developed by the voice coil will be imparted, without loss, directly to this rigid dome. Consequently, this dome area becomes one of the most efficient areas of available high frequency power. It will, in turn, transfer this high-frequency energy with minimum loss of acoustic pressure to the two concentric horns which are energized by it.

Horns transmit the major portion of their energy in the direction of the acoustic axis. The acoustic axis of horn "A" lies on dead center of the speaker. The acoustic axis of the outer horn "B" is determined by the direction of sweep of the diaphragm wall and the direction of the wall of horn "A." Because of the specially chosen sweep curve of the outer diaphragm proper (which will be treated later) the resultant acoustic axis of horn "B" is at a considerable angle to the central horn axis, as indicated in Fig. 3. Because the axis of horn "A" is dead center, this horn will cover the central portion of the total field. The outer horn, because of its angularly displaced acoustic axis, will cover a side zonal area. This side coverage will extend beyond the angular dispersion that would take place if the directive effect of the horn were not present.

The central horn mouth terminates in free space. The outer horn terminates in a diffraction ring. The purpose of this diffraction ring is to provide still wider angular dispersion of the high frequencies that would normally flow from this horn, even though its acoustic axis is already angularly displaced. As can be seen in the photographs, this diffraction ring consists of a series of equally spaced apertures across the mouth area of the outer concentric horn. The characteristics of transmission of sound through apertures depend upon the wavelength of the sound and the size of the aperture through which the sound passes. If the hole size is large compared to the wavelength of sound, the wave front will emerge in a fairly concentrated beam (Fig. 4A). If the hole size is small compared to the wavelength, the aperture will become a "pin-hole" source of sound which will, in turn, give rise to a widely divergent spherical wave front (Fig. 4B).

In the diffraction ring under discussion, located at the mouth of the concentric horn, there is a plurality of

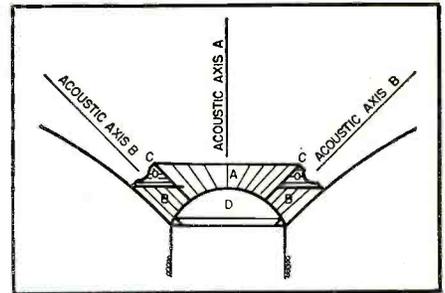


Fig. 3. Cross-section of "Diffusicone" system showing the acoustic axis of the horns.

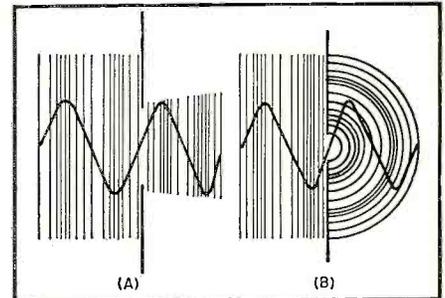
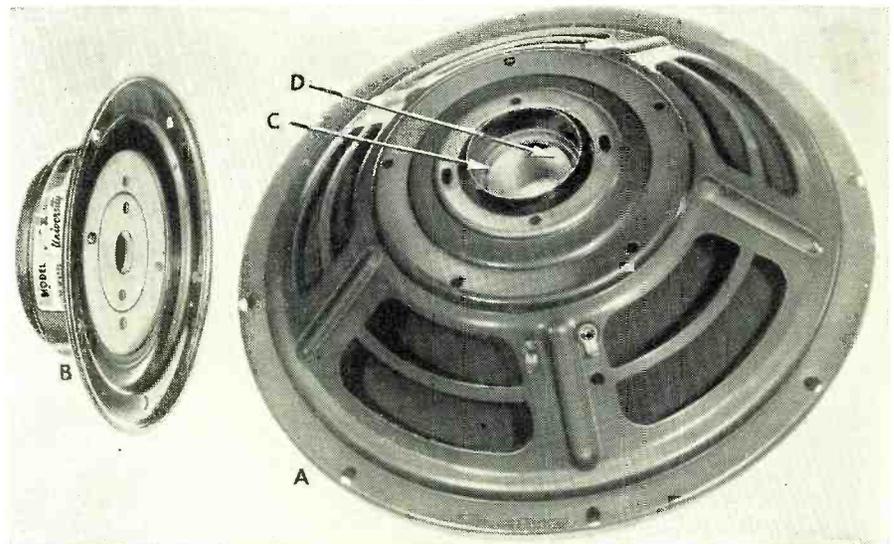


Fig. 4. Diffraction ring principle. (A) An aperture large compared to wavelength will beam sound while (B) an aperture small compared to wavelength will disperse it.

such acoustic "pin-holes." These apertures become, in turn, new transmission sources for the high-frequency sound arriving at the mouth of this outer horn. On emerging from these "pin-hole" sources, the sound from each aperture source will be spherically scattered over an individual wide spherical angle. These individual spherical radiations from each hole source all add together to produce a more uniform hemispherical radiation from the mouth of the outer horn. The combined effect of the angular orientation of this outer horn and the hemispherical radiation from its mouth due to the diffraction ring is to further increase the angular dispersion from the outer horn. The end result of this integration of coaxial direct horn, an-

Fig. 5. (A) Replaceable basket assembly showing (B) removable magnet structure, (C) rib-reinforced dural coil form, and (D) dural apex diaphragm.



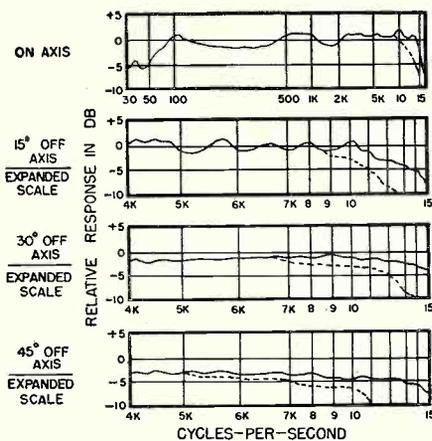


Fig. 6. Comparison of performance between "Diffusicone" system (solid line) and a similar speaker without this feature (dotted).

gular concentric horn, diffusion ring, and apex drive, compared to a speaker of similar construction but not employing this diffusion system, is shown in Fig. 6.

Diaphragm-Basket Assembly

Since a high-fidelity speaker is usually used in conjunction with other fine equipment, it is only right that there be added to the specifications for such a speaker the matter of protection for the user's investment in his speaker. To this end there has been engineered the unique feature of easy separation of the basket assembly from the magnetic housing. This provision makes possible continued laboratory-tested performance when and if replacement of the diaphragm becomes necessary because of accidental damage—for accidents do happen even to the finest of equipment. For instance, the output transformer of the amplifier may develop a short between the secondary winding and the primary high voltage and burn up the voice coil of the loudspeaker. Or perhaps in making a cabinet change the installation man may accidentally poke his screwdriver through the cone of the speaker, or the handle of a vacuum cleaner may tip over and fall into the diaphragm of the loudspeaker. Whatever the cause, the speaker will need repair.

When such repair becomes necessary, it is all important that the rehabilitated speaker be as good as new, so that the system will have the same acoustic properties which sold the purchaser on the speaker in the first place. With the replaceable diaphragm-basket assembly, as shown in Fig. 5, any doubts concerning performance are eliminated.

When it becomes necessary to replace the cone assembly, the user may make the change himself with absolute certainty that his work will result in the equivalent of a new speaker. The magnetic "power house" may be easily replaced by removing five screws that hold the canned magnetic structure to the basket. A complete replacement basket may then be installed on the magnetic structure in perfect alignment by means of auto-

matic centering devices built into the basket assembly and the magnetic pot structure. This substitution may be made with a screwdriver without resorting to spacing shims, cements, or elapsed time to allow cements to dry. As soon as the basket is replaced, it is immediately ready for use.

Circuit Efficiency

It is important to emphasize the function of the available magnetic flux which will drive the speaker, and how the magnetic efficiency may be increased. The common type of magnetic circuit uses either slug and ring structures (Fig. 7B), or slug and yoke assemblies (Fig. 7C). These latter types generally require heavy iron keepers or yokes to complete the magnetic circuit. These return circuits are secured in place by either bolts or cement, or are arc welded.

Fig. 7A shows the cross-section of a magnetic circuit design which, because of the shape, is termed the (*University*) "W" magnet. The inherent shape of the "W" magnet provides its own return magnetic circuit except for the cover plate (which is common to all the circuits) in which the magnetic air gap is placed. Breaks and joints in the "W" magnetic circuit are thus at an irreducible minimum. There is but one mating surface between the magnet and the cover plate assembly and this assembly is secured to the magnet by the strength of the magnetic force itself.

The application of this principle of reduction of mating surfaces in the magnetic circuit results in reduced reluctance losses. Such losses are always present to a large degree at the multiple joints of the alternate types of magnetic assemblies. In addition to decreasing the reluctance losses in the magnetic circuit, the presence of only

one mating surface reduces the stray magnetic fields and surface magnetic leakage. Greater concentration of the magnetic energy in the voice coil gap will thus result for the pound and a half of *Alnico V* "W" magnet where these reluctance and leakage losses have been eliminated.

The cover plate, which is the sole addition to the magnetic circuit, is made up of an outer ring and an inner disc of high permeability "Armco" iron, permanently affixed to each other by means of a welded support that holds the outer ring and inner disc in perfect alignment. The unity of this cover plate assembly provides absolute assurance that no matter how the magnet may shift (if it could) with respect to the cover plate, the magnetic gap relations will remain unchanged.

Conversion Efficiency

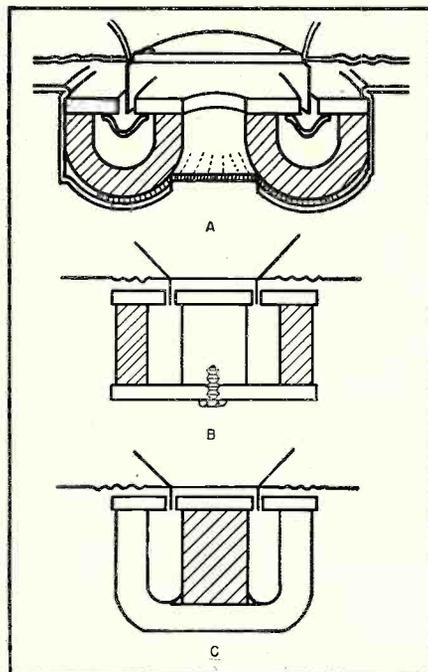
High voice coil gap flux manifests itself in greater efficiency of the loudspeaker. The more powerful the magnetic "power house," the higher will be the conversion efficiency of the speaker. If there were no magnetic circuit at all, the diaphragm would not move irrespective of the amount of electrical power fed into the voice coil. In such a case, the conversion efficiency would, of course, be zero. However, if an external magnetic field were introduced around the voice coil, the voice coil would begin to move and the conversion efficiency of the speaker would rise accordingly. The more dense this external field becomes, the greater the degree of interaction between the field flux and the flux due to the voice coil current. This increased reaction results in increased conversion efficiency.

Because of this stepped-up efficiency of the speaker, the amplifier may be operated at much lower gain settings to obtain the desired acoustic output. With the amplifier operating conservatively, more distortion-free operation may be expected. Should sudden tone bursts or peaks occur, the amplifier will then be capable of reproducing these peaks without driving itself into areas of amplitude distortion. These sudden peaks, short though they may be, represent many times greater power level than the average power under normal program conditions. The ability of the loudspeaker to reproduce these sudden surges of high input without incurring physical damage is, in part, a function of the flux in the air gap.

If a peak power of thirty watts was fed into the voice coil of a loudspeaker around whose voice coil there was a comparatively weak magnetic field, the voice coil would hardly be impelled to move at all. Very little acoustic work will have been performed, and all the power fed into the speaker will have been dissipated in the form of heat within the voice coil. On the other hand, where a heavy flux field exists, the voice coil will be

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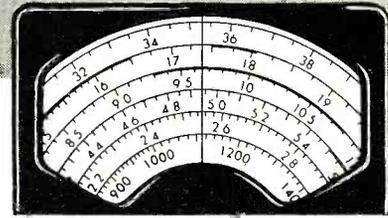
Fig. 7. (A) The "W" magnet structure. (B) A ring magnet structure. (C) The slug magnet.





International SHORT-WAVE

Compiled by KENNETH R. BOORD



IT IS a pleasure this month to dedicate the *ISW DEPARTMENT* to *Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk* (Northwest German Radio), Rothenbaumchausse 132/134, Hamburg 13, Germany. We are grateful to officials of NWDR for the material furnished, and to *ISW DEPARTMENT* monitor René Rastorfer, New York, for his translation of this material.

NWDR broadcasts on medium-wave, short-wave, FM, and has recently started experimental telecasts (according to *World Radio Handbook*, the picture is 189.25, sound 194.75). All programs are in German. Identification is "Hier ist der Nordwestdeutsche Rundfunk Hamburg." Interval signal is a motif from the first movement of Brahms' 4th Symphony, played from Hamburg on two oboes, Cologne on two horns, Berlin on two clarinets, and Hannover on two trumpets. Verification is by QSL card or letter; reports should be sent to Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk, "Technische Hererpost," Hamburg 13, Germany.

Short-wave transmitters are listed for 6.270, 7.290, 9.735, 11.975, 15.275, 17.815, 17.845. While the short-wave transmitters until recently were beamed to various areas (such as Southeastern Europe, North America, or the Near East), the station's officials point out that all short-wave transmitters will operate with omnidirectional antennas until further notice. Schedules are listed 2300-0600, 6.270, 11.795, 15.275, 17.845; 0600-1100, 7.290, 11.795, 15.275, 17.845; 1100-1900, 7.290, 9.735, 11.795, 17.815. Location of the short-wave transmitters is Norden. Power on short-wave varies from 0.35 to 20 kw., according to WRH.

Hamburg, the key station of the NWDR network, operates two 100 kw. transmitters. Built by *Telefunken*, they differ considerably from each other construction-wise. The older transmitter—dating back to 1934 and operating on 904 kc.—is not, however, appreciably less efficient than the one installed in 1940 with a frequency range from 500 to 1500 kc.

The antenna system consists of a modern, self-radiating metal tower 200 meters (656 ft.) high which also mounts the FM and TV aeriels. It replaces the wooden tower which until recently was used to support a vertical antenna of one-quarter wavelength. An alternate array, to which either of the two transmitters may be

switched, consists of three horizontal three-wire antennas suspended from three round steel masts. An extensive ground system that covers an area of 200 meters (656 ft.) in diameter, in a cobweb fashion, completes the antenna system.

Aside from Hamburg, medium-wave transmitters are located in Berlin, Bonn, Flensburg, Hannover, Herford, Kiel, Langenberg, Obenburg, Osterloog, and Osnabruck, with main studios in Hamburg, Cologne, and Berlin. FM transmitters are situated in Hamburg, Langenberg, Cologne, Hannover, Berlin, and in a steadily-growing string of smaller localities.

Administered by an Executive Council of 16 members—composed of the minister-presidents of Nordrhein-Westfalen, Niedersachsen, and Schleswig-Holstein, the burgomaster of Hamburg, and representatives from public life—under a British Military Government statute dated January 1, 1948, NWDR operates 20 hours daily. Within the area it covers, there are four million receivers registered. NWDR estimates its domestic audience at 12 million listeners.

Our best wishes go to NWDR and its personnel.

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Club Notes

England—Arthur Bear, secretary, International Short-Wave Club, informs me that SWL's throughout the world are welcomed to membership "in this great radio friendship circle," and that he always will be glad to forward a sample copy of *ISWR*, the club's monthly bulletin, to those who ask for it. This club was founded in the United States back in 1929. QRA is 100, Adams Gardens Estate, London, S.E. 16, England.

Present members of the Council of the International Short-Wave League, 123, Sturla Road, Chatham, Kent, England, include J. Cowles (president), F. Baldwin (general secretary), A. Seymour (council secretary), T. W. Eaton, P. Bush, R. Aldridge, E. Alban, H. Clear, and R. Patrick; technical adviser is H. E. Smith; traffic manager

(Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all time is expressed in American EST; add 5 hours for GCT. "News" refers to newscasts in the English language. In order to avoid confusion, the 24 hour clock has been used in designating the times of broadcasts. The hours from midnight until noon are shown as 0000 to 1200 while from 1 p.m. to midnight are shown as 1300 to 2400.) The symbol "V" following a listed frequency indicates "varying." The station may operate either above or below the frequency given. "A" means frequency is approximate.

is N. Foord; assistant secretary is V. Baldwin. Motto of this club is "We Span the Globe" and its monthly house organ is called "Monitor."

USA—Officers chosen by the United 49'ers Radio Society are Edward I. Broome, president; James Zaloudek, first vice-president; Charles E. McCormick, Jr., second vice-president; Mrs. Julia Boice, secretary; James R. Pickering, treasurer; William McKenna, chaplain; Anson M. Boice, editor; John J. Flanagan, Jr., assistant editor.

The Empire City Short-Wave Listeners Club was organized recently in New York by Michael Marinaro; QRA is 715 Ditmas Avenue, Brooklyn 18, New York.

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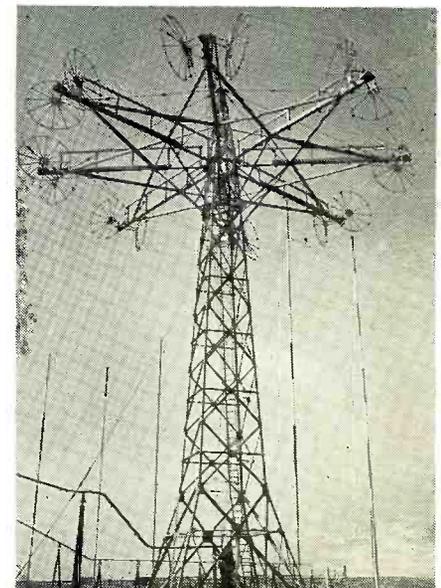
This Month's Schedules

(Note: Some stations are still changing to winter schedules; hence, in some cases you may find current schedules to be *one hour later* than listed herein.—K.R.B.)

Afghanistan—*Kabul Radio*, Afghan Broadcasting System, is being heard on 9.975 around 1145 with news to around 1155; on Sundays the news is followed by a program of "listeners' requests" and closedown varies around 1218-1220. Normally, has no signature tune. (Pearce, England)

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A portion of the elaborate antenna system used by Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk of Hamburg. NWDR broadcasts on medium-wave, short-wave, and FM in addition to TV frequencies.



A METERLESS V.T.V.M.

By

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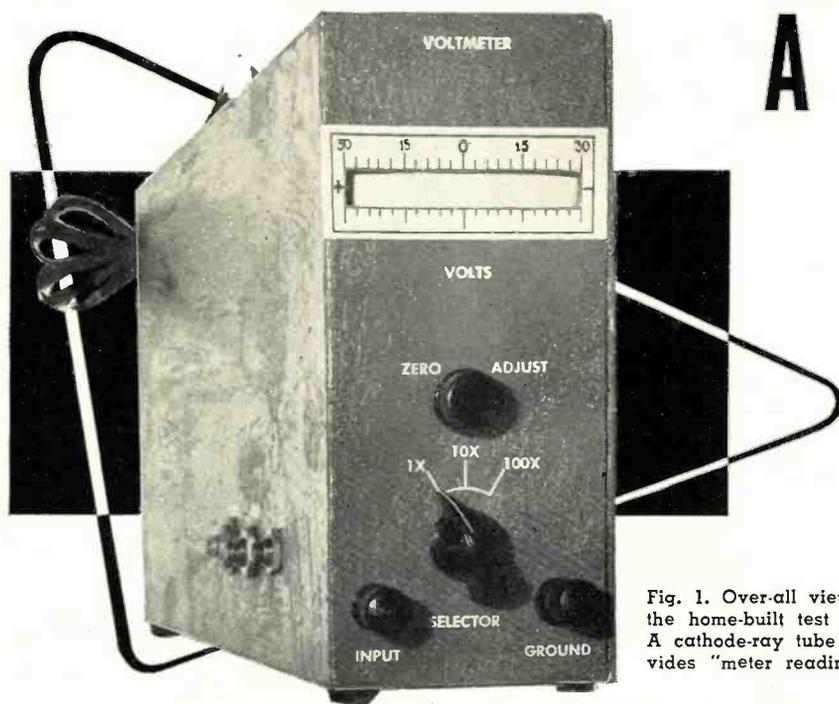


Fig. 1. Over-all view of the home-built test unit. A cathode-ray tube provides "meter readings."

The construction and application of an easily-built, high input impedance v.t.v.m. which features a direct-reading slide-rule scale and no meter. It is a "true" v.t.v.m. in that the slide rule indicating scale is a vacuum tube.

FROM the experimenter's and home builder's viewpoint, v.t.v.m. circuits often suffer from several disadvantages. First, in almost every case, a sensitive meter is required (usually a 500 microamp movement, or better). Not only are such meters expensive, but with present-day shortages, they are likely to prove hard to locate unless a "DO" rating is available.

In addition, circuits are likely to prove complicated, especially where the instrument incorporates a polarity reversing switch, provision for "zero center" readings, and provision for a.c. measurements as well as d.c. voltage readings. The input impedance, while high, is generally limited by the maximum permissible input resistance to the grid of a tube. Because of this, most v.t.v.m. circuits have a maximum input impedance of around 11 megohms.

All of these factors may tend to discourage the home builder unless he can purchase the instrument in "kit" form.

Fundamentally, the majority of commercial "vacuum tube voltmeters" are not truly vacuum tube instruments. Rather they are "vacuum tube-operated voltmeters" in the sense that the indicating device itself is not a vacuum tube but a conventional meter. The author, in an effort to design a "true" vacuum tube voltmeter, found that he had, at the same time, eliminated most of the disadvantages described above.

The final version of the voltmeter,

shown in Fig. 1, features a 3" direct-reading scale, a slide-rule dial, a 33 megohm input impedance, low input capacity, a zero-center scale (which may be easily changed to give either a "left" or "right" zero position), direct reading of peak-to-peak a.c. volts without switching or special calibration, and an extremely simple circuit—all of this without a meter.

Circuit Description

As seen in Fig. 2, the "Meterless V.T.V.M." is essentially a cathode-ray tube circuit. The d.c. operating voltages are obtained from a conventional power supply circuit using a half-wave rectifier, with filtering provided by R_1 and C_1 .

A small receiver power transformer is used with only one-half the high-voltage secondary winding employed. This gives a comparatively low accelerating voltage, thus permitting increased sensitivity. The author used a 3" cathode-ray tube. Where a larger tube (5") is employed, the entire secondary winding of the transformer may be used.

The grid of the CRT is connected to the most negative point of the "B" supply, while the cathode is connected to potentiometer R_{10} , in the voltage divider. This permits the cathode voltage to be adjusted with respect to grid voltage so that the grid is always negative with respect to the cathode. Thus, R_{10} serves as an "Intensity" or brightness control.

Potentiometer R_7 is used to adjust

the relationship of the first anode and accelerating anode voltages and thus serves as the "Focus" control.

Centering of the electron beam on the screen of the CRT is accomplished in the usual fashion by applying a fixed d.c. voltage to the horizontal and vertical deflection plates, respectively, by means of R_2 and R_3 . Since the horizontal deflection plates are used for voltage measurement, R_2 becomes the "Zero Adjustment" control and is mounted on the front panel of the instrument.

Except for the "Range Selector" control, SW_2 , and the power switch, SW_1 , all other controls ("Vertical Centering," "Focus," "Intensity") are adjusted when the instrument is first set up and calibrated and then left as is. Thus, these controls may be mounted inside the instrument, along a side panel, or at any other convenient location.

To provide the vertical "hairline" indicator for the slide-rule dial, a small a.c. voltage is coupled from the high voltage secondary winding through condenser C_1 to one of the vertical deflection plates. C_1 and R_5 act as a voltage divider to keep this voltage comparatively low.

As we have seen, one of the horizontal deflection plates is connected to an internal adjustable d.c. source which acts as the "Zero Adjustment" control. The voltage to be measured is connected to the other horizontal deflection plate through a voltage divider consisting of R_{11} , R_{12} , and R_{13} , with the exact proportion of the input voltage determined by the setting of SW_2 , the "Range Selector" switch.

In operation, a thin, vertical hairline appears across the scale shown in Fig. 1. This indicator may be adjusted to fall right across the center "0" indication by means of the "Zero Adjustment" control. Now, when a positive voltage is applied to the input terminals, the hairline moves immediately to the right of "0," with the exact amount of deflection proportional to the applied voltage. The movement of the indicator is instantaneous as the voltage is applied, and there is absolutely no "hunting"—the indicator stops exactly at the point indicating the applied voltage. Since the elec-

tron beam used as an indicator is virtually inertialess, there is no need to worry about "damping" or other problems that beset the meter designer.

In a similar fashion, if a negative voltage is applied to the input, the same type of indication is obtained, but the indicator movement is to the left.

Should the applied voltage be sufficient to move the indicator completely off the scale, simply turn the "Range Selector" switch to the 10X or 100X position and use a multiplying factor. There is no need to worry about "slamming" the needle pointer or accidentally burning out the meter movement, as in the case of v.t.v.m.'s using a conventional meter movement.

Construction Hints

Most of the construction details of the author's instrument are visible in Fig. 3. The prospective builder may use a layout similar to the author's, or may employ his own.

Since no high frequencies are present in the circuit, distributed wiring capacities and lead length are not too important and the builder need not be concerned about these items. Nor need he worry especially about lead dress. Just use conventional wiring techniques.

In the case of the input circuit, however, reasonable care should be taken that short direct leads are used, with all wires well above "ground" and away from other leads. This is to insure a low input capacity and thus to make the instrument more useful for measuring high frequency a.c. voltages.

The power transformer should be located as far away from the CRT as is practicable, and care should be taken to experiment with its exact orientation. Pick a position which will give minimum hum on the screen of the CRT. In this respect, the author found it convenient to wire the circuit completely, leaving the power transformer unmounted, but with sufficiently long leads to permit experimentation with its position. After turning on the instrument, the power transformer may be shifted in position and orientation until the best place is found on the chassis.

To obtain the "slide-rule" dial scale, a narrow slot is cut in the front of the cabinet or chassis, and the cathode-ray tube mounted behind this. Thus, only a portion of the screen face is used (see Fig. 1).

The author decided to use a long, narrow cabinet. Since no commercial cabinet fitting this description was available, a standard 3" x 7" x 15" chassis was employed. A bottom plate covered one side, and the narrow end was used as the "front" of the cabinet. Rubber feet along the bottom edge, a carrying handle, gray wrinkle paint, and decals completed the "professional" instrument shown in Figs. 1 and 3.

Although a 3RP1 tube was used by the author, and is specified in the parts list, any cathode-ray tube is suitable.

A 1" tube, a 2" tube, any other 3" tube, or, for those desiring a long scale, even a 5" tube, may be used with excellent results. When using a tube other than that specified, minor modifications in the resistors used in the voltage divider circuit may be necessary.

Reference to a tube manual will indicate which set of deflection plates for a particular cathode-ray tube are the most sensitive (require the least applied voltage for a given deflection). This set of plates should be used for the "horizontal" plates of the "Meterless V.T.V.M."

Adjustment and Calibration

Once the wiring is completed and checked, the instrument is ready for adjustment and calibration. An individual hand-drawn scale must be used, but since the scale is linear and drawn in a straight line (rather than along the arc of a circle), preparing the scale is a comparatively easy task.

To adjust the instrument, first short the input terminals. Plug in the v.t.v.m. and turn on the power.

After allowing the instrument to warm up for a few seconds, turn up the "Intensity" control until a line appears somewhere on the face of the CRT. Adjust the "Intensity" control for desired brightness.

Now turn the tube until the line on its screen is aligned vertically across the slot representing the "slide-rule" scale. Adjust the "Vertical Centering" control until the line is properly centered on the screen of the CRT, and the "Focus" control until a sharp, properly focused image is obtained. The "Vertical Centering," "Intensity," and "Focus" controls are now left fixed in position.

The instrument is now ready for calibration. Before calibration is possible, the user should decide whether he prefers a "zero-center," a "left-zero" or a "right-zero" scale. The "Zero Adjustment" knob on the front of the instrument (R_2 in Fig. 2) is then adjusted to bring the vertical indicator line to the proper position.

A paper or thin cardboard scale, with a slot corresponding to the slot in the

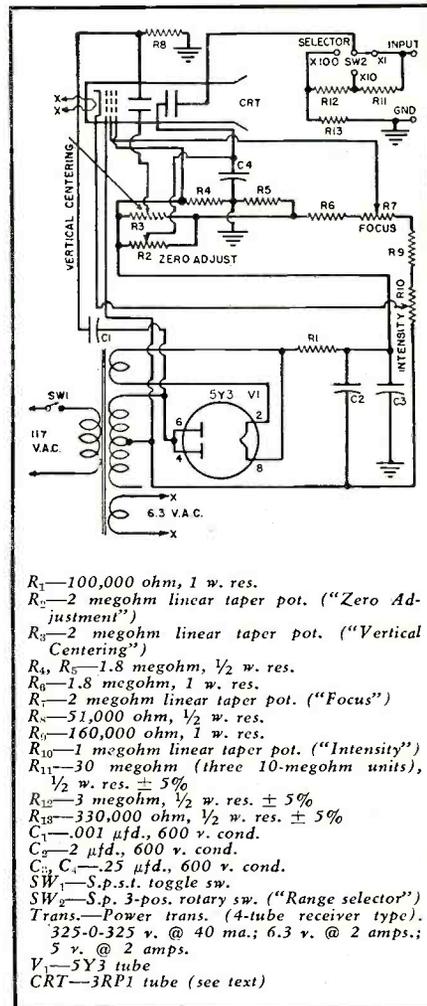
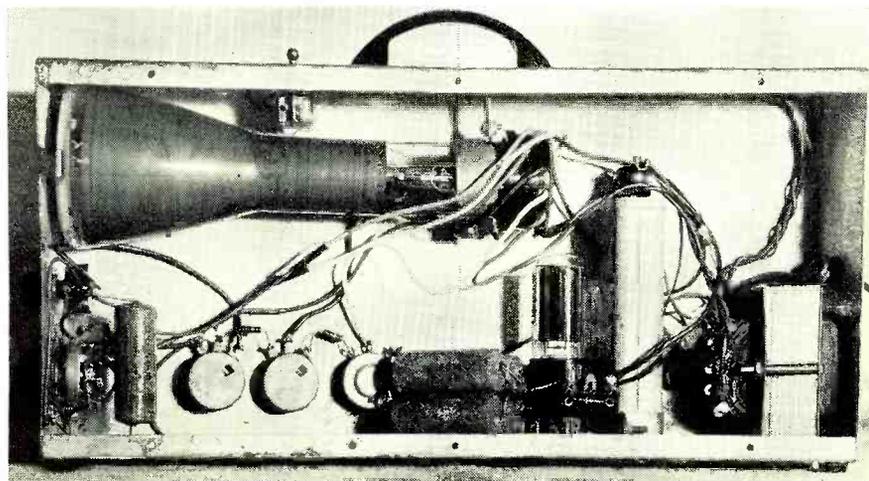


Fig. 2. Complete schematic diagram of "Meterless V.T.V.M." It is easy-to-build.

front of the cabinet, is mounted on the front of the instrument, using rubber cement or Scotch tape. The "zero position" is lightly marked on the scale with a pencil.

Now, apply known d.c. voltages to the input of the instrument, using either a standard voltage source, or a variable d.c. voltage together with a calibrating standard meter. Lightly mark the indicator deflection obtained (Continued on page 137)

Fig. 3. Chassis side view. Any size housing, depending on CRT employed, can be used.





MOBILE RADIO

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This compact Bendix installation takes little room in the luggage compartment.

Part 4. Concluding article covers data on test gear and special equipment needed to service mobile radio units.

THE rapid expansion of mobile radio has prompted many radio technicians to enter this field. There is still a great shortage of competent mobile radio servicing establishments and room exists in the field for qualified and responsible technicians.

Servicing mobile radio equipment requires no more skill than that required to properly service television receivers. Mobile radio equipment is not as complex as a television receiver. However, a greater sense of responsibility is required of the service technician because mobile radio equipment must stand more rigorous and continuous service and is capable of causing serious interference to others. The prime requisite for the mobile radio technician is that he must hold a radio operator's license. First or second class radiotelephone or radiotelegraph licenses are valid for this purpose. It is true that a technician may service mobile radio equipment without a license provided he does not make adjustments to a transmitter except under the supervision of a licensed operator. However, a person incapable of passing the fairly simple examination for a radio operator's license could hardly be considered qualified to service mobile radio equipment.

In addition to holding a license, the technician should be thoroughly familiar with v.h.f. theory and practice. He must understand multi-stage transmitters, superheterodyne receivers, FM, squelch circuits, and automotive electrical systems.

A standard broadcast receiver can be serviced by a competent technician with but few tools or instruments. A screwdriver and a wet-finger voltmeter are sometimes all he needs. Servicing mobile radio equipment requires the proper tools and adequate test equipment. By adequate test equipment is meant laboratory-quality test equipment. A signal generator, for example, for the alignment of v.h.f. r.f. circuits and i.f. circuits must be accurately calibrated, very stable, and its output must be controllable down to a fraction of a microvolt. Several manufacturers offer suitable signal generators designed specifically for this purpose. It might be possible to squeak by with an inexpensive signal generator intended for servicing home receivers, but this practice is certainly not recommended.

Specific instructions for aligning mobile receivers are furnished by the manufacturers. There are no general methods as equipment designs differ

widely. The service technician should follow the manufacturer's instructions exactly. If the manufacturer, for example, states that a frequency modulated signal generator and an oscilloscope are to be used for alignment of the intermediate frequency stages, it is wise to do so. Peaking of an i.f. amplifier which should be "flat-topped," for example, will destroy the performance characteristics built in by the manufacturer.

The mobile radio shop should be equipped with a tube tester for sifting out obviously bad tubes. However, the typical tube tester used in a radio repair shop may not reject tubes which are unsatisfactory for further use in a precision v.h.f. receiver or transmitter. The substitution method with a very weak signal fed into the receiver is likely to reveal more tube defects than a standard tube tester. In r.f. and i.f. circuits, it is a good idea to check the alignment when substituting tubes to make sure that small mechanical differences in the tubes have not caused misalignment.

Most mobile radio manufacturers build or distribute special test meters for servicing their own brands of equipment. The use of this special test equipment is recommended because often the mobile equipment itself contains the multipliers and shunts for the test meter and the use of a substitute meter may cause erroneous readings.

The employment of a dummy antenna when tuning the transmitter is necessary to prevent interference to others operating on the same or adjacent frequency. It is better to buy a suitable dummy antenna than to make one because simple as it may seem, a dummy antenna that will match the transmitter output is a precision device that took a lot of engineer hours to design.

There are r.f. wattmeters available which not only measure transmitter output but also serve as dummy antennas. A frequency meter is required for checking the output frequency of the transmitter. A modulation meter is also required so that the frequency deviation of the transmitter may be

measured. FCC rules require licensees to measure transmitter frequencies at regular intervals by approved methods. It is also necessary that frequency deviation be measured to make sure the transmitter frequency does not swing beyond legal limits.

The mobile radio service shop should also be equipped with a reliable source of 6 volts d.c. to permit testing of mobile radio transmitters and receivers used in automobiles. If truck, bus, or railroad radio equipment is to be serviced a source of 12-volt d.c. power is also required. Some railroad radio equipment requires 32, 64, or 117 volts d.c. for operation.

A storage battery and a charger will sometimes suffice. However, where a large volume of work is to be done, a rectifier unit or motor generator set should be used. Where 6, 12, 32, 64, and 117 volts d.c. is required, a motor generator set like the *Bogue* RT-100 will provide the necessary voltages at ample current to permit piping the power to several outlets at work benches.

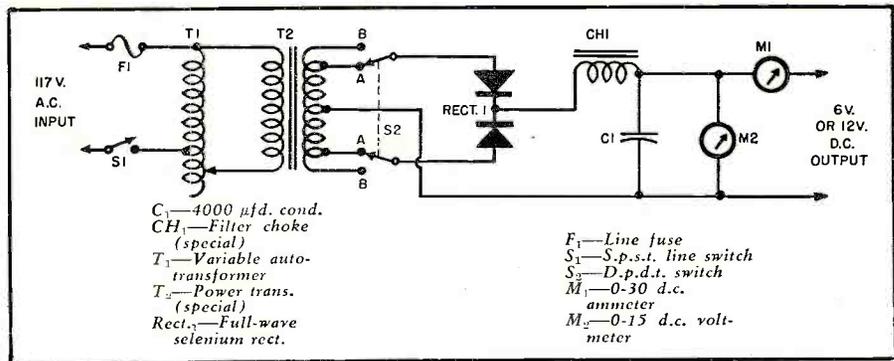
A monitor receiver is another useful tool. It should be capable of being tuned continuously across the band or by plug-in crystals to the frequencies at which the transmitters to be serviced are to be operated. Unless a really good screen room is used, some signals will be radiated which might cause interference. Therefore, it is wise to monitor the channel before turning on the transmitter, even when using a dummy antenna.

Most of the servicing of mobile radio equipment is performed in the shop. When a vehicle is brought in for a radio check, it is customary to replace the radio equipment with a spare unit to avoid tying up the vehicle.

When installing a new or spare unit in a vehicle it is suggested that the alignment of the receiver's first r.f. stage and the transmitter's final r.f. stage be checked to compensate for any difference in characteristics between the mobile antenna system and the dummy antenna used in the shop.

A portable field strength meter which may consist of a quarter-wave antenna, crystal diode, r.f. filter, and a microammeter can be used to check the output and alignment of the mobile transmitter. The field strength meter is usually placed a few feet from the vehicle where it can be seen while adjustments are made.

Some knowledge of automotive electrical systems is required of the mobile radio technician so he can instruct automotive electricians on proper adjustments in case he doesn't do so himself. When adjustments are made to the charging generator regulator to provide adequate charging current, care should be taken to prevent the voltage across the battery from rising too high. Although high charging current is available for longer periods of time, excessive voltage will shorten the life of the tubes and mobile radio equipment.



Schematic diagram of a power supply suitable for bench testing mobile radio gear.

Jigs and wiring harnesses for all types of equipment serviced
 Regulated power supply to provide 6 volts d.c. (12 v. optional)
 Dummy antenna (several types may be needed depending on units)
 Test meter (use type prescribed by the equipment manufacturers)
 R.f. wattmeter
 R.f. signal generator
 V.T.V.M. and V.O.M.
 Tube tester
 Oscilloscope
 Field strength meter
 Monitor receiver
 Modulation meter

Table 1. Minimum shop equipment needed for servicing mobile radios.

Diagnosing ignition noise is another art which is usually learned through experience. This is not often a major problem with v.h.f. equipment particularly when using FM. However, noise does occur which reduces the effective sensitivity of the receiver and requires knowledge of ignition systems for correction.

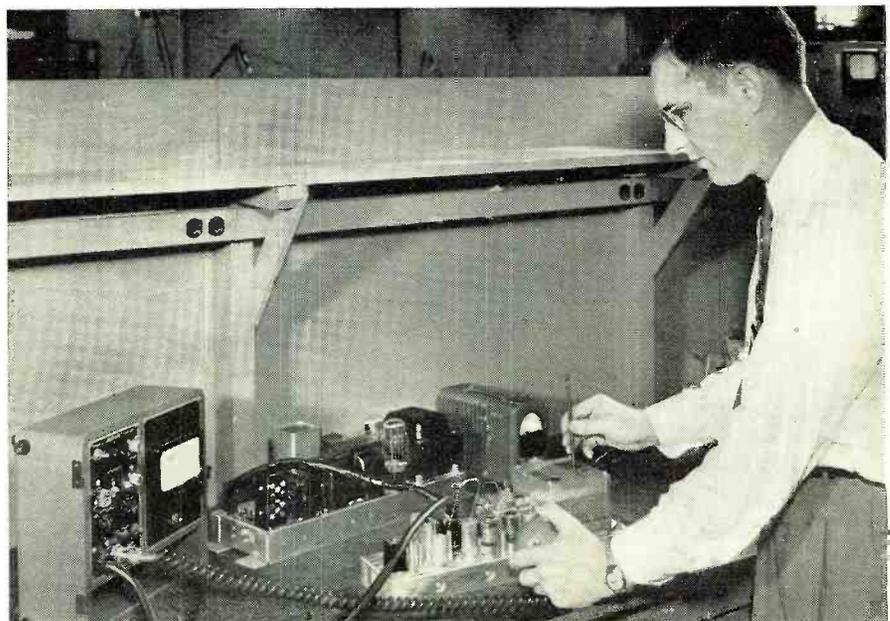
Railroads generally utilize their own personnel for maintaining radio communications equipment. However, in some cases this work is farmed out on a contract basis. Usually, the radio service contractor does not service the radio equipment on board rolling stock. He assumes responsibility for servicing the radio equipment before it is installed and after it has been removed from a caboose or locomotive by railroad personnel. Prospective service contractors interested in doing

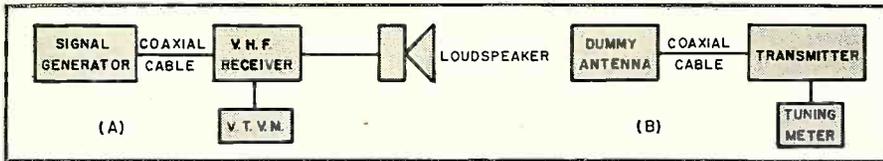
business with railroads should contact the railroad's chief communications officer who usually has the title of Superintendent of Communications or Superintendent of Telegraph on the larger roads.

Component failures occur less frequently in mobile radio equipment than in home radio and television receivers. This is because mobile radio equipment is designed for commercial service and because the customer is willing to pay a higher price for superior quality equipment. Furthermore, the maker would soon find his equipment unsaleable if component failures occurred frequently.

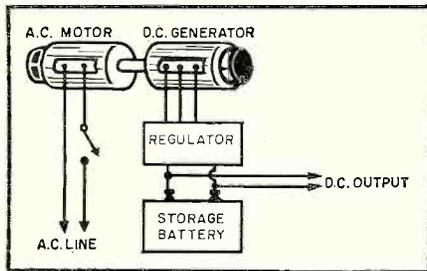
The performance requirements of mobile radio equipment are rigorous compared with domestic receivers. The receiver, for example, must be able to operate satisfactorily on sig-

Motorola's 25-50 mc., 30 watt base station transmitter being bench tested.





(A) Set-up for aligning mobile FM receivers. A v.t.v.m. is used to measure limiter voltage. (B) Set-up for aligning transmitters. Meter is switched to various circuits.



A rotary type power supply designed for the bench testing of mobile equipment.

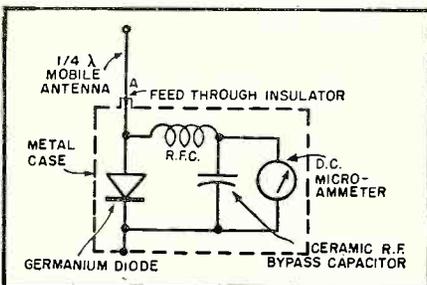


Diagram of a portable field strength meter for aligning mobile transmitters.

nals on the order of a fraction of a microvolt and it must do so consistently. Its local oscillator circuit must be very stable to prevent loss of sensitivity or selectivity because of drift. Likewise, the i.f. amplifier must not drift. Simple as these requirements may sound, at the very high frequencies heat and other factors contribute to instability so extreme care must be exercised in the design of equipment and selection of components.

Because of rigid stability requirements, it is important that the mobile radio service technician use exact re-

placement parts when replacing defective components, especially in r.f. and i.f. circuits. Use of a replacement part of the same value and operating rating but differing physically or in some minute way may cause difficulties not easily compensated for or diagnosed. Furthermore, a replacement part should be installed in exactly the same manner as the original. In r.f. circuits particularly, a lead one-half inch too long or a part placed one-quarter of an inch too near or too far from a critical "hot" circuit might cause feedback, instability, detuning or some other undesirable phenomena.

It is not always possible to obtain exact replacement parts, especially on short notice, so the technician will have to exercise good judgement in selecting a substitute.

Some of the irregularities which require the most frequent attention of the mobile radio technician are: worn out vibrators; defective tubes; need for realignment; squelch adjustment; external wiring failures; defective microphones; defective components; and blown fuses.

Most of the troubles encountered in vehicular radio installations seem to occur during the first 60 days of service which is the shakedown period when bugs and other vagaries are generally ironed out. After that, failures occur mostly because of wear or abuse. During the shakedown period, the equipment should be checked every two or three weeks with special attention to tuning trimmers. It is not to be construed that all new installations can be expected to be troublesome. However, experience has demonstrated that vehicles newly equipped with two-way radio are brought to the shop for checking more frequent-

ly than vehicles previously radio equipped.

Fuses blow because excessive current has been passed through them. As protective devices, this is their function. Fuses in mobile radio equipment are sometimes found open for no apparent reason, particularly in plate supply circuits. Obviously a short circuit or overload caused the fuse to blow but when the set is brought to the shop, everything except the fuse checks out as satisfactory. It has been found that momentary short circuits between the elements of one of the final r.f. stage power amplifier tubes in the transmitter has caused the fuse to blow. This is a difficult thing to diagnose. Tapping of the tube when under load might reveal the culprit. The cure is to replace the tube, which when on the bench may appear to be normal but when subject to the shock it encounters in the trunk of an automobile, may become shorted.

Much of the mobile radio equipment now in service will not meet current FCC requirements although use of the equipment is permitted under existing licenses for a limited time. Should ownership of the equipment be transferred, it would not be possible to obtain licenses for the use of the equipment until it had been modified to meet FCC regulations.

In many cases, it is possible to modify this early type of mobile radio equipment in the mobile technician's shop without returning the equipment to the factory. By writing to the manufacturer, it is generally possible to obtain modification kits and explicit modernization information.

With the Citizens Radio Service opening up, slowly but surely, the field for the mobile radio service technician is widening. Many have entered the mobile radio field and some have already left it. Only those that provide competent service can survive in this branch of radio because the customer generally depends on his mobile radio equipment as a business tool which is useful only when it performs properly.

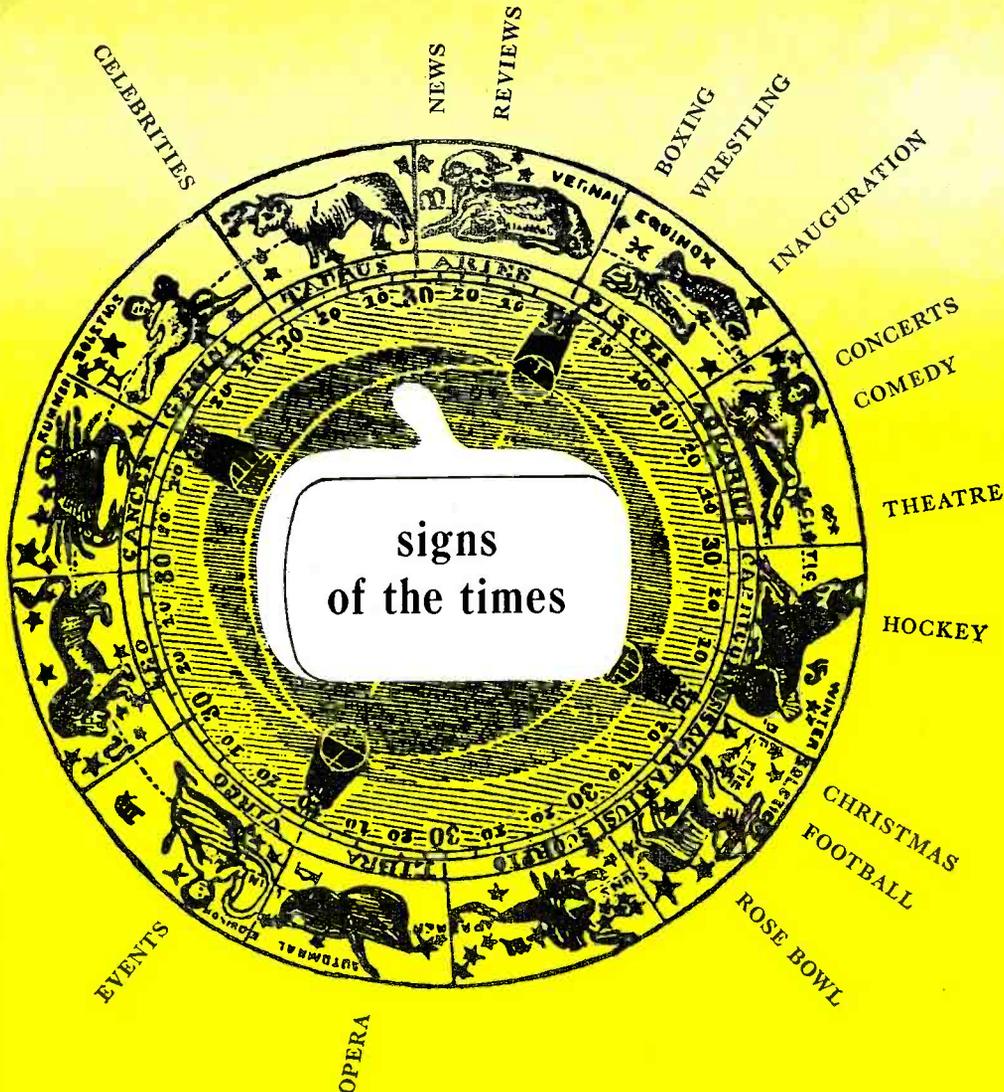
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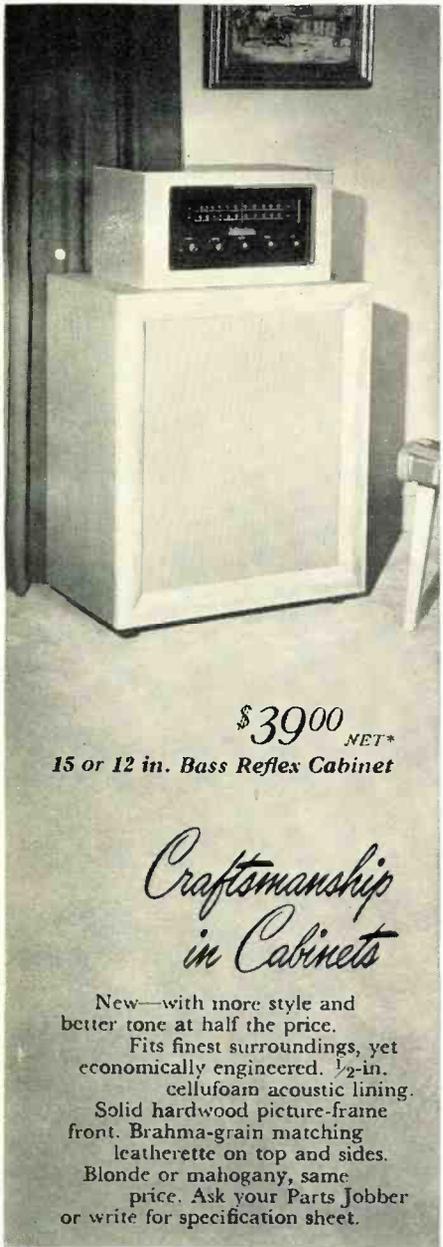


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"MOST-OFTEN-NEEDED 1952 RADIO DIAGRAMS AND SERVICING INFORMATION"

compiled by M. N. Beitman. Published by Supreme Publications, Chicago, Illinois. 168 pages. Price \$2.50. Paper bound.

This is Volume 12 in the series and covers all of the best-known radio receivers made during the last year. Included are AM and FM receivers, portables, auto radios, combination sets, and record changer units.

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"TV CONSULTANT"

by H. G. Cisin. Published by Harry G. Cisin, 200 Clinton St., Brooklyn 2, New York. 70 pages. Price \$2.00. Paper bound.

This is an up-to-date and enlarged edition of the author's "Rapid TV Trouble Shooting Method," published

some years ago. The method for tracking down service faults in the television receiver is the same but has been expanded to include over three hundred commonly-encountered troubles.

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The book contains more than 125 illustrations and lists a total of 135 "rapid checks," many of which are made without instruments, using the picture tube as a guide.

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"TELEVISION"

by F. Kerkhof & W. Werner. Published by Philips Technical Library, Eindhoven, Holland. 475 pages. Price \$7.75. Available in the U. S. from Elsevier Press Inc., 402 Lovett Blvd., Houston 6, Texas.

This is truly a monumental work on the subject of television and its associated techniques. Written for the engineer and advanced service technician, the authors have provided a comprehensive introduction to the physical and technical principles of television.

Since this book is to be distributed in English-, German-, Dutch-, and French-speaking countries, all of the television systems presently in operation are discussed in the text.

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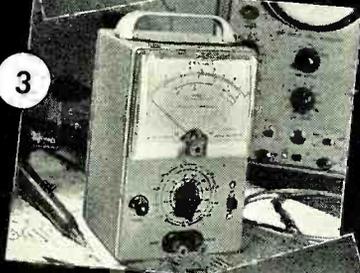
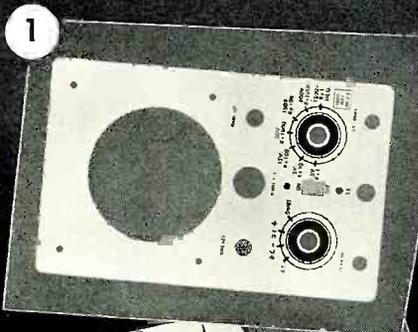
by The Joint Technical Advisory Committee, sponsored by IRE and RTMA. Published by McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York. 216 pages. Price \$5.00.

This is a report of a study made into the problem of spectrum utilization and a recommendation regarding the handling of this serious and growing threat to all types of radio services.

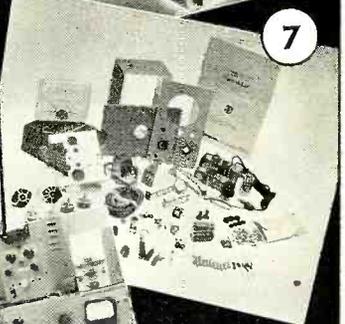
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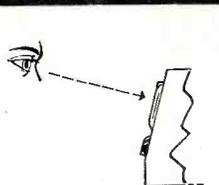
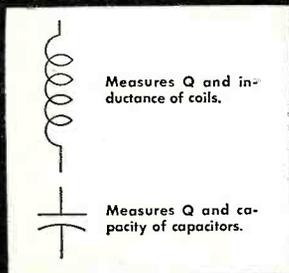
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The entire kit consists of 12AT7, 6AL5, 6C4, OD3 and 6X5 tubes, 50 microampere Simpson meter, power transformer, cabinet and all other parts necessary for construction as well as instructions for assembling, testing and operation of the completed instrument.

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The HEATHKIT DECADE RESISTANCE KIT is widely used by schools, experimenters and laboratories because of the extremely wide resistance range offered and the useful, dependable service provided. The DECADE consists of 5 rotary 2 deck ceramic wafer switches with silver plated contacts and twenty 1% precision resistors in a circuit which provides the resistance range of 1 ohm to 99,999 ohms in 1 ohm steps. The HEATHKIT DECADE RESISTANCE KIT is simple to construct and is housed in a beautiful polished birch cabinet with an attractive panel. The DECADE will furnish years of accurate trouble-free service.

Individual decade sections of above can be purchased separately for special applications.



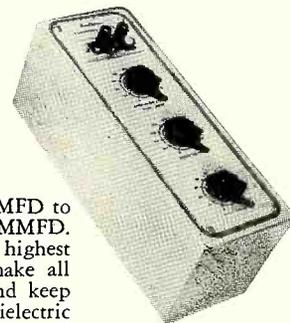
MODEL DR-1
SHIPPING
WT. 4 LBS.

\$19.50

NEW Heathkit DECADE CONDENSER KIT

Extremely useful in all experimental and design work such as determination of condenser values for: compensating networks, filters, bridge impedances, tuned circuits, etc. Uses all precision silver mica condensers within $\pm 1\%$ accuracy. Values run in three decades from 100 MMFD to 0.111 MFD in steps of 100 MMFD. Smooth acting, positive detent, highest quality ceramic wafer switches make all capacitor values easy to set up and keep losses to a minimum. Low loss dielectric terminal board mounts on outside of panel for easy cleaning. Heathkit binding posts accommodate a wide variety of test leads. Comes complete with all parts, including polished birch cabinet.

Individual decade sections of above can be purchased separately.



MODEL DC-1
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NEW *Heathkit* OSCILLOSCOPE KIT

• NEW WIDE BAND VERTICAL AMPLIFIER ± 2 DB 10 CYCLES TO 1 MC.



Direct plate connections for modulation tests.



Displays TV sync pulses correctly.



Useful to 5 mc.

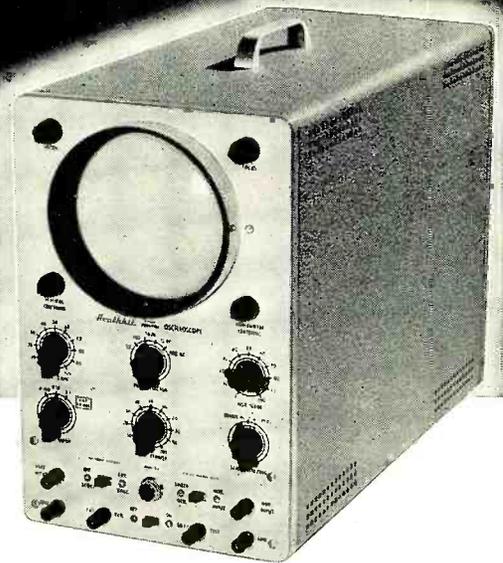


Good square wave response at 100 kc.

MODEL O-8

SHIPPING
WT. 29 LBS.

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- New wider band vertical amplifier ± 2 db from 10 cycles to 1 megacycle useful to over 5 megacycles.

- High sensitivity in vertical amplifier. .025 volts RMS per inch deflection.

- New 3 step input attenuator input ranges X1, X10, X100.

- New 5CP1 intensifier type tube for greater brilliance.

- Terminal board and rear cabinet opening provisions for direct connections to deflecting plates.

- Newly styled formed and ventilated aluminum cabinet.

- Wide band sweep generator, 15 cycles to over 100 kc. Will synchronize with 5 megacycle signal.

- 10 tube circuit featuring push pull operation of vertical and horizontal amplifiers.

- Internal synchronization on either positive or negative peaks.

- Reproduces faithfully the front and back porches of TV sync pulses. Excellent square wave reproduction to over 100 kc.

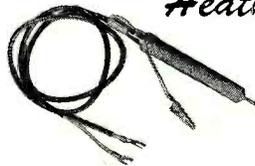
- Optional Intensifier kit available for 2200 volt operation.

Proudly announcing the new 1953 HEATHKIT Model O-8 OSCILLOSCOPE featuring the finest performance ever offered in this extremely popular kit instrument. Improved wider band vertical amplifier featuring a new 3-step input attenuator affording smooth control of the excellent .025 volts per inch vertical sensitivity. Possibility of overloading the vertical input circuit is minimized. Greater band width in the vertical channel is a decided advantage to TV service men. Permits clear observation of all TV sync pulse detail and excellent square wave reproduction over 100 kc. 5CP1 intensifier type CR tube provides a brilliant trace with normal accelerating voltages. A handsome, ventilated cabinet with smooth rounded corners and a snug fitting drawn panel adds to the smartly styled professional appearance. Longer life is assured through cooler instrument operation. Push pull output stages in both vertical and horizontal amplifiers for balanced deflection of the spot. All of the many fine features of the previous model have been retained. Rear cabinet access to terminal board for direct connection to CR plates. The entire kit of all 10 tubes, parts, cabinet and panel as well as detailed construction manual for assembly and operation of the instrument included.

INTENSIFIER KIT: For extreme trace brilliance in special applications such as photography, group demonstrations or operation in brightly lighted areas an optional Intensifier kit providing 2200 volt operation of the CR tube is available. Kit includes high voltage filter condenser, high voltage selenium rectifier, etc. \$7.50.

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SCOPE DEMODULATOR PROBE KIT



Trouble shooting or aligning TV, RF, IF and video stages requires demodulation of high frequency signals before Oscilloscope observation. The HEATHKIT SCOPE DEMODULATOR PROBE KIT was specifically developed for this application. Kit consists of a probe housing, crystal diode detector circuit, shielded cable and spade lugs. Assembly is simple and the probe will quickly prove its usefulness as an Oscilloscope accessory.

No. 337
SHIP WT. 1 LB.
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NEW *Heathkit* VOLTAGE CALIBRATOR KIT



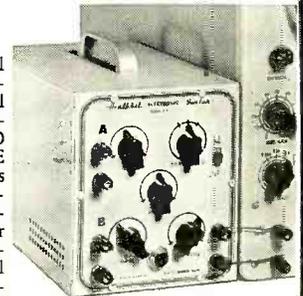
MODEL VC-1
SHIPPING
WT. 5 LBS. **\$9.50**

Use the Heathkit Voltage Calibrator with your oscilloscope to measure peak-to-peak TV complex waveshapes. TV manufacturer's specifications indicate correct peak-to-peak voltages and this kit will permit making these important measurements.

A big help to engineers in circuit work. Makes peak-to-peak voltage measurements of complex waveshapes of all kinds. Flat topped semi-square wave output of calibrator assures fast and easy measurement of any voltage between .01 and 100V peak-to-peak.

The Voltage Calibrator can remain connected to your oscilloscope at all times for instant use. "Signal" position connects signal under study directly through calibrator and into scope input circuit for direct observation. Eliminates transferring leads from calibrator. *A wonderful scope accessory.*

Heathkit ELECTRONIC SWITCH KIT



MODEL S-2
SHIPPING
WT. 11 LBS.

\$19.50

A few dollars spent for this accessory will increase the usefulness of a scope immeasurably. An electronic switch will open up a whole new field of scope applications for you. The S-2 allows TWO SIGNALS to be observed at the SAME TIME — this important feature allows you to immediately spot phase shift, clipping, distortion, etc. The two signals under observation can be superimposed or separated for individual study. Each signal input has an individual gain control for properly adjusting scope trace patterns. Has both coarse and fine frequency controls for adjusting switching time. Multivibrator switching frequency is from less than 10 cps to over 2000 cps in three overlapping ranges. Kit comes complete including 5 tubes, power transformer, all controls, instruction manual, etc. *Every scope owner should have one!*

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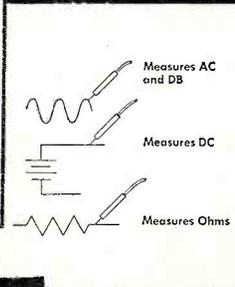
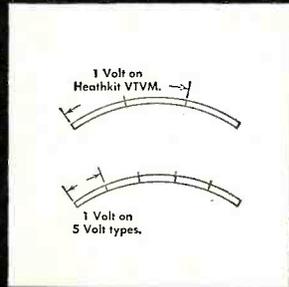
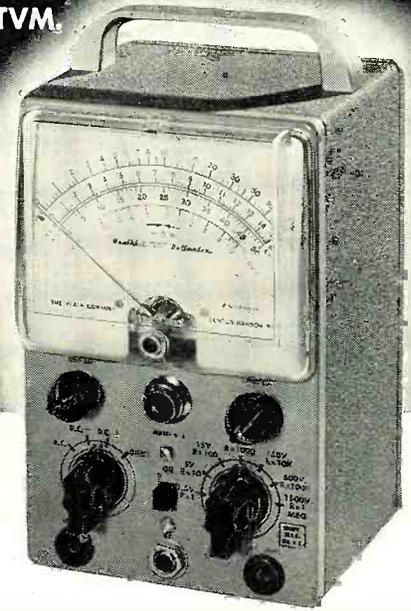
VOLTMETER KIT

• NEW 1½ VOLT RANGE ON 1953 VTVM

MODEL V-6

SHIPPING
WT., 7 LBS.

\$24.50



- New 1½ volt low range gives over 2" of scale per volt instead of less than ¾" found on 5 volt range type.
- Increased accuracy due to expanded scales.
- New 1500 volt DC high range gives 50% greater coverage.
- Seven ranges in all. 1½, 5, 15, 50, 150, 500 and 1500 volts DC (1000 volts maximum AC only).
- Provides proper service ranges 150 volts for AC DC work and 500 volts for AC type service.
- High input impedance, 11 megohms minimizes circuit loading.
- Variety of accessory probe kits available.
- 1% precision resistors in multiplier circuits.
- 200 microampere Simpson meter.
- Center scale zero adjust.
- Transformer operated.
- Test leads included.
- New cabinet styling.
- Large, clearly marked meter scales indicate ohms, AC volts, DC volts and DB.

The 1953 Heathkit V-6 VTVM has improved ranges! The lowest range has been moved way down to 1.5V full scale. This gives 3½" of actual scale length for the 1.5V covered — that's 2½ inches per volt!! Now you can make your low level measurements faster and with greater accuracy.

And the upper range has been moved up. Readings up to 1500V DC can be readily made with new, improved VTVM — plus readings up to 1000V on AC. Higher ranges for extended use.

New vertical chassis mounting gives added chassis space for really easy wiring — no tight corners to worry about. Uses only highest quality components throughout. Simpson 200 microampere meter movement combined with 1% precision resistors in multiplier circuit insure highly accurate and dependable readings.

AC and DC voltage ranges are 0-1.5V-5V-15V-50V-150V-500V-1500V. (1000V max. reading on AC) — a total of seven ranges for convenient, accurate readings. Instrument also measures resistance from .1 ohm to over 1 billion ohms in seven handy ranges of RX1, X10, X100, X1000, X10K, X1 Meg., — all convenient multiples of 10 with no skips. Has Db scale in red for easy identification.

New panel has rough baked on enamel finish for freedom from scratches and maximum durability. Modern styled, formed, compact cabinet with rounded edges and crackle finish is truly handsome.

Comprehensive, detailed instruction manual with step-by-step instructions, figures, pictorials, etc. makes assembly a cinch.

Be sure and look over the special accessory VTVM probes below — for added usefulness.

Heathkit R. F. PROBE KIT
SHIP. WT. 1 LBS. **\$5.50**
No. 309
Extends RF range of HEATHKIT 11 megohm VTVM to 250 megacycles ± 10%.

Heathkit 30,000 V. D.C. PROBE KIT
SHIP. WT. 2 LBS. **\$5.50**
No. 336
Provides DC multiplication factor of 100 for any 11 megohm VTVM.

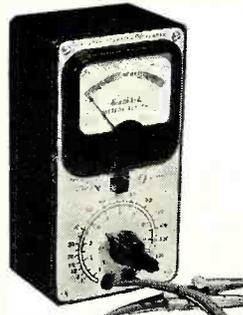
Heathkit PEAK TO PEAK VOLTAGE PROBE KIT
SHIP. WT. 2 LBS. **\$6.50**
No. 338
Reads on DC scale of any 11 megohm VTVM 5 kc to 5 megacycle range.

NEW Heathkit BATTERY TESTER KIT

The new Heathkit Battery Tester measures all types of dry batteries between 1½ volts and 150 volts under actual load conditions. Readings are made directly on a three-color GOOD-WEAK-REPLACE scale that your customers can readily understand. Operation is extremely simple and merely requires that the leads be connected to the battery under test. Only one control to adjust in addition to a panel switch for A or B battery types.

The Heathkit Battery Tester features compact assembly. An accurate meter movement and wire wound control mount in the portable, rugged plastic case.

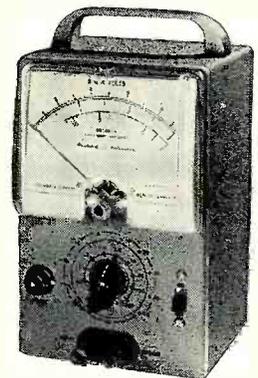
Use the BT-1 to check portable radio batteries, hearing aid batteries, lantern batteries and photo flash gun batteries.



MODEL BT-1
SHIPPING WT. 3 LBS.
\$7.50

Heathkit AC VACUUM TUBE VOLTMETER KIT

A new AC VTVM that makes possible those sensitive AC measurements required by laboratories, audio enthusiasts and experimenters. Ten full scale ranges of .01, .03, .1, .3, 1, 3, 10, 30, 100 and 300 volts RMS. 10 DB ranges from -52 to +52 DB. Frequency response within 1 DB from 20 cycles to 50 kc. Simpson 200 microampere meter with large plainly marked meter scales. Precision multiplier resistors. Two amplifier stages using miniature tubes. A unique bridge rectifier meter circuit and a clean layout of parts. Order the AV-2 today and become acquainted with the interesting possibilities offered by this instrument.



MODEL AV-2
SHIPPING WT. 5 LBS.
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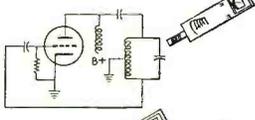
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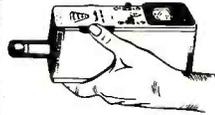
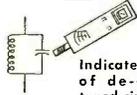
NEW *Heathkit* GRID DIP METER KIT

• CONVENIENT ONE HAND OPERATION.

Indicates frequency of energized circuits.



Indicates frequency of de-energized tuned circuits.

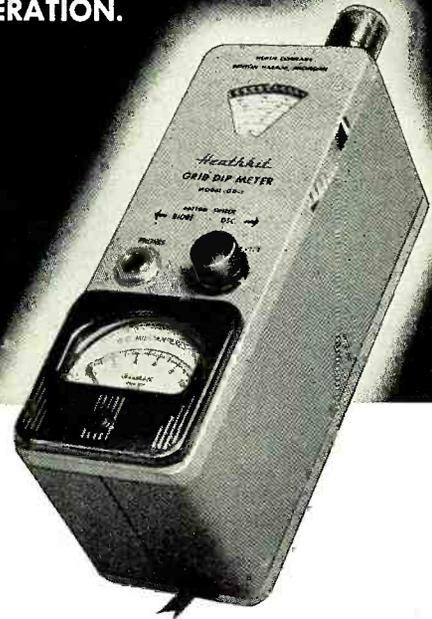


Complete unit easily held and operated with one hand.

MODEL GD-1

SHIPPING WT. 4 LBS.

\$19⁵⁰



- New GRID DIP METER with assembled calibrated coils.
- Uses quality Simpson 500 microampere meter.
- One hand operation, extremely compact, Only 2½" wide by 3" high by 7" long.
- Variable meter sensitivity control.
- Uses newest type 6AF4 high frequency triode in a Colpitts oscillator circuit.
- Continuous coverage from 2 megacycles to over 250 megacycles in 6 ranges.
- Head phone monitoring jack.
- AC power transformer operated for maximum safety.

Here is the GRID DIP METER KIT you have been asking for. This new HEATHKIT instrument is compact, highly sensitive and easy to use. Housed in a handsome formed aluminum cabinet—rounded corners—durable oven baked finish on panel and cabinet. The entire instrument can be easily held and operated in one hand, tuning accomplished with the thumb wheel drive. This excellent design feature leaves the other hand entirely free for making circuit adjustments. The instrument with many applications — with oscillator energized, use it for finding the resonant frequency of tuned circuits, locating parasitics, determining characteristics of filter circuits, roughly tuning transmitter stages with power off, and neutralizing transmitters. Useful in TV and radio repair work for alignment of traps, filters, IF stages, peaking and compensation networks within the 2 to 250 megacycle range. With the oscillator not energized, the instrument acts as an absorption wave meter and indicates the frequency of radiating power sources. Locates spurious oscillations, as a relative indication of power in various transmitter stages, etc. (Head phones not included). Complete kit includes plug-in coils, tube, all necessary parts and detailed assembly and instruction manual.

Heathkit IMPEDANCE BRIDGE KIT



MODEL IB-1B
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WT. 15 LBS.

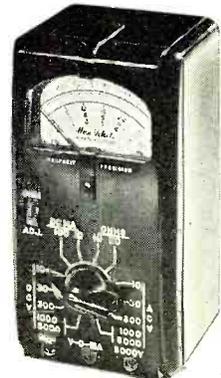
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The HEATHKIT IMPEDANCE BRIDGE is especially useful in educational training programs, industrial laboratories and for experimental work. Use it for measuring AC and DC resistance value of resistors,

determination of condenser capacitance and dissipation factor, finding coil inductance and storage factor, electrical measurements work, etc. Quality components: GR 1000 cycle hummer, GR main control, Mallory ceramic wafer silver plated contact switches, ½% precision resistors, etc. The basic circuit is a self powered, 4 arm bridge. Choice of Wheatstone, Capacitance comparison, Maxwell or Hay bridge circuits. Resistance from 10 milliohm to 10 megohm. Capacitance 10 mmf to 100 mfd. Inductance 10 microhenry to 100 henries. Dissipation factor .002 to 1. Storage factor (Q) 1 to 1000. The IMPEDANCE BRIDGE has provisions for external generator use for measurement at other than the 1000 cycle level. Take the guess work out of electrical measurements. The HEATHKIT IMPEDANCE BRIDGE mounted in a beautiful polished birch cabinet with large easy reading panel calibrations will furnish years of accurate, trouble free measurement service.

Heathkit HANDITESTER KIT

The HEATHKIT Model M-1 HANDITESTER fulfills requirements for a portable volt ohm milliammeter. This kit features precision 1% resistors, 3 deck switch for trouble free mounting of parts, specially designed battery bracket, smooth acting ohms adjust control, beautiful molded bakelite case and a 400 microampere meter movement. 5 convenient AC and DC voltage ranges as follows: 10 - 30 - 300 - 1000 - 5000 volts. Ohms ranges 0 - 3000 and 0 - 300,000. DC milliammeter ranges 0 - 10 milliamperes and 0 - 100 milliamperes. The instrument is easily assembled from complete instructions and pictorial diagrams. Test leads are included. Carry the HEATHKIT M-1 HANDITESTER in your tool box at all times for those simple jobs and eliminate that extra trip for additional testing equipment.



MODEL M-1
SHIPPING
WT. 3 LBS.

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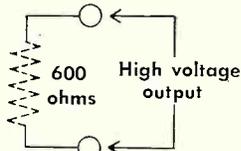
AUDIO GENERATOR KIT

• RANGE EXTENDED TO 1 MEGACYCLE

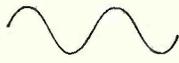
MODEL AG-8

SHIPPING
WT. 16 LBS.

\$29.50



Low impedance output
High voltage output



Sine wave output
from 20 cycles to 1
megacycle.

- Improved design — new low price.
- Frequency coverage in five ranges from 20 cycles per second to 1 megacycle.
- Response flat 1 DB from 20 cycles to 400 kilocycles. Down 3 DB at 600 kilocycles. Down only 8 DB at 1 megacycle.
- Five calibrated output voltage ranges, continuously variable 1 mv, 10 mv, 100 mv, 1 v, 10 v.
- Low impedance output circuit. 600 ohms.
- Distortion less than .4 of 1% from 100 cycles per second through the audible range.
- New HEATHKIT universal type binding posts.
- Durable infra-red baked enamel panel.
- Transformer operated for safe operation.
- Sturdy, ventilated steel cabinet.

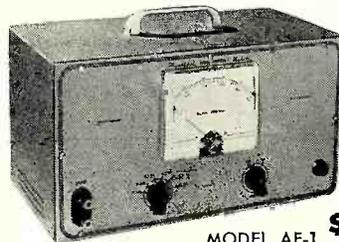
A new Audio Generator with features heretofore found in only the most expensive generators. Such features as complete coverage from 20 cycles to 1 Mc — response flat ± 1 db from 20 cycles to 400 Kc, down 3 db at 600 Kc and down only 8 db at 1 Mc.

And it has calibrated output . . . Calibrated continuously variable and step attenuator output controls allow you to easily set calibrated output voltage. Moreover, distortion is less than .4 of 1% from 100 cps through the audible range.

Oscillator section consists of a two stage resistance coupled amplifier (6SJ7 and 6AK6) utilizing both positive and negative feedback for oscillator operation and reduction of distortion. Oscillator section drives a cathode follower output power amplifier (6AK6) which isolates the oscillator from variations in load and presents a low impedance output (600 Ohms). Power supply is transformer operated and utilizes 6X5 rectifier with 2 sections of RC filtering.

An unbeatable dollar value — for here is an audio generator with wide frequency coverage, excellent frequency response, stepped and continuously variable calibrated output, high signal level, low impedance output, and low inherent distortion.

Heathkit AUDIO FREQUENCY METER KIT



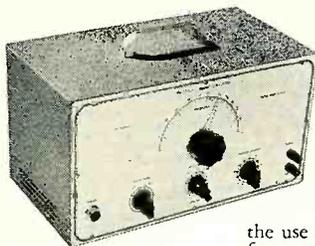
MODEL AF-1

SHIPPING
WT. 15 LBS.

\$34.50

The HEATHKIT AUDIO FREQUENCY METER provides a simple and easy way to check unknown audio frequencies from 10 cycles to 100 kc between 3 and 300 volts RMS. The instrument features 7 ranges for accuracy and wide coverage. The meter itself has a quality 200 microampere Simpson movement and large clearly marked scales. The AUDIO FREQUENCY METER is transformer operated and features a voltage regulator tube to maintain constant plate voltage on the second stage. Kit supplied complete with all necessary construction material and a detailed construction manual.

NEW *Heathkit* AUDIO OSCILLATOR KIT



MODEL AO-1
SHIPPING
WT. 14 LBS.

\$24.50

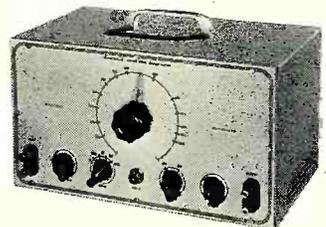
A new Audio Oscillator with both sine and square wave coverage from 20 to 20,000 cycles . . . An instrument designed to completely fulfill the needs of the audio engineer and enthusiast — Has numerous advantages such as high level output (up to 10V obtainable across the entire range), distortion less than .6%, and low impedance output.

Special design features include the use of a thermistor in the second amplifier stage for keeping the output essentially flat across the entire range.

A cathode coupled clipper circuit produces good, clean, square waves with rise time of only 2 microseconds. Oscillator section uses 1% precision resistors in range multiplier circuit for greatest accuracy.

You'll like the operation of this fine new kit.

Heathkit SQUARE WAVE GENERATOR KIT



MODEL SQ-1
SHIPPING
WT. 14 LBS.

\$29.50

The HEATHKIT SQUARE WAVE GENERATOR is an excellent square wave frequency source with wide range coverage from 10 cycles to 100 kc continuously variable. This feature makes it useful for TV and wide band amplifier work as well as audio experimentation. The output voltage is continuously variable between 0 and 20 volts. The circuitry consists of a multivibrator stage, a clipping and squaring stage and a cathode follower low impedance output stage. The power supply is transformer operated and utilizes a full wave rectifier circuit with two sections of filtering. Another excellent HEATHKIT value at this remarkable low price. Kit includes all necessary construction material as well as complete instruction manual for assembly and operation.

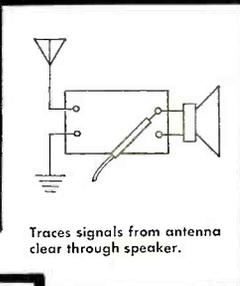
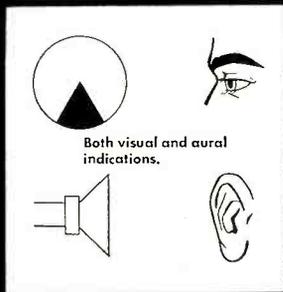
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NEW *Heathkit* VISUAL-AURAL SIGNAL TRACER KIT

• NEW NOISE LOCATOR AND WATTMETER CIRCUITS.



MODEL T-3

SHIPPING WT. 8 LBS.

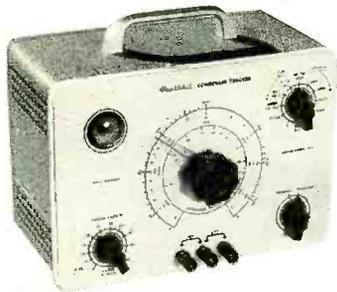
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- Permits visual signal observation as well as aural operation.
- Two separate input channels.
- Tremendous RF channel sensitivity. Adequate for actual signal detection at receiver input.
- Separate high gain RF and low gain audio channels.
- A unique and useful noise locator circuit.
- Built-in calibrated wattmeter.
- Two separate shielded probes for RF and audio application.
- Additional test leads supplied.
- Substitution test speaker and output transformer eliminates necessity for speaker removal in service work.
- Utility amplifier. Check record changers, tuners, microphones, instrument pickups, etc.
- VTVM and Scope panel terminals.
- 5 tube transformer operated circuit.

The new HEATHKIT VISUAL AURAL SIGNAL TRACER represents one of the most convenient and useful instruments the service man can use in AM, FM and TV service work. The electron ray beam indicator constantly monitors both input channels for visual observation of the signal. Now, see and hear the signal level for easier estimation of signal strength and gain per stage in a receiver circuit. Separate high gain channel and special shielded demodulator probe for RF circuit work. Low gain channel for audio circuit investigation and for use as a noise locator. In this feature, approximately 200 volts DC is applied to a suspected circuit component and the action of the voltage in the component can be seen and heard to determine satisfactory operation. This feature alone will prove tremendously helpful in locating the source of objectionable noises in coils, transformers, resistors, condensers, cold solder joints, controls, etc. A convenient wattmeter permits rapid preliminary check for voltage distribution circuit breakdown as well as transformer failures. Use the T-3 as a universal test speaker and substitution transformer and save service time by eliminating the necessity for speaker removal on every service call. Additional service uses are: as a utility amplifier for checking the output of record changers, tuners, microphones, instrument pickups, etc. Separate panel terminals permit utilization of other shop equipment such as your Oscilloscope or VTVM. Entire kit supplied complete with 5 tubes, all necessary construction material along with a detailed step by step instruction manual for the assembly and operation of the instrument.

NEW *Heathkit* CONDENSER CHECKER KIT



MODEL C-3
SHIPPING
WT. 7 LBS.

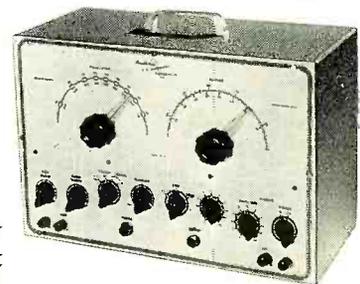
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Announcing the new improved Model C-3 HEATHKIT CONDENSER housed in a new smartly styled professional appearing cabinet featuring rounded corners and snug fitting drawn panel. Adequate provisions for ventilation insures longer instrument life through cooler operation. Use the C-3 to accurately measure those unknown condenser and resistor values. All readings of condensers and resistors are read directly on the calibrated scales. Range of condenser measurements is from .00001 mfd to 1000 mfd. Calibrated resistance measurements can be made from 100 ohms to 5 megohms. A leakage test with a choice of 5 DC polarizing voltages will quickly indicate condenser operating quality under actual voltage load conditions. The spring return leakage test switch automatically discharges the condenser under test and eliminates shock hazard. An electron ray beam indicator tube is used in a new leakage test circuit for added sensitivity. The instrument is transformer operated for safety and will prove an extremely welcome addition to your shop equipment. The kit is furnished complete with all necessary parts, test leads and includes a step by step detailed construction manual for assembly and operation.

Heathkit TV ALIGNMENT GENERATOR KIT

MODEL TS-2
SHIPPING
WT. 20 LBS.

\$39⁵⁰



Here is an excellent TV ALIGNMENT GENERATOR designed to do TV service work quickly, easily and properly. The Model TS-2 when used in conjunction with an Oscilloscope provides a means of correctly aligning TV receivers. The instrument furnishes a frequency modulated signal covering in 2 bands the range of 10 to 90 megacycles and 150 to 230 megacycles. An absorption type frequency marker covers from 20 to 75 megacycles in 2 ranges; therefore you have a simple, convenient means of checking IF's independent of oscillator calibration. Sweep width is variable from 0 to 12 megacycles. Other excellent features are horizontal sweep voltage controlled with a phasing control — both step and continuously variable attenuation for setting the output signal to the desired level — a convenient stand by switch — and blanking for establishing a single trace with a base reference level. Make your work easier, save time and repair with confidence. Order your HEATHKIT TV ALIGNMENT GENERATOR now.

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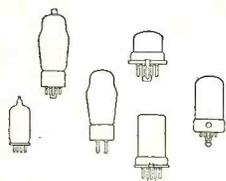
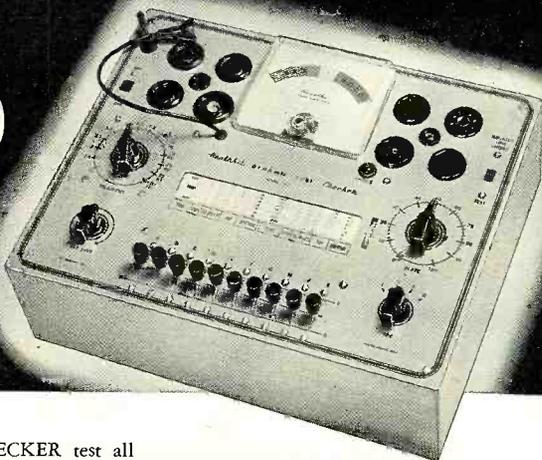
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Heathkit TUBE CHECKER KIT

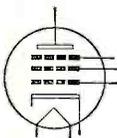
MODEL TC-1

SHIPPING
WT. 12 LBS.

\$29.50



Checks 7, 8, 9 prong tubes, octals, loctals, 7 and 9 prong miniatures, 5 prong Hytrons, pilot lights.



Checks for opens, shorts, emission, filament and filament tap continuity.

- Beautiful counter type birch cabinet.
- 4½" Simpson 3 color meter.
- Simplified setup procedure.
- Built-in gear driven roll chart.
- Checks emission, shorted elements, open elements and continuity.
- Complete protection against obsolescence.
- Sockets for every modern tube.
- Blank for new types.
- Individual element switches.
- Contact type pilot light test socket.
- Line adjust control.

PORTABLE TUBE CHECKER KIT MODEL TC-1P

Same as TC-1 except supplied with polished birch cabinet (with removable lid) instead of counter type cabinet. Shipping weight 14 lbs. **\$34.50**

No. 365 Polished Birch Tube Checker Cabinet only. Shipping Weight 7 lbs. **\$7.50**

With the HEATHKIT TC-1 TUBE CHECKER test all types of tubes commonly encountered in AM-FM and TV receiver circuits. Test setup procedure is simplified, rapid and flexible. Tube quality is read directly on a beautiful 4½" Simpson three color BAD - ? - GOOD scale that your customers can readily understand. Panel sockets accommodate 4, 5, 6 and 7 prong tubes, octals, loctals, 7 and 9 prong miniatures, 5 prong Hytrons, a blank socket for new tubes and a contact type socket for quick checking of pilot lights. Built-in gear driven roll chart for instant reference. Neon short indicator, individual three position lever switch for each tube element, spring return test switch, line set control to compensate for supply voltage variations. At this low price, no service man need be without the advantages offered by the HEATHKIT TUBE CHECKER.

Heathkit TV PICTURE TUBE TEST ADAPTER

Use your HEATHKIT TUBE CHECKER with this new TV TEST ADAPTER to determine picture tube quality. Check for emission and shorts, independent of TV power supply. Consists of standard 12 pin TV tube socket, 4 feet of cable, octal socket connector and data sheet. Quickly prove TV picture tube condition to yourself and your customer.



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Heathkit RESISTANCE SUBSTITUTION BOX KIT



MODEL RS-1
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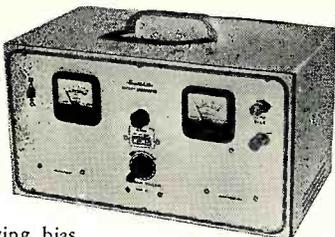
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NEW HEATHKIT RESISTANCE SUBSTITUTION BOX KIT provides switch selection of any single one of 36 RTMA 1 watt 10% standard value resistors, ranging from 15 ohms to 10 megohms. This coverage available in 2 ranges in decades of 15, 22, 33, 47, 68 and 100. Housed in rugged plastic cabinet featuring new HEATHKIT universal type binding posts. The entire kit priced less than the retail value of the resistors alone.

Heathkit BATTERY ELIMINATOR KIT

A clean 6 volt d-c supply source is definitely required for successful automobile radio servicing. Has a continuously variable d-c output from 0 to 8 volts. It can be safely operated at a steady 10 ampere level and will deliver up to 15 amperes for intermittent periods. The voltage output terminals are completely isolated from the chassis to accommodate additional service applications such as supplying bias voltages or d-c substitution voltages for battery operated tube filament circuits.

The output of the Battery Eliminator is constantly monitored by a d-c voltmeter and a d-c ammeter. The circuit features an automatic overload relay of self resetting type. For additional protection, a panel mounting fuse is provided. Build this kit in a few hours and pocket a substantial savings.



MODEL BE-3
SHIPPING
WT. 20 LBS.

\$24.50

Heathkit VIBRATOR TESTER KIT

Repair time is valuable, and the Heathkit Vibrator Tester will save you hours of work. Instantly tells the condition of the vibrator under test — and the check is thorough and complete. Checks vibrator for proper starting, and the easy-to-read meter indicates the quality of output on large BAD-GOOD scales. Tests both interrupter and selfrectifier types of vibrators. Five different sockets for checking hundreds of vibrators.

Operates from any battery eliminator capable of delivering continuously variable voltage from 4 - 6V at 4 amps. The Heathkit BE-3 Battery Eliminator is ideal for operating this kit.

Faulty vibrators can be spotted within seconds and you're free to go on to other service jobs.



MODEL VT-1
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Heathkit SIGNAL GENERATOR KIT

MODEL SG-7

SHIPPING
WT. 7 LBS.

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Modulated or unmodulated RF output.



400 cycle sine wave output.

- Step attenuated RF output.
- 6 to 1 vernier dial ratio.
- Turret mounted coil sub-assembly.
- Pre-calibrated and adjusted coils.
- Hartley RF oscillator circuit.
- Colpitts oscillator 400 cycle sine wave output.
- Modulated or unmodulated RF output.
- Frequency coverage on fundamentals 160 kc to 50 megacycles in five ranges. 51 megacycles to 150 megacycles on calibrated harmonics.
- RF output in excess of 100,000 microvolts.
- Audio output 1½ to 2 volts.
- AC transformer operated.
- Professionally styled cabinet.
- Infra red baked enamel panel.

The new HEATHKIT Model SG-7 SIGNAL GENERATOR easily fulfills requirements for a controllable, modulated or unmodulated source of variable frequency. A convenient 400 cycle sine wave output is available for audio work. All RF oscillator coils are precision wound and adjusted to calibration before shipment thereby assuring maximum accuracy. The coils, band switch and tuning condenser all mount as a turret assembly so as to offer the advantage of short wiring leads and easy mounting of parts. The RF output circuit is of the low impedance type obtained by the use of cathode coupling to the output jacks. The level of RF output is varied by means of the RF step and RF output control. Use the HEATHKIT SG-7 as an RF signal source modulated or unmodulated for radio repair, laboratory work, experimental testing, 400 cycle sine wave audio testing, checking RF stages, alignment of both AM and FM IF stages, marker generator for TV alignment, etc. The kit is transformer operated and utilizes miniature tubes for ease in handling high frequency. Panel jacks and a convenient switching system permit either external or internal modulation. The entire kit is supplied complete with tubes and all necessary material as well as a detailed step by step instruction manual for the assembly and operation of the instrument.

Heathkit INTERMODULATION ANALYZER KIT



MODEL IM-1
SHIPPING WT.
18 LBS.

\$39.50

The HEATHKIT MODEL IM-1 is an extremely versatile instrument specifically designed for measuring the degree of interaction between two

signals caused by a specific piece of apparatus, or a chain of equipment. It is primarily intended for tests of audio equipment but may be used in other applications such as making tests of microphones, records, recording equipment, phonograph pickups and loud speakers. Use it for checking tape or disc recordings, as a sensitive AC voltmeter, as a high pass noise meter for adjusting tape bias, cutting needle pitch or other applications. High and low test frequency source, intermodulation section, power supply and AC voltmeter all in one complete unit. Percent intermodulation is directly read on three calibrated ranges, 30%, 10% and 3% full scale. Both 4 to 1 and 1 to 1 ratios of low to high frequencies easily set up. At this low kit price YOU can enjoy the benefits of Intermodulation analysis for accurate audio interpretations.

Heathkit LABORATORY REGULATED POWER SUPPLY KIT



MODEL PS-2
SHIPPING
WT. 20 LBS.

\$29.50

New HEATHKIT LABORATORY POWER SUPPLY provides continuously variable regulated DC voltage output from 160 volts to 400 volts depending on load. Panel terminals supply separate 6.3 V. AC supply at 4 amperes for filament circuits. A 3½" plastic cased panel mounted meter provides accurate metered output for either voltage of current measurements. Exceptionally low ripple content of .012% admirably qualifies the HEATHKIT LABORATORY POWER SUPPLY for high gain audio applications. Ideal for laboratory work requiring a reference voltage for meter calibration or for plotting tube characteristics. In service work, it can be used as a separate variable voltage supply to determine the desirable operating voltage in a specific circuit. Use it as a DC substitution voltage in trouble shooting TV circuits exhibiting symptoms of extraneous undesirable components in plate supply circuits. Entire kit, including all 5 tubes now available at this low price.

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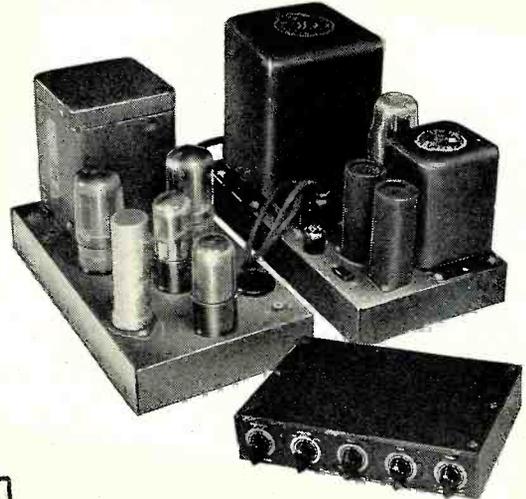
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Heathkit WILLIAMSON TYPE AMPLIFIER KIT

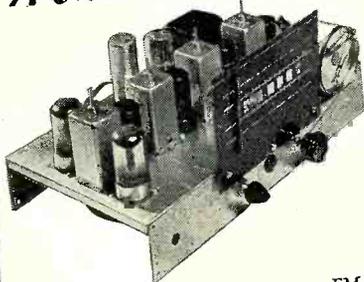
The new HEATHKIT WILLIAMSON TYPE AMPLIFIER, incorporates the latest improvements described in Audio Engineering's "Gilding the Lily." 5881 output tubes and a new Peerless output transformer with additional primary taps afford peak power output of well over 20 watts. Frequency response ± 1 db from 10 cycles to 100 kc. allows reproduction of highs and lows with equal crispness and clarity. Harmonic and intermodulation distortion have been reduced to less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% at 5 watts. This eliminates the harsh unpleasant qualities which contribute to listening fatigue. Make this amplifier the heart of your radio system to achieve the fine reproduction that is the goal of all music lovers.

The HEATHKIT PREAMPLIFIER (available separately or in combination with the amplifier kit) features inputs for magnetic or low level cartridges, crystal pickups and tuners, turnover control for LP or 78 type records, individual bass and treble tone controls each providing up to 15 DB of boost or attenuation. Special notched shafts on preamplifier controls and switches adaptable to custom installation. The preamplifier can be mounted in any position and a liberal length of connecting cable is supplied. No radio experience is required to construct this amplifier. All punching, forming, or drilling has already been done. The complete kit includes all necessary parts as well as a detailed step by step construction manual with pictorial diagrams to greatly simplify the construction.

ACROSOUND TRANSFORMER OPTION. If desired, the output transformer with the kit will be the Acrosound output transformer, type TO-300. The use of this transformer permits ultra-linear operation as described in Audio Engineering's "Ultra-Linear Operation of the Williamson Amplifier."



Heathkit FM TUNER KIT



MODEL FM-2
SHIPPING
WT. 9 LBS.

\$22.50

The HEATHKIT MODEL FM-2 TUNER specifically designed for simplified kit construction features a preassembled and adjusted tuning unit. Three double tuned IF transformers and a discriminator transformer are used in an 8 tube circuit. Smooth tuning is obtained through a 9 to 1 ratio vernier drive using a calibrated six inch slide rule type dial. The usual frequency coverage of 88 to 108 megacycles is provided. Experience the thrill of building your own FM tuner. Operate it through your amplifier or radio and enjoy all the advantages of true FM reception. Transformer operated power supply to simplify connections to all types of audio systems. The kit is supplied complete with all 8 tubes and necessary material required for construction. A complete instruction manual simplifies assembly and operation.

PRICES OF VARIOUS COMBINATIONS

W-2 Amplifier Kit (Incl. Main Amplifier with Peerless Output Transformer, Power Supply and WA-P1 Preamplifier Kit) Shipping Weight 39 lbs.	\$69.50
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WA-P1 Preamplifier Kit only. Shipping Weight 7 lbs. Shipped express or parcel post.	\$19.75

Heathkit ECONOMY 6 WATT AMPLIFIER KIT



MODEL A-7
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WT. 10 LBS.

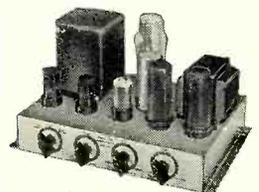
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The HEATHKIT Model A-7 amplifier features beam power, push pull output with frequency response flat $\pm 1\frac{1}{2}$ DB from 20 to 20,000 cycles. Separate volume, bass and treble controls. Two input circuits, output impedances of 4, 8, and 15 ohms. Peak power output rated at full 6 watts. High quality components, simplified layout, attractive gray finished chassis, break off type adjustable length control shafts and attractive lettered control panel.

THE MODEL A7A amplifier incorporates a preamplifier stage with special compensated network to provide the necessary voltage gain for operation with variable reluctance or low output level phono cartridges. Excellent gain for microphone operation in a moderate powered sound system..... **\$16.50**

Heathkit HIGH FIDELITY 20 WATT AMPLIFIER KIT

The HEATHKIT MODEL A-8 amplifier kit was designed to deliver high fidelity performance with adequate power output at moderate cost. The frequency response is within ± 1 DB from 20 to 20,000 cycles. Distortion at 3 DB below maximum power output at 1000 cycles is only .8%. The amplifier features a Chicago power transformer in a drawn steel case and a Peerless output transformer with output impedances of 4, 8, and 16 ohms available. Separate bass and treble tone controls permit wide range of tonal adjustment to meet the requirements of the most discerning listener. The amplifier uses a 6SJ7 voltage amplifier, a 6SN7 amplifier and phase splitter and two 6L6's in push pull output and a 5U4G rectifier. Two input jacks for either crystal or tuner operation. The kit includes all necessary material as well as a detailed step by step construction manual.



MODEL A-8
SHIPPING WT. 19 LBS.

\$33.50

MODEL A8-A features an added 6SJ7 stage (preamplifier) for operating from a variable reluctance cartridge or other low output level phono pickups. Can also be used with a microphone. A 3 position panel switch affords the desired input service. **\$35.50**

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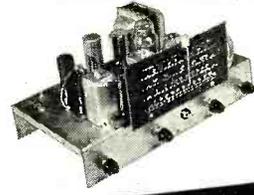
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Heathkit SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER KITS

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- Ideal for custom installation
- Full AVC action
- Inverse feedback for improved frequency response
- Kit supplied with all necessary construction material except speaker and cabinet. (Available separately if desired).

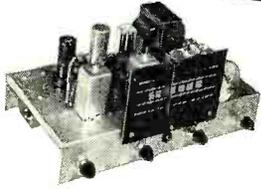
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shipping wt. 11 lbs.

Model BR-1
\$19.50



Two excellent radio receiver kits featuring clean design and open layout for simplified construction. Satisfy that urge to build your own radio receiver and select the model which meets your requirements. Both receivers feature continuously variable tone control, a radio phono switch and phono input and an AC receptacle for the phono motor. A six inch calibrated slide rule type dial with a 9 to 1 ratio vernier dial drive insures easy tuning.

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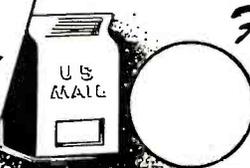
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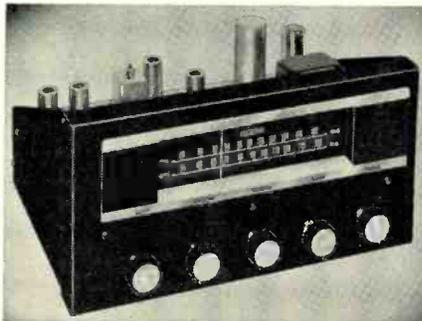
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WHAT'S *New in Radio*

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CRAFTSMEN TUNER

The Radio Craftsmen, Inc., 4401 N. Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago 40, Illinois, has announced the availability



of a new high-fidelity AM-FM tuner for custom installation applications.

The model C800 incorporates a front panel selected equalization for AES, LP, or European recording characteristics. Also featured is a double-shadow tuning eye, front panel control for a.f.c. cut-out when tuning weak stations, and continuously variable bass and treble controls from 15 db boost through 15 db attenuation with flat position clearly marked.

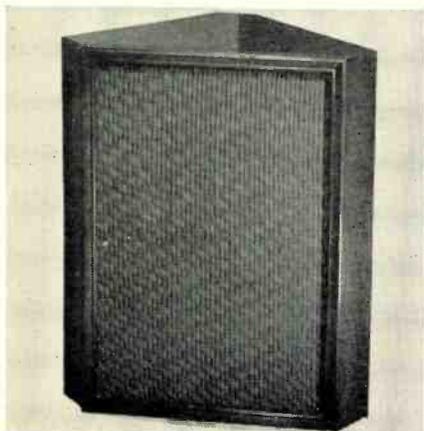
The new unit has 15 tubes and can be mounted in the same panel formerly cut for a RC10 or C10 tuner.

SPEAKER BAFFLE

Permoflux Corporation, 4900 W. Grand Avenue, Chicago 39, Illinois, has added a new speaker baffle to its line of audio products.

The CH-16 dual-eight speaker baffle represents a new approach to high-fidelity reproduction in that two eight-inch speakers can be mounted and connected for parallel operation in the corner horn enclosure.

In addition, the baffle provides



enough space to permit a single twelve-inch speaker to be mounted in lieu of the eight-inch units if the user

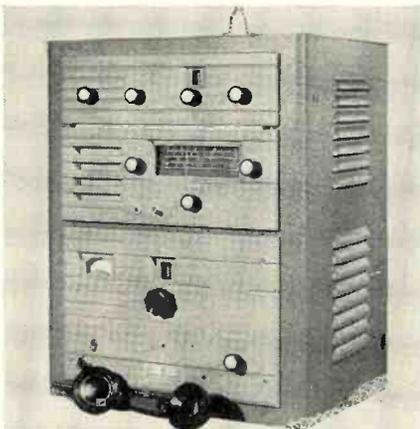
desires. An alternate mounting board is supplied for this purpose.

The new enclosure is 31½" high, 25½" wide, and 14" deep. It is currently available in blonde and mahogany finishes. A data sheet giving complete details on the CH-16 is available from the company without charge.

COMPACT TRANSMITTER

Radio Laboratories, Inc. of 1846 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle 9, Washington, has introduced a new transmitter which has been especially designed for marine, aeronautical, and fixed station use.

The "75" permits any two frequencies to be monitored simultaneously, using the crystal receiver for one and the tunable receiver for the other. The crystal receiver features a new



improved noise limiter, a variable squelch circuit, plus automatic blanking of the tunable receiver.

The transmitter features eight independent, separately tuned channels for maximum efficiency. There is 35 watts of audio available for paging, public address, or deck horn operation.

A data sheet giving complete technical specifications on the "75" is available on request.

STEPDOWN TRANSFORMERS

Hindle Transformer Company Inc., Woods Church Road, Flemington, New Jersey is introducing a new line of stepdown transformers for use in operating standard radio, television, or other electrical equipment from 220 to 240 volt lines.

At the present time, two types are available. The Type BT is recommended for use where the transformer is mounted as part of the equipment or appliance. This unit is supplied with flex leads for both the input and output.

The Type SS is completely enclosed

in a steel housing and is suggested for high humidity conditions or where a corrosive atmosphere exists.

A bulletin giving information on the proper selection of stepdown transformers as well as other data with respect to their uses is now available on request.

COMBINATION TESTER

Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., P. O. Box 13058, Houston 19, Texas is currently marketing a new



combined ohmmeter and leakage tester, the Model C-3.

This new unit is a compact, portable instrument which has been designed for production testing of transformers and condensers. It has a useful range of 1 ohm to one million megohms. The four "ohms" ranges are powered by a 1½ volt battery. The six "megohms" ranges apply a maximum of 105 volts to the unit under test, providing indication of insulation resistance or dielectric leakage.

Accuracy is ±3% of full-scale deflection for all ranges except the highest megohm range which is ±5%. The front panel is black-anodized and is equipped with a welded-aluminum case which measures 10" x 6½" x 6½", finished in gray wrinkle-baked enamel.

A data sheet on the Model C-3 is available on request.

"TOGGLE" FUSE PULLER

Star Fuse Company, Inc., 235 Canal Street, New York, New York, has developed a modern fuse puller which is now available to the trade.

Featuring a toggle action for double leverage and greater gripping strength, this new fuse puller enables technicians to pull fuses from the tightest clips without danger of slipping or twisting. The design also permits the replacement of fuses in the panel box without slippage.

The unit is 7½" long, weighs 2 ounces, and fits all fuses up to 100 amps. It has a dielectric strength of 4000 volts after 24 hours' immersion in salt water.

AUDIO OSCILLATOR

Waveforms, Inc., 333 Sixth Avenue, New York 14, New York, is now marketing its wide-range audio oscillator which is said to incorporate several

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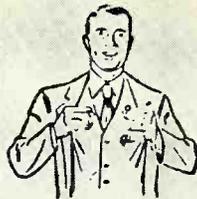
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Literature on the Model 510-B will be forwarded on request.

STORAGE TRAY

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The new trays are designed to hold up to 20 sliding-lid plastic containers thus enabling technicians to keep small hardware items neatly stacked and readily available.

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This tray is being offered with the Walsco "50 Line" of hardware and details on how this unit may be obtained are available from the company's jobbers.

TECHNICIAN'S TOOL KIT

A seventeen-unit radio and television technician's tool kit which features slip-on deep-wall socket wrenches in eight sizes from 1/4" to 3/16" is now available from Tele-Scopic Products Inc., 111 W. 42nd Street, New York 36, New York.

Called the "Tele-Tool Kit," the new kit also features a ratchet wrench and an extension shaft which enables technicians to reach screws and nuts which are located in inaccessible spots. The screwdriver blades, which are part of the kit, consist of three regular blades (large, medium, and small) and two recessed head sizes. A heavy-duty amber handle is provided, as well

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LIQUID PLASTIC

A new clear liquid methyl methacrylate plastic which provides good insulation for radio, television, and electronic components and wiring is now available in pressurized containers, according to the announcement made recently by *United Technical Laboratories*, Morristown, New Jersey.

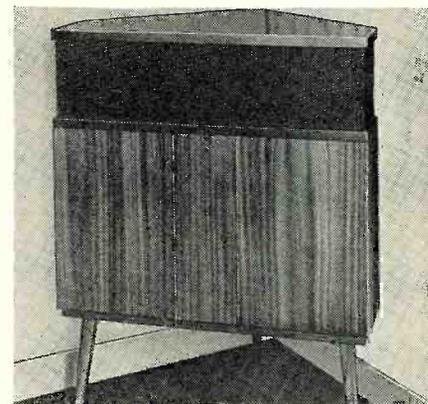
The new plastic is applied as a spray to reduce electrical leakage. "Plastik-707" is unaffected by exposure to acids, alkalis, chemical fumes, the sun, weather, or salt spray. It is supplied in pressurized twelve ounce cans or in bulk in pints, quarts, and gallons, without pressure for brush application.

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4 D.C. CURRENT RANGES:
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\$14.90 NET The Model 770 comes complete with self-contained batteries, test leads and all operating instructions.

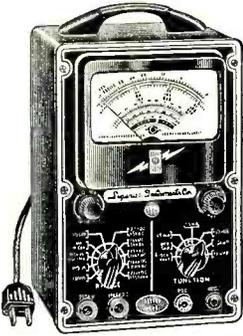
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Operates on 105-130 Volt 60 Cycles A.C. Hand-rubbed oak cabinet complete with portable cover **\$47.50 NET**

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Superior's New TV BAR GENERATOR



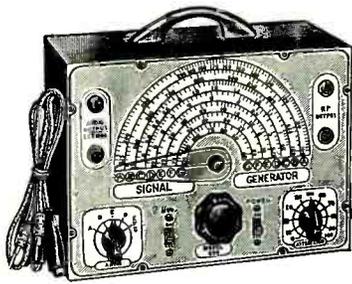
Power Supply: 105-125 Volt 60 Cycles. Power Consumption: 20 Watts. Channels: 2-5 on panel, 7-13 by harmonics. Horizontal lines: 4 to 12 (Variable). Vertical lines: 12 (Fixed). Vertical sweep output: 60 cycles. Horizontal sweep output: 15,750 Cycles.

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12" JENSEN PM, \$15.95

Another McGee Scoop! Jensen Concert 12" 14 1/2" oz. Alnico V magnet PM speaker. 8 ohm voice coil. Will take 25 watt audio. You save dollars on this speaker. In stock to sell. Shipping weight 8 lbs. Stock No. P-12P, Sale price \$15.95; 2 for \$30.00.

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McGee offers the new 1952 model 12" coaxial PM speaker. Quality you would put in your finest sets if you were a manufacturer. 12" woofer has 6 oz. of Alnico V magnet. Tweeter is coaxially suspended and has a metal diffuser. High pass filter is under the pot cover. Only two wires to connect to your radio or audio amplifier. 8 ohm with 18 watt peak and 10 watt average. Shipping weight 8 lbs. Response from 30 to 17,500 cps. Stock No. CU-14Y, Sale price \$12.95 each; 2 for \$25.00.

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28 WATT \$150⁰⁰ LIST PORTABLE P.A. ON SALE \$69⁹⁵

**3-SPEED PHONO TOP—TWO 12-INCH SPEAKERS
7-TUBES PUSH PULL 6L6'S HEAVY LEATHERETTE
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STOCK NO. AP-28X complete portable PA system with 3 speed phono and speakers as pictured (less mike) ship, wt. 71 lbs. \$69.95. Electro Voice model 910 \$28.50 list crystal mike with 20 feet of cable and desk stand \$8.95 extra.

Floor type mike stand instead of desk stand \$4.95 extra.
(SEE OFFERING TO THE RIGHT FOR WALL SPEAKERS INSTEAD OF THE PORTABLE SPEAKERS.)

28-WATT AMPLIFIER WITH 12-INCH WALL SPEAKERS

The 28 watt amplifier shown to the left is also offered without the portable speakers. In their place we will ship two Seeburg walnut wall baffles with two heavy duty 12 inch alnico V magnet PM speakers and 500 ohm line matching trans. Stock No. SS-28R 28 watt amplifier with 3 speed phono top with two 12 inch wall speakers \$69.95. Extra 12 inch wall speakers \$11.95. Model 910 Electro Voice mike \$8.95 extra. Floor stand \$4.95 extra.



50 WATT \$250⁰⁰ LIST PORTABLE P.A. ON SALE \$99⁹⁵

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Heavy Plywood Tan Leatherette Covered Cases**

STOCK NO. AP-60X. Portable 50 watt public address system. You get a 10 tube amp with (4-6L6) push pull parallel 6L6 output tubes. Inputs for two mikes either crystal or dynamic, with separate mixing type volume controls. One phono input. Twin tone controls one for bass the other for treble high fidelity wide range frequency response. The heavy duty output trans. has taps for 4, 8, 16, 125, 250 and 500 ohm speaker connections. Two super heavy duty 12 inch 20 oz. alnico V magnet PM speakers with 25 foot cables and plugs. Each speaker is mounted in large separate cases, one is used to carry the amp. Each case is 21 x 21 x 13 inches with removable snap on backs. Twice the ordinary size to give proper speaker baffling. This is the most powerful portable PA system we have ever offered. Most 4-6L6 amps of this size and weight are rated 60 watts. This amp will put out 40 watts all day long and 50 to 60 watts with ease. Equipped with a 3 speed phono motor and pick up to play all records, 33 1/2, 45, 78 rpm. \$250.00 list value. Ship, wt. 100 lbs.

STOCK NO. AP-60X portable PA system as pictured less mike. Sale price \$99.95. Reg. \$45.00 list Electro voice model 610 dynamic mike with 20 feet of cable and desk stand \$11.95 extra.

If floor stand is desired instead of the desk stand add \$4.95.
(SEE OFFERING TO THE RIGHT FOR WALL SPEAKERS INSTEAD OF THE PORTABLE SPEAKERS.)

DYNAMIC MIKE \$11.95 EXTRA

50-WATT AMPLIFIER WITH 12-INCH WALL SPEAKERS

The 50 watt amplifier shown to the left is also offered without the portable speakers. In the place we will ship two Seeburg walnut wall baffles with two super heavy duty 12 inch alnico V pm speakers with 500 ohm line matching trans. Stock No. SS-60X 50 watt amplifier with 3 speed phono and 2 12 inch wall speakers \$99.95. Extra 12 inch dynamic mike \$11.95 extra. Floor stand instead of desk stand \$4.95 extra. Extra 12 inch speakers and wall baffles \$14.95.



10 WATT \$90⁰⁰ LIST PORTABLE P.A. ON SALE \$42⁹⁵

STOCK NO. AP-11X. A 5 tube 10 watt (14 watts peak) push pull 7C5 U. L. approved amplifier with wide range frequency response. Inputs for one mike and one phono. Separate mixing volume controls. Fully variable tone control. Heavy plywood leatherette covered case is equipped with a heavy duty 10 inch Alnico V magnet PM speaker. The amp fits inside the speaker case. Case size 21 x 16 x 13 inches has removable snap on back, (note, this portable system has only one speaker whereas the 28 and 50 watt models shown above have two). The top of the amplifier is equipped with a 3-speed phono motor and pick up for all records, 33 1/2, 45, 78 rpm—this portable PA system has a list value of \$90.00. Offered by McGee at a terrific saving.

STOCK NO. AP-11X. 10 watt portable PA system with 3-speed phono. Ship wt. 41 lbs. Sale price as pictured less mike \$42.95. Crystal mike with non removable desk stand \$3.95 extra.

**3-Speed Phono Top—Heavy Plywood, Tan Leatherette Case
10" Alnico PM Speaker—Crystal Mike
\$3.95 Extra**

The 10 watt portable PA system shown on the left is offered less the phono top. Specify stock No. AP-11NO. Sale price \$34.95 less mike. Crystal mike with non removable desk stand \$3.95 extra.



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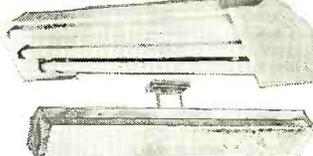
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DELUXE MODEL WITH GLASS, \$14.95; CEILING CANOPY, \$1.95

Bottom Illustration

Deluxe Model No. MK-430X, same as No. MK-430 described above with the exception that it has translucent glass over the lamps to diffuse the light. **CEILING CANOPY** that is shown, \$1.95 extra. Shipping weight 33 lbs. Net price \$14.95; 2 for \$28.00.

Canopy for suspending either of the above fluorescent fixtures 30" from the ceiling. For use where it isn't advisable to mount fixture flush or suspend it on chains. Canopy kit is complete with stamped metal box cover with hardware for mounting to any outlet box and 2-30" lengths of 3/8" extra enameled tubing. Ship, wt. 6 lbs. Fixture canopy kit, No. 1-30, \$1.95.

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Albania—Radio Tirana, 7.850A, noted with news 1600. (Pearce, England) Begins *English* session 2348A. (Kary, Pa., Saylor, Va., others)

Algeria—Radio Algerie, 9.57, noted with news in French 1645. (West, Va.) Noted in Arabic on 6.145 at 1530. (*Nat-tugglan*, Sweden)

Andorra—Radio Andorra, 5.990, heard at 1620 at strong level in England with popular and old-time tunes; had frequent announcements in Spanish by woman. (Catch) Noted in New York at 1900 in Spanish. (Pelegri)

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan—Radio Omdurman, 7.004A, noted in Arabic from 1130; stronger on 9.735A in parallel. (Pearce, England) Heard on these channels with Arabic 2315-2345. (Bellington, N. Y., Kary, Pa.)

Angola—Radio Clube de Angola, Luanda, is scheduled 0100-0215 (Sun. 0300-0500), 0630-0830, 1230-1630 (Sun. to only 1530) on CR6RA, 4.869, 0.25 kw., CR6RL, 7.142, 1 kw., and CR6RN, 1 kw.; the 10 kw. outlet on 11.862 with slogan "*Voz de Angola*" is on the air 1330-1730. (WRH) (On Sundays may close 1530.—K.R.B.)

Argentina—LRS, 11.880, Buenos Aires, noted 1525 with program of Argentina music, during French transmission to Europe; fair level in Brit-

ain. (Catch) LRY, 9.76, is noted by Cushen, N. Z., Ferguson, N. C., others, to 2400 closedown; Ferguson also noted this one at 0452 with weather report and other information; announced for LR3 and continued with news in Spanish; R8 signal.

LRS, *Radio Splendid*, was noted recently on 9.740A to after 0815; another day, however, was found back on 9.320. (Stark, Texas) Has been heard evenings (*EST*) by Bellington, N. Y.; best time to try is on *Mondays when HCJB is off the air*.

Latest schedules from SIRA are 1000-1200 Portuguese to Brazil, 15.345; 1200-1500 French to France, 15.345; 1505-1700 Spanish to Europe and America, 15.345; 1730-2000 *English* to Eastern North America, 9.690; 2000-0100 Spanish to Caribbean, 9.690; 0700-0845 Spanish to Latin America, 15.290; 1300-1545 Spanish to Latin America, 15.290; 2100-2300 Spanish to Latin America, 15.290; 2300-0100 *English* to USA, 15.290; 0800-1300 Portuguese to America, 15.345; 1730-2000 *English* to England, 1400-1500 German to Europe, 1500-1600 Italian to Italy, 1600-1700 Spanish to Europe and America, 1700-2230 Portuguese to Brazil, and 2300-0100 Spanish to America, 11.880.

Belgian Congo—OTC, 9.655, Leopoldville, is fine strength in Illinois when relaying ORU, Brussels, with *English* to North America 2200-2400. (Black)

Brazil—Radio Nacional, PRL9, 6.147, Rio de Janeiro, noted 1850 with very

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10-Watt Hi-Fi Amplifier Kit \$14.95

A complete kit of parts including tubes 12AX7, 12AU7, 2-50L6, plus rectifier, diagram and instructions to build a high fidelity twin tone control audio amplifier with bass and treble boost. Inputs for radio tuner, crystal and crystal phono pickup. Output matches 8 ohms. Response from 50 to 15,000 cps. Chassis ready punched. Ventilated cover. Straight forward circuit with twin triode gain stages and 2-50L6 tubes in push-pull. Size, 5 1/4" x 10" x 5 1/2" high. Model AP-10R, ship. wt. 8 lbs. Sale price \$14.95.

10-TUBE RADIO KIT \$29.95

10 tube broadcast radio chassis kit, complete with tubes; 2-6SK7, 6SA7, 6H6, 6SQ7, 2-12A7, 2-6V6 plus rectifier diagram and instructions. 3 gang superhet with 8" slide rule dial. Chassis size, 12 1/2" x 10" x 6 1/2" high. Features push-pull 6V6 high fidelity output. Output matches 3 to 8 ohm voice coil speakers. Inputs for G.E. variable reluctance or crystal phono pickup and crystal mike. Heavy duty power transformer. Model BR10 low kit, less speaker, shipping weight 18 lbs. Net \$29.95.

6-TUBE 2-BAND KIT \$14.95

Popular with schools and colleges for training. 6 tube AC-DC 2 band radio kit with plastic cabinet. Receives broadcast and 6 to 18 mc shortwave. Full 2 gang superhet with 5" speaker and slide rule dial. A complete kit with tubes; 12SK7, 12SK8, 12SK7, 12SQ7, 35L6 and 3Z5, diagram and instructions. Factory quality. Cabinet size 12" x 5 1/2" x 4 1/2". Shipping weight 12 lbs. Model ME6-2. Net \$14.95.

5-TUBE AC-DC KIT \$12.95

Model RS-5. A 5 tube AC-DC straight broadcast kit, housed in the same cabinet as ME6-2 above. Complete with tubes. Shipping weight 10 lbs. Net \$12.95.

AC POWERED BROADCAST TUNER KIT \$12.95

A self-powered, 3-gang superhet tuner kit with R.F. stage. This complete kit is furnished with a diagram, photos and tubes. 6AU6 R.F., 6BE6 oscillator R.F., 6AU6 I.F. detector, 3AL5 diode. AVC, plus rectifier. Connect to any audio amplifier. Ideal for use with our S-2020 or 7x5 amplifier kits. Chassis size, 9 1/2" x 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" high. Shipping weight, 7 lbs. Broadcast tuner kit Model BT-38X. Net price, \$12.95.

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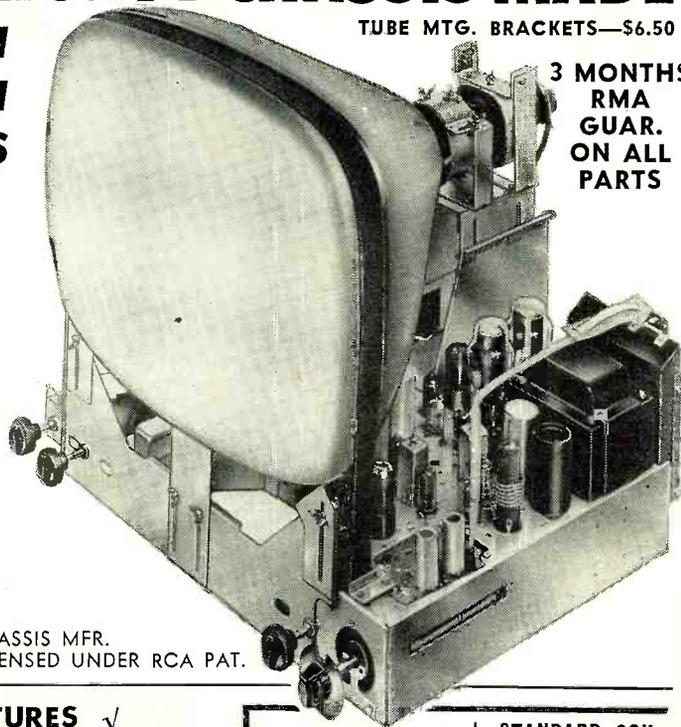
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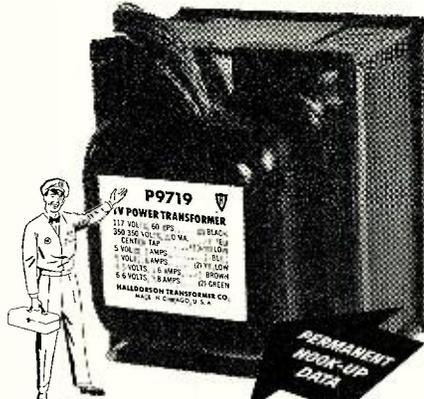
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British Somaliland—Radio Somali, Hargeisa, informs that its broadcasting hours are 0815-0930 on 7.125 (WRH)

Bulgaria—Radio Sofia noted with news 1600 on 7.671, 6.070; strong on both channels. (Catch, England) The 7.671 outlet heard with news 1500. (Bellington, N. Y.)

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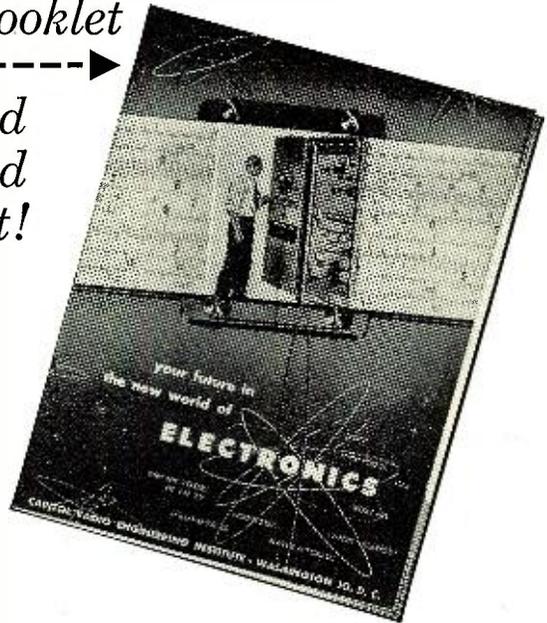
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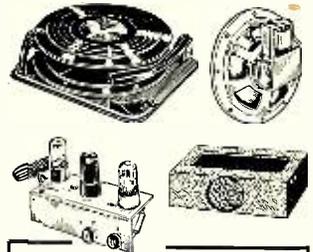
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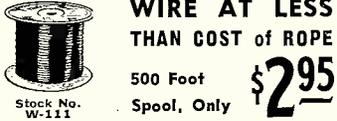
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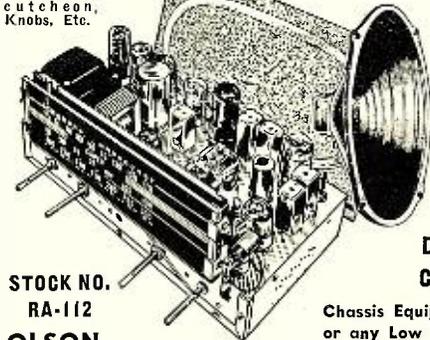
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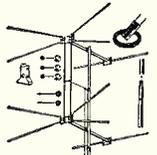
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Colombia—HJFC, "La Voz de America," 6.010, sent letter verification via airmail; listed HJFH on 4.875. (Pearce, England) HJAG, "Emisora Atlantico," 4.905, Barranquilla, broadcasts in Spanish daily 1000-2300, Sundays to 0100. (ISWC, London) HJFK was recently noted on 6.100 to 2300 sign-off; is "La Voz Amiga," Pereira, listed 6.095 but which has varied to 6.108 in the past. Recently heard Radio Manizales moved to 6.110 from 6.225; believe sign-off is 2300. (Stark, Texas) Bogota, 6.200A, Radio Nacional, noted lately at 2145 with "English by Radio." (Niblack, Ind.)

Costa Rica—TIDCR, "La Voz de la Victor," San Jose, sent QSL card; listed frequencies of 625 kc. and 9.615 (4 kw.); QRA is Apartado 3611, San Jose, Costa Rica. (Pearce, England) Radio Athenea, 11.972A, noted at fair level around 0845-0915. (West, Va.)

Cyprus—ZJM6, 6.790, Limassol, Asharq-al-Adna, noted 1144-1215. (Nattugslan, Sweden)

Czechoslovakia—Prague, 9.55, has a new session in English for North America 2300-2330. (Bellington, N. Y.) Heard on 9.504 with Spanish daily 0100. (Pearce, England) Has been noted in Stockholm on a new channel of 5.485 in Spanish 1820-1834 sign-off. (Radio Sweden)

Denmark—Copenhagen, 15.165, noted with clock chiming at 0900, signing on for India-Malaya in English. (Pearce, England) Noted yet to North America 2030-2130 and 2200-2300 over OZF, 9.52. (Saylor, Va., others)

Dominican Republic—HI2T, 9.730A, noted with English session 2100-2110, continued in Spanish; good level in N. Y. (Lubell) HI1N is heard some evenings (EST) on 6.043. (Stark, Texas) HI1Z, Radiodifusora Nacional, heard on 6.112 at 1932-2100. (Pelegrini, N. Y.)

Ecuador—What appears to be a new Ecuadorean is noted on 6.830A to 2302 sign-off; announces as "Radio Commercial." (Kary, Pa., Bellington, N. Y.) HCJB, 15.115, noted with English at 1645. (Pivnik, N. Y.)

Egypt—Hawthorne, Australia, says SUX, 7.865A, Cairo, is heard at excellent level around 1600. (Radio Australia) Bellington, N. Y., recently heard this one opening 2257 when man started to chant in Arabic; good level but had CWQRM, QSB. Cairo, 11.815, is widely heard signing on 1320 with news in French; has news in English 1330; noted by Boice, Conn., signing off recently 1647.

El Salvador—Radio Victoria, 11.765, San Salvador, was measured on this channel recently at 2015; had strong



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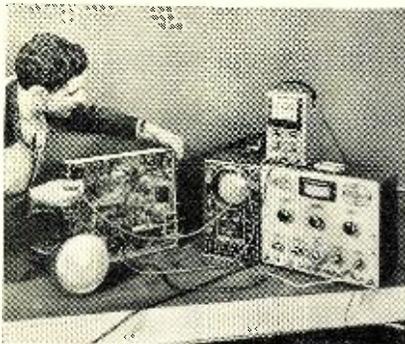
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England—The BBC has revised its schedule for the Pacific Service to 0300-0345 on 9.825, 9.690, 11.820, 11.955. (Cushen, N. Z.)

Ethiopia—*Radio Addis Ababa*, 15.048AV, is still noted to 1302 closedown; heard recently 1100 with call in French, then talk in that language by man; at 1130 began usual Amharic program of music and vocals; had talk in Amharic at 1230; on a Sunday was noted with *English* religious broadcast in progress at 1045, then went into French at 1100. (Pearce, England) Announces as "This is Radio Addis Ababa in the heart of Africa, the Voice of Ethiopia."

Falkland Islands—Port Stanley, 3.400, 0.25 kw., will increase power in 1953 to 5 kw. (WRH, others)

Finland—Helsinki now has *English* news at 0700 on 15.190; news in French 0715, recordings to 0745 when has news in Finnish; is audible in parallel on 9.555, but can not be heard on 17.800. (Pearce, England) Has *English* for North America on these channels 2200, French 2220. (ISWC, London)

France—Paris, 17.850, noted signing on in French 0145. (Pearce, England)

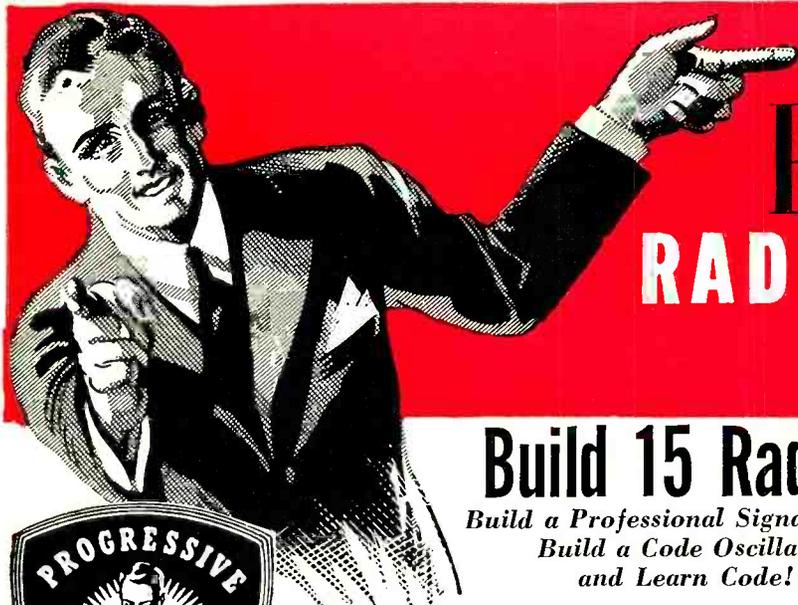
French Cameroons—According to Malmo DX-aren, Sweden, *Radio Douala* is heard on 9.150 with music at 1440; has CWQRM.

French Equatorial Africa—*Radio Brazzaville*, 15.595, noted in French at 0715 and signing off 0723 with "La Marsellaise." (Ferguson, N. C.) Schedule for *English* sessions includes 0030 on 11.970, 9.440 to Western North America, Europe; 0515 on 15.595, 9.440 to Middle East, Africa; 1100 on 11.970, 9.440 to Far East; 1315 and 1550 on 11.970, 9.440 to Europe, Africa; 1745 on 11.970, 9.440 to Eastern North America; on Sundays 1315 and 1745 and Mondays 0030 has "Africa Today," facts and events on the Dark Continent. (WRH)

French West Africa—*Radio Dakar*, 9.560A, announcing as *Radiodiffusion Francaise Afrique Occidentale*, signs on 0200 with French march, gives call in French, and then has an all-African dialect program of news, talks, native music and songs; scheduled to close 0315; a separate program in French is audible 0200 on 11.896A. (Pearce, England) The 9.560A channel is noted 1550-1730; news in French 1645. (Sutton, Ohio) Bellington, N. Y., confirms report from Pearce that signs on 0200 on this channel.

Germany—RIAS, 6.005, Berlin, noted 0100. (Pearce, England) Hamburg, 7.290, noted with popular American music 1830-1900, then slow-speed news in German to closedown which varies 1907-1915; RIAS, 6.005, Berlin, is heard 0000-0050, with news in German 0030. (West, Va.) Baden-Baden, 6.322, noted poor to fair 1700-1800 with recorded music, then news in German to 1815 closedown. (Kary, Pa.)

Greece—A Greek station noted on



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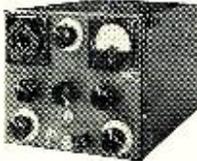
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Radio Athens, 7.300, is often at good level in Britain around 0100-0200. (Pearce) Noted on this channel with news 2300; opens 2230 with march. (Ferguson, N. C., others) Is now using 9.607 again, replacing 11.717A, to North America 1900-2000; news around 1935. (Niblick, Ind., others) Larissa, 6.745, heard with news in Greek 2330, poor level in Pa. (Kary)

Guadeloupe—Basse-Terre, 7.447A, is heard at weak strength with much CWQRM some days around 1830-2000 sign-off; takes relay of French news from Paris 1830-1900A. Closes with "La Marseillaise." (Kary, Pa., Stark, Texas, others)

Guam—Radio Free Asia relay is heard over KUJ2, 9.490A, at 0845 in English. (ISWC, London) Is scheduled except Mon. at 0700-0920. (WRH)

Guatemala—According to newspaper dispatches, station TGO-TGOA, "La Voz de las Americas," was recently completely destroyed by fire; TGOA has not been present lately on 6.101. (Robbins, Ind., via URDXC) TGJA, 5.990, Radio Nuevo Mundo, is heard well as early as 1900; has harmonic on 11.980. (Niblack, Ind.) Harmonic can be heard mornings (EST).

TGNA, 5.9525, noted with English identification recently 2215 when said 9.668 was in parallel; could not be found on 11.850, so must be using 5.9525 instead at that time now. (Bellington, N. Y.) The 9.668 channel is good level in Iowa at 2200-2230. (Lund)

Haiti—ISWC, London, says 4V2H, Port-au-Prince, is a new station operating on 6.200A; heard around 1200 on Sundays and from 1600 weekdays in French. This may be the Haiti outlet noted by Stark, Texas, signing off 2200. Brunell, Sweden, says Haiti on 6.197A is audible around 1715-1900 and that most of the program consists of Spanish and North American music and advertisements, not much French music. Stark says the Haiti

stations on 10.007A and 6.178 both announce as "Radio Haiti"; the 10.007A outlet is probably 4VRW, "the wanderer," up from around 9.986A.

4VEH, 9.624V, Cap-Haitien, noted with good signal in Spanish 0630-0800, English 0800-0833 sign-off; on Sundays has additional English sessions 0730, 2030. (West, Va.) Recently was measured as 9.6374. (Okay, N. J.)

A QSL letter in English from 4VM, La Radiodiffusion Haitien, 6.005, Port-au-Prince, listed 4VM, 6.010, and 4VYM, 1250 kc.; gave schedule of weekdays 1200-1500, 1800-2130, Sundays 1100-1500. (Paterson, Ga.)

Holland—December schedules for English from Radio Nederland are 0430-0510 to Australia, New Zealand, Pacific Area, 21.48, 17.775, 15.22, 6.025; 1100-1140 to South Asia and Africa, 11.73, 9.59, 6.025; 1630-1710 to Europe, North America, 9.59, 6.025; 2130-2210 to North America, 9.59, 6.025; sessions are listed "weekdays" only in GMT so may be off Saturdays (EST), that is, for the 2130-2210 beam, The "Happy Station Sessions" on Sundays only are scheduled 0530-0700, 21.48, 17.775, 15.22, 6.025, to Far East, Pacific Area, Europe; 1100-1230, 15.22, 11.73, 6.025, to Near and Middle East, Europe; 1630-1800, 9.59, 6.025, to South and Central America, and 2130-2300, 9.59, 6.025, to North America.

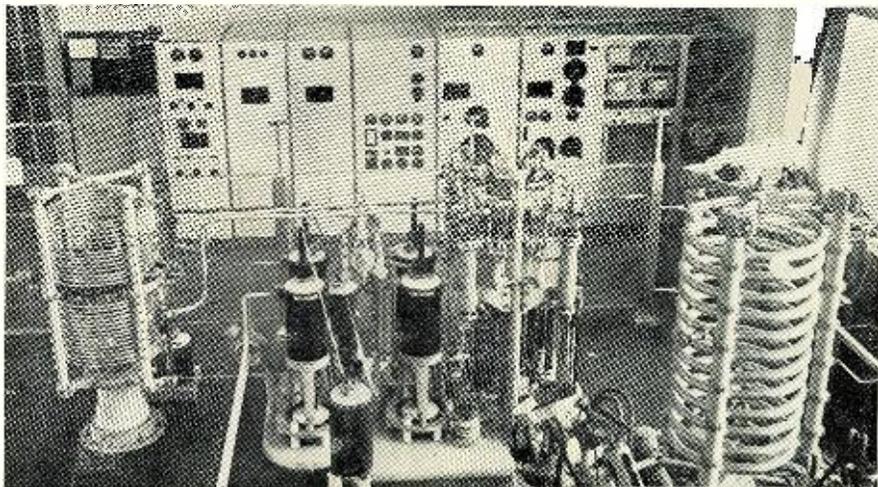
Honduras—"La Voz de Atlantida," 6.235, noted 2215. (Pelegri, N. Y.) HROW, 6.675, Radio Monserrat, is heard at good level from 2100 onwards. (Norman, Ga.)

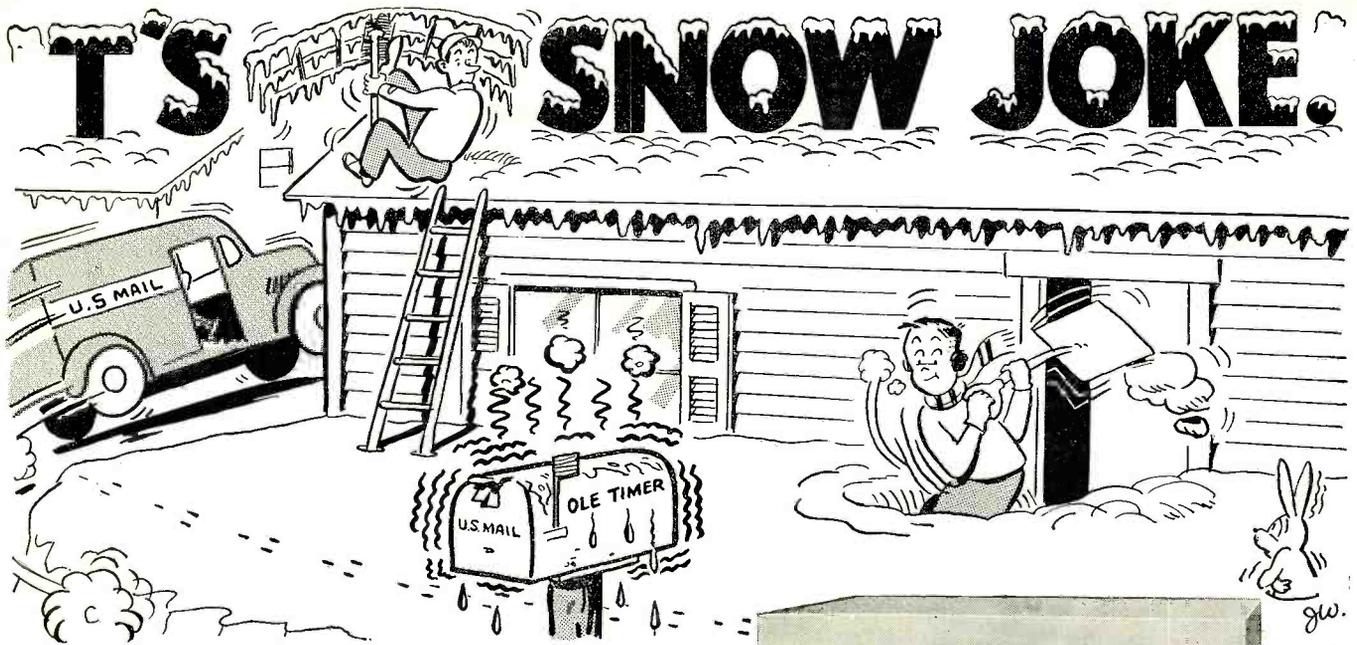
Hong-Kong—ZBW3, measured 9.524, noted at good strength just before 0730 with Chinese session; at 0730 takes relay, also Chinese, from BBC. (Hutchins, Radio Australia) Heard occasionally 0600 when has BBC news relay. (Kary, Pa.)

Hungary—Radio Budapest noted with English for North America 1715 on 9.833, 11.910A, 7.220. (Pearce, England, others)

India—VUC2, 4.800, Calcutta, noted 1145 with native music, bad CWQRM at times, poor level in Britain. Delhi, 4.960, heard 1155 with light music,

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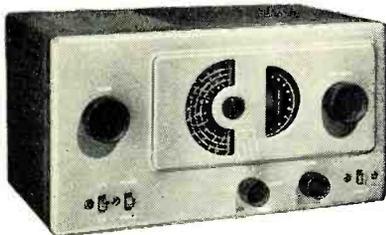


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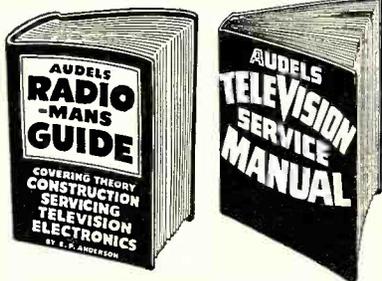
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then identifies in *English* 1200 and 1230, closes after clock chimes 1230; has QRM from Soviet outlet on 4.9575. VUD2, 3.495, noted 1205 with native music. Delhi, 4.940, heard 1210. VUD5, 15.190, is good level for news 0830; the 5.960 outlet is heard at 1745-1800 with Indonesian to Indonesia. (Catch) AIR noted to Europe in *English* 1345-1445 on 11.780, 9.570, 7.120. (Pearce, England) Bellington, N. Y., believes the 31-m. outlet is rather 9.565. Pearce recently noted AIR ending session in *English* to Southeast Asia 0330 on 17.705, signing on 0230 on 15.160 another day.

AIR, 17.760 (may be as low as 17.740), noted ending Cantonese session 0815 when identified in *English*. (West, Va.) Heard on 11.792 at 2050 in native session. (Ferguson, N. C.)

Indo-China (Vietnam) — Radio France-Asie, Saigon, is noted irregularly on 6.115 around 0830-0930; often has QRM; evidently has replaced the 9.75A outlet. (Balbi, Calif.) Noted in Britain on 9.754A signing on 1700 with "La Marseillaise" to Europe; has news in French, then at 1723 songs with orchestra; at 1735 has "Knightsbridge March" to introduce *English* session of news, music, to 1757, when plays "Knightsbridge March" again and signs off after call in French; announces next *English* for 1830 over 7.230. (Pearce, England) "The Voice of Vietnam," now moved from 7.090 to 7.290 has *English* from 0930 to closedown 1000. (Wada, Japan, via WRH)

Iran—EPB, 15.100, Teheran, noted with Eastern-type music 1428; news 1500; jammed at 1515 when had program in Russian. (Ferguson, N. C.)

Iraq—*Radio Baghdad*, 11.725A, can be heard some days signing on 2300A in Arabic. (Niblack, Ind., Bellington, N. Y.)

Ireland (Eire)—WRH says *Radio Eirrean*, Dublin, is using 15.120 and 9.595 for newscasts 1230-1250 and

1610-1630 (by this time may be on winter schedule of *one hour later*).

Israel—Tel Aviv, 9.010A, noted with *English* program ("Voice of Zion," relayed from Jerusalem) at 1515-1545; had French 1500; some QRM. (Lubell, N. Y.) Has *English* newscasts 0545 and 1415 on 9.010A, 6.830. (Radio Amateur, London) "Voice of Zion," P. O. Box 754, Jerusalem, Israel, issues a weekly program bulletin in *English* and French. (ISWC, London) A letter from the station says that soon will use a *new* 50 kw. transmitter. (Martin, R. I.) 4XB44, 6.725, Tel Aviv, *Galei Zahal*, is heard in Sweden around 1300-1400. (*Nattugglan*, Sweden)

Italy—Rome noted to Pacific with news, commentary from 0400 sign-on to 0440 closedown on 17.80; announces 21.56 and 15.40 in parallel. Noted with *English* for British Isles signing on 1245 on 11.81, 9.63. (Pearce, England) Is good level in Virginia at that time on these channels with news. (West) Rome, 7.110, still has Russian 2215, leaves the air 2245. (Kary, Pa.) Rome, 11.905, noted signing off 1755 with severe CWQRM. (Shaw, Fla.)

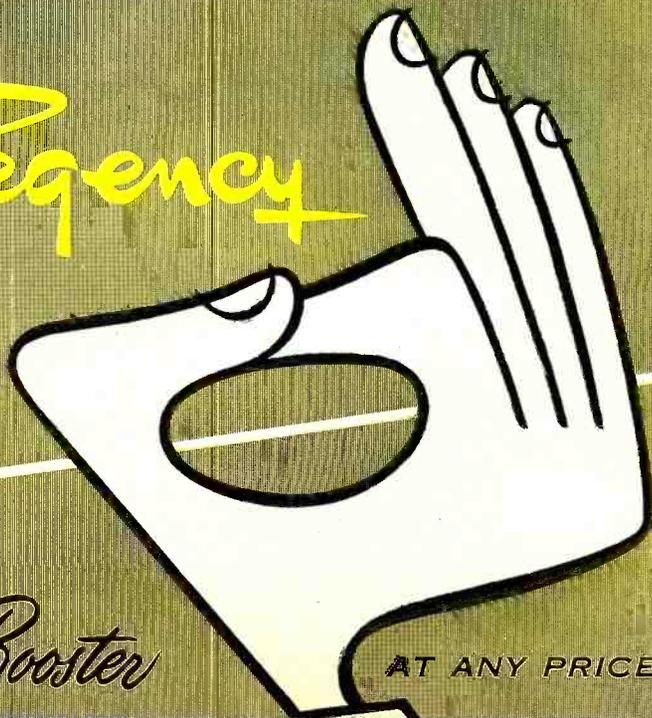
Ivory Coast—Kary, Pa., has received word from *Radio Abidjan*, Service de l'Information, Le Chef du Service de l'Information, Abidjan, Ivory Coast, that schedule on 7.210 currently is 1330-1600 weekdays, 1300-1600 Sundays.

Jamaica—*Radio Jamaica* definitely is still using 4.950 mornings (noted 0600 with "Church in the Wildwood" session) although has moved back to 3.360 for its evening beam (closes 2300 with "God Save the Queen"). (Kary, Pa., Bellington, N. Y., others)

Japan—*Radio Japan* sent this schedule—to North America 0000-0100, JOA6, 15.135, and JOB4, 11.705; to North China 0600-07000, JOA3, 9.675, and JOB2, 7.180; to Central China 0700-0800, JOA3, 9.675, and JOB2, 7.180; to Philippines-Indonesia 0900-



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Kenya Colony—Nairobi, 4.855, noted 1445 with orchestral records, 1500 time pips, then signed off with "God Save the Queen." Sent schedule for 863 kc. and 4.855 as Mon.-Fri. 0500-0600, 1000-1500, Sat. 0500-0610, 1000-1500, Sun. 0200-0600, 1000-1400. (Pearce, England)

Lebanon—Radio Beirut, 8.036A, is heard in Australia at very good strength around 1600. (Hawthorne, via Radio Australia)

Liberia—ELBC, 6.025A, noted signing off 1845 at weak level in Ind. (Ni-black)

Luxembourg—Radio Luxembourg is now scheduled in Flemish on 15.350 at 0600-0800; in English on 6.090 at 1300-1800. (WRH)

Madagascar—Radio Tananarive, 9.515, noted signing on 2230 in French after "La Marseillaise," then with setting-up exercises in that language.

Malaya—Radio Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, noted at fine level giving the "9:30 p.m. news from Singapore," at 0900 in parallel with Radio Malaya, Singapore, on 7.205A. BFEBs, Singapore, is heard relaying BBC's "Radio Newsreel" 0900 on 7.12; 11.955 is not audible at that time but is at good strength 1100 with BBC news relay. (Balbi, Calif.) BFEBs noted on 15.435 at 1000 relaying BBC; also at 1030 on 11.955 with "English by Radio" session; announced was using 17.755 and 15.435 to India-Pakistan, and 11.955 and 7.120 to Burma-Thailand. (Catch, England) Heard on 17.755 at 0500 relaying BBC when announced also was using 9.69, 6.10. (Pearce, England) The Blue Network of Radio Malaya is heard by Pearce on 7.200A at 1032 with dance music and closing 1100 with "God Save the Queen."

BFEBs, Singapore, QSL'd by card; officials stated they only QSL reports of a technical nature and of such length of time as to be assured that it is not freak reception, and that they do not QSL reports of transmitted program matter only; QRA is British Far Eastern Broadcasting Service (BBC), Singapore, Malaya. (URDXC)

Manchuria—Mukden, 7.665, is noted around 1640-1655 when is swallowed in QRM: (Kary, Pa.)

Mexico—XEHH was noted recently on 11.923 at 1907 tune-in; may have moved from 11.880. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Monaco—Radio Monte Carlo, 9.785, is heard some days around 1545-1730; has news in French 1700-1705. (West, Va.) Appears now to have religious broadcasts in English on Thursdays around 1730-1800 on both 9.785, 6.035. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Mozambique—ISWL, Britain, reports CR7BG, 9.855, at 1230 with musical session.

New Caledonia—The new 6.000 channel (scheduled 0200-0540A) of Radio Noumea was measured in Melbourne recently as 6.000324. (Radio Australia)

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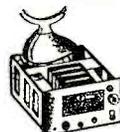
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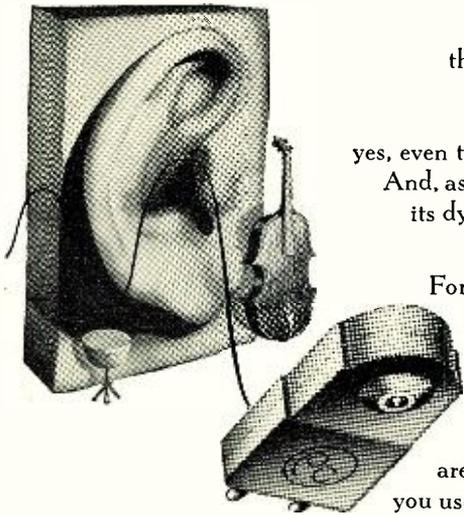
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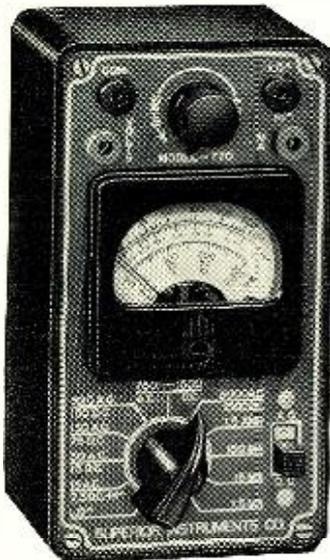
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Nicaragua—YSUA, 6.102, noted recently to after 2330. (Stark, Texas)

Norway—LLK, 11.852, Oslo, noted 1140 with music; closed down 1200 with *English* and Norwegian announcements; strong signal in England.

The Oslo University's experimental transmitter, 7.240, was heard this fall around 1700-1735 when closed with singing by a choir; could not be found parallel on listed 11.850; QSL card and letter were received, said "next year at Festival Time will use 7.210 as there has been much Russian QRM" on 7.240 in Norway.

Pakistan—*Radio Pakistan*, Karachi, noted near 17.715 with news 0330-0340, then news in Urdu, followed by native music; closes 0430. Still tests to Turkey, United Kingdom 1430-1600 on 9.484, 11.914; heard to Indonesia at 0630-0715 on 17.835 in parallel with 15.270 in all-native session; heard with news on 11.845 at 1015-1030. (Pearce, England) Is heard on 11.885 with oriental music 2015-2100; identified in *English* 2045. (West, Va.) The 15.335 channel is parallel in this transmission.

Panama—HO50, Panama City, *Radio Programas*, sent QSL card; listed HO50, 5.995, Panama City; HP5A, 11.700, Panama City; HP5K, 6.005, Colon, and HOJA, 9.650, Chitre. (Patterson, Ga.) HOLA, 9.505, heard 2230-2300. (Pelegri, N. Y.)

Peru — OAX1A, 6.157, Chiclayo, *Radio Delcar*, noted again to 2330 sign-off. (Stark, Texas)

Philippines—The *Radio Free Asia* relay is scheduled over 6.110 and 11.940 daily except Mondays 0700-0920 (English 0845-0910). (WRH)

Poland—Warsaw, 7.175, begins Italian broadcast 0100. (Pearce, England) Winter schedules for *English* broadcasts to Europe include 0130-0200, 6.140, 7.155, 5.995; 1200-1230, 7.175, 9.555; 1230-1300, 6.115, 9.555, 7.145; 1400-1430, 6.115, 9.555, 7.145; 1430-1455, 6.140, 7.155, 5.975; 1730-1800, 6.140, 7.155, 5.975; on Wednesday, Saturday at 0930-1030 on 9.527 and 7.155 has a special musical session for English-speaking listeners called "Music, the Common Language of All People." (Catch, England) Noted closing down 1345 on 11.80 with slogan "This is Warsaw For Peace and Understanding Among All People." (Boice, Conn.) Heard on 5.995 at 0013 tune-in with French. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Portugal—Lisbon, 6.372, noted 1925 with CWQRM and QRN; noted on 9.740A at 2000-2100 sign-off in Portuguese news, music, poems. (Pelegri, N. Y.) Lisbon is heard often on 11.963A around 0700, usually at good level. (Niblack, Ind.) Is heard on 15.125 to 0800. (Leary, Ind.)

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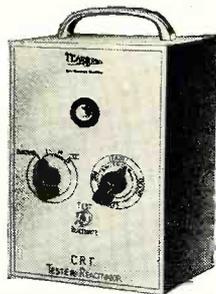
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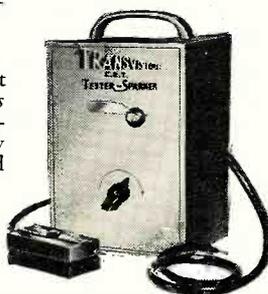
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Saudi-Arabia — Djeddah is operating on two new channels—6.175 and 7.245—heard in Sweden by Engberg at 1110-1145; noted by Bellington, N. Y., around 2230-2302 (sign-on and sign-off varies somewhat).

Somalia — *Radio Mogadishu*, 7.385, noted with news in Italian around 1225-1235, and closing down 1301 with light music after identification. (Pearce, England)

South Africa—SABC, 11.937, Johannesburg, noted with *English* for Africa from 1200. (Pearce, England)

Southern Rhodesia—ZCAF, 3.320, Salisbury, noted 1240 with popular records, followed at 1250 by stock market quotations; 1257 musical interlude, followed at 1300 by BBC news relay; fair level but with bad CWQRM at times. (Catch, England)

Spain—FED, Valladolid, noted on measured 7.002 at strong level 0900; closed 0930 with "Arriba Espana! Viva Franco!" "La Voz de Falanage," 7.380, Madrid, noted signing on with Falangist March 1630. (Pearce, England) Malaga has returned to the air on 7.022, sign-on is believed to be 1600 when relays news in Spanish from Madrid to 1615; signs off 1833 following Spanish National Anthem; fair level but often has amateur CWQRM. *Radio Mediterraneo*, Valencia, has moved to about 6.994 where is heard around 1600-1830 sign-off. (Kary, Pa.)

Madrid, 9.363, is good level in Wisconsin at 2210 in *English* for North America. (Lund)

Surinam—PZH5, 5.752A, noted signing off 2058 with Dutch National Anthem. (Levy, N. Y.)

Sweden—*Radio Sweden* noted on 6.065 with Home Service relay at 1350, excellent signal in Britain. (Catch) Noted on 15.155 with *English* to South America 0600-0615, then with Swedish. (Walem, Belgium) Heard with *English* to North America around 1900-1915, then Swedish, on 9.535. (Pivnik, N. Y.) And at 1200 on 15.155 with news. (Leary, Ind.)

Switzerland — HER2, 6.055, Berne, noted 1415 with *English* session for the United Kingdom and Ireland; excellent level. (Catch, England) Berne noted ending *English* 2215 on 7.21, 9.535, 11.865; reopens 2320 announcing 6.165, 7.21, 9.535, 9.665, 11.865. (Bishop, Ohio)

Syria—*Radio Damascus*, 11.913A, still has French 1530-1630, and *English* 1630-1730 closedown, with news 1715. Heard on 11.74 at 1635 in Arabic, signing off 1700. (Pearce, England)

Tahiti—*Radio Tahiti*, 6.135, Papeete, sometimes is readable in French around 0030-0130 sign-off. (Kary, Pa.)

Taiwan (Formosa)—BED4, 11.920, Taipei, noted 1305 with Chinese music; *English* 1324-1350. (Pearce, Eng-

land) "The Voice of Righteousness Broadcasting Station," Taipeh. Taiwan, Free China, is QRA of BEC36, 7.400. (Radio Sweden) BEC32, 9.775, Taipeh, is audible some days 0615. (Kary, Pa.)

Tanganyika—Radio Dar-es-Salaam has changed schedule to 1130-1230 Mon.-Sat. with programs in Swahili, 1230-1330 Mon. *only* program in English, on 1250 kc., 3.251, and 5.505; power for each transmitter is 0.25 kw. (WRH)

Tangier—Radio Africa, 7.126, noted 0840 at good level with music, announcements in Spanish. The DUX Radio session in Swedish from this station is Tuesdays 1500-1530 and Thursdays 1530-1600. (Pearce, England) Despite reports to the contrary, Radio International, Tangier, is still using 6.110, noted around 1800. (Catch, England)

Thailand—According to Hutchins, Australia, Bangkok has been heard 0630 ending English session (which begins 0500) and saying that frequencies are now 15.630, 11.904, 7.140, 6.240, and 825 kc. Hutchins found 11.910 at good level; 6.240, fair; 15.630, very weak, while 7.140 could not be located.

Turkey—Istanbul University will shortly operate a 1 kw. transmitter in addition to its present 500-watt one. (Cushen, N. Z.) Plans have been made for a more powerful transmitter at Izmir and for a new transmitter at Malatya; Izmir now operates on 6.383. (Patrick, England, via ISWC, London)

Radio Ankara was noted recently on (announced) 9.53 with English session for North America 1815-1900, evidently moved from (former) 9.515. (Sutton, Ohio) Heard on 15.160 with native music 1540, news in French 1530; English for Europe-Britain 1600.

Uruguay—CXA10, Radio Electrica, noted recently around 11.90 at 1820 with symphonic music, Spanish identification; at times is as low as 11.895A. (Bellington, N. Y.)

USA—AAH, 11.996A, Seattle, Washington, of the Alaskan Communications System, was noted testing 1105 tune-in. (Niblack, Ind.)

USSR—A Soviet outlet was noted recently on 6.055 in parallel with 6.11 with English at 0130-0200; best on 6.055, weak on 6.11. (Balbi, Calif.) Moscow, 7.165, has German session 1515-1530. (Kary, Pa.)

Radio Moscow is noted around 15.100A at 2030-2200 with English for North America. (Brown, Texas) Lists English news for 1830, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2300, 2400, and 0030 over 15.33, 15.25, 15.23, 15.11, 11.91, 11.83, 11.81, 11.71, 9.67, 9.65, 9.55, 7.24. (Parrish, Ga.) (Actually, some of these outlets are from satellite countries.—K.R.B.)

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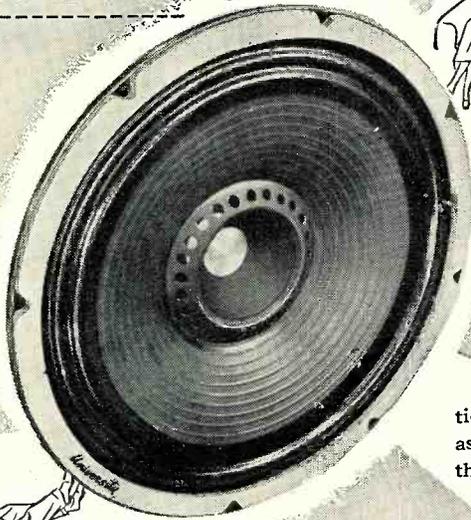
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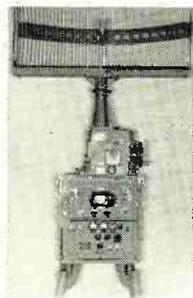
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Television DX
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—and in a matter of minutes a lot of TV sets would be perking.

Getting the XYL—or “wife” to the uninitiated—into the act is pretty important, unless you are working on a job in which you can monitor signals during the day. For a lot of the best “openings” occur during the daytime, when the OM is off earning a living.

What is a typical “opening” like? Let’s take a look at the log for June 18th.

At 9:00 a.m. Houston began to make an appearance—with diagonal bars appearing on the screen, which occasionally would break into a picture. After an hour or so the picture would stay in sync most of the time, and the sound came up to the understandable level.

At 12:45, Houston dropped out completely. But at 3:30 p.m., WSB in Atlanta appeared, with an excellent picture, which lasted for a couple of hours and got better and better. So it was expected that more signals would develop, and sure enough, at 5:30 KOTV on Channel 6 in Tulsa came in, followed by KEYL, San Antonio, and WAGA, Atlanta, fighting it out on Channel 5.

At 8:30 p.m. Atlanta was back on Channel 2, but there was some inter-

ference in the background. The interference finally grabbed the ball, and it was KTSL in Los Angeles. KTSL dropped down into the snow after a few minutes—but was still making diagonal bars on the screen at 10 p.m.

The next morning a new one, WDTV Pittsburgh, pounded in bright and early at 7:10 a.m. on Channel 3. An unidentified station was on Channel 4, and another on Channel 2. At 9:00 a.m. WJBK was identified on Channel 2, and at 10:00 a.m. WKZO Kalamazoo came in. During the next couple of hours several more stations were picked up but not identified—and not until KPRC reappeared on Channel 2 at 7:30 p.m. was it possible to get call letters. KPRC stayed on for a few minutes—then faded out—and the “opening” was over. Two days elapsed before another signal was picked up, when KNXT in Hollywood appeared at 11:35 a.m. with a good picture, but not one shred of sound, to be followed a couple of hours later by KRON on Channel 4 in San Francisco—and another “opening” was on.

The “openings” mostly follow a similar pattern—with the more distant stations being heard first and last—and closer stations in between. Likewise, most of the time signals appear first on Channel 2, then on the higher frequencies up to Channel 6 if conditions are ideal, then gradually work back to Channel 2. There are excep-

tions—but Channel 2 is the channel to watch the most.

But what if you have a local station on Channel 2? Then Channel 4 is probably your other best bet—because there is pretty apt to be interference on Channel 3 from the local. If both Channel 2 and 4 are occupied, better find some other indoor sport except when the locals are off the air.

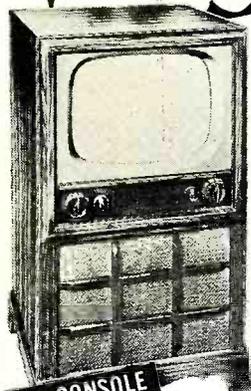
If there are no interfering signals—or if you are one of the many people in areas with one or no stations—then TV DX-ing is a lot of fun. And it is about to open up again—for the records show that December is the next best month to June for TV DX-ing. After mid-December you should receive it quite frequently. It will drop out in January—but you will have had a crack at it.

Actually, long distance TV reception has a lot of practical angles. It provides a way for the technician to get a crack at actual reception before a station opens up nearby. It will provide local publicity.

But most important, in the writer’s opinion, is that it gives the old hand at radio an intriguing new experience. The writer—who was winding coils at 14 years, and trying to coax in the London BBC station on a one tube UX-199 short-wave set—has worked the world with a 10 meter phone rig. But no thrill in radio ever quite came up to that of seeing the snow fall away and the first long distance TV sta-

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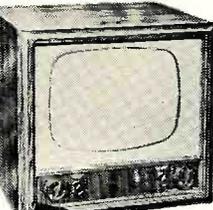


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tion come threading in. There is something a bit magic about TV—which is above and beyond ordinary radio.

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Ten years of salesmanship hadn't convinced the YF that ham radio had much to offer. But something about scooping the neighbors with TV seems to the intrigue the lady of the house—or at any rate, intrigued *one* lady—who actually logged most of the reception at the Johnsons.

In fact, she was a little sad, as was the writer, the night recently when KFEL-TV Channel 2 broke the silence in Denver and came on the air—in the process killing off the best TV DX band.

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The best guess was that it was Los Angeles. And a quick trip to Channel 4 revealed San Francisco coming through—the picture weak, full of snow, dropping in and out of vertical sync. But DX!

Everything seemed right again. December, here we come!

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Sell Portables

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they are displaying portables every month of the year.

A "Follow the Sun" promotion initiated by *Westinghouse Electric Corp.* in 1950 attempted to stimulate portable sales in southern states during the winter months. The successful result of this program has led the company to recognize the importance of merchandising portables year-round. This year the company has prepared a diversified Christmas promotion designed primarily to boost the sale of portable radios.

The radio dealer who begins his portable radio promotion campaign on Memorial Day and winds it up after Labor Day is only scratching the surface of potential portable radio sales, according to H. G. Baker, vice-president in charge of *RCA Victor's* Home Instrument Department.

"The portable radio is 'seasonal' 365 days out of the year," he said. "Each and every week in the year, hot or cold, snow or sun, millions of potential portable radio customers take to the out-of-doors—traveling, vacationing, hiking, week-ending, hayriding, weenie roasting, and sleighing. Aggressive advertising and well-directed promotions are the primary tools required by the dealers to convince the outdoor set that the portable is as much fun on these fall, winter, and springtime outings as it is on summer jaunts.

"Because the portable radio has year-round use, it has year-round gift appeal for all members of the family," Mr. Baker said. "With advertising, sales promotion, and in-store displays keyed to the gift theme, the dealer should have little difficulty in establishing the portable

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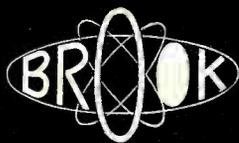
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Another company that has long understood the need for year-round selling of portables is the Zenith Radio Corporation. Mr. D. H. Grigsby, the company's advertising manager, puts it this way:

"We have always considered portables as a year-round item. True, we do more advertising and promotion of them during the Summertime but, at the same time, we do not entirely halt our promotional efforts after Labor Day.

"The Christmas Season is one of the big selling seasons for portable radios and they will be given an important part in our Christmas promotion and advertising plans. We will maintain mention of portables in our regular national magazine advertising, and up-to-date advertisements for dealer use in local newspapers will be supplied throughout the Winter Season."

To further indicate the trend of year-round portable promotion, one has only to view the number of new models that are being introduced other than during the spring season. Most recently The Hallicrafters Company announced the introduction of what they feel is their top quality portable, the TW1000. Years ago it was considered sales heresy to even mention a new portable radio during what was then termed the "off-season."

The emergence of a year-round portable market has naturally affected the growth of battery sales.

L. S. Thees, general sales manager of the Tube Department of RCA Victor, evaluates the battery potential as follows:

"Sales of replacement radio batteries and component parts as well, are keyed to the number of portable radios in use and to the frequency of use. Today, more portables are being used more often than ever before.

"To capitalize on this expanding market, the radio service dealer must educate set owners in his market area to the fact that maximum portable radio performance the year round depends on periodic service check-ups and maintenance the year round," he said.

"In his efforts to promote the importance of round-the-calendar maintenance, the radio service dealer should be alert to the possibility of coordinating promotions with neighboring radio dealers, travel agencies, sporting goods stores, and other retailers who cater to the out-door set," Mr. Thees declared. "From such associations can come mutually beneficial exchanges of mailing lists, joint window displays, and cooperative advertising and sales promotion efforts."

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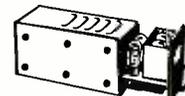
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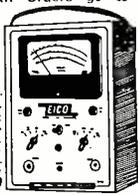
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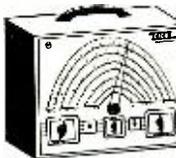
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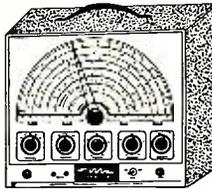
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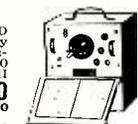


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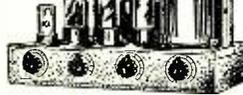
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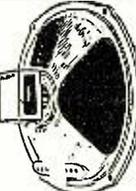
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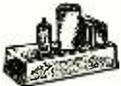
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U.H.F. Antennas

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useful in places where a broader characteristic might lead to ghost images or other interferences.

In the u.h.f. band, making each leg length equal to two or more wavelengths would not result in an unwieldy array. Thus, at a frequency of 470 mc., one wavelength is equal to approximately 24 inches and two wavelengths would be 48 inches. Suitable mechanical support can be furnished by a cross-arm mast which is mounted at the top end of a pipe. The array would then be oriented with the resistor end pointing in the direction of the station.

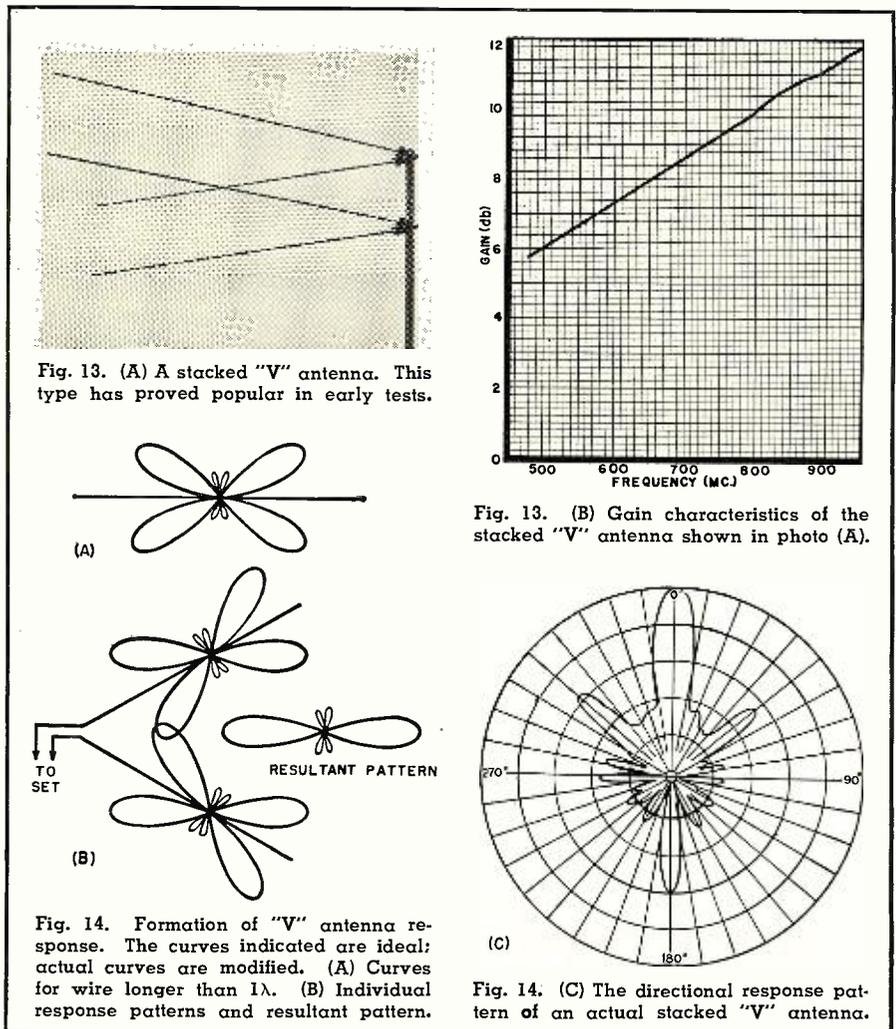
Stacking of rhombic antennas can be employed for increased gain just as it can with any other type of array. Separation of one-half wavelength is recommended and under these conditions a gain increase of 2 db occurs over the entire band. Stacking will also increase the vertical directivity and this may reduce the number of undesired signals which the array picks up. It will be found that reflections of waves upward from the earth tend to be more numerous at ultra-high frequencies. Hence increased

vertical directivity will often prove to be highly beneficial at the higher frequencies. This is a good point to keep in mind.

Stacked "V"

A broadband u.h.f. array which has received a considerable amount of attention is the stacked "V" antenna shown in Fig. 13. Stacked "V"s and rhombics belong to that class of antennas known as long-wire antennas. If we take a wire which is more than one wavelength long and use this for reception, the response pattern will be as shown in Fig. 14A. If two such wires are arranged to form a "V," the over-all pattern assumes the shape shown in Fig. 14B. The response is now essentially bi-directional although a number of minor lobes do exist.

The gain of a "V" antenna is dependent on the leg length and on the value of the angle which the two wires make with each other. Gain increases more or less directly with leg length and so it would appear advisable to make each wire as long as possible. The only difficulty encountered in this respect is antenna support because if the unit is to be supported entirely at one end, the wire length cannot be too great or the array will swing back and forth in the wind leading to eventual breakage.



Also, too much structural vibration frequently results in signal variation. A good compromise in physical length is between 50 and 55 inches. This is still several wavelengths long at the lowest u.h.f. operating frequency and provides good gain.

The best suitable "V" angle lies between 40° and 60° and the compromise figure of 50° is frequently chosen.

Stacking of two "V" antennas one-half wavelength apart (at the lowest operating frequency) provides an increase in gain while at the same time making the vertical response narrower. The two "V" sections are connected by a short length of 300-ohm line. Connection of the lead-in line is then made to the mid-point of this section. 300-ohm transmission line is used for this, too.

The simple construction of this antenna, its extremely wide-band coverage, plus the fact that its gain rises with frequency make it appealing for installations. A rising gain characteristic is desirable to offset the increased attenuation which occurs at the higher frequencies.

The directivity pattern of a stacked "V" antenna (Fig. 14C) shows that minor lobes can cause interference in areas where secondary signals are present. However, in reasonably clear areas, the high gain afforded by this array makes it attractive.

It may be mentioned in passing that a leg length of 55 inches is close to being a quarter wavelength at lower v.h.f. channels. Thus, the stacked "V" will, in many instances, operate satisfactorily on both v.h.f. bands as well as on the u.h.f. band.

Other Antennas

While we have more or less ignored present v.h.f. antennas as far as their application to the u.h.f. band is concerned, there is no reason why they could not be employed for u.h.f. reception. If anything, their smaller size at u.h.f. frequencies makes them more suitable for stacking and consequently can provide greater gain.

As an illustration, consider the 4-bay folded dipole array shown in Fig. 15. Each folded dipole is one-half wavelength long from end to end or one full wavelength all the way around. Separation between bays is one-half wavelength while all reflectors are made 5 per-cent longer than a folded dipole. The gain of this array is approximately 12 db and the directivity is such that the beam angle is only 25°. See Fig. 16. There are several secondary lobes, but they are small and can ordinarily be disregarded.

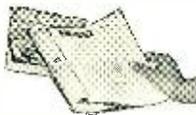
Connection between the several bays is made with commercially available 450-ohm open wire transmission line. Also, the 450-ohm line is employed to bring the signal to the receiver. The attenuation of open wire lines is considerably lower than either the familiar 300-ohm twin-lead or any of the coaxial cables and, in this respect, is desirable for u.h.f. application.

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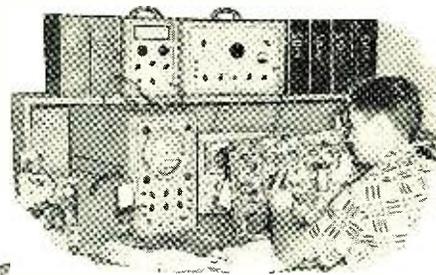
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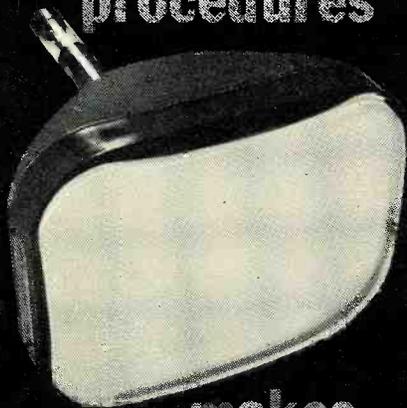
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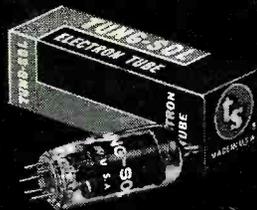
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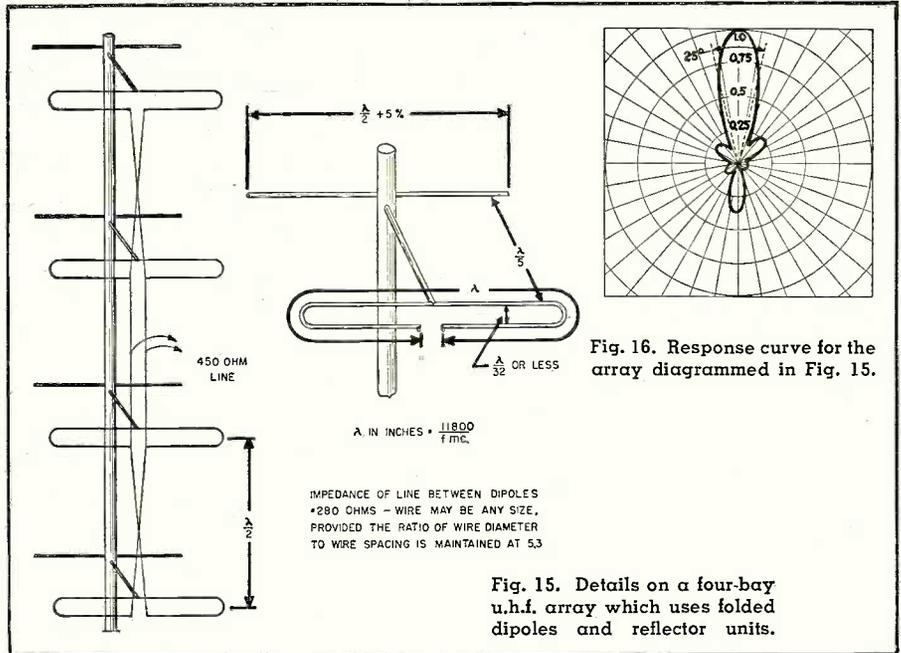


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368 ohms or we can taper the two wires on the 450-ohm line inward until the impedance they present is 300 ohms. The taper should be very gradual, extending over a distance of two wavelengths. See Fig. 20. This serves to gradually step down the 450-ohm open line impedance to 300 ohms, at which point direct connection can be

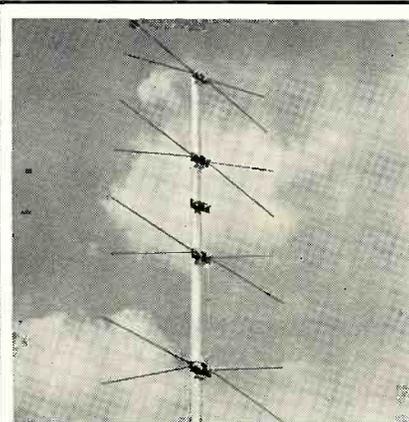


Fig. 17. A four-bay conical array which is suitable for u.h.f. television work.

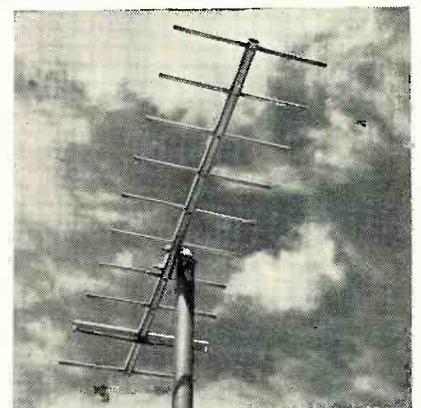


Fig. 18. A u.h.f. yagi. A large number of directors can be used, increasing the gain.

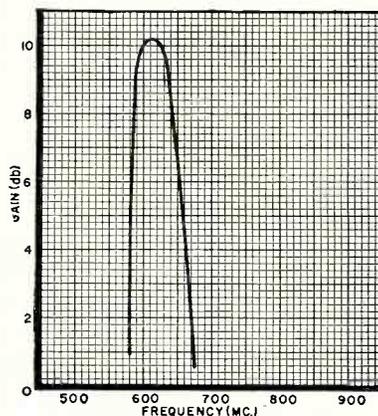


Fig. 19. (A) The gain characteristic of a yagi antenna for u.h.f. reception.

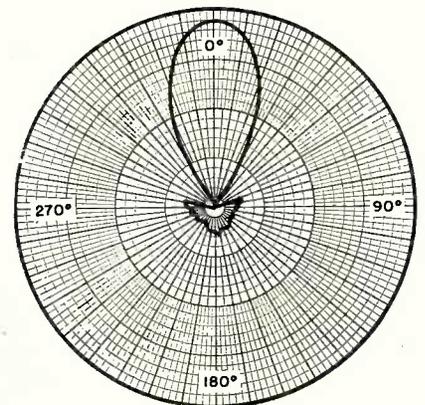


Fig. 19. (B) Directional response of a yagi. The minor lobes are very small.

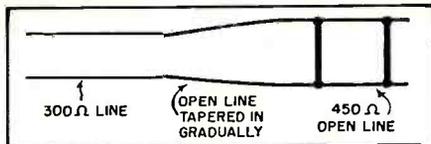


Fig. 20. How to connect a 450-ohm line to a 300-ohm line without having a mismatch.

made to the receiver. (It may be possible to connect the open-wire line directly to the balanced receiver input without noticeable loss of signal or the formation of ghosts. Receiver input impedances, although stated to be 300 ohms, often vary considerably above and below this value.)

When the receiver input impedance is 75 ohms, unbalanced, then a matching device (known as a balun) must be inserted between the transmission line and the receiver. A balun would be required, too, between an incoming 75-ohm coaxial cable and a balanced 300-ohm receiver input. In the final article of this series, the construction of baluns will be covered.

A 4-bay stacked conical is shown in Fig. 17. This is another adaptation of a very popular v.h.f. array. Spacing between bays is one-half wavelength and connections between the four units is similar to that shown in Fig. 15.

A favorite fringe area antenna on the low bands is the yagi. Properly dimensioned, the same array can be gainfully employed for the reception of ultra-high frequency signals. The unit shown in Fig. 18 will have a gain of almost 10 db at its resonant frequency and a fairly sharp directional pattern. See Fig. 19. Of course, whether the yagi is employed at u.h.f. or v.h.f. frequencies, its gain falls off rapidly on either side of resonance. In areas of interference this property can be of great value; at other times the narrow bandpass can be more of a disadvantage than an advantage.

(Because of the lower relative "Q" of tuning systems at u.h.f., of which the antenna is one, the yagi can still be employed to receive something like 5 or 6 adjacent channels at frequencies near 500 mc. At 900 mc., this number increases to nine or ten. However, by comparison with other u.h.f. arrays, the frequency response of a yagi must still be considered as being very narrow.)

The more elements that are added to a yagi (in this case, directors), the greater the gain and the narrower the beam angle. Also, with more elements, the input impedance presented by the dipole decreases. To present an impedance of 300 ohms, the diameter of one rod of the dipole is greater than the diameter of the other rod. Actually, the impedance of this particular dipole, by itself, is in the vicinity of 600 ohms. However, when the reflector and directors are added, the impedance value decreases to 300 ohms. By altering the spacing and the diameter of the rods in the folded dipole, various impedances can be obtained.

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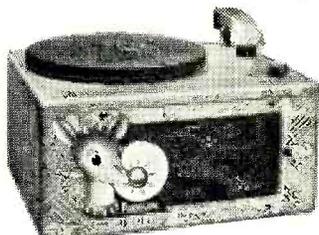
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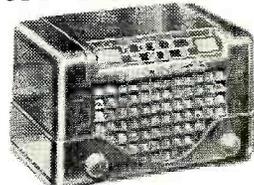
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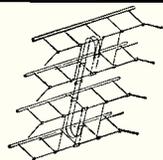


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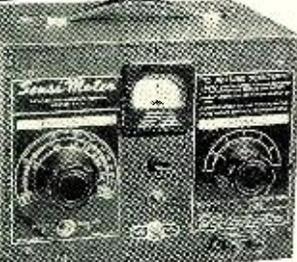
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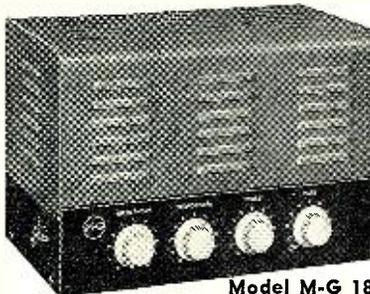
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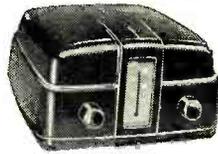
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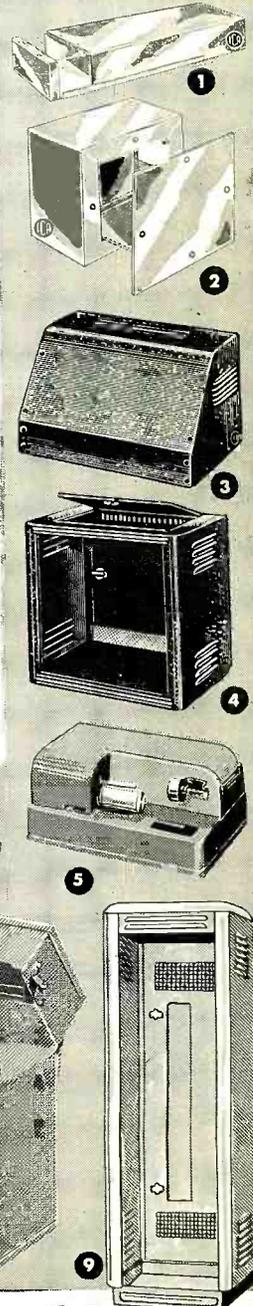
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Transient Response

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Improved speaker design may be obtained by increasing the angular dispersion of the high frequencies by means of an apex area diffusion system comprised of two concentric horns, the outer horn being terminated in an additional dispersion ring; the magnetic efficiency may be improved by the use of a "W" shaped magnet which reduces magnetic circuit losses; voice coil protection may be obtained by structurally stabilizing the voice coil form by means of a dural ribbed winding form and through the mechanical bridge of the diffusion system; forced cooling of the voice coil may be realized by the judicious "W" design of the magnet; high conversion efficiency may be realized by heavy-duty magnet of Alnico V; an investment protection may be afforded through certified, acoustically-correct diaphragm-basket assembly replacement.



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From Alembon to Swingate, 40 miles, the signal crossed the Channel on a carrier frequency of approximately 4500 mc. From Swingate to Wrotham, 49 miles, a similar link was used, working on the same band. Equipment for both of these "hops" was made by *E.M.I.*

From Wrotham to London, 23 miles, a radio link made by *S.T.C.* was used. This operated on approximately 4500 mc.

At London, the demodulated signal (after a nearly 300-mile voyage on radio links) was amplified and controlled and fed to the Alexandra Palace television transmitter working on 41.5 mc. sound and 45 mc. vision. This transmitter covers the southern part of Great Britain.

Simultaneously this signal was sent over the coaxial cable that links London to Birmingham and Manchester. The use of the coaxial link was possible because of the relatively narrow bandwidth of the British standards (video frequencies being limited to 2.8 mc.).

Coaxial Link

From London to Birmingham, the cable extends over 120 miles, with eleven repeater stations in actual use out of the 43 provided in case the British adopt a greater bandwidth in the future.

From Birmingham to Manchester the coaxial cable covers a distance of over 90 miles, with repeater stations spaced at about six-mile intervals.

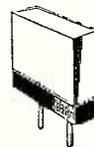
At Birmingham the coaxial route branches off to the nearby Sutton Coldfield television transmitter which covers the central portion of the country with a power of 30 kw. for video on a 61.75 mc. carrier and 12 kw. for the sound on a 58.25 mc. carrier.

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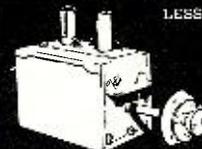
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circuit as an increase in impedance. The extent of this back e.m.f. depends in part upon the strength of the gap flux. In a weak field, it is low; in a strong field it is high.

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According to the immutable laws of action and reaction, this induced field will be built up in such a direction as to oppose the field which originally was the cause of its existence, which latter field is, of course, the gap flux. This opposition or bucking action of the driving field and the induced field will tend to grind the system to a halt. The higher the gap flux, the greater the bucking field, the faster the stop. The end effect is that when the driving signal stops, the diaphragm is damped to a standstill when enough gap flux is available to critically damp the system. This method of electrical damping by means of powerful magnetic flux is one which represents high efficiency in contrast to damping by mechanically viscous means. In the latter method electrical input power is dissipated in the form of heat instead of being converted into radiated power.

Diaphragm Distortion

There are cases of loudspeaker design where it is necessary to resort to a lightweight diaphragm in order to obtain any appreciable output. With such light and often mechanically unstable diaphragms, it is usually difficult to maintain tone without harmonic frequency generation. As a result we hear not only the original tone, but overtones as well. This sort of harmonic distortion may not be particularly unpleasant, but it does give rise to new frequencies and beats between frequencies which were not part and parcel of the original music. The addition of all these generated frequencies certainly removes the speaker from the high-fidelity, or faithful-reproducer, class.

Just as disturbing to clean reproduction is "cone cry" which is the tendency of the diaphragm to physically break up into geometric areas which vibrate independently, and at frequencies which are not harmonically related. These chains of spurious frequencies are mathematically known as the Bessel series, in contrast to the

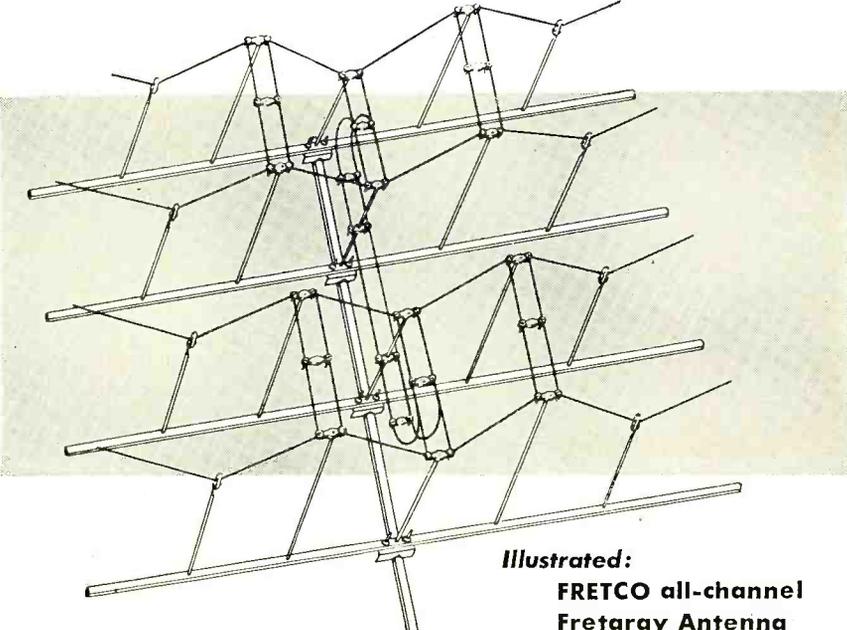
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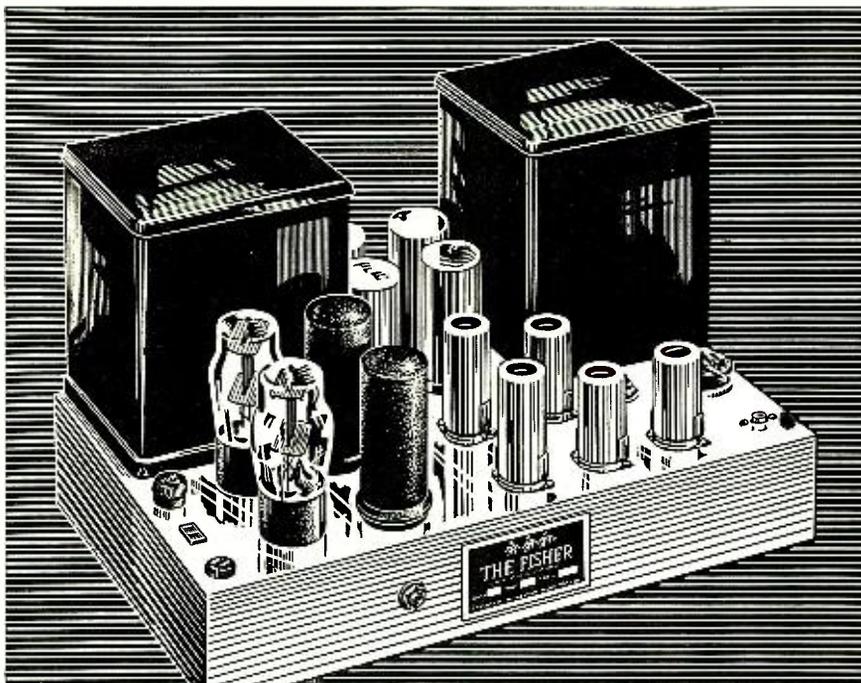
During seven days, 13½ hours of common programs were telecast, mostly of the outside pickup type. Seventeen full programs were produced in sixteen different locations in or near Paris—which is believed to be some sort of record for a seven-day period. One program was produced in the French studios.

Speakers of both nationalities were employed, either simultaneously or on two different lines, according to the type of program being transmitted. When the common programs were not being transmitted, B.B.C. and R.T.F. broadcast their separate features according to their usual schedules.

Some of the highlights in the week-long program included an "introduction" to Paris from the second floor of the Eiffel Tower and, in the evening, "Stars in the Sky," a cabaret show from the Eiffel Tower; "Paris Artists," the cellars of Saint-Germain des Pres and a visit to the sculptures of the Louvre; a fashion show aboard a Seine tourist ship; a nightclub show at "La Nouvelle Eve"; high mass in the king's cathedral at Saint Denis; French national day with military parades in the morning and the customary street dancing in the evening.

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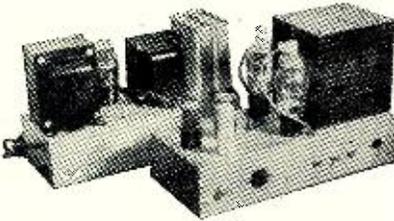
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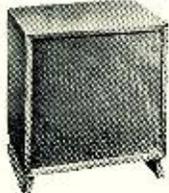


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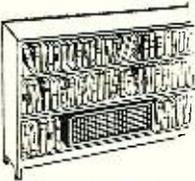


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Spot Radio News

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a turmoil. Noting that the fate of 31 licensees (in cities where channel changes have been authorized) are involved in this decision, the Commissioner said: "I am convinced that had... these... licensees... been advised by the Commission that they might be subjected to hearings on competing applications when the *show-cause* orders were issued requiring a move to a different channel from the one occupied, the Commission would still have been in the *ice age*, because these licensees, for their own protection, would have objected to the *show-cause* orders in order to avoid competitive hearings with new applicants for the new assignments in their respective communities."

Reviewing the consideration of mileage separation in these instances, Sterling noted that... "It is well known that because of the mileage separation required between cities in order to provide an engineeringly sound, nationwide assignment plan, there is a chain reaction which affects co-channel assignments hundreds of miles from a particular city. It is obvious from the above that the assignment proceedings and the *show-cause* proceedings were interdependent and constituted a single plan of action on the part of the Commission."

THE WASHINGTON COMMUNICATIONS circle received a thumping bit of news a few days before Fall set in when the White House released an announcement disclosing that the Commission's warring dissenter, Robert F. Jones, had decided to return to law practice and join a battery of counsellors in Washington.

During a hush visit to the President's quarters, Jones presented his letter of resignation, which said in part: "I want to thank you again for the opportunity which you gave me to serve on this important commission of the federal government. I have found a great deal of pleasure in adding this experience to my years of public service. I am grateful to have participated as a Commissioner in the development of administrative law which is playing so important a part in the everyday life of the American people."

The first Commissioner to resign since the passage of the McFarland Act amendments, Jones will not be obligated to comply with the Act's

requirement barring members of the Commission from practicing for a year before the agency, since his resignation, entered within a year of enactment, meets the Act's proviso that such persons would be exempted.

Jones took office in '47 following the withdrawal of the nomination of Ray C. Wakefield. Before coming to Washington, the former Commissioner had been a part owner of the *Northwestern Ohio Broadcasting Corp.*, which now operates WIMA in Lima.

Several persons had been suggested for the vacated Commission post: William P. Massing, assistant secretary of the Commission and a staff executive for over twenty years; Benedict P. Cottone, FCC's general counsel; Edward P. Morgan, formerly a Justice Department attorney; and Dr. Franklin Dunham, chief of radio and television in the U. S. Department of Education.

The President announced a recess appointment, Eugene H. Merrill, mining engineer formerly with the National Production Authority and Defense Production Administration. Prior to this experience he was chief of communications of the U. S. Military Government in Germany. In January, when Congress reconvenes, he may be nominated for the balance of Jones' year and a half term.

FREQUENCY PROBLEMS which now prevail in the police and fire services, received an extremely comprehensive analysis during the annual meeting of the International Municipal Association in Boston, by the Commission's chief of safety and special radio services, Edwin L. White.

Boldly declaring that our ability to use the spectrum has not kept pace with the growth of the use of radio, the government specialist said that we know . . . "how to make improved use of the spectrum, but are saddled with a great deal of equipment which might be considered obsolete in the light of present-day techniques."

In view of this condition, it was noted, the services are beginning to find themselves cramped in their ability to meet all of the demands made on the communications system.

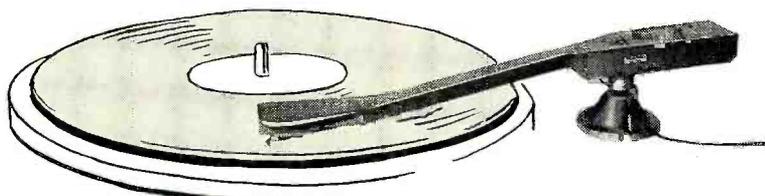
Pointing out that everyone admits that the best method that can be used by every licensee revolves about the use of his own frequency, so that it is possible to operate in the manner and with the equipment best suited to the pocketbook, requirements, and pet ideas, White declared that such an ideal cannot be attained since . . . "the physical limitations of the frequency spectrum make this impossible." Thus, he added, we must explore and find the means that must be adopted to meet the communication needs of all.

In a review of frequency-selection possibilities open in solving the problem, the old low band assignments were probed. It was revealed that many of the first police radio systems are still operating in the 2-megacycle

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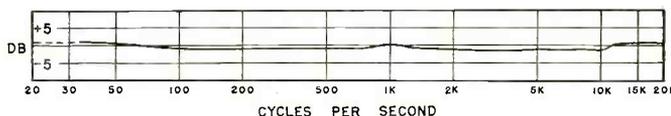
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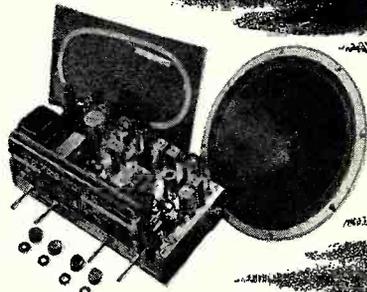
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band; some of these operators would like to shift to higher bands but are stymied by budget restrictions. In some instances these frequencies are useful since they permit longer distance coverage. However, the frequencies are also perfect for direction finding and can be used as a means of navigation by either standard aircraft or even guided missiles, and thus constitute a defense communications problem. Noting that the use of AM and narrow bands in these lower frequencies requires the use of expensive higher power equipment to overcome noise and static, the government's agent declared that... "in the long run, supplementary base stations in the v.h.f. band with low power requirements might well prove cheaper than a lesser amount of high-power low-frequency stations."

Describing the 35- to 50-megacycle band as quite attractive to the police, White noted that this band is subject to long-range interference, and thus it becomes necessary to balance this fact against the extra antenna heights and other means that may... "be necessary to obtain service equivalent to that obtainable from frequency bands which are less subject to long-range interference."

Two bands were described as the best for current demands: 150 and 450 megacycles. The former has been found so effective that authorizations have poured into the offices of the Commission, causing acute congestion. A partial solution, it was noted, lies in the 450-megacycle band, particularly in urban locations.

Surveying the virtues of channel splitting as a means of adding frequencies, White said: "We have had some objection from existing licensees to channel splitting on the ground that because of insufficient receiving selectivity, the man on the adjacent channel will cause interference."

Continuing his frequency-application dissertation, the special-services chief said that frequency sharing has received careful study by industry and with productive results. In his opinion, it would be impossible to... "make the limited frequencies work without industry cooperation."

Outlining the progress achieved in public safety radio services, White said that at the end of the year there were some 212,000 outstanding licenses. Over 11,000 of these were in the public safety services; over 7000 in police and almost 800 in fire operations. Currently there is a backlog of over 11,000 applications for various types of public services, which it is hoped will be cleaned up before the year is over.

THE HEAVY COSTS OF THEATER TV have been revealed in a special report prepared by the Long Lines Department of the telephone company for motion picture producers and exhibitors, and filed as an exhibit for hearings in Washington.

The brief disclosed that a south-

bound channel and one northbound channel serving New York, Trenton, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, Wilmington, Washington, and Baltimore, covering seven transmitting and thirteen receiving stations, would cost over \$40,000 for sight and nearly \$8000 for audio lines, when billed on a monthly basis for eight consecutive hours daily, and for links from Philadelphia to Reading and Allentown, Pa.

For the same areas, three southbound channels and one northbound channel, serving thirteen transmitting and some 29 receiving stations would cost over \$85,000 for video and over \$16,000 for audio. And for six southbound channels and two northbound channels, involving service to 27 transmitters and 58 receiving stations, the charges jump to over \$170,000 for visual and over \$34,000 for sound.

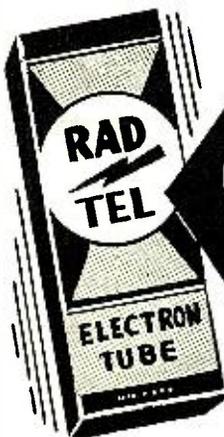
The report also contained estimated charges for service to 15 to 20 theaters in Washington. For the simplest arrangement, the costs would be around \$8300 for video and about \$550 for audio. The most complex setup would cost over \$9000 for video and around \$650 for audio. The theater owners were also told that installation and equalization charges would also appear on the bill, and these might run from over \$350 to around \$1500 plus.

EDUCATIONAL TV, the gospel of the Commission's headman and Madame Commissioner Hennock, once more has been described as a revolutionary medium that every educator should cheer by Chairman Walker, this time at a meeting in Harrisburg. Addressing a session of the Joint Committee on Educational Television for Pennsylvania at the Annual Education Congress, he declared that instruction by television can help the more than 10,000,000 illiterates now living here, making them more able citizens, more valuable to industry, more valuable to the Armed Forces, and better consumers.

Walker viewed a television channel as a turnpike through the ether . . . "a turnpike which scorns time and distance and over which . . . it is possible to send unending cargoes of educational programs."

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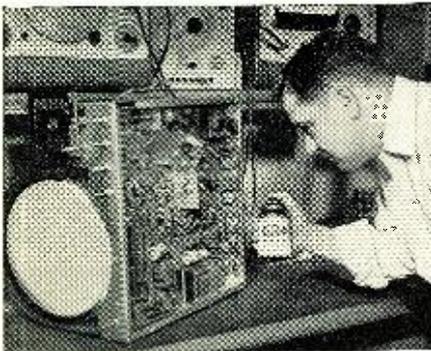
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Cascade-Cascade (Continued from page 49)

d.c. isolation for the moment and considering only the i.f. or r.f. equivalent. Fig. 4C shows the same circuit redrawn to show the two coils wound on the same form and merely tapped at the center. Figs. 4A, B, and C are all exactly the same circuit from the standpoint of r.f. If we go one step further and eliminate the condensers used to tune each half of the coil and substitute the input and output capacities of the tubes, we have the circuit of the transformers used in the cascade-cascade. See Fig. 3. This particular arrangement has several advantages in v.h.f. amplifier design. First among these is the reduction in shunt capacity which permits higher values of inductance to be built into the tuned circuits. When the input capacity of one tube is paralleled across the output capacity of another tube as in single coil amplifier designs, the resulting reduction in inductance causes a very low effective value of Z_p for the tube load. Under such conditions, the gain possibilities of the tube are largely wasted. High losses also result from the parallel loading of the two tubes across a common inductance. This leads to broad response and poor noise figures. The physical design of these double-tuned transformers is extremely simple. They are all wound close spaced, tapped at one point and slug tuned. The coils tune with the slug just starting to enter the end which has the smallest tube capacity across it. For this reason, the slug acts partially as a small trimmer capacity and because of the tight coupling between the two windings, tuning one end also tunes the other. Or, in other words, the whole coil tunes as if there were two condensers in series across the whole winding and one were fixed and the other variable. There is some effect from the iron also, and both of these effects are complementary.

The mixer stage is quite conventional and uses a pentode-triode for economy of space and high gain. The use of a pentode at this point is justified because the gain of the r.f. amplifier is so great that the mixer stage is operated at a sensitivity level far below the point at which it can contribute any significant noise to the system. The i.f. band, which is 4 mc. wide, with a center frequency of 10 mc., is fed out of the 6X8 mixer, across a choke in the plate circuit, to the grid of one triode section of a 12AT7. This section, in conjunction with the choke-coupled plate of the mixer, acts as a simple, broadband impedance-matching transformer to match the high impedance plate to the low impedance input of the receiver. The output impedance of the cathode follower is designed to be 300 ohms which is a good match for most communications receivers.

Injection voltage is obtained from a harmonic crystal oscillator, operating on its 5th overtone in a typical regenerative oscillator circuit which has been described many times before by others. The output of the oscillator feeds a second triode section, which is one-half of the 6X8, where it is multiplied by 4.

Starting with a fundamental crystal frequency of 6800 kc., this is multiplied 20 times in the manner just described so that the injection frequency is 136 mc. As mentioned before, this produces an i.f. band ranging from 8 to 12 mc. which must be tuned by the communications receiver. By electing to use an injection frequency which is lower than the incoming signal frequency, one very useful purpose is served. An i.f. passband results which is numerically related to the incoming signal frequency in a convenient manner. The band will be four megacycles wide. The low end of the 2-meter band will correspond with 8 mc. on the receiver dial. The high end will correspond to 12 mc. on the receiver dial. Any frequency between 144 mc. and 148 mc. can be easily interpolated. For instance, 145.2 mc. will be found at 9.2 mc. on the receiver dial, etc. The calibration of the converter becomes as good as that of the communications receiver with which it is used.

In aligning or adjusting the finished converter, a vacuum tube voltmeter and a grid dip meter are almost essential. The grid dip meter should be used to set the r.f. coils to the center of the band. Next, the vacuum tube voltmeter is used to tune the oscillator coil until the crystal oscillates. Reading voltage across the oscillator grid resistor will determine when the crystal breaks into oscillation. This is marked by a sudden change in grid current. The slug should be adjusted until the point is found where the oscillator will restart each time the "B+" is switched on and off. The quadrupler is adjusted by tuning this for maximum developed bias on the grid of the 6X8. This voltage should be around -3 volts for good mixer efficiency. Using the grid dip meter to check the frequency of this coil is wise since the coil can be tuned to the third harmonic, or 102 mc. as well as the fourth, or 136 mc.

After preliminary alignment, the unit should be put on an antenna and the r.f. stages staggered by listening to stations or ignition noise and peaking the input and mixer stages on the high end of the band while adjusting the interstage coil to the low end. This will result in a reasonably flat gain curve throughout the band with sharp attenuation starting around 143 mc.

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thing used to date. The measured gain from antenna input to cathode follower output is 225. This is accomplished with very little noise. In typical locations, the noise at the output terminals of the receiver is 80% antenna and environmental noise, such as ignition noise, man-made interference and other unidentifiable noises. Removal of the antenna results in a noiseless receiver. Construction is simple and straightforward. Physical layout, Fig. 5, should be closely adhered to and the components copied exactly or oscillation and instability may result. The knob shown in the photograph, Fig. 1, is attached to a variable cathode resistor in the first triode. This is used as an r.f. gain control to decrease gain when working high-powered local signals which otherwise tend to overload the converter and receiver. It will not be required in most locations unless there are other 2-meter stations operating within a few blocks.

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Mac's Service Shop
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a mechanical labor charge for removing and replacing the set based on an hourly rate that will adequately cover such items as the mechanic's salary—which will equal what he could get in a garage—the overhead of the department, and a reasonable profit on the mechanical operation. In addition there will be a labor and parts charge to cover the actual repairing of the set on the bench. Here again the labor charge will take into consideration auto radio department overhead, technician's salary, and profit. The customer looking at this bill will be made to realize why the installation of an item that is inexpensive in itself can still result in a bill of several dollars.

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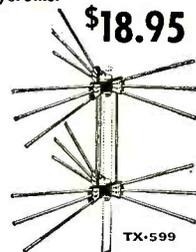
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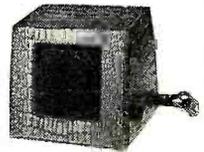
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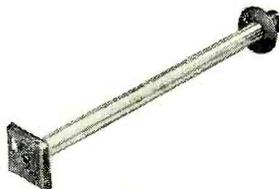
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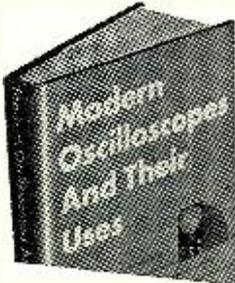
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about house radio and TV sets," Barney said resignedly.

"Worse," Mac retorted, "because we'll have more to lose. This new department can either help or hurt the business we already have. If we turn out a sloppy auto radio job, we'll not only lose that customer's future auto work, but in all likelihood we'll also lose his house radio and television service.

"Still," Mac continued, as much to himself as to Barney, "I think it is a good gamble. The whole thing, as I see it, rests on several good solid facts: first, there is the fact that the demand for auto radio service is a large and rapidly-growing thing. Secondly, this field is notoriously neglected by most technicians; consequently the competition is at a minimum. Thirdly, one of the technician's main objections to auto radio service—that it requires him to perform mechanical work that he does not like and does not do efficiently—can be overcome by having a trained mechanic do this part of the job. Fourthly, by keeping charges tied to actual costs and by doing the billing in such a manner that the customer can readily understand what he is paying for, there is no reason why this branch of service work cannot be made to pay just as well as any other."

"And maybe when the customers get hep to the fact that the way their sets are mounted in the automobiles can make five or ten dollars difference in every service charge, they will demand that the car makers put them where we can get them in and out easier," Barney suggested.

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ARMY MARS APPOINTS

THE Army has announced the appointment of Major James A. Long, Signal Corps, to be Army Chief of the Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) replacing Capt. Lester A. Peterson who has received a new assignment with Headquarters, U.S. Army, Alaska.

Major Long will direct the operation of Army MARS and coordinate policy with the Air Force MARS Chief, Major Charles C. Mack. By joint agreement he will also serve as secretary of the MARS Advisory Committee which is made up of representatives of the Armed Forces, Red Cross, Federal Civil Defense Administration, FCC, and ARRL. This committee meets quarterly to advise the Chief Signal Officer, USA, and the Director of Communications, USAF.

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DINNER MEETING

THE Quarter Century Wireless Association will hold its Fifth Anniversary dinner meeting on Friday, December 5th at Frances Tavern, Pearl and Broad Streets in New York.

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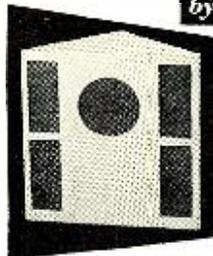
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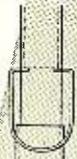
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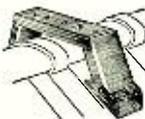
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RADIO-TV Service Industry News

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H. F. BERSHE, manager of renewal sales activities for the RCA Tube Department, is noted for his intensely interesting and graphic presentations of what the industry is doing, where it is going, and about when it will get there.

Mr. Bershe did not disappoint the parts distributors, manufacturers, and representatives who sat in on his talk at the NEDA annual convention in Atlantic City in September. He took the cover off his crystal ball and revealed a glowing picture of the future size of and opportunities in "this fastest growing business on earth."

Since his talk was directed to parts distributors, Mr. Bershe directed their attention to the responsibilities they must assume if they hope to share in the greater opportunities the industry will provide in the months and years ahead. Since distributor growth will be closely paralleled by an expanding service industry, service businessmen will be interested in this forecast of future distributor requirements:

"You know from the facts presented here that, *in general*, the electronics distributing industry—*must*—*in the next eight years—grow three and a half times* its present size to keep up with industry growth. And a careful analysis of your 1960 operating statement will tell you—in specific terms—what your requirements will be for store and warehouse space. The analysis may reveal a need for three or four times the number of *people* you now employ. It is *likely* to reveal that you should start today to streamline and modernize *procedures* that were obsolete a long time ago and that will surely break down under the terrific weight of the renewal electronics volume of tomorrow.

"These 1955 and 1960 operating statements, drawn in the year 1952, will tell you the shocking truth relative to the *capital* you will need to keep up with the fastest growing business on earth."

His forecast for the future included a discussion of the potentials of u.h.f. television, microwave systems, transistors (with an estimate that 42,000,000 of these little devices will be built into equipment in the year 1956!), color television, and industrial television.

His estimate of electronics equipment that will be in use on December 31, 1952, included: Radios (home, auto, portable sets)—110,000,000; television sets—20,250,000; broadcast AM-FM stations—2940; television stations—125; non-broadcast commercial stations—500,000; amateur stations—110,000; and industrial electronics—accounting for 13% of the national electronics renewal volume.

What About Service?

With this glowing picture of the industry's future fresh in their minds NEDA members and their guests stepped into a panel session that took the lid off the parts distributor's individual and collective responsibility in solving the problems that beset the servicing industry.

Mort Farr, president of NARDA, Al Haas, president of the TCA of Philadelphia, and John T. Thompson, manager of *G-E* replacement tube sales, completed a panel session that was slated to cover "How Distributors Can Do a Better Selling Job," with a series of talks that provided the most remarkable triple coincidence your editors have ever heard. These three speakers, each an outstanding representative of a different segment of the industry, delivering talks that were prepared independently of each other, made almost identical recommendations to the parts distributors about what they *must* do to help relieve the pressure of bad public opinion of service.

Mort Farr, reflecting the opinions of radio and appliance dealers who operate their own servicing departments, first focused attention on the need for whole-hearted parts distributor cooperation in helping dealers and service operators to do a better public relations job, to develop practical, dynamic promotions for the sale of the products of the industry and to help dealers and technicians develop better forms and to interchange good business-operating ideas.

Al Haas, whose interpretation of current trends in the industry is that of the independent service businessmen, pointedly took distributors to task for permitting the sources of their bread and butter income to drift into their

present predicament. With respect to distributor cooperation he said:

"In this connection I believe you should consider, and reconsider, in the light of today's problems, your relation to the independent service industry. If your association and its every chapter is not doing its very best to raise the level, the standards and the strength of the independent service industry, *your customers*, I think you are rendering a disservice to yourself and delivering a body blow to your position in the electronics industry.

"You can do a better selling job by making us better customers. Some of you, particularly those from your Keystone chapter, have shown the foresight and leadership—I repeat, *the foresight and leadership!*—to do the necessary and obvious job which will, I hope, ultimately effect the kind of program that is so desperately needed by the independent segments of our industry.

"This program, sponsored by our Joint Electronics and Radio Committee on Service in Philadelphia, and originated by independent parts distributor and service elements in that city, has done a magnificent job in Philadelphia to date. It has been sorely hampered by lack of funds, lack of cooperation, and lack of understanding among its industry contemporaries, but it has not suffered from lack of imagination, ideas, energy, and sound resourceful efforts to stabilize our industry.

"The Joint Committee has done much pioneering during the year or so of its life. Because of its enlightened leadership it could do so much more—for you, for me, and for our industry. It could help to lead the way out of our chaos if only all of us would take the time and make the effort to understand it and then, get behind it with all the resources at our command."

John T. Thompson said that the industry is faced "with a public relations *repair* job, to relieve the highly-trained, completely-honest, thoroughly-conscientious average service dealer of the burden of a soiled reputation."

He said that the program must be headed by electronic components manufacturers and actively endorsed and supported by distributors and dealers. He claimed that unorganized dealers cannot, by themselves, change the tide of public opinion and pointed out that suspicion of the technician has become a threat to the entire industry.

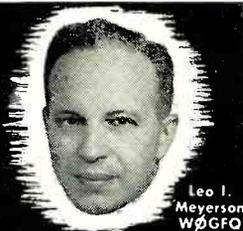
He said that close relationships between various segments of the industry are vital as a base from which to work to provide proof that the service dealer is an honest, conscientious businessman.

Third, he said, distributors and manufacturers must help the technician to improve his operations. He said that dealers should be trained in efficient business practices, effective promotion of their businesses, and advertising their policies of honest billing and good work.

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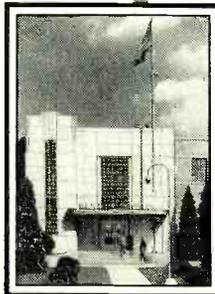
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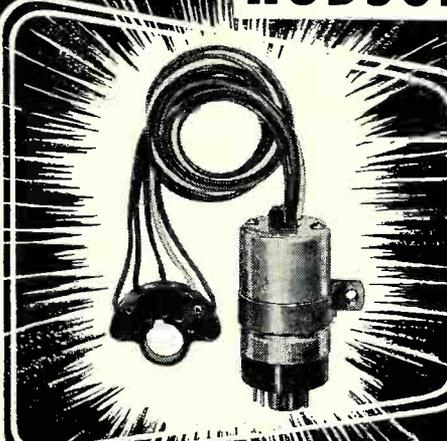
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Fourth, he said that manufacturers and distributors must tell the public directly of the merits of the technician.

"Denying the statements made about the TV serviceman isn't going to correct the situation. What is needed is a positive attack on the problem," Mr. Thompson said.

He cited the full-page advertisements in support of television technicians which the G-E Tube Department ran in *Life* and *Collier's*.

"Here is an attempt to give prestige to the serviceman. Here is the serviceman in his true light—a businessman who has invested better than \$3000 in test equipment, trucks, and other facilities, a skilled technician who has taken intensive training to get his unique ability, an honest, conscientious 'professional' who is a necessary part of television enjoyment."

With all of this attention focused on the problems of the service industry it is the individual service businessman's responsibility to try to "do for himself." A great many very good folders and flyers are being made available to carry the story of service to the set owning public. But they won't do any good unless set owners read them. It is the responsibility of the service industry to help put this material in the hands of the people whose opinions of the service industry need to be changed.

Normally, we voice opinions about prices only when we need something and have to pay for it. This is especially true of service. A user is seldom riled up about service or service charges when his set is working all right. It's when the set needs repairs or adjustments that a consciousness of cost descends on him—and dissatisfaction develops if the charges are misunderstood. That is the best time to give the set owner literature about the intricacies of TV and the problems involved in servicing.

G-E's Billboards

The *General Electric Company* has backed up its recommendations for industry help in solving service problems with a well-rounded public relations campaign in the interests of the independent service industry.

Distributors who attended the NEDA convention came face to face with another phase of the G-E program—billboard advertising.

The television billboards were spotted on all incoming highways, near railroad tracks, on the main road from the nearest airport, near main business intersections and eating places, as well as the famed Atlantic City boardwalk.

Industrial TV

In discussing the potentials of industrial TV, Hal Bershe said this: "Now listen carefully. Industrial television, a new and fabulous electronics frontier, is probably the *greatest forward step ever taken in increasing man's capabilities.*"

Citing the myriad of applications for industrial TV in industry, business, science, education, religion, and politics, Mr. Bershe said: "Today, now, industrial TV is practical for millions of applications. Do you realize that in this statement we are suggesting that millions of television cameras may someday be placed in service? Have you considered the possibility of stocking Vidicon camera tubes, as you now do with 6L6's? And do you realize that today's price of the Vidicon is around \$400.00 each?"

He was speaking of the commercial version of the Vidicon camera tube for industrial TV applications recently announced by RCA. This new Vidicon camera tube is small enough to fit into a television camera about the size of a 16 mm. home movie camera.

It utilizes a photoconductive layer that has sufficient sensitivity for televising scenes with 100 to 200 foot-candle illumination and with a spectral response approaching that of the human eye.

Dage Industrial TV Camera

About a week after Mr. Bershe's talk, the Dage Electronics Corporation of Indianapolis took the wraps off its sensationally new TV camera. This camera, which measures just 14" long by 9 3/8" high by 4 3/8" wide, operates with any standard 16 mm. lens and is fitted for mounting to a standard camera tripod.

The unit is completely self-contained. It can be wired into one or more standard television receivers which can be used without alterations.

The Dage camera, priced at \$2850, may well usher in that fabulous new era of industrial TV. Its price is about half that of the industrial TV units that have been on the market and its small size and versatility make it adaptable to a host of applications.

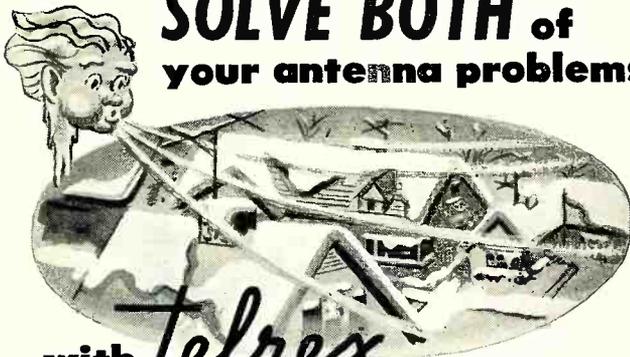
Industrial TV Course

Staff members of the Television Technicians Lecture Bureau have long contended that with the advent of industrial television on a broad scale a whole new vista of opportunities would open up for independent service businessmen. Wired TV will be "tailored" in its installations to serve each application most efficiently. This will open a new field of opportunity for competent local and sectional organizations to handle installation and maintenance requirements.

As part of its program of furnishing the service industry with important technical information just as soon as it is needed, the Bureau staff has prepared a ten-lesson course in industrial television for TV service operators and experienced TV technicians. Complete instructions for building an inexpensive television camera are included as a part of the course.

Planning is now under way to present a lecture and demonstration of industrial TV in all major centers of the country during 1953 under the

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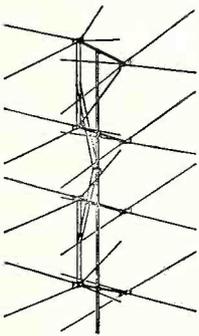


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New Association

According to Mr. Bershe's estimate of sales, industrial electronics equipment is now absorbing more than one-eighth of the renewal tube sales volume. Although most parts distributors have observed the steady increase in the field of industrial electronics applications this development has escaped the attention of most service operators. However, the growth of this phase of the electronics industry is supposed to accelerate rapidly after the defense program reaches its peak and material becomes available for wide exploitation of the immeasurably large field of industrial electronics applications.

However, a number of major service operators have kept informed on the progress of industrial electronics developments and have discussed the problems of installation and maintenance of this type of equipment on a national scale with a number of manufacturers. Many of these manufacturers feel that the only alternative to their setting up and operating their own national servicing departments would be a national organization of competently managed, adequately financed, and technically-manned independent service companies who could handle maintenance assignments on a local or sectional basis.

These manufacturers feel that a national organization of independent servicing companies with contact offices in New York and Chicago, could render a real service in the orderly development of the industrial electronics field—and also that of industrial television. They point out, however, that all equipment of this type is designed and built for specific applications and the national servicing organization must be prepared to furnish its affiliated companies with adequate training aids and maintenance information on every type of equipment sold by cooperating manufacturers.

Plans are now under way for the formation of a national organization which will be known as the National Industrial Electronics Service Associates. Even as the plans were being discussed by the service principals in this move they were approached by manufacturers of equipment designed for industrial applications who are vitally interested in working with such a group on a national basis.

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What's the secret? Arthur G. Shiffman, founder and president of Authorized TV Service Clubs, says that the success of the "service club plan" is determined by several factors, chiefly:

1. It can succeed only as a volume operation.
2. Service to club members must be given promptly and efficiently.
3. Sales of replacement parts and tubes must be held strictly to those required to put the set in good operating condition. Padded parts and tube sales would kill the plan.
4. Service technicians must be carefully and painstakingly coached in the basics for maintaining good customer relations.
5. Service technicians must be top caliber men. Remuneration must be above average to attract and keep such men. Incentive plans must be based upon work completed and not on parts and tube sales.

Paul Gibson, the well-known and popular WBBM commentator, accepted the account on his program only after a very critical personal check-up of its reputation with club members. In accepting the account he wrote:

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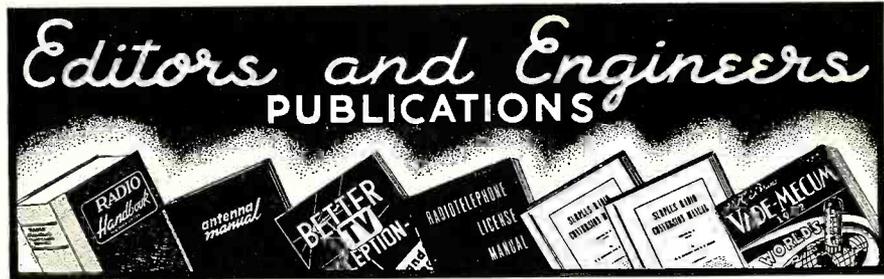
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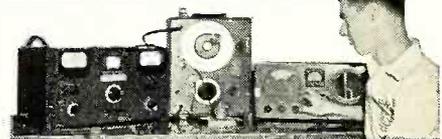
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Mobile Transmitter

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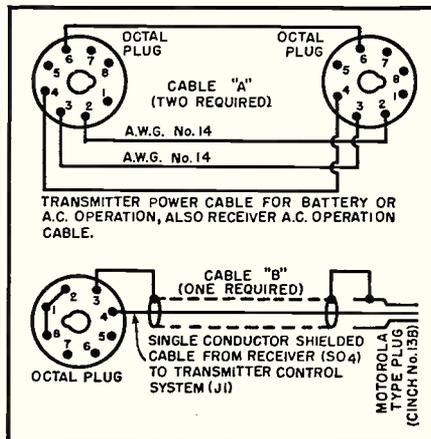
The dynamotor low voltage input circuit should be wired with no smaller than No. 8 wire in the most direct manner possible, and the chassis of the auto should not be depended upon for the ground connection. This is shown by the heavy lines of Fig. 7.

The Chevrolet automobile has ample space under the hood, directly opposite the original equipment battery, to install a duplicate battery and holder. The auxiliary cutout relay, RL₁, allows the auxiliary battery to be charged in parallel with the regular battery. When the generator is not charging, only the auxiliary battery furnishes power to the transmitter.

Fig. 8 is a diagram of an a.c. power supply capable of operating the entire mobile installation for bench testing, emergency exercises, etc. If the receiver "B-plus" drain is more than 135 volts at 40 ma., V₂ and R₁ may be eliminated and R₂ connected directly to pin 6 of SO₆. Adjust R₃ to a resistance value that will drop the 500 volts to the value required for the particular receiver in use. The push-to-talk feature is not available when the a.c. supply is in use. The "send-receive" switch, S₁, provides all the necessary functions of turning the transmitter and receiver on and off, and the "receiver on" switch, S₂, allows the receiver to be turned on for zero beating or monitoring while the transmitter is on.

The interconnecting cables are made up according to Fig. 13. Cable "A" is used from SO₁ in the transmitter to SO₃ in the control system, or to SO₇ in the a.c. power supply. An identical cable is used from SO₄ in the receiver to SO₆ in the a.c. supply. For normal battery operation of the receiver, cable "B" is used from SO₄ in the receiver to J₁ in the control system. The 6.3 volt heater supply leads in cable "A"

Fig. 13. Wiring diagram of the interconnecting cables for battery or a.c. operation of the mobile radio installation described.



should be of No. 14 or No. 12 wire, unless the cable length is very short. Normally, the a.c. power supply is placed on the floor immediately underneath the auto receiver. The entire installation can be converted from battery to full a.c. operation, or vice versa, in less than thirty seconds time.

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TV Intermittents

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mon of these defects involves a shrinking or darkened picture whenever the line voltage drops. The fact that this is due to line voltage variations can only be ascertained by connecting the set to a low a.c. line and since this is not always available a simple service aid can be constructed. Fig. 1 shows this unit which consists of a double-pole, single-throw switch, a fuse and fuse holder, a male and female a.c. plug and any old power transformer. The transformer used here had a 12.6 volt winding which was connected either aiding or bucking to obtain 12.6 volts more or less than the line voltage. If a 12.6 volt winding is not available, two 6.3 volt sections can be used in series, or a 6.3 and a 5 volt winding will also do. The power rating of the transformer is not important since only the 12.6 volt winding carries substantial currents and these windings are usually designed to handle several amperes. The male plug is connected to the line and the receiver under test is plugged into the female outlet. Throwing the switch from high to low voltage will naturally produce some change in picture size and brightness, but if the picture becomes much smaller than the screen mask under low line voltage, a defect exists. Most often a new horizontal, vertical, or rectifier tube cures this type of defect, but sometimes other parts have aged or become defective. In addition to the picture size it is also possible that other circuits suffer from low line voltage. Low "B plus" on the i.f. section reduces the gain of these stages and can give a weaker picture. In some receivers a voltage divider provides negative bias to certain tubes and when this bias goes below a critical value, incorrect tube operation occurs and this can cause a variety of defects.

All cases of intermittents due to low line voltage can be diagnosed by connecting a voltmeter to different "B plus" and "B minus" points and checking voltages while low line voltage is provided. A 10% d.c. voltage variation can usually be tolerated in all but the flyback section which is often more critical. When the flyback section is affected and the line voltage in the customer's home tends to run low, the best remedy is to install a step-up transformer as shown in Fig. 1, with switching provisions to cut out the 12.6 volt winding whenever the line voltage appears normal.

The second type of voltage intermittent is due to high line voltage and invariably consists of breakdown of a condenser or HV trouble. The scheme described for obtaining voltages higher and lower than the a.c. line is very helpful in such cases. Operating a set with higher voltage often brings out the intermittent condenser at once. HV trouble can also be cleared up this way since a 10% increase in "B plus" voltage results in a proportional increase in HV and the additional 1000 volts or so will bring on arcing and corona whenever the tendency exists. Cleaning HV wiring, keeping solder joints smooth and rounded all help reduce these troubles. Applying anti-corona dope at critical points is the final step in repairing such defects.

Humidity Intermittents

This type of defect is often attributed to other causes such as high line voltage or heat, but actually the majority of HV intermittents during the hot months are due to excess humidity. When the air contains a greater proportion of moisture it becomes less of an insulator and HV trouble appears. In addition to HV trouble there are some types of paper condensers where the wax seal has melted or was too thin to begin with so that moisture can get into the foil. Usually these condensers show some leakage even in dry weather, but under humid conditions the leakage becomes excessive and shows up as a defect. Especially critical are coupling condensers in the video, audio, sync, and sweep sections.

In some instances intermittent HV troubles occur which cannot be located except by the high line voltage method described before, but the humidity condition must also be reproduced. A simple and inexpensive way to obtain the desired humidity right at the service bench involves placing a plastic cloth, cellophane sheet, or tarpaulin over the entire TV chassis. With the set turned on, a small vaporizer is located inside the "oven." Any commercial vaporizer as sold in drug-stores for the relief of colds, or else a hotplate with a pot of boiling water will do. Within a few minutes after steam develops, the moisture under the cover will be high enough to cause condensation to form on the inside. Any tendency to HV trouble will appear quickly under these conditions and the exact trouble spot will be visible due to arcing or the bluish glow of corona. This simple, home-made "air chamber" can save hours of checking, repairing, and re-repairing.

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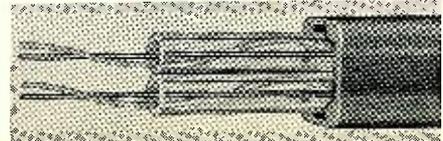
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Known as the Anaconda u.h.f. line (ATV-270), the new lead-in will be made available to the entire television industry.

Close-up of the RCA-Anaconda u.h.f. lead-in.



A Meterless V.T.V.M.
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with each applied voltage on the paper scale. Use as many calibration points as are desired.

The author found that ordinary dry batteries, in good condition, provide an excellent source of calibration voltage.

Once the scale is prepared in this manner, it may be removed and carefully redrawn in ink. Before permanently affixing the final scale to the front of the instrument, give it two or three coats of clear plastic or lacquer.

If, for any reason, the direction of deflection obtained for a given applied voltage polarity is not the desired one, simply reverse the connection leads to the plates used for horizontal deflection.

Operation and Application

The exact technique for using the instrument to measure voltages depends on whether the instrument has been calibrated for "zero-center" "left-zero" or "right-zero." If calibrated for "zero-center" no special technique is required.

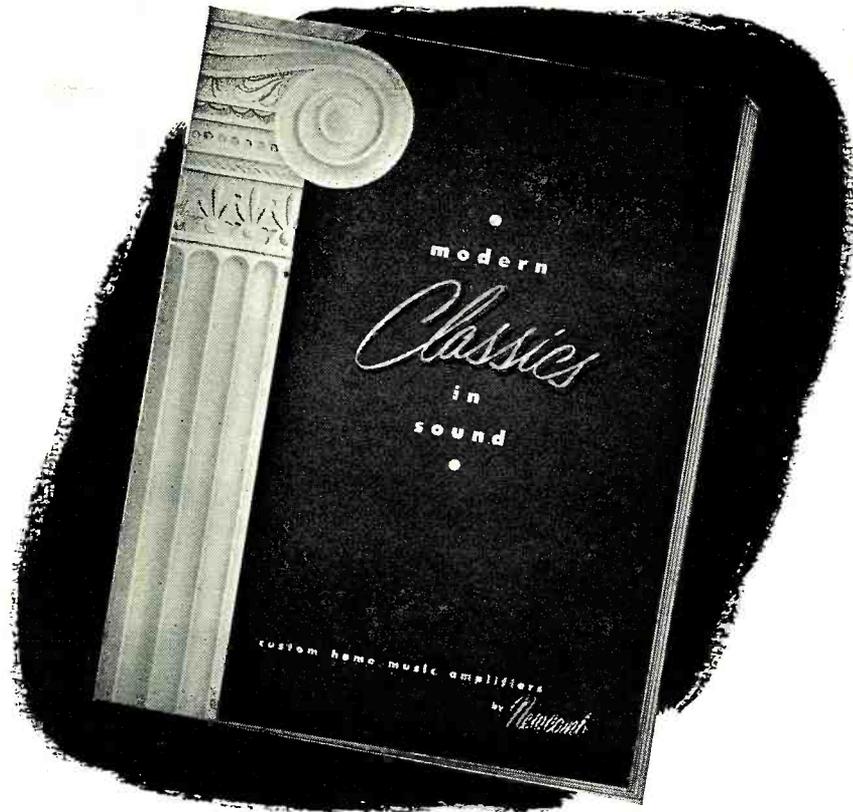
To measure a d.c. voltage, connect the instrument to the voltage to be measured and read the indicated voltage directly on the scale. If more than full-scale deflection is obtained, turn the "Range Selector" switch to a higher range, and again read the voltage directly, using an appropriate multiplying factor (depending on the range selected).

To measure peak-to-peak a.c. voltages, use the instrument in exactly the same fashion. However, in this case, a voltage indication will be obtained on both sides of "zero," with the peak-to-peak voltage indicated by the difference between the extreme limits of deflection. If a high frequency voltage is being measured, the indication will appear as a "band" of light across the screen.

One particularly good feature of this instrument becomes apparent when it is used to measure a.c. voltages. An indication of both the negative and the positive peaks of the applied signal is obtained at the same time. Thus, if the positive (or negative) peak is greater (as will often happen in the case of pulsed or complex signals), the peak amplitude of each may be read immediately and directly.

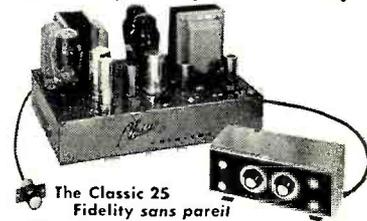
If the builder has used a "left-zero" or "right-zero" scale, it will be necessary to center the indicator, using the "Zero Adjustment" control, in order to use this technique for measuring a.c. voltages. For d.c. measurements, to reverse polarity, the "Zero Adjustment" is used to move the indicator line to the opposite end of the scale (full scale) and the calibrated scale "read backwards."

Where d.c. and a.c. are present together and it is desired to read only the a.c. component, a blocking condenser may be used in the input circuit. —50—



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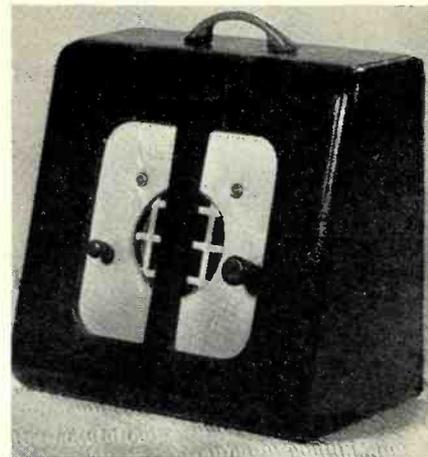
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Carrier-Current Intercom

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6SJ7 audio amplifier and a 6AK6 audio power amplifier. The suppressor grid of the 6AK6 is connected to the output of the 6SJ7 through condenser C_s . However, there are no adverse effects with this arrangement. The 6AK6 operates in every respect as a normal class "A" audio power amplifier. The grounding of the suppressor grid through R_s results in the same performance as with a direct ground. The reason for this unconventional arrangement will become evident when the transmitting circuit is studied. The fact that operation during "receive" does not require grounding of the suppressor grid is fortunate, inasmuch as additional switching connections are not needed.

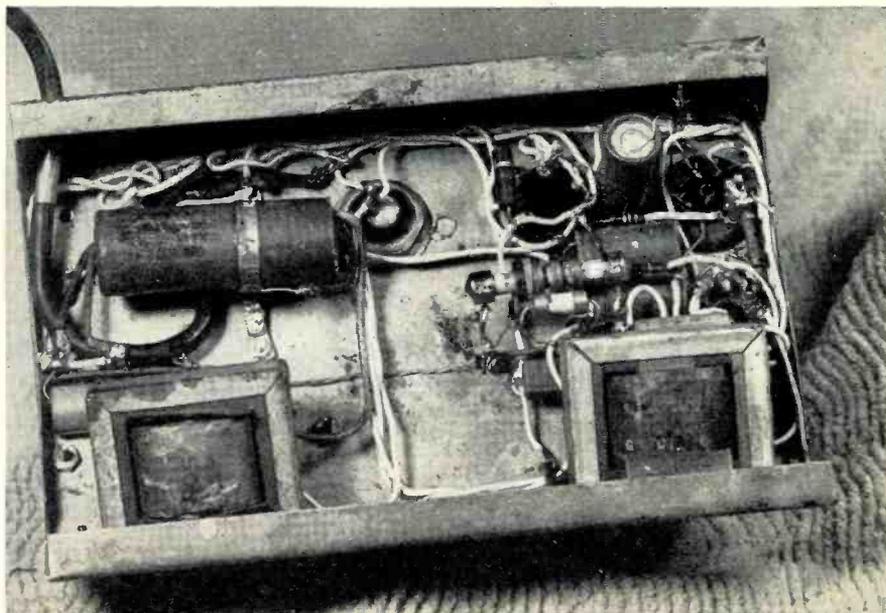
When the "transmit-receive" switch, S_1 , is actuated, the circuit is converted from a receiver to a transmitter. During "transmit," the 6AK6 becomes a suppressor-grid-modulated Hartley oscillator. The 6SJ7 is used as a speech amplifier-modulator, and the PM speaker becomes the microphone. The 1N34 diode is not used. The fact that the cathode bias resistor, R_c , is allowed to remain in the 6AK6 cathode circuit during "transmit" is of no consequence, since most of the grid bias is obtained from the grid-leak, R_g . This, again, is fortunate in the interest of switching simplicity. Although the suppressor grid is "dead" when the 6AK6 is functioning as a class "A" audio amplifier during "receive," this electrode now permits 80% modulation of the 6AK6 class "C" oscillator. Resistor R_p limits plate voltage during "transmit"; without this resistance, the suppressor grid becomes inert, as is the case during "receive" when high voltage is impressed on the plate through the output transformer.



Front view of the home-built intercom. The entire unit is housed in a compact and inconspicuous cabinet. A spring-loaded switch is actuated when unit is used to transmit and released during reception.

It should be appreciated that the oscillator circuit uses the screen grid in the same manner as the plate of a grounded-plate-triode Hartley oscillator. Therefore, this method of modulation is not quite the same as conventional suppressor-grid modulation in which the radio frequency output is extracted from the plate. No negative bias is required for the suppressor, but a small r.f. bypass condenser may be required if the leads in this circuit pick up r.f. A 250 μ fd. condenser connected directly from terminal 2 of the 6AK6 to ground will remedy this trouble. The effect of r.f. on the suppressor grid is to lower the modulation capability of the tube. This trouble will not arise unless long leads result from an improper layout of the components. The screen-dropping resistance, R_s , remains in the circuit during both "transmit" and "receive." For the latter function, it has negligible effect. During "transmit," it is necessary to permit the suppressor

Under chassis view of one of the two intercom units required for the "system."



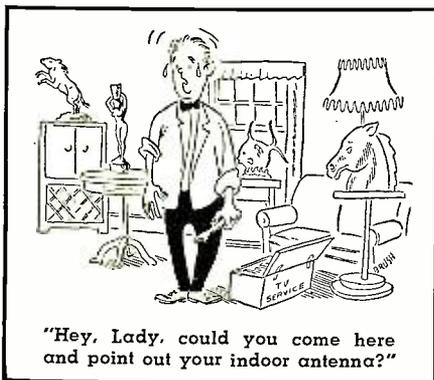
grid to have the required control of the electron stream.

The power supply is a conventional full-wave rectifier with a pi filter. The role of R_{11} is two-fold. First, best results will be obtained when the power supply output voltage under load during "transmit" is between 180 and 220 volts. Second, this resistor increases the r.f. loading impedance of the power supply. A transformer and full-wave rectification arrangement is greatly superior for this purpose to the "a.c.-d.c." type of power supply used in small broadcast receivers, notwithstanding the simplicity of the latter circuit.

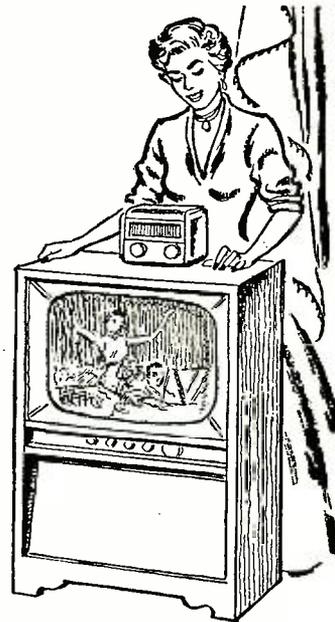
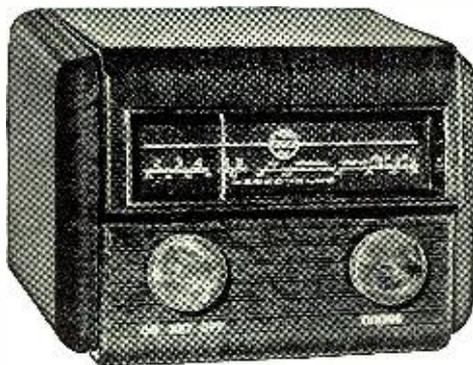
The prospect of radiation field strength exceeding FCC limits is negligible due to the low power, low frequency, and the adverse conditions for the power lines to act as an antenna. In some cases, radio or television interference can result when the set is plugged in close to one of the units. The entrance of such interference is more likely to be through radiation rather than through the line itself. Enclosing the units in metallic cabinets and shielding the line cord will eliminate, or greatly reduce, such interference. -30-

Capacitance Relay
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across R_2 . C_2 is then adjusted until the indicated voltage is about half of the maximum. This indicates that the oscillations are weak. The potentiometer R_2 is adjusted so that the relay just opens from the closed position. If no v.t.v.m. is available, the setting of R_2 and C_2 can be found by experiment since the two controls do interact. As a start set potentiometer R_2 so that the grid receives the full detector output voltage, then adjust C_2 so that the relay just opens from the closed position. If this position cannot be found, set the R_2 arm down a little lower and repeat the adjustment of C_2 . After a little practice, the device can be set up rapidly to any desired sensitivity. Well, there you have it—an economical device, easily built, for which the parts values are non-critical, and for which there can be found an almost infinite variety of uses in the home or place of business. -30-



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Of interest to television technicians, engineers, and manufacturers, is the new u.h.f.-v.h.f. field strength meter recently introduced to the trade by *Erwood, Inc.*, 1770 Berneau Street, Chicago 13, Illinois.

The new meter is designed to determine the strength of signals avail-



able at any given location and covers all the frequencies used today in television and FM broadcasting. It may also be used to determine the relative efficiency of different types of antennas as well as the optimum height.

The v.h.f. range is continuous from 52 to 218 mc., with 60 per-cent of full-scale deflection being provided by a 100 mv. input. The u.h.f. range is continuous from 470 to 890 mc., with 50 per-cent of full-scale meter deflection for 100 mv. input. The meter uses 11 tubes, has a power consumption of 70 watts, and is housed in a compact carrying case which measures 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

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A brochure on these remote controls is available without charge.

REPLACEMENT PARTS

Todd-Tran Corp. of Mount Vernon, New York, has developed a new line of cosine deflection yokes and flybacks which is now available for distribution.

Tradenamed "Green Band," the new yokes employ rigid nylon segments for inter-coil insulation. The resulting greater dielectric strength of this material, at operating temperatures, reduces the danger of breakdown to a minimum. Among the special properties claimed for these yokes are high deflection sensitivity, good line and corner focus, high "Q" geometry, coil balance to within one turn, minimum leakage flux, etc.

The "Green Band" flyback transformers have the coil windings and connecting terminals completely encapsulated-vacuum-encased in a cast plastic dielectric. They are particularly desirable in large picture tube, wide-sweep, high-voltage applications.

A deflection yoke replacement guide is now available from local distributors or from the company direct.

CROSSBAR GENERATOR

A crossbar generator which has been designed especially for television receivers and picture tubes is now being marketed by *United Technical Laboratories*, Morristown, New Jersey.

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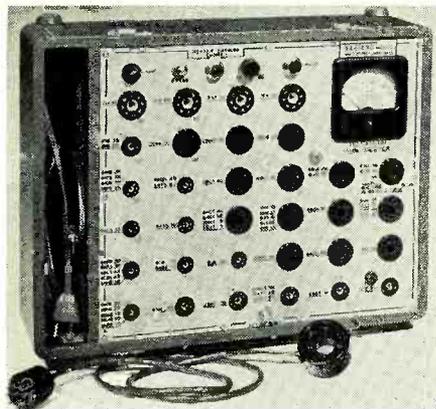
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The unit may also be connected directly to the picture tube pins so that tube operation may be checked without removing the receiver chassis from the cabinet. Special leads and connectors are supplied for connecting the instrument to the video amplifier or picture tube pins.

TV TUBE TESTER

Anko Manufacturing Company, Inc., 7311 West Burleigh Street, Milwaukee 10, Wisconsin, has developed a new, dynamic performance TV tube tester which is said to reduce tube testing time on most receivers to ten minutes.

Tradenamed the "Teletest," the new unit has been designed for the service shop, service dealer, jobber or department store TV department. The unit is so designed that the time consuming switching and selecting operations together with the usual tube selector charts have been eliminated. Only one meter, with a single scale, positively indicates "good" or "bad" tube condition. Picture tubes can be tested by means of a single adapter cord and plug without removing them from the sets.



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REPLACEMENT TRANSFORMER

Thordarson-Meissner, Mt. Carmel, Illinois, has developed a universal replacement power transformer which has been designated as the Model T26R00.

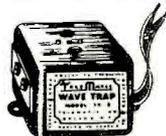
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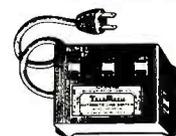
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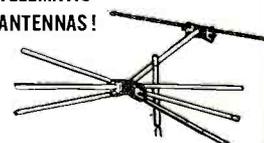
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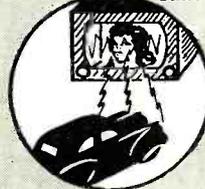


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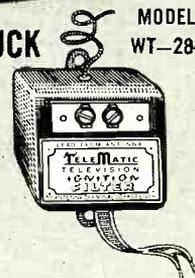
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Technical details on the new system are available from the Engineering Products Department of the company, Camden, New Jersey.

MATTISON RECEIVER

Mattison Television and Radio Corporation, 893 Broadway, New York 3, New York, has announced the addition of "The Heritage" to its line of home receivers.

The set is housed in a genuine mahogany cabinet with crotch mahogany panelled doors. The illuminated channel selector light is incorporated in the cabinet and turns on when the channel is being tuned and off when the program is on the screen. The



cabinet also has a built-in insulated compartment to prevent cabinet damage from chassis heat. The cabinet measures 40" high, 32½" wide, and 23½" deep.

"The Heritage" houses the company's 630 chassis with a tunable built-in booster for DX reception. The model is also obtainable without this feature if desired.

NEW TEST EQUIPMENT

Industrial Television, Inc., 369 Lexington Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey, has added a field strength meter to its line of fringe-area television equipment.

Known as the IT-105R field-strength meter, the new unit is designed to



meet the need for such measurements for both u.h.f. and v.h.f. signals. A speaker is included in this model to provide audible indication and to eliminate the need for earphones. Supplemental equipment in the form of a battery pack permits its use in locations where power is not available.

Channels 2 through 82 are covered, 72 or 300 ohm input, while the signal strength from 0 to 50,000 microvolts is read on a 4 1/2" rectangular meter.

For convenience, the IT-105R is equipped with a leather handle and sling strap.

ANTENNA GUY WIRE

Samson Cordage Works, 89 Broad Street, Boston, Massachusetts, has recently introduced a plastic coated antenna guy wire which has been designed to be used in place of galvanized wire in TV antenna installations.

The wire has a tensile strength of over 425 pounds and its plastic cover will withstand abnormally low or high temperatures, according to the company. The plastic cover is not affected by acids in industrial smokes, nor by the moisture in the air to the same extent as galvanized wire, hence it is claimed to last twice as long as galvanized wire under comparable installation conditions.

Further information on this new antenna guy wire is available from the company on request.

LOW-COST YAGIS

The LaPointe-Plascomold Corporation of Rockville, Connecticut, has announced the availability of a new line of low-cost yagis which has been trademarked the "Delta" line.

Included are five-, eight-, and twelve-element yagis which incorporate a delta matching system. This delta

ANTENNA EQUIPMENT



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MP-132 BASE—Illustrated at left—1" heavy coil spring, 2" insulator. Overall length: 1 1/2". Weight: 2 1/2 lbs. Price \$3.95

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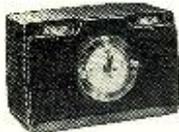
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CONTACT CLEANER

Fischer Distributing Co., 118 Duane Street, New York, N. Y. is now merchandising "Quietone," a new contact cleaner and lubricant manufactured by the Quietone Division of R. & L. Radio-Television.

The new product is said to be a highly effective cleaner, is non-inflammable, non-corrosive or solvent to metals or plastics, does not affect in any way oscillator frequency characteristics, yet provides non-greasy lubrication action.

"Quietone" may be used on television or radio equipment, electronic gear, on test equipment, etc. It may be used on any and all electrical contacts either for maintenance or as a protection for new equipment.

It is being marketed in a 2 ounce dropper bottle, a 2 ounce plastic spray squeeze bottle, 8 ounce bottle, or in quart sizes.

Full details are available from the distributor on request.

ANTENNA SELECTOR

A low-loss, triple-circuit antenna selector is now being marketed by Technical Appliance Corporation of Sherburne, New York.

The new unit, Catalogue No. 873, has been designed primarily for the selection at the receiver of signals from any one of three antennas. Maximum transfer of energy with minimum loss is attained through positive contact points and an impedance closely matching the transmission line.

In addition to its primary use, the manufacturer suggests that the unit may be used as a selector in a television showroom by switching the signals from the antenna to any of three receivers or in audio systems where the signals from the amplifier are to be switched from one speaker to another.

SELF-COUPLING MASTS

Snyder Manufacturing Company, Philadelphia 40, Pa., has recently introduced a new television antenna mast section, the MIO-X.

Precision built and self-coupling, the new units have a heavy-duty "3-Cote" finish inside and outside, being rust-proof "Bonderized" with a coat of primer paint and a coat of baked heavy plastic enamel.

Each mast section is 10 feet long and sections come packed 10 to a carton.

Modulation Monitor

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end of the plate tank decreases, this voltage becomes less positive than the cathode of the diode, the diode ceases to conduct, and any further decrease in voltage appears across the neon lamp. It can now be seen that if the plate voltage is removed from the final and the potentiometer R_3 is adjusted so that the voltage across the lamp is exactly equal to its ionizing potential, the unit will be adjusted for indication of 100% negative peak modulation. This is true because the lamp will flash each time the voltage on the plate tank drops to zero, which is 100% negative peak modulation.

If the voltage at the cathode of the diode is made more positive than the ionizing potential of the lamp, it will flash at some value less than 100%. The percentage modulation for a given value of cathode voltage can be calculated from one of the following formulas:

$$\% \text{ Modulation} = \frac{E_p + (E_s - E_k)}{E_p} \times 100$$

or:

$$E_k = E_p + E_s - E_p \frac{(\% \text{ Mod.})}{100}$$

where:

E_p = Final plate voltage.

E_s = Striking potential of neon lamp.

E_k = Positive voltage on the cathode of the diode.

The value of plate voltage will affect the percentage for any value less than 100%. However, when unit is set to flash at 100%, the expression $(E_s - E_k)$ in the formula reduces to zero and any changes in plate voltage will have no effect upon the accuracy of the indication.

While there are no special precautions necessary in the construction of this unit, R_1 and R_2 should be constructed of several resistors in series, particularly in transmitters using very high plate voltages. This is to preclude the possibility of arcing across the resistors. NE-2 lamps are used in the unit shown, however, any small neon lamps will serve. The voltage applied to R_3 and E_k is not critical, the only requirement is that it be greater than E_k in the formula for the value of modulation desired.

Due to the small size of this unit and its freedom from mechanical difficulties, it may easily be built into mobile or portable rigs, affording a low cost and almost foolproof means of maintaining the desired high level of modulation.

The authors believe that such a unit as this should be standard equipment for all plate modulated amateur transmitters. If it were, we believe that many of the amateurs who are unwittingly over-modulating and spluttering over a wide band would apply a counter-clockwise motion to their mike gain controls.

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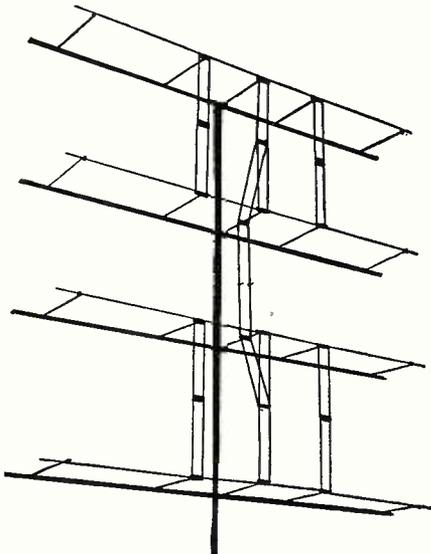
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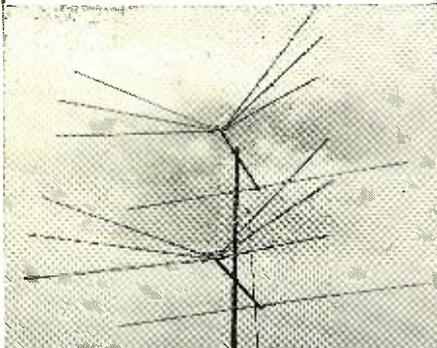
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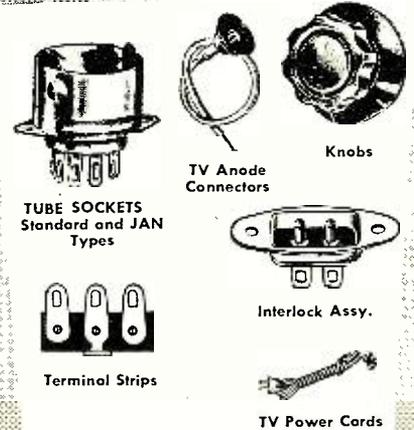
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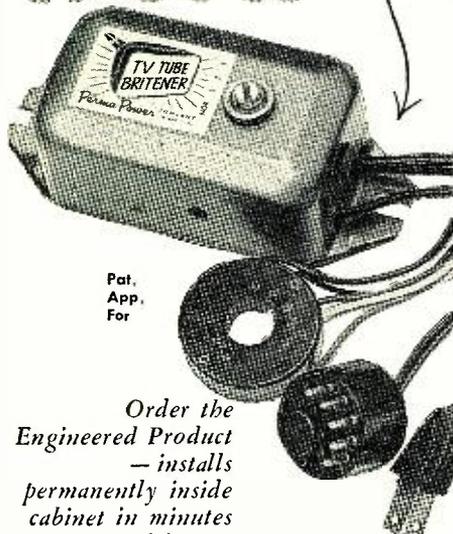
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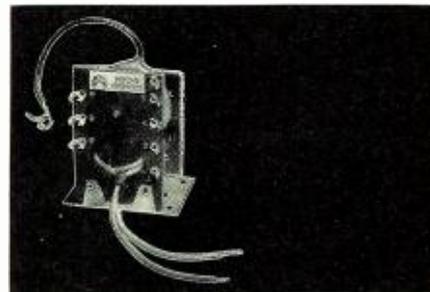
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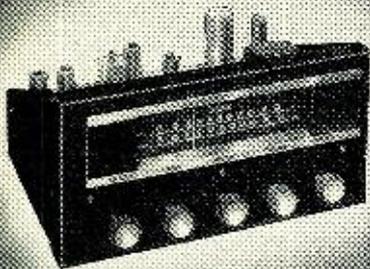
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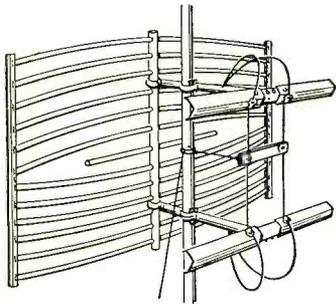
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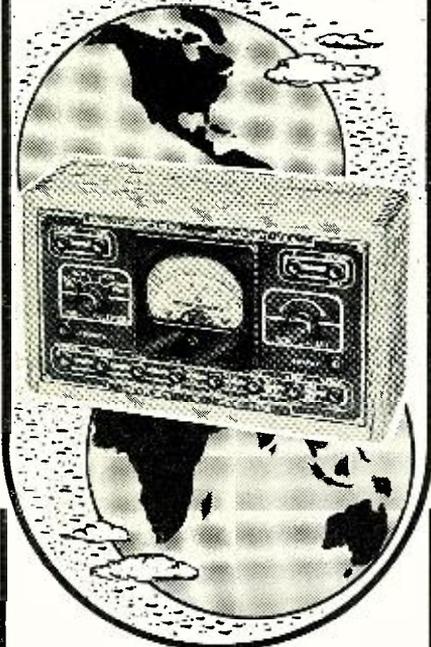
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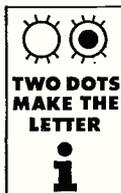
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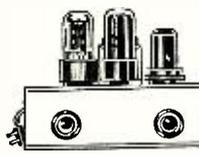
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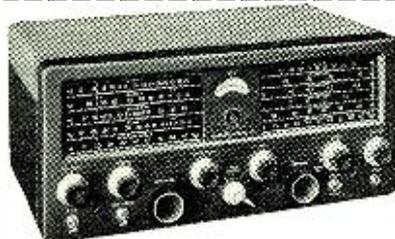
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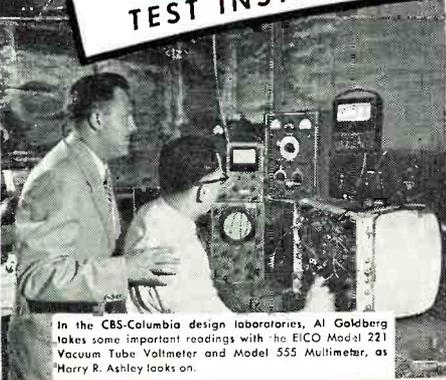
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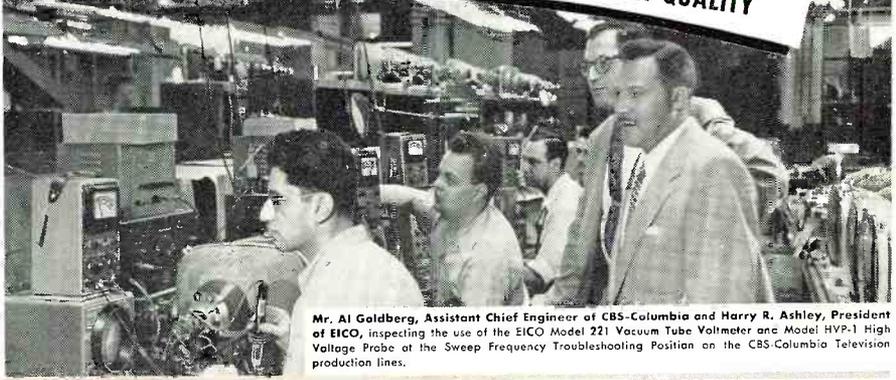
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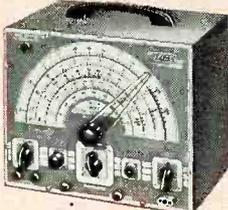
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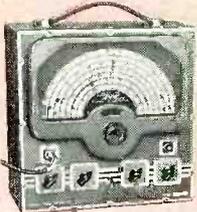
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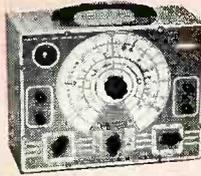
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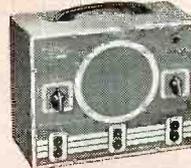
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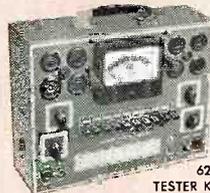
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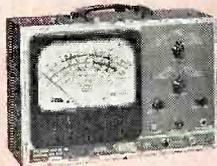
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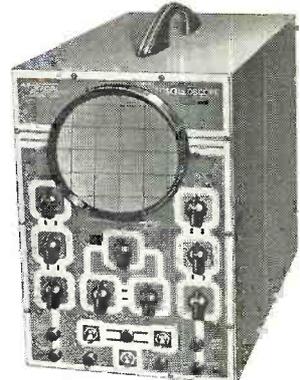
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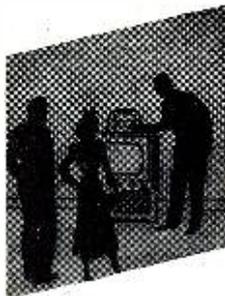
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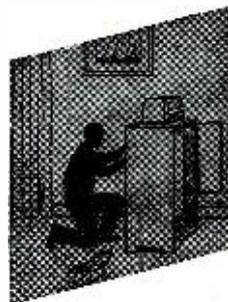
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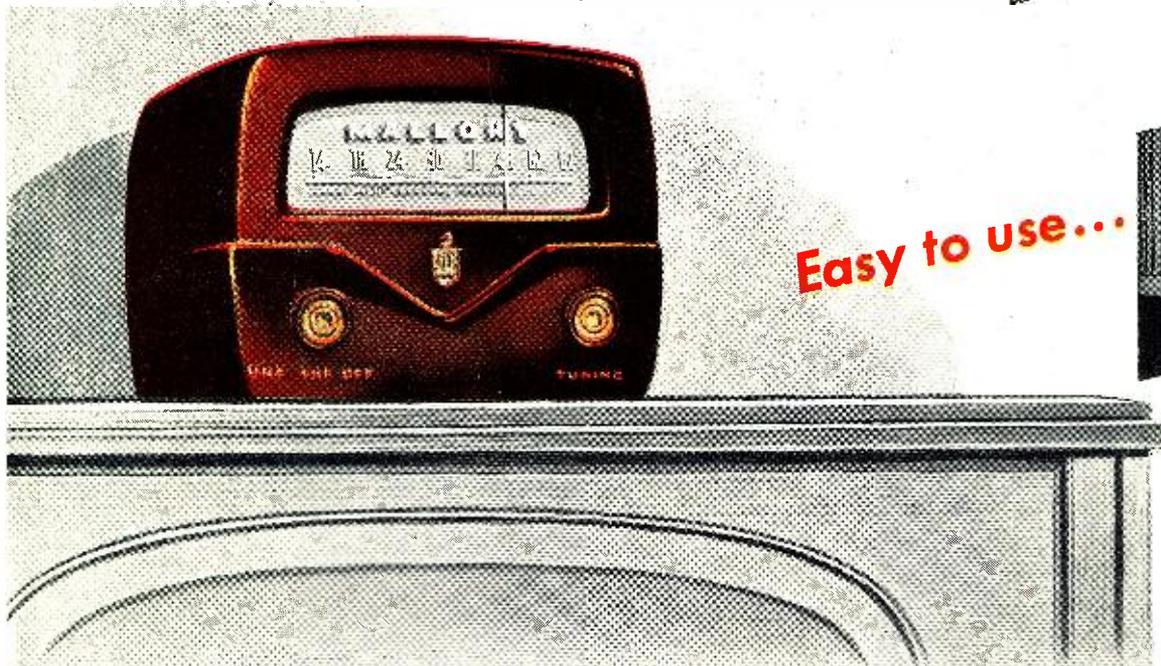
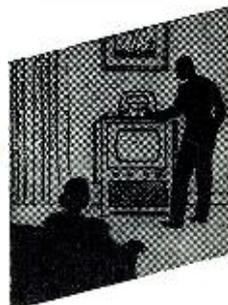
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