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When you've repaired the radio... why not repair the refrigerator, too? Make one trip pay for two jobs! Use these Sprague Universal Motor-Start Capacitors for every motor starting need. The seven shown here are all you'll require. They're always in stock... quick, easy to install... and absolutely dependable! They always fit—the terminals are right for quick installation.

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Making a radio tube stem is apparently easy. By gas flames, one merely seals stem wires and exhaust tube into a glass flare. High-speed production, however, raises problems of know-how. Expert adjustment of temperatures and timing is vital. To give you trouble-free performance, there must be absence of glass malformation, strains, cracks—air-tight wire seals—strict adherence to dimensions.

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Compressed air blows clear the exhaust tube inlet. The stem is lifted automatically into the rotating annealer. Strains vanish as distorted glass molecules resume normal positions. The annealed stem rolls onto the inspector's table. A stem former cuts, shapes, and nicks its wires to support the 35Z5GT's internal elements.

As you watch these intricate operations, you are impressed by controlled quality at high speed. Again you realize the know-how built into millions of Hytron tubes pouring out to you.
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Being a condensed digest of production, distribution and merchandising activities in the radio and appliance trade.

**Governor Thomas E. Dewey gets “house prize” of G-E self-charging portable radio receiver, as he visits site of “Electronics Park”, new General Electric plant in Syracuse, N. Y. Presentation is made by Dr. W. R. G. Baker (right), vice president in charge of Electronics Department.**

**Radio Service Centers**

Establishment of centers in New York City, Los Angeles, Seattle, Pittsburgh, Chicago and Butler, Missouri, for the checking, repairing, and servicing of Hallicrafters amateur, home, aircraft and marine radio equipment, is announced by Rollie Sherwood, sales manager of the company. With complete stock of parts for replacement to facilitate prompt and inexpensive maintenance, the centers will be manned by personnel who have been selected on the basis of ability to check, repair and realign all models.

**“Preventive” Service**

Nate Hast announces appointment of H & S Distributing Co., of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as distributor for Lear Home Radios in that territory. Art Gerbig, sales manager, states that on his sales staff is a radio engineer (or more than one, when necessary).

The duty of this radio engineer is to follow each shipment of Lear Home Radios made to H & S dealers, and check every radio after its arrival in the store. The dealers have instructions not to sell any set before it has received the approval of the trained engineer, whose arrival is so timed that there is no delay between arrival of sets and their availability to the public.

“From my quarter century of experience in selling radios,” Mr. Hast said, “I know that most of the ill-will that has been developed against radios is just the result of negligence. No matter how well a set is constructed, the handling that it gets between factory and the customer’s hands is terrible. After all, a radio is one of the most delicate of instruments, and cannot stand such rough treatment without occasional breakdowns. Mr. Gerbig’s method of overcoming such possible breakdowns will pay off heavily in the additional goodwill that it creates for the retailer, for the distributor, and the manufacturer and the industry as a whole. I certainly hope that others will take this suggestion to heart and do something like it.”

**Western Radio and Appliance “Trade Dinner”**

Once again to a “capacity house”, as for many years before the war, the semi-annual Western Radio and Appliance “Trade Dinner” will present distinguished speakers of national prominence and an unexcelled entertainment program, according to an announcement by George A. L’Amoreaux, promotion manager of the Western Merchandise Mart, 1355 Market St., San Francisco. This feature event of the Fall Market in San Francisco was held August 7, on the ninth floor of the Mart.

Raymond C. Cosgrove, of Cincinnati, Ohio, the newly reelected president of the Radio Manufacturers Association, and vice president and general manager of The Crosley Corporation, will address the maximum capacity audience of one thousand members of the trade on the subject of “Your Radio Business”.

With over 1200 manufacturers listed, and with a printing order for over 25% more copies than ever before, the largest Buyers Book and Directory in the history of the Western Merchandise Mart is being published for the Western Fall Market — held in San Francisco August 5 through 10.

**Olson News**

Olson Radio Warehouse announces the second issue of the Olson News. A full year’s subscription is available to all radio servicemen. All radio men wishing to be placed on the mailing list should forward their name immediately, so that they can be sure of getting every issue without fail.

**Surplus Disposal**

Special research laboratories, designed to develop new adaptations for radio and electronics equipment originally produced for the armed forces, have become an integral part of the working organization of more than 200 radio and electronics manufacturing concerns which are implementing the RFC’s program for disposal of the materials.

With estimates of the amounts of equipment to be disposed of ranging between 3 and 5 billion dollars, RFC has enlisted the support of 225 manufacturers to act as distributing agencies for the units and to devise new methods for their use.

The necessity for the special laboratories has been pointed up by the fact that much of the radio and electronics
equipment was originally produced to meet complex military specifications, which make them unsuitable in their present form for private industry use. Some of the radio and radar equipment, for example, had specifications calling for a four-foot drop without injury, the ability to withstand the shock and repercussions from 16 inch guns, and tropicalization, none of which are required by civilian consumers.

In the laboratories ways are being developed to apply the units to peacetime uses. Many of the parts already have been prepared for use in previously undreamed of channels. Among the adaptations worked out by industry and RFC technicians are garden umbrella holders, which have been made from antenna mast sections; aids in seeking buried treasure developed from hand-carried mine detectors; curtain or portieres rods that formerly were part of ground rods; flag poles from tubular steel and plywood antenna, and many others.

Already many millions of dollars worth of new and used radio and electronics equipment for use in the peacetime aviation, marine, utility and other industries are in the hands of manufacturer-agents for sale to civilian outlets. Such items as sound equipment for ship call systems, ship-to-shore telephones, two-way ground-to-plane and plane-to-plane communications sets, plane inter-phone equipment, emergency power generators, and a variety of component parts are a few of the units now available for civilian use.

Experimental Tele Station

For the purpose of aiding designers and manufacturers of new television receivers and to facilitate the rapid conversion of DuMont and other makes of television receivers in the field from the old Channel 4 (78.84 mc.) to the new Channel 5 (76-82 mc.), DuMont television station WABD and its experimental station W2XWV will begin regular broadcasting schedules of test patterns daily on January 2.

Samuel H. Cuff, General Manager of WABD, announced that the test pattern schedule to be maintained for an indefinite period is from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., five days a week, Monday through Friday.

Hytron Acquires

Announcement is made jointly by Bruce A. Coffin, President of Hytron Radio & Electronics Corp., and J. P. Lieberman, President of Air King

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Industrial Radio-Communications

NETWORKS of two and three-way radio telephone systems are being installed in several parts of the country and several impressive ship-to-shore radio installations for the yachting enthusiast are already in operation. They portend good news for the technically competent Service Dealer who is desirous of broadening his field of operations.

In the near future many thousands of radio-equipped trucks, taxis and cars will be commonplace. Of course, there will also be many state and city law enforcement radio-equipped cars. Then, of the eight hundred thousand pleasure craft, not to mention commercial shipping, and the fifty thousand private airplanes which will find some type of radio communications or safety device installation a vital adjunct, a fair share will undoubtedly make a purchase as soon as the equipment is available.

Not only does the Service-Dealer look like the logical seller and installer of such apparatus, but in addition he'll handle the considerable volume of maintenance work involved. Mobile radio equipment installation fees vary from fifty to a hundred dollars per unit, depending upon the number of units to be installed and the character of the specific installation; and maintenance fees vary from ten to a hundred dollars a year per unit in addition to the cost of required replacement parts.

It's a nice, new, highly profitable business to have in addition to normal retail-servicing of home radios. The trick, of course, is to know your high frequencies and how to lick the always-present "bugs" in such circuits. A thorough knowledge of the workings of transceiver rigs that operate in the 25-162 Mc. range will prove to be valuable.

Parts Shortages

THE demand for replacement parts and tubes needed to repair the almost 30,000,000 defective radio sets now in homes around the country has increased far beyond manufacturers' ability to deliver. Consequently jobbers are doing their best to ration available supplies. Test equipment production is improving and that is a boom to Service-Dealers who have been forced to work with obsolete and in-need-of-repairs instruments, and who need modern test apparatus badly. The tube situation is tight as the few manufacturers still have huge back-logs of orders unfilled.

We look for increased prices in all phases of the radio game due in great part to increased production costs because of man-power and raw material shortages rather than to the desire on the part of manufacturers for larger profits. Production costs have sky-rocketed because parts shortages have stopped production runs, and it takes big runs to lessen overhead, reduce costs. At least, under the new OPA, dealers won't have to pay, out of their pockets, for the government's price-control bungling and consequent production slow-down.

Shooting the Breeze

LETTERS reaching this desk in ever-increasing volume complain about the bad judgment of radio distributors who have signed franchises for their lines with newly organized appliance and specialty stores rather than old, established radio outlets. Many distributors are new in this field which accounts for their faulty selection or "bad judgment."

The mortality rate among newly established retailing firms has been very high so a reshuffling of dealerships is taking place. Service-Dealers should get proper recognition from distributors or the latter will learn "the hard way" about their error.

While radio set production is higher than ever before, it is true but not generally known that the shortage of "name brands" is due to the fact that the bulk of recently-made sets have been exported. Most dealers have a few display models but not enough to allow sales on an immediate-delivery basis. Production of console sets has been negligible—is just starting. Inferior, too highly priced set lines offered by many new manufacturers are fast becoming a drug on the market and now are being offered at slashed prices. It's proof that the public insists on better values.

With the revised OPA becoming effective conditions look brighter. Production of "name brands" for domestic sale will improve. It is time for Service-Dealers to review their franchise commitments. They should select lines that include F-M and phono-combination console models.
I,000,000 Portable Radio Sets Waiting...

Plenty of "Eveready" Batteries for Them!

- Every dealer knows that production of new portable sets will be a long time "catching up."
  Yet . . . of 5,000,000 modern portables made since 1939 . . . 2,000,000 were still in service at the last check. And another 1,000,000 were out of use—chiefly because of lack of batteries or need of minor repairs!

You can cash in now on the hundreds of such ready-made prospects who are right in your own territory—because you can get "Eveready" "Mini-Max" "B" batteries and "Eveready" "A" batteries NOW!

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DISPLAY THEM . . . CUSTOMERS DO THE REST!
This kind of arithmetic may put Johnny through college

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$3 put into U. S. Savings Bonds today will bring back $4 in 10 years.
Another $3 will bring back another $4.

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It will... in U. S. Savings Bonds. And those bonds may very well be the means of helping you educate your children as you'd like to have them educated.

So keep on buying Savings Bonds—available at banks and post offices. Or the way that millions have found easiest and surest—through Payroll Savings. Hold on to all you've bought.

You'll be mighty glad you did... 10 years from now!

SAVE THE EASY WAY... BUY YOUR BONDS THROUGH PAYROLL SAVINGS

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RCA Victor Appoints

Appointment of J. David Cathcart, well known advertising and market specialist, as advertising manager of the RCA Victor Home Instrument Division is announced by Henry C. Baker, general sales manager. Mr. Cathcart was formerly assistant director of RCA Victor's Market Research Department. Thomas J. Bernard, former Home Instrument advertising manager, has been appointed to the company's Public Relations Division under John K. West, director, for work on special public relations assignments.

MacGregor VP of W-C

Webster-Chicago Corporation announced that Donald MacGregor was elected Executive Vice President of that organization— as well as being made a director of the company. Also elected a director of Webster-Chicago Corporation was John F. Bolger.

Sonora Appoints

Appointment of Milton R. Benjamin as manager of the record division of Sonora Products, Inc., is announced by Edward Harris, president of the company. Benjamin's experience in the record field has been long and extensive. From 1921 through 1930, he operated a chain of phonograph record stores in the East, and from 1930 to 1935, he was a national distributor and wholesaler of phonograph records. When, in 1938, the Sonora Electric Phonograph Co. was sold to Joseph Gerl, Benjamin became associated with the Sonora Radio & Television Corp., as its sales representative in New York and New England. His new appointment places him in charge of activity and business with the company's 76 record distributors throughout the United States.

DuBuque to Lear

All Lear, Incorporated, advertising and public relations activities, including the mechanical products as well as aircraft radios and Lear home radios, will be headed by Jean H. DuBuque, whose appointment to the post of advertising and public relations director of the company is announced by William P. Lear, president.

Production of Lear radios, both for aviation and for homes, is going ahead nicely, and the company's advertising plans are geared to step along with the sales and production picture. (See page 40)
Does non-productive service time cut down your profits?

**PhotoFact* Folders Help You Make Up to Twice as Many Repairs a Day**

Did you ever stop to estimate how much repair time is spent non-productively? How many hours you have to waste finding defective parts, figuring what replacements to use, trying to get these replacements?

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PhotoFact Folders provide information to help you service radio receivers in the fastest, most accurate way possible. Pictures and facts are presented in such a way that you get the story clearly, completely and concisely.

PhotoFact Folders come in handy sets—30 to 50 at a time—“easy to file” Folders—at a cost of only $1.50 for each set. They cover all new radios, phonographs, intercommunication systems and power amplifiers as they reach the market. Original manufacturers’ parts as well as standard replacement parts are listed. No ordinary service data is used. Instead, you get the combined “know how” of engineers who have made every measurement, every necessary adjustment, on receivers identical with the ones you have to repair.

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1. A cabinet-view photo of the receiver to help you establish identity and control functions. 2. A top-view photo of chassis and speaker to identify component parts and alignment points. 3. A bottom-view photo of chassis and/or accessories. 4. A complete list giving keyed reference to all parts, alignment and schematic diagram. 5. A complete schematic diagram of the receiver. 6. Stage gain measurements listed on the schematic diagram. 7. A complete voltage and resistance analysis chart for rapid check of operational values. 8. Complete alignment instructions on the receiver consistent with the keyed alignment points indicated in top- and bottom-view photos.

*Trade Mark Reg.*
The new section 19.20 of the General Ordinance of the City of Madison, Wisconsin, concerning the licensing of radio and electronic servicemen, has been issued. There are those within the city who breathe a bit easier now and pray that the new version of the licensing ordinance will meet with the approval of all concerned and make for smooth sailing ahead for the much harassed Board of Examiners.

The progressive City of Madison has pioneered in the field of licensing radio servicemen with the hope of protecting the hapless housewife from would be radiomen, who have no qualms when it comes to hacking up someone else's radio set, without freezing out qualified men or making for a closed shop. This factor has been the underlying inertia behind all revisions of the now famed section 19.20. Recent unfavorable newspaper publicity brought about the latest, and what is hoped to be the last, revision.

**Development**

The ordinance originated as a rider attached to the electrical code Later it served for years as a separate ordinance hibernating in musty files. However, in 1941 it was revised by lobbying servicemen "to protect the citizens against electrical engineering students from the University of Wisconsin who were constantly experimenting with the neighbors' radios." The then new version of 19.20 became something of a political football with which existing service shops could conceivably control new competition. And during the war years when the city was invaded by radio students and instructors from the nearby Air Force radio school at Truax Field the ordinance proved inadequate in the matter of "protecting the citizens from hack work". This was due in part to the reluctance of those in authority to tackle the military and in part to the elusiveness of the "curbstone mechanics." Critics of the ordinance were quick to point out that it did very little protecting when it came to the housewife and a lot of protecting when it came to the shop owner.

In brief, the 1941 ordinance called for the licensing of all servicemen repairing electrical devices employing a vacuum tube having two or more elements. Without stretching the point too for this could include a garage man who made a practice of repairing battery chargers, ignition checkers and the like. The exceptions were: removing and testing tubes, demonstrating radios and electrical devices, an owner repairin his own equipment, and an apprentice working under a licensed serviceman. Moderate fines for each offense back up the ordinance.

A board of six members, composed of two servicemen-employers, two servicemen-employees, the city electrical inspector and the chief police radio technician, administered the ordinance and examined applicants for licenses bi-annually. The board had rather broad powers and insofar as the ordinance proved inadequate for this could include a garage man who made a practice of repairing radios successfully. The harassed board agreed and promptly came forth with a simple true and false test on theory which required only the placing of an "X" in the right square; plus a practical bench test which consisted of repairing a run-of-the-mill trouble in an ordinary receiver. The board reiterated firmly that an applicant could fail the written theory quiz completely and still receive his license if he satisfied the board's requirements on the practical examination. Everything ran smoothly for a while. Then, with the return of the veterans from global battlefields, including Truax Field and other G.I. radio schools, a new problem arose.

Herefore, examinations were held in May and in December of each year. In December 1945 ten men, with the majority being veterans, took the examinations. Of the ten, two passed both tests and received their licenses. Seven of the eight that failed conceded that their G.I. radio experience didn't qualify them to go into the business of servicing broadcast receivers and decided it would be better for them to work under a licensed man for an apprenticeship period as provided in the ordinance. The eighth man, a veteran who worked for a newly opened appliance shop, continued at his job in the capacity of a radio serviceman for a bit easier now and pray that the new version of the licensing ordinance will meet with the approval of all concerned and make for smooth sailing ahead for the much harassed Board of Examiners.

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**Tests**

The first blast criticized the board for their procedure in conducting examinations. At first the tests were exclusively written questions on theory. Some applicants protested that they couldn't write, or read, or perhaps spell; but that they could fix radios. Others claimed that testing them on theory was unfair because it was not necessary to know theory to repair radios successfully. The harassed board agreed and promptly came forth with a simple true and false test on theory which required only the placing of an "X" in the right square; plus a practical bench test which consisted of repairing a run-of-the-mill trouble in an ordinary receiver. The board reiterated firmly that an applicant could fail the written theory quiz completely and still receive his license if he satisfied the board's requirements on the practical examination. Everything ran smoothly for a while. Then, with the return of the veterans from global battlefields, including Truax Field and other G.I. radio schools, a new problem arose.

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**BUSINESS CONDITIONS**

1.) 695,000 new businesses were launched in the last two years in the U.S. During the same period 295,000 business concerns discontinued operation, leaving a net increase of 400,000. The total business enterprises in the country during the early part of 1945 were 3,235,000, or one for every 43 persons, which approximates the pre-war average.

In some regions there is already evidence of saturation in such retail fields as electrical appliances, radios, package liquor, bar and grills, and home furnishings stores.

2.) Total bankruptcies in all kinds of businesses in the country reached a record low figure of 810 in 1945. The number of bankruptcies up to June 1st of this year has shown a tendency to increase with 431 reported to date.
HOW IS YOUR GRID BIASED?

Introduction of the three element tube several years ago has changed methods of supplying a negative voltage for the grid.

by J. B. CRAWLEY

WHY is grid bias necessary? Notice the graph in Fig. 1. This is the familiar plate current vs. grid voltage graph. Three things of particular interest are noted.

First, that making the grid —9 volts causes the plate current to drop to zero, so making the grid more negative cannot cause a further decrease in current. This condition is known as plate current cutoff.

Second, making the grid voltage zero causes the current to increase to 10.5 ma. Further increase of grid voltage will cause little increase in plate current. This condition is known as plate current saturation.

The third point to note is that there is an almost straight or linear part of the graph between —1 and —7 volts. This region is the part of the tube characteristics used in Class A amplifiers.

The grid voltage for the tube is chosen to lie halfway between the points on the graph where curvature starts. When a signal is applied to the grid it adds to the bias during the negative half cycles and subtracts from the bias on the positive half cycles. If the grid goes more than —7 volts or less than —1 volt distortion will occur. When an input voltage great enough to drive the grid beyond these limits is applied to the tube, the tube is said to be overloaded. Under ideal conditions this is never allowed. Let us suppose that in the case above the grid bias for the tube is chosen as —4 volts. An a-c voltage of 6 volts would be required (peak to peak) to drive the tube into the region where distortion would occur. If the bias voltage had been chosen as —3 or —5 instead it would have required only 5 volts peak to peak instead of 6 to produce distortion. This example shows why a correct choice of grid bias must be made if the full capabilities of the tube are to be realized.

Summarizing then, grid bias of some sort is necessary to keep the tube operating in the center of its grid voltage-plate current characteristic.

BATTERY BIAS

Probably the oldest and simplest form of grid bias makes use of a C battery. The term C bias or C battery got its name when the filament supply battery was called "A", the plate supply "B" and the grid bias battery "C".

In the original system the C battery has its positive terminal connected to the positive side of the filament battery, while the grid returns to the negative terminal of the C battery. (See Fig. 2A.) Often the same battery is used in its entirety to provide bias for several stages while in other cases taps on the battery may serve to bias other tubes (Fig. 2B). Unless certain precautions are taken this practice results in noise, motorboating, squealing, or degeneration. Noise is usually caused by some local action due to impurities in the cells. This local action will cause the batteries terminal voltage to vary slightly and if used in a high gain circuit this variation in grid bias will be amplified as noise.

The other troubles, motorboating, regeneration and degeneration are due to the internal resistance of the C battery. This internal resistance is common to the various stages receiving bias from the battery and signal voltage from each stage will be developed across it. In the example shown in Fig. 2B, the voltage from V2 will be out of phase with that of V1. However, the voltage from V3 will be in phase with that of V1. If the amplifier has sufficient gain, regeneration may result from this common coupling.

Figure 2

Figure 3

Part 1.

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**Fig. 3** is a graph of how the resistance of a cell varies as its voltage varies. This applies to batteries used in radio work. You will notice that when the battery is new its resistance is about 1/6 the value it becomes when its terminal voltage drops 3/4. It is also evident that the internal resistance is so low in all cases that the effects mentioned above are not likely to happen. The battery is used in circuits where it must deliver current or circuits having very high gain.

**BYPASSING**

To eliminate common coupling a simple bypass condenser is usually all that is necessary. The reactance of the condenser at the lowest frequency to be amplified should be less than one tenth the value of the batteries internal resistance. This calls for a 20 mfd., low voltage, condenser to properly bypass the coupling resistor-condenser filter circuit. Sometimes de-coupling resistor-condenser filter circuits in each grid are used in place of a large bypass. This method gives better isolation of each stage, but it requires more parts.

**BLEEDER**

Every battery has a shelf life expectancy and will lose its voltage even if not put into service. In most radios there is no current drain on the C battery and its life is the normal shelf life expectancy. The B batteries on the other hand must supply current, so their life depends on the current drain of the receiver. This is a disadvantage, first because one is tempted to replace the B batteries without replacing the C. Usually the C will lose voltage before the second B set has discharged and will cause distortion and abnormal drain on the B circuit.

The second reason it is disadvantageous is that the full value of the B batteries cannot be realized. A tube may require —9 volts grid bias for a plate voltage of 180, and —6 volts when operated with 135V. B supply batteries are normally used in broadcast receivers until their terminal voltage has dropped to about 35 volts under load. If four 45 volt batteries are used to give the 180 volts in the case above, this voltage would drop to about 140 volts before the batteries were discarded. If the C bias remained at —9 volts a reduction in gain and distortion would occur in the tube.

In order to overcome this difficulty manufacturers of battery operated equipment use bleeder circuits to discharge the C at approximately the same rate as the B. For example the Philco battery receivers models 37-38, 37-623, and 36-39 use a 300 ohm resistor to bleed the C. Later information contained in service manuals recommended the resistor be changed to 6,000 ohms because "the 300 ohm resistor is discharging the C battery too fast resulting in premature failure of the B batteries."

Obviously the question of how much bleeder is a ticklish one. Too little or too much bleeder will necessitate early replacement of the B batteries. If cells of the same size or capacity were used in both B and C batteries the problem would not be quite so complicated. In the preceding example, the B battery drops from 180 volts to 140 volts before it is discharged, or 22%. The C should change from —9 to —6 volts, or 33 in the same length of time. If battery life were a linear function of current versus time the problem would be simple indeed. A bleeder would be used that would give a C current of 11 per cent more than the B current. However, battery life expectancy charts (see Fig. 4) indicate that battery life is not a linear function of current so the example given above would not give 100 per cent efficiency.

**SELF-SERVICE PREFERRED BY SERVICEMEN**

The letter to the servicemen which resulted in this information, read as follows:

"As you probably know, there is a considerable amount of controversy at the present time among distributors on the servicemen's idea of self-service stores.

"As a buyer of radio parts we would like your opinions and comments. Do you prefer to browse around and select your own merchandise from bins or shelves or do you like behind-the-counter service? What are your remarks on both types of selling?

"Your statements will be forwarded to our distributors as a cross-section of opinion, so we will appreciate your prompt reply.

"In tabulating responses to this inquiry, we divided the replies sectionally as well as nationally and found that even though self-service was favored nationally, the East preferred over-the-counter service and the Middle West preferred self-service. The regional percentages were as follows:

- East—50% preferred over-the-counter service; 30% preferred self-service; 20% preferred semi-self-service.
- South—75% preferred self-service; 25% preferred over-the-counter service.
- Middle West—50% preferred semi-self-service; 30% preferred self-service; 20% preferred over-the-counter service.
- West—47% preferred self-service; 35% preferred semi-self-service; 14% preferred over-the-counter service.
- Dominion of Canada—100% preferred self-service.

"Of course the method of obtaining our parts that we prefer above all else is to be able to phone an order to our parts dealer and be sure we would get all that we requested. We are interested in getting the parts as quickly as possible. This shopping around cuts into profits when time is money as it is in the radio service business today.

"There are two major types of buyers in a distributor's store. One type prefers to lay a list on the counter, wait until it is wrapped and walk out. The other, while having one or two items in mind when entering, almost always is reminded of other things that are needed when they are in evidence and thus forcefully called to mind.

"A "service store" offers little or no impediment to the salesman filling an order and at the same time brings before his customers his line of products, both old and new, to the mutual advantage of both parties."

[From Centralab Jobber Outlook, August 1964]
The fact that the resistor in the Philco receivers was changed from 900 ohms to 6,000 ohms indicates that either there is no sure way for determining the correct value or else the value is not too critical.

**BIAS SUPPLIES**

Offering a distinct advantage to batteries in many instances is the line voltage operated bias supply. There is the disadvantage that it cannot be used in portable equipment or in localities where power is not available. Where it can be used it offers means of obtaining higher voltages, longer life and complete power line operation.

Bias supplies are of two general types: those using power transformers and the universal or so-called AC-DC types. The latter type is more popular because it is more economical to build. In deciding which type to use determine if, at any time, the equipment will come in contact with a grounded circuit. If so, a supply using a transformer to isolate it from the power line voltage is necessary. If not, then the a.c.-d.c. type is preferable. Since most bias supplies are not required to furnish large amounts of current, very light rectifiers may be used. For economy's sake receiving triodes with light rectifiers may be used. For very large amounts of current, very heavy rectifiers are necessary. If not, then the a.c.-d.c. type is preferable. Since most bias supplies are not required to furnish large amounts of current, very light rectifiers may be used. For economy's sake receiving triodes with light rectifiers may be used. For very large amounts of current, very heavy rectifiers are necessary. If not, then the a.c.-d.c. type is preferable.

Filter systems for bias supplies need not be bulky since, as mentioned previously, the current demand is not large. A review of filter circuits shows why this is true. In the case of an iron core choke it has an impedance equal to 2π times the frequency, times the inductance. At 60 cps, a 15 henry choke would have a reactance of approximately 5500 ohms. A condenser's reactance varies inversely with frequency and is equal to

\[ \frac{2\pi}{C} \]

A 20 μF condenser would have around 133 ohms reactance at 60 cps. If these impedances were connected in series and an AC voltage applied across the combination, obviously little of the voltage drop would occur across the condenser (about 2%). Such is the case in a filter circuit. For a.c. the choke and condenser look like a series circuit to ground. For d.c. the choke looks like a low resistance while the condenser behaves as a storage tank or reservoir. Since bias supplies supply little current it is not necessary that the choke have low resistance.

Experimenters often use the secondary winding of a driver or interstage transformer that has a burned out primary. Actually a resistor may be substituted for the choke and is usually desirable because of its small size and low cost. Resistor values will range from 1,000 ohms to as high as 1 meg, depending on current requirements.

**CATHODE RESISTOR OR SELF BIAS**

By far the most common system of obtaining a grid bias voltage is inserting a resistor from cathode to ground. In any tube there flows a steady or average current component. If this current is made to flow through a resistance, by Ohm's law there will be a voltage drop of IR across the resistor. Fig. 6 shows the voltage drop in a typical amplifier. A current flows through the circuit composed of Rk, the tubes load resistor, the tubes DC resistance, and Rk. Most of the drop occurs across the plate load resistor, the rest across the tube and the resistor. Rk is chosen so that the quiescent plate current of the tube will produce a voltage drop across it equal to the required bias. Notice that the cathode is positive with respect to ground. Since the grid connects to ground (through a resistor) the cathode is also positive with respect to grid. Restated, the grid will be negative with respect to cathode.

This method of bias has met with widespread approval because it:

1—Eliminates the need for batteries or separate bias supplies.

2—Is automatic in nature. This point is of particular advantage in battery equipment. As the B supply lowers the tube current decreases automatically, decreasing the bias to correspond to the low plate voltage. Simplicity and low cost is another contributing factor to the popularity of this form of bias.

In choosing the value of Rk, good results can usually be obtained by following a simple rule. Refer to a tube handbook and record the plate voltage the tube draws at the plate voltage desired. Record also the recommended bias. The value of Rk can be determined by the formula

\[ R_k = \frac{V_{grid}}{I_{plate current}} \]

If a tube is a pentode the screen current must be added to the plate current in determining the total cathode current.

If greater accuracy is desired it is necessary to plot a load line on the plate voltage, plate current characteristics of a tube. From this load line determine the quiescent plate current and grid voltage to operate the tube near the center of its linear region. Substitute these values in the above formula and solve as before.

Actually neither procedure is necessary since most tube manuals give recommended values for Rk for various plate voltages and plate load resistors. (For example, see RCA tube manual).

The value of Rk is chosen on the basis of a steady plate current when actually the tube amplifies by producing variations in this plate current. When a signal is applied to the grid it causes the plate current to vary and produces an AC voltage across Rk, that is in phase with this current change.

Let us analyze one cycle of operation (see Fig. 7). Suppose that there

[see page 33]
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Equipment and methods required for determining the cause of both hum and distortion. Ordinary voltage and resistance checkups often fail to reveal the trouble.

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Volume Control

The next point to check is at the wiper arm of the volume control (i.e., point "B"). If the distortion is present at this point (but not at point "A") the trouble is the volume control itself. Note: Volume controls are a very frequent cause of distortion due to the constant wear that they are subjected to. This wear, in time, causes the resistance of the control to increase sometimes, to the extent that the audio voltage developed across it will be cut to the extent that distortion is produced.

If the signal is undistorted at point "B", the next point of check is point "C" (Fig. 6). If the signal is distorted at this point, the trouble is in the condenser (#1—Fig. 6). This condenser very seldom develops a short but leakage due to atmospheric moisture absorption is very prevalent. The condenser should be disconnected and checked with an ohmmeter, using a scale of at least 1.5 megohms, to verify the fact that it is defective. If the signal is undistorted at point "C", the next point of check is point "D". If the signal is distorted at this point, the tube (#2—Fig. 6) should be checked by replacing it with one known to be good, and the voltages at the tube socket should be checked and the cause of any deviation from normal eliminated. If the signal at point "D" is undistorted, the next point of check is point "E". If the signal is distorted at this point, the same steps as those just given should be taken.

In this stage or in any additional stages of this type, if more than one is used on the receiver in question, particular attention should be paid to

Figure 7. Illustration of current flow through leaky A-F coupling condenser.
the control grid voltage.

It is a very common occurrence for the coupling condenser (#3—Fig. 6) to break down partially and thus develop a high resistance leak. The effect of such a break down in this condenser is to create a positive voltage that is applied to the grid of the tube (#4—Fig. 6). This positive grid voltage is developed by a current flow through the leaky condenser as shown in Fig. 7. The positive voltage on the grid will cause the tube to operate on a non-linear portion of its curve and, as a result, distortion ensues.

Output Stage

If the signal is undistorted at point “E”, the next point of check is a similar point on the succeeding stage, if there is one; otherwise the procedure is to next check the output stage. The output stage may be either two tubes operated in push-pull or simply a single power amplifier. If the output stage is a transformer coupled push-pull stage and the signal is undistorted at point “A”—Fig. 8, the cause of the distortion is in the output stage.

The cause of the distortion can be found by checking as follows: Both tubes should be checked by replacing them with ones known to be good. The operating voltages of each tube should be checked. The complete absence of, or an insufficient grid voltage on one of the output tubes indicates a defective input transformer. The complete absence of or an insufficient grid voltage on both of the output tubes indicates an open or partially open bias supply resistor (#1—Fig. 8) or a shorted or partially shorted bias condenser (#2—Fig. 8) or a short to ground anywhere on the B-line. The absence of or an insufficient plate voltage on one of the output tubes indicates a defective output transformer. Finally, condensers (#3—Fig. 8) should be removed and checked for leakage.

If the output stage is of the general type shown in Fig. 8-A and the signal is undistorted at point “A”, the procedure should be the same as that given in the preceding paragraph. In this case particular attention should be paid to condensers #1, #2 and #3—Fig. 8B. In general, the single output stage is identical with the output circuit of the preceding paragraph when tube #5—Fig. 8A is eliminated.

The conditions, tests, procedures and symptoms of distortion in the audio system that has just been given cover all types of audio-systems. If an audio-system employing phase-inversion stages, base amplifiers, etc. is encountered, the same tests, procedures, etc. can be applied to the additional stages of audio amplification.

No mention has been made in this article of the more obvious causes of distortion.
Routine for SPEEDY SERVICE

By being able to promise customers that certain radios left for repairs will be completed and ready for withdrawal at a certain date, and having that radio ready for delivery, Morris Goldman, owner of M and J Radio Repair, Philadelphia, has been able to build up a reputation of prompt service that has carried him through the hectic repair day rushes.

"Customers were always clamoring for their radios and sets," says Mr. Goldman, "and pestering us long before we had promised them delivery if they were repaired. They were acting as their own expeditors, they wanted to let us know they were after us, so that we would be sure to work on their radios and have it for the day promised. And try as we did to work on all sets in the order that they came into our store, so that we could keep our delivery schedule, many skips were made. It was after several customers had given us hot arguments, that we decided to see what could be done about systemizing jobs and having radios ready for the day promised."

The first step was to work on radios in rotation on the first-come-first-served basis. In starting this policy, Mr. Goldman numbered small tags from one on up the scale, and tagged each radio in numerical order as each one was brought in. No other information was placed on these tags; another tag was attached to the radio, telling the repairmen what to do on the specific job.

As Mr. Goldman has several repairmen working, he decided to keep names off of work tags, so that employees would not show any partiality to any individuals that they may have known. As soon as a radio was repaired, the repair man had to take the next on in numerical order, as they came. This helped to stop repairmen from picking out certain jobs to do, on the theory that one of the other repairmen would do it. Some of them preferred to do one type of work and always looked for it among the radios that came in. Because of this some sets would be left untouched for several days, while others would be repaired on the day of arrival.

"In trying to discover why certain sets went out ahead of others, although in many cases, the repair job was easier," points out Mr. Goldman, "I found that our workmen liked repairing and tinkering with certain makes and model sets, which were their favorites. This naturally was unfair to our customers, for our first-come-first-served policy didn’t work out. But after we installed our numerical rotation system, this was all changed. As each man completed a job, and he went into the stock room to get another radio to repair, he had to check the number of the appliance he took with the bookkeeper.

"Another good feature about our rotating system was that some customers would tell me that they knew we wouldn’t do their repair job on time, because it was a small one with not much profit attached to it. We squared this with them, by showing the doubtful customer the rotation repair tag that was going on their radio and also the last tag that had been taken off a repair job that had gone out, so that they could see the number of jobs that were ahead of them. And when I would then tell them the time it would take to be repaired, and when they should come to pick up the radio, they would appear satisfied."

When a repairman completed a job, it was placed near the “time card” rack. For as each job entered the store, and a number tag placed on it, a corresponding tag was placed in the rack, which had the customer’s name, address and other information on it. On seeing the completed radio near the rack, Mr. Goldman would withdraw the card from the rack and place that one on the repair job. The numerical [see page 32]
NOW being used in radio receivers, voltage multipliers, speech amplifiers, PA systems, electronic organs, business machines — wherever a low-voltage low-current d-c source is required — replacing type 117Z6-117Z3 and other rectifier tubes.

The "landslide" of orders which followed the announcement of this new rectifier means just one thing — another outstanding contribution which fills a great need in the electronic industry. Now, in hundreds of applications, this 5-plate rectifier stack is proving its value — in money saved, reduced assembly time, new space savings, longer life, instant starting. It measures only 1¼ x 1½ x ⅛ inches, and will go into restricted spaces where a tube and socket won't fit.

Though miniature in size, this rectifier embodies "full-scale" quality throughout, with Center-Contact construction and all of the other features which have made Federal Selenium Rectifiers the standard of quality in the industry. They're available now — in quantity. Write to department F55 for prices and data.

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Newark, New Jersey
An interview on trends in installment financing, with A. G. Rude, sales manager, Universal C.I.T. Credit Corp.

by LEWIS C. STONE, Editor

The electrical household appliance industry has made long strides from the washboard to the automatic laundry machine, from the old gramophone to today's radio-phonograph console with television on the horizon, from the back porch ice box to the modern refrigerator. These advances in home comfort and enjoyment have been achieved through coordinated effort by the various elements of the industry.

Manufacturing research and enterprise, the merchandising aggressiveness and courage of distributors and retailers, the pioneering of sales financing—all have made their contribution toward bringing more conveniences within the reach of more families here than in any other country in the world.

You hear rumblings now of the imminent return to a buyer's market. All of us interested in the home appliance and radio field should welcome that change and hope for its early realization. It is the healthier market condition by far. In a buyer's market real sales effort pays off and indolence and inefficiency fall by the wayside.

Savings Encouraged by Sales

It was said that such financing was uneconomic. If a family had been unable to save the price of a washing machine how could they pay for it on time without suffering malnutrition or other dire want. But on the contrary, a wise installment purchase, instead of foolish spending on inconsequentials, was the beginning for many a family of systematic saving and spending.

The biggest misconception about installment sales financing was that it marked the user as indigent and improvident. Universal C.I.T. has financed the installment purchases of automobiles, household appliances and home improvements of over ten million families, without counting repeat customers. These purchasers have come from all walks of life, all trades and professions. Their records have shown most of them to have savings which for one reason or another they preferred not to disturb.

Many of us use the installment purchase method as a means of self-discipline. We have the purchase price in the bank but know darn well if it's spent, that we will not have saved that much again in a year or eighteen months. On the other hand, by budgeting the purchase we have both the refrigerator or the new heating plant paid for and the savings still intact at the end of the installment period.

Another former fallacy about installment sales financing was that a de-
expression would "burst the bubble". Following 1929 there hit this country the first major depression after the "maturity" of installment sales financing. It might be admitted that even Universal C.I.T. was a little surprised at the inherent strength of its investment in installment purchase obligations. This company could continue an uninterrupted service to dealers and their customers because this form of credit was proved much less speculative than the "established" debt dealt in by other types of financial institutions. The installment purchaser of major household appliances and similar family conveniences had to be recognized as a substantial citizen — one who had purchased wisely to his own way of thinking and who intended to keep what he had bought.

So much for the background which points the way to the larger usefulness of planned installment sales financing in the household appliance field. First of all, sales volume will not depend primarily on how many people have how much savings in War Bonds. Rather, sales will expand as products become generally available and the buying public is convinced by good merchandising that it can depend, as before, on constantly improved values in mechanical household servants.

The buying public will expect real service from dealers. Before the war, between 80 and 85 percent of all major household appliances were sold on time. Recent surveys have indicated the continuance of this sound buying habit. Therefore the progressive household appliance dealer will choose carefully the financing service which he provides for his customers.

**Finance Plan is a Service**

The availability of such financing arrangements will be featured by progressive dealers as an important part of their complete customer service. Terms will be quoted as a matter of course, bearing in mind that by far the majority of prospective purchasers want to buy major household appliances on time. A known financing service will be a definite drawing card for greater dealer volume.

Installation sales financing finds its proper niche and will continue to be widely used in budgeting the purchase of major items which have a recognized lasting value — where there is an appreciable equity realized through the months by the purchaser. Installment terms should not try to outlast the life of the product itself.

It may seem out of place to throw caution just when things are starting to boom. At the same time, pointing out the mistakes of some merchants before the war may prevent repetition of those errors in the months to come.

In the merchandising of major household appliances financing arrangements are a part of the complete "package" provided the customer. You know the folly of selling free service to such an extent that the discerning customer grows wary and questions the need for such elaborate service with regard to the product he is asked to buy. Similarly, terms should not be sold to the exclusion of the proper selling of the product and the dealer's own facilities. Successful installment financing depends on continued customer satisfaction. That means proper selling in the first place with a product and service which live up to representations.

Feature the right financing plan for what it is: a friendly, convenient means of enjoying the new, improved household appliances while budgeting their cost over the early period of use in the home.

It is confidently expected that major household appliances will be high on the buying public's patronage list and

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**Example**

On a $1,000 wholesale installation daily cost is about 17½c.

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*Cost to buyer*

When needed, up to three extensions of 30 days each can be arranged. A pro rata refund of the interest charge is granted whenever advance payment is made.

Dealers can increase floor display of variety of lines and models through Wholesale Floor Finance Plan, described in special dealer folios.

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Combination of Directional And Non-Directional Sound Distributor

by CHRISTIAN A. VOLF

Director of Research,
Robinson-Houchin Optical Co., Columbus, Ohio

WHEN we trace developments of sound reproducers, we fail to find any evidence where old and proven acoustic theories have been given much consideration; instead, many more complicated new theories and applications have been developed by independent research. There are certain fundamentals which govern good acoustical effects. In "Sensations of Tone" by Helmholtz, fundamental formulae covering acoustic principles can indeed be applied to our present day loudspeaker designs with greater success than all the tried experimental shapes and designs that have appeared on the market in the past 25 years. Helmholtz has suggested that echoes and reverberations of musical sounds are the most important agents to quality as is the importance of the false to the true vocal cords in voice. Helmholtz states that echoes and reverberations should not be absorbed but that we should learn to understand the handling of these factors rather than destroy them. It can hardly be denied that, in the acoustical arts, major attention has been given to the elimination by absorption of all of these undesired echoes and reverberations while architects and acoustical designers have formulated so many fantastic shapes in order to produce good acoustical results in theaters, large enclosures or for outdoor amplification. It is a known fact that our most perfect acoustic conditions are still to be found in some of our older buildings and none of the new architectural designs have come anywhere near producing as good results as we find in old brick structures.

In steel and concrete structures one should not look for good acoustics regardless of the plasters that may be used on the inner walls. It is not that the concrete mass is detrimental but the steel girders which form the skeleton of the structure are the deciding factor which tend toward poor acoustics in our modern buildings and churches. Compare the sound effects and distribution from many famous carillons in the European countries; they can be heard for miles away. The same is true with relatively small operated bells in little villages where the churches are more often of brick or wood structure. The chief reason for such good effects is the fact that the bells are not suspended from or anchored to steel girders but are more often suspended from heavy oak plank.

As a matter of illustration, one needs only to observe the carillons from the Riverside Church in New York or the Mellon Church in Pittsburgh. They are among our latest and no doubt most costly belfry towers in the country, yet one has difficulty in hearing the carillons with reasonable fidelity a block away. The reason for this poor acoustical result has little to do with the openings in the belfry or its shape or the height from which they are suspended; it rests chiefly upon the fact that more than 75% of the total output is carried through the steel girders and grounded directly into the foundation of the church proper. As evidence, those who are familiar with the famous carillons in the various European countries can best bear witness to the great difference represented in the beauty of the sounds coming from our famous cathedrals and the carillons in Mechlin, Ghent, Antwerp, Bruges, and Namur which far excel the carillons with reasonable fidelity a block away.

When sound motion pictures were first introduced into our theaters, many new forms and shapes of amplifying horns were developed in order to achieve better and more natural hearing results in the many different sizes and types of architectural enclosures but somehow the problem has never been solved to entire satisfaction. As a matter of fact, it was given up as hopeless more than 12 years ago when it was decided that we should build theaters to accommodate the loudspeakers which from laboratory tests were satisfactory but were total failures when they were to operate under natural conditions. Many theaters have since been built to suit the sound equipment. One of the largest theaters...
THE HEADLINER

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The mass of knowledge actually available in the science of acoustics.

The present illustrated directional and non-directional resonator and sound distributor challenges anything heretofore introduced toward perfection of good acoustics within large enclosures as well as out of doors sound amplification. Theoretically and in practice, it represents well known acoustical principles and disobeys none of the acoustical laws. The relationship of air column, mass and quality of material as well as form has been fully considered as illustrated in Fig. 1 from which all structural details can be observed. The dimension constitutes a 24" cubic air column, the weight mass of this small chamber without any hardware or loudspeaker units installed is exactly 90 pounds. In comparing this weight mass with any other empty reproducing chamber of similar size, it will be found three to four times heavier.

Five loudspeaker units of various dimensions may be installed within the 24" cubic space and a four-sectional dividing section slides into the grooved segments, thereby separating the back of each unit from the other. The resonating box contains no other electrical equipment. The total unit is preferably suspended from a ceiling height to a level most suitable and in proportion to the total ceiling height as shown in Fig. 2 or, when employed in connection with motion pictures, is placed either directly above the screen or one unit on each side of the screen—depending on the size of the theater.

The same unit may also be employed as a console cabinet upon which may rest a radio and public address amplifier through which each independent unit may be controlled separately or all five jointly. In substance, it may well be defined as a five-dimensional sound system since each loudspeaker unit is sharply directional and yet, when all five units are operating, it introduces no directional characteristics whatsoever. This is particularly true when it has been suspended from the ceiling. One becomes aware of a totally new sound effect—namely that of quantum or mass sound, which theoretically would be the same as the fifth dimension. Helmholtz gave much consideration to the combinational tones in music and it is precisely these qualities that are brought out with astounding realization. Actual tests were made of the sound values and it has been proven beyond a question of doubt that there is no predominance of higher or lower frequency response from any point within the enclosure but an absolute pure blending of tonal response from the various units when measurements are taken from a reasonable distance from the sound source.

From the practical aspect, the resonator offers not alone a superior acoustical result but simplifies a sound installation in large auditoriums or theaters since it requires only one outlet for each unit and, since the distribution of sound may be considered perfect, it can readily replace an average installation where 25 to 50 loudspeaker units are generally employed toward the same end.

In view of the structural simplicity, there is naturally little technical information necessary; the illustrations may be considered self-explanatory.
Three models of a line of fifteen: Left: Top shows Model EC-300 table phono-radio combination open; bottom, closed. Right: Top is Model EC-103, in mahogany. Bottom: Model EC-102, plastic case in ivory, walnut or ebony.

SETS IN MODERN

The influence service veterans are expected to exert in peacetime home radio buying has been an important consideration in Echophone planning. Millions have shed their uniforms and gone back into family circles, carrying with them a brand new conception of radio values, with quality performance high on the list of features to be demanded in home radios, it was explained.

According to company officials, the intimate knowledge gained in communications training centers and in combat handling of radio and electronics equipment with its war-perfected capabilities cannot help but be a vital factor in the veterans' choice of peacetime radios. As the company views it, war experience with radio has created in the postwar home market an entirely new and important segment of radio-wise buyers who will be seeking in peacetime sets a carryover of many of the wartime developments that assure top performance.

Model EC-102, a five tube, three band, AC-DC table model (see illustration bottom, right), is a handsome plastic-enclosed receiver that will be available in a lustrous ivory finish as shown, or in mottled walnut or distinguished ebony.

Model EC-103 receiver, also a five tube, three band, AC-DC table model (see illustration top, right), will come in a beautiful full-dress cabinet of polished Honduras mahogany, with blonde maple framing the speaker grille. Both feature the duplex dial arrangement for electrical band spread tuning.

Both models cover the standard broadcast band of 540 to 1720 kilocycles, and short wave from 2.3 to 7.1 megacycles and from 6.9 to 22 megacycles, providing opportunity for exploring amateur, aeronautical, coastal marine, police and international short wave frequencies. Listed also are the [see page 41]
Survey of consumers indicates that the majority of these families definitely plan the purchase of a television receiver.

A possible market potential for home television receivers may reach nearly 10 million sets during the next five or six years providing telecast facilities are made available in all urban areas. This is based on the answers given by home radio listeners, 28% of which are now located within range of existing television transmitters.

26.6% of the urban families interviewed said they definitely planned to buy a television receiver, and 18.5% were considering television but had not definitely made up their minds. In other words, 45.1% or possibly 9,603,000 families are considering the purchase of a home television set. These possible prospects are pretty evenly distributed in different income groups. The only significant drop is in families with normal annual incomes of less than $1,000.

When asked how much they thought they would pay for a television receiver, 58.9% said they would pay from $100 to $249 and 31.0% said they would pay from $250 to $500. Only 3.4% said they would pay less than $100 while 5.9% appeared to be willing to pay more than $500. The average price for all families interviewed in the purchase of a television set was in the $250-$500 range.

A set designed for four people viewing at one time apparently filled the average need of about 80% of the families. 12.2% said five persons. Only 1.1% answered one person while 8.6% replied over five persons. The public is evidently anticipating television images larger than 10 x 15 inches and does not realize how screen size affects the cost of a television receiver.

In spite of the fact that color television exists only in the laboratory state, there appear to be three prospects who want color television to one stating he wants black and white only. Desire for color decreases as income decreases and only one out of five of those who want it say they will pay over $100 extra for it.

In answer to the question: “will television need a new programming structure?” there’s little evidence that television will supplant movies in the public mind. People think of television in terms of a new active medium, particularly for sports, spot news and drama by real people. 33% of the people said their favorite television program is sports; 20.0% drama by real people; and 19.1%, news. This differs materially from current radio programming popularity and obviously from motion pictures.

Only one in six people said they would insist on a home demonstration of television. Of those who said they definitely plan or will buy, the survey indicated market potentials of 773,000 sets in homes with normal annual incomes of $5000 and over; 1,633,000 where normal incomes ranged from $3000 to $5000; 5,069,000 where normal incomes ranged from $1000 to $3000; and 2,128,000 where normal incomes were under $1000.

THE SURVEY

We know that the high earning power of the last four or five years tends to make people believe they can and will buy most of the things they think they want. We also know that, due to this high earning power, people believe they will be able to spend much more for the things they want than they did in the pre-war era.

In short, we are faced by a situation in which people with more money than they have ever had, want to buy more than they ever aspired to. Simple arithmetic indicates that all of these intentions can never be carried out. Nevertheless, our function remains only to report what we learn and to interpret only on the basis of these reports.

Hence, rather than to try to find out what the potential television market might be in 1946, or 1947, or 1948, we tried instead to determine:

a) Do people want television despite its limitations?

b) How much do they say they are willing to pay for it?

c) What do they expect to get from their television set?

Most of the population must have opinions of television on what they have heard or read about it. A previous study of some 2000 urban families showed that less than one out of six persons had actually seen a television set in operation.
**TELEVISION BUYING SURVEY CHART**

HOW MANY URBAN FAMILIES PLAN TO BUY A TELEVISION SET?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>%</th>
<th>Number</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Definitely plan purchase</td>
<td>26.6%</td>
<td>5,660,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>May purchase, but not definite</td>
<td>18.5%</td>
<td>3,943,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Do not plan</td>
<td>54.9%</td>
<td>11,697,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>100.0%</td>
<td>21,300,000</td>
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In other words, 45.1% or 9,600,000 families are thinking of buying a television set. Experience shows that people are excessively optimistic in the discussion of plans to buy things they would like to have.

**HOW IS THE INTENTION TO BUY AFFECED BY INCOME?**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Economic Groups</th>
<th>Definitely plan purchase</th>
<th>May purchase, but not definite</th>
<th>Do not plan</th>
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<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>37.1%</td>
<td>23.3%</td>
<td>39.6%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>31.5%</td>
<td>23.3%</td>
<td>45.2%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>31.2%</td>
<td>18.4%</td>
<td>50.4%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>15.5%</td>
<td>15.7%</td>
<td>68.8%</td>
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Although the degree of interest slackens as income decreases, it is only in the lowest economic class that we find a significant drop.

These figures show that despite the smaller proportion of prospects in the lower income groups, they make up the major share of the market, numerically. For example:

- Definitely plan and may buy
  - A: 773,000
  - B: 1,633,000
  - C: 5,069,000
  - D: 2,128,000

**TOTAL**: 9,603,000

Thus, the two top brackets constitute a total of 25% against 75% for the two bottom brackets as far as number of sets is concerned.

**HOW MUCH DO PROSPECTS THINK THEY WILL PAY?**

<table>
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<th>Payment Range</th>
<th>%</th>
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<tr>
<td>Under $100</td>
<td>3.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>$100 - $149</td>
<td>15.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>$150 - $199</td>
<td>20.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>$200 - $249</td>
<td>22.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>$250 - $299</td>
<td>10.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>$300 - $349</td>
<td>11.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>$350 - $500</td>
<td>10.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over $500</td>
<td>5.9</td>
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The average for all families interested in buying is between $200 to $250.

**WHAT WOULD THIS MEAN IF IT WERE TO MATERIALIZE?**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Income Group</th>
<th>Dollar Volume</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>$ 243,171,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>436,928,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>1,217,197,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>519,156,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>$2,416,446,000</td>
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Such a figure is obviously beyond reason. It does show a strongly favorable public attitude toward television.

**HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL WATCH A TELEVISION SHOW?**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number of people viewing</th>
<th>%</th>
<th>%</th>
<th>%</th>
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<tr>
<td>1 and 2</td>
<td>8.9</td>
<td>9.3</td>
<td>5.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 and 4</td>
<td>35.2</td>
<td>28.1</td>
<td>18.7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Over 4</td>
<td>22.9</td>
<td>31.3</td>
<td>32.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Under 6&quot; x 8&quot;</td>
<td>28.5</td>
<td>28.1</td>
<td>40.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No estimate</td>
<td>4.5</td>
<td>3.2</td>
<td>2.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>100.0%</td>
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Obviously, screen size desired relates directly to size of family.

In spite of the fact that color television still exists only in the laboratory stage, it has received so much publicity that it seemed wise to test the public attitude toward it. The following answers obviously represent the effect of hearsay on the public.

**DO YOU WISH TO HAVE COLOR OR BLACK AND WHITE TELEVISION PROGRAMS?**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Choice</th>
<th>%</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Want color</td>
<td>71.8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Want black and white</td>
<td>26.3%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Don't know and no preference</td>
<td>1.9%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>100.0%</td>
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</tbody>
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Color is a three-to-one selection over black and white. Since the desire for color decreases as income decreases, the indication is that anticipated cost is largely responsible for the 26.3% who do not want color.
HOW MUCH EXTRA IS COLOR WORTH TO THOSE WANTING COLOR?

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Will pay $200 extra</th>
<th>19.6%</th>
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<tr>
<td>$150 but no more</td>
<td>2.4%</td>
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<td>$100 but no more</td>
<td>29.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Will not pay $100</td>
<td>41.7%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Don't know and no</td>
<td>7.3%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Of those wanting color

About half say that they will pay $100 or more for color on top of the price set for black and white. Since the lowest figure quoted in the survey was $100 it is impossible to determine the number who would pay $25, $50, or $75.

WILL PEOPLE WANT A WALL SCREEN?

<table>
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<th>Want screen part of set</th>
<th>77.1%</th>
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<tr>
<td>Want wall screen</td>
<td>20.9%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Either</td>
<td>0.5%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Don't know</td>
<td>1.5%</td>
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Of those definitely planning to purchase and those possibly purchasing

CONSIDERING EVERYTHING, DO YOU STILL THINK YOU WANT TELEVISION?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>47.7%</th>
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<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>23.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Don't know and no</td>
<td>29.0%</td>
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Total 100.0% 9,603,000

The answer is a decided "no"—and especially in the lower income groups where space for projection is small.

DO PEOPLE PREFER OUTRIGHT PURCHASE OR RENTAL PLAN?

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Outright</th>
<th>80.8%</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rental</td>
<td>17.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Don't know and no answer</td>
<td>1.9%</td>
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Total 100.0%

When a price tag is placed on screen size, the complexion changes. It seems obvious that prospects expect a larger screen, but will settle for a smaller one at their price.

This would mean in dollars:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Screen Size</th>
<th>% of Sets</th>
<th>No. of Sets</th>
<th>$1,066,839,875</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>3⅛&quot; x 5&quot; screen</td>
<td>38.5%</td>
<td>561,963 @ $175</td>
<td>98,343,525</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5¼&quot; x 7¾&quot; screen</td>
<td>24.8%</td>
<td>2,055,267 @ $250</td>
<td>513,816,750</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16&quot; x 20&quot; screen</td>
<td>31.7%</td>
<td>1,136,699 @ $400</td>
<td>454,679,600</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Total 3,753,929 $1,066,839,875

This is still an obvious over-estimate. For one thing, it does not take into consideration availability of television programs. No time limit was put on intent to purchase.

No allowance was made for the fact that only about 28% of the radio homes are situated in areas where television reception is now available.

Responses in these sections of the country without television reception showed no variation in desire to purchase from areas where television reception is known to be available at present.

If we assume that definite intent to purchase television sets under existing conditions will be limited to those areas where television reception is now available and apply the 28% against the previous figures we get:

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<tr>
<th>Screen Size</th>
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<th>No. of Sets</th>
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<tr>
<td>3⅛&quot; x 5&quot; screen</td>
<td>38.5%</td>
<td>561,963 @ $175</td>
<td>27,536,187</td>
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<tr>
<td>5¼&quot; x 7¾&quot; screen</td>
<td>24.8%</td>
<td>2,055,267 @ $250</td>
<td>143,868,690</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16&quot; x 20&quot; screen</td>
<td>31.7%</td>
<td>1,136,699 @ $400</td>
<td>127,310,288</td>
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Total 1,051,100 $298,715,165

There's little evidence that television supplants movies in the public's mind. People think of television in terms of a new active medium for transmitting programs for which it is particularly adapted—sports, spot news, drama by real people, etc. The list differs materially from current radio program popularity and obviously from motion picture.

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The increasing use of oscillator-developed initial bias on the AVC controlled stages of the new receivers seems worthy of a detailed description. Considering the simplicity of the circuit, it certainly provides a generous share of advantage.

As an illustration of the over-all layout of a typical circuit in which the feature is employed, the schematic of the five tube AC-DC receiver made by Bendix is shown in Fig. 1. This chassis is used in their 526 series of instruments. The tube lineup is conventional, as are most of the component values.

The single part around which our discussion revolves is the resistor labeled R1. It is this 15 megohm unit which so easily, and inexpensively, gives several distinct advantages.

In Fig. 2 is shown the essential components which indicate the actual result of the use of R1. The oscillator portion of the mixer circuit is shown. This is a simple triode Hartley oscillator in which the screen acts as a plate, bypassed to ground for RF voltages, and the cathode is returned to ground through a coil to provide feedback voltage.

CS is the usual grid coupling and blocking condenser. The grid leak is connected from the grid to ground and across this will appear a voltage, developed as a result of the oscillator action, which will have the polarity indicated. With the values shown the developed voltage across R2 will be of the order of 5 to 15 volts. In most circuits the voltage will vary somewhat over the tuning range of the set, but 10 volts is not an uncommon value and for the purpose of discussion will make calculations easy.

In parallel with R2 we find a voltage divider consisting of R1; the AVC filter, R3; and the volume control, R4. Under conditions which provide no input to the receiver, the 10 volts appearing across R2 will be divided and show up at the several points as follows: at A, 10 volts, at B, 2 volts, at C, .265 volts and at G is the reference point of 0 volts.

The important point is B which connects to the grid of the mixer and IF tubes. A constant bias of 2 volts is applied in the no-signal condition. Since

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**Figure 1. Bendix Series 526**

**AVC CONTROLLED STAGES**

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**Figure 2**

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CASE—Heavy metal with tan and brown hammed enamel finish. There are many other features in this beautiful model of equal interest to the man who takes pride in his work.
**GRID BIAS**  
[from page 14]

is normally 4 volts drop across $R_k$ when no signal is applied to the grid. When the grid is driven 2 volts positive, the plate current will increase. When the plate current increases, the voltage across $R_k$ increases. Increasing the voltage across $R_k$, we have learned, is the same as increasing the bias voltage or making the grid more negative with respect to cathode. Thus while we are trying to drive the grid positive with an incoming signal, the voltage across the cathode resistor is trying to neutralize this effect.

The result is that the plate current does increase but not as much as it would have, had the cathode voltage remained constant. The action is similar during the negative half cycle.

When the grid is driven negative, the plate current decreases causing a decrease in the voltage drop across $R_k$, his lowers the bias, partly neutralizing the negative grid drive.

This reduces the gain of the stage as shown in the formula:

$$G = \frac{\mu R_L}{R_k + R_t (1+\mu) + R_L}$$

Where

- $G$ is Gain with an un bypassed $R_k$
- $R_t$ the cathode bias resistor
- $R_l$ Tube plate resistance
- $R_L$ Plate load resistor.

This reduction is not without benefit since degeneration can reduce frequency and amplitude distortion. It cannot be tolerated in output stages or where the value of cathode resistance is so high it would reduce the gain of the stage to where another stage would be required.

To reduce this degeneration a cathode bypass condenser is connected in parallel with $R_k$. There are two methods of explaining the effect of this condenser, both equally correct. From our basic knowledge of condensers we know it is not possible instantly to change the voltage across the condenser. The reason is that a condenser acts as a sort of storage tank for electrons. If a condenser is charged to, say, 4 volts, it would require a definite amount of time to lower this to 3 volts.

How much time depends on how large the condenser is and how fast electrons are allowed to leak out of the condenser. If a condenser were connected across $R_k$ as shown in Fig. 7 it would charge to 4 volts. When a signal is applied to the grid of the tube it would cause a change in plate current which would tend to change the voltage across $R_k$. However, if the condenser were large enough it would hold the voltage practically constant from one half cycle to the next. Thus degeneration would be prevented.

[To be continued]

**DISTORTION**  
[from page 17]

distortion such as speaker rattle or binding voice coils or microphonic tubes, etc. as this type trouble causes little expenditure of time to the average radio serviceman. For that reason, the major discussions concerned the more difficult aspects of the subject.
MOTOROLA MODEL 100

Intermittent operation in this receiver can be traced to one or more of the following:

(1) Loose coil cans. This condition can be remedied by spotting all coil cans to the chassis with solder.

(2) Loose R. F. or I. F. coil connections. Check for this condition carefully with a sharp pointed tool like a scriber.

(3) Loose bypass condenser thimbles. Spot these to the chassis with solder.

(4) Defective tone control condenser located in the rear of the receiver housing. Replace.

(5) Defective antenna receptacle.

(6) Defective LA tube bias resistor.

TONAL CONTROL CIRCUIT

In some electric phonographs it is sometimes desirable to incorporate a tone control circuit for the purpose of attenuating the "lows" due to the fact that the instrument is too bassy. Such a circuit is illustrated in Fig. 1. With the tone control in position "A", the tonal response is what it was originally. As the tone control is advanced to position "B", the "lows" are gradually attenuated. Of course the volume will be reduced somewhat as the tone control arm moves to position "B". However,

![Figure 1](image-url)

this drop in volume can easily be compensated for by advancing the position of the volume control arm.

AUTO RADIO VIBRATORS

The spacing between the contacts of auto radio vibrators is a factory adjustment, and it should not be attempted by the service man. The reason for this is that the reeds of the vibrator are tuned to a certain frequency which is an integral design consideration used in matching the associated circuit components consisting of the power transformer and buffer condenser. Therefore, if the vibrator points become worn due to usage, the complete vibrator should be replaced.

If the points are pitted, a circuit overload should be checked for; and when cleared, a new vibrator should be installed.

When replacing component parts of a vibrator power supply, exact duplicates should be used. This refers particularly to the buffer condenser, power transformer and vibrator.

AUTO RADIO IGNITION NOISE

Sources of interference encountered in auto radio receivers are as follows:

(1) Radiation from ignition primary system and its leads

(2) Radiation from ignition secondary system and its leads

(3) Radiation from distributor breaking points and its leads (including metal members connected thereto)

(4) Radiation from free metal members which pick up initial radiations due to (1), (2), or (3).

This interference may enter the receiver by means of the common "A"
circuit, the antenna and its lead-in, or through imperfectly shielded components in the receiver itself.

Elimination of source interference is effected by the following routine operations:

1. Bonding of all loose solid and flexible members
2. Tightening of all body bolts and nuts
3. Use of by-pass condensers across generator, and between "A" lead connections on ammeter and ground
4. Use of dome-light filter when using roof antenna
5. Locating the under-car plate antenna or the whip antenna on the side removed from the "A" battery receiver lead
6. Shielding the antenna lead-in
7. Ascertaining that all metal housings and shields of the receiver are effectively grounded
8. Cleaning and adjusting breaker and points and contacts
9. Installing a breaker point filter
10. Reducing the receiver noise to signal ratio by replacing poor tubes and realigning receiver
11. Installing hub-cap springs
12. Installing a distributor suppressor
13. Utilizing adjustable interference reducing circuits such as the Magic Eliminoid in Motorola receivers.

**PHILCO COMBINATION 41-61**

Item which can be varied by increasing or decreasing volume control position. This usually indicates a defective audio tube or an open or broken shield in the audio circuit.

Use of a drop or two of acetone will facilitate the removal of the nut and shaft. Do not use as the crystal may break.

Insert threaded shaft of replacement sapphire holder through viscoloid and replace the washer and nut. Make sure that the sapphire is in the correct position. Take hold at the lower end of the shaft with a pair of pliers while tightening the nut, being very careful not to strip the threads or break the crystal. Replace the sapphire guard, positioning it by means of the oversize screw slots. Make certain that the sapphire and its supporting wire are centered in the guard. Tighten the guard screws.

Before using, check to see that the sapphire projects far enough (approx. .020) beyond the guard so that the guard will not strike the record. If necessary, bend the guard a little. Apply a drop of light cement (such as Glyptal) to the sapphire nut holder. Never bend the sapphire support wire.

**Aireon Appoints**

Walter A. Bowers has been appointed treasurer of Aireon Mfg. Corp., R. C. Walker, president, has announced. Mr. Bowers came to Aireon from Lawrance Aeronautical Corp. of Linden, New Jersey, where he was vice president and treasurer.

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**RCA MODEL NO. 960015**

**Replacement of Sapphire (Fig. 2)**

The nut on the sapphire holder assembly is locked by a light cement (such as Glyptal). Extreme care should be used when loosening the nut so that the twisting motion does not break the crystal. Remove the two screws holding the sapphire guard in place and remove guard. Remove the small nut and washer on the threaded shaft of the sapphire holder and push the shaft through the hole in the viscoloid until the sapphire holder assembly comes free.

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The above price list includes obsolete and current tubes. According to Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., who issued this list recently, the tube prices listed are based on OPA pricing schedules. Tubes that OPA did not list were priced on the basis of the last price on record. For the time being there will be no changes in the above prices.

This provides a listing as nearly complete as possible so that it will serve as a convenient pricing guide not only for the commonly required tubes, but also for a miscellaneous variety of less frequently used types. Although a number of the types listed are considered obsolete and will never be manufactured again, they have been included for the convenience of dealers and servicemen who occasionally make replacements from stocks which they still have.

On the opposite extreme, several new types of tubes have been listed for which no renewal demand has yet developed. Some of these new types are not in production, but it is expected that they will be released for replacement sale next year. Additional price lists are available from Sylvania distributors or direct from the company.

### RETAIL PRICES — RADIO RECEIVER TUBES

![Price List Table]

**[Courtesy Sylvania Products, Inc.]**

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In Trade

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Products Co. Inc., of Brooklyn, that Hytron has acquired all the outstanding capital stock of Air King. Mr. Lieberman will continue as president of Air King which will operate as a division of Hytron.

This brings together two of the oldest companies in the radio industry, one specializing in radio receiving tubes and the other in radio sets. Air King was founded in 1920, one year before Hytron's business was organized. The alliance, according to Messrs. Coffin and Lieberman, will permit integration of the manufacturing facilities of the two companies and thus make possible greater efficiency of manufacturing operations and distribution.

Hytron will have production capacity for 100,000 radio tubes daily and Air King, with approximately 900 employees, has a capacity of 5,000 radio sets daily. The two companies will have eight modern plants. Air King is planning to manufacture a complete line of a-m, f-m and television receivers. The management of each company has stated that the sales policy will remain the same.

West Coast Association

The annual meeting and election of the Los Angeles Council of the West Coast Electronic Manufacturers Association was held recently. Officers elected include: Lew Howard, general manager, Peerless Electrical Products Co., as chairman; D. A. Marcus, general manager, Electronic Specialty Co., as vice-chairman; and James L. Fouch, president of the Universal Microphone Co., re-elected treasurer.

Two officers automatically became members of the executive committee of the local council with four others also elected. Los Angeles also elected the following to serve on the committee: George L. Carrington (Altec-Lansing Corp.); Robert Newcomb (Newcomb Audio Products Co.); L. B. Brittain (Brittain Sound Equipment Co.) ; with Howard Thomas Jr., (Packard, Bell Co.), retiring chairman, making the seventh member. Discussion was given to holding an electronic trade show in the fall.

Garod Radio Folder

Garod Radio Corporation has just released a new illustrated consumer-folder covering table models, console combinations, farm radios, and portables in their new 1946 line. The plastic table radios include some of the latest innovations in color styling. [see page 40]
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the cathodes of the tubes are connected to ground, or B—this initial bias assures that no less voltage can appear on the grids. When a signal is received, and if it produces a voltage across the diode load greater than 2 volts, the bias will rise and provide AVC in the usual way.

Advantages of the inclusion of R1 are increased tube life, less noise between stations and increased freedom from instability due to the gain rising too high with no signals.

Other manufacturers use the same or similar schemes, sometimes with somewhat different values, but the result is similar.

STROMBERG-CARLSON IF CIRCUIT

Interference from stations whose transmitting frequency, or harmonics whose signal, falls close to the IF used in a receiver, is a problem in many areas. This is particularly true where the receiver has good sensitivity. Some of the pickup of such interference can be eliminated by careful shielding of the components carrying IF voltages, but an additional attenuation is possible if a wave trap tuned to the unwanted signal is incorporated.

The Stromberg-Carlson receiver shown in Fig. 3 makes use of a series trap at the input of the mixer stage. At its resonant frequency, such a trap looks like a virtual short circuit across the input of the mixer. Little or no effect will be noticed at the frequencies over which the receiver is made to operate. The trap is more effective at this point in the circuit than in the grid of the RF stage because of the untuned coupling used at this particular point.

Alignment instructions advise adjustment of the trap after the IF stages are aligned, and with the signal generator connected to the antenna terminals, using a very strong signal. A very sharp null will be found at the correct setting of C3. This procedure is normal for such circuits.

Figure 3, Stromberg-Carlson
RADIO PRODUCTION AND PRICES

Following a recent meeting with the O.P.A., representatives of the Radio Manufacturers Association came to the conclusion that prospects for decontrol of the radio industry, either in whole or in part, are uncertain. This is largely due to the fact that the Office of Price Administration has not yet issued its own regulation or established a policy as to whether the industry may apply for decontrol in segments, as in cases involving individual parts makers, or those involving manufacturers of complete sets.

Price relief under the extended O.P.A. act is doubtful. The only immediate effect of the act on the radio industry will come with the issuance at an early date of new discounts on radio sets selling in the middle and higher price lines. Jobber-dealer discounts will be as of March 31 of this year; moreover the price increase of 8 per cent granted to manufacturers during June will finally be passed on to the customers.

Increases in tube prices are expected soon, and fixed capacitors have been upped 10.2 per cent. As these increases were being considered before the new O.P.A. act was passed, they were based on earlier pricing formulas, and their effect on the final selling prices of home receiver set assembled jobs is at present not known.

As to set production, it is currently on a monthly rate exceeding the output before the war. But relatively few sets will get to the selling floors of dealers until the pricing formulas are put on record by O.P.A., or a formula for decontrol is developed. For the latter eventuality, the sooner the better.

Stromberg-Carlson Distributors

Allan R. Royle, sales manager, sound equipment division, Stromberg-Carlson Company, announces that the DeMambro Radio Supply Company of Boston, Mass., is the latest area distributor to join the Stromberg-Carlson roster. Joseph A. DeMambro, president, signed the 52-year-old company's sound equipment distributor franchise covering the full line of sound, amplifying and intercommunications equipment produced at the local plant. Mr. DeMambro was accompanied on a trip through the plant by two of his organization's sales staff, Gardner Hanson and George Mason.

Record Brush Here Again

The RCA Victor record brush, a top promotional item which was temporarily discontinued due to war time shortages is now back on the market.
In And Around The Trade
[from page 37]

Two-tone cabinets of bakelite, durez, plaskon, and catalin are available in maroon and white, red and white, blue and white, and green white. Single colors include ivory and walnut. All of the console combinations in period and modern styles include the new “Hide-A-Way” automatic phonoplayer which permits close to an hour’s recorded entertainment from a completely enclosed cabinet. Copies of this folder are available from the manufacturer, 70 Washington St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y., or from the local Garod distributor.

Standard Test Equipment Comeback

The day is past when servicemen would come in to a wholesaler distributor and ask for just a “piece” of test equipment, taking whatever they could get, regardless of brand, name or anything else except that it was the kind of test equipment the servicemen need badly. Nowadays, the serviceman is more likely to pass up the “any-brand” piece of test equipment. He’ll ask for a specific type, of a specific, known brand. And of late he has been able to get what he asks for in nearly every case.

Shows what a free spool of production time will do for the radio test equipment industry. The well known standbys in the test equipment field are here again. And servicemen are quick to show where their preferences are in the way they are buying and insisting on these standbys. Service-men are shopping around again, getting the best buys for their money. (So says our friend Vic Jenkins.)

$1,000 Prize Contest for Radiomen

The Walter L. Schott Company, Beverly Hills, California, producers of the WALS CO line, is inaugurating a prize contest open to all radio technicians, servicemen, “hams”, etc. $1,000 worth of prizes such as typewriter, wrist watch, automobile tires, set of Rider’s Manuals, 1 year Subscription to RADIO SERVICE DEALER, and many other valuable prizes will be awarded for suggestions for new items to be added to the WALS CO line. All that is required is a short description or sketch of items needed by servicemen or technicians and not already available in practical form.

This contest started August 5th and closes September 30. All entries must be submitted: on blanks which are available at all radio parts jobbers.

Low-Priced CR Tube

A newly-developed cathode-ray tube is announced by the Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Inc., of Passaic, N. J., as the basis for low-priced television receivers now appearing on the market.

Called upon by television receiver manufacturers for a practical yet economical cathode-ray tube of adequate screen size, good definition and brilliance, Du Mont came through with the new Type 7EP4. This 7” tube provides for a normal screen image of 5¾” wide by 4¼” high, which is adequate for entertaining a group of several lookers-in. If desired, the screen size can be increased to 6¾”, wide, with satisfactory results. The images are of high luminosity so that the room does not have to be darkened unless so desired for maximum concentration.

The 7EP4 tube is 15½” long. The accelerating potential is 2500 volts, therefore calling for a power supply that is relatively low in cost.

Stromberg-Carlson Sound Systems

The Stromberg-Carlson Company announces that heavy initial shipments of amplifiers and portable sound systems have been made to its 83 sound equipment distributors located throughout the nation. Promotional material will include a set of six counter cards, several window backgrounds, window decals, an electric sign, a hand carved wooden sign, a display island for floor selling, full line catalogs, and five different two-color brochures covering sound system installations for [see page 42]
SETS IN MODERN

advantages of maximum sensitivity and selectivity, bass compensation for fullness of tone, tone control and built-in antennas.

The duplex dial with linear band spread scale is a feature, too, of the table model radio-phono combination, three band Model EC-300 (see illustration left, top and bottom), which incorporates an improved automatic record changer, plus standard broadcast and short wave tuning ranges as in the other two table models, and has all their circuit features.

The automatic record changer is described as a rigged and foolproof mechanism which plays a full complement of records for about an hour of continuous entertainment, accommodating twelve 10-inch records or ten 12-inch records. The pickup arm is equipped with a crystal pickup cartridge using a long-life needle.

There will be fifteen other Echo-phone models, including the high quality, deluxe console radiophonograph types that will incorporate all the latest in design improvements, including FM (covering the new 88 to 108 megacycle band), and provisions for television — with luxury cabinets in both modern and traditional styling. There are plans to make matching cabinets available, containing a separate television video and sound system which can be added by the owner to make a complete sight and sound ensemble.

Distribution of the Echophone line will be handled through the conventional distributor to dealer system with protected territories. Emphasis will be placed on the appointment of prestige outlets in key cities.

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Franchised distributors of the extensive line have been given exclusive territorial rights, according to A. R. Royle, sales manager of the sound equipment division. Distributors have chosen their own dealers, he said, and Stromberg-Carlson is geared to help them put into effect a complete merchandising program.

New Hammer

A new hammer for mechanics with an unbreakable "CASTER" (hard plastic) double-head that will not mar flat surfaces of metal has been announced by the Schmidgall Manufacturing Company, 307 Cass St., Peoria 2, Illinois. The "KANT-MAR" fills a special need in machine shops, tool rooms, repair shops, electrical shops, automotive and all types of industrial and service organizations. The head is die cast, non breakable, fire proof, acid proof, non conducting material. The base of the head is accurately machined from special light weight aluminum alloys, securely fastened to the head but interchangeable. The handle is high grade hickory.

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Hoffman Service Manual

Hoffman Radio Corp., Los Angeles, has started to publish its Service Manual in loose leaf form and to cover all products of the firm. By mid-June eleven will be ready. Revisions will be made frequently with supplementary leaflets.

Topically arranged, with schematic diagrams and line drawings, they are edited by the firm's technical publications section, and include information on descriptions, specifications, tube complement, normal operating voltage,
normal operating currents, alignment procedure and other pertinent data.

The technical data on record changers, distributed for radio-phono combinations, will be in publications arranged and published by the makers of the changers used.

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International Resistance Co., Philadelphia, announces Resist-O-Guide, a practical aid in resistor range identification for radio servicemen and others. The Guide is used by turning its three wheels to correspond with the color code on any composition type resistor—the standard RMA range is automatically and accurately indicated. Or turn the wheels to any desired standard range, and you are immediately shown the correct color coding. Resist-O-Guide is available from IRC distributors.

Two models of wall type radios made by American Communications Corp., 306 Broadway, New York. Above, Model A6K, $42.65 including Federal Tax. Includes duplex receptacle for table appliances. Fits between studs flush into walls. Below, Model 6K, $58.75 (includes tax) also has Telechron alarm clock with automatic switch which turns radio on and off. Both sets are 6-tube super-het. Available in range of colors to match home interiors.

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License Plan Works  
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without the supervision of a licensed man. The owner of the store was promptly brought into court after being given the opportunity of employing a licensed veteran to head his shop. The owner, as promptly, called "nasty names and the newspapers took up his cry that it was unfair to make veterans who had failed the test wait six months before taking the test again, especially if the veteran lost his job for the period of waiting.

Fairness

The board members rubbed their collective chins and beat a hasty retreat to the common council. In February of this year a revised 19.20 was drafted. The new ordinance calls for the licensing examinations to be held the first Monday of each month, providing that there are applications on file; the establishment of two classes of licenses, one covering radio and the other covering the servicing of inter-comms and the like where the operating frequency involved is below 100,000 cycles per second; a new board of five members; plus several minor items that make for better enforcement of the ordinance.

March 11, 1946 saw the first examination to be held under the new ordinance. The test still consists of a simple written quiz on theory and a bench test involving a shorted condenser, an open ballast or the like. The test still consists of a simple written quiz on theory and a bench test involving a shorted condenser, an open ballast or the like. The examination is as simple and fair as we possibly make it and still have a protective ordinance. The test still consists of a simple written quiz on theory and a bench test involving a shorted condenser, an open ballast or the like. The examination is as simple and fair as we possibly make it and still have a protective ordinance.
repair business."

Of the nine men who passed the theory test and went on to the bench test seven passed both and received their licenses, thus making the March examinations a red letter day for the erstwhile critics who felt that their efforts had been rewarded at last.

**Splatter-Proof Heat Ray Lamp**

For a variety of home applications, a new 250-watt infrared Heat Ray lamp having a red heat-resistant glass bulb which is resistant to breakage when subjected to the shock of cold water spray and which operates from an ordinary standard voltage household light socket is announced by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

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**Milo—New Jobber**

The new Milo Radio & Electronics Corp. will specialize in radio and electronic components, featuring leading brands of test, sound and recording equipment. All efforts will be directed toward industrial accounts, amateurs and servicemen. Supplementing the staff of trained sales technicians will be Louis H. Grossberg and Milton Putterman — both well known in distributing and manufacturing circles in the greater New York area. Beginning January 1st, 1946, Milo Radio & Electronics Corp. will be located at 200 Greenwich Street, New York City.

**C-R Tube Bulletin**

A comprehensive selection of various types and sizes of cathode-ray tubes especially adapted to television reception is presented in a bulletin, "DuMont Cathode-Ray Tubes for Television," just issued by Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., of Passaic, N. J. The bulletin illustrates and lists several 5", 7", 10", 12" and 20" tubes of both the electrostatic and the magnetic deflection categories, together with the more significant characteristics. It also announces a 15" magnetic deflection tube now in development stages. In each instance the useful picture area is given. A copy of the bulletin may be had for the asking.

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DuBuque will continue the company's policy of giving Lear distributors all the sales and promotion help possible through an expanded advertising program. Advertising headquarters of the company will be in Lear's main office at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Heads Replacement Parts Section

Appointment of Marshall R. Stoeckler as manager of the Replacement Parts Section of the RCA Victor Division, Radio Corporation of America, is announced by J. A. Milling, general manager of the newly-created Parts Department. Mr. Stoeckler will be responsible for the development and merchandise planning of all replacement parts required to keep in operation equipment produced and sold by the company. His section will also handle all customer orders and control of finished goods inventories for the expanding Parts Department, as well as finished goods warehousing for all parts catalogued and stocked by the Department.

Admiral's R. M.

Wallace C. Johnson, manager of field activities, Admiral Corporation announces appointment of Paul R. Dye as Regional Manager for all Admiral products. Mr. Dye was formerly sales manager for the Taylor Electric Company, radio and appliance distributors, in Milwaukee.

Motorola Appoints


Recently released from active duty, Col. Kamin's liaison duties included administrative work on such ground signal equipment as the Motorola "Handie Talkie" and the "Walkie Talkie."

Col. Kamin comes to Motorola with a wealth of experience in the radio business and he is now contacting his many friends among Motorola distributors and dealers in his territory.

Along with Herb Frost, he inaugurated the radio department of Sears Roebuck & Co., later resigning to become president of the Corona Radio & Television Corp., manufacturers of "private brand" radios. As general manager of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company's radio division, he successfully merchandised several well-known lines of car and home radios until after Pearl Harbor when he entered the Signal Corps as Chief of the Radio Branch of the Engineering and technical service.

RCA Victor Home Instruments

Appointment of John C. Marden as assistant advertising manager and sales promotion manager of the RCA Victor Home Instruments Department is announced by J. David Cathcart, advertising manager of the Department. William H. Tindall and Frank Schmitt are staff assistants. Mr. Marden, who was product manager for the

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**Lewyt Award**

A Certificate of Appreciation from the War Department has been awarded to Alex M. Lewyt, President of Lewyt Corporation, Brooklyn, New York, for patriotic service during World War II. The award took place May 6th at the offices of Col. B. R. Olmsted, District Chief of the New York Ordnance Department, who made the presentation on behalf of Chief of Ordnance, Lt. Col. L. H. Campbell, Jr.

Mr. Lewyt was cited for his managerial and engineering assistance to the Chief of Ordnance and to the New York Ordnance District, in the production of radar, radio, bombsights, gyro-compass equipment, anti-aircraft devices, airplane components, and also for his participation in the atom bomb project.

**Zenith News**

With the Zenith Radio Corporation ready to ship new radio sets as the parts situation permits, H. C. Bonfig, vice president in charge of household radio, recently announced the following appointments of district sales managers:

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- Martin J. Toehill, Terre Haute - Louisville - St. Louis - Cincinnati - Charleston - Williamson
- Fred H. Strayer, Oklahoma City - Amarillo - Dallas - El Paso - San Antonio

**Proctor Appoints**

T. P. (Tom) James and H. S. (Cy) Perkins have been appointed assistant general sales managers of the Proctor Electric Company, Philadelphia, by Robert M. Oliver, vice president and general sales manager. Mr. James' responsibilities will cover the direction of sales activities for major accounts including syndicate buying groups, chain stores, furniture stores, jewelry stores and other large volume outlets. Mr. Perkins will be responsible for the general dealer distribution of Proctor products.

As announced in a recent widely publicized merchandising policy booklet, Proctor products are sold only through franchised wholesalers.

**Thermador S. M.**

The appointment of Frank A. Ballman as general sales manager of Thermador Electrical Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, largest manufacturers of electrical appliances in the West, was announced recently by William E. Cranston, Jr., general manager. Mr. Ballman was, until a short time ago, a Major in the Army Air Forces.

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