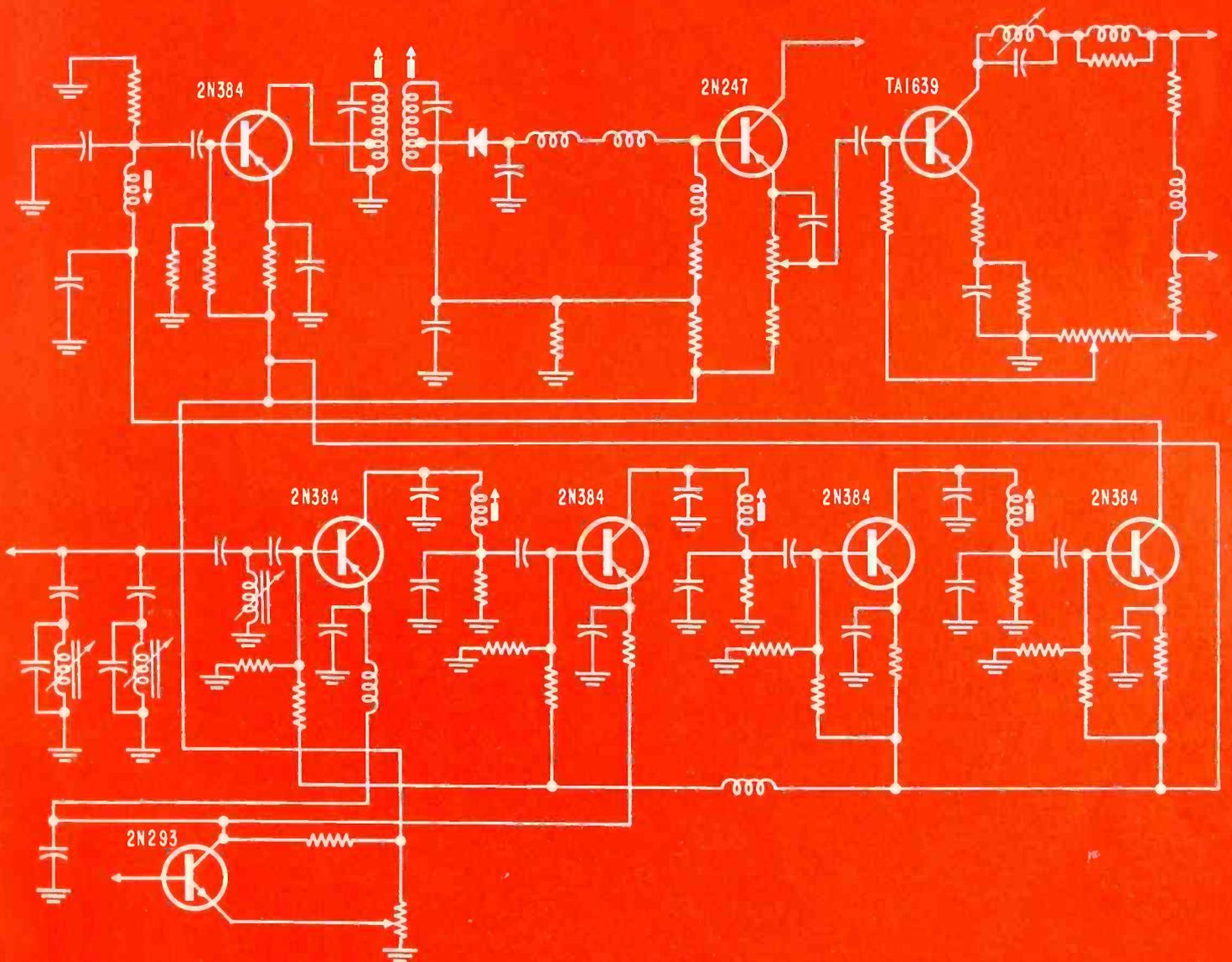


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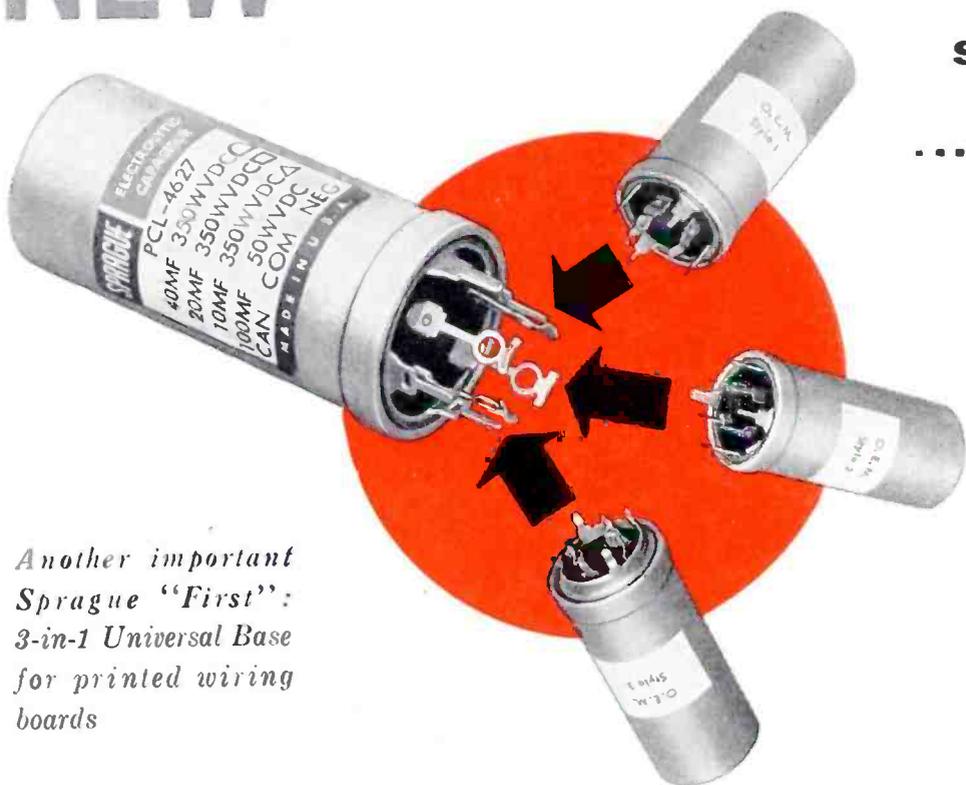


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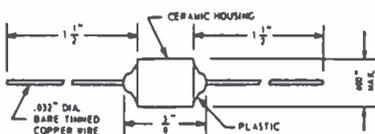


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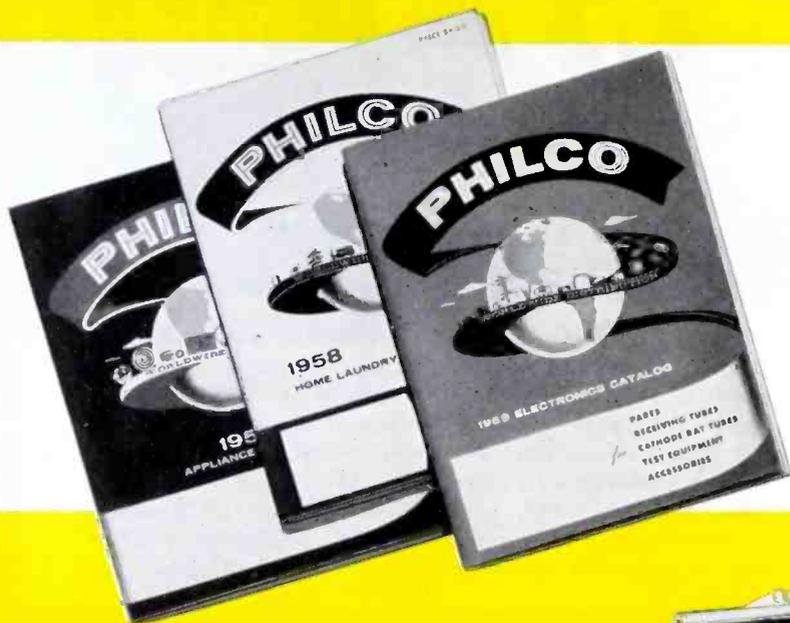
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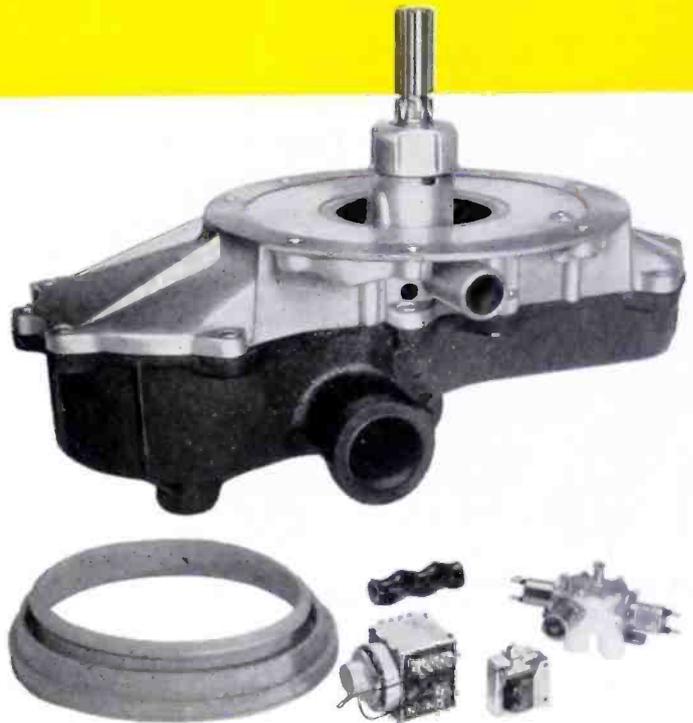


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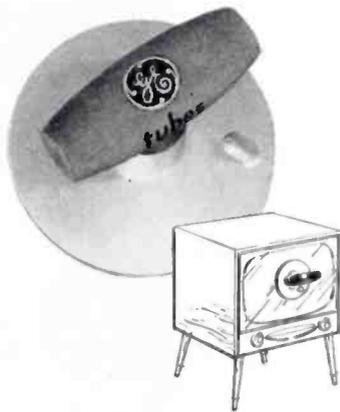
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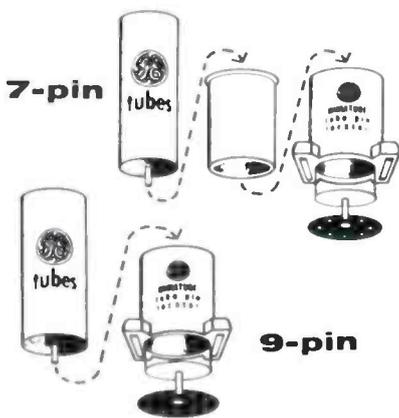
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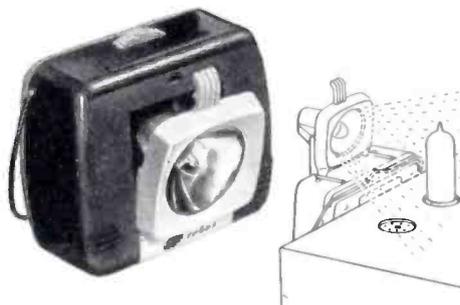
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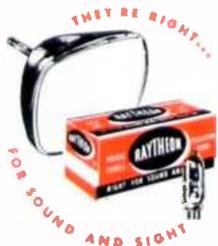
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FIRST TRANSISTORIZED TV SET--This issue of SERVICE features an exclusive report on the first all-transistor TV receiver. . . . Another triumph of miniaturization described in the current issue, is a new portable two-way communications unit whose receiver section is completely transistorized. . . . Engineers predict increasing use of transistors in radio and TV sets will change established pattern of servicing and urge Service Men to bone up on transistor circuitry and miniaturization techniques.

ANTENNA CHECK-UP CAMPAIGN CONTINUES--A number of other TV stations are expected to follow the lead of New York's WPIX in broadcasting spot announcements urging television set owners to have antennas checked by local Service Men. . . . Antenna manufacturers are cooperating with stations in this program. . . . In keeping with this campaign a series of articles on new and important developments in antenna field are scheduled to appear in SERVICE this Fall.

WESCON SHOW TURNS ON HEAT--An experimental thermoelectric heat pump which can produce heat or make frost electronically was demonstrated by the Radio Corporation of America at the Western Electronics Show and Convention last month. . . . Another electronic device that can determine whether a person standing before it is a man or woman was displayed by International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. . . . As show visitors stood in front of the specially designed unit, a "magic eye" measured the amount of radiated body heat. . . . The catch is that men's trousers inhibit heat radiation reaching the detector, while women's stockings do not.

COOPERATION STRESSED AT TEXAS SHOW--The need for closer co-operation between the parts distributor and service dealer was stressed by Col. Gail S. Carter, executive officer of the National Electronic Distributors Association, in an address delivered at the sixth annual Texas Electronic Association Fair and Clinic staged at the Statler Hotel, in Dallas last month. . . . The NEDA official said the Service Man should establish himself as a competent and reliable technician and sell his professional knowledge along with replacement parts. . . . Introduction of subscription TV, by bringing box office entertainment to home viewers at low cost and increasing the total amount of "free" TV available, will benefit the independent TV service dealer and give a shot-in-the-arm to all phases of the television industry, Ted Leitzell, director of public relations for Zenith Radio Corporation, stated at this meeting.

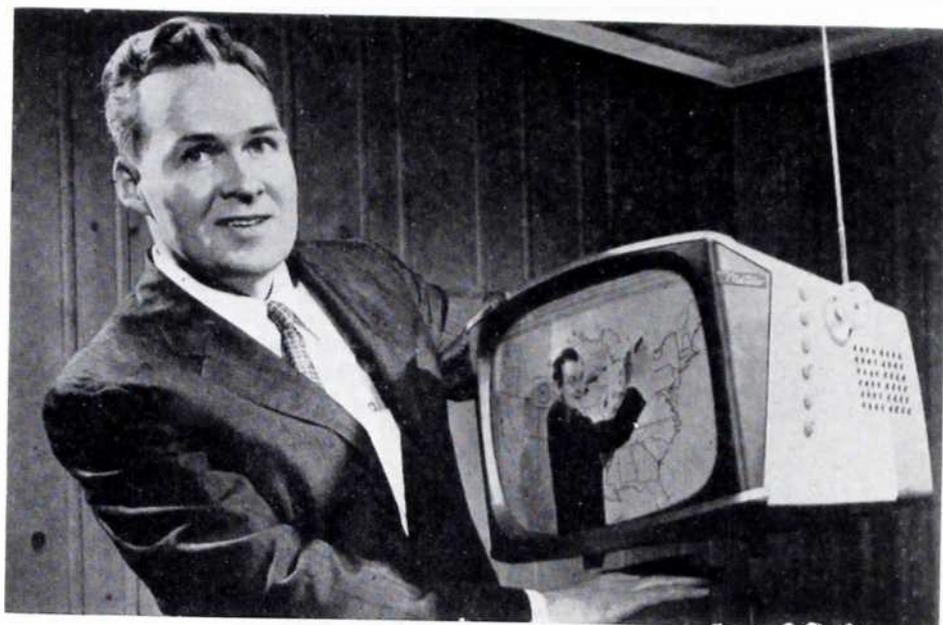
TV RECEIVER SHIPMENTS UP--TV receiver manufacturers shipped more sets in June compared with May, but fewer during the first half of this year compared with the same 1957 period, the Electronic Industries Association announced last month. . . . Olympic Radio & Television, a Division of The Siegler Corporation, reported that shipments of television sets for the fiscal year ending June 30th showed an increase of over 17% as compared to a like period a year ago. . . . The nation's radio-TV manufacturers, who marked the early part of 1958 with cutbacks and layoffs of employes, have begun rehiring workers, and stepping up production schedules, according to a recent survey.

HI-FI SHOW TO FEATURE STEREO--The 1958 New York High Fidelity Music Show will open at the Trade Show Building, 500 Eighth Ave., on September 30th and run through October 4th. . . . There will be a special preview for dealers on September 29 from which the public will be excluded. . . . The Age of Stereo is the theme for this year's Show.

NATESA CONVENTION HELD--The 10th annual convention of the National Alliance of Television & Electronic Service Associations was held at the Congress Hotel, in Chicago, August 21 to 24. . . . President Eisenhower forwarded a telegram extending his best wishes to NATESA, and Mayor Daley, of Chicago, proclaimed the week of the convention as "Home Electronics Service Week" in Chicago in honor of the occasion.

LOUISIANA LICENSES SERVICE MEN--A Louisiana law going into effect as a result of the recent legislation provides that radio and television repairmen in cities of more than 20,000 population will have to take an examination and be licensed by a new State radio and television technicians board. . . . The board is to include eight members named by companies and three members named by the electrical union. . . . All TV repair shops in New Orleans will come under this law.

First All-Transistorized TV Receiver Powered by Rechargeable 12-Volt Battery



by NEIL FRIHART

Chief Engineer, Advanced Television Engineering, Motorola Inc.

ALTHOUGH TRANSISTORIZED RADIO SETS are now commonplace, the development of an all-transistor television receiver has presented a very formidable problem. The standards of good sensitivity, adequate *if* gain and bandwidth, and proper *agc* action, now met by conventional tubes, must be maintained. In addition, the transistorized video amplifier must provide a sufficient output signal to drive the picture tube and the all-transistor vertical and horizontal sweep outputs must adequately provide the relatively large power drive signals. Generating high-voltage for the second anode of the picture tube is another problem requiring additional development. Finally each of these situations must be solved with a minimum power drain if the set is to remain truly portable.

First Transistor TV

These engineering problems have been overcome to a large extent in a new cordless, portable 14-inch TV receiver,* the first all-transistor set to be placed on the market, which is shown above. A detailed description and circuit analysis of this unusual TV set is contained in this report, prepared exclusively for SERVICE.

*Manufactured by Motorola Inc.

Certain portions of the overall circuit, which the manufacturer is not yet ready to reveal, are not covered in this article. These sections are indicated by blocks in the schematic diagram of the chassis, Fig. 1. As soon as information on these circuits is available, it will be covered in a supplementary report.

One of the outstanding features of this set is that the batteries may be recharged and reused. The batteries are 12-volt nickel-cadium type and provide six hours of portable operation before recharging. The weight of the set, including batteries, is 30 pounds and the size is 14 inches.

The total of 31 transistors are used in the receiver. While this is more than twice the number of tubes normally found in a TV receiver, it must be remembered that many tubes serve more than one function, and, at present, this is not true with transistors. The base material in the transistors used is germanium in all cases, and about 30% of these are of the graded-base type. Two of the thirty-one transistors are NPN types, and were used to answer a specific polarity problem.

Although seven tetrode-type transistors were used in the tuner and *if*, it is felt that future designs would be made with triode types because of the decreased circuit complexity and the

rather severe problem of overload encountered with tetrodes.

The frequency cutoff of transistors is higher for the grounded base, but, in almost all cases, the grounded emitter connection was used because the higher low frequency gain of this connection more than compensates for the frequency response. The two limitations most frequently encountered in the process of transistorizing TV were frequency response and voltage breakdown. Good progress has been made in overcoming both of these problems.

Transistorized Tuner

The tuner circuit in this receiver is a transistorized equivalent of a miniature four-wafer tube tuner. Circuit-matching conditions are different in order to meet the power-matching requirements of transistors. There are three tetrode PNP-type transistors used as an *rf* amplifier, a local oscillator and a mixer.

The maximum frequency of oscillation of these transistors is approximately 250 megacycles. With this upper frequency limit, it is necessary to operate the oscillator above signal frequency on the low channels and below signal frequency on the high channels. The *rf* amplifier gain varies from approximately 14 db on the lowest channel to 0 db on the highest channel. The output or intermediate frequency of the tuner is 44 megacycles, the same as on conventional receivers.

The video *if* amplifier (see Fig. 1) consists of six stages tuned approximately to the same frequency. The individual stages are single-tuned with the tuning in the collector circuit. Additional capacity of 5 to 15 micro-microfarads has been added in each stage to adjust the operating Q and increase circuit stability. There is a small untuned secondary winding on the tuned primary to match the relatively high impedance collector circuit of each stage to the base of the following stage.

The first four stages contain the same high-frequency tetrode PNP-

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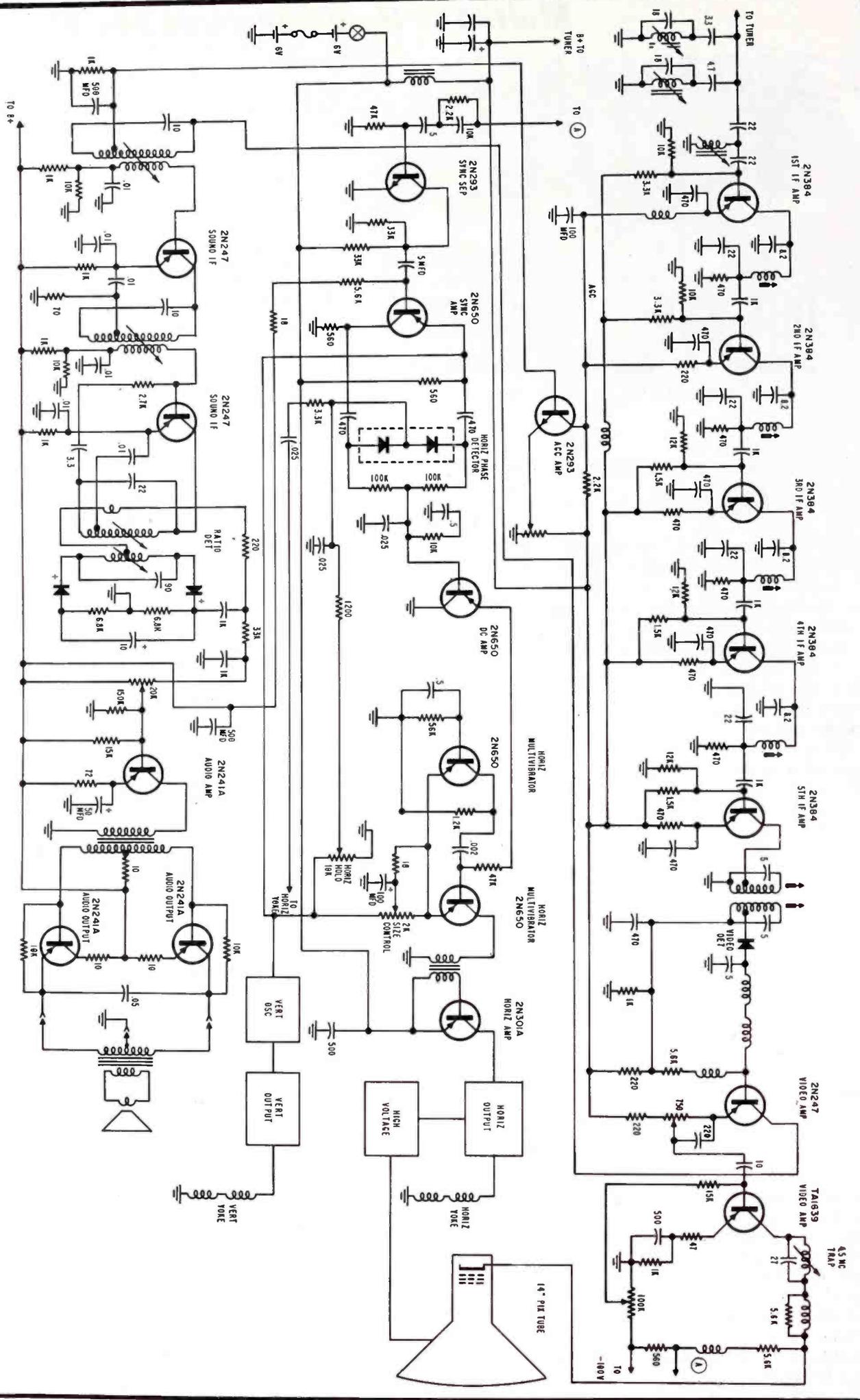
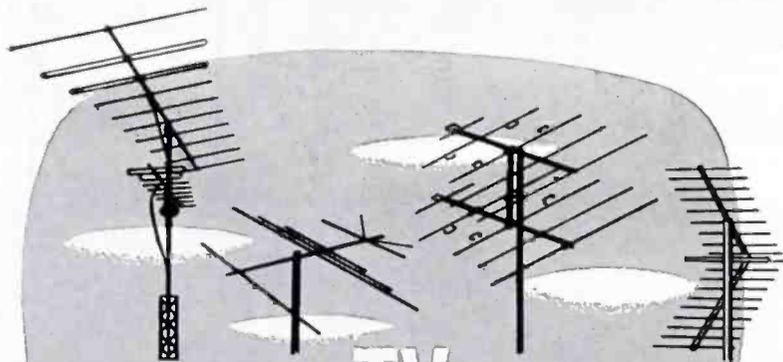


FIG. 1: SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF MOTOROLA 14-inch portable television set which employs 31 transistors to perform all the standard tube functions of conventional TV receiver. Portions of the circuit which the manufacturer is not yet ready to reveal are indicated by blocks.

Multi-Set Home Systems for TV and FM



UHF-VHF TV ANTENNA DIGEST

DESIGN • APPLICATION • INSTALLATION • SERVICE

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THERE IS A SCHISM in the thinking of many Service Men which separates TV and FM and places them in different categories. This distinction is invalid and may prove costly to the Service Man. The basic difference between the two may be summed up in the words of the little boy who described his radio as "a television set without pictures."

FM and TV broadcasts occur in the same band of frequency, between 54 and 216 mc, and may be received on the same antenna. They are distributed on the same kind of down-lead and have approximately the same broadcast coverage.

The fantastic development of FM, plus the equally fantastic rise in the number of multi-TV set homes, opens a market for TV-FM signal distribution in the home. The problem brought about by this changing market results from a misunderstanding as to the fundamental nature of the input of a television receiver.

Basically the input of a television receiver is not like the input of an audio amplifier. It is not voltage operated but consumes power which is developed by the antenna. The antenna is actually a generator since it consists of conductors placed in moving electrostatic and electromagnetic fields, the radiation from the transmitter. It looks electrically like a generator with an internal impedance of 300 ohms. It feeds a set whose input looks like a resistive load of 300 ohms.

Now, these circumstances set up a condition of maximum transfer of energy between antenna and set. This condition is called *matched* since gen-

erator impedance and load impedance are the same.

Consider, now, feeding two sets from the same antenna. If we do it perfectly, we can only give *half* the power of the antenna to each set—and we can only do this if we can maintain impedance match all around. It so happens that half power represents a voltage change of 3 db, which is a drop of about 30%. This can only happen when the division is perfect, without loss of any kind. Usually, a drop of about 6 db voltage can be expected with commercial couplers, depending on the type and design of the coupler.

By the same reasoning, using the 6 db figure, if four sets are to be fed from one antenna, we can expect a drop of 12 db per set, supplying one fourth the antenna voltage to each set. All the above presupposes that the sets represent 300-ohm loads. This is true, however, only at the channel tuned to and only when the sets are turned on. Off-channel and when they are turned off many variables are introduced into the hook-up, resulting in ghosting and standing waves on the line. These, in turn, make the final results hard to predict.

Such systems also require that each leg of the system be loaded, or else

the impedance matching will be destroyed, with no possibility of knowing what will happen. These systems, then are *tied down*. We must fix the location of the sets, and we can wire only for the existing sets. Also, we must have sufficient power available from the antenna to afford this splitting of energy among a group of receivers.

Home Distribution System

Recently, a home distribution system¹ has been developed which overcomes these objections. This is based on multi-set master antenna system used in the large hotels and motels, but considerably simplified and reduced in cost. The new home system has the same ability to ignore the circumstances of whether or not a set is attached to its outlets. Briefly, it consists of a line from the signal source, either antenna or amplifier, which is loaded at its end with a resistive load, showing a match to the source at all times and all frequencies. This loaded line is then tapped with *tap-off* units which feed sets, providing a minimal disturbance to the line, and isolation between sets. The schematic diagram of a typical system is shown in Fig. 1.

Looking at this system as it would exist without the loads plugged into the tap-off units, we can see that the amplifier (or antenna, if sufficient signal is available) will see only a line whose end is a termination or load equal to the source's impedance. This represents a *sink* into which all the available energy can be poured. Since no energy reflects back along the line, there are no standing waves or ghosts. This is an ideal condition.

Now, if we connect a TV or FM set to one of these taps, some of the en-
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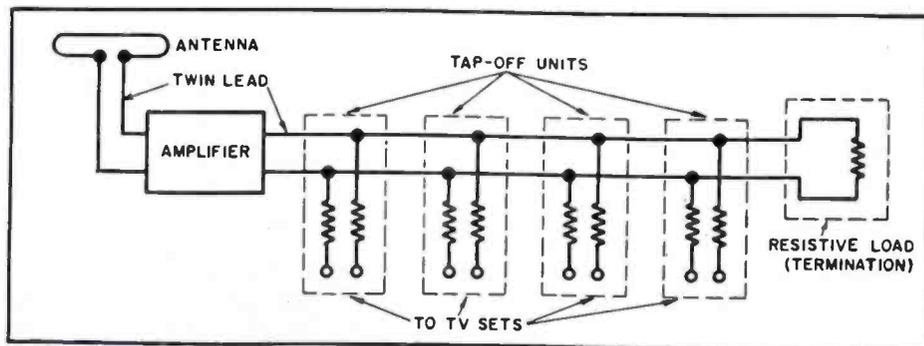


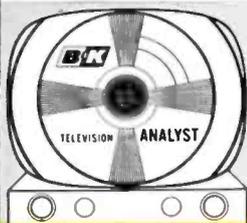
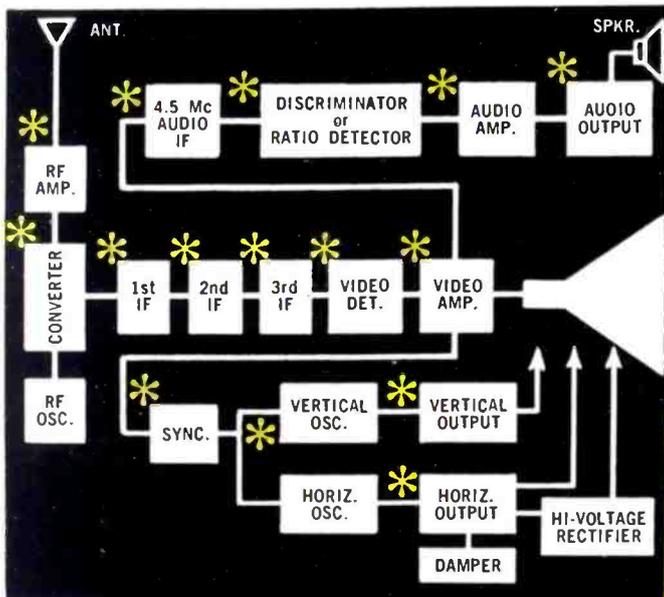
FIG. 1: SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM of amplified TV-FM antenna distribution system, especially designed for home use.

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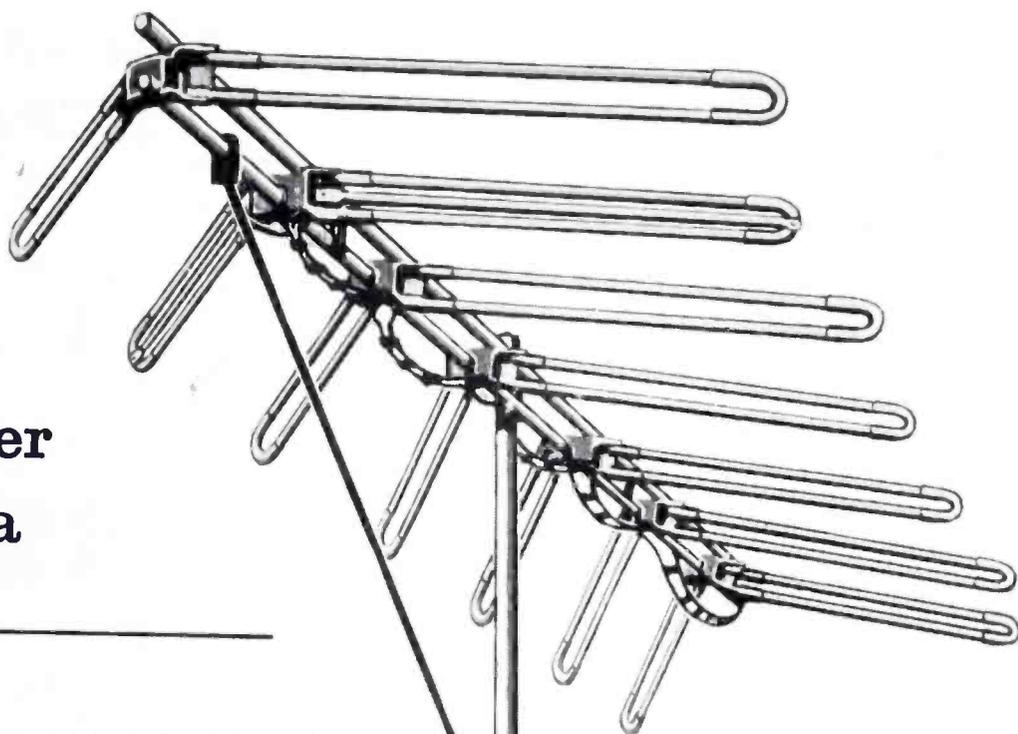
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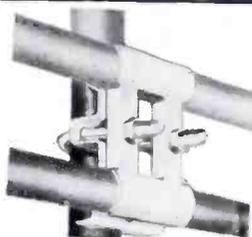
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Association News

ETG, Boston, Mass.

V. Warren Gagosian has been elected president of the Electronic Technician's Guild of Boston. Other new officers include George Catavolo, vice president; James Kelley, secretary; and Hyman Leve, treasurer. Lawrence McEvoy was chosen as NATESA director. NATESA alternates are Harold Fitzgerald and Harold Stevens.

CSEA, San Carlos, Calif.

Jim Wakefield of Fresno was elected president of the California State Electronic Association at its recent annual convention. Ray Warthen was reelected vice president. Art Blumenthal was asked to act as secretary pro tem.

One session at the convention was devoted to a panel discussion of credit problems. Glen D. Ruddy, state secretary of Associated Credit Bureaus of California; Allan Mason, attorney, Earl Carlson, manager, Credit Bureau of Kings County; and Joel Bigerstaff, secretary, Merchants Association of Fresno, served as the panel of experts.

Other sessions at the convention featured the showing of a technical film on antennas by Lee Naylor of Channel Master Corp.; a discussion of service industry problems by Robert Thomas of Westinghouse Electric Corp.; an outline of NARDA's efforts on behalf of service dealers on the problem of warranties on new sets and parts presented by Harold Wilhaus; a talk on servicing horizontal sweep circuits by Irving Tjomslund of Triad Transformer Corp.; a discussion of the how and why of transistors by Bud Tomer of CBS-Hytron; and a demonstration of ceramic capacitors by Sprague Products Co.

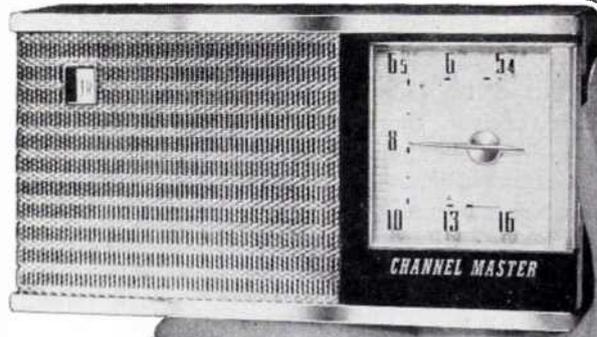
Manufacturers displaying products at the convention were Triad Transformer Corp., Sprague Products Co., Sylvania Electric Products, Fresno Electronics Co., Philco Corp., Raytheon Manufacturing Co., Winegard Co., Radio Corporation of America, CBS-Hytron, Channel Master Corp., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Calvideo Tube Corp. and Pioneer Electronics Corp.

RTA, Santa Clara Valley, Calif.

The Radio TV Association of Santa Clara Valley took the first firm steps toward sponsorship of an apprentice training program in its area at a recent meeting when President Richard J. Kelso appointed a fact-finding committee. Al Limberatos was named to head the committee which includes Kelso, Frank Ingeneri and Charles Mulkey, RTA educational advisor and electronics coordinator of the San Jose Unified School District, who will represent both the association and the school district.

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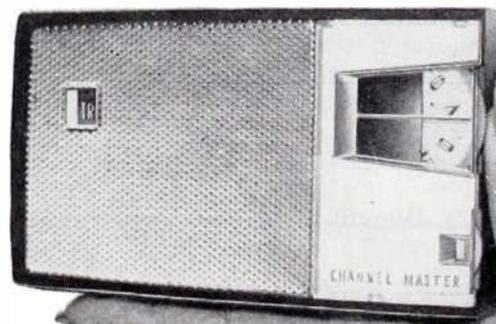
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New Two-Way Communication Portable Utilizes Transistorized Receiver

by GEORGE A. SVITEK and ROBERT L. MANAHAN
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IN DESIGNING a transistorized communications receiver, the engineer is faced with the problem of maintaining the system's reliability without impairing its serviceability. This is not a particularly easy thing to do, for the two concepts are somewhat opposed to each other. A review of the approach to reliability will show why this is so and why it is necessary to be deliberate in designing for serviceability.

Probably the greatest contribution to circuit reliability in recent years has been the transistor. Complete absence of filaments and cathodes eliminates the failures associated with these elements. In addition, the low voltage at which transistor circuits operate permits a much greater safety factor for passive circuit elements, even at reduced size.

Life expectancy of the vacuum tube is normally measured in hours or months, whereas it is anticipated that transistor life will be measured in years. In order to utilize the great reliability afforded by them, transistors have been applied wherever possible in a newly developed portable transceiver,¹ shown in Fig. 1, which includes the mobile industry's first fully transistorized receiver. A block diagram of the receiver section appears in Fig. 2.

Complete transistorization of the receiver has only recently become possible following refinements on tetrode transistors, such as the 3N37, which displays considerable gain at

frequencies in excess of 175 mc. Prior to this time it was necessary to use vacuum tubes in *rf* amplifiers and high-frequency mixers and local oscillators. Because of the high frequency response of the 3N37, however, it is possible to fully transistorize the high-band receiver. The resultant sensitivity is considered to be as good as that obtained in mobiles with tubes and better than that presently available in other portables which use tubes in the *rf* section.

The type 3N36 transistor shown in the block diagram, Fig. 2, was designed originally for frequencies up to 100 mc, and thus may be used in 25 to 54 mc portables. Units intended for high-band use (144-174 mc) are equipped with type 3N37 transistors which were originally engineered for use at frequencies up to 200 mc.

Circuit Miniaturization

Since *rf* power obtainable from transistors is limited in the present state of the art, tubes have been retained for the most part in the transmitter section. Only a single transistor is used in the modulator. This is consistent with design for reliability, since the extra *rf* power obtained from tubes results in reserve gain in the driver stages and permits satisfactory operation of the driver stage over a wider range of battery voltage.

In keeping with the trend toward higher reliability the type 6397 tube has been used in the power amplifier. This tube will have longer life than the 3B4 miniature commonly found



FIG. 1: NEWLY DEVELOPED PORTABLE transceiver, shown in use above, utilizes mobile industry's first transistorized receiver.

in portables. To ease the tube-stocking problem, all other tubes are type 1AD4, resulting in a unit in which only two tube types are used. These tubes are instant heating types, and the filament supply is keyed by the push-to-talk button. Thus battery drain is held to a minimum, for transmitting time is normally a very small portion of portable operating time.

The receiver is battery powered at 12 volts and on standby draws less power than the pilot light in a mobile. The transmitter power requirements are 120 volts for the PA and multipliers, 60 volts for the modulator and oscillator, -12 volts for the limiter, and 1½ volts for filaments.

While reliability and power economy are the characteristics of transistors which most recommend them, the

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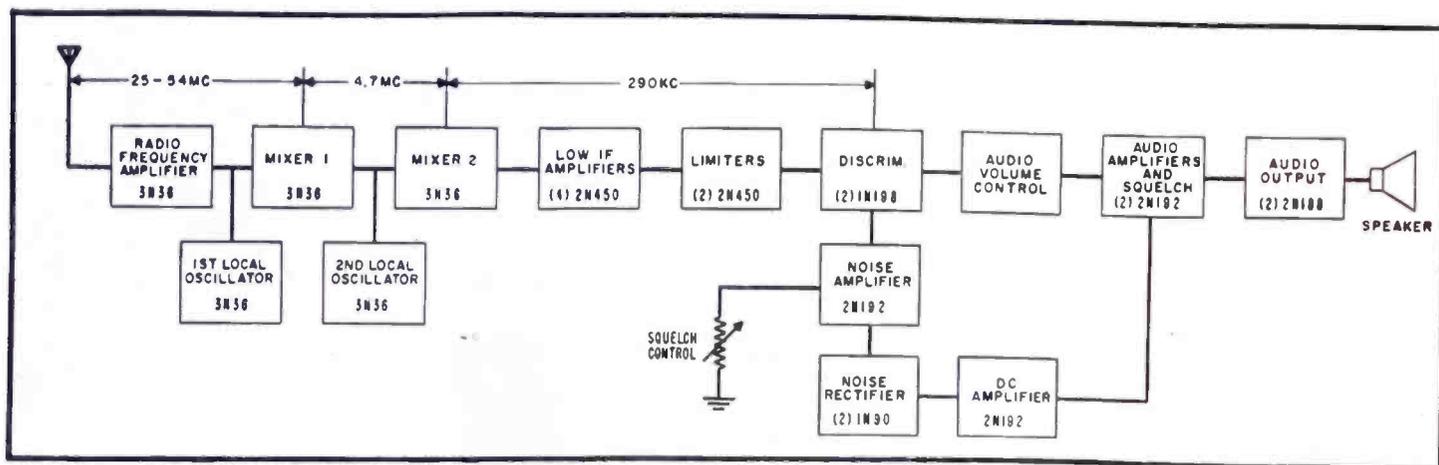


FIG. 2: BLOCK DIAGRAM of all-transistorized receiver section of General Electric model HB-11W two-way portable transceiver.

circuit miniaturization that results from their use makes their application in portables a natural. As the circuits shrink, however, there is a tendency to sacrifice serviceability to achieve the resultant manufacturing simplicity. In this portable, however, a number of steps have been taken to prevent compromising the serviceability of the set.

A new type of mechanical design helps solve the basic servicing problem. The printed boards comprising the transmitter and receiver are hinged at the back of the case like pages in a book. (See Fig. 3.) This construction permits access to both sides of the circuit *pages* at the same time. Simultaneous access to all these circuit components is a real help in servicing.

In addition the top of the unit containing the control panel is similarly hinged, permitting access to these circuits. But above all the unit is *fully operative* when out of the case and in the unfolded position. This permits metering and tuning of the unit *under full power*.

Plug-In Transistors

Another service feature of outstanding importance is the use of sockets and plug-in transistors, a feature which saves considerable time and trouble for the Service Man. One of the best ways to isolate troubles in a communication receiver is to disable sections of the receiver by pulling tubes and noting the effect at selected metering points. In a unit which has soldered-in transistors, this requires unsoldering the transistor.

One of the greatest enemies of transistors is heat, and without the plug-in approach the possibility is al-

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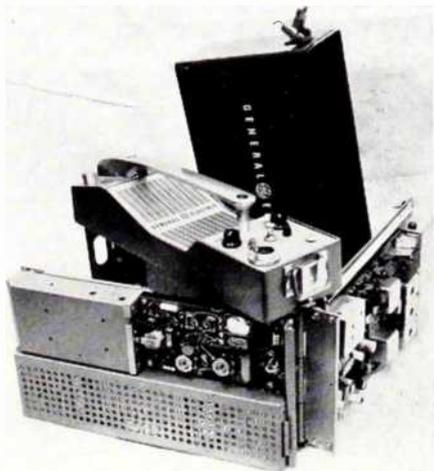
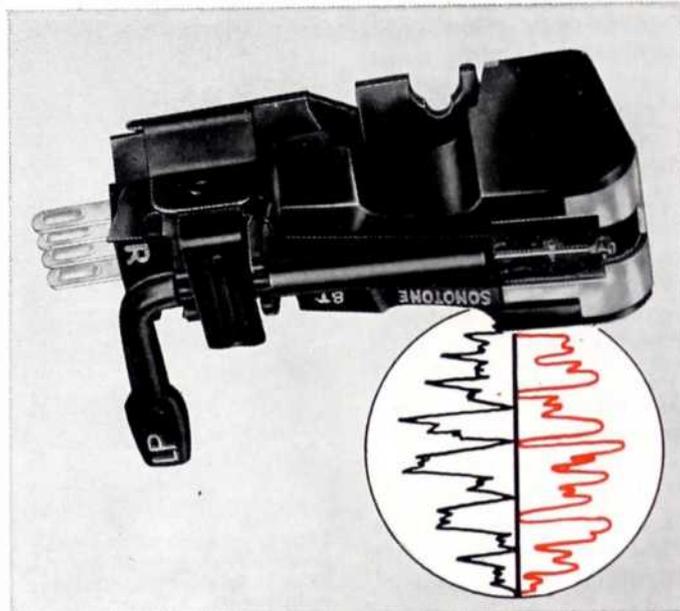


FIG. 3: NEW TYPE OF mechanical design aids in servicing unit. Printed boards comprising transmitter and receiver are hinged at back of case like pages in a book.

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Printed Circuit Miniaturization Techniques

by RUDOLPH T. PLEMICH

MODERN TRENDS in engineering indicate that the miniaturized and printed-circuit components are being used in equipment wherever feasible. It has always been considered good engineering practice to reduce the size and weight of equipment and components if this can be done without sacrificing any operational qualities. The steps taken in the direction of reducing component size have made it possible to miniaturize complete equipments.

An important element in the field of miniaturized components has been the printed Couplate[°] which appeared about the same time as printed wiring. Other types of non-printed automatic wiring have also appeared and contributed to making equipment smaller and lighter.

Most Service Men are familiar with Couplates[°] containing resistors and capacitors. Some of them, however, may not be aware of the wide variety of other small and lightweight miniaturization components such as the micro-miniature Couplate[°] now available for printed board insertion.

Potted and molded circuits can be produced for any application, including those meeting military specifications. Diodes, coils, and sockets can be incorporated to make up complete circuit assemblies. This reduces assembly errors and testing of individual components and facilitates handling and stocking of parts.

One of the latest products in the miniaturization field is the multiple variable resistor^{°°} shown in Fig. 3. These are ideal for use in TV receivers as amplifier controls, electronic organ pitch controls, test equipment, and transistor bias applications.

These components are adjustable, despite their small size, with an internal or external hexagon wrench, ordinary screwdriver, or with the finger tips. They may be mounted either vertically or horizontally. These potentiometers are nominally rated at $\frac{1}{4}$ watt at 70° C, with a breakdown voltage between adjacent sections of

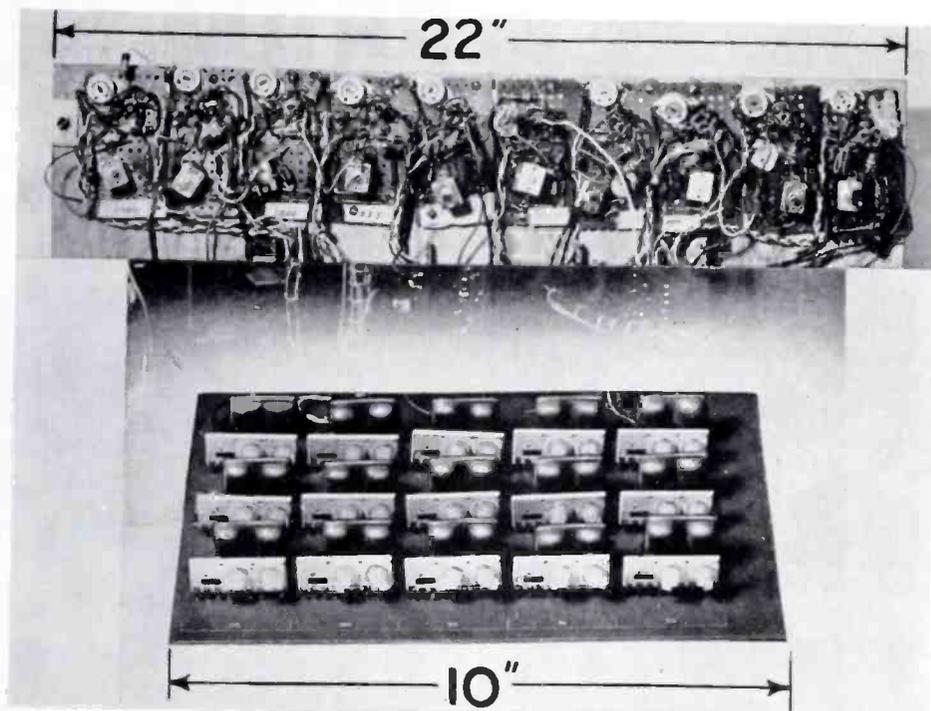


FIG. 1: MINIATURIZATION OF A GROUP of bridge-T filters. The top section shows a group of 10 single-bridge T filters, in the original design. The etched board below it contains 10 triple-bridge T filters. Here, in addition to the PEC[°] packaged circuit with fixed components, a Centralab Model 5 multiple miniature variable resistor (lighter colored units) with four fixed resistors attached to its steatite base plate, forms a second packaged circuit that combines both fixed and variable components. The number of solder connections of the components involved were reduced from 330 to 195 on this board.

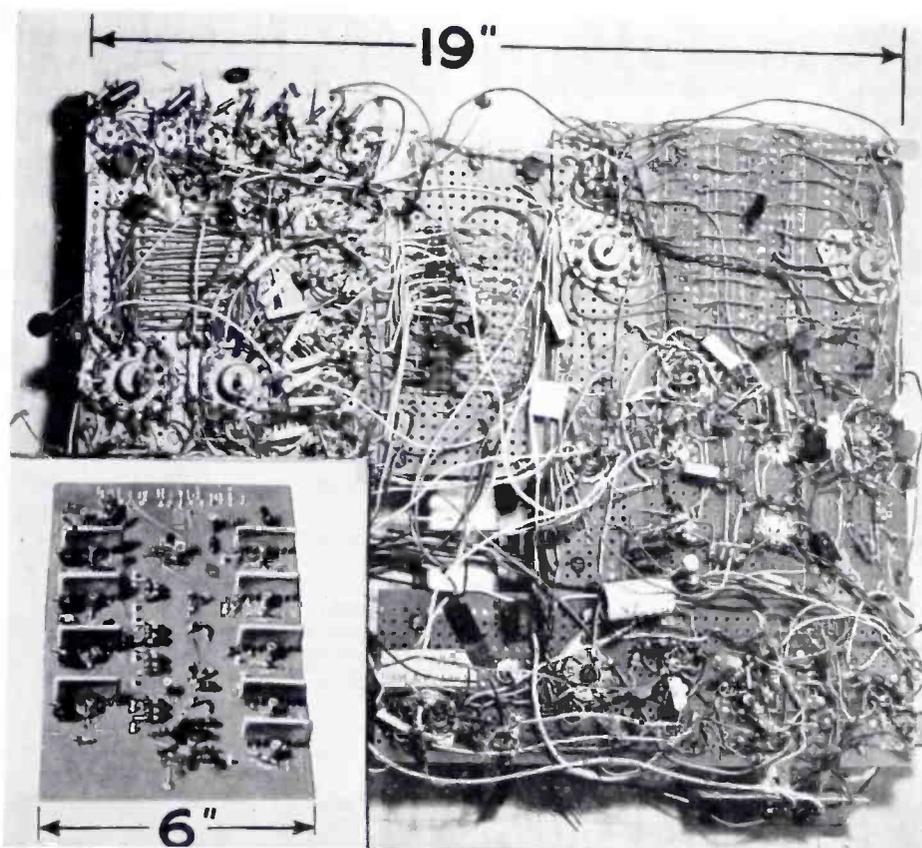


FIG. 2: LARGE BOARD in upper part of the photograph consists of four 8-stage counters, two with binary control, driven to coincidence. The entire section is replaced by two boards of the type illustrated in the lower left corner of the photo. The nine PEC[°] packaged circuits contain 81 components and reduce the number of solder connections from 162 to 72.

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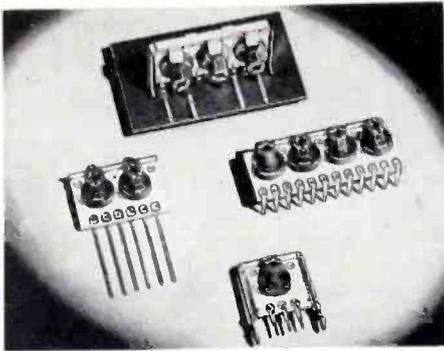


FIG. 3: MULTIPLE VARIABLE RESISTORS employed in miniaturization of printed circuits. Components are adjustable with wrench, screwdriver or finger tips.

1250 volts RMS. Fixed resistors and capacitors can be incorporated in the units to make a complete operating circuit.

An application of these latter type components has been made in the miniaturization of computer equipment called the Alphatype. This machine is an electronic typesetting device utilizing binary system circuits to automatically count the spacing between letters and lines of type. These operations and others are currently being performed manually by the typesetter.

Originally the equipment was developed with vacuum tubes and individual components. Prior to actual production it was miniaturized through the use of transistors, packaged circuits and variable resistors of the type illustrated in Fig. 3. High reliability at minimum cost rather than size reduction was the chief aim in this changeover. Reliability is absolutely necessary because schedules in the graphic arts field are sometimes measured in minutes.

The first step was to replace electron tubes with transistors, improving reliability and reducing overall size. The next step was to lower the cost of the unit and at the same time achieve even higher reliability by reducing the number of components and connections in the Alphatype.

Binary computer circuitry in the machine is repetitive, making for easy adaptability to packaged circuits. A series of packaged circuits with plug-in terminals suitable for etched board installation were designed. One of these was the PEC° flip-flop, a modified flip-flop with speed-up capacitors to count faster, and two circuits combining the functions of a triple-bridge T filter circuit. This technique, illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, reduces the size of the equipment an additional 20% by decreasing both the number and size of the required etched wiring boards.

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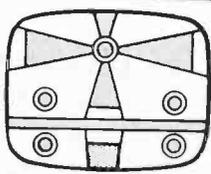
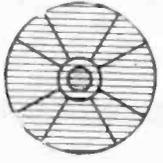
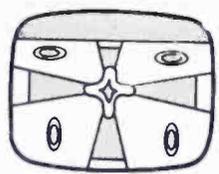
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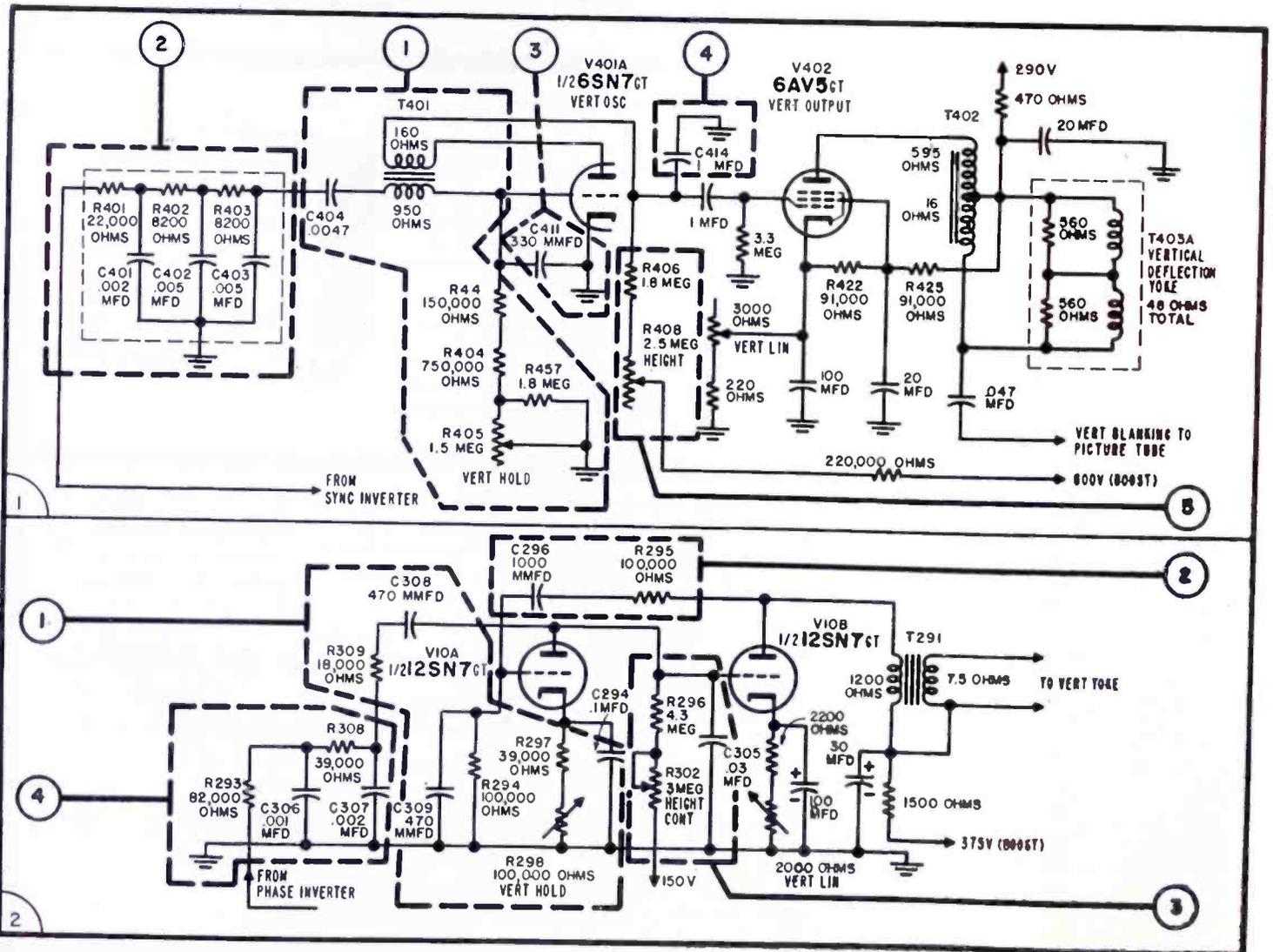
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Troubleshooting Vertical Oscillator and Integrator*

by JESSE DINES

*Part II of Trouble Shooting Chart. For Part I, see SERVICE, March, 1958. Before troubleshooting, make sure that the Sync separator and video circuits operate normally, that line voltage, B+ and boost (when fed to vertical oscillator plate) voltages are normal, and that vertical hold, linearity and height controls are properly adjusted.

Trouble	Picture Indication	Cause	Remedy
Critical vertical hold adjustment or loss of vertical sync.		Any component indicated in circles 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Figs. 1 and 2.	Replace defective component. If these components are good, connect a 10,000-ohm resistor across the plate winding of T ₄₀₁ ; circle 1 in Fig. 1.
Poor interlace or line-pairing.		Trouble is due to a faulty vertical integrator— See circle 2 in Fig. 1. Also check R ₂₉₅ (82,000 ohms), R ₃₀₈ (39,000 ohms), C ₃₀₆ (.001 mfd) and C ₃₀₇ (.002 mfd)— See circle 4 in Fig. 2.	Replace defective component. If these components are good, then connect a 330-mmfd capacitor, as shown in circle 3 of Fig. 1.
Vertical non-linearity and improper vertical linearity and height controls do not correct trouble.		Following components should be checked: C ₄₁₄ (1 mfd—sawtooth-forming network), R ₄₀₆ (1.8 megohms) and R ₄₀₈ (2.5 megohms)— See circles 4 and 5 in Fig. 1. Also check C ₂₉₆ (1000 mmfd), R ₂₉₅ (100,000 ohms), R ₂₉₆ (4.3 megohms) and R ₃₀₂ (3 megohms)— See circles 2 and 3 in Fig. 2.	Replace defective component. If components are good, insert pot and trimmer (whose ranges cover fixed component values) in place of sawtooth-forming network, vary for best linearity and height, measure, and replace with fixed components.



FIGS. 1 AND 2: Fig. 1 illustrates circuit of vertical oscillator and integrator in Admiral 23A1. In Fig. 2 we have the schematic of the vertical oscillator and integrator system in the GE 805/6/7/9.

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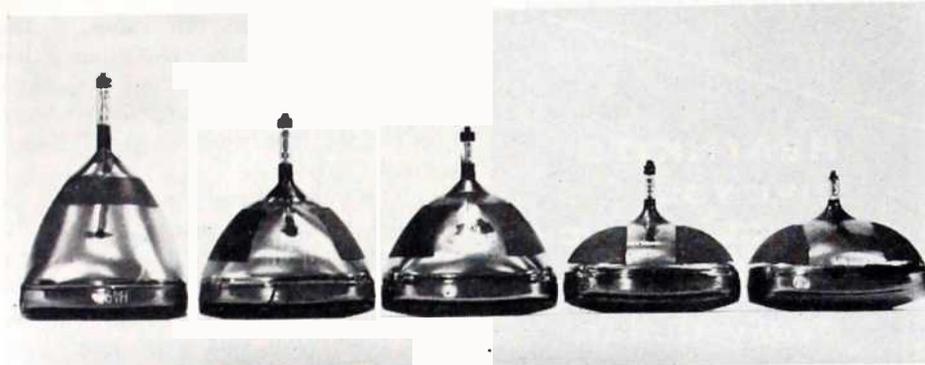


FIG. 1: EVOLUTION OF PICTURE TUBE to present-size is illustrated above. Note progression from the 1950 70-degree tube at extreme left to the two 90-degree tubes used in 1956 and 1957, the 110-degree tube of 1957 and finally, at the right, the semi-flat tube developed this year.

PICTURE-ON-THE-WALL television is firmly implanted in the public's mind as the TV form for the near future. The changes which have taken place in CR tube construction over the past few years, as shown in Fig. 1, encourage this concept. Now the new SF (semiflat) line of picture tubes^o has taken a significant step in this direction. Up to two inches have been removed from the overall length of conventional 110 degree cathode-ray tubes. Three new tube types, 17AWP4, 21EAP4 and 24AVP4, have been registered with the Electronic Industries Association.

The reduction in tube length was achieved in three stages of engineering development. First, the upper section of the gun, including G_3 , G_4 , and G_5 , as shown in Fig. 2, was shortened by reducing the length of the G_3 and G_5 cylinders. Secondly, an entirely new gun structure was developed in the cathode, G_1 and G_2 region, which reduced the distance required between G_2 and the base of the tube. Finally, the entire gun structure was moved forward in the neck of the tube.

The extent to which the upper section of the gun can be shortened is limited by the amount of spot magnification that can be tolerated. To keep the magnification at a minimum most of the shortening process was done in the G_5 electrode. The distance between the top of the G_2 electrode and the top of the G_5 cylinder was reduced $\frac{1}{8}$ inch relative to the corresponding distance in a 21CQP4 gun.

Fig. 2 shows the details of the new SF gun structure which permits a reduction of $\frac{1}{8}$ inch in the distance between the top of the G_2 structure and

the bottom end of the CR tube base. Note that the filament, cathode, and G_1 are mounted horizontally, rather than vertically as in the standard 110 degree gun. The cathode structure is similar to that used in a receiving tube. Two spaced mica plates provide support for the elements. Tabs on the electrodes are inserted in the mica plate holes.

By using the receiving tube type of cathode, more efficient transfer of energy from the heater to the cathode was obtained. The lower heater power has resulted in the odd heater volt-

ages specified for the SF tubes. The 17-inch tube, which is used in a 450 ma heater string, requires a heater voltage of 2.68 volts. Similarly the 21-inch tube, which is designed for a 600 ma string, employs a 2.35 volt heater. The 600 ma heater is also used in the 24-inch tube.

Contributing to the shorter G_2 -to-base dimension is a shorter tip-off length. An entirely new tipping technique was developed which permitted forming the tip within the circle of base pins. In a conventional 110-degree tube this distance is 1 inch, but it is only $\frac{9}{16}$ inch for the SF tubes. A special plastic base was designed to take full advantage of the short tip-off. This base is compared with a conventional base in Fig. 3 (p. 34).

Several problems become immediately apparent when the gun is moved forward in a cathode ray tube. Unless proper precautions are taken, the focus at the edge of the tube deteriorates. The deflection sensitivity is reduced since gun parts short-circuit some of the deflection field, and the focus quality becomes critically dependent upon the strength and direction of the picture-centering field. The final position of the gun inside the neck is usually a compromise with respect to all three factors.

The deterioration of edge focus which would result from simply moving the gun forward is a result of the yoke deflection field entering the

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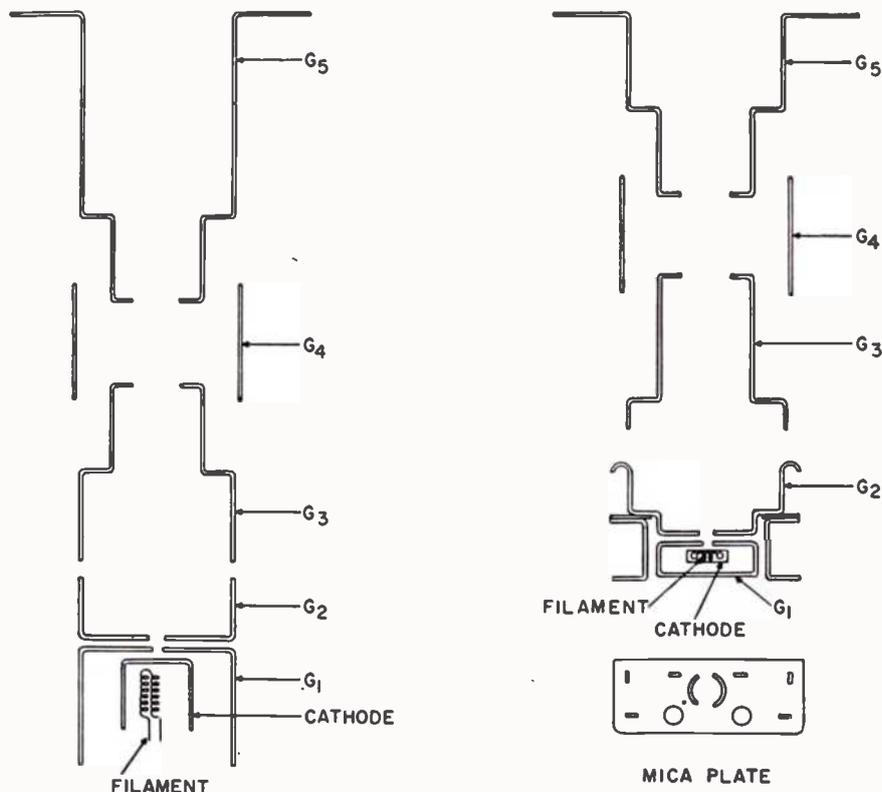


FIG. 2: COMPARISON OF GUN STRUCTURES of conventional and SF tubes. Note that the filament, cathode and G_1 are mounted horizontally in the SF tube on the right, rather than vertically as in the standard tube at left.

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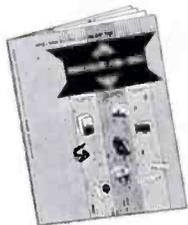
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ergy in the line will appear across the set's terminals. The amount of the energy depends on the value of the series resistors. It has been found that there cannot be less than 300 ohms resistance in these tapping resistors, or else the line disturbance will be too great.

This value of resistance reduces the signal voltage appearing across the set's terminals by 10 db, to about a third of what would otherwise be present in the line at that point. At the same time, this absorption of energy from the system causes a loss in the line, averaging about 1½ db.

Now, if all the taps are loaded with sets tuned to the same channel and operating, then each tap, at that channel, will cause a loss of 1½ db in the line. The last tap will see the sum of the losses introduced by the previous taps. In the example given, the last tap will see the losses caused by the preceding three taps, a total of 4½ db. The set on that tap will see the loss of the resistors, 10 db, plus the 4½ db *feed-through* loss of the preceding tap-off units, or 14½ db.

Use of Amplifiers

14½ db represents a ratio of about 5.3 to 1. Therefore, the antenna must deliver a signal 5.3 times as much as required to feed a single set in order to properly feed the last set under the worst conditions. This condition is usually met within a radius of 10 to 15 miles of the transmitter under normal conditions from typical outdoor antennas, and sometimes up to 30 miles under more ideal conditions. Much depends on the abilities of the TV sets themselves—good sets performing quite well on signals which are quite snowy on inferior sets.

A notable feature of this type of system is that more outlets can be added, so long as no more than four or five are used at one time.

Line losses, inherent in the twin lead itself, have been ignored. This is justified, since we are not dealing with antenna signals themselves, but only with those signals delivered at the end of the line. In this case, the line loss has already been taken into account.

When not enough signal is available, some means must be used to raise the signal levels. Higher-gain antennas will provide some increase, but doubling the efficiency of an antenna only provides a 3 db gain in voltage. The best solution is an amplifier, but

this amplifier must fit stringent specifications. It must have a noise figure equal to, or better than, any receiver it is likely to feed. It must cover all the VHF television bands (2 to 6, 7 to 13) and should also cover the FM bands. Its frequency response must be flat across all these frequencies, in order not to distort the relationships between visual, aural and color carriers. And if it is to feed twin-lead transmission line, it cannot have too much gain since such lines radiate part of their energy.

An amplifier³ for this purpose is now on the market. It has a noise figure of 6 db low band and FM, 8.5 db high band. It has a response curve flat within 1½ db from 54 to 108 mc and 174 to 216 mc, and a gain of 15 db low band, 16 db high band. The circuitry consists basically of neutralized triodes, using 6BK7 tubes.

On the basis of the circuit analysis, this amplifier will deliver enough signal to feed four sets, if its input sees enough signal to keep a clean picture on one set. FM reception will be greatly improved because of the tremendous advantage of an outdoor antenna. The manufacturer has included a method of extending the use to 5 sets, although if any excess signal exists, this is not necessary. The technique consists of reducing the isolation (loss from line to set) to 6 db by short circuiting one of the isolating resistors. This can only be done at the last tap on the line.

The methods discussed and illustrated up to this point utilize only a single line, which covers most homes quite well. When the home layout is such as to render one-line wiring impractical, the line can be split, as in Fig. 2. The line splitter is a two-set coupler, but of a special kind, one which shows *source* match, so that all terminals look like 300-ohm impedance. In this installation, both lines are terminated, as indicated by the zig-zag lines at the ends.

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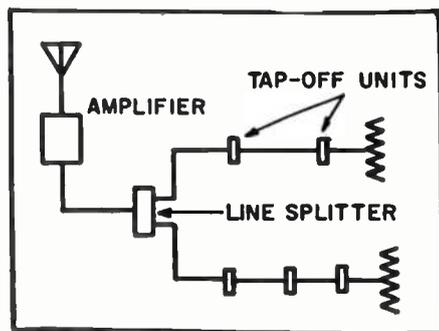


FIG. 2: SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM of distribution system employing line splitter for use in homes where one-line wiring is impractical.

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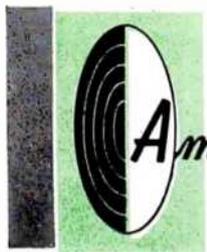
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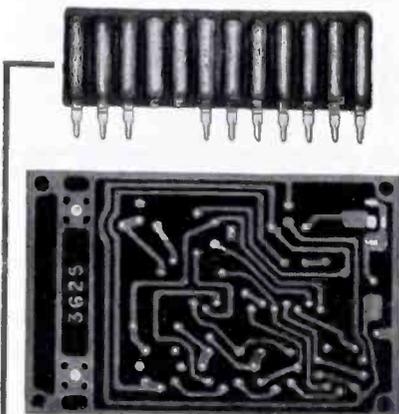
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Transistorized TV Receiver

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type transistors as utilized in the tuner and there is automatic gain control applied between the base one and base two connections. The last two *if* stages contain high-frequency graded-base PNP triode type transistors with 44 mc gains of approximately 14 db. They are operating at full gain at all times.

Tetrode-type transistors leave something to be desired in power-handling capability. They are capable of handling signal levels of approximately 50 microwatts at which level cross-modulation problems are encountered. However, impedance variation of these transistors with gain control causes a minimum frequency response variation as the gain control is varied.

The *if* amplifier 6 db bandwidth at 44 megacycles is 3.5 megacycles. The overall gain from the transistor base of the first stage to the second detector output is approximately 85 db. The gain of this *if* strip is somewhat higher than that of a tube receiver *if* strip. This is done to bring the overall receiver sensitivity, tuner and *if* in line with the tube receiver. The *if* response is symmetrical with a sound trap on either side of the response to permit operation of the local oscillator above and below the signal frequency.

Video Amplifier

There are two transistors in the video amplifier circuit both of which are medium-frequency graded-base PNP types with an alpha cutoff frequency of approximately 30 megacycles. The first stage is direct-coupled to the second detector load and is operated as an emitter follower. It provides an impedance match between the relatively high detector output impedance and the low input impedance of the video output stage. It also provides the sound take-off for the sound *if* amplifier and a low impedance source for the automatic gain control circuit. A series trap across the emitter load resistor removes the 4.5 megacycle sound *if* signal from the picture signal.

The video output stage in the receiver must provide an output signal sufficient to drive a picture tube. While some picture tubes now available can be driven with signals as low as 40 volts peak-to-peak, the type of tube used in this receiver requires approximately 70 volts. This amount of drive can be obtained with a transistor if the voltage breakdown of the trans-

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The picture tube used in the receiver is a slightly modified version of a 14RP4A. This is a 14-inch aluminized tube requiring 90 degree deflection. The modification consisted in changing the heater-voltage from 6-volt to 12-volt operation. In addition, a slight modification of the gun structure was made to improve focusing.

The automatic gain control circuit for maintaining constant signal level at the second detector, consists of a two-stage dc amplifier using one PNP and one NPN transistor. The input to the *agc* is de-coupled through an ac filter network from the emitter of the first video amplifier. Since the first video amplifier is direct-coupled to the second detector, the dc voltage at the input to the *agc* amplifier varies as the dc voltage developed by the signal at the second detector.

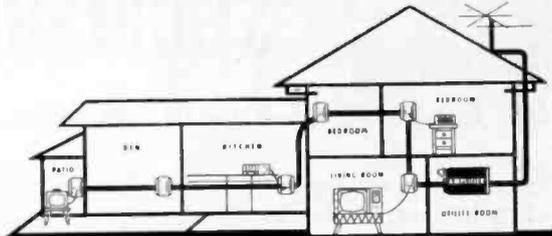
The output of the second *agc* stage is connected to the tetrode bias circuits of the first four *if* stages. The polarities of the voltage in the *agc* circuit are arranged in such a way as to cause an appropriate change in gain in the *if* to oppose any change in the second detector output. The second detector output is held to approximately 1 volt over a receiver signal variation of 40 db.

Sync Separator

Synchronizing signal separation from the video is accomplished in a two-stage separator. The video signal for driving the sync separator is obtained from a tap on the video output load resistor. Approximately one-tenth of the video output signal is applied to the sync separator input. The video signal at this point is positive in polarity, and the first separator stage to

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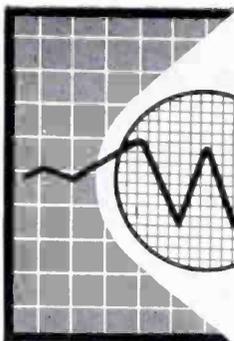


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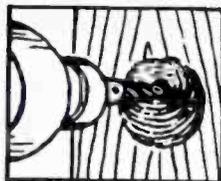
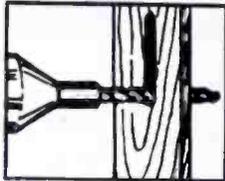
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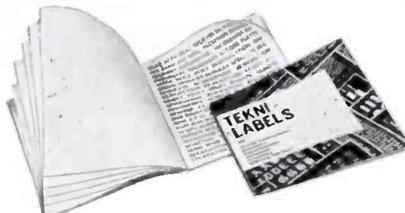


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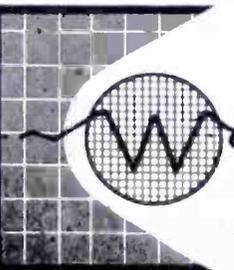
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which this signal is applied is an NPN-type transistor. The positive polarity sync signal drives this stage, which is operating in class C, into conduction. When the driving signal reaches an amplitude of about 1 volt, only the sync pulses appear in the collector circuit.

The second stage separator utilizes a PNP-type transistor. When the negative polarity sync pulses from the first separator drive the second stage into conduction, this stage removes any remaining video signal and noise peaks. Some forward bias is applied to the second stage in order to assure saturation or bottoming in the transistor, and also some leveling of the peaks of the sync pulses. The output of the second separator stage is 9 volts, more than ample to drive the horizontal phase inverter and the vertical integrating network.

Horizontal Synchronization

A transistorized horizontal scanning synchronization circuit in this receiver is similar to recent tube versions. The sync and scanning signals are compared in phase in a diode phase detector. The two phases of sync pulse are provided by a driver stage acting as a phase splitter. Equal and opposite pulses appear at the emitter and collector. The scanning sawtooth voltage is obtained by integrating the pulses appearing across the horizontal yoke winding.

In order to obtain a sufficient dc output voltage from the horizontal phase detector, the relatively high output impedance of the detector is coupled to the low impedance multivibrator circuit through a common collector transistor stage serving as a dc amplifier. The horizontal oscillator is a two-transistor multivibrator circuit with L-C stabilization.

The horizontal frequency or hold control is a bias adjustment in the base circuit of the dc amplifier stage. The size control increases or decreases the collector-to-emitter voltage of the multivibrator stages. The horizontal scanning pull-in range of this circuit is approximately six bars or ± 200 cycles. The output voltage or drive for the scan output stage is essentially a square wave.

The vertical scanning circuit, which consists of a blocking oscillator, a driver amplifier and a push-pull output stage, utilizes four PNP-type transistors. The synchronizing pulses from the second sync separator are integrated and coupled to the blocking oscillator through a separate winding on the blocking oscillator

transformer. Vertical hold control is accomplished by a bias adjustment on the base of the blocking oscillator transistor. Ringing and excessive retrace time are eliminated by two diodes connected in the proper phase across the collector winding of the blocking oscillator transformer.

The output pulse of the oscillator is only partially integrated; the peaking provided drives one of the output transistors far into conduction and drives the other to cutoff, producing minimum retrace time. The vertical size control is a variable resistor in series with the drive to the amplifier stage. The output of the driver is coupled through a push-pull transformer to the bases of the output transistors. A variable resistance in the emitters of the output transistors varies their conduction periods and thereby affects the linearity of scan only at the center of the picture.

The sound intermediate frequency amplifier consists of two high-gain stages employing medium-frequency NPN triode transistors operated in the grounded emitter connection. The receiver is designed for intercarrier sound so the intermediate frequency is 4.5 megacycles. The 4.5 megacycle signal for driving the sound *if* amplifier is extracted from the composite video-sound signal in the collector of the first video amplifier and applied to the base of the first sound *if*. The output of the second *if* stage drives a conventional double-diode ratio detector.

The recovered sound output of the ratio detector is coupled through a conventional de-emphasis network and volume control to a sound amplifier driver stage. The output of the driver stage is transformer-coupled to a push-pull sound output stage operating as a class B amplifier. The sound output at 10 percent distortion is slightly over 350 milliwatts. The speaker used in the receiver is a 4-inch permanent magnet type.

Battery Power Supply

The power supply for the receiver is a 12-volt storage battery. This terminal voltage is quite suitable for a transistor supply and is well adapted to the battery-charging facility of the modern automobile.

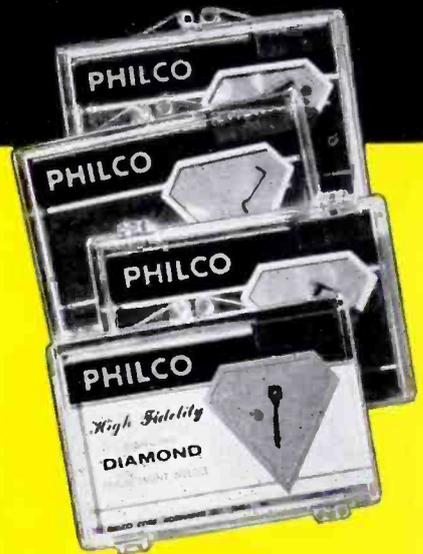
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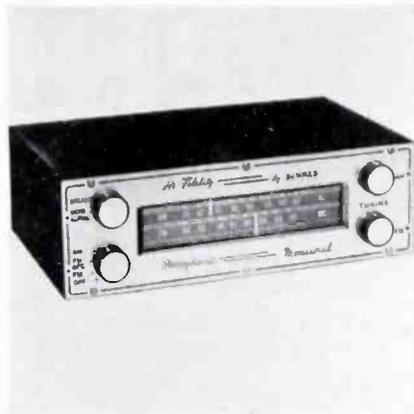
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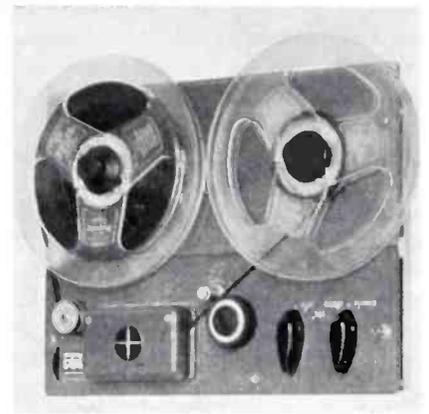
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Stereo AM-FM tuner containing 8 tubes plus diode and rectifier, 4 stages of if including discriminator, afc and Stereomatic dual fly wheel slide rule tuning. (M-1000; DeWald Radio, Div. of United Scientific Laboratories, Inc., 35-15 37th Ave., Long Island City 1, N. Y.)



Tape transport mechanism featuring hysteresis-synchronous motor. Complete shielding of stacked stereo heads is said to provide a signal-to-noise ratio of 60 db and response flat within ± 1 db from 40 to 10,000 cps or ± 2 db from 30 to 15,000 cps. (Starlight 120; Metzner Engineering Corp., 1041 N. Sycamore Ave., Hollywood 28, Calif.)



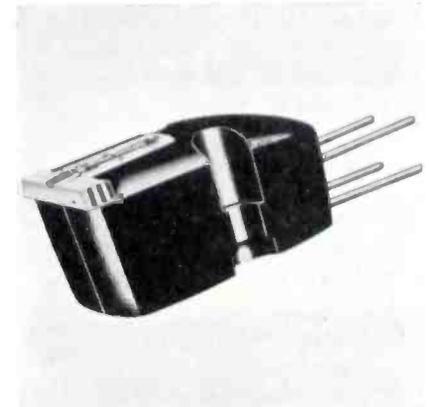
Self-contained and self-powered stereo pre-amp and equalizer designed for remote operation. With modification unit may be used as a preamp for direct connection from stereo tape playback heads or as a two-channel preamp for microphones. (PR-66; Fisher Radio Corp., 21-21 44th Drive, Long Island City 1, N. Y.)



Kits for conversion of existing tape recorders to stereo. Kit SK-100 allows reproduction of standard 1/2 track two-channel stereo tapes on present single-channel tape recorders. Kit SK-50 provides for reproduction of newer 1/4 track four-channel stereo tapes. (Stereo-Kits; The Nortronics Co., Inc., 1011 S. Sixth St., Minneapolis 4, Minn.)



Four-speed stereo record changer featuring instant changeover from stereo to single-channel cartridge with a turn of a knob. Stereo-monaural switch on changer deck provides full stereo sound in one position; directs sound from a single-channel LP record to both speakers of stereo system in the other. (GS Seventy-Seven; Glaser-Steers Corp., 20 Main St., Belleville, N. J.)

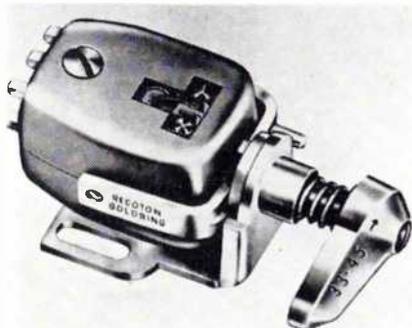


Stereo cartridge containing two magnetic systems with magnetic discriminator which attenuates inter-channel interference by more than 20 db. Frequency response is ± 2 db over the stereo range; ± 2 db from 10 to 30,000 cps for single-channel operation. (371D; Pickering and Co., Inc., Sunnyside Blvd., Plainview, L. I., N. Y.)

Equipment



Dual-channel stereo preamp featuring ganged controls; individual bass and treble controls; 6 channel A and 6 channel B inputs; audio and tape outputs; frequency response of ± 1 db from 20 to 20,000 cycles and a low-impedance tape recording output. (SP-210; Pilot Radio Corp., 37-06 36th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y.)



Magnetic stereo turnover cartridge for use on all turntables and changers, for all speeds and types of existing phonograph records. Available in two versions; for stereo-monaural LP use or stereo-monaural 78 rpm use. (RG745; Recoton Corp., 52-35 Barnett Ave., Long Island City 4, N. Y.)

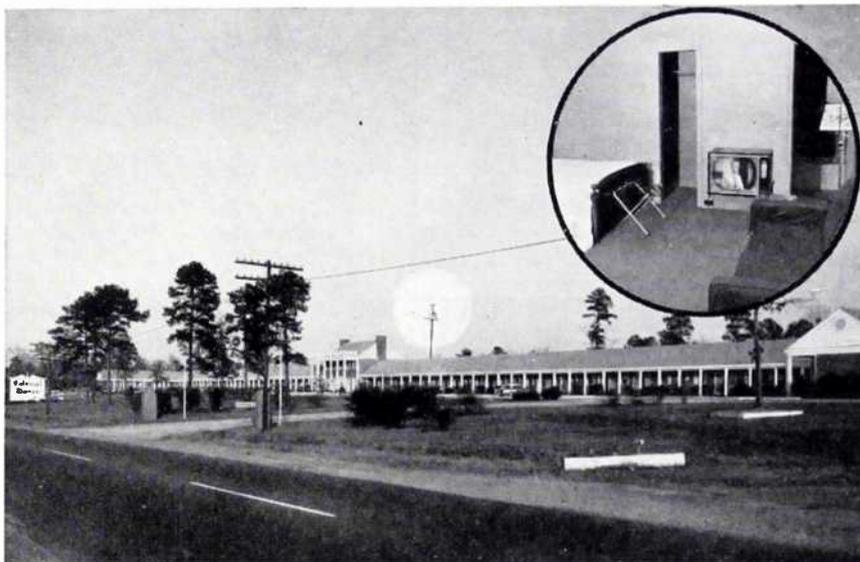


Stereo record changer featuring a two-piece arm with 5-terminal plug in head. Counter balanced transcription type tone arm will accept any standard stereo or monaural cartridge. Automatic intermix plays 7, 10 or 12 inch records in any order. (TSC-840; Rockbar Corp., 650 Halstead Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y.)



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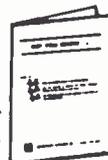
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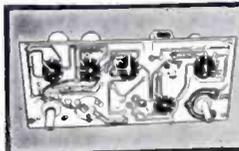
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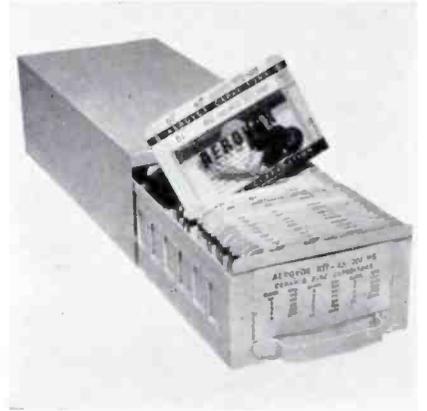


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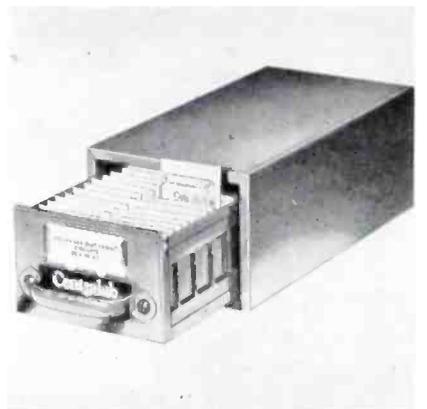
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Kit containing an assortment of ceramic disc capacitors packaged on Vue-Pack 3x5 cards. Cards are housed in a free metal file cabinet. Available in two assortments: AK-200 with 135 capacitors in 24 popular values and AK-201HS with 95 capacitors in 16 most frequently used values. (Distributor Div., Aero-vox, Corp., New Bedford, Mass.)

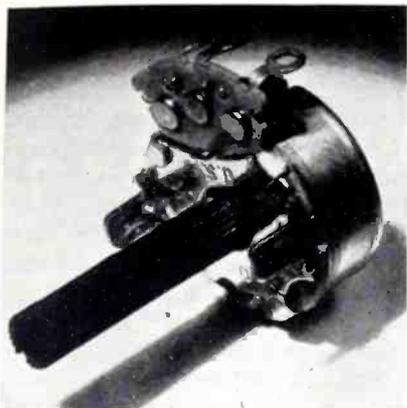


Dipped tubular capacitor designed for uses ranging from TV bypass to critical industrial applications. Axial leads are crimped to facilitate use in printed circuits. Standard tolerance is $\pm 10\%$. Tolerance of $\pm 5\%$ is available on request. (dp; Arco Electronics, 64 White St., New York 13, N. Y.)



Packaged electronic circuit kit containing 40 units divided among the 14 most frequently used types. Each unit is packed in a rigid plastic package, arranged for instant identification in a metal cabinet. (PCK-40; Centralab, 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis.)

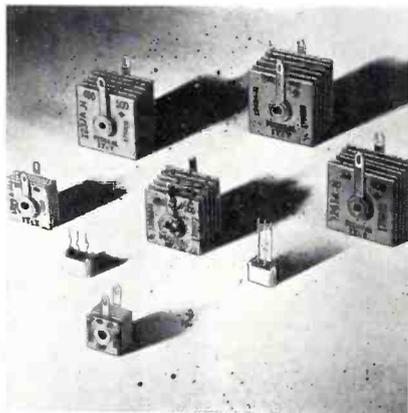
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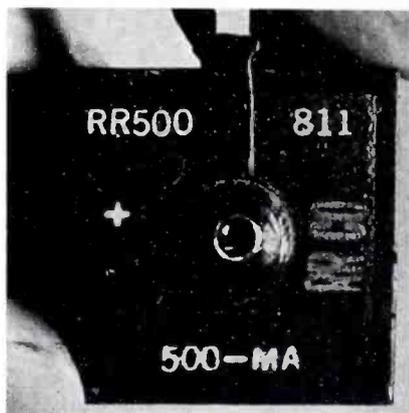
Tap-mount replacement control available in 25 resistance values. Each unit has a 1-in. long, knurled and slotted, phenolic shaft that can be used as is or readily altered to fulfill most applications. (B47; Clarostat Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dover, N. H.)



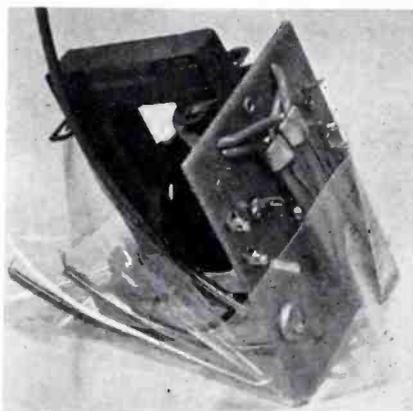
All-purpose silicon rectifier replacement kit. Contains a hermetically sealed, pigtail style diode which may be wired in to replace axial lead type units, or plugged into existing fuse-clip type sockets. May also replace existing selenium rectifier types. (SD-500; International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.)



Selenium rectifier replacement line featuring units for 130-v input, half-wave and voltage-doubler B+ supply circuits from 65 to 600 ma. Center-tap, doubler-connected dual diodes for horizontal-sync phase-discriminator control circuits are also included. (Golden Eight; ITT Components Div., 100 Kingsland Rd., Clifton, N. J.)



All-purpose, high-density replacement selenium rectifier line consisting of six types. With the exception of a 650-ma, 195-v ac unit intended for color-TV replacement, types cover all current ratings up to 650-ma and are rated at 130 v ac. (Radio Receptor Co., Inc., 240 Wythe Ave., Brooklyn 11, N. Y.)

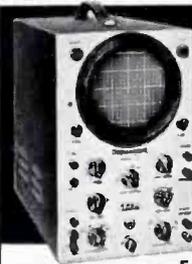


Replacement flyback transformer for Bendix TV receivers. Model EFR 134 replaces Bendix 265075-1. Model EFR 135 replaces part number 265078-3. Units are designed for use in Bendix T14-4, -6, -7, -15, -16, MA, MB, MC, MD and 2051 chassis. (Rogers Electronic Corp., 49 Bleecker St., New York 12, N. Y.)



Shirt-pocket size, match-book style package holding five K series replacement silicon rectifiers. Five packages of the pigtail mounted units are enclosed in a three-color carton for shipment and storage. (5-Pak; Rectifier Div., Sarkes Tarzian, Inc., 415 N. College Ave., Bloomington, Ind.)

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Semi-Flat Tube

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focus lens. To prevent this interaction, a special shield was devised for the SF tubes consisting of aluminum material for shielding the horizontal yoke field and silicon iron for shielding the vertical yoke field. The two different materials are necessary to keep the deflection losses at 15 kc and 60 cycles to a minimum. The shields are placed directly in back of the yoke. Since the shields result in a loss of deflection sensitivity, this must be made up in the yoke design or additional deflection power provided. A new yoke with improved sensitivity has been developed which gives the SF tube assembly a deflection sensitivity comparable to the 110 degree deflection system used previously. In this tube the gun is moved approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ inch farther forward than in the standard 110 degree tubes. Ultimately the amount the gun can be moved forward is determined by the deflection power available.

New Centering Device

Not only did the conventional centering rings produce excessive defocusing with centering motion, but physically there was not enough tube neck projecting beyond the yoke to provide satisfactory mounting. As a result a new centering device was engineered. It was found that the silicon shield required behind the yoke could also be used as pole pieces for the

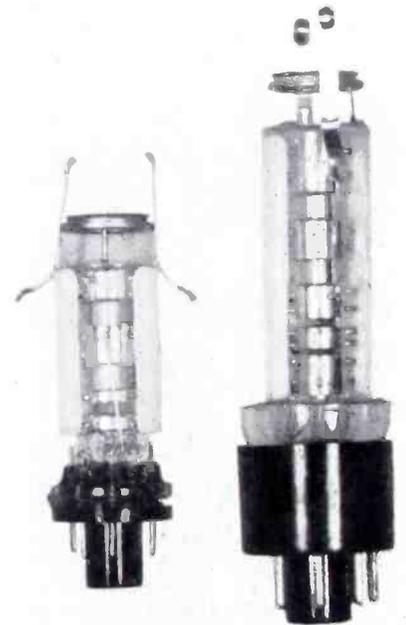


FIG. 3: COMPARATIVE SIZE of gun assembly on two types of picture tubes is illustrated above. At the left is the SF gun assembly and base, while conventional 110-degree assembly appears at right.

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centering devices. Fig. 4 shows the physical shapes of these pole pieces and the fields which are set up in the neck of the tube when they are used in conjunction with the ceramic magnet discs.

It should be remembered that the beam motion is perpendicular to the direction of the magnetic field. The discs are magnetized across the flat surface in a direction shown by the drawing and the indicating mark on the disc. However, only one surface is magnetized, the side adjacent to the pole pieces or opposite to the side with the indicating mark. The two edge indentations, 180 degrees apart, facilitate rotation of the magnet by a tool. With the discs in the position shown, maximum deflection in one direction will be obtained. A rotation of 90 degrees reduces the deflection to zero, while an additional 90 degrees produces maximum deflection in the opposite direction.

Back Cover Unit

The back cover unit is assembled like a sandwich, starting from left to right. The plastic cover is added between the parts shown in Fig. 4. The entire assembly is then riveted together, using the holes shown in the pole pieces. The odd-shaped pole pieces are required to prevent the vertical pole pieces from shunting the horizontal centering field and vice versa.

Some centering defocusing still exists but this has been kept to a minimum by controlling the strength of the centering magnets. About 1¼ inches of total horizontal centering motion and ¾ inch of vertical motion are produced. This amount of centering motion is adequate for the tube which has been designed so that the undeflected spot falls within a ¾ inch diameter circle centered at the geometric center of the tube face.

The new SF tube is used in the extra-thin Predicta® television receiver, which was introduced this summer and has created a great deal of interest. Full details of the circuitry of this chassis will be discussed in a subsequent issue of SERVICE.

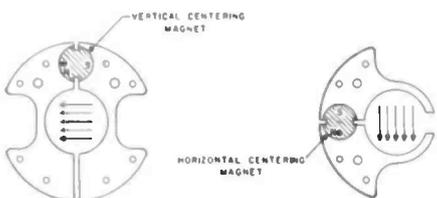
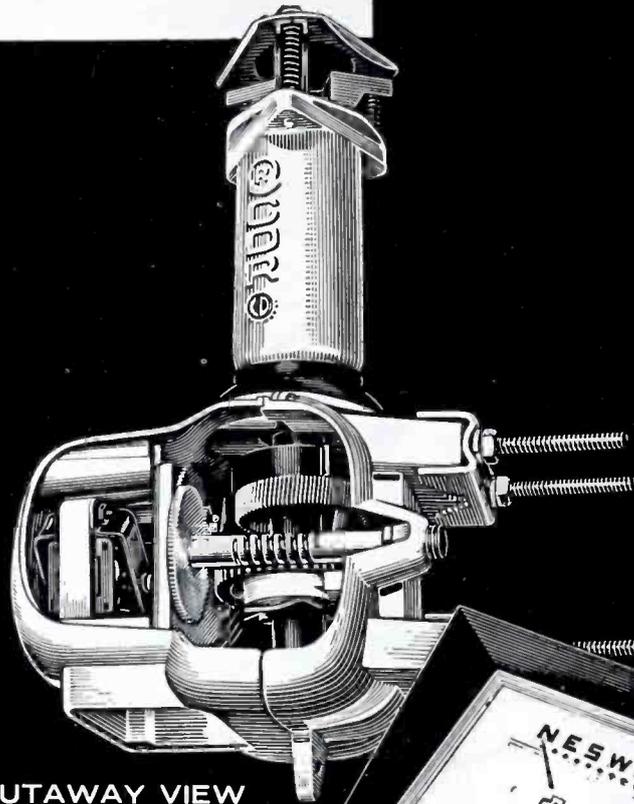


FIG. 4: SILICON CENTERING POLE pieces used with ceramic magnet discs in new SF picture tube. Arrows indicate the direction of fields set up in the neck of the tube. Vertical centering pole piece is at left, horizontal at right.



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CATALOGS—BOOKS

Alpha Wire Corp., 200 Varick St., New York 14, N. Y., has released a catalog sheet covering a complete line of stereo wire for all stereo cartridges (ceramic, crystal, magnetic) and tone arms.

Amperex Electronic Corp., 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, L. I., N. Y., has issued a brochure containing detailed descriptions of premium quality frame-grid tubes. Contains an explanation of the tube construction and specific application information.

Blonder-Tongue Laboratories, Inc., 9-25 Alling St., Newark 2, N. J., has announced a 4-page booklet, *Upgrade Your Motel*, designed to give dealers and installers a forceful tool for use in the motel market. A typical master antenna system is shown in a block diagram. Low cost, long life, better motel appearance and improved TV reception are stressed.

CBS-Hytron, Parker St., Newburyport, Mass., has released bulletin E-289 giving complete specifications, an outline drawing, a frequency response curve and installation instructions for the *Columbia* constant displacement stereo cartridge.

Centralab, 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis., has issued a catalog sheet itemizing the contents of four ceramic capacitor kits. Ratings and quantities of all of the capacitors in each kit are listed. Also included are listings for a *PEC* packaged circuit kit.

Chicago Standard Transformer Corp., 3501 Addison St., Chicago 18, Ill., has announced bulletin 545 listing detailed electrical and physical specifications on three transistor transformers. Covers low impedance microphone matching transformer, a driver unit and a modulation transformer.

Continental Electronics Corp., 1900 W. Allegheny Ave., Philadelphia 32, Pa., has released an illustrated brochure outlining the company's facilities for manufacturing replacement TV picture tubes.

Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., South Plainfield, N. J., has issued a 52-page twist-prong capacitor guide listing over 3,300 manufacturer's part numbers, ratings and sizes for twist prong replacements used by 97 TV set makers. Also included are complete pricings and listings of *C-D Twist-Prong* and *Blue Beaver* electrolytic capacitors.

Eagle Electric Manufacturing Co., Inc., 23-10 Bridge Plaza South, Long Island City 1, N. Y., has announced a 76-page catalog illustrating over 1,500 electrical wiring devices, lamps and specialty products. All products are grouped in categories, cross-indexed to facilitate quick and easy finding.

General Electric Co., Semiconductor Products Dept., Syracuse, N. Y., has published two brochures, GP-176, containing specifications and application information on silicon unijunction transistors. One brochure contains 6 pages of information on the 6 types now available; the other contains a summary of unijunction transistor circuits.

Sprague Products Co., 231 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass., has issued the ninth edition of its *TV Replacement Capacitor Manual*, K-103, with complete up-to-date listings of all replacement capacitors used in all TV sets manufactured from 1946 through 1957—priced at 10¢.

Supreme Publications, 1760 Balsam Rd., Highland Park, Ill., has announced the 1958 Master Index to all radio and TV publications issued by the firm. Includes listings of material in 17 radio servicing manuals and 13 TV servicing manuals. Available to readers of *SERVICE* for 5¢ in stamps to cover postage.

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N. Y., has released a booklet describing electrical characteristics and listing interchangeability features of a wide variety of transistors by type number and manufacturer. Included are maximum ratings, typical values and applications for all transistors in the Sylvania line.

Technical Information Corp., 41 Union Square, New York 3, N. Y., has published an *Oscilloscope Spec List* with an up-to-date listing of more than 150 stock item 'scopes made by 39 manufacturers. List is arranged primarily by frequency range and sensitivity. Similar 'scopes are listed on adjacent lines to allow ready comparison of all specifications—priced at \$10.00.

Tung-Sol Electric, Inc., 95 Eighth Ave., Newark 4, N. J., has issued a 30-page flip-style chart, T-24, showing electrical and physical characteristics for the most important industrial, special purpose and military electron tubes. Industrial tubes are indexed by class with brief explanations of the use of each class and technical information pertinent to each type within the class. Special design features and specific application information is included.

University Loudspeakers, Inc., 80 S. Kensico Ave., White Plains, N. Y., has released a 64-page manual, *The University Technilog on Loudspeakers*, with practical technical and product information, charts and tables. Includes discussion on how to apply driver unit specifications, overload protection, line matching problems, correct phasing, best use of available power and effects of mismatch, adjusting power capacity and cut-offs, how and which type of speaker to apply where, control of reverberations, using speakers as high output microphones and baffling cone speakers—priced at \$1.00.

Vaco Products Co., 317 E. Ontario St., Chicago 11, Ill., has announced illustrated catalog T-70 with complete information and specifications on solderless terminals for automotive, radio-TV, appliance, electrical, aircraft, electronic, hi-fi, refrigeration and missile applications.

Waterman Products Co., Inc., 2445 Emerald St., Philadelphia 25, Pa., has released engineering data on its complete line of *Pocketscopes*. Included are technical information, detailed descriptions and typical applications.

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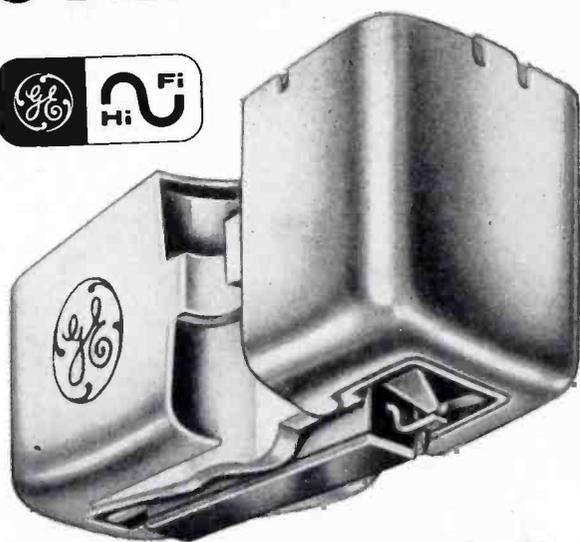


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- Consistently high separation between channel signals. (Specifications for Model GC-5.)

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Transistorized Two-Way (Continued from page 17)

ways present that more trouble will be created by the soldering iron even before the cause of the original problem is found. In addition there is a maxim in the communication service business to the effect that "the best tube checker is a brand new tube." This also applies to transistors, and the plug-in feature facilitates circuit checking in this manner.

Printed Board Removal

More attention to the Service Man's problems is evident in the method by which the printed board sub-units can be removed. The board guide pins are run through tabs and soldered. When removing the sub-unit, each guide pin and tab is heated and the tab is lifted off the pin with a screwdriver blade. Since each tab is unsoldered separately, the complete sub-unit can be removed with any ordinary soldering iron. The guide pin comes through a hole without the copper pattern around it, so that solder does not remain in the hole. This makes it equally easy to put the sub-unit back in place.

The servicing factor has also been considered in the design of the

metering system. This transceiver, therefore, can be serviced with conventional meters. A standard 0-3 volt, 20,000 ohm-per-volt scale, such as is found on common voltohmmeters, will serve to tune the receiver and transmitter. All usual test points have been brought out to jacks on the transmitter and receiver chassis.

Because of the relatively small current flowing in transistor circuits, it is difficult to obtain sufficient meter deflection for accurate tuning. In order to overcome this situation, diodes are used at important test points so that meter deflection is increased.

Any signal generator which is suitable for use on mobile communication receivers can be used for tuning the transistorized portable receiver. Some precaution should be taken, however, to assure that all ac-operated test equipment is connected to a common ground point to prevent damage to the transistors. Isolation transformers are highly recommended to prevent line voltage from being accidentally applied to the transistor circuit.

Tuning Receiver

Tuning the transistorized receiver is quite simple and follows much the same procedure as used for the tubed

receivers. The first oscillator collector tank circuit is adjusted for peak at the first oscillator test point and detuned slightly, for increased stability, on the high side of resonance. A signal is then fed or radiated to the antenna jack on the proper frequency, and the *rf* and antenna transformers tuned for a first limiter peak (unsaturated) on a 0-3 volt *vom*. A signal-input test jack is provided in the high *if* transformer, and data is given for signal input versus limiter volts. There is also a crystal trimmer on the first and second oscillator to set the receiver frequency exactly in step with the received signal.

Tuning the transmitter follows conventional practices. The multipliers are peaked at their respective test points using a *vom*. The power amplifier plate tuning is adjusted for a dip, and the antenna coupling is then adjusted for rated current. Modulation is set by using conventional modulation meters.

While the circuitry in this miniaturized portable represents a large-scale change in many cases, the servicing of the set is based on conventional patterns which have been proven so successful in the past and with which Service Men who have handled mobile equipment are already familiar.

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ASSOCIATION NEWS

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MEA, Chicago, Ill.

The Midwest Electronic Alliance, Inc., was formed recently at a meeting of Service Men's associations in Toledo, Ohio. The group consists of service associations in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri.

Verne LaPlante has been elected president of the new group. Other officers are Robert Sickles, vice president and Howard Wolfson, secretary-treasurer. The board of directors consists of the officers and George Roberts, Carl Stallfuss, Robert Maxwell and Wilbur Pecht.

Member associations include the Electronic Technicians Association of Toledo, Inc.; Indianapolis Television Technicians Association; Indiana Electronics Service Association; the Associated Radio and Television Servicemen of Illinois; and the Television Electronic Association of Missouri.

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The Tri-City Television Service Association has adopted a code of ethics for TV installation and service. Members who violate the code will be expelled from the group which represents Service Men and Dealers in Saginaw, Bay City, and Midland, Mich. The code also sets work standards and guarantees for 90 days all parts sold which are not covered by a warranty.

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ETAT, Toledo, Ohio

At a recent meeting of the Electronic Technicians Association of Toledo, Howard Hillman, midwestern regional director of Massachusetts Casualty Company, and George Brown, of Dwyer-Gilley Associates, presented suggestions for a group hospitalization, accident and sickness program which was adopted by the group.

A committee representing ETAT recently met with Toledo City Manager Rink to discuss a licensing proposal which had appeared in a local newspaper. Rink said that he and the city council would welcome any help the association could offer regarding licensing but that he felt such an ordinance was not necessary at the present time. He asked the group to express its views on licensing to the city council.

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TSDAV, Philadelphia, Pa.

The new Jerrold TV-FM amplified home system was introduced to the service industry for the first time at a recent meeting of the Television Service Association of Delaware Valley. The group's next meeting will feature a discussion on stereo conversion of existing audio equipment by representatives of V-M Corp.

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TSA, Seattle, Wash.

William Lamphear of William Lamphear Co., factory agent for Electro-Voice, showed a color slide series highlighting the easy conversion of tone arms to E-V Power Points at a recent meeting of the King County Television Service Association. He emphasized the advantages of selling and stocking these items. Lamphear was invited to return in the fall to explain the field of stereo reproduction to the group.

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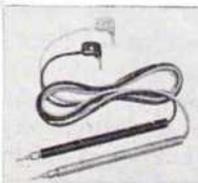
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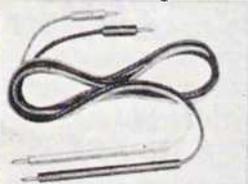
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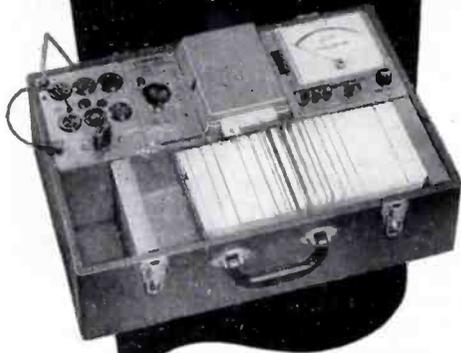
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Audio

Tips on Effective Servicing of Stereo Tone Arms and Needles

WITH THE ENTRANCE of stereophonic, high-fidelity phonograph discs onto the market, it is important that the Service Man keep abreast of new developments in this system. For instance, stereo tone arms are new to the service field. New types of cartridges, and additional leads will be found mounted in these arms to accommodate the wiring to the left and right amplifier channels.

An easy way to identify the wiring in the tone arm is to look at the color coded wires. Usually the left channel wire is black, and the right channel is red. This will save considerable identification time. Both channel wires, generally No. 32AWG, are run through a common shielded cable which is generally grounded to the amplifier channels.

These wires should always be connected to the proper terminals on the cartridges, otherwise the sounds emanating from the stereo output speaker system will be reversed. The right ear will be attempting to listen to what was recorded on the left channel, and vice-versa for the left ear. Volume and tone relationships will be confused.

Absence of or reduced sound in either channel at the tone arm output indicates that the cartridge or wire may be the cause. Whenever either is the case, the tone arm has generally been mishandled by the customer. Often it may be that the leads have been pulled off the cartridge or they are merely hanging by a thread.

Wire for uses in stereo arms can be conveniently stored on rectangular spools and rack mounted as shown in Fig. 1. A work bench hook-up wire dispenser kit* for all types of wire is

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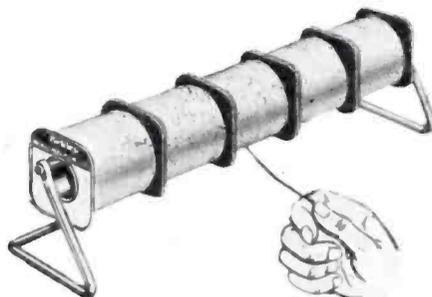


Fig. 1: Hook-up wire dispenser.

now available on the market. Narrow spools can be purchased separately to store wire odds-and-ends neatly. A solder spool can be easily mounted to the rack which may be pulled open at either end.

The rack may be wall mounted, or placed underneath the bench where the wire and solder are easy to reach. A survey was conducted to determine the most popular wire types for the kit, and the 20 to 26 gauge wires were chosen. As many as ten 25-foot spools may be mounted on the rack.

Wire supplied with the rack is rated at 1000 volts and therefore is safe to use in many types of circuits in radio, TV, audio and communications. Same types of wire also meet military specifications. Colors in the insulation are well-established standards, and hence are distinctly identifiable.

Needle Servicing

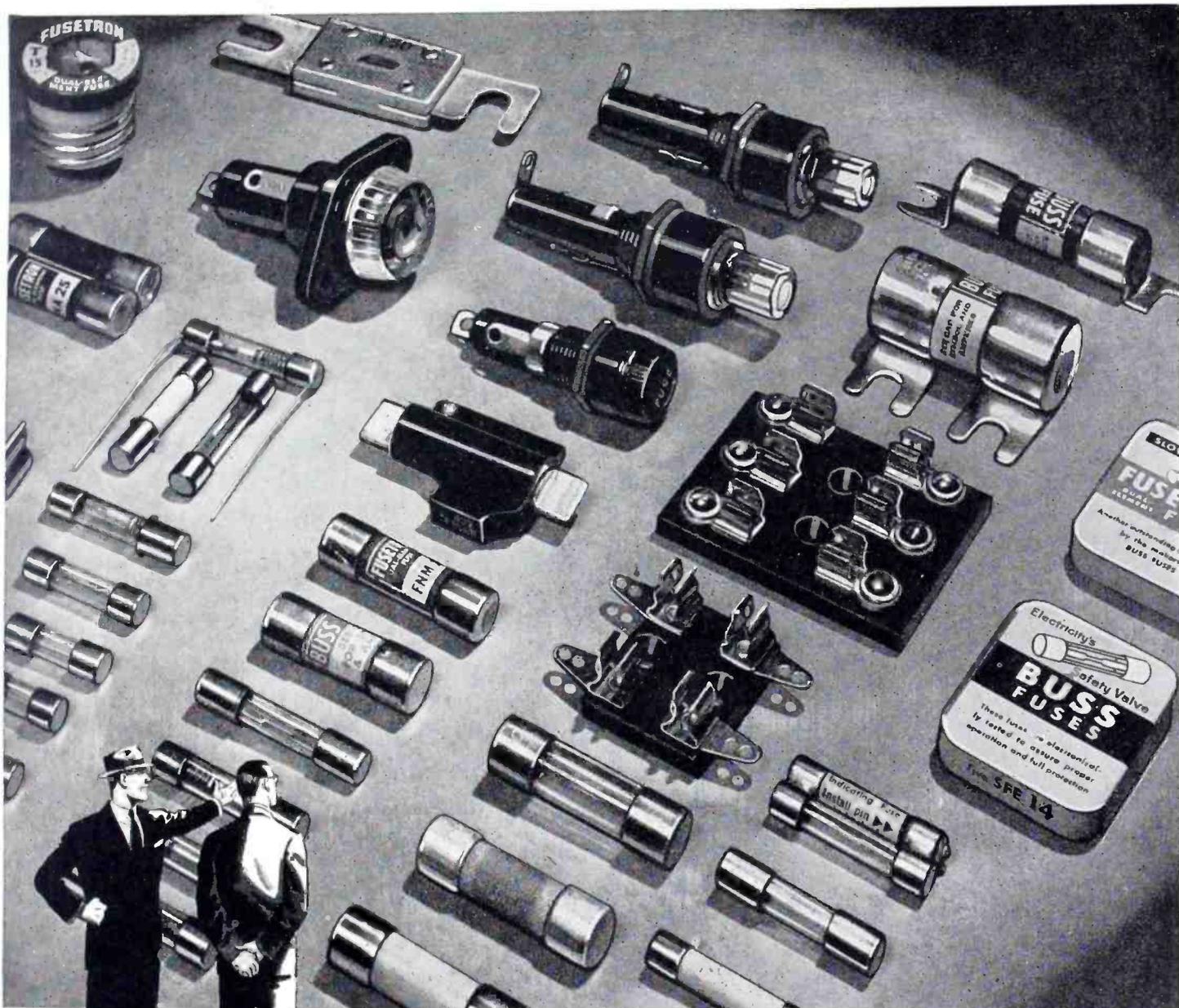
Audio fans who invest in stereophonic sound systems will generally be concerned with the needle in their stereo cartridge and will not stint on servicing it properly. As pointed out in a recent report,** the needle in a stereo cartridge is usually of the diamond type. This needle has a relatively long life, but it does require checking for excessive wear and eventual replacement.

When working on a stereo set, the Service Man should have an assortment of needles on hand in the event that a replacement is necessary. One manufacturer† of phonographs and hi-fi sets has now made available to Service Men a complete line of needles, including osmium, jewel-tipped and diamond. In this assortment there is a replacement needle to fit every make and model of its own or its competitors' sets. Each needle type is individually packaged in a plastic case to assure maximum protection for the needle.

This manufacturer has also published a 24-page *Needle Catalog* containing visual identification of every needle type.

**Diamond Needles for Stereo Pick-ups, Douglas F. Hudson, SERVICE, August, 1958.

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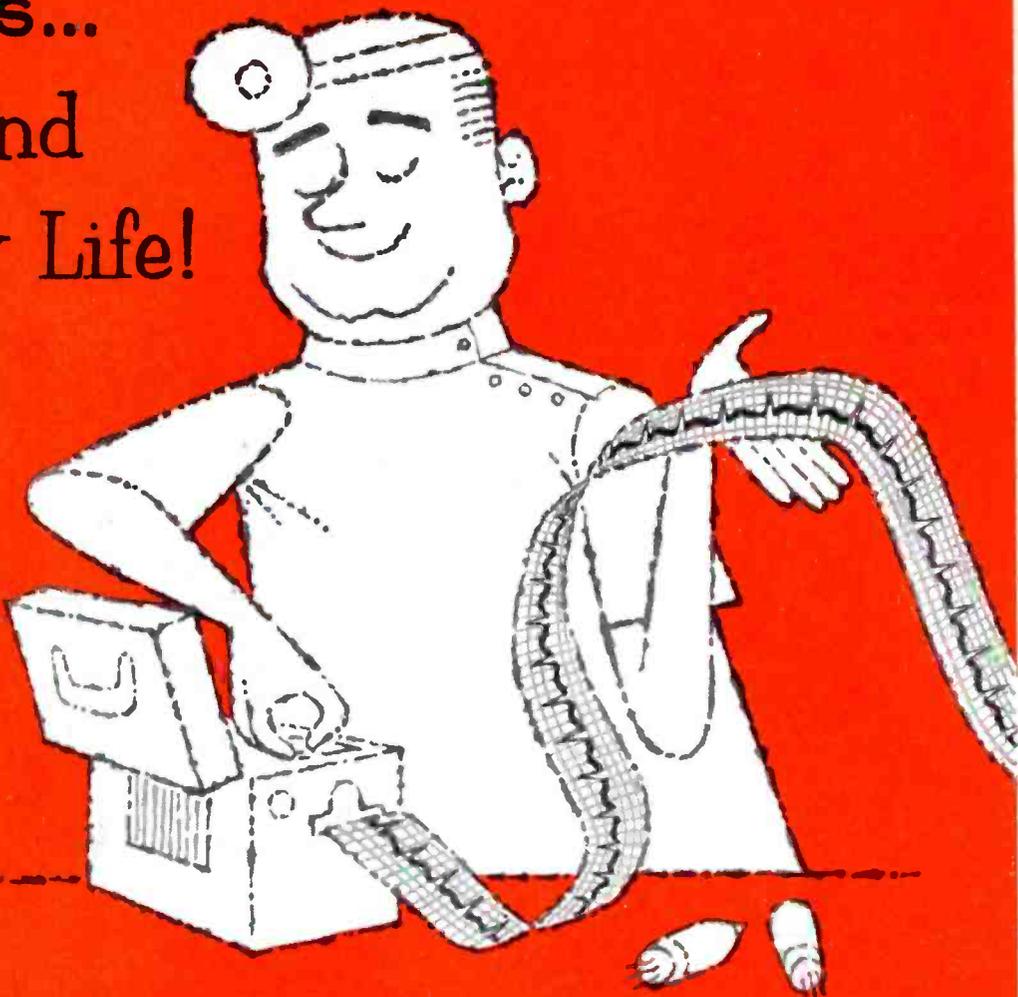
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