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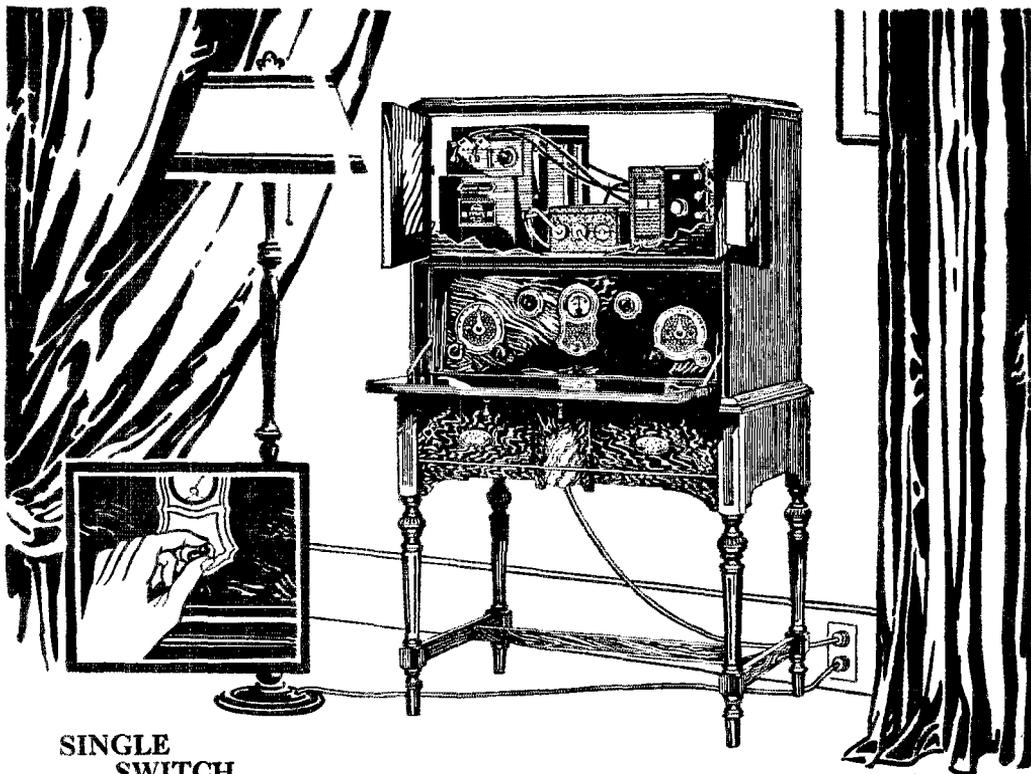
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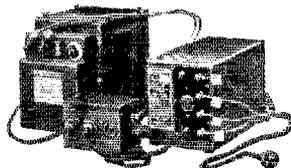
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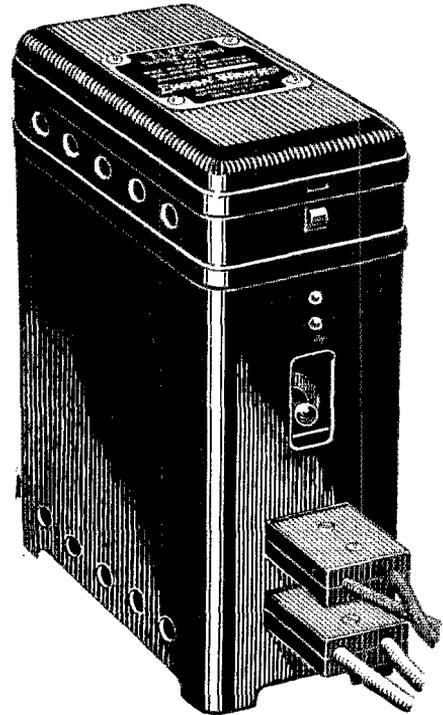
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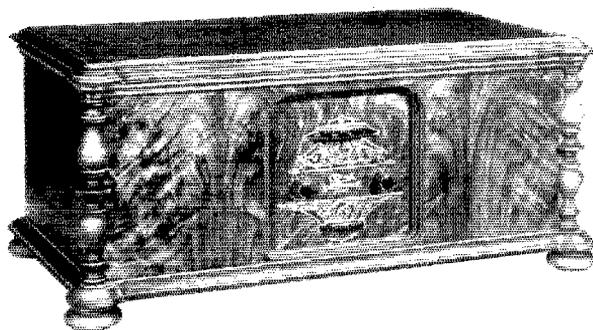
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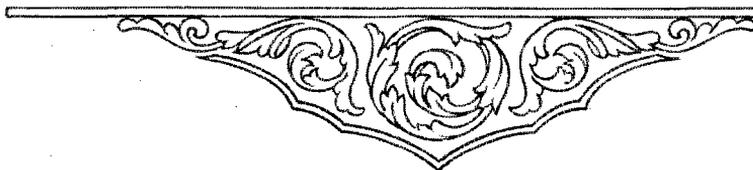
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# EDITORIALS

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NOT to change the subject at all, the sermon for this month is going to be about our old American Radio Relay League and how it still is what it always has been; a democratic self-governing organization of the transmitting amateurs of the United States and Canada and a few more places.

This League of ours is no accident. It didn't just happen. Its start was carefully thought out by its founders: it was to be purely amateur; it was to be non-commercial; orderly; it was to operate for the good of the whole. Its fundamental purpose, as we've so often said in *QST*, was to bring the member greater pleasure and benefit from his pursuit of his hobby than would be possible without organization.

That start was over twelve years ago. The League has continued its existence down the years because of the nationwide conviction amongst us amateurs that we need it—that plus a lot of unselfish hard work on the part of its members, directors and field personnel. It has flourished because it has lived up to its principles and achieved its aims. If it had not, it would have lost momentum and died and no amount of high-pressure bogus enthusiasm could have kept it going. It lives because it is worth while. It is our medium for helping ourselves and each other, coördinating the manifold activities of all of us, looking after our interests in legislation and regulation, representing us wherever we need to be represented. In its more than twelve years of existence it has demonstrated times without number that it is of immense help to amateur radio; in fact there are instances where it may be said that our League positively saved amateur radio to us.

It is therefore worth our every effort and support. Of course it is by no means perfect, and nobody knows that better than we at Headquarters. But the point is that it can not be any better than we amateurs, by united effort, make it. Its future is exactly what we make it.

The League needs and deserves your help and support, O. M., and, to quote the old

familiar sign, "this means you". If you're already a member, fine! If you're not, you still have a little duty to perform on behalf of this game. That's why we print that application blank in the latter part of every issue of *QST*.

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OUR fancy was quite taken by that Figure 5 in the first part of Mr. Rice's paper in the last number of *QST*. Here is the whole story of radio in one chart—the performance of different wavelengths at different distances—and it shows a couple of amazing things.

It is pointed out that the world's worst wavelengths for DX in term of miles per watt are those waves just above 200 meters, where we amateurs so long congregated. We've often heard that when amateurs were first given 200 meters it was regarded as a useless wavelength, but even the people responsible for the assignment could hardly have known that of all the wavelengths in the spectrum it was the worst, because it bumped smack into the earth's natural period or something of that sort!

And another thing we notice is that the waves around 40 meters, where most of our DX men have finally concentrated after the migration down from 200, are the very best in all the spectrum for the ultimate miles-per-watt DX!

Is it any wonder that a maximum-DX man can't be blasted loose from 40 meters and seduced into returning to 200, and is it any wonder that commercial radio enterprises turn jealous eyes towards the short waves?

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WHICH reminds us that the stage is being set for the international radio conference at Washington beginning October 4th, when representatives of all of the governments meet at the invitation of the United States to rehash the London Convention. Already the governments are appointing their delegates. The agenda for

the conference, consisting of propositions made by all the governments concerned, are assembled in what is known as the Book of Proposals, with the total of the proposals running around seventeen thousand. So there will be lots of people and lots of talking, and this time short waves will be one of the big issues.

Most of the representatives from foreign governments will be "government people", appointed from the diplomatic corps or the military. It would be almost an accident if any of them knew and understood ama-

teur radio; they are much more likely to have the usual European view of communication as a government monopoly. It seems important, then, that the amateur societies in all these countries make it their business to get in touch with their country's representatives as soon as they are named, tell them what amateurs are and what they are doing, and persuade them to provide a place in the picture for amateur radio when they get to parcelling out short waves at Washington.

K. B. W.

## Rights Vs. Responsibilities

By Hiram Percy Maxim, President A. R. R. L.

**E**VERY now and again we hear somebody holler about his rights. He usually drags in the Constitution and his American citizenship. If he is a radio amateur he drags in his membership in the A.R.R.L. and the radio law of 1912, notwithstanding the fact that the latter is now defunct. There is one thing he never drags in and that is his responsibilities.

In my position as President, I see a lot of this sort of thing in amateur radio. There seem to be two kinds of us. The folks of one kind are always noisy and always continually clamoring for their "rights". They appear never to have heard of the word "altruism". They believe firmly in the policy of grabbing everything that is not riveted on. They think the highest aim in life is to get as much as you can for nothing, even if it takes a Mack truck in broad daylight to lug the stuff off. They respect no one's rights, and yet they make night and day hideous howling for their own.

The other kind never clamors for its rights. When they raise their voice for something, it is usually for the good of the whole. As a rule, they need no watching. Things that are not riveted on do not disappear. They decline to accept things and privileges to which they are not clearly entitled, whether anyone is looking or not. They appear to have thought about the word "altruism" and also about that other important word, "ethics".

The first kind do not understand that nice difference that exists between rights and responsibilities. Their codes are "Every man for himself", "Do nothing you can shove onto the other fellow", "Take everything you can get away with". These people are never builders. None of the fine things we have is the result of their efforts. Our civilization, our country, our law and order and our organized amateur radio are in spite of them and not on account of them.

The second kind recognize their responsibilities as citizens and members of society generally. They realize that their rights must balance with the rights of others. Their code is, "Accept a certain amount of personal sacrifice for the good of the whole". They are our builders. Everything we possess is due to their efforts. Our civilization, our country, our organized society and our A.R.R.L. are their handiwork.

When we think our rights are being trampled upon, let's always try to keep our responsibilities also clearly in mind.

## The $\frac{3}{4}$ -Meter Band Officially Opened

By Boyd Phelps\* and R. S. Kruse†

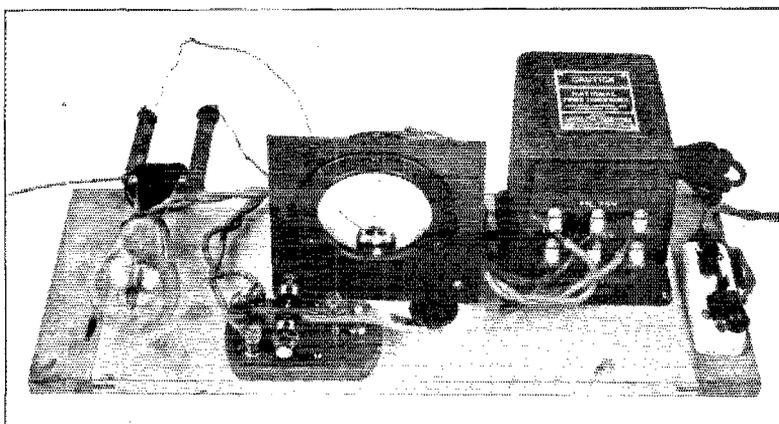
**F**OR the first time, an amateur band of wavelengths has been formally opened before an A.R.R.L. audience.

It must not be understood from this, or from the title of this article, that the band has not been used before. To make such a claim would be utter nonsense. Many A.R.R.L. men have operated oscillators and receivers in the region and there have been examples of short-range transmission that seem promising.

The occasion of the demonstration at the Hudson Division Convention was simply to

Previous life tests were confirmed (we now have a stop watch for this purpose) and it was decided that they were unsatisfactory from that standpoint although workable enough as long as they lasted. We therefore did not wish to take them to an audience, preferring to use something that could be depended on for a reasonable period of time—in other words something that was reliable as a transmitter.

In this connection it was decided at first to drop the old 201 and 202 tubes in favor of a 210, which has the plate lead brought



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The 110-volt line and switch at the right supply and control the National transformer which supplies 7.5 volts a.c. to the filament and 600 volts, 20 milliamperes to the plate. The milliammeter and key are in the positive high-voltage lead. The  $\frac{1}{2}$  meter Ultraudion oscillator is at the left and the feed wire from it runs off to the left where it connects to the antenna feed condenser as shown in another photo.

show to a convention audience that  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter communication was not mysterious and that it could be carried out with existing radio materials.

### STARTING IN

It will be remembered that on page 27 of June *QST* there appeared a story which included some work on oscillators, wave-meters and chokes in the  $\frac{3}{4}$  meter region, most of the work having been done by Phelps at various times. Some check work and a series of circumstances having to do with the convention brought the present co-authors together for the demonstration just referred to. We combined our individual apparatus, bought and borrowed more and in the *QST* Work Room put together the demonstration equipment.

out thru the side of the stem instead of the mash, therefore is less likely to be damaged by electrical leakage thru a heated stem. However, the tube is not well adapted to operation at wavelengths below 1.6 meters as the stem is rather long. Just why this is of any importance can be seen from Fig. 1. The tune of the Ultraudion circuit is determined by the capacity  $C_s$ , the inductance of the plate lead  $L_1$  and the inductance of the grid lead  $L_2$  and the plate-grid capacity  $C_{gp}$ . All these things are connected in series and since  $C_{gp}$  is very small we cannot hope to tune much with  $C_s$ , therefore the way to change the wavelength is to change  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ —which cannot be made shorter than the stem.

Tests had also shown that both the 210 and the 852 sometimes show a very short filament life when used at wavelengths as long as 5 meters. As a check, several 210

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tubes were run at wavelengths in the vicinity of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 meters with the circuit shown in Fig. 1. These tubes lost their filament emission within 45 minutes and when flashed and aged they came back for only about three minutes, although the plate input was sub-normal. While it is by no means certain that the X-L filament is at

what ahead of itself. It is necessary to retrace and explain a dodge that was being used.

A CIRCUIT TRICK

Since tubes tend to become rather erratic when operated near their lowest workable wavelength—or highest frequency if you prefer—it had been decided to operate the oscillator at double the desired wavelength and to pick off the 2nd harmonic to be amplified and fed to the antenna. This is of

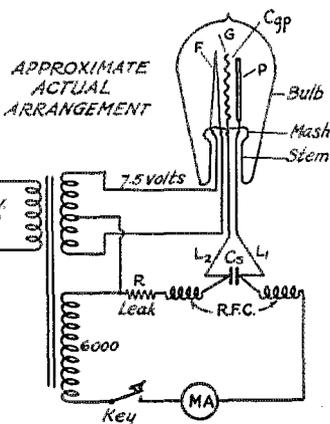
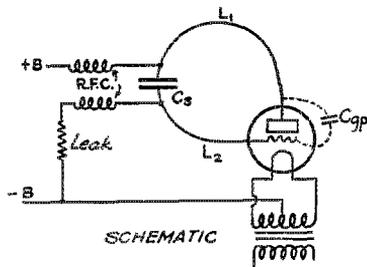


FIG. 1 THE ULTRAUDION CIRCUIT USED, SHOWING SCHEMATIC AND ACTUAL FORMS

The labels in the figures correspond. The tuned circuit is a series one including  $C_{gp}$ ,  $L_1$ ,  $C_s$  and  $L_2$ .  $C_{gp}$  is very small and fixed hence  $C_s$  has small tuning effect and is made large to reduce the work of R.F.C. 1 and R.F.C. 2. Changes in tuning are made by changing the length of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . The resistance  $R$  is the usual grid leak but is made of rather high value.

the bottom of this effect it is true that the 852 sometimes does the same thing at wavelengths as long as 6 meters, therefore we felt that it would be better to stick to something that did not give the unexplained effect—in other words a plain tungsten filament.

The tubes used were therefore UV-202 "5-watt" tubes, three of which were de-based and made into oscillators, all operating steadily and easily for many hours with no tendency to stop.

The story at this point has gone some-

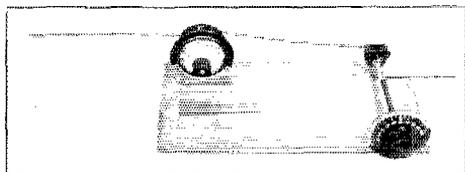


RECEIVING ANTENNA WITH FOOT RULE FOR COMPARISON

This was mounted vertically on a small rubber standard rising from the metal receiver panel. The very small condenser served to vary the coupling to the receiver.

course a familiar stunt in these crystal control days and has been used at the wavelengths we are talking about by Frank Jones of 6AJF and Harry Lyman of 6CNC.

If the 2nd harmonic is to be at  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a meter the oscillator's main wave must of course be at 1.5 meters. Accordingly, the



SENDING ANTENNA

The small variable feed condenser at the right was controlled by the dial and insulated shaft. The feed lead from the oscillator can be seen coming in from the right.

Ultraudion oscillator shown in one of the photographs was put together and tuned to 1.5 meters. To cut down the work to be done by the r.f. chokes the drop across the condenser  $C_s$  was made small by making  $C_s$  itself large, namely .01ufd, or if one prefers, 10,000 pfd. As has been explained, this changes the tuning very little and in fact a greater change is made by changing the length of  $L_1$  or  $L_2$  by  $1/10''$  than is made by changing  $C_s$  from 10,000 pfd. to 100 pfd.

It now became important to find out if the 2nd harmonic of so small an oscillator with normal plate voltage was of any use. This was tested with the freakish "antenna" of Fig. 2A which may not look convincing but has later proven to tune rather decently to  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter. When this was held near the oscillator a deflection of the meter followed. Check-tests have shown that if the overall length of the contrivance is doubled the

main wave will give about 10 times the deflection (100 times the power) while the tube is operating normally but that other lengths for the wires give very little response.

By raising the plate voltage to 600 and keeping the plate input current low (large negative grid bias) the 2nd harmonic was made relatively much stronger, so that we

normally, that is to say it did not tune but simply increased the coupling up to the point where the load stopped the oscillator.

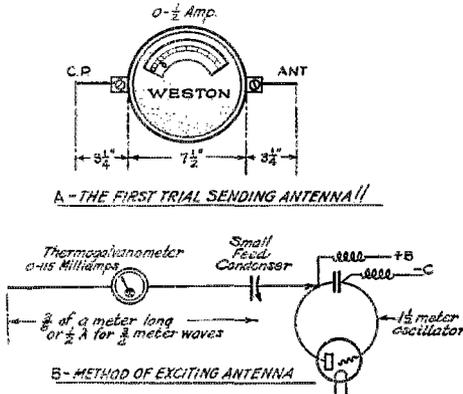
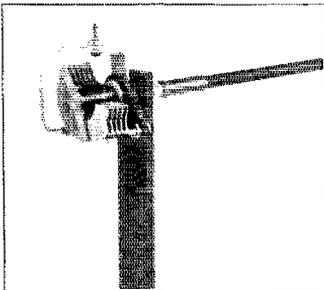


FIG. 2 THE SENDING ANTENNAS

Antenna A is for testing only. B is the sending antenna and also shows the method of end-feed or voltage feed. The tap may be made anywhere along the plate "coil" but the point shown gives enough output for present purposes and is stable.

were able to discard the amplifier for such a short-wave demonstration as we had in



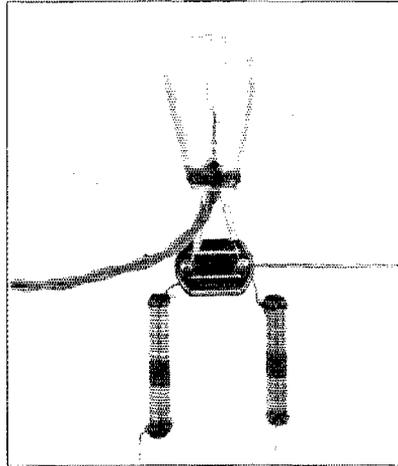
THE 1.2 METER AND-UP WAVEMETER

With this meter the tests of Fig. 3C were made. The .9 meter-and-down wavemeter was of the same sort with a smaller condenser capacity.

mind. For a longer range the amplifier still is to be considered.

THE SENDING ANTENNA

A less weird antenna was now put together. It is shown in one of the photographs and the method of exciting it is given in Figure 2B. With the tube operating at 600 volts and 20 milliamperes, which is below normal input, the antenna current was 115 mls. The feed condenser acted



THE OSCILLATOR

A UV-202 tube with a short stem. The fixed stopping condenser is a Sangamo 10,000 pfd. or .01 pfd. receiving condenser. The lead to the right is the antenna feed lead, the twisted pair at the left supplies the filament current. The two chokes are in the positive plate supply and grid-leak lines. Note their method of winding. The end sections are effective at 3/4-meter and are loaded by the center section so as to be effective at 5 meters also. Having a spaced portion at both ends permits connecting them in either way. The chokes are so effective that if one is put in each filament supply lead the grid may be grounded but the oscillator will continue oscillating.

Doubling the antenna back so as to reduce the radiation resistance raised the antenna current—just as we ordinarily get more current in a bent system (horizontal top and c.p. with vertical connection) than in an elevated straight "Hertzian" wire, either horizontal or vertical.

IS IT A 3/4-METER SYSTEM?

Naturally one wonders whether the antenna of so simple a system is really working at 3/4 of a meter or if it is simply accepting some of the energy at the oscillator wave—1 1/2 meters. To determine which was going into the antenna several tests were made, some of them before the lecture and a few check tests since that time.

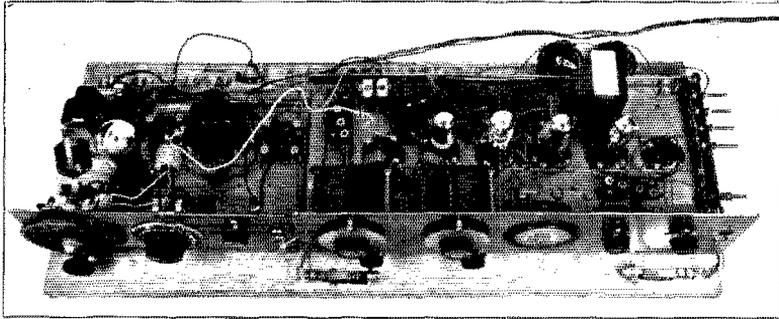
First of all, if we look at Fig. 3 we will see that if the antenna is not working at 3/4-meter but is accepting 1 1/2-meter energy the voltage distribution will be as the dotted line, therefore a ground at the point 2 will upset things and lower the meter reading, also there will be some place 1 back along the feed wires where a ground will upset things. Neither of these things happened.

On the other hand, if the antenna is working as a half-wave Hertzian 3/4-meter an-

tenna as at B, then a ground at the meter will do nothing to the antenna current. This is what we found.

Further tests were made with a small wavemeter, shown in one of our photo-

graphs. This produced very weak effects at the oscillator compared to the other wavemeter, but almost completely stops the antenna current when coupled in at the meter. (See Fig. 3C.)



THE SUPERHETERODYNE VERSUS-AUDIO RECEIVER USED FOR DEMONSTRATION

This set was described on pages 14, 15, and 16 of the June issue. It is not as complicated as it looks since most of the parts are not in use. This is the receiver used by Kruse at 10A for 5-meter and 20-meter reception.

graphs. This meter went down to just a trifle under 1.2 meters. When it was placed at the oscillator and tuned to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  meters the current fell sharply—but at the

The quite natural question as to the correctness of the wavemeters can be answered by saying that they were good enough for the purpose, though certainly not precision affairs. Calibration was by a combination of harmonic pickoff and Lecher wire, the

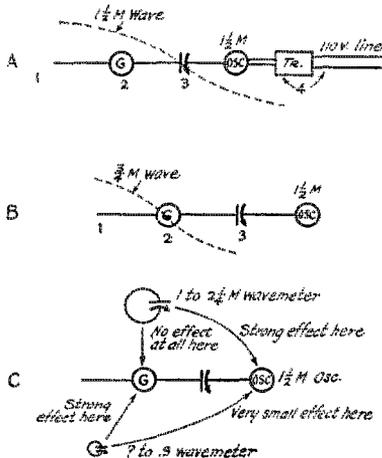
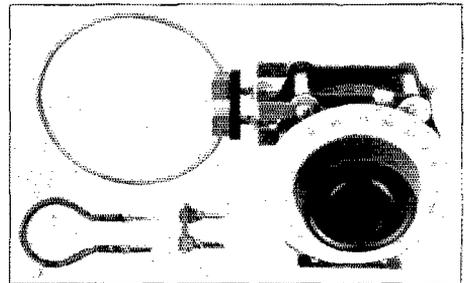


FIG. 3 METHODS OF CHECKING TO FIND IF ANTENNA ENERGY IS AT  $\frac{3}{4}$ -METER OR  $1\frac{1}{2}$  METERS

If antenna is operating at  $1\frac{1}{2}$  M. the voltage distribution will be as in diagram A and a ground at 2 will change the antenna current greatly. If the antenna is working at  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter the voltage distribution is as in diagram B and a ground at 2 will not change the current much. C illustrates the use of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -meter and  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter wavemeters to check the antenna wavelength.

antenna no effect whatever was secured, showing that there was very little  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -meter energy there.

Since the demonstration, another wavemeter has been made that has a range en-



THE TRIPLE RANGE WAVEMETER USED TO TIE THE TRANSMISSION INTO THE 5-METER REGION. THIS IS SIMPLY A GENERAL RADIO TYPE 458 METER TO WHICH PHELPS HAS ADDED A 4- TO 2-METER and 2- TO 1-METER COIL IN ADDITION TO THE ORIGINAL  $6\frac{1}{2}$ - TO 4-METER COIL.

check being a reasonably good one, and also comparing well enough with a curve obtained by connecting to the condenser a rather large loop that tuned to 5 meters (where it could be checked against the General Radio 458 meter) and progressively making this loop smaller. By watching the drift of measurable points as the loop grew smaller one secured an added check.

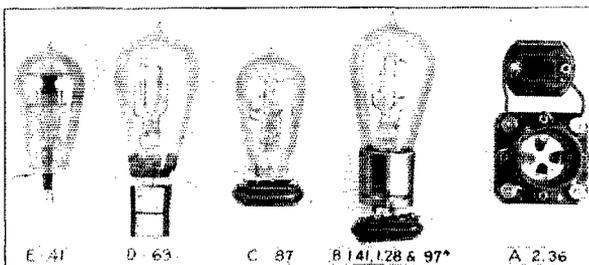
#### THE RECEIVER

Since the immediate object was simplicity and the use of existing material, it seemed worth while to try using the general-purpose superheterodyne that has been re-

ferred to before in *QST*. Connections were made as in Fig. 4 and it was found that when the 7th harmonic of the oscillating detector was placed on the  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter wavelength a very good signal was gotten. This adjustment put no harmonic of the oscillating detector on the fundamental of the transmitter tube circuit (one and one-half meters).

To check the point of possible reception from the oscillator directly the sending antenna was removed from the oscillator, whereupon the strong signal went almost to zero. An antenna provided with a ground and tuned to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  meters has since showed good antenna current but produces practically no signal at the  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter receiver, showing that the latter is really working at  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter. The grounded antenna was used to prevent appearance of the 2nd harmonic—i. e.,  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter signals.

having a "poor signal" zone around the station with better signals beyond. Incidentally—why do people insist that the bad signal belt is a recent discovery? Certainly all spark amateurs had noticed by 1912 *at the latest* that 200-meter sig-



GROUP OF SHORT-WAVE ULTRAUDION OSCILLATORS SHOWING CONSTRUCTION NEEDED WHEN OPERATING AT  $\frac{3}{4}$  M. DIRECTLY AND ADVANTAGE OF WORKING IN MANNER SUGGESTED. THIS IS THE GROUP MENTIONED BEFORE AS USED BY PHELPS AT 2EB.

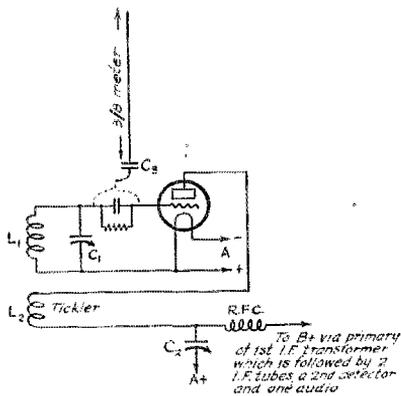


FIG. 4 RECEIVER CONNECTIONS

The tube shown is the oscillating first detector of a superheterodyne. It is tuned by means of  $L_1$  and  $C_1$  to operate at 7 times  $\frac{3}{4}$  meters or  $5\frac{1}{4}$  meters. The receiving antenna end-feeds the tuned circuit thru the small capacity  $C_3$  which is connected to either side of the grid condenser. If connected to the grid directly the effect is to increase the coupling. It is important that the choke R.F.C. stop the 5-meter oscillation but pass the intermediate frequency. Thus at one wavelength it is a choke and at the other it is a joke.

FIELD TESTS

With "Chris" Kenefick of the H. Q. staff patiently pounding the key of the transmitter in the *QST* Work Room we then made some very hurried field tests, trundling the receiver around the neighborhood in Phelps' coupe. Nothing very strange happened, the  $\frac{3}{4}$ -meter wave acted like a normal and proper radio wave—even to

nals were poorest at something like 150 to 200 miles and before that ship operators had observed the same thing at 300 and 450 meters. The *thing* isn't new—only the *distance* and the *intensity* of the effect changes as the wave is changed. Therefore it seemed quite natural that as we

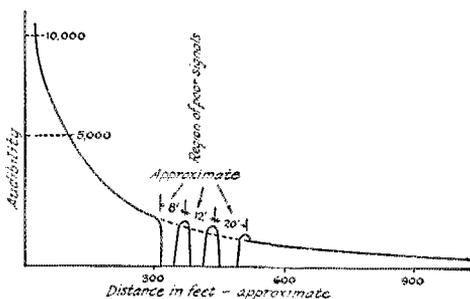


FIG. 5 CURVE SHOWING APPROXIMATE MANNER IN WHICH LOW-POWER  $\frac{3}{4}$ -METER SIGNAL VARIED IN AUDIBILITY WHEN RECEIVER WAS MOVED AWAY FROM STATION

The pattern of "dead spots" shown is not general but varied sharply. On the opposite side of the street there was a 6 foot shift in the location of the humps.

drove up the road the signal intensity acted somewhat as shown in Fig. 5—exactly the sort of thing that happens at 5 meters but on a smaller scale because of the shorter wavelength.

The signal remained readable up to about 1000 feet which is not at all bad considering a high noise background and bad screening at both transmitter and receiver. The tests were repeated to find out something of the importance of the screening at the receiver. It was found that with the

coupe turned toward the transmitter the signals were roughly 5 times as intense (audibility meter) as with the car turned the other way, the change being probably due to the large front windows as compared to the small rear window surrounded by the metal covering of the car body.

**THE DEMONSTRATION**

The apparatus was taken to New York by automobile and before one of the Convention audiences, the story just told was recounted. The receiver had been set up on one side of the room and the transmitter at the other. It had not been possible to reach President Maxim, accordingly the demonstration message copied from the loud-speaker by the A.R.R.L. men present was not from him but was signed by us and addressed to the audience. The time was about 4 P. M. and the date June 5. The calls 1BAO and 1HX are the portable calls of Kruse and Phelps respectively. The short message ran thus—

“QST nu 1BAO es 1HX. Date. This message marks the opening of the three-quarter meter amateur band. Kruse and Phelps.”

**Strays**

6ANV wanted to get an A.R.R.L. emblem for his shack. He bought one of the sweater emblems advertised in QST and also a black picture frame measuring nine by six inches. The glass was removed and a piece of black felt laid over the back. The emblem was placed upon this and the glass put on again. The result is good looking in spite of the small cost.

We are told by 9AIL that vinegar and salt makes a good solution for cleaning transmitting inductances. It will make them bright and shiny and cut spots that soap and water won't touch. He noticed an increase in antenna current after cleaning his.

9BDQ sez he would gladly furnish free of charge, a hunk of solder for some of these bugs he hears.

Some QSL cards state that the station works all bands. We believe it alright. Particularly after hearing an American roll in on top of some Aussie or other foreign station.

The Grand Secretary of Alpha Sigma Delta Fraternity, Box 731, Hollywood, California, would be interested in hearing from the secretaries or other officials of genuine collegiate radio fraternities, or similar bodies. Communications from non-collegiate fraternities (radio) are also welcomed, but it is the former which are particularly desired. Address correspondence to K. V. R. Lansingh, Grand Secretary.

**Financial Statement**

By order of the Board of Directors the following statement of the income and disbursements of the American Radio Relay League for the first quarter of 1927 is published for the information of the membership.

K. B. WARNER, Secretary.

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1927**

<b>REVENUE</b>			
Advertising sales, QST .....	\$19,988.82		
Advertising sales, Handbook .....	1,207.50		
Newsdealer sales .....	14,766.95		
Handbook sales .....	4,852.86		
Newspaper syndicate sales .....	516.75		
Dues and subscriptions .....	13,013.12		
Back numbers, etc .....	919.83		
Emblems .....	62.34		
Interest earned, bank deposits ..	247.66		
Cash discounts earned .....	367.97		
Bad debts recovered .....	44.45		
			\$55,982.65
<b>Deduct:</b>			
Returns and allowances ..	\$7520.33		
Less portion charged to reserve for newsstand returns .....	815.97	6,704.36	
Discount 2% for cash .....		313.62	
Exchange and collection charges ..		14.94	7,032.92
<b>Net Revenue .....</b>			<b>48,949.73</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Publication expenses, QST .....	14,986.76		
Publication expenses, Handbook ..	1,612.85		
Salaries .....	12,702.73		
Newspaper syndicate expenses ..	168.00		
Forwarding expenses .....	681.61		
Telegraph, telephone and postage ..	2,124.64		
Office supplies and general expenses .....	2,256.08		
Rent, light and heat .....	985.66		
Traveling expenses .....	270.74		
Depreciation of furniture and equipment .....	215.27		
Bad debts written off .....	81.24		
Communications Dept. field expenses .....	56.48		
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>			<b>36,092.01</b>
<b>Net Gain from Operations ....</b>			<b>\$12,857.72</b>



ALIBI - "ONE OF MY TUBES WENT OUT LAST NITE, OM."

# Better Audio Amplification for Short-Wave Receivers

By L. W. Hatry\*

**W**E amateurs pride ourselves on constant improvement. In spite of this, we too frequently get into a rut. It is so easy to copy.

For instance—what does the average amateur use for receiving? Almost invariably, an oscillating detector followed by one single stage of "distortion" audio amplification. The exact arrangement of the oscillating detector circuit is varied a little now and then, but the audio amplifier never seems to improve at all. Why does it *always* use a distortion transformer? Why does it *never* have two stages—or three?

When pressed for an answer the owner of the set will answer, "Don't need any more" or, "Too much noise."

These are thin excuses. On weak signals one *does* need more amplification than one stage can give, while there is the claim that more stages or better transformers are noisy—that is simply an admission. The broadcast listening amateur can *and does* build affairs having from 2 to 5 stages of audio amplification which (*with the antenna disconnected*) can be borne by sensitive ears, under good phones. Borne? Why, the affair doesn't make a sound *when nothing is fed into it*. That is one reason why an inefficient "tuned r.f." (broadcast receiver) will bring in concert after concert with plenty of loud-speaker volume when a headset in the detector circuit strains one's hearing. In radio telegraphy, such a gain is worthwhile on those weak Chilean or Australian signals that one can not quite read.

However, even if the amplifier is not making any noises of its own, the user may still object to the way in which a local signal bursts in while one is straining after a Tasmanian. Many have tried to overcome this by the use of jacks or switches to cut off a stage whenever such a thing happens. Neither is quite satisfactory. A jack gives an abrupt jump-and a click, together with a lapse of time long enough to upset the ear and therefore to introduce an additional lag consequent to readjustment. This is a waste of time that makes poor operating

efficiency. A switch is just as violent but at least is more rapid and thus not so bad, though the click still introduces lag by requiring readjustment of the ear sensitivity. The jack is, from my standpoint, useless. The switch is worthwhile.

### THE PRACTICAL MULTI-STAGE ARRANGEMENT

To make two, even three stages of audio bearable on the headset for constant operat-

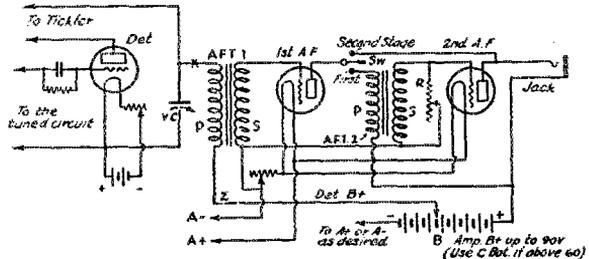


FIG. 1. A TWO-STAGE AUDIO AMPLIFIER WITH RESISTANCE CONTROL OF AMPLIFICATION AT THE INPUT OF THE SECOND TUBE, ALSO SWITCHING ARRANGEMENT FOR CUTTING OFF THE 2ND STAGE

The detector circuit shown need not be used but may be modified into any of the standard arrangements by such changes as adding a variable resistance at Z, fixing the condenser V. C. or putting in a choke at X.

ing use is a simple trick. The circuit is shown in Fig. 1. The assumption in the figure is that the usual throttle control of regeneration is used, but no matter what the control, the amplifier scheme remains the same; the only difference usually being in the lack or presence of an r.f. choke at x

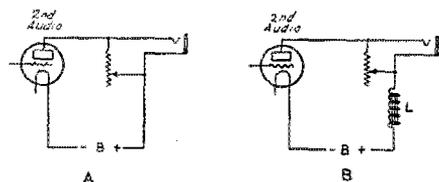


FIG. 2. OUTPUT CONTROLS

A is a resistance shunted across the phones. B is a modification which permits use of the resistance as an audibility meter—provided the resistance is good enough so that it does not change with the weather or use. L is a choke described in the text.

or a variable high resistance at z. Both amplifier tubes are controlled by one rheostat because separate rheostats offer no gain. Filament rheostat control of amplifiers is anything but satisfactory. A rheo-

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stat is noisy and upsets the ear, also reducing the filament current of one or more tubes brings the amplifier near the state of oscillation, which causes every sound to have a tail on it and unpleasantly alters the tone of the signal. The rheostat should be set and then left alone. The grid returns,

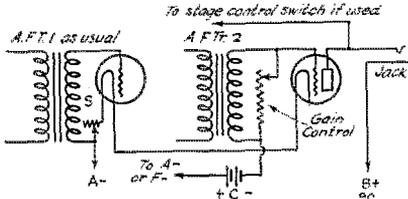


FIG. 3. HOW THE C-BATTERY SHOULD BE CONNECTED IF ONE WISHES TO USE A PLATE VOLTAGE IN EXCESS OF 60 ON THE 2ND AUDIO TUBE

please notice, are connected on the far side of the rheostat to obtain a biasing drop from it. This saves some B-battery "juice". The stage control switch may be fashioned of the old rotary type with points, a single pole-double throw knife type, or a jack switch such as the Carter or Yaxley. The "volume control" variable resistance R, should have a value of 500,000 ohms. It is used merely to shunt the secondary winding of the second audio transformer in varying degree and should have an "off" or open position to permit utilization of the transformer without the shunt. It acts partly as a "cushion" for sudden clicks. Its main function, however, is as a volume control, permitting one to adjust the two-stage output to suit the ear. Reducing the amplification often puts an interferer below audibility, which is a real help.

Volume control at the second stage is contrary to usual practice in broadcast sets. Broadcast set practice, however, is no criterion since quality of reproduction is the prime consideration, while quantity of reproduction is most important for telegraphy. The idea for the former is not to allow any tube following the detector to be overloaded, which can be prevented by putting the volume control on the first transformer, thus varying the input given to all of the audio tubes. We c.w. amateurs live under a headset. This means that any sudden loud noise will be concentrated on a pair of strained ear drums. If the volume control is in the first stage (before the first audio tube) the second audio tube will always be working at maximum, and a trifling click originating after (i.e. beyond) the volume control will race through the a.f.t., be properly amplified and do all but raise one's cranial horticulture permanently. This

will not do, so the control is put at the second stage on the secondary of the transformer that runs the last tube and thus controls anything that gets to that last tube, which is first aid to the ear. Naturally, one here thinks of the possibility of putting the volume control still further along in the system; that is, beyond the last tube. It then becomes a resistance shunted across the phones as in Fig. 2A. This naturally suggests that one might as well calibrate the resistance and use it as an audibility meter—assuming the resistance to be good enough for that purpose. Unfortunately, the thing isn't quite that simple, as the load on the last tube is changed by moving the resistance slider and the whole amplifier is more or less upset. This can be gotten around and the thing made workable enough for ordinary purposes by the arrangement of 2B. The choke, L, is almost anything that has an inductance which is at least as large as the inductance of a pair of phones (in fact an extra pair of "cans" will do in a pinch) or as much larger as is convenient. The larger the inductance of the choke, the better the audibility meter.

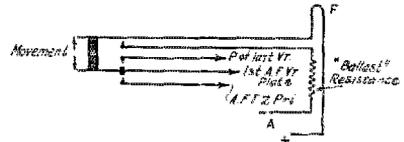


FIG. 4. FILAMENT CONTROL SWITCHES OF VARIOUS SORTS MAY BE CONNECTED AS SHOWN TO PUT OUT THE FILAMENT OF THE 3RD TUBE (2ND AUDIO STAGE) WHEN ONLY ONE STAGE IS WANTED

The connections are such that the switch does not affect the operation of the first two tubes. The switch as shown controls the 3rd filament and also transfers the phones from the 3rd to 2nd tube.

An old audio transformer or a filter choke from a "B sub." will do. These arrangements are not so good in one way as the one of Fig. 1. If a very strong click comes thru the detector it can easily choke up the 2nd audio tube in Fig. 2 which it could not do so easily in Fig. 1. Accordingly, Fig. 2 gives one a chance to use the volume control as an audibility meter and Fig. 1 probably gives better protection against momentary blocking of the amplifier—during which time signals are not. The choice depends on the sort of interference you have, also your personal likes.

With these circuit arrangements, not more than 45 volts of B are needed. If you like 90 volts (it permits greater volume) use it on the second stage only, for that's all that needs it and the B-battery power should be conserved. With 90 of B, the last tube should also have a 4.5 v. C-battery connected

as in Fig. 3. The C-battery cuts down the B-battery load, increases the tube life and helps the audio quality, which last feature is virtueless for telegraphy. The detector voltage is used as needed.

The 199 tube is the logical one to use, for even three of them on a set of dry-cells provide economical filament operation. However, 201-As are satisfactory. The 120 power type or the 112 power types are needless.

A rheostat on the audio tubes is not necessary. It only means another knob on the panel, another device to wear out, another set of spring connections to go bad or another rotating hickey to loosen or stick. Overcome this with a filament ballast resistance such as the Amperite, Elkay stabilizer, or Daven ballast; as examples. Get one for the 120 tube, it will control two 199's when it is connected in place of the rheostat, or get the type for the 112 tube to control 201-As, or one of the 201-A type for two 201-As if you wish. If no ballast resistors are handy, use a fixed 2-ohm resistance for the latter, or a fixed 12½-ohm resistance for the former. If even these are not at hand, set the rheostat back on the baseboard and forget it. Use a battery switch on the panel to turn the whole business out at will. The better battery switches are designed to last a life-time.

If the wish is to turn off the third tube when using only the first two, the inter-stage switch can be obtained with filament

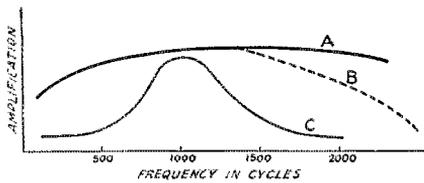


FIG. 5. AUDIO AMPLIFYING TRANSFORMER CURVES

A is the curve of a well-known "music transformer" when used between 201-A tubes with a plate voltage of 60.

B is a modification of the upper end of this curve, such as might improve matters by cutting off the high-pitched parts of static and other noises. Some of this effect can be gotten by shunting condensers across the secondary winding.

C is a peaked curve such as given by a "distortion" transformer, and also by ordinary transformers with the 240 tube or by a "music" transformer with 201-A tubes but the tuned trap of Fig. 7 connected across the primary. Cutting the trap in and out would cause one to go from curve A to curve C and back.

control contacts which are connected in series with the third tube's filament line. With filament control to cut out automatically the last tube, separate filament resistances or rheostats will be necessary

for each tube to avoid having to readjust for one only as when one resistance is used. The filament control is indicated in the Fig. 4. Turning off the last tube doesn't

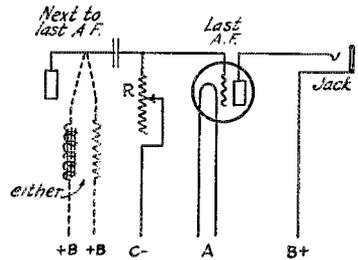


FIG. 6. RESISTANCE AMPLIFICATION CONTROL APPLIED TO RESISTANCE-RESISTANCE OR IMPEDANCE RESISTANCE AMPLIFIER, IF ONE OF THESE IS TO BE USED

The controlling resistance here becomes the variable gridleak R on the last amplifier tube. It is convenient to use a resistance with a maximum of 500,000 ohms.

save much, with a storage battery, and, if you rig up an amplifier like this Fig. 1 circuit, there will never be any desire to drop to the lower stages; for the volume control can always be set down to less

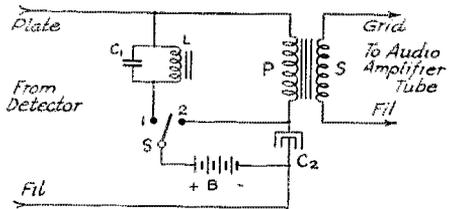


FIG. 7. TUNED REJECTOR OR AUDIO FILTER TO MAKE AN AMPLIFIER EITHER PEAKED OR FLAT AT WILL

By putting the switch on the point 2 the trap is cut out so that we obtain the natural curve of the transformer, which would be like Fig. 5A for a good transformer. By putting the switch on point 1 the trap acts as described in the text and the result is a very peaked amplifier such as represented by curve 5C. The condenser C1 may have a capacity around 1/10 microfarad and C2 around that same value or as large as 1 microfarad depending on the preference of the user. The capacity of C2 somewhat controls the sharpness of the arrangement. L is a 1-henry iron-core choke described in Fig. 8.

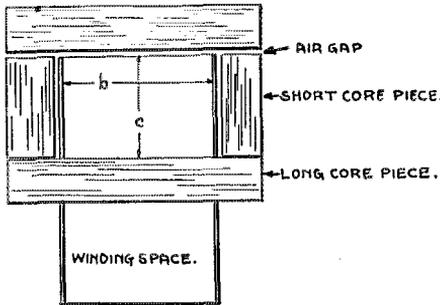
amplification which leaves the reverse gain, always ready at the mere turn of a black knob. Useful? I'll say so!

WHAT KIND OF AUDIO TRANSFORMERS

The kind of audio transformer to use is the *best one you can afford*. A pair or trio of big transformers do the trick. We don't care about small distortions, in fact distort-

tions may help our volume, but we don't want a peaked or "tuned" transformer with all its performance on one frequency. If the curve has small humps it doesn't matter.

We usually talk as if we were dealing with "d.c. notes" so that we only need a peaked amplifier operating at some pitch



ARRANGEMENT OF INDUCTANCE COILS.

FIG. 8. ONE-HENRY IRON CORE CHOKE ON F. S. DELLENBAUGH'S DESIGNS

This choke will handle 50 milliamperes but a smaller one is hard to build at home. The long core pieces measure 1.7" X .55" and the short ones .5" X .55". Dimensions b and c are .50" and .66" respectively. The core is .50" thick, the airgaps total .02" and the winding has 2300 turns of No. 33 enameled wire. Slight readjustments of the airgap by means of paper separators will give the desired tuning of the trap.

convenient to the ear, a pitch such as 1000 cycles to which we have set the received beat note.

This is all wrong. In practice, we mostly deal with signals that are not "pure d.c." but carry a ripple at 60, 120, 240, 500 or 1000 cycles. It is seen immediately that amateur reception deals with a gamut of audio frequencies partially below the good amplifying range of a "poor" transformer. A good a.f. transformer, with an approximately flat curve of amplification against frequency, the flatness of which curve (Fig. 5A) tends well down to 30 cycles is what we amateurs need to handle this range of useful audio frequencies. We could, however, be entirely satisfied with an a.f.t. whose curve like that in Fig. 5B drops off abruptly above 1000 cycles but keeps up below 30.

I have done considerable reception with several different types of audio transformers for experimental observation of the things I have mentioned. The "bad" transformer, the one that like Fig. 5C drops the bass notes, or one that has a big "hump", is right enough on "d.c. notes" whose tone is a single beat-note, which is under control. However, even these suffer since any jumping in the pitch of the note results in such a wobbly volume that the thing is nearly impossible to read. With a good audio transformer that handles all audio fre-

quencies with discretion, wobbly waves aren't nearly so bad, particularly if the wobble is slight. In addition to this, the way some a.c. or semi-a.c. tones pick up "body" in a good transformer is a pleasure; the low ripples frequency gets respectable amplification, and the super-imposed beat tone is also well-treated, which results excellently. Tuned transformers obviously are not satisfactory for such signals.

It is obvious to me that it is better for us to choose a good audio transformer because it helps out part of the radio game, and results too in an affair of fine audio quality for music reproduction, and music is sometimes a pleasant noise to have handy.

A little distortion hurts nothing, and the ear nearly refuses to recognize it anyhow, so there is no use in having resistance-coupled amplification nor impedance-coupled amplification. At the same time, if such an amplifier is handy, use it. But remember that these systems of coupling are good for the bass tones if the inter-tube coupling condenser is large enough; that means .1 microfarad or better. The last grid-leak becomes the variable resistance used as volume control to the last audio tube. See Fig. 6. These systems have the disadvantage of requiring three tubes to produce the gain of two transformer stages.

STATIC REDUCTION IN A PEAKED TRANSFORMER

A reduction of static and other exterious noises is often claimed for the (more or less) tuned audio amplifier or for the audio amplifier filtered to pass but one frequency. Mainly, this does not happen because the

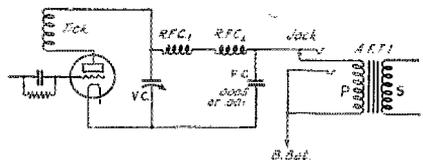


FIG. 9. AN ARRANGEMENT TO PERMIT CUTTING PHONES INTO THE DETECTOR PLATE CIRCUIT WITHOUT DETUNING THE INCOMING SIGNAL. The scheme amounts to a filter which keeps r.f. out of the jack. The filter consists of two r.f. chokes which are described in the text and the fixed condenser f.c. which has a capacity of .005 to .001  $\mu$ f.

unfortunately necessary beat reception adds other frequencies not natural to the interference within the band of the amplifier and these are amplified by the careless audio stages. This paper as first written contained the sentence, "We do not gain a reduction of the noise in a distortion transformer and a 'good' transformer, I think, amplifies the signals more than the noise." Upon reviewing some experimental results and some of the effects obtained at 1MK (and mentioned in QST for April, in the Editor's note on page 30) this seems to be

too general a statement. There are, evidently, cases where the distortion amplifier is of actual assistance in suppressing the background although it seems probable that the statement of the April issue was likewise too general and that the distortion transformer is not a sure cure.'

#### IF YOU LIKE PEAKED AUDIO OCCASIONALLY

Because of the things just mentioned, also because you might some day meet an amateur signal that was steady and had a "d.c. note" it is interesting and possibly useful to be able to shift rapidly from the "good" amplifier (Fig. 5A) to the sharply peaked (Fig. 5C) "bad" amplifier.

There are several ways of doing this. In the General Radio laboratory, audio transformers are mounted on square bases of sheet-bakelite, and a spring plug is put in each corner of the base, and connected to the terminals of the transformer. The whole arrangement plugs into a base with 4 jacks, so that transformers can be exchanged in a hurry.

Of course one does not have to change transformers—the same effect is obtained by changing the 201-A or 199 tube for a tube with a high plate impedance, such as the 240. This is simplest of all as one does not need to change any wiring if the set was made for 201-A tubes. The details of this are given on page 30 of the April issue as mentioned before.

#### WITHOUT PLUG-IN ARRANGEMENT

One can see quickly enough that these plug-in changes cannot be carried out without losing the signal for a moment and making terrific noises.

This can be avoided and the change made instantly by the arrangement as suggested in July, 1926, *QST* by myself and shown again in Figs. 7 and 8. The idea is to shunt a tuned trap or "rejector" across the trans-

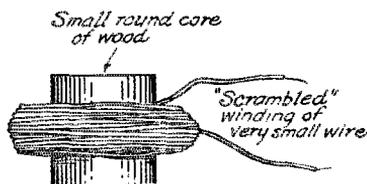


FIG. 10. CONSTRUCTION OF R.F. CHOKES USED IN THE VARIOUS CIRCUITS

former primary. The trap is usually tuned to 1000 cycles and offers very high impedance to that frequency—in other words, "rejects" it, and compels it to go thru the transformer and be amplified. Other frequencies close to 1000 cycles are treated similarly. High frequencies are bypassed thru the condenser C1 and do not go into the transformer primary strongly. Low

frequencies go thru the choke L and also do not enter the transformer as strongly as before. Thus the effect of the trap is to cut off both high and low pitches and to turn curve 5A into curve 5C. Whether this is an advantage or not can be found by a flip of the switch without losing a dot. If it isn't—better flip the switch back again.

Such a tuned trap can be applied to the first audio stage, while the variable resistance volume control remains on the second stage just as it was in Fig. 1.

#### AN ISOLATION PROBLEM

Many amateurs desire to be able to transfer the headset for the last amplifier to the detector itself by the usual plug and jack, or by a switch, to listen on one tube at

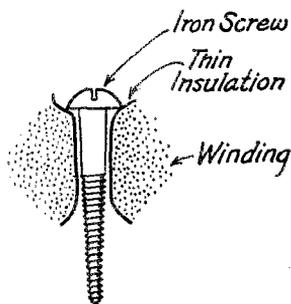


FIG. 11. ANOTHER CHOKO CONSTRUCTION

the same time a signal is coming in without detuning or losing that signal. This is not difficult to do. It merely requires a little circuit rearrangement. The correct circuit at the primary of the first audio transformer is shown in Fig. 9. Two r.f. chokes are necessary. One is R.F.C.1 with 300 turns like Fig. 10. The other choke R.F.C.2 is smaller, having but 100 turns wound on in the same manner. These chokes are not bulky if wound with 30 wire or smaller and enameled wire may be used. The chokes should not be closer together than is necessary. If close together, they should be at right angles. They should be used in any case. It will not harm them a great deal if they have to be near the a.f.t. or other apparatus. Using two different sizes of chokes reduces the dead-spot troubles. The chokes may also be made as in Fig. 11.

L. Naturally when the antenna is put on, the amplifier seems to become somewhat noisy because noise is now being *fed into it*. Usually the noise is not nearly as strong as the signal—frequently there is practically no noise at all. Amplification is then very much worth while. It is a very rare thing to find stations like 2FZ or old LXM where there is a constant tremendous noisy background and the only hope is to use a stage of distortion audio to get the signal up a bit without bringing too much of the mess along. If all of us were so situated there would be no A.R.R.L.—Tech. Ed.

The fixed condenser f.c. across the transformer (Fig. 9) makes certain that only a trifling amount of residual r.f. gets into it. If such care is not taken it is perfectly possible for the gain controls or stage controls to upset the detector adjustment. The circuit can be varied by the use of a 12,000 ohms resistance where the r.f. chokes are shown, which has the further advantage of never causing dead spots. This of course does not mean that the antenna has been stopped from causing dead spots. Such must be avoided by loose coupling. The resistance may actually be anything between 10,000 and 25,000 ohms. The B-battery at the detector will have to be from 40 to 60 volts that 22 or so may arrive at the plate after going through the resistance. Usually, B-battery voltages are used with the r.f. chokes. With this Fig. 9 circuit, the headset can be plugged into the detector plate circuit without detuning the signals; or the headset can be moved up into the amplifier without losing the signal tuned in on one tube.

In the early part of this article I challenged the old assertion that more than one stage of audio amplification is of no help in the reception of telegraphy. That this is not an individual notion is shown by the commercial stations where the use of two stages, when available, is the habit. The better proof is a trial with good transformers and a volume control. It is obvious that a weak signal properly amplified becomes more audible; if it doesn't, proper amplification has not occurred. An amateur may be careless but he shouldn't be incompetent.

**Strays**

The Radio Engineering Labs are now supplying their regular inductances with plugs and mounts for plug-in work. The plugs are large and should not cause losses due to poor contact. These should be a big help in building a set to work in several bands.

We understand that 4BN is using a pair of 216B Kenotrons to supply the plate of a 203A. These poor rectifiers are staggering under a load of ten volts on the filaments and 1500 on the plates. The output is 1200 volts at 150 mils. Wonder how long they'll last.

Here are a few smiles supplied by 9FO. 9AHA and 9HI are both in Chicago. 9BYY is located in Hartley, Iowa. 5IR's name is Waterhouse. He lives on Fountain Street and the town is Hot Springs! Bet he uses water-cooled tubes and his note is all wet.

**Standard Frequency Transmissions**

THE Official Wavelength Station Committee of the Experimenters' Section, A.R.R.L. announces the following standard frequency schedules. The frequency values at 9XL are based on the standards of the Bureau of Standards and have been checked by the Cruft Laboratory at Harvard University and by the Communications Laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. While an accuracy of 1/10 of 1% is to be expected, no guarantee is made. Station 1XM has suspended for the summer. Details on station 9XL may be found on page 8 of the June issue. 9XL now operates with a small percentage of "tone" modulation to distinguish the signals from broadcast harmonics.

In the following, "f" is the frequency in MEGACYCLES and the approximate wavelength in meters follows.

**SCHEDULES**

(Figures are frequencies in MEGACYCLES per sec.; approx. wavelengths in parentheses.)

Friday Evening Schedules				Sunday Afternoon Schedules			
Central Standard Time				Central Standard Time			
Time (PM)	Schedule A		Schedule B		Time (PM)	Schedule C	
	f	λ	f	λ		f	λ
8:30	3.50 (85.7)		6.50 (46.1)		3:00	10.0 (30.0)	
8:42	3.60 (83.3)		6.75 (44.4)		3:12	12.0 (25.0)	
8:54	3.75 (80.0)		7.00 (42.8)		3:24	14.0 (21.4)	
9:06	3.90 (76.9)		7.25 (41.3)		3:36	14.5 (20.7)	
9:18	4.00 (75.0)		7.50 (40.0)		3:48	15.0 (20.0)	
9:30	5.70 (52.6)		7.75 (38.7)		4:00	15.5 (19.3)	
9:42	6.50 (46.1)		8.00 (37.5)		4:12	16.0 (18.7)	
9:54	7.00 (42.8)		8.25 (36.3)		4:24	18.0 (16.7)	
10:06	7.50 (40.0)		8.50 (35.3)		4:36	20.0 (15.0)	
10:18	8.00 (37.5)		8.75 (34.3)				
10:30	8.50 (35.3)		9.00 (33.3)				

August 5,	B	9XL
August 14,	C	9XL
August 19,	A	9XL
September 2	B	9XL
September 11	C	9XL
September 16	A	9XL
September 30	B	9XL

**DIVISION OF TIME**

3 minutes—QST QST QST nu (Station call letters)  
 3 minutes—5 sec. dashes broken by station call letters every half minute.

1 minute—announcement of frequency in megacycles per second (8.75 megacycles per sec. is sent as "8 r 75 MC.")

1 minute—announcement of frequency in megacycles cycles per second.

**Special Notice**—The continuation and possible extension of these transmissions depends entirely upon the response of the A.R.R.L. If you use the transmissions send a note to Experimenters' Section, A.R.R.L., Hartford, Conn.

—R. S. K.

## Cuban 6XJ

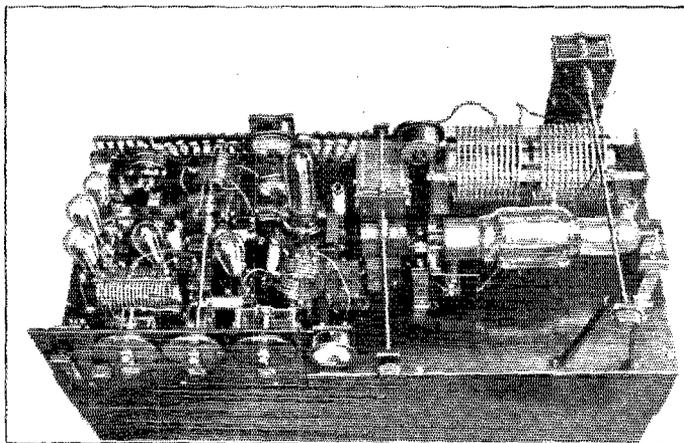
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**A**S will be noted in Correspondence Department of this issue, there are several requests for information on phone transmission. Unfortunately, there is very little available data on amateur phone installations capable of putting out a signal that is both steady and of good quality.

A good phone station must be a combination of an excellent c.w. transmitter and a

wavelength) end of the spectrum. Tune from one of these stations to another and critically examine both the quality of output and the steadiness of wave. Then, run up to the higher end of the wavelength spectrum and listen to one or two of these stations. Note the vast difference in the naturalness of the reproduction.

An examination would probably show the chief difference between these stations as



CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED 6XJ

first rate audio amplifier system such as is used in a really good broadcast receiver. Any c.w. station that does not have a steady pure d.c. note cannot be made into a phone station which may be expected to have a high standard of modulation with a quiet carrier wave for background. In a like manner, a set giving a good steady radio frequency output will not give good quality modulation unless the microphone and the necessary amplifiers are of the best.

Even with two good units, there is still the problem of putting them together. This, in itself, is no small task and requires more than a hit and miss adjustment of clips which commonly goes under the title of "tuning up". If you don't believe this is a matter calling for more than just a superficial knowledge, listen in on the family's broadcast set for a night. Confine your activities to the higher frequency (lower

being that those on the longer waves are, in practically all cases, the product of an excellent engineering organization and many months of time spent by a number of specialists who worked on only those small portions of the problem that came within their particular field. The shorter wave ones are generally the result of the ability of one or two men who are not specialists in all phases of the work but are of the "all around" type. These men are usually considered as being more advanced in the theory and practical application of radio than is the amateur and have available more time and money for the building and adjusting of those stations which they operate. If they cannot always make a finished product that is pleasing to the ear it should certainly be difficult for the amateur to come up to even this standard.

The description to follow while not being that of a typical amateur station will give so many good pointers that are applicable

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to amateur installations that it will be worth much attention from the man intending to install such an outfit. It was built by Frank H. Jones and is to be used for experimental tests on the short waves in conjunction to the regular broadcast station, 6KW, of the Tuinucu Sugar Co.

Crystal control of the transmission frequency is used. A crystal having a fundamental frequency corresponding to 159.6 meters is amplified through three stages each of which is used for frequency doubling. The crystal tube and first stage are UX210 tubes, the second stage is a 203-A and the final stage is a 204-A. Because of this frequency doubling, very little trouble is had due to feed back and, as will be noted in the photograph, an extremely compact arrangement is used.

THE SERIES MODULATION METHOD

The modulation arrangement consists of a Western Electric 7A amplifier (to be described later) the output of which is fed to a UX112 through a special transformer. The UX112 swings the grids of two UX210 tubes in parallel. The plate circuit of these 210s is in series with the plate cir-

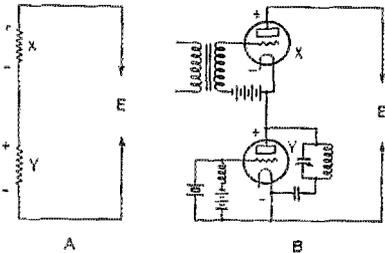


FIG. 1

cuit of the crystal tube and acts as a resistance in the plate supply line and causes modulation by varying the voltage applied to the plate of the oscillator.

Figure 1A shows two resistors, x and y in series, connected across a source of potential E. If the resistance of these units is equal, there will be an equal voltage drop across each of them. If, however, we make the resistor x of but half the value of y it will then represent one third of the total resistance and will only have one third of the total impressed voltage across its terminals. The unit y, will then have across it a voltage equal to two thirds the impressed voltage. If we were to reduce x to zero, then the whole impressed voltage would be across y. Also if x were made extremely high, y would be correspondingly lowered. Therefore, even though we have not changed the value of y or the total impressed voltage, we can effectively change the voltage drop across it.

Now, if we substitute for these resistances, the plate circuits of two vacuum tubes and so adjust our circuits that the plate resistance of one of them remains comparatively fixed, we can, by varying the plate resistance of the other tube, change the voltage applied to the plate of the first tube. Figure 1B shows two tubes, one of which is the crystal oscillator y, and the other, the modulator x. The plate resistance of the oscillator tube y, remains comparatively constant. On the other hand, the plate resistance of the modulator tube x, will vary in accordance with the voltage applied to its grid. We can let this act as the variable resistance.

When the signal voltage applied to the grid is negative, the plate resistance of the tube becomes higher and the voltage drop across it increases leaving less voltage across the oscillator plate circuit. On the other half of the cycle, when the grid of the modulator is positive, the plate resistance goes down and the voltage drop across that circuit decreases leaving more voltage across the oscillator tube. From this it is seen that modulation occurs both by an increase as well as a decrease in the radio frequency output. Of course, as the voltage applied to the plate of y varies, its plate resistance will also vary somewhat but this will be small as compared with the resistance change of the modulator tube plate circuit.

The radio frequency energy present in the plate circuit of the oscillator tube is prevented from getting into the modulator tube circuits by means of a radio frequency choke and bypass condenser as shown. The filament of this tube is at ground potential and may be tied in with the filaments of the other radio tubes. The filament of the modulator tube is not at ground potential and in this case a separate storage battery is used to supply the necessary current and voltage. This filament runs several hundred volts above ground potential depending upon the plate resistance of the tube. A special transformer having very good insulation between primary and secondary is used to couple the grids of the modulator tubes to the preceding amplifiers.

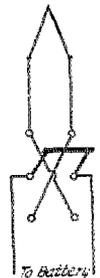


FIG. 2

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1. It would seem to be more desirable to modulate in the first amplifier plate circuit. When modulating in the crystal tube circuit, the crystal will tend to iron out all modulation. This is due to the fact that the mechanical inertia of the crystal will cause it to absorb or give out energy in order to keep the output constant and this is one of the reasons for getting a d.c. output from a poorly filtered plate supply. -Asst. Tech. Ed.

rent method of modulation it was necessary to detune the plate tank circuit of the crystal tube considerably from the wavelength of the crystal in order to get a fair amount of modulation. The detuning had to be so great that the circuit had a strong tendency for self-oscillation. With this series method of plate modulation this trouble was not experienced and the tank

will be somewhat reduced over what would have been obtained if a.c. were used and supplied from a transformer having a center-tapped secondary. This is due to the fact that when d.c. is used, the plate current is not as evenly distributed over the length of the filament. That half of the filament nearest the point connected to the negative of the plate supply will carry more

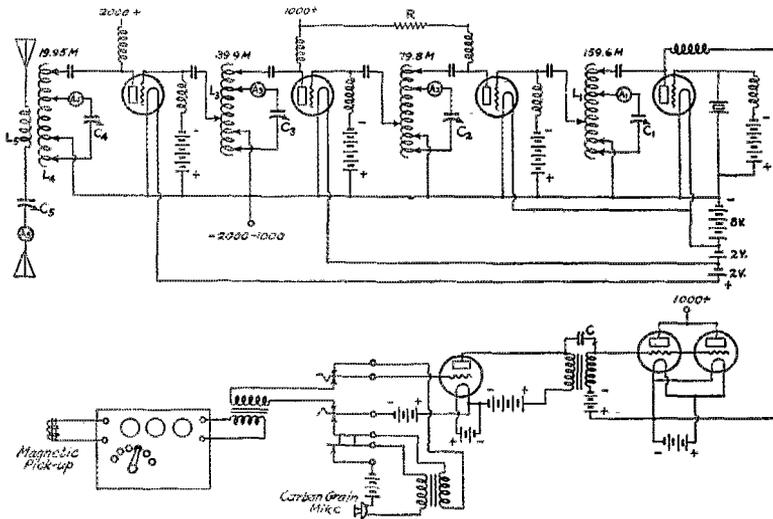


FIG. 3

- A1, A5—0.1 amperes.
- A2—0.25 amperes.
- A3, A4—0.5 amperes.
- L1—18 turns, flatwise wound strip, 5 inches diameter.
- L2—10 turns, flatwise wound strip, 5 inches diameter.
- L3—5 turns flatwise wound strip, 5 inches.
- L4—5 of the 11 turns of flatwise wound strip, 5 inches in diameter.
- L5—11 turns.
- C—5  $\mu$ fds.
- C1, C2, C3—250  $\mu$ fd. Receiving type.
- C4—140  $\mu$ fds. Transmitting condenser.
- C5—500  $\mu$ fds. Receiving type.
- R—12,000 ohms.
- Radio frequency chokes are 100 turns of No. 30 d. c. c. wire on a 1-inch form.
- Plate blocking condensers are .002  $\mu$ fds. each.
- Grid coupling condensers are .001  $\mu$ fds. each.

circuit could be tuned to obtain benefit of the crystal action without materially decreasing modulation. It is, therefore, quite superior in that the transmission frequency remains much steadier.

The filaments of all the tubes are run from d.c. obtained from storage batteries. The rheostats to drop the voltage of the storage battery to the required value for the filaments are not shown in the diagrams but are placed in the positive filament leads. For two UX-210s in parallel, a .2 ohm unit is used and for the 204-A, a resistance of .28 ohms is required. The 203-A runs directly from the 10-volt tap of the battery.

When using direct current to supply the filaments of power tubes, the life of a tube

of the plate current than does the other half and, in large tubes where high plate currents are obtained, this may be enough overload to materially shorten the life of the filament. In order to improve matters, a double pole-double throw switch is inserted between the filament of each tube and the supply lines and are connected so that it reverses the filament leads. This is shown in Figure 2. At regular intervals, the switch is thrown and the resulting wear on the filaments is more even, thereby lengthening their life.

The plate voltage is obtained from either a bank of high voltage storage batteries which are used regularly or else from two motor-generator sets which are on hand for

emergency use. Meters for indicating plate current are not placed in the leads to the various amplifier stages. Only one is used and is located in the plate circuit of the 204-A. However, radio frequency ammeters are placed in all of the tank circuits and have been found to be very useful in the tuning of the set.

The 500 volts applied to the plate of the first frequency doubling stage is obtained from the 1000-volt source and is reduced by inserting a resistance in that lead.

A magnetic pick-up is used for studio work and a carbon grain microphone used for speech. Two extra stages of amplification are required to bring the output of the magnetic pick-up to an equal level of that obtained from the carbon grain mike. Another stage is used between this point and the grids of the modulator tubes. This makes a total of three stages for the magnetic and one stage for the carbon grain microphone preceding the modulator tubes. The single stage common to both microphones employs a UX-112 whose plate circuit is coupled to the modulator tubes through the well insulated transformer referred to previously.

The extra two stages used for the magnetic pick-up take the form of a Western Electric 7A amplifier which has been somewhat modified to fit the particular use. This is the amplifier designed for use with the 10D loud speaker and was very popular before the cone type of loud speaker came into its own. It consists of a single stage employing a 216-A Western Electric tube followed by a push-pull stage using two of these tubes. The secondary of the input transformer is tapped to give a volume control of the output. The output winding of the plate push-pull transformer has a low impedance and a special transformer had to be wound for coupling between this circuit and the grid circuit of the following stage.

A switch, to allow the use of either microphone, is used and when thrown to a position for using the speech microphone, it automatically completes the microphone battery circuit. It disconnects this circuit when the magnetic pick-up is in use.

The set is located in a small shack in the yard of the 2,500-Kw. electric plant of the Tuinucu Sugar Company. This shack is just about large enough to hold the set and the control switch for operating it. This switch is an electrically driven rotary affair and operates the filaments and plate supply switches as well as the antenna disconnect switch. It also starts up both of the motor-generator sets when they are to be used. All this is controlled by a simple two-button push switch located in the studio. Another larger building contains the large bank of storage batteries as well

as the 1000- and 2500-volt d.c. generators which are normally used for the regular broadcast transmitter under the call of 6KW.

The antenna system consists of two 2", 6-wire cages each of which are 20 feet long. They are stretched rigidly between two wooden masts about 30 feet high. A two-wire current feed system is used and the normal antenna current is .8 amperes.

In tuning the transmitter, UX-112 tubes were installed throughout and about 175 volts of B battery applied to the plates. This allowed the succeeding stages to be tuned without any danger of fireworks which might have taken place under misadjustment. It is also good insurance as far as the crystal is concerned. After the set had been adjusted, the proper tubes were inserted and the voltages raised gradually. Only relatively slight changes in the tuning adjustment were necessary to take care of the different characteristics of the larger tubes.

## Ohio State, Central Division Convention

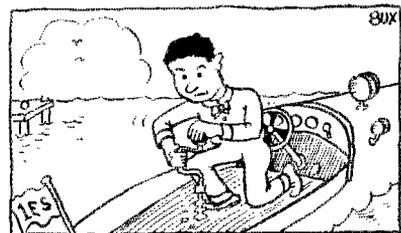
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FELLOWS, note the above dates the city and hotel where the sixth annual Ohio State Central Division Convention is to be held. The Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Club will have charge of the convention and the tentative program shows good amusements for the delegates at Idora Park besides the traffic and technical meetings.

Past Ohio Conventions have always been of the best and we have it from V. D. Gettys, Chairman of the Convention Committee, that they will uphold the past records. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

## Strays

A Dutch station in giving his reply message in the recent International Tests said, "Here no transmitter. Dutch amateurs not being licensed". Suppose it must have been "two other fellows".



HOW TO STOP MOTOR BOATING

## A One Gnat-Power Portable

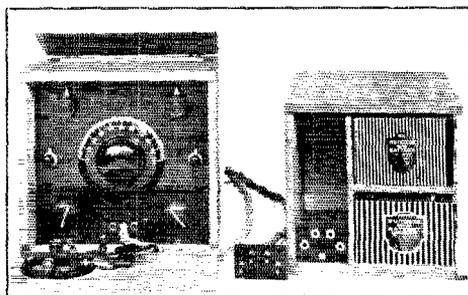
By Harold P. Westman, Assistant Technical Editor

**T**HERE are many types of sets that are called portable. They range from the half-kilowatt phone set mounted on a Mack truck and used for out of studio broadcasting to the hunk of galena with a small coil, a couple of condensers and a pair of cans that can be fitted into your jacket pocket. All have their place in this scheme of things and all are useful in their place.

The amount of equipment that can be used depends to a great extent upon the available means for transportation. If it must be packed by man power, the limiting factor will be the amount of batteries that can be carried. The length of time away from the source of supplies and the ease with which new batteries may be obtained will dictate the number and size of tubes that may be used. In cases where the total trip may not take more than a couple

exceed ten or fifteen miles, it is quite possible to cover very substantial distances under favorable conditions. At least, there will be some incentive toward trying for greater distances even though a great deal of success does not result.

The set is divided into two parts; one box carrying the set proper and another box, the batteries and other incidentals such as phones, antenna and tubes. The same pair of tubes is used for both trans-



FRONT VIEW OF PORTABLE SET INCLUDING BATTERY BOX

of weeks to a month, these matters may be so balanced that there is no need for renewing batteries until the trip is over.

This particular set was constructed with a view of being used primarily, as a receiver, and secondarily, as an extremely low-powered transmitter. Its receiving range should be as great as that of any of the non-portable type of receivers using the same circuit arrangement and tubes. The set covers only the 40-meter band but can be made to cover both the 40- and 80-meter bands but this entails an extra amount of work that is quite out of proportion to the gain.

Its ability as a transmitter is, no doubt, small but should offer many possibilities for successful two-way communication, particularly if a good antenna is available. Though its normal range will probably not

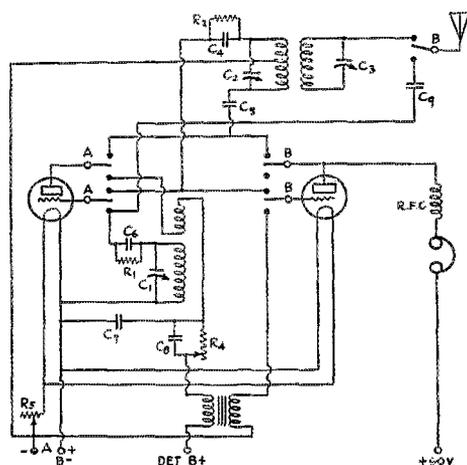


FIG. 1

- C1, C2, C3—General Radio type No. 368, 50 $\mu$ fd. condensers.  
 C4—500 $\mu$ fd. Sangamo receiving condenser.  
 C5, C7—1,000  $\mu$ fd. Sangamo receiving condenser.  
 C6—100  $\mu$ fd. Sangamo receiving condenser.  
 C8—.1 $\mu$ fd. by-pass condenser.  
 C9—Antenna coupling condenser (described in text).  
 R1—5 meg grid leak.  
 R2—5,000 ohm grid leak (Daven).  
 R3—Filament rheostat, 20 ohms for two 199s.  
 R4—Variable high resistance, 50,000 ohms.  
 RFC—No. 35 Remler choke.

mitting and receiving. Change-over is accomplished by means of two multi-pole switches.

The filaments are not controlled by these switches. They are connected directly to the A battery through a rheostat and are turned off by rotating it to the "off" position. This is advisable because as the batteries are used, the terminal voltage will drop due to polarization. In order to compensate for this, the rheostat is advanced and after an hour or so of operation, there may be several ohms less in the circuit. Now, if the filaments are turned off

by a switch, and the batteries allowed to rest for several hours, when turned on again, the battery voltage may be back to where it was at the start of the previous period of use. There will not be enough resistance in the circuit and the filament will run at too high a temperature resulting in the shortening of its life. The life of the batteries will also be reduced.

The circuit is shown in Figure 1. It may look a bit complicated by having the switching arrangement mixed up with it

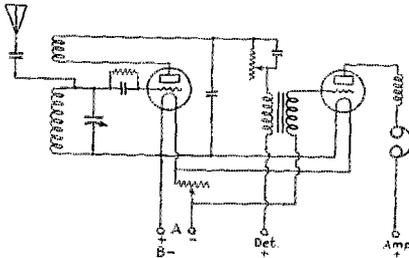
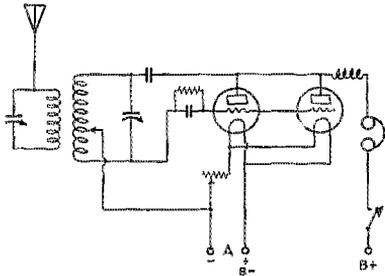


FIG. 2

but examination will show it to be quite ordinary. The two circuits separate and without switches are shown in Fig. 2.

The switches are manufactured by Yaxley and consist of a number of flat springs carrying contacts similar to those used in telephone jacks. They may be obtained in various number of sets of contacts. Although, four pole, double throw ones are shown, those having only three poles will do.

In the diagram, the switches are labelled A and B. Each switch takes care of the grid and plate of one tube. The B switch also changes over the antenna. The grid of the detector tube is connected to the second pole from the bottom of the A switch and makes contact to the receiver coil when pushed downward. The antenna when on the receiver side is connected to the next switch blade directly below this and the capacity between the two blades acts as the

antenna coupling condenser. Regeneration is controlled by means of a variable high resistor placed in the B battery lead to the detector tube. A single stage of audio frequency amplification is employed and uses a small "Hedgehog," ten-to-one ratio transformer.

The transmitter is of the usual Hartley arrangement and a voltage-feed half-wave Hertz antenna is used. This is a piece of flexible wire about 60 feet long. A flash lamp is placed in the center to indicate resonance. The set end of the wire connects to one side of a resonance circuit that is coupled to the primary circuit inductance.

The inductances are all on bakelite tubing one and a half inches in diameter and with the exception of the tickler which is close wound, are wound with number 22 s.c.c. wire spaced one diameter. The spacing of the wire should give no trouble.

The "live" winding should be securely fastened to the machine screw which acts as the terminal at the end of the winding. The "dead" winding, whose space is worth more than its presence, is also caught under a nut on the same screw that holds the "live" wire. Both wires are then wound side by side and pulled good and tight. This matter of getting the wire on tightly is the most important point of the whole proceedings for, if there is any looseness at all, the wire will shift its position and the spacing become very irregular. After the proper number of turns has been put on, the end of the "live" wire is scraped and fastened to the machine screw which acts as its terminal. The spacing winding can then be removed. This should be done with care to see that it does not pull against any turns of the good winding and alter the spacing. Immediately after the winding is completed, it should be painted over with collodion which will hold it firmly in place thereafter.

The receiver secondary winding consists of fifteen turns and the form is three and one-half inches long. This winding is put at one end of the form to get it in the clear where it can be connected to and that part of the form below the winding is left vacant. The tickler coil is wound three-eighths of an inch below the bottom turn of the secondary winding and has eight turns. This winding is not spaced but is put on in the regular manner.

The form is held in place by drilling two holes at the bottom end of it. These are just large enough to pass a piece of bus bar and are located about one-eighth of an inch from the edge and at opposite sides of the tubing. A piece of bus bar is run through them and eyelets turned in each end

of the bus. They are just large enough to hold two wood screws which screw into the wooden baseboard and hold the whole unit in place.

The transmitter inductance has twelve and a half turns. Three taps are taken out at the sixth, seventh and eighth turns respectively. The filament lead is connected to the one that gives best results. The coupling circuit winding has eighteen turns and the distance between the two windings is approximately one-quarter of an inch. This coil is mounted by means of two pieces of heavy bus which are fastened to the two condensers used for tuning the transmitter. They are also used as the leads to the condensers.

The variable condensers used in the set are all General Radio type 368, 50  $\mu$ fd. ones which are of the "midget" variety, having a single hole mounting arrangement. The two in the transmitting circuits are put on the panel in the normal manner but the one for the receiver tuning control is mounted a bit differently. This is due to the use of a National 'Velvet Vernier' dial, a very smooth running one that has about the right ratio for the size condenser used. The dial itself is fastened to the panel by means of four screws which extend through it and are held by nuts. There is a short hollow shaft on the dial assembly that extends through the panel and into which the shaft of the condenser fits. This requires that the condenser be mounted about an inch and a half from the panel. As the dial assembly is plenty strong enough to support the condenser, it is only necessary to get an arrangement to keep the entire condenser from rotating with the dial and also to keep the correct amount of tension on the rotor section to insure good contact at the bearings. This is done by bending a piece of bus wire so that it will be gripped by the mounting nuts on the condenser and its ends will be held by the same screws that hold the dial in place.

The batteries are connected to the set through a four-wire cable. The key is placed in the positive B battery lead. It is impractical to put it in the negative lead as this is connected to the A positive lead at the battery box to save the running of an extra lead. However, the radio frequency choke does its work and no reaction is had due to the hand coming in contact with this lead. The voltage at this point is not high enough to cause any trouble.

The battery box is divided into three compartments. Two of these hold the batteries (this is really one compartment with a shelf so that the batteries will pack better and keep out of each other's way) and the other holds the antenna wire, phones, tubes, etcetera.

Tuning is simplified to a considerable degree by having the phones in the plate circuit of the tubes. In order to find the proper tap for the filament lead, throw the switches for transmission and light the tubes up. Put the filament lead on the

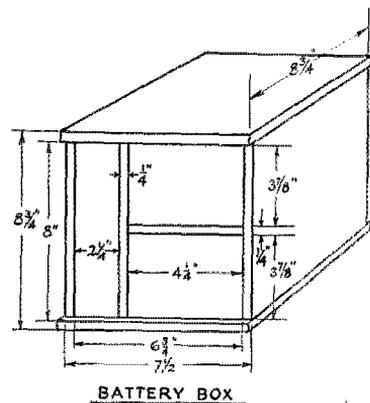
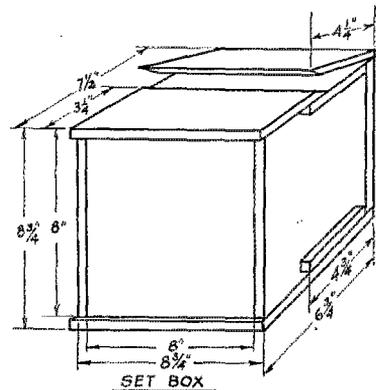
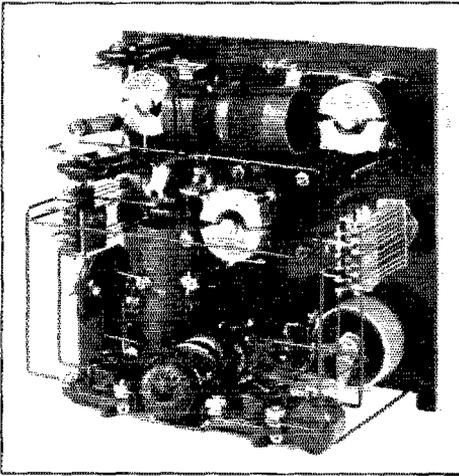


FIG. 3

tap nearest the grid end of the coil. Rotate the condenser across the primary coil and keep touching the metal pointer on the condenser. This is equivalent to touching either the grid or plate lead and will stop the tube from oscillating. As it stops and also as it starts when the finger is removed, a click will be heard in the phones. The condenser should be rotated over its whole scale and it may be noted that the set doesn't oscillate over that entire range. Try the filament lead at the next tap and test for oscillation. This will probably be all right. If not, try the tap farthest from the grid. If that doesn't work, there is probably something wrong in the connections or a defective piece of apparatus. Check everything over carefully and be sure that all soldered joints are making

good contact. When everything is in proper shape, there should be no difficulty in getting it to oscillate.

Leaving the primary condenser alone, swing the condenser in the antenna coupling circuit until a click is heard in the phones. This indicates that the two circuits are in resonance. In the condition of exact resonance, the circuit will stop oscillating as the amount of power absorbed by the coupling circuit is too great. This circuit should, therefore, be detuned somewhat and the point at which maximum energy is present in it can be found by touching the pointer of the condenser. Most reaction on the primary circuit will be had



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when there is maximum current in the coupling circuit. Therefore, touching the coupling circuit and causing its resistance to increase will be reflected into the primary circuit and stop oscillations. It follows that the greatest change in the primary circuit will take place when there is the greatest amount of its energy being fed into the coupling circuit. That point where the loudest click is heard in the phones is the point where maximum current is flowing in the coupling circuit. The antenna may then be connected and the circuits re-adjusted for highest antenna current. This, of course, is indicated by the brightest indication on the flashlamp in the center of the antenna.

The boxes are made of 3/8-inch wood and the dimensions are given in Figure 3. In both these cases, the hinged front lids are not shown. In the case of the battery box, the lid or door is hinged on the left

side and the top and bottom pieces are extended out to be flush with the outside of the door when it is closed.

The door on the box housing the set opens from the top and acts as a shelf to hold the key. The top and bottom pieces of the cabinet are also extended to be flush with the outside of the door when it is closed.

In order to hold the panel in place (it fits two inches inside of the front edge of the box to give room for the dials etc.) there are four square pieces of wood 3/8" by 3/8" fastened into the corners of the box. The panel is screwed to the ends of these. A small lid is in the top to allow tubes to be put into and taken out of the set. The panel is 8" by 8" by 3/16" and should fit snugly into the box.

When used with two 199 tubes and four each of the No. 5156 and 2370 type Burgess batteries or their equivalent, the set has proved that it should be good for two hours per day operation over a period of a month without the need of renewing batteries. Both sets of batteries should give out at about the same time. The No. 5156 battery is a pound and a half, 22.5-volt one and the four are connected in series for the plate supply. The No. 2370 type is the heavy duty C-battery and the four are connected in parallel for the filament supply. If conditions permit, a pair of 120 tubes may be used and will have a considerably larger output. If the same A-battery is used though, their life will be much shorter. With these tubes, three of the regular six-inch dry cells should be used to get a life that approaches that of the plate battery. It is also possible to use a pair of 201-A tubes if the filament rheostat is changed. It will be necessary to use a storage battery for filament supply and this may be done if the set is to be used in an automobile. In this case, the plate batteries begin to get too small for the job and a larger size should be used. When being packed on foot, a leather or web strap may be passed around the boxes and used as a shoulder strap.

The set itself when ready for carrying weighs approximately seven and a half pounds. The battery box containing all batteries, phones, antenna, tubes, etc. weighs about fifteen pounds making the total weight of the two units, twenty-two and a half pounds.



## This Short-Wave Amplifier Business

By R. B. Bourne\*

**M**OST amateurs have at one time or another wondered why the combination of simple autodyne detector and one stage of audio amplification has been for so long the most popular type of receiver for short waves and at the same time wondered why r.f. amplification at short waves was, as it appeared to be, a useless adjunct. Many amateurs threw the very idea of a tuned amplifier out of their minds simply because it necessitated another control. An untuned amplifier is absolutely out of the question, because of the very doubtful gain obtainable.

The writer has been experimenting with various short-wave r.f. amplifiers for several years. With most of them, it was the same story—not good enough. There must be a reason for their failure, and the present shielded job was constructed with the idea that if well known principles were to be applied and *given a chance to function*, some real results should accrue. These results would have to more than justify the extra tuning control involved.

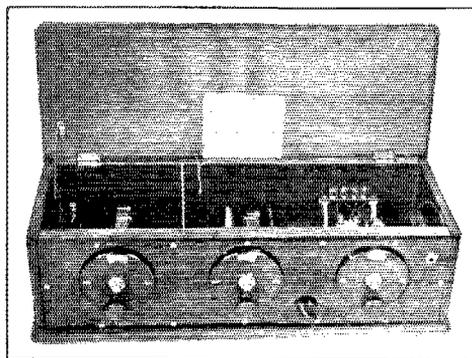
First of all, it appeared that if an amplifier could not be made so as to be free of objectionable reaction on the detector tuning, it had better be left alone.<sup>1</sup> To attain this independence of the two tuned circuits, several things had to be done. The whole receiver is shielded with .05" thick copper, with all possible seams soldered up. The amplifier stage is shielded from detector by a partition, through which the necessary holes are drilled to accommodate wiring. The shielding thus obtained is far from perfect, but is a step in the right direction. Perfect shielding is almost impossible to obtain unless one resorts to double shielding, that is, two complete shield systems separated by about half an inch.

Granting the shielding to be fairly good, it is then necessary to watch out for stray couplings, in common leads, etc. Filament and plate power leads are braided together, where they carry no r.f. of intention. It is desirable to get r.f. currents to ground as quickly as possible, after they have performed their intended function rather than allow them to run loose.

Fig. 1 shows the complete wiring connections. It is seen to be a straight enough

neutrodyne, as far as the r.f. part of the set is concerned. The two tuning condensers are 7-plate affairs, cut down from a larger size. The regeneration control is a .0005- $\mu$ fd. condenser, but one of much less capacity is ample. It is found that a variation of only 30 micro-microfarads is sufficient to cover the needs for regeneration capacity over the entire frequency band involved.

The two grid coils,  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , are identical, having 6 turns of No. 16 bare wire on a



FRONT VIEW OF THE SET IN ITS SHIELDED CABINET

The r.f. amplifier is at the left of the partition thru which it feeds the r.f. transformer. The primary of this transformer is the lumped white winding just beyond the partition and the secondary is the spaced coil next to that. When the set is in operation these coils are screened against capacity coupling by the wire and cardboard screen which is seen leaning against the lid of the set. This screen does not stop magnetic coupling. The left control is the r.f. tuning control, the detector input tuning is controlled by the center dial and the regeneration by the right hand dial.

2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " diam. The coils are self-supporting and turns are spaced about the diameter of the wire by means of string woven thru them. The string is paraffined, which increases its rigidity. The antenna is connected to the r.f. coil at the second turn from ground. A separate antenna coil was tried, but gave slightly inferior results. No danger here from "dead spots" due to antenna tuning. The antenna has practically zero coupling with the detector. The primary of the r.f. transformer,  $L_1$ , has 7 turns of No. 18 D.C.C., bunch wound. Three of these turns are the actual primary, the other four providing the balancing potential which is applied to the grid of the r.f. tube thru the neutralizing condenser  $C_n$ . A great many such coils were constructed and tried out. This one

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1. This very vital point is usually overlooked entirely; if an amplifier amplifies the owner assumes that it is good. Very soon after he is cured of this belief by finding that the thing is absolutely worthless and a nuisance if there is any considerable interaction between the tuned circuits.—Tech. Ed.

gave the greatest amplification and at the same time permitted an adjustment of the balancing condenser which held constant for the widest band. With the type of circuit shown it is not possible to get an adjustment of the balance which will hold perfectly, independent of the frequency. The neutralizing condenser is homemade and has a thin piece of mica cemented on

The output jack is both shielded and filtered. This shield may be seen in the photo. The short length of braid is used to connect the front and side shielding together where it is split, the set being removable from the cabinet. The purpose of this shield and filter is to prevent coupling between the detector, and r.f. stage via the capacity between the operator, phone cords etc., and antenna. The condensers  $C_5$ ,  $C_6$  are of .001  $\mu\text{f}$ . mounted inside the jack shield, and the chokes  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  are similar to  $X_1$ , both consisting of about 200 turns of fine wire, wound in "wafer" form. These may be seen in the photo under the jack shield.  $C_7$  is a bypass condenser of .006  $\mu\text{f}$ .

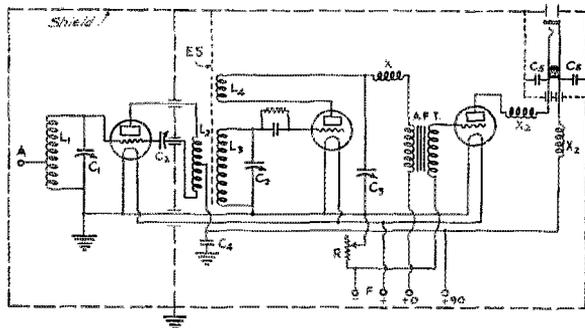


FIG. 1—THE COMPLETE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

L1 & L3—Grid coil.  
 L2—Plate or r. f. transformer primary coil.  
 L4—Detector tickler coil.  
 X1, X2, X3—R. F. Chokes.  
 A.F.T.—Audio frequency amplifying transformer.  
 C1, C2—Tuning condensers.  
 C3—Regeneration control condenser.  
 C4—R. f. bypass around amplifier B supply.  
 C5, C6—Jack filter r. f. bypass condensers.  
 C7—R. f. neutralizing condenser.  
 E. S.—Electrostatic shield.  
 All coil dimensions and condenser capacities are given in the text.

one plate for protection against possible short-circuit of plate potential. It consists, briefly, of two brass plates  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $\frac{3}{8}$ " separated a sixteenth inch, one plate being rotatable. The tickler coil  $L_4$  is jumble wound of No. 26 and has 7 turns. All coil diameters are about the same. It would probably be better to use coils of less diameter on account of the shielding. All coils are mounted in binding posts on a hard rubber sub-base. There is no reason why plug-in coils should not be equally serviceable, if not more so.

$X_1$  is an r.f. choke in series with the primary of the a.f. transformer. E.s. is an electro-static shield which is placed between the primary and secondary of the r.f. transformer to reduce capacity coupling. This is shown in one of the photos lying against the cover of the cabinet. It consists of a grid of insulated wire threaded back and forth on a piece of cardboard. One end of the wire is grounded, the other being left free. The shield is only partially effective and probably should be made much larger and have a much finer pitch. The filaments of all the tubes are controlled thru the single rheostat  $R$ . This control is not at all critical.

effect and the sharper the r.f. stage will tune. A large part of the original stray detector pick-up came by way of the phone cord. The jack shield and filter eliminated this entirely. To do a real job, each battery lead should have both an r.f. and a.f. choke, both being heavily by-passed to ground, and each individual filter enclosed in its own grounded shield. To check on pick-up in the battery leads, touch the terminals of one of them with a metal object held in the hand. If a click is heard in the phones or a beat note is changed in pitch, be sure there is pick-up. The electrostatic shield helped somewhat in obtaining a good balance. The best obtained, for the 40-meter band, meant a change of only 100 cycles or less in the beat note. At one particular frequency, no change whatever is had.

Does it amplify? There seems to be a definite gain down to about 33 meters. On 45 meters, the gain is easily noticeable, to be conservative. On 20 meters, no amplification could be observed, but the r.f. tube serves as an excellent coupling tube, making the set independent of antenna. For this band,  $L_2$  has 4 turns, with mid tap to plus B.  $L_3$  has 3 turns. For the 80-meter

band,  $L_2$  consists of 11 turns, 5 of which are the primary proper.  $L_3$  has 20 turns. The same tickler is used for all three bands. The amplification obtained on the 80-meter band compares favorably with what one might expect on longer waves, say 8- or 10-fold.

With all these precautions, there are certain stray capacities which can not be

more evident that two such receivers can be simultaneously operated on the same antenna and same wavelength, if desired, with no mutual interference.

### Strays

The choke in the grid circuit of the crystal tube should not be tuned to the exact wave of the crystal but to a wave somewhat higher. If it gets too close to the crystal wave, trouble will be had due to the circuit tending to oscillate at both these waves.

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"Little gummed triangle corner-stickers used for attaching photographs and post cards in albums make excellent mounting devices for QSL cards. They will stick anywhere, cost only ten cents a hundred, can be obtained from any photographic store, and make a much neater job than thumb tacks."

—BEN.

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About two months ago, SAIR was fooling around with a Hertz, and, of course, placed an electric light bulb in the center of the system to indicate resonance. On making a trip to the station recently, he noted that about a dozen of the neighboring BCLs had 110-volt, 40-watt lamps hung in their antennas, probably laboring under the impression that they are marvelous DX getters. Who said that the market for gold bricks is shot!!

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It must be remembered when putting fixed condensers in series with the neutralizing condensers that the impedance of the condenser varies with its capacity. When the capacity is high, the impedance is low and as far as the high frequency currents and voltages are concerned a very large condenser in series with a small one offers but a small amount of protection. However, as far as the d.c. is concerned, high voltage insulation of the larger condenser is effective insulation for the smaller.

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2TY says that if we took the advice of all the well-meaning amateur efficiency experts to heart, a CQ would look something like, "CQRCEP nu 2DUB". Interpreted after much effort, we have the following.

CQ—Garden variety.

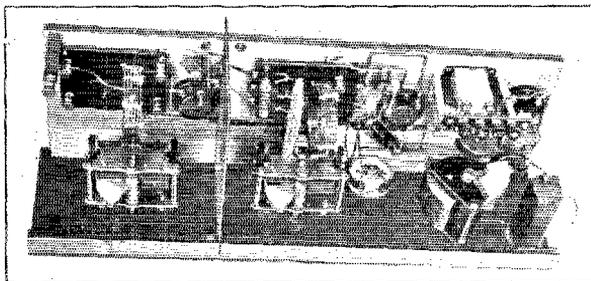
R—Want a report.

C—Willing to chat about WX, women or what ever's bothering you.

E—Speak English.

P—Occupation, plumber.

And so on, far, far into the night and even morning if that much time is needed in the decoding process.



THE SET LAID FORWARD ONTO ITS PANEL

At the left is the r.f. stage with the auto-transformer input coil tuned by the variable condenser and the neutralization effected by the small brass-and-mica condenser above the socket. At the right of the partition are in turn the plate coil of the r.f. tube (acts as primary of r.f. transformer), detector input coil and tuning condenser (secondary of r.f. transformer), double grid leak mount to permit plus or minus return, and finally the regeneration control, audio amplifier and jack filter. The jack filter consists of the condensers in the can attached to the panel plus the two pancake chokes screwed to the base-board. The third pancake choke is in the detector B lead.

eliminated or balanced. This is due to the circuit itself. It is very probable that the Rice circuit, used with tuning condensers, both sets of plates of which have equal capacity to ground, would be a distinct improvement.

One method of simulating the operation of an improperly constructed r.f. amplifier is to deliberately destroy the balance and allow the r.f. tube to oscillate, controlling oscillation by detuning the two circuits. The tickler can be left alone for a wide range. This reduces the controls to two, but leaves you with a set which cannot be calibrated. It is possible to tune out a signal, with this arrangement, on the detector dial for instance and tune it in again with the amplifier control. There are therefore an infinite number of settings for any one station. This fact is mentioned because it is the way in which a r.f. amplifier should *not* work.

When the shielding is good and with a good balance, it is possible to receive signals on a separate antenna, on 39 meters, with the transmitter in operation in the same room on 41 meters with no interference. With better shielding and filtering of battery leads, it should be possible to approach the transmitter wave very closely, thus opening up the possibilities of duplex operation, as is commonly done in modern commercial practice. It is further-

## Reducing Static at Short Waves

ONE reads a good bit these days of various methods for reducing static. Peculiarly enough the ones that get the most attention are not at all the ones that transmitting amateurs have found to be most successful. The loop is constantly being set up as being a great device for reducing static. Now in point of fact, the ordinary loop picks up just about as much energy from a signal as does a ten-foot antenna, and between the two the 10-foot antenna is decidedly easier to handle, gives just as good signals, and gives no more static. However, the 10-foot an-

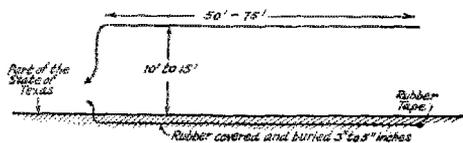


FIG. 1. THE UNDERGROUND "ANTENNA" SYSTEM AT 3HS

tenna only does give "just as good" signals, and that isn't very good. Neither one of the two devices strikes me as being worth while for serious long distance receiving during difficult weather.

### GROUND WIRE.

Mr. Cecil Patterson of 5VU at Frost, Texas, some time ago recalled to my attention the very great usefulness of a buried wire for receiving during the summer. There is nothing new about this; work was done on it many years ago by Wien in Germany and subsequently by Rogers in this country but as far as I know it was not applied to amateur work until 1920 at which time it was used by Kral of 3HS at Washington, D. C., the detailed results being reported in a Washington Radio Club bulletin. It was found possible to receive consistently at this station through conditions that made reception with an antenna absolutely impossible, no matter how small the antenna was. In this case the pick-up wire was about 35 feet long and made of ordinary rubber covered house-wire with the end put in a bottle of asphalt. It was buried as shown in figure 1. There was very little possibility of any fake effect because the station itself was below the ground level and the antenna had to go down to get to it. The ground lead was only a few inches long and went immediately back into the earth in the same yard where the pick-up wire was buried. There was an antenna on the premises but the results were not changed in the slightest

degree by grounding, ungrounding, or even removing this antenna. Since space at 3ABI, the writer's station at the time, did not permit checking the results we went into a vacant lot and ran tests with various members of the Washington Radio Club on one particularly hot Fourth of July when local thunderstorms were scurrying around the District of Columbia. Our transmission results were poor enough. We could transmit with the buried wire but the range was low for the power and some bad directional effects were encountered. The receiving was very satisfactory and in consequence the wire was buried at 3ABI in the small space available. It did not prove successful, probably because of the very long lead-in which had to go up to the third story.

At 5VU a buried wire was also used but serves as a counterpoise and therefore belongs in the next paragraph.

### RECEIVING COUNTERPOISES

A great deal can be done towards removal of static by simply lowering the antenna to a point less than 20 feet above the

Test	Antenna	Result
A	100' Buried 6"	Reception good at 200 and 600 meters. Transmission fair to S.W. and N.E. only. On 180, 250 and 300 meters.
B	50' buried 6"	Reception good at 200 but poor at 600 meters. Transmission poor at all three waves.
C	100' buried 12"	Results all thru same as in test A.
D	100' top of ground	All reception very weak. Transmission tried only at 250 where very weak.
E	100' 4' off ground	Reception weaker than others. Static stronger. Transmission very poor 300, fair 250, and about equal to A for 180 meters.

Earth a dry clay of very high resistance, results probably different for other soils. Observation stations from 1 to 6 miles away.

FIG. 2. WASHINGTON RADIO CLUB TESTS ON RECEPTION AND TRANSMISSION WITH UNDERGROUND WIRES

All tests made with one ground connection to a hydrant and with other terminal of set to various wires all laid to the southeast of the set. Buried wires rubber covered No. 14 house wire.

earth and then dispensing with the ground connection in favor of the counterpoise. The counterpoise may be several wires spanned out and suspended about three feet above the ground. If the family owns a garden this process seldom meets with very great favor and one must resort to the device used at 5VU. This is to use a receiving counterpoise very much like the buried receiving antenna at 3HS. Mr. Patterson recommends an antenna fifteen feet

high and 50 to 75 feet long together with a 60 ft. rubber covered counterpoise buried from 3 to 5 inches, as in Fig. 3.

This scheme gives materially louder signals than the one at 3HS but it also picks

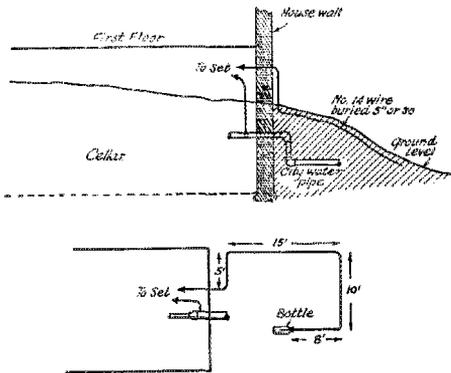


FIG. 3. THE ARRANGEMENT USED FOR RECEPTION AT 5VU, STATION OF CECIL PATTERSON AT FROST, TEXAS—WHERE THERE IS STATIC

up somewhat more static although still an enormous improvement on the usual antenna.

A STATIC FILTER

It seems worth while here also to recall the scheme of Dr. Jack Rogers of Eldorado, Arkansas. To repeat Dr. Rogers' own words, "I don't know how the signal gets through

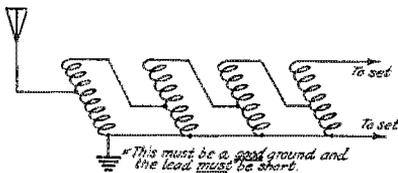


FIG. 4. DR. JACK ROGERS' "STATIC DRAIN" SYSTEM

For the broadcast range the coils have 66 turns of No. 24 wire on a 3 1/2" form and are center-tapped. The set itself can be screened with advantage as can the coil system. The coils are preferably spaced apart and set at the "sacred angle" used in neotrydnes to prevent inter-coil coupling.

but it certainly does." Some signal is lost but the static is lost to a considerably greater degree. The coils shown were made for the broadcast band. It is not known just what changes one would have to make to work on other bands but the thing is very much worth investigating for its performance on the broadcasting is very nice.

Will our readers please let us know of any results they may have?

—R. S. K.

**Strays**

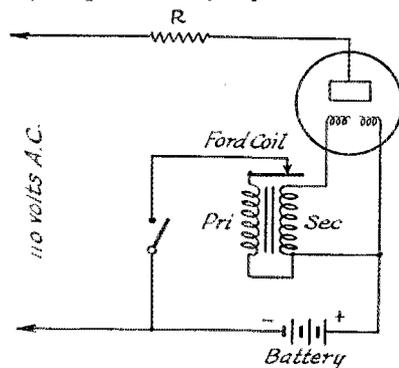
Some suggestions for the assembly of the pie-plate condenser described by Louis F. Lenck on page 55 of the April issue, are given by 1ADR.

For spacing the plates, wooden counters from a game of "Lotto" were used. They were originally 5/16" thick and 1/2" in diameter but were cut in half for this job. They were boiled in paraffin and floated in the solution. The plates can then be filled as they are stacked, something which was found difficult to do with the other method.

To prevent accidental short circuit, the sides of the plates were painted inside and out with black enamel. A worn-out 45-volt "B" stands on either side of the unit and the wall on the third. The problem of reforming does not look so gloomy now.

Don't throw away your burnt out Tungar tubes. They can be made to perk even after their filaments have opened up. The accompanying diagram supplied by 8CMW shows how.

The secondary of a Ford spark coil is connected across the filament terminals of the tube and its primary energized by the battery to be charged. When the switch is closed, a spark will jump across the open



filament ends and the electrons emitted being attracted to the plate will start rectification. As the normal amount of current flowing from the plate to the filament is as large as the normal filament current, it is quite possible to let this current heat the filament. Therefore after the first spark has taken place, the tube will continue to operate even though no regular filament current is supplied.

In order to prevent the whole power supply from "walking through the tube" a resistance, R, is placed in the power lead. You can use an electric iron or toaster.

If the tube is an obstinate one, a small glass plate condenser shunted across the secondary of the coil will often help.

# The Identification of Radio Frequency Harmonics

By J. E. Waters\*

WHEN using harmonics of a laboratory oscillator which is generating waves of a known frequency, as a source of calibration for a wavemeter or frequency-meter, it is often difficult for the uninitiated (and frequently for the experienced radioman) to identify the harmonic being heard. Many false harmonics intrude themselves and occasionally are of considerable strength. They may be found quite close to the expected frequency of the true harmonic, and thus deceive any one who has no means of differentiating them from the latter.

The following is the method used by the author, 6EC, assisted by 6CHS and 6CNK. While no originality is claimed we have failed to find any mention of this procedure in *QST* or any other current amateur radio publications, and therefore deny any allegations of intentional plagiarism.

To begin with, a straight wavelength-line condenser of seven plates was cut down to six plates, and a series of inductances four inches in diameter were constructed of one, three, and six turns. This wavemeter was calibrated from 42.8 m. to 33.3 m., inclusive, directly from the standard frequency transmission of 9XL. It had previously been roughly calibrated over this band by the harmonic method, from known frequencies above 50 meters as sent by WWV and 6XBM, and in checking from 9XL at no point in the curve was an error of more than 0.3 m. exposed.

On a sheet of millimeter co-ordinate paper, the wavelength being plotted against the degrees on the meter, the points accurately determined from 9XL (42.8 m. to 33.3 m. inclusive) were carefully laid off. With the meter used, the curve drawn through those points proved to be a straight line within 0.1 m. at any point. Consequently it was felt to be within the probable accuracy of taking readings on the wavemeter to consider same a straight wavelength-line meter so far as our purposes were concerned.

The curve being next continued in a straight line downward, the probable meter reading for 20 meters was ascertained. The receiver used to detect the harmonics was then set at 40 m. by the click method, the wavemeter being kept, as it always should be, as far from the receiving inductances as possible and still stop the oscillations of the receiver when in exact resonance.

Next, the laboratory oscillator was tuned to the receiver, which placed it at 40 m. To check, the wavemeter was then placed near the oscillator and adjusted until the oscillations thereof were blocked as determined by listening in the receiver. This also proved the oscillator to be in 40 m.

Then, using again the click method, the receiver was set at 20 meters as predicted by the extended curve of the wavemeter. And exactly there was found the harmonic (2nd) of the 40 m. oscillations of the oscillator, with a strength almost as great as that of the fundamental or first harmonic (40 m.).

A little curious exploring showed other harmonics (false) in the vicinity of the 20 m. point, but they were very weak in comparison to the true harmonic at 20 meters.

The curve was again extended, in a straight line, through the now determined 20 m. point, on and across the 16.66 m. line of the co-ordinate paper, this being the third harmonic of 40 m. With the receiver the next lower strong harmonic was found to be a trifle off the approximated curve, showing that the deviation from the straight line which could barely be detected in the 40 m. band was so multiplied in the lower waves as to be plainly evident. Correcting the curve thru the now ascertained 16.66 m. point, it was continued through to the fourth harmonic, or 10 m., and now knowing that the curve was not a perfectly straight line the harmonic was expected to be a shade below the value as predicted by the curve. It was, but not as far below as was expected. The curvature was more acute as the capacity in the wavemeter was decreased, i.e., as the wavelength was decreased.

These determinations were continued until the 7th. harmonic of 40 m., or 5.71 m., had been found, this being the limit of the receiver which was constructed for 40 m. work, the Weagent circuit being used.

In using various coils (inductances) on the meter it was only necessary to have an overlapping which would throw two points from the determinations on one coil onto the curve of the other, in order to give the approximate curve needed.

It is surprising how well the true harmonics hold up in strength as they progress down the scale. And it was equally surprising to note that the 15 m. signals from 9XL were the strongest received from any of his standard frequency transmissions.

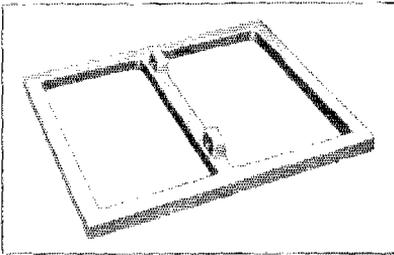
\*6EC, Anaheim, California.

Since calibrating the wavemeter in the 20 m. band, as described in the foregoing, by harmonics from signals of longer wavelengths, we have had an opportunity to check it against 9XL from 25 to 15 m. inclusive, and have found it to be as correct as the coarseness of its readings will permit its determination, certainly closer than 0.2 m. in the band mentioned.

### Aluminum Frames

**T**HERE are many times when one would like to have an all-metal cabinet for a receiver or transmitter. This is particularly true of the man who is putting in a crystal or other amplifier-oscillator arrangement.

If you have ever collected together six metal plates with the intention of soldering them together in the form of a box, you will appreciate the extent of the job as well as the distorted product that usually re-



sults. Your troubles are materially reduced though, if you are able to get some sort of a skeleton frame to start with. The illustration shows a cast aluminum frame that should prove of great help.

The cross section is 5/8" square. The outside dimensions are 10 inches by 12 inches and there is a dividing column located almost in the center. This has two raised portions to which may be screwed a plate of metal to make two separate compartments. They may be obtained from the Radio Engineering Laboratories of 100 Wilbur Street, Long Island City, N. Y.

—H. P. W.



APPLYING FOR A LICENSE

### Concerning Those "Phone" Articles

**T**HERE has been some excitement because of our statement that *QST* will consider the use of some material on radiophones.

Let us make our position perfectly clear.

We believe that with few exceptions, the American amateur radiophone is very poor in all its parts, oscillator, plate supply, modulator and microphone. We think that such stations are not desirable and that we should give no space to information about them.

On the other hand, we feel that if there is to be amateur radiotelephony it is better to have good stations than bad ones and that it is proper for *QST* to give some space to high grade amateur radiophones in which many A.R.R.L. members are showing an interest.

It is our view that a good radiophone is a thing that must be built with much more care than a c.w. station and that one must begin by understanding this and also being ready to spend at least as much for the speech end as for the rest of the station apparatus. A good radiophone must have an oscillator better than we are used to, must have an almost perfect power supply for the plate, must have a first-rate microphone and a speech amplifier that compares favorably with the ones used to work loud-speakers in broadcast reception. The percentage of modulation must be reasonably high, therefore the system used must be a sound one and not of the "freak" variety.

From this one can see that good low-power phone seems a better thing than the large mediocre phone.

This means that while we are interested in actual high grade radiophone stations to a degree we are of the opinion that more good will be done by discussions of the things that go to make a radiophone station: "the radiophone oscillator, how it must differ from the c.w. oscillator"; "plate supply and filter systems for radiophones"; "modulation systems"; "what ails your speech amplifier?" and "adjusting the radiophone."

If such material can be obtained—if any reader knows where to get it—then it seems entitled to be considered with *QST*'s other material and to be allowed space in the magazine in case it is able to stand the test of comparison with other contributions. If it cannot stand that test it does not belong in the magazine, just as the phone itself will deserve more space in the ether only if it can prove itself the equal of c.w. in effectiveness without an undue creation of undesirable situations.

—R. S. K.

# Short-Wave Radio Transmission and Its Practical Uses

Part 2\*

By Chester W. Rice\*\*

**T**HE variation of signal strength with distance when the effect of multiple reflections is taken into account is illustrated qualitatively in Fig. 10 for the case of a 20-meter signal on a summer day. As we leave the transmitter, the "ground wave" signal rapidly dies out and reaches the lower useful limit in the vicinity of 60 miles. The signal then remains practically out until we pass the skip distance at 850 miles where it becomes strong again. The next peak occurs at 1700 miles where the first reflection from the skip distance returns to

best represent the assumed experimental radio data on skip distance of Fig. 5. If more recent data require a revision of the summer day skip distances of Fig. 5, the numerical values of Fig. 11 will require modification but the general nature of the pattern should remain the same. To remind us of the loss of energy by reflection and refraction, the lengths of the lines decrease as the number of reflections increases.

### CHOOSING THE BEST WAVE

By way of illustration, let us inquire what is the most favorable wavelength for short-wave communication between

Schenectady and London, great circle distance, 3,300 miles (5,300 k.m.), on a summer day. Inspection of Fig. 11 indicates that a wavelength between 12 and 13 meters will place the first reflection from the skip distance in London.

A wavelength between 20 and 22 meters would place the 3rd reflection from the skip distance in London. The 12-meter signal is probably the better of the two because fewer reflections are required. Take the case of Schenectady to Buenos Aires, 5200 miles (8,370 km.). Here a wavelength close to 12 meters will place the 2nd reflection from the skip distance at Buenos Aires. This will place the skip distance at 2700 km. (1680 miles) from which point the first reflection takes place. The next time the wave comes to earth at 5400

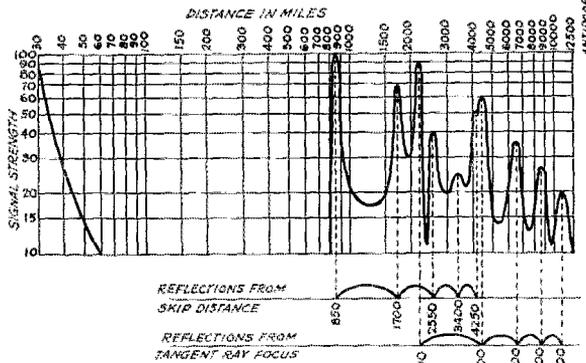


FIG. 10. CALCULATED SIGNAL STRENGTHS AT VARIOUS DISTANCES FROM A 20-METER TRANSMITTER ON A SUMMER DAY

Similar charts can be calculated for other wavelengths and are of help in gaining an idea of the probable performance of various waves for a particular task.

the earth. At 2200 miles we have the peak at the tangent ray focus etc. A less detailed but more comprehensive picture of the distribution of short-wave energy over the surface of the earth is given in Fig. 11 for summer day conditions. Here we have marked the location of the skip distance and tangent ray foci and their five reflections for different wavelengths. The positions of the skip distance and tangent rays are taken from the calculated curves of Fig. 12. The ionization values used in calculating Fig. 12 are those required on the present theory to

km. 3500 miles). Inspection of a globe shows that the initial reflection will take place at sea which is probably favorable when the sea is not too rough and the second point of reflection occurs in the middle of South America just below the equator. This appears to be a fertile country and therefore the reflection coefficient is probably fairly good. Schenectady to Los Angeles, 2300 miles (3700 km.) falls at the tangent ray focus of 14 meters or near the 3rd reflection from the skip distance for 28 meters. Probably the shorter wave would be preferable especially as the last reflection point on 28 meters may fall among the mountains.

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DIVERSITY FACTOR ON SHORT WAVES

Let us now see what appears to be the most logical method of obtaining reliable communication between two distant points such as Schenectady and Buenos Aires. In the first place, we have seen that the selected wavelength in the vicinity of 12 meters is none too attractive due to the uncertainty of the sea and land reflection conditions to which we must add an allowance for the possible changes in sky refraction. We also have to take into consideration the variation in atmospheric re-

antenna or concentration of energy by a beam can be relied upon to give complete continuity of service. When conditions are favorable a few kilowatts in a simple antenna will give a good signal and when the conditions are wrong (i.e. the pattern has shifted to some other point) no reasonable amount of power can be expected to bring back the signal. The ideal thing would be to have the receiving station follow the pattern around but since this is impossible, the next best thing is to spread a number of receiving stations over the nearby country and thereby improve our chances of having one station in a position to receive the signals. The signals from the nine or ten receivers spaced several wavelengths apart, more or less along the line of transmission, would be sent by wire or radio to a convenient central point where they are combined. There are now three possible methods of combining the several signals.

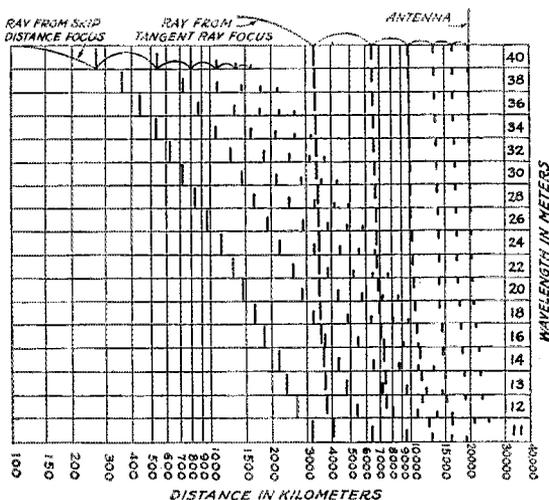


FIG. 11. ANOTHER GRAPHIC CHART TO SHOW PROBABLE PERFORMANCE OF DIFFERENT WAVES IN SUMMER DAYLIGHT AT VARIOUS DISTANCES

The short vertical marks extending upward from the base lines are points of strong signals caused by rays from the skip-distance focus. The short vertical marks extending down from a base line are points of strong signal due to reflection from the tangent ray focus. The length of the vertical marks of both sorts gives an idea of the signal strength.

fraction due to changes in density and temperature gradients. The amount of bending due to these atmospheric effects has been calculated by Fleming<sup>21</sup> and later by Larmor<sup>20</sup>.

A CURE FOR FADING

As we approach the short-wave limit (i.e. in the vicinity of 10 meters) the effect of atmospheric refraction will become increasingly important. (It seems advisable to suggest that this "limit" is a predicted limit. We have no real data at .01 meter, or .1 meter, or even at 1 meter.—Tech. Ed.) Our problem therefore is how best to deal with a shifting multiple refraction and reflection pattern. Under these conditions no economical amount of power in a simple

A. Adjust the circuits to give like radio phases under the steady conditions and add the radio amplitudes.

B. Add the signals in the radio circuit in random phase.

C. Make no combination in the radio circuit and add the detected currents in phase.

Under steady conditions, A gives us a directive receiver of the "end on" type which has certain well known advantages over a non-directive receiver. When conditions become unsteady (i. e. rapid fading) it would appear that A and B become equivalent since we lose all control of the radio phases. Under these conditions Rayleigh<sup>22</sup> has shown that where "n" signals of amplitude "a", are combined in random phase, (n being a large number) the amplitude of the resultant will average  $a\sqrt{n}$ , but this does not mean that it will at all times have a value  $a\sqrt{n}$ . It may vary throughout the range from 0 to na.

The method C on the other hand does at all times give a signal amplitude equal to  $a\sqrt{n}$  (i.e. gives energy addition).

To apply method C in the case of c.w. telegraphy we may amplify the radio signals by any of the well known methods (i.e. the superheterodyne frequency changing system) then detect or rectify and combine the direct current components of the several receivers in a moving coil etc., type of recorder. For ear reception, we may chop the combined d.c. or use some of the other well known methods of rendering it audible.

21. J. A. Fleming, Proc. Phy. Soc. Lond., Vol. 26, p. 815, 1913-1914.

22. Lord Rayleigh Sci. Papers, Vol. I, p. 491.

Obviously, we cannot use the ordinary heterodyne method of tone reception since this retains the phase relations of the radio circuits (i.e. make C equivalent to A or B). If the transmitted wave is modulated we radio amplify then detect and add the signals in the audio circuit. The audio circuits will obviously all be in phase since the time

deflected from the receiving area by small changes in either the atmospheric or electronic refraction conditions.

#### BEAM OR PLAIN ANTENNA?

It would therefore appear that the principal value of a beam transmitter is to increase the average signal strength at the receiving point. With the tubes available at present for short-wave work it is generally not convenient to produce more than say 10 Kw. of high frequency power. If we supply this 10 Kw. to a suitable beam antenna we may obtain an average tenfold increase of signal as compared with that obtained by using a simple radiator. When conditions are favorable, the increased signal is of no value, but when the refraction pattern has shifted away from the receiving station the increased intensity of the fringe and scattered radiation may be sufficient to yield a readable signal. A one-hundred kilowatt tube on a simple antenna structure would probably be a cheaper way of accomplishing practically the same result.

Transmission through sunset and sunrise and during auroras, etc., will in general require an entirely different wavelength and here the simplicity of wavelength change on a simple antenna system should give it an advantage over the beam.

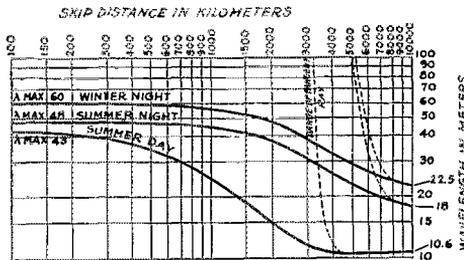


FIG 12. CALCULATED SKIP DISTANCES BASED ON PRESENT EXPERIMENTAL VALUES

difference between the various receiving stations is small compared with an audio cycle.

It is of course a good thing to use directive antennas to feed the individual receivers in the above schemes.

#### FADING CURES AT THE TRANSMITTER

To improve the continuity of service still further our next step might be to add a multiplicity of radiators at the transmitting station each sending the same signal. We then have four cases to consider.

- I. Same wavelength on all radiators.
- II. Slightly different wavelengths but not separable at the receivers.
- III. Wavelengths separable though silent.
- IV. Wavelengths widely separated so as to give different numbers of ground reflections.

For case I, a rigorous equality of frequency will be required. This means supplying all of the transmitters from the same master and if the transmitters are located at a single point the result is the same as increasing the power in a single transmitter, since frequency, phase and position are coincident. If we spread the radiators out over space our phase relations should be adjusted so as to produce amplitude addition at the distant receiving point which means that we have produced a beam transmitter. If we are to obtain much of a diversity factor from this beam, we probably require that the individual radiators of which it is composed should extend over many wavelengths which results in a costly structure. At the same time, the beam gets very sharp and can be easily de-

#### SEVERAL WAVELENGTHS

Case II. Some experiments have indicated a benefit from a geographical diversity factor corresponding to a separation of receiving antennas by one or two wavelengths, or a very small percentage of the distance traversed by the signal. This favors the presumption that equally small changes of frequency would suffice to bring signals in which would otherwise be lost. The result sought here might be obtained by having a number of radiators transmitting the slightly different wavelengths or by means of a frequency "warbler system" and a single radiator. The frequency difference between the several transmitters would have to be sufficient to give a number of beat cycles in one dot of telegraph code; this corresponds to a very small percentage change in frequency.

Case III. If further tests show that a wider separation of wavelengths than are contemplated in II improve the diversity factor and reduce the chances of losing the signal, then advantage should be taken of the possibility of actually separating the different transmitted wavelengths by highly selective receivers (probably of the super-heterodyne or double heterodyne type). Combination of the various signals would then be made after the final detection. This

method is obviously costly of space in the ether and should not be resorted to except for important work and where the necessary diversity factor cannot be obtained by one of the other schemes. The several transmitters may all be located at a convenient central point for it does not seem as though spreading out over a moderate area would add greatly to the diversity factor.

#### SEVERAL WAVE PATHS

Case IV. Here we select the next most favorable wavelength band and repeat the above schemes. For our example Figure 11 indicates the 18-meter band. In this way, use is made of a widely different path in the lower and upper atmosphere as well as different reflection points.

Before complicating things too much in an effort to obtain direct communication, we should of course consider the use of one or more relay stations. In this case, one at Panama or Pernambuco would probably be sufficient.

The numerical wavelength values deduced in the above examples are of course uncertain, due to our present lack of accurate data on the ionization conditions in the upper atmosphere. It is also clear that a great deal of systematic experimental work will be required before the relative merits of the various ways of increasing the diversity factor on short waves can be determined.

#### MAKING WAVE ACTION VISIBLE

The following optical experiment illustrates very beautifully the bending of radio waves in the upper atmosphere. The idea and necessary information for the experiment was obtained from the description of a similar experiment by Wood<sup>23</sup>. Some difficulty was experienced at first in making the experiment work and therefore a rather detailed description is given below for those who wish to try it. The effect is very striking, and well worth the trouble of personal observation. Fig. 13 shows a general view of the apparatus used.

The plate glass trough about 18" long by 4" high by 2" wide is filled about one quarter full with the following solution which has previously been mixed up in a bottle:

Solution No. 1.—

400 c.c. of 95% grain alcohol (see note 24).

2000 c.c. of water.

200 c.c. of concentrated sulphate of quinine solution.

10 drops of concentrated  $H_2SO_4$ .

The sulphate of quinine solution which renders the solutions fluorescent, was made by stirring an excess of the powder in water and then filtering off the clear solution. It is very important to have all the solutions very nice and clear. A second heavier solution is then allowed to flow slowly under the first solution from the flask shown in the photograph. The second solution is fed in parallel to the bottom of the trough through a tube which has a small right

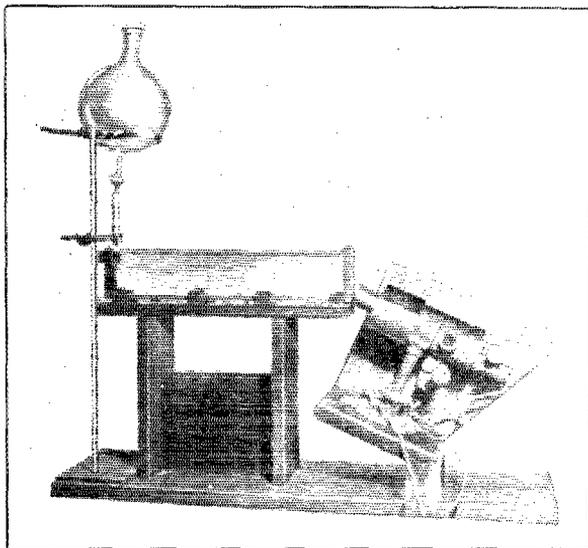


FIG. 13. OPTICAL APPARATUS TO ILLUSTRATE THE THEORY OF REFLECTION WHICH IS BEING DISCUSSED

The lantern at the right represents the transmitter and throws a ray of light, angling upward thru the end of the glass trough into a liquid which is to represent the air. This liquid is of two layers of which the upper is lighter and represents the thin ionized upper air. The two liquids are slightly diffused into each other where they meet, thus representing the diffused reflection condition of the Heaviside layer. The effect of putting the light ray in at different angles is shown in Fig. 14.

angled capillary at the bottom. The hole in the capillary is about the diameter of a pin. The flow is regulated by the stop cock shown on the flask. This second solution was from a bottle containing:

Solution No. 2.—

1500 c.c. clear pure glycerine.

900 c.c. 95% grain alcohol.

100 c.c. sulphate of quinine solution.

10 drops concentrated  $H_2SO_4$ .

24. A denatured alcohol was first tried and found to give milky solutions which are not suitable. Further trials would probably have shown that some of the various denaturing agents yield clear solutions which is all that is necessary.

23. R. W. Wood, Phil. Mag., Vol. 47, pp. 349, 1899.

After the solutions are put in as described above, they are allowed to stand for about 24 hours to allow diffusion to produce the desired thickness of transition layer. The distortion due to the presence of the transition layer can be clearly seen in the photograph. We thus obtain a condition analogous to that existing in the upper atmosphere. From the ground up to a certain height, the refractive index remains practically constant. When we pass the lower

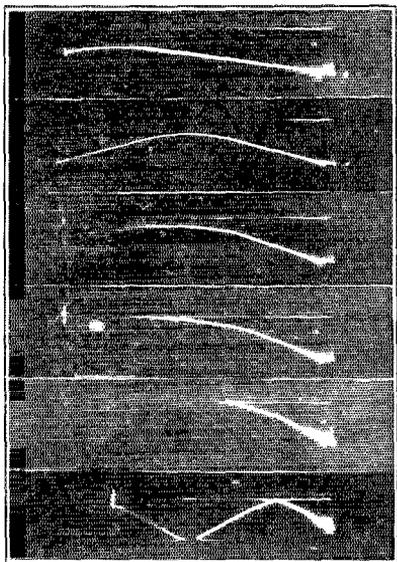


FIG. 14. EFFECTS OBTAINED WITH THE APPARATUS OF FIG. 13

A—Low angle radiation being bent slowly down by the Heaviside layer and coming to earth at a great distance—or missing the earth entirely.

B—Higher angle radiation coming down nearer the transmitter.

C—Still higher angle radiation passes the critical angle and again lights far away.

D—Still higher angle radiation just grazing the layer.

E—Very high-angle radiation penetrating the layer and escaping.

F—A shortened-up illustration of the effect that occurs in such a reflection as B, the ray striking the sea and going up again. This may repeat several times.

edge of the ionized layer, the refractive index gradually decreases to a minimum value and then increases to its normal value at great heights. Our optical experiment carries us to the minimum point which is all that is necessary, since any radio rays which are not turned back toward the earth before penetrating to the minimum point go out into space and are lost. The approximately parallel light beam which represents a radio ray was obtained by putting a slit approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long by  $\frac{1}{16}$ " high

in front of an ordinary oscillograph arc lamp. This brings the slit about  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " in front of the condensing lens.

The following series of photograph Fig. 14 taken in a dark room illustrate some of the points of interest. For low angle radiation the ray goes out to a great distance and is gradually bent back to earth. As we increase the angle, the ray returns nearer and nearer to the transmitter until finally the first critical angle is reached for which the ray comes down at the nearest point to the transmitter. A further slight increase of angle causes the ray to recede from the transmitter until a second critical angle is reached at which the ray goes out into space, never to return. To imitate this last condition, a piece of black felt wet with solution No. 1 is held in contact with the top of the solution to act as an absorber and prevent surface reflection.

The trough is not long enough to show multiple reflections with bending in the upper atmosphere, but the general effect may be shown by using the sharp reflection from the top surface as in the last photograph. In a dark room the experiment may be shown to a large audience and the beautiful blue fluorescent ray is very striking.

#### CONCLUSIONS

We may now conclude by reciting some of the results which appear to follow from the present theory.

(1) We are now able to estimate the most

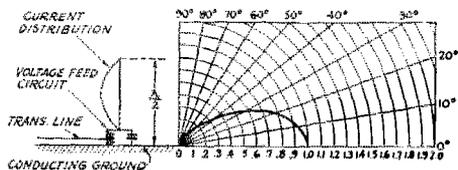


FIG. 15. AN ANTENNA SYSTEM THAT RADIATES MAINLY AT A LOW ANGLE

The method of feed is not important; the essential thing being the vertical half-wave antenna with the lower end near the earth. The radii represent signal amplitude, hence the polar curve shows the effectiveness of the antenna at various angles. Compare with Fig. 16.

suitable wavelengths for night and day, short-wave communication between any two points on the earth's surface.

(2) There will be a minimum wavelength in the vicinity of 10 meters below which long distance communication probably becomes impossible. This limitation is due to the fact that the horizontal ray leaving the transmitter will strike the lower boundary of the ionized medium at an angle greater

than the second critical angle and will, therefore, not return to earth but be refracted out into space.

Taylor and Hulburt<sup>11</sup> have predicted a similar short wave limit. The 5-meter experiments now under way by the Experimenter's Section of the A.R.R.L. will be of great value in trying to locate the true position of the short wave limit<sup>25</sup>.

(3) The ray paths and energy flux density in the wave front of the sky waves are independent of the plane of polarization of the transmitter. Therefore, the best polarization can be considered from the point of view of ground losses, ease of mechanical construction and such questions as nearby interference due to the ground wave, etc.

(4) There will be certain favored distances for which the same wavelength will give good night and day communication, whereas, in general, different wavelengths are required for best results between two given points.

(5) Inspection of Fig. 11 shows that a wide wavelength band is available for use in the vicinity of 3600 km. (2240 miles), 7000 km. (4350 miles) and 10,500 km. (6530 miles) due to the small change in the location of the tangent ray focus with wavelength.

(6) For long distance work, on short waves, low angle radiation is most effective, since the high angle radiation does not return to earth.

CHECKING THE THEORY

Following a suggestion by Van der Pol<sup>26</sup>, we could check the present theory by radiating the same wavelength first from an antenna system which is known to give a large percentage of low angle radiation, and then from a system giving mostly high angle radiation, and compare the signal strengths at a suitable distant point. The two antenna systems shown in Figs. 15 and 16 constitute convenient arrangements for which the directive curves are known<sup>27</sup>. We have illustrated voltage feed at the ground end from a high impedance multiple tuned circuit (i.e.  $[L \omega]^2/r$  approximately equal to 10,000 ohms at resonance for impedance fit at voltage loop of antenna).

The transmission line would probably go across about 1/5 of the coil turns to give an impedance fit (i.e. effective impedance across 1/5 coil turns =  $1/25 \times 10,000$  ohms = 400 ohms an average value for the surge impedance,  $\sqrt{L/C}$ , of the transmission line

to neutral). After sending for a while on the half-wave antenna, we could pull up an additional half wavelength of wire and send on the full-wave system of Fig. 16. The feed system and wavelength would remain fixed. A good wavelength for day testing would be around 12 meters. The value of the second critical angle for our assumed summer day ionization conditions is <sup>(1)</sup>

$$Q = \cos^{-1} \left\{ 1.0318 \sqrt{1 - 5.4 \times 10^{-4} \lambda^2} \right\}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength in meters. For 12 meters this gives  $Q=8.1^\circ$  and Fig. 11 shows that good signals should be received at 1680 miles, 2360 miles and 3350 miles.

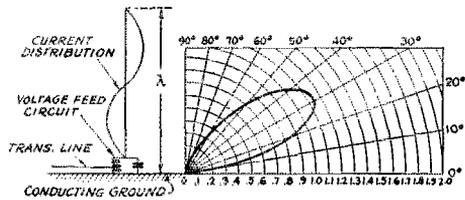


FIG. 16. AN ANTENNA GIVING MAINLY HIGH-ANGLE RADIATION

Again the feed method is secondary, the main thing being that it is a vertical full-wave antenna with the lower end near the earth. Compare with Fig. 15 and 17.

From Schenectady the first zone receiving stations might be located at Denver, Colorado, or Kingston, Jamaica; the second at Panama, or Los Angeles and the third at Para, Brazil. The tests should be made in the middle of the day, and a north to south direction would be preferable, especially for the longer distances to obtain the most uniform ionization conditions along the path. Inspection of the two directive curves shows that for the same current in the antennas, the signal amplitude from the half-wave antenna would be approximately unity for angles between the horizontal and 8° whereas the full wave antenna would give from zero to approximately .2 of the unit signal between 0° and 8°. Thus, if the high angle radiation does not return to earth but is lost in space, the signals from the full wave antenna should sound considerably weaker than those from the half wave antenna. The antennas should preferably be located in a flat country with an unobstructed view of the horizon, and over ground of high conductivity. A salt marsh near the sea shore would be ideal.

Another convenient antenna system for low angle radiation is shown in Fig. 17. Here a parallel-tuned circuit of approx. 10,000 ohms effective impedance is put in the middle of the full-wave antenna as a phase reverser. We thus cut the antenna

25. At this moment I feel inclined to suspect that the "limit" is subject to considerable interruption at 5 meters. With quite reasonable power, signals are being sent to distances in the order of 1000 miles by daylight.—Tech. Ed.

26. Balch Van der Pol, Proc. Phys. Soc. Lond., Vol. 29, pp. 269, 1916-1917.

in two and obtain currents of like phase in the upper and lower halves and the directive curve shifts from that of Fig. 16 to Fig. 17. Thus, by opening and closing a shorting switch around the parallel-tuned circuit with a rope we can shift conveniently from low angle to high angle radiation without making any outside changes.

(7) Short-wave radio transmission ex-

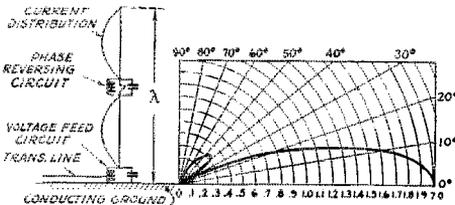


FIG. 17. A VERY LOW-ANGLE ANTENNA WHICH CAN READILY BE CONVERTED INTO THE FORM OF FIG. 16 BY SHORT-CIRCUITING THE PARALLEL-TUNED CIRCUIT AT THE CENTER

This is a  $3/2$  wave system with one half-wave in the tuned circuit at the center, hence not radiating. Here also the method of feed is not the main thing, although convenient.

periments are probably the most direct method we have of estimating the ionization conditions in the upper atmosphere.

(8) Skip distances etcetera which depend upon the ionization conditions are probably not constant, but will be found to vary from year to year following the 11 year sun spot period; the last minimum of which occurred in 1922.

The writer wishes to express his appreciation of the many helpful suggestions contributed by Mr. E. W. Kellogg.

## QRM

**G**REENSBURG, Pa., has had an interesting case of amateur interference with broadcast reception. It appears that Francis Gault, 8BPD, had been receiving numerous complaints that every time he opened up with either phone or c.w. all the neighboring broadcast receivers went dead. In self-defense, he and LeRoy H. Smeltzer, ex8NS, started a campaign to see just what did happen.

In the same square with the transmitter, there are eight receivers, the owners of which were complaining. 8BPD started up the transmitter and Mr. Smeltzer went around to visit the receivers. The first stop was a Radiola IIIA using plenty of regeneration. In fact, it made a tolerably good transmitter. The next stops were all sets of better grade. On only the IIIA

could 8BPD be heard. It also picked up a number of short wave phones and WIZ came in like the proverbial "ton of bricks."

All the BCLs were then requested to tune in WCAE and by manipulating the IIIA, they could practically all be switched to KDKA. At certain setting of the IIIA, the other sets could be killed completely. They heard only what the IIIA was tuned to. All this time, 8BPD was off the air.

After the matter was explained and demonstrated to the rest, they agreed that the amateur was in no way to blame. This is one more proof of what the right kind of investigation will do in cases of bad interference which may apparently be caused by an amateur but which is not his fault.

—H. P. W.

## A.R.R.L. Information Service Rules

Please help us by observing the following rules:

1. Keep a copy of your questions and diagrams and mention that you did so.
2. Number the questions and make a paragraph of each one.
3. Make diagrams on separate sheets and fasten them to the letter.
4. Print your name and address (not merely your radio call) on your letter. Don't depend on the return address on the envelope as this is destroyed when the letter is opened.
5. Don't ask for a comparison of the various manufacturers' products.
6. Before writing, search your files of QST—the answer probably is there.
7. Address all questions to Information Service, American Radio Relay League, Inc., 1711 Park Street, Hartford, Conn.
8. It is not essential to enclose an envelope as long as you supply postage and PRINT CLEARLY your name and address on your letter.





#### AUSTRALIA

The amateurs of Queensland have banded together under the name of, "The Queensland Radio Transmitters League" which organization has for its object the furtherance of amateur radio in Queensland. All holding fourth district licenses are members and arrangements have been made for several tests and relays. Traffic for the fourth Australian district should go through the League. oa4CG and oa4CM are the international correspondents and all communications to them will receive immediate attention.

#### VIRGIN ISLANDS

The radio affairs of the Virgin Islands are now being administered by the United States Supervisor of Radio of the Fourth District in the same manner that the affairs of Porto Rico are being handled. There has already been issued a license to Richard C. Spenceley of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands under the call letters of 4AAN.

#### BERMUDA

The following information concerning the conditions under which the amateur exists in Bermuda has been supplied by nbBEM, Ian C. Morgan.

All wavelengths between zero and 125 meters and also from 135 to 199 meters may be used for transmission. That band between 150 and 199 meters shall not be used between 7 p.m. and midnight. The rest of the assigned wavelengths have no time restrictions on them whatever.

Transmission may be in the form of c.w., l.c.w., m.c.w. or phone. The maximum output allowable is 20 watts and inductive coupling to the antenna circuit is compulsory. No messages may be handled unless they be of an experimental nature concerning amateur operation. The usual requirements regarding secrecy of messages, wartime and the keeping of a record of operations are also included.

Station licenses may be issued to persons holding an operator's license issued at Bermuda, a Commercial Marconi Operator's License, one issued by the proper U. S. A. authorities or to any one having other quali-

fications approved by the Governor of the Islands.

There are at present, four active amateur stations. Call letters consist of the letters BE followed by a numeral or, in special cases, by another letter.

BE1 is also the operator of the local broadcast station and may be addressed at Wadson's Bicycle Store, Front Street, Hamilton, Ber.

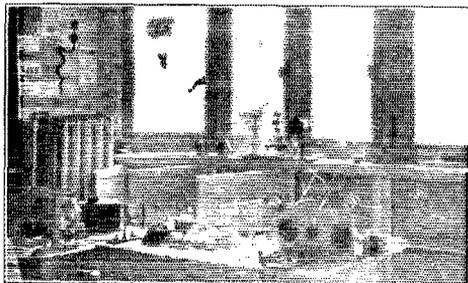
BE2 is using a five wattter with 350 volts d.c. on the plate. His QRA is Mr. Hunt, c/o G.P.O., St Georges, Ber.

BE3 uses a coupled Hartley and also a tuned grid and tuned plate transmitter. The wave is about 23 or 34 meters and the power output is 20 watts. QRA is A. E. Redman, Devonshire, Ber.

BEM is using a tuned grid and tuned plate circuit with two 201-As or two 5 watters. 550 volts a.c. is applied to the plates. The antenna is a vertical wire 25 feet high and the counterpoise is 20 feet long. Wavelengths of either 32 or 45 meters are used. Postage from the U. S. to Bermuda on a QSL card is two cents. Quite a few are held on account of this.

#### BELGIUM

The accompanying photograph shows the equipment at eb4AU, the station of



eb4AU

Jacques Mahieu, at Le Manoir, Peruwelz, Belgium. The small table on the left holds a transmitter to cover from 33 to 45 meters. This is a tuned grid, tuned plate

affair using a Philips 150-watt tube. Next to the transmitter is a wavemeter.

On the table is the switch for antenna change-over, rheostats for the filaments, a.c. and d.c. voltmeters, two keys and a "Schnell" type receiver. One stage of audio amplification is used.

The shelf under the window holds the 20-meter transmitter. A Colpitts circuit is used. Two r.f. chokes are used in series. One is the usual broad tune affair and the other is a coil and condenser combination which can be tuned to the exact wave of transmission.

In the closets below the windows are the storage batteries and plate supply equipment. A chemical rectifier of 120 jars is used in conjunction with a 4,000-volt transformer capable of delivering 250 mils.

The antenna is a single wire Hertz, 85 meters long and used for the 20-, 30-, and 43-meter transmissions. No earth or counterpoise is used. There is also being used a Zep type having the single wire part 80 meters long and the double feed line 5 meters long.

A 20-meter schedule with an "nu" station to be kept once a week is wanted for the handling of traffic. Someone who can speak French is desired.

eb4CB has supplied us with the following news of general amateur activities.

"The interest in amateur radio is growing rapidly in this country and there are some three-hundred amateurs already in existence of which a hundred or so have received their licenses. The greatest input allowed is 100 watts and c.w. must be used.

"Some of the older amateurs have QSYed to 23 meters and are doing excellent work. Among the latter are 4AU, 4BC, 4CU, 4UU, 4WW and 4ZZ. These last two have been keeping a regular schedule with af1B, ARCX and AQE. 4SA, who is our old friend P2, expects to be on the air shortly with a crystal controlled transmitter on 20 and 30 meters.

"The QRA of the Reseau Belge, which has been officially recognized by the Belgian Government and is also the official Belgian I.A.R.U. Section is 11 Congress Street, Brussels, Belgium."

—A. Depuydt, eb4CB, exP7.

#### CHINA

This message from ac8HB was received via nu6HM who took it in two sections on successive mornings.

"Amateur transmitting in China is, at present, chiefly confined to work on 33 to 38 meters. Though no records are at hand, quite a lot of international and local traffic is being handled. 1CRS easily heads the list, handling an average of 200 messages a month on schedules with op1AU, op1DL

and op1HR. He successfully staged a chess match with op1AU. Three games were played at the same time and were concluded in 12 to 13 hours! 1CRS and 1RCC have begun experimental work on 20 and 5 meters. 8EM and 8AG are QRT as they have gone home to France. 8ZW is temporarily QRT as he is visiting in Manila.

"8OC and 8PM (late y2PM) are both in one room about two by four. Their best gear is pooled in the make-up of 8PM with which they have worked several "nu," "oh," "op" and "su" stations. They have handled lots of traffic.

"2FF and 2AW in Tientsin have been pounding away regularly and have both done good DX as well as having handled a considerable amount of traffic. 4TO was driven from his home by the Reds but after a short period of silence has set up elsewhere and is doing his share of the traffic work and DX. Three or four low-power men, 2PA, 1AL, and SRJ have just come on the air and will be doing good work before this is in print.

"2NR is owned and operated by a young and enthusiastic officer on one of the Yangtse River steamers. He is doing a lot of excellent work, especially in connection with 8OC. They are handling a lot of messages for anxious wives and relatives in Shanghai who, during the recent troubles, have been wanting news of husbands and friends marooned at up-river ports. This work was largely the order of the day and with all telegraph communication cut, these two have been quietly rendering a great service. (Fine work, OMs!)

"Hot weather now and x2NR says fan motor QRM bad and 'SMD'; an expression he picked up in Kobe, meaning, 'Situation most damnable'. Local disturbances and authorities have put 8GG and XL1 off the air. (XL1 is a Chinese boy who is using 350 volts on the plate of a 5 watter in a Colpitts circuit.—cHM) However, it is believed XL1 will be on again shortly. 8HB's indoor Hertz antenna has probably saved him from a similar fate. It has also enabled him to get the coveted WAC. He has been keeping a regular schedule with nu6HM. The Colonel has been a real friend to us "ac"s who are mostly raw recruits in the game. From his distant station he has been a constant source of encouragement and has helped tremendously in getting our stations going and in getting us together. On behalf of all, a million thanks to nu6HM! We shall miss his cheery note this summer.

"Conditions during May have been very good for QSO U.S.A. around 12.00 G.C.T., but contact South has fallen off badly. We seldom hear our Aussie and Zedder pals

these days. Contact West is extra difficult; possibly as it is over land all the way and very mountainous land at that. Contacts with "fo" stations seem equally difficult.

"As a special request, please, if you QSL "ac"s (I sed "if", nuf sed. Hi!) do so under cover and don't mention radio or the name of a station in the address. Any QSLs for stations here may be sent to H. B. Wilson, P. O. Box 266, Shanghai. They will be forwarded. Thanks, OMs and 73."

—ac8HB.

Remember fellows that a QSL card sent openly many mean the closing of the station it is addressed to. Be sure the card is in an envelope and don't put your own radio call on the return address either.

#### ESTHONIA

In the early part of 1927, the amateurs of Esthonia banded together and decided upon the arrangement of call letters they would use. There are now the following stations on the air; et3AZ, formally TE4L, 3BY, 3CX who was T2X, 3MM and 3XY ex TE-XX.

They work on about 33.5 meters. As they are unlicensed, all QSL cards should be sent under cover. They may be sent to the secretary of their club whose address is Mr. Olof Leesment, Parnu, Aia tan, 6, Esthonia.

#### FRANCE

A general meeting of the Reseau des Emetteurs Francais was held in one of the halls of the "Palais d'Orleans" on May 22nd. About 100 amateurs were present among whom were eg5AD and eg5KU representing the R.S.G.B., nu1RD from America, op3AA of the Philippines, aiDCR of India, Madame Jamas, af1B, of Indo-China, M. Forthoffer of Syria and M. Thuillier of Algeria, SAY.

M. Deloy opened the meeting which was under the direction of Jack Lefebvre, 8GL. M. Levassor, 8JN, reported on the works of the Reseau during the year. He stressed all the difficulties encountered and all the efforts that had been made to give the membership all the advantages it had. M. M. Deloy, Levassor and Larcher were loudly applauded and G. Veulin, 8BP, given thanks for his untiring efforts to the cause in his work as editor of the Journal des Huit.

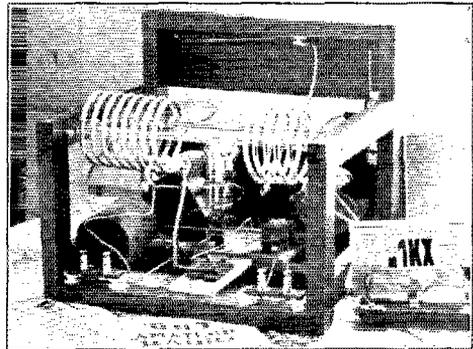
The election of officers took place with the following results. Honorary President: M. Lefebvre, 8GL; Presidents: L. Deloy, 8AB and P. Louis, 8BF; Vice Presidents: A. Levassor, 8JN, and E. L. Blanc, 8DE; Secretaries: R. Audureau, 8CA, R. Martin, 8DI, L. Groizelier, 8JC and R. Larcher, RO10.

M. Levassor presented a diploma and gold cup to Mr. Reyt, 8FD, for his work

in the first contact between Europe and Hawaii. A diploma was also given to M. Bouchard for the fine results he has been having.

The opening which preceded the banquet was interrupted by the arrival of M. Johnson, op1ZA, who came in a Ford, equipped with a transmitter, receiver and detachable antenna. After the arrival of M. Mesny who accepted the Honorary Presidency of the gathering, all entered the banquet hall. The banquet lasted until quite late and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

It is probable that many amateurs are planning to visit Paris and would like to meet the members of the R.E.F. It is re-



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quested that such amateurs communicate with the "Chief of the Section of Paris" of the R. E. F. whose QRA is Aronssohn, Radio 8FT, 2 bis rue J. Deville, Colombes (Seine), France. Give information concerning your expected QRA in Paris, date of arrival and proposed length of visit.

#### ICELAND

There are only two stations in Iceland, ni3SN who was formerly icSN1 and ni3AG ex icAG1. They usually work between 41 and 44 meters although they are allowed to use from 39 to 49 meters. QSL to Snorri P. B. Arnar, P. O. Box 354, Reyjavik, Iceland.

#### JAPAN

There is now a licensed amateur station in Japan. It has been assigned the call of JLZB and is owned and operated by Tessue J. Kusumoto, 3256 Kakoi Nakano, Tokyo, Japan.

The transmitter uses two VT2s or two UX-210s in a Hartley circuit. The plate supply is 450 volts d.c. and an antenna current of 1.2 amperes is obtained on 80 meters.

The unlicensed stations 3AA, 3WW, 1AB and 1KM were prosecuted for illegal opera-

tion and were fined 50 yen. This is a good example of what can happen if QSL cards are not mailed "under cover" to those stations not licensed. Remember this, fellows and be careful.

#### NEW CALLS

- ed7CZ—Tubbs, Ameliegrade 32, Copenhagen, Denmark.  
 ne8AF—124 Duckworth Street, St. Johns, Newfoundland.  
 nr2FGL—Federico Gonzalez, San Jose, Costa Rica.  
 nr2GPH—Gonzalez Pinto Hernandez, San Jose, Costa Rica.  
 nr2HV—Higinio Vega, San Jose, Costa Rica.  
 sb7AB—Miss O. C. Chaves, Av. Nazareth Nr. 105 Belem, Para, Brazil.  
 so2AS—Leon Schlegel, Casilla 17, Vina del Mar, Chile.  
 se1FG—Mission St. Aliara, Quito, Ecuador.  
 swGREN—R. M. Brown, Grenada, British West Indies. Intermediate should be "nl".  
 sh6BR—M. Solomon, 125 Carmichael Street, Georgetown, Brit. Guiana.  
 fm1TZ—J. Bardin, Sergt. Aviation, Rabat, Morocco.  
 fm8AFA—Fremont, Aviation, Ajadir, South Morocco.  
 KFVM—Yacht Idalia bound for China with nu6OC and 6AYC aboard.

### The Atlantic Division Convention

JUNE 23, 24 and 25, will go down in the history of A.R.R.L. Conventions as the three days during which the Golden Triangle Radio Association of Pittsburgh, Pa., staged one of the best of conventions. After the formal address of welcome by Biddle Arthurs, Jr., general chairman, there was a continuous round of meetings, stunts, entertainments and visits to points of interest.

Capt. Hildreth, U.S.A., of Baltimore,

representing the 3rd Corps Area, spoke interestingly on the progress of Army-Amateur work and made a number of friends because he showed himself a real good fellow. Our old friend Gawler, a real old timer now representing General Radio Co., gave us food for thought by his good address on the "business end of radio." Dr. Mason of the Aluminum Co. covered quite fully the subject of "rectifiers" and there is no doubt but the future will bring us more information along the lines covered. The General Manager of the Ceco Mfg. Co., of Providence, R. I., who happened to be in Pittsburgh, was most generous by giving the gang an opportunity to see two reels of films descriptive of the manner in which their tubes are manufactured. The Willard Storage Battery of Cleveland, Ohio, very kindly sent their Mr. H. S. Scott, Radio Engineer, who gave us another angle on rectifiers, and moreover we discovered he was an old-time amateur of pre-war days. Director Woodruff was given an opportunity to show us his latest box of "tricks" and if he continues to experiment we are afraid the next time we see him he will have a complete radio outfit that can be slipped into one's ear.

Hebert, Handy and Budlong of A.R.R.L. Headquarters, were kept busy speaking at different meetings, where executive, traffic and P.R.R. Emergency work were fully covered. This was especially so of the P.R.R. Gang as some 29 of those good and loyal followers of "BUD" were present from every part of the division.

The "Stunt" night brought out some unique entertainment. The Buffalo gang, with Eichman as leader, had every one on the anxious seat in staging a real-to-goodness initiation of the ITK's; but the Niagara Falls fellows were not to be outdone and sprung the surprise of the evening with something original. This consisted of a method of radio transmission and reception of telepathic waves and had picture transmission beat a mile. We understand

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## Experimenters' Section Report

**B**ECAUSE of the questionnaire and the impossibility of giving full results on the 5 M. tests now the report this month is short.

### THE 5-METER "CQ PARTY"

It seems as if the 5-meter CQ party has brought out the most interesting thing that has happened in that band of wavelengths. The reports are as yet very incomplete and it is too early to talk—though this is being written at the latest possible date for this issue, namely, July 2nd. All members of the Section have been asked to send their reports in, therefore they should all be at Hartford and the whole thing studied out by the time you read this.

Look for the whole story in the next issue.

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### SPECIAL REFERENCES

Particular attention is attracted to the following references as having particular usefulness for the section. The American Inst. of Elec. Engineers has held two conventions at which papers in our territory



"Never do today what you can put off 'till tomorrow," does not apply to the outstanding report on the 5-meter CQ party and that recent "X" Section questionnaire. Send them along fellows.

were presented. At the summer convention held in Detroit there was presented on June 23rd a series of papers by Dr. Hebert Ives, Frank Gray, J. W. Horton, R. C. Mathes, H. M. Stoller, E. R. Morton, D. K. Gannett, E. I. Green and Edward L. Nelson on the Bell Telephone Research Lab. system of television. All members of the Section will find the well illustrated 50-page report of the greatest interest.

The Standards Year Book has just been issued by the Bureau of Standards as miscellaneous publication No. 57 and can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing office, Washington, D. C., at \$1.00 per copy. As usual the money must be sent in postal money order or Government coupons. Personal checks

are not acceptable. Those who know the Standard Year Book will not fail to secure a copy.

#### SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS ON 2XS

The observations for Dr. Alexanderson on the transmissions of 2XS have been carried by Mr. C. D. Grunow of Ballentine, Nebr. almost without assistance for a number of months. Mr. Grunow's work has been very good and deserves support from other members.

#### THE CHOKE COIL ARTICLE

It will be noticed that the choke coil article is not here as promised. This is because there has just turned up a new way of doing the thing which was supplied by Dr. D. W. Pierce of Harvard University, also some additional work has been done by Mr. Austin Lidbury of Niagara Falls and by the General Radio Labs. The conclusions do not at first sight appear to be in entire agreement and some additional check work must be done.

#### LONG ANTENNAS

It will be remembered that long since Mr. Don C. Wallace recommended very strongly that an extremely long receiving antenna at a good height be used to improve the ratio of signal over noise. Tests at some 20 stations have produced rather contradictory results in this regard though part of the contradictions seems to be caused by operating the antenna through a primary coil to ground, and coupling this coil to the grid circuit of the detector (or r.f. amplifier if one is used). These long antennas appear to operate more favorably at short waves if used with very loose capacity coupling or even with the antenna simply brought into the room. Any experimental results on the use of receiving antennas from 100 to 1000 feet long will be very much appreciated.

## BOOK REVIEWS

By R. S. Kruse, Technical Editor

All books reviewed in *QST*, with the exceptions stated below, may be obtained from *QST's* book department. Please send the order in a separate letter addressed Book Department, American Radio Relay League, 1711 Park Street, Hartford, Conn. Government publications should be ordered direct and books for which no price is stated should be obtained from the publisher.

*Engineering as a Life Work*, J. V. Lynn and E. S. Baird. Published by Engineering Extension Department, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, 62 pages, 17 illustrations.

In view of the many letters that are received at *QST* asking "How do I become an Engineer?", such a clean-cut analysis as is given in this little book cannot help being of material assistance to many of the members of A.R.R.L. In reading it, one will not only gain a better sense of proportion as to the Engineering Profession but will incidentally gain a clear picture as to the relative position of things *inside* the profession. I can think of but two things that would appear to contribute to the book; a somewhat sharper distinction between the power and communication portions of electrical engineering and the addition to the excellent bibliography of Waddell & Harrington's "Addresses to Engineering Students."

*Standard Yearbook, 1927*, United States Department of Commerce. To be obtained from Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. at \$1.392 pages and 39 illustrations.

To report or analyze this book is almost impossible because of the exceeding complexity of the material covered. The book explains the national and international standards for all manners of electrical, chemical, physical and commercial things. It outlines the agencies handling these matters and reports on the work of standardization done by the United States Bureau of Standards, which of course yies in with similar bureaus in other countries. Incidentally—our Bureau of Standards is also a bureau of research and one must not gain the impression that even this book covers all its activities. A series of 35 photographic and line illustrations shows the standards used by the United States.

This book is certainly worth a dollar to anyone engaged in any engineering, experimental, or industrial work.

*Wireless Pictures and Television*, T. Thorne Baker, 188 pages, 99 illustrations, D. Van Nostrand Co., 8 Warren Street, New York City. \$2.50 Net.

I am a bit diffident as to reviewing a book on a subject with which *QST* does not deal very closely, for the comment may not be at all accurate. The present book creates the impression of considerable completeness, is clearly presented and must certainly have interest to anyone interested communication after all—isn't visible communications in a thing we audible communication folks have been too much inclined to neglect? Perhaps Mr. Baker's book will aid in a cure.

*Robison's Manual of Radio Telegraphy and Telephony*, 7th revised Edition, 737 pages, 424 numbered illustrations plus frontispiece. Published by The United States Naval Institute, Annapolis, Maryland. New price \$5.50 postpaid.

After *QST's* statement that the 6th Edition of "Robison" was the best radio book ever received that edition did not last long, in spite of the price of \$8.50. Incidentally, the Naval Institute very graciously accepted A.R.R.L. orders at 50c below the proper price to meet our incorrect statement of the price. When the edition was exhausted many orders had to be returned by the Institute and by *QST's* Circulation Manager.

The 8th edition has been written with the announced intention of advancing the book to cover recent developments and of including consideration of the needs of the A.R.R.L. men who showed such interest in the last book. To meet the first requirement there has been added material on crystals and other such matters while the space for laws, Naval procedure and mathematics have been reduced. That this has been done competently is proven in advance when one states that the revision was done by Commander Stanford C. Hooper and Lieutenant Com. Mander T. A. M. Craven.

The nicest feature of all is that this newest edition, in the same sturdy Navy binding, is offered at \$5.50. It is the very best possible sort of a purchase.

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## Amateur Week

**T**HE HAMS of the East Bay Section of California recently put over something that is worth a great deal to amateur radio, and other sections would do well to follow in their steps. The move was backed by the Oakland Radio Club and the Central California Radio Club, spurred on by 6CKC. The fellows, deciding that people in general didn't know enough about amateur radio, designated a certain week some time ago to be known as "Amateur Week." A fitting introduction to the week was a ham program given at the Oakland Tribune station KLX, lasting for an hour in the middle of an evening. The hour was opened by Mr. Linden, the Radio Supervisor of the Sixth District, who explained what amateur radio is, what it accomplishes, what the A.R.R.L. is, and what the whole thing means to young chaps who are growing up. 6BFU's Radio orchestra then played several jazz selections.

A skit was put on by 6CEJ, 6CRO, 6CKC and 6JS, which gave the listeners a further insight into the activities of us amateurs. 6ASX rendered a violin solo, 6CEJ a saxophone solo, and then some more selections were played by the orchestra, concluding the hour. Several phone calls were received at the station during the hour, asking about amateurs.

Amateur stations were installed at several theaters in Oakland by 6CRO and 6CAX which brought a huge bunch of messages. The Central California Radio Club held a picnic, and a swimming meet was held between the Oakland hams and the San Francisco Radio Club. On the final day of Amateur Week, a dandy banquet was held at the Alpine Hotel in Oakland, with attendance from all the cities of that section of California. 6RJ was one of the speakers.

The whole week was a success in every sense of the word, and much credit is due to 6BXH, 6CEJ 6DDN and 6CKC, who worked night and day to make the week a success. Incidentally, the ham program broadcast over KLX was so fine that the bunch are to give one each month from now on.

## A Fishing Trip With Portable 10F

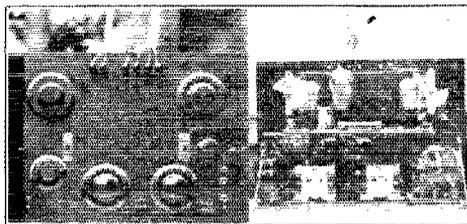
By T. F. Cushing\*

**A**T 3:00 P. M. on June 4, 1927, a very heavily laden automobile could have been observed leaving Springfield, Mass., for a point in the Northern part of New Hampshire, 275 miles away. In the automobile, buried under mountains of blankets, fishing togs, tent, camp cook stove, etc., could be found 1WP, 1AWW (myself), and a third party by the name of Mr. Bartholomew, a BCL, but a fisherman. Very choicely placed among the soft blankets was a portable transmitter and receiver all in one case (18" x 12" x 6"). The necessary twelve-volt storage battery was riding comfortably on the running board, and a twelve-volt dynamotor furnishing 750 volts output was carefully stowed in the auto trunk.

Before bidding good-bye to Springfield, definite arrangements had been made to have certain amateurs there; namely, 1AQF, 1BYW, 1AEP and 1EO, listen for the signals of our portable station at ten-thirty p.m. each night while we were away. The portable call was 10F.

\*1AWW, 78 College St., Springfield, Mass.

It commenced to rain shortly after leaving Springfield, but we pitched camp in the rain, the first night, about ten miles north of Bellows Falls, Vt., under a large pine tree, at about eight p. m. While two were getting supper and making the camp comfortable from the wind and rain, the third camper could have been noticed deftly hurling an empty



THE PORTABLE TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER. 10F

Two anti-capacity switches change from sending to receiving. One UX-210 was used in the tuned-plate tuned-grid circuit, though there is provision for two in the set. Plug-in coils and standard condensers were used in this convenient outfit.

soda bottle high up into an adjacent tree. Around the neck of the bottle was tied light but strong fish line, and when the bottle had nicely passed over a high limb and descended to earth, a No. 14 antenna wire was substituted for the bottle and pulled up taut. A similar wire was run to a nearby fence for a counterpoise. After supper the radio set took the place of dishes on the table, and radiation was nil



CLARK, 1WP, AND THE 3½-POUND TROUT THAT ANSWERED HIS CQ.

according to a perfectly good Weston meter, with our schedule only fifteen minutes away. 1WP suggested a small loading coil, which was tried, and the meter went up to one ampere. A CQ was then attempted, and—lo and behold! 1AEP of Springfield answered us. Needless to say, we all got the thrill of our lives sitting there in a tent with the wind howling

and the rain descending in torrential sheets with high mountains all around us, getting through on the first try. The BCL has not gotten over it. When he filed a message for his wife, and got an answer in ten minutes or less, he would have been willing to kiss that amateur set, had anyone suggested it.

We broke camp early the next morning, and that night found us 200 miles farther north, near Errol, N. H. Again we pitched camp in the rain, and put up an antenna and counterpoise in the same manner as previously. Now we had the entire White Mountain Range between us and home, with Signal Mountain just to our South with an altitude of over



THE CAMP NEAR ERROL, N. H.

2500 feet. This time also we all had our doubts, but ten-thirty p. m. found us in communication with Springfield, exchanging messages with our wives and families. The wind and rain were very bad all night—and the next day so bad that the tent blew down (ask IWP, he was all alone at the time, and had to recover the wreck), but fortunately, we had taken a picture of the layout before this happened.

We remained there for a week, fishing in the daytime, and running amateur radio at night. We were in communication with Springfield every night, and worked numerous other stations during the week. Contact was established as far west as Ohio, and as far south as Norfolk, Va. Lots of experience was gained in setting up portable outfits, in connection with camp life, and by the end of the trip the set could be erected and dismantled in a very short time.

I know that the pleasure of our trip was at least doubted by the pleasure of having a portable amateur outfit with us.

#### CANADIAN AIR EXPEDITION TO HUDSON BAY —VDE

Fifteen pilots and six Fokker planes sailed North from Halifax in mid-July aboard the *C. G. S. Stanley* and *C. G. S. Larch*. It is the purpose of the expedition to thoroughly map the whole region from the air as well as from the vessels accompanying the expedition. Three aeroplane bases will be established, one near Port Burwell at the eastern end of Hudson Straits, one on Nottingham Island at the West end of the Straits, and one midway between the two and North of the Straits. The whole project is to determine the practicability of the proposed Hudson Bay Railway by mapping the channel in Hudson Bay which may be used by freighters to carry wheat from the Canadian West. The planes with men enough to maintain the three bases will remain at the three bases during the winter, though the *Stanley* will return in October.

Radio communication will play an important part in affairs as usual. While VDE (*C. G. S. Stanley*) will be the only station in operation until the three bases are established, each base will have radio equipment including 3 160-foot guyed steel masts. The Canadian Marconi Co. built the base-station equipment which will be used for contact with the planes and with Ottawa. 200-meter sets at each base will be used for working the planes. Base B (see map) is to have a 500-watt long wave transmitter, two super-het B/C receivers, det. 2-step long wave receiver, det. 2-step short wave receiver and apparatus enough to build an experimental short-wave transmitter. Base C is to have a 500-watt long wave transmitter, 500-watt short wave transmitter, det. 2-step

long wave receiver, super-het B/C receiver, and super-het short wave receiver. Base A will be equipped like Base C except that the transmitter will be a 1600-watt affair. Base C has been assigned the call VCJ and will work on 37 meters.

VDE has a 500-watt CW-ICW 600-2100 meter transmitter and a 500-watt M.O.P.A. set on 37 meters. Power supply is from a 6 K.W. automatic-starting remotely controlled gas-engine driven generator. There will be about ten ops aboard the *Stanley* on the trip North so a continuous watch will be kept. A 7-tube short-wave super-het is used for receiving. C. H. Starr (nc1AE), R. L. Bunt (nc8MX), Lieut. Bill Laurie and a bunch of other ops will handle traffic with the Militia Station at Ottawa (XWAB, 37 meters). In the periods when there are no official schedules we can rest assured that there will be plenty of opportunity to get QSO with VDE and later on with the short-wave base stations. The *C. G. S. Larch* carries only long wave radio equipment for contact with the *Stanley*. Both ships are heavily loaded with planes, four heavy motor launches, three Ford tractors, 900 barrels of gasoline, 80 ton of coal and tons and tons of building material and food supplies.



"Three aeroplane bases....."

We are greatly indebted to OM Starr for the full information in this report. Look for him at the key of VDE and be ready to QSR for any of the stations of this expedition when necessary, gang. While it may be necessary to send official reports through Ottawa, everyone will have a chance to work VDE and get in on the fun. Good operators of good stations will be given preference over those with rotten notes, sloppy lists, and a line of "R9 73 CUL" stuff —because in the somewhat limited operating time it will be impossible to work everybody.

#### THE PUTNAM BAFFIN ISLAND EXPEDITION —VOQ

Everyone who reported VOQ to A.R.R.L. Headquarters during the month reported good signals and contacts with operator Ed Manley (8FJ) of the *Morrissey*. There were more reports on VOQ than on any other expedition out at the present time.

8DME handled 28 messages for VOQ during June, copying him regularly from June 13 on and handling from one to six messages each of the several times worked (June 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27). 2FG worked VOQ June 14 taking six messages. 9CUX heard VOQ working 4RN on June 16. 9APY also copied VOQ when off Martha's Vineyard working SCWP. nc3AEL copied VOQ June 15 and 16 while QSO with 2UO and 8DME. 9CMV worked the *Morrissey* handling and delivering several messages while she was north of Labrador ploughing through the first ice with a high wind and rough seas. 9CP worked VOQ June 23 and 29 making a regular schedule. Miller would like to do as well with VOQ as last year but is hampered by necessary overtime work for the Western Union Co. at Hammond, Ind.

9EGH at Madison, Wisconsin, was in contact with VOQ July 3 handling two 75-word messages which were forwarded by wire. The *Morrissey* was ice and fog bound off the entrance of Hudson Straits at the time. Manley told 9EGH that he succeeded in marooning himself on a big piece of ice just before the QSO and nearly had a cold bath as a result. (Hi) 2WH at East Hampton, N. Y., worked VOQ the same date taking a long message for the New York Times and a couple of personal messages all of which were phoned. 2WH says, "VOQ on 33 meters, R6 here, very good operator. The expedition off Cape Chidley at entrance to Hudson Straits." Next month we hope to have some dope from Manley himself. In any case send in your reports whenever you hear or work VOQ so we can tell the communication story of the trip as it progresses.

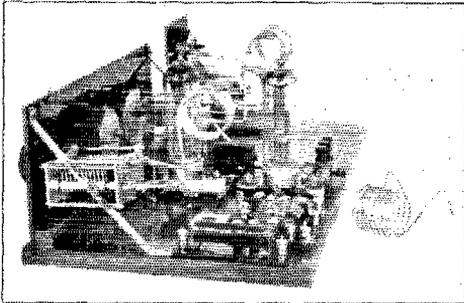
**MacMILLAN EXPEDITION—WNP—WOBD**

A radiogram from A.R.R.L. Hq. rec'd by Fred Ellis of 1CTI on July 1 brings us the most direct word from the Schooner *Bowdoin* (WNP) at that time at Sheet Harbor, N. S.: "WNP is on 36 meters every evening 8 to 10 EST, 21.5 meters around noon EST. Working schedules 1XV, 1CKP, 1CTI, 2CRB, 2BBX, 6CUA, 9ADG, and n8AZS. Have been QSO ships near New Zealand and Azores. Messages moving nicely. Schooner *Radio* has been assigned call WOBD, 37.4 meters. We expect to join the *Radio* at Sydney, N. S. WNP is using a Hartley circuit. Antenna is a half-wave Hertz on 36 meters, full-wave Hertz on 21.5 meters. Zeppelin feed is used. The receiver is tuned-grid tuned-plate type. 42 messages have been handled in the last five days. Regards to gang. (sig) Himoe WNP ex9AOG".

8AAK (Santa Barbara, Calif.) reports copying WNP on June 27 when the *Bowdoin* was QSO 2BN. On the day previous 3VM heard WNP but was unsuccessful in raising her. On June 30 9SK at Arcola, Ill., succeeded in having a good-two-way contact. July 2nd 1ABA and 8ASF both worked WNP but QRN was terrible and though several attempts were made to take some of WNP's traffic, neither station was successful. 8DCM had an enjoyable conversation with WNP on the morning of July 7. 1CTI has a Wednesday and Friday schedule at 9pm EST and will be glad to forward any traffic for the Mac-Millan expedition.

1ATV (Skowhegan, Maine) worked Gold (n1AAY) operating WOBD on the *Radio* on July 3 right after WOBD finished with 1KL at 8.40 pm EST. One message was handled. At this time the *Radio* was at Sydney waiting for the *Bowdoin*. So all is well with the MacMillan expedition's ops and apparatus. Let's have more reports from those working this expedition. Make 'em QSL-cards and we will turn them over to Himoe and Gold as soon as they return from the North. What sa, OM.

The short-wave T.P.T.G. 100-watt transmitter KGEF of the Borden-Field Museum Arctic Expedition aboard the schooner-yacht Northern Light.



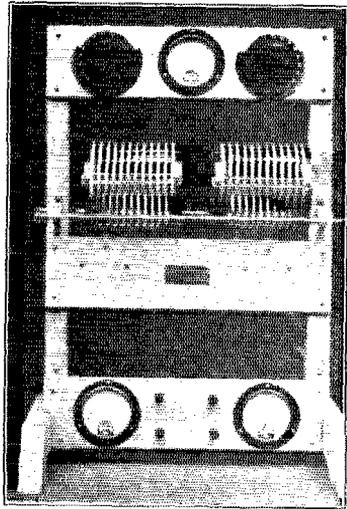
Note the plug-in coil construction for QSY and the Leach Keying relay in the foreground. Listen for KGEF on 23 and 37.5 meters.

Former Section Manager L. E. Smith, 6BUR, sailed from Los Angeles July 1 as sparks on the private yacht *Ripple* (KFLF) bound for Honolulu and the South Sea Islands. The *Ripple* is Diesel powered, twin screw, 150' long and well equipped for short wave work. A 204A in T.P.T.G. circuit (similar to the outfit on KFUE) operates near the 40-meter band from 500-cycle plate supply. Another 204A works on 600-meters. Revamped Aero coils, a Grebe CR6 and CR7, constitute the receiving equipment. Operator Smith says he will see all the gang on the air from KFLF.

1BHS and 8DBM were QSO xnc2BN June 15 and June 21. xnc2BN is a Canadian steamer bound from Montreal to New Zealand and at the time worked located about 1500 miles from the West Coast just south of the equator. The set employs just one five wattor with 500 volts on the plate.

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9AO has a couple of new 203A's and reports QSO with the *Modoc*, NIDK, of the International Ice Patrol, located in the North Atlantic.



The main transmitter of the University of Michigan, Greenland Expedition. A 1/4-KW tube is used in a Reinartz circuit at n1XL. This type of mounting with a couple of back braces works nicely with any circuit. n1XL works on 25, 35, and 45 meters wavelength.

Jamison (8BIT) and Clark (8BQS) of Pittsburgh started on a six months tour in the West in late June. A portable transmitter (one UX210, B-bats, and a Hertz) signing n8ZZE has been taken along with which to work the gang from the different stopping places. QSL's should be sent Care 6RJ, 2901 Rawson St., Oakland, Calif.

H. M. Y. *Adventurers*, GLYK, will be working on 45, 23, 10, and perhaps 5 meters during July and August. Reports should be addressed to Mr. R. F. Durrant, c/o Colonel Millard, Westhill, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, England.

n5AV (New Denver, Brit. Columbia) worked the Hudson Bay Company's auxiliary schooner *Baymaud*, CKA, on June 26 taking some traffic and arranging a bi-weekly schedule for handling further messages. The *Baymaud* is at present located in the Coronation Gulf, Arctic Ocean. CKA has a 500-cycle note and may be heard on 42 meters wavelength.

When Zane Grey's Yacht *Fisherman*, KNT, went aground at Rangiroa, in the South Seas, 6PW did some fine work in keeping the newspapers informed of conditions. The San Francisco *Chronicle* got all its dope on the accident through 6PW, and much publicity was furnished amateur radio. 6PW stayed at the key practically all one night watching for a QSU from KNT and finally managed to get in contact again the next evening, when he learned that KNT had blown their generator the night before.

6BOL has been handling messages between a lady in Portland, Ore., and her son in Alaska. A very fine letter was received by him from this lady, telling how much this work was appreciated, and how much she thought of amateur radio in general, since it had been the means of her being in constant communication with her son, with a time lag of a great deal less than the mail could offer.

6FP softly sobbed, "And it has come to this," as he pointed to the magnet which was drawing iron filings. —The Ham-Meter.

## 20-Meter Work

CONDITIONS are uniformly fine on the 20-meter band if we are to judge by all the reports received from different sources this month. 9DTR (Danville, Ill.) predicts that once it is discovered that foreign stations can be worked at most any time of day and that QRN is greatly reduced, the 20-meter band will be as crowded as "forty" is now. It is suggested that more of the gang get down on "twenty" Saturdays and Sundays to try this wave out fully. New foreign contacts will result. If we all concentrate on "twenty" at the same time of the week more good contacts will be made in each individual's limited operating time and we can more quickly find out some of the things remaining to be discovered about this wavelength.

sc3AG (Santiago, Chile) says, "Undoubtedly, the 20-meter band is better by far than the 40-meter band for U.S. contact. Only twenty of my 232 points in the International Relay Contest were obtained on 40 meters."

8VE (Pittsburgh, Pa.) reports "Twenty-meter QSO can be maintained all night with Europe nearly every night. '20' is much more reliable than many fellows think. . . . they are merely afraid to try it."

1CRA (West Newton, Mass.) found plenty of traffic on 20-meters during the month. . . . handling nearly half of his total of 294 messages on that wave. When a chap gave him a QRU he didn't complain but gave him some messages to QSR.

1AJM (Leominster, Mass.) says, "I have heard 24 countries on 20 meters to date, and worked 'em all. '20' may be a little peculiar at times but it is without doubt the best band."

6VZ (Santa Monica, Calif.), "I was QSO eb4WW on twenty meters from 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. P.S.T. on June 7. Signals R6 both ways. On June 9 at 8.07 p.m. P.S.T. I worked e8GM also on '20'."

1BUX (Fall River, Mass.), "I think '20' is great. Since June 8, I've worked at least one foreign station a day. Have worked eb4AX, e88EO, sb1AC, e88FT, eb4AU, e85YX, e88CL, e85YK, g88KO, sb1AD, e88PX, sb1AW, eb4UU, e86IZ, fmTUNZ, e1CR, e1GW, enOVN sb2AB, sb1BR, saFC8, nc8AF, e87CZ and many sixes and sevens. . . . don't bother to stay up to work the oz and oa boys. Just received a card from foA4F confirming our QSO on '20' April 13 and stating that it was the first 20-m. QSO between the U. S. and South Africa. I came up to '40' for a short while the other night but the QRN was bad and I soon went back to '20' where it's quiet."

oa5BW (Glencol, South Australia) requests us by radio (via 1BUX) to insert the following for the benefit of South American amateurs: "oa5BW will CQ on 20-meters at 8.30 G.M.T. and look for answers from South America in the Australian Saturday and Sunday afternoons. sc2AH is one of the loudest stations heard from your continent."

SBRC (Van, Pa.) will be glad to arrange 20-meter tests with those who desire schedules at noon. He says, "The skeptic who thinks 20-meter sigs can't be handled O.K. at short range please write and we will let you hear for yourself. Then come up and we will show you how."

2AWB (Montrose, Iowa), "20-meters is one of our most useful waves if it is further developed. Fords, broken strands in aerial wire, and any pieces of metal in the vicinity that rub together will cause noises in the receiver that resemble a boiler factory. 20-meter sets should be well cushioned to prevent mechanical vibration. About hollow signals, I have noted a distinctive timbre of some 6th district stations and can tell a 'six' before he sings this this doesn't hold true of all sixes. On the whole if you keep your wave steady and have a good antenna you will have more results and fun on '20' than enough!"

5UK (New Orleans, La.), "I am hammering away at the 20-meter band with the hope that conditions will improve. Some nights we hear many NU stations and possibly one or two European or Australian stations, but conditions here are erratic though perhaps sigs are FB elsewhere. When we do hook stations the signals fade out and as far as daylight work is concerned, there doesn't seem to be any such animal. I cannot account for these conditions in view of so many good reports in QST from other parts of the country."

Mr. C. D. Roberts (Sydney, Australia) has had very good success in receiving 20-meter signals and has made some excellent measurements of variation in audibility throughout the 24-hour day. In No-

vember, 1926, measurements on WIK (22-meters, New Brunswick, N. J.) showed that the signals reached a minimum at noon in Australia rising steadily and gradually thereafter. The decrease in the Australian morning appears to take place more quickly than the increase in strength in the afternoon. Mr. Roberts says: "In three months of listening on 20-meters I have copied amateurs with the following intermediates: af, eb, ef, eg, na, nc (4), nu (1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 9), oa, oh, oz. On May 15, nu2AHM was readable all day except for a half hour before and after noon here. I shall be glad to listen for any hams on schedule."

(40) 7, 10.30 pm. Tues., Fri., (81) 7, 10.30 pm. 1AID (Providence, R. I.) says, "Twenty meters is wonderful. DX is coming along great and rag-chewing is just as good as on 40. It always depends on the individual and not on the band."

8DME (Auburn, N. Y.), "Made QSO with e88FT at 7 pm. June 27 and he reported me R8 on 19.8 meters. Called SAHC and introduced him to e88FT as they had heard each other but not been QSO. They clicked at once after I gave QRH's and signalled to go ahead. FB for '20'!"

VOQ (Schooner Morrissey off Cape Harrigan), "20-meter signals are excellent when engines are not running. 8DME R7-R8 steady and FB."

X2K (the Spanish whaler Flor de Madrugá, Long. 81°, Lat. 53°, 600 miles S. E. McDonald Island, QRD the antarctic) is anxious for more QSO's with the U. S. A. 20-meter calls heard and worked from Cape Ste. Marie, Madagascar to the present location by R. Galdames, operator, by radio via 9BSK, 1RD, 1CMX, 1CMP 2BRB, 6ZAT, TEK, 9BSK, 9DIJ, e1ER, e85YX, oa4RB, oz3AG, oz2AC, XIQ, af1B, oplCW, foA6X, foA5O, eb4AX, eb4AU."

9BSK (Hammond, Ind.) says, "I work X2K four times each week on schedule on 20-meters and have followed him from 6,000 miles to his present location, about 13,000 miles. 9DIJ worked X2K with his new UK552. I think this is great DX and value this work more than all."

nc3BT (Hamilton, Ont.), "20-meters can't be beaten for daylight DX. Worked nc8AF and eb4WW the first week on this band, the latter at 1 pm. EST, good sigs and daylight at both ends. e88FIZ has been worked at 5 pm. EST. European stations hardly readable on 40-meters are R6 and 7 when they go to '20'."

9CEI (Michigan, N. D.), "The major part of my 20-meter work has been done with one and two 203A's in a tuned grid and plate circuit. Difficulty in keeping the plate dissipation down within reason (with T.P.T.G. set.) was overcome by trying different sized grid and plate blocking condensers, plate chokes and grid leaks. e88YOR, five oa's and one oz have been worked, all between 11 pm. and 4am CST. As long as I used 40-meters I rec'd no cards from eg stations but now they come regularly when 20-meters is being used. A large antenna has been found more satisfactory than a half-wave current-fed Hertz. I now use a 4/2 wave combination horizontal and vertical radiator with 2-wire tuned voltage feed, a tuning condenser being in parallel with the antenna coil. This steadies the wave over a series condenser arrangement that was tried and some reports are 'DC', where 'RAC' was the rule when using the series antenna condenser. It is gratifying to me to see the increasing number of stations on '20' but I have been disappointed in noting little improvement in the tone and steadiness of these stations. I think many stations are working with too-high plate dissipation, the overloading of tubes causing some of the wobbly notes. Yours for better 20-meter work." 9CEI reports that with his final adjustments of the T.P.T.G. circuit he gets a plate input to tube output efficiency of about 65%. A telegram received July 9 from 9CEI reads, "Just QSO eb4WW and e88HS—R6 on 20-meters!"

INF (Beverly, Mass.), "With a lonesome much-abused 210 in a T.P.T.G. circuit I find '20' the 'rosy red berries'. Have worked a six or two every night for a month. . . . about 45 '9's in daylight, e85YX np4SA, eb4AA, XX1 (QRA?) and e1LAI (Stavanger, Norway). I have heard several 20-meter stations supposedly within the skip-distance: 1AJM, 1ON, 1AXA, 1SW, 1BYV. Also heard: oa2AK gi2IT, eb4AU, eb4WW, eb4AX, en9BT, sc3AG, sc1AD, 1AD, sb1AC, sb1AB, sb1BR, e88YOR, e88FT, e88PX, e88EO, e88GI, e1CR, e1GW, nc4DU, nc1AD, nc3JM, emSMUK, PCRR, TVE, UL. I have two transmitters and can QSY from '40' to '20' in 10 seconds.

I find that the DX records, skip-distance, swinging and fading experienced on 40-meters will be just about doubled by using 20-meters. Have 60-cycle induction which makes it necessary for me to use a kerosene lamp to light my station at night. Find DC much better than RAC or AC especially in QRN. In my experience on 20' and 40' I get 8 replies to 10 CQs on DC and about 2 in 10 on AC. Hope this report helps someone to QSY to 20'.

6AGR (San Pedro, Calif.), "Was QSO e4RS the other night and he wanted his QRH. Worked e44W tonight (July 3) and gave him a msg with the dope for e4RS. 4WW delivered it to 4RS on schedule and had an answer back to me in five minutes. Fast work! My wavemeter detuned the receiver so I couldn't give him the information when I worked him."

20-meter calls heard at 6BQ (May and June 1927):  
 1adm 1amd 1amu 1asf 1beb 1byv 1caw 1cmx 1py  
 1ue 1uw 1ve 1zz 2ahm 2aib 2aol 2arm 2atw 2awx 2bg  
 2bse 2bur 2cqv 2ev 2gx 2in 2nm 2sb 2tp 2tr 2xt  
 3aed 3agu 3ahl 3alg 3aqe 3bw 3cb 3cfc 3crg 3tn  
 4a 4io 4iz 4km 4lm 4qb 4oy 4rn 4rr 4si 4tu 4xe  
 5ado 5ahx 5ak 5amt 5amw 5aup 5aqe 5arf 5auz 5avs  
 5aqe 5dg 5eh 5hs 5hz 5ie 5uk 5vm 5wu 5wz 5za  
 6am 6amm 6bpg 6cxi 6vr 7acb 7adm 7ax 7ay 7bm  
 7jc 7mb 7nc 7pu 7uw 8acx 8adg 8afd 8ahe 8ahk  
 8aj 8ajp 8alc 8alg 8aly 8aov 8arg 8aro 8asb 8aul  
 8avb 8ax 8axa 8ayo 8ben 8bev 8bna 8bxa 8cil 8cmb  
 8ese 8esr 8dea 8dgc 8ddn 8dds 8dfe 8of 8og 8qk  
 8gz 8hj 8iz 8zz 9aex 9ajj 9amq 9ara 9ase 9awr  
 9bip 9bqq 9byy 9bvh 9bye 9byl 9caw 9cai 9caf 9chd  
 9cid 9en 9evy 9exl 9exx 9dxx 9dia 9dij 9dkm 9dly  
 9dpw 9dps 9dqu 9dul 9dws 9eae 9ec 9ef 9efh 9ek  
 9nm 9uy no-2benc no-2al no-3cs no-4fy no-4hs  
 no-5go up-4sa oa-2sh oa-2uk oa-4hd oa-4rb oa-7dx  
 oh-6ag oh-6bd sl-2ak su-2ed se-2ah se-2as sc-8ag  
 nr-cto x-crlc.

6ZAT-6TUF (Bill Eitel, Los Gatos, Calif.) sends in a diagram of the circuit he is now using which is a modification of his own on the regulation T.P.T.G. arrangement. To work two 203A tubes satisfactorily in parallel on 20-meters, he uses a separate tuned-grid coil and a separate grid leak and grid-condenser for each tube, the tuned-plate coil receiving the output of both tubes through the usual blocking condensers. The antenna coil is coupled to the plate coil. A parallel plate-feed to both tubes has nothing unusual about it. The two grid condensers and the two this particular transmitter. Bill says, "I get better plate blocking condensers happen to be variable in reports on the note and the output is just about double. I built the new set to take to 6UF. I pulled 6ZAT down last night right after working e1GW."

6ZBJ (Santa Barbara, Calif.), "Recently I handled a bunch of messages for Shanghai China which I gave to 6AJM (Lemon Grove, Calif.) who got down on 20-meters and put them across within 18 hours and had delivery on them. This gave us quite a boost here."

### OFFICIAL BROADCASTING STATIONS (Local Standard Time)

Below we are listing again the up-to-date schedules of the active A.R.R.L. Official Broadcasting Stations. These stations use the wavelengths specified in parenthesis after their calls and broadcast regularly at the times given, the time specified in each case being local standard time for the city where each station is located. The schedules become effective automatically upon their publication in QST and remain in effect until corrected or supplemented in later issues.

It is now possible to select one or more stations in order to listen for the broadcast at a definite time and wavelength, although you will probably "run across" the broadcast at some time during the course of ordinary listening.

Q.B.S. are requested to send the broadcasts slowly enough and with steady, even keying so that even beginners can make use of the broadcast information. Each week the latest news of expeditions, A.R.R.L. schedules, tests and important amateur news of the hour will be sent from the League's Official Broadcasting Stations.

The operators of the various station sare willingly giving up part of their time to this work and will appreciate it if you will drop them a card saying that you copied the Official Broadcast from them on schedule. Headquarters will be pleased to have any suggestions for making this service of still more interest and value. Only thus can we improve. There are plenty of stations in this list so that some of

them can be heard in every part of the country. Listen on the wavelengths given and see for yourself.

1AID (19.5) 7, 12.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; LAOX 7.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 1AMU (19) 7 pm. Tues., Wed., Sun.; 1BEP (80) 10.30 pm. Tues., Thurs., Sat.; 1RFZ (79) 7, 10.30 pm. Sun., Wed., Sat.; 1BIG (75.5) 7 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 1BVB (42) noon, Mon., Wed., Fri.; 1MK (76.5) 7.30 pm. Wed., 11.00 pm. Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.; 2APD 5.15 am. Sun. 6.15 pm. Tues., Thurs.; 2CQZ (41) 7, 12.30 pm. Mon. Wed. Fri. (84) 7, 12.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri. (184) 12 midnight, Sat.; 2CTH (20) 7 pm. Tues., Thurs., 1 pm. Sun. (37.5) 10.30 pm. Thurs.; 2PF (77.4) 10.30 pm. Wed.; 2AX (82) 7 pm. Mon.; 3ALE (41) 7, 10.30, 12.30 pm. Tues., 12.30 pm. Thurs. (80) 7, 10.30, 12.30 pm. Sun.; 3LL (37.9) 7, 10.30 pm. Sat., 7 pm. daily. 3SJ (42.6) 7 pm. daily except Sat. & Sun.

3ZI (81) 7 pm. Mon., Tues., Thurs.; 4IZ (88.84) 7.30 pm. Tues., Fri., 2 pm. Sun. (20.5) 3 pm. Sun.; 4JR (78) 7 pm., Mon., Wed., Fri.; 4LK (37.5) 5.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri., 6 am. Sun. (88) 12 midnight Sat.; 4SJ (40) 7, 10.30, 12.30 pm. Mon., Fri.; 4R (40) 7, 10.30 pm. Tues., Fri. (81) 7, 10.30 pm. Thurs.; 5ACL (41) 7 pm. Tues., Thurs., Sat. (20.1) 12.30 pm. Sun.; 5ADA-5CQ 41 7 pm. Sun.; 5AKP (20) 8 pm. 5.45 am. Sun., Wed.; 6AMM (39.7) 7 pm. Tues., Thurs. (19) 7, 12.30 pm. Sat.; 6APA (38.9) 7.45 pm. Mon. Thurs.; 6BBJ (85 phone) 7.30 pm. Mon., Wed.; 6BJX (40) 6 pm. daily except Sun.; 6BXD (38.5) 7 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 6BWS (39.2) 7, 10.30 pm. (39.2-19.1) 12.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 6CDU (42.2) 8 pm. (21.1) 7 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.

6UO (76) 10.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 8AHK (39) 7 pm. Wed., Sat.; 8APC (19.3) 12.30 pm. Sun.; 8AVK (61.5) 7 pm. (38.8) 12.30 pm. Tues., Fri.; 8AYU (20.5) 7.30 pm. (41) 10.30 pm. daily, 12.30 pm. Sat.; 8BMJ (81.5) 10.30 pm. Mon., Tues., Thurs.; 8CEO (76.5) 7 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 8CJC (81.15) 10.30 pm. Fri., Sat., Sun.; 8DME (88.45) 7 pm. Thurs., Fri.; 8GJ (20) 7 pm. (80) 10.45 pm. (40) 11.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri., Sun.; 8HW (42) 7, 10.30 pm. Wed., Fri., Sun.; 8PL (37.9) 5.30 pm. Mon., Wed., Fri.; 8ZH (76) 7 pm. Tues., Fri.; 9ADR 9BWN (84.6) 10.30 pm. Mon. (21) 7 pm. Wed., Thurs., Sat.; 9BYQ (178.6) 2, 7 pm. Tues., Sat., Sun.; (37.5) 7, 10.30 pm. Thurs. (20) 12.30 pm. Sun. 9AUG (42) 10.30 pm. Wed.; 9BKJ (78.8) 7 pm. Sat. (38.8) 12.30 pm. Fri.; 9CET (88) 11 pm. Mon., Thurs. (18.9) 1.00 pm. Sun.; 9CNL (38) 7 pm. Mon. Wed., Fri.; 9CVR (40) 10.30 pm. Sat., Sun.; 9CZC (76) 10.30 pm. Wed.; 9DAE (41) 7 pm. Tues., Thurs., Fri.; 9DPJ (80) 7 pm. Mon., Wed.; 9EJC (41) 7 pm. Tues., Thurs. (83) 7 pm. Wed., Fri.; 9HP (38-39) 7, 11 pm. Tues.; 9JU (38.5) 10.30 pm. Tues., Fri.; 9KZ (81) 7, 10.30, 12.30 pm. Tues., Sat.; np4JE 7 pm. Tues., Sat.

### ARMY-AMATEUR NOTES

SECOND CORPS AREA—Although schedules between the NCS's and their various AA stations have been discontinued for the summer months, each NCS will continue to keep its schedule with 2SC, the Corps Area NCS, 2APD is assisting 2PF in the Brooklyn Net schedules, and 2AFV is back on the job. 8HJ, 8VW, 2AVB, and 3HW continue to be active in their respective Nets.

FIFTH CORPS AREA—Work in this Area is practically at a standstill during the summer months, but it is expected that activities will start in the fall.

SEVENTH CORPS AREA—A new experiment is being tried in this Area, and it is expected that much activity will show up as summer progresses. 9BAY has been forced to resign his appointment as NCS for business reasons. His work has been excellent, and it will be difficult to find one who can adequately take his place.

EIGHTH CORPS AREA—5FJ has been appointed to the Governor's Net of Oklahoma. Not many new developments in the Area, but the work of all concerned has been very satisfactory, and the showing of the Area in the last AA tests was very gratifying.

We're learning new things every day! Here's an interesting little quotation which was found in the *Pittsburgh Press*: "CQ", meaning 'Come quickly, Danger!' is the present-day wireless distress signal. The first letter of the word 'danger' is no longer used." Howzat? We think it's quite a gem.

### BRASS POUNDERS' LEAGUE

Call	Orig.	Del.	Rel.	Total
3CGT	27	27	438	492
8BAU	39	46	367	452
op1HR	110	77	134	321
6BJX	96	149	72	317
1CRA	91	21	182	294
3CFG	76	12	192	280
6AMM	43	110	120	273
8XE	27	31	183	241
8AVK	52	16	162	230
8EU	41	33	150	224
8CGZ	2	13	202	217
1DX	79	40	84	203
8CWT	22	30	150	202
7AEK	110	85	4	199
op1AU	62	43	90	195
6AYC	28	5	152	185
6ZBJ	45	39	82	166
6BVY	57	109	—	166
1BYM	23	23	112	158
9CMV	47	24	73	144
6GW	4	11	124	138
4NE	83	40	10	133
6BJF	25	7	99	131
6DDO	41	60	28	129
6BUC	106	20	1	127
8CDC	41	18	67	126
6BHI	25	—	100	125
4AAO	34	50	38	122
7AM	40	20	62	122
2ALP	31	76	12	119
1UE	9	12	94	115
6CKC	4	—	108	112
8CYK	29	12	66	107
8AVB	57	5	40	102
3CAB	81	19	—	100

3CBT takes the prize position this month with 8BAU right on his trail for the honors. op1HR and 6BJX deserve special mention for the worthwhile traffic work they accomplished. 6AMM, 7AEK and 6BVY also show some remarkable figures in the DELIVERY column. Every station in the list is operated ON SCHEDULE with other stations. Messages are handled QUICKLY and ACCURATELY and DELIVERED SURELY when they pass through these stations. That's why it's an honor to "make the B. F. L." Any station interested in good operating work that cares to qualify can do so by adopting a regular plan of operation in line with the policy of our high stations in the B. F. L. Why aren't you there, too, OM?

## With the Route Managers

By Lawrence A. Jones\*

**WE'VE DONE** it! Here's our full page back again! Although the traffic totals are still pretty well down, we want to keep right on our toes, because it's time for some of the gang to return from their summer vacations, and we'll be needed to show 'em where to route all their messages. You all deserve hearty congratulations for the fine bunch of letters you sent us this month. Keep it up!

By this time a lot of you should begin to realize that no matter how hard each of you may work individually, it's going to take cooperation—and lots of it—to really get results of which we as a bunch may be proud. This cooperation is of two kinds. First of all, the ORS must be in back of us. Without their cooperation our task becomes doubly difficult, and in fact almost impossible. Therefore it is up to us to dig into the ORS hand and foot until we make them realize just how important our work is to the old League, and just how necessary their cooperation is to make our work a success. The second kind of co-operation we can take care of easily. Two or three times we have quietly suggested five point systems between RMs, in the hope that some of you would see the advisability of this sort of thing and try it out on your own hook. A few of you have "seen the light," and done a fine piece of work. The rest of you should

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take a lesson from those few, and get in touch with your neighboring RMs right away. They can be of much help to you in getting routes lined up to and from your section. How about it?

Ed. Raser, 3ZI and RM for Southern New Jersey, says, "Traffic here is in good shape for this time of year, in fact the best I've seen it in the last 15 years. You see I've followed this die relay game right through since its beginning in 1915, and haven't quit yet! We have quite a few good routes working in this territory, and I am getting good co-operation from my neighboring RMs, namely 3AY of Philadelphia, and 8EU of Williamsport, Pa. Apparently the gang seem to see the value of routing traffic over known and established lines which have been built up and are already in good working order. So far we have Central New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania pretty well covered. I wish our bunch the best of healthy growth and co-operation from the gang, and pledge myself to do all in my power for the cause." There you have a sample of that co-operation we just spoke about, and you see that it *does* bring results. Now let's see you all take the hint from 3ZI, and get after the nearby Route Managers.

1BQD, the RM of Rhode Island, is putting his whole heart in the work, but says that he has been able to get next to no co-operation from his gang. That's tough, but sooner or later the Rhode Island bunch will open their eyes to the fact that the other sections are getting way ahead of them, and then, if they have any loyalty to their section at all, Mathewson will get all the co-operation he needs. Incidentally, he says, "I operate on 80, 40, and 20, and have no trouble at all in picking up loads of traffic on 80. If the rest of the gang would quit the everlasting chase of super-dx and take a crack at 80, we would see a great change in traffic totals." And he's right. It's ok, fellows, to go after dx some of the time—every one wants to do that—but you ought to make up your minds to devote some time to traffic handling. Don't be narrow-minded enough to give up all your radio time to just one goal.

5SI, RM of Arkansas, tells us, "Here's the dope on what I've done so far: Sent every ARRL member in Arkansas a multigraphed form letter, regardless of whether they owned a transmitter or not. With each of these letters I sent one of my 'Schedule Report Blanks,' on which those who were actively engaged could report to me. Since then have written every ARRL member in this state from one to four personal letters, trying to get their interest stirred up to the message handling point. Generally speaking the results obtained so far have been very gratifying. Several fellows are now on the air who were entirely off, and others who were operating in a very haphazard manner are now on with regular schedules. Each month as I send out my schedule report blanks, I drop each fellow a few lines to 'pep' him up. I had to start in from the ground floor, you might say, for at the time I became RM, there was not a single ORS in this state. We have three or four now, and I am expecting several others to kick in before long. By the time real weather opens up this fall, I expect to have a very fb traffic organization going." There, gang, is a sample of the work that we can do when we really get down to business. We have had the opportunity to see copies of Arledge's multigraphed letter, and his schedule report blanks, and they surely "fill the bill." If any of you wish to get some more dope on them, 5SI would probably be quite willing to offer suggestions. By the way, Arledge did a lot of fine work with his station in connection with the Mississippi flood, and we are proud of him.

Here's a suggestion on beating static from RM Brown, 1AAL. He says, "I always start in the evening on 80, and if the QRN is bad, go down to 40, and if still bad go on down to 20, and then I'm all set for a pleasant evening." Just another of the many advantages of having a set that will QSY easily to all amateur bands.

McElwain, 9CZC, RM of Iowa, says, "I notice that several of the ORS report QRN so bad that there is ND. This is a 'give away' as anyone who has been on the air knows that it is possible to handle traffic most nights on 80 meters, and that mornings are very FB for short distance work. So I think it's time to get a new alibi, or else tell the truth."

6APA, the ORM of the East Bay Section of California is helping to pioneer the 20 meter band, and

wants to see more schedules on this frequency, where he sees better possibilities for daylight traffic handling. He says more traffic routes are needed, as some have been dropped owing to vacation trips, or what have you? Give your Route Manager your support, fellows, and let him know what schedules you have or want.

4NF, RM of North Florida, tells us, "The co-operation I am getting from the gang in my district exceeds my fondest expectations. I sent cards to everyone asking for dope on their schedules and operating hours, and practically everyone of them have replied. I am planning to assemble all this dope on one sheet (or card if possible), and send a copy to each fellow in my gang, and to the RM of South Florida. It's going to be a job to get out these schedule cards each month, but I think the gang will appreciate them." Yes, the gang will appreciate them, alright, especially when they realize how hard you are working to bring their section to the top. When you're sending out copies of your cards, don't forget to include HQ on the list. Incidentally, Webb is another RM who is encouraging "Sunrise Parties," because there is less QRM and QLN then.

9DLI, the RM of Wisconsin, is having trouble getting enough co-operation from his gang. "Smatter you fellows in Wisconsin? How's to get in back of your RM and give him the dope he needs? He's working hard for you, and it's up to you to show your appreciation.

8EU, of Eastern Pa., is another one who can't get the bunch to help him. He says, "When it comes to co-operation from individual ORS in this section, there just ain't no sich animule." They must be bashful, or scared, or something, but heck, I'm not the R. I. I. A few here are always on their toes ready to keep schedules or anything we ask, but the majority are anything but." Once more we see it, fellows. Without co-operation we are next to helpless, and it's up to us to dig up some way of getting that help.

Well, gang, guess we've said enough this time. You're all working hard on the job, and that's all that we can expect. Remember that we're in back of you, and stand ready to help in any way possible. Let's hear from you between now and next month's report 73 de LJ.

## Amateurs on the Job

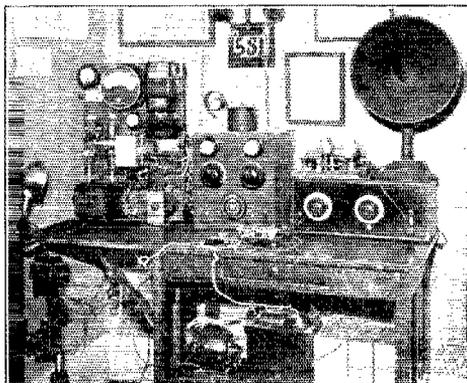
AS always happens in the case of an emergency, amateurs in the flooded areas of Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana stood watch faithfully, hour after hour, in the event that they might be of some service. And needless to say, they did a wonderful job, and are to be heartily congratulated, one and all, on their tireless efforts.

In Arkansas, the gang was hampered somewhat by the fact that very few stations there are equipped to operate on eighty meters, thus being forced to do most of their good work in the daytime. 5SW, of Hot Springs, was able to give the first news from the outside world to his local newspaper, since all wire communications had been cut off. He handled a large number of messages, including AP and National Guard Medical Relief, keeping schedules with 5CK, and 5ABI, 5SI in Pine Bluff, handled all official army messages between Arkansas and the 7th Corps Area Headquarters at Omaha, Neb. Messages were being delivered from Pine Bluff to Omaha in less than an hour. 5SI earned a nice bunch of newspaper publicity together with a fine and sincere letter of appreciation from Major-General Poore, USA, for the excellent work done by him in the time of need. 5SI's work with Omaha was carried on through a schedule with 9DR, which was kept practically day and night until all need was past. 5ABI in Little Rock, was in constant communication with 5JR at Hot Springs for three days and half of the nights. During this time many messages were handled, the most important ones being for the Military Dept. and the Red Cross. Hot Springs was also supplied with general news from this station. 5CK, Havana, operated on schedule with 5JB, 5SW, and 5AIP, handling much important traffic. Through the schedule with 5AIP, the Union Trust Company of Little Rock kept in touch with several of its correspondent banks in western Arkansas. Incidentally, 5SW helped hook KVOO and KTHS on schedules handling flood news.

In Louisiana, 5QJ wired Adjutant General Toombs, who is in charge of the flood situation in that district, offering the services of amateur radio. 5UK in New Orleans kept schedules with 5AGS in

Meridian, Miss., and with 5AEN at Crowley, La., for handling Associated Press. Communication in Louisiana was not a great deal under normal.

In Mississippi, 5AKP, 5AGS, and 5API stood by constantly for flood work. 5AKP was QSO Cleveland, Miss., New Orleans, La., and Memphis, almost at



531—A REAL RM LAYOUT

Note dynamotor at bottom, which furnished emergency plate supply during the Mississippi flood.

will, and 5AGS of Meridian was QSO Cleveland, New Orleans, and Plaquemine, La., thus affording quite reliable routes for various kinds of emergency traffic. 5API was the station at Cleveland worked by both these others. Radio conditions were very poor, but still the gang was able to keep the lines of communication open between Meridian, Memphis, Cleveland, New Orleans, Shreveport, and Plaquemine.

Undoubtedly many more amateurs did their part in the great work, but they are not known as yet. Every fellow deserves individual credit for his tireless efforts, and once more amateur radio has thaled up a performance that will bring it before the public.

## MORE EMERGENCY WORK

Weeksburg, Ky., is a little coal mining camp, isolated in the mountains of north-eastern Kentucky, its only connecting link being the C & O RR, which terminates at this point, and the C & O RR Phone, which is a part of the RR's excellent phone system.

About a month ago, that part of Kentucky was hit by a terrific cloud burst, drowning several persons, and damaging a great amount of property. Incidentally, Weeksburg was cut off from the rest of the world as no trains could run, and the railroad phone was down.

Hence the only possible connecting link was radio station 9DVT, located there. Nightly 8DOL, of Huntington, W. Va., kept a schedule with Phipps of 9DVT, and all messages to the outside world were handled through these two stations. These messages included reports of railroad officials here to the Elkhorn Piney Coal Mining Co. in Huntington. In fact, the two amateur radio stations acted as a means of traffic handling for the C & O, through the means of the Elkhorn Coal Co.

At one time the grocery supply in Weeksburg was running low, and one of the messages stated that unless groceries arrived within a week, the situation would become critical. The two amateurs gave reports on a relief car sent in answer to this message, and finally it got through, saving a very unusual situation. This information rather disproves the C & O's statement that they had no need for the help of the radio amateurs of the U.S. 8VZ, also in Huntington helped these other stations out by keeping long nightly watches at his outfit during the critical time. These three men deserve a great deal of credit for the unselfish way in which they gave up their time in order to be of assistance to those in need.

# DIVISIONAL REPORTS

## ATLANTIC DIVISION

**EASTERN PENNA.**—SCM, H. M. Walleze, 8BQ—EAXX will be off the air until the first of Oct. He is going to Denmark. SAVK will be on his BC skeds as usual. We need several more good stations for this work. Who will take the job? Don't forget to report new tfe pushers as they show up. Now that "school" is over, some of the boys should be on more. 3CBT tops the list and sent a nice report. SEU says tfe is good and is going to QRO. Tfe holds out very well for SAVK and SCGZ, as usual. 3BGG, an ex-ORS, reports York on the map. FR, 3HH handed his on fone. SCMO is installing a 250 watt and an air rectifier. 3QY is doing very good work on 80. 3NP can work two bands at once, when the second op is on deck. RM, 3AIY has a 50 in action now. 3VF handled tfe to Lindy. SCW is working for a commercial ticket as is 8BSZ. 3JJ is still QRMed by BC rig next door. 3HD visited York and says its the best radio location on the globe. 3CDS is busy on 40. 3ZM is cutting hay after being parked in a hospital. 3ADE is rebuilding. 3AVL is doing very good work on 20 and is fussing with 5M tests now. Vacation gummed 8BFE's total. 3ADQ is having his troubles on 40. 8RQ and 8WJ are stepping out FB on 80. 8CCQ works on 20, 40 and 80 meters with good QSY systems.

Traffic: 3CWT 488, SEU 224, SAVK 230, 8CGZ 217, 8CWO 47, 3QY 37, 3NP 27, 3HH 23, 3AIY 15, 3HD 14, 8CW 13, 3CDS 13, 3BGG 11, 3ADE 10, 3AVL 8, 8BFE 5, 3JJ 4, 3VF 3, 3ZM 2, 8CCQ 24.

**WESTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, Charles S. Taylor, 8PJ—The Western New York gang attended the Pittsburgh Convention, and succeeded in winning the big Silver Cup which was put up by the Four Horsemen of Pittsburgh. Western New York can lead the country in traffic monthly but the gang must work hard and keep schedules etc. This being done the results will amaze us all, so give us your utmost support. 8AHK says Rochester will have a get-together August 5 and 6, State Convention and it is known that several Canadians will be there. 8AIL will be on the air now that school has closed. 8ANZ is rebuilding the set and wants to be an OBS. 8BAG keeps traffic schedules. 8BMC transmits msgs to Iceland. 8BCZ is in New York City on a visit. 8BRLI has a new 75 watt tube and needs some more volts. 8BLP had a 50 watt but grid kissed the plate. 8BMJ just handled traffic. 8CDC has arranged schedules with 8XAM. 8CNH is off on account of school. 8CNT handled traffic. 8CUR handled some traffic. 8CVJ handled traffic from VOQ. 8BXI has schedules with 8EJ and 8VW. 8BBU was heard in England. 8GHI is ready to come on air. 8BNS is off for good. 8CYK was scheduled with 1ACA-8COL also handles traffic. 8DDL handled traffic only. 8DFX has two transmitters now on 20, 40, and 80 meters. 8DME handled 15 msgs from VOQ. 8DNE works a few Egs. 8FU is now on with a 201A. 8EJ says things are dead in the district. 8NT now has a commercial ticket and is operating the Great Lakes. 8QB is slipping fast—announcements will be made later. 8TH reports that he will be active during the summer. 8UL attended the Convention but forgot to report. 8VW handled Army Amateur work. The SCM is back on the air with a 204. Applications for ORS will be gratefully received, but you will have to live up to the rules of an ORS. 8AHK 8.

Traffic: 8AHK 8, 8ANZ 7, 8APK 19, 8BAG 8, 8BMC 18, 8BCZ 3, 8BLP 2, 8BMJ 8, 8CDC 126, 8CNT 25, 8CUR 78, 8CVJ 15, 8CYK 107, 8DDL 17, 8DME 68, 8DNE 14, 8NT 21, 8TH 5, 8VW 10.

**WESTERN PENNA.**—SCM, G. L. Crossley, 8XE—Reporting this month was very lax due partly to the Atlantic Division Convention being held at Pittsburgh and a number of the active men working on the committees, and because of pressing work the former route manager asked to be relieved and Anderson, 8GI is to take his place. Anyone wanting schedules can arrange for them thru 8GI over the air or by mail. 8AWR, 8CMP, 8GK, 8CFR, 8AXD, and 8APC are on "20". 8CRK is rebuilding and will have a new rectifier soon. 8APC is going to have a transmitter on 40 and 80 again soon. 8DGL is putting up a new antenna. 8BVK, 8GU and

8BHN are experimenting on 5 meters. 8DKS reports things are slow at Uniontown. 8HM is taking a vacation. 8AXM is building a new transmitter. 8AYH has a new rectifier. 8DNO is rebuilding receiver and will be on 20 soon. 8DFY is QRW with work for the Railroad. 8ARC and 8AGO have been QRW with the Convention. 8CWT has been FB using mercury arc. 8CYP is rebuilding the transmitter. 8GI is on 83 meters. 8BXE and 8OJ are on 80. 8CMW has a good phone in the 80 and 150 bands. 8CSZ is now using an MG set. 8BVV now has 500 watts on the air and is QSO foreigners. 8BDI is on 80 and 175 meters. 8BRC will be glad to arrange 20 meter tests with those who desire schedules at noon. Come on gang don't let the summer weather stop you from reporting. The SCM can't sent a report in to QST if no reports come from the ORS.

Traffic: 8XE 241, 8CWT 202, 8CEO 58, 8CYP 27, 8GI 26, 8AKI 26, 8BRB 12, 8DKS 12, 8BVK 12, 8DFY 12, 8CFR 10, 8APC 8, 8GK 7, 8RC 7, 8DNO 6, 8AXD 6, 8VE 6, 8OJ 6, 8CRK 4.

**DELAWARE-MARYLAND-DIST. OF COLUMBIA**—SCM, A. B. Goodall, 3AB—Maryland: 3CE is a newly active station beginning traffic handling. 3CFX continues to be active with low power battery supply. 3CGG is heard occasionally on 40 meters.

Dist. of Columbia: 3BWT had the antenna mast come down in a wind but promptly got it back up to keep the key warm. 3GF using crystal control, is probably the most permanent station in the district. 3JO is closing down for the summer. 3ALF is a new station using 3 watts input. 3CAB is doing good work in interesting a large number of BCLs in ham radio. 3AB is limited to 80 meters almost exclusively.

Traffic: 3GP 20, 3CAB 100, 3ALF 5, 3CFX 18, 3CE 32, 3AB 15.

**SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY**—SCM, H. W. Denham, 3EH—A real incentive for the ORS who consistently report that they cannot find traffic, can be gained from scanning the monthly reports of 3CFG. Jim is consistently the high man of the district and this month comes thru with a total of 280, 76 of which were originated. He reports 247 contacts in 22 days (36 in one day) among which were several urgent, rush messages to New York and Porto Rico.

3KT has a new 50 watt on the air. 3UT has dismantled his transmitter, preparatory to installing some new equipment. 3AIO now has a 100 watts on the air. 3BEI has been busy building screens for his new home. 3SJ is on a vacation trip thru New England and expects to visit HQs. 3BTQ has been on 20 meters for the past few weeks, and reports it FB. 3ZI has installed a new copper pipe antenna and reports that his signals are getting out better than ever. 3AIO has reported a condition that has been brought to the attention of the entire League many times. MESSAGE DELIVERY. One of the keenest disappointments in the amateur game is to start a message across the continent and have it hung up somewhere before it reaches its destination. I know the South Jersey gang maintain a 100% delivery on rec'd traffic and the only solution to maintain the same percentage of delivery on the traffic reoriginate is to route it through ORS that we know will live up to the rules of the game.

Traffic: 3CFG 280, 3KJ 2, 3UT 7, 3AIO 3, 3BEI 1, 3BTQ 5, 3AC 12.

## CENTRAL DIVISION

**WISCONSIN:** SCM, C. N. Crapo, 9VD—9BOM-9DXI is a new station in Superior operating under both calls. 3DLQ and 9EMD were visitors here during the month; the former spent two days here and helped 9DDL put up a very good 80-meter antenna. 9BWZ has pretty good luck working hams in Mich., Ind., Ohio, Ill., N. Y., N. J., Tex., Mo., etc., on 7.5 watts. The grid and plate of 9DTK's 250 watt. fell in love with each other and were united. 9BPW is on every evening on 20 and 40 meters but finds more QSO on the 40 band. 9BJT hopes to have a few skeds going by next month. 9JM works up in the cherry country but pounds brass occasionally. 9EHM does most of his work in daylight Sunday P. M. on 20 m. 9CAV blew his last

fifty so has not been on the air very much. 9BWO did not handle much traffic but was QSO e8GM on 40 meters. 9EGW blew a new 203-A. 9EEI built a new receiver. 9CFT will tour the northwest this month on a Ham Tour GG to Spokane, Seattle, Vancouver, B. C., Portland, Salt Lake City, Denver, Kansas City and Chicago, leaving August 20th and returning September 30th.

Traffic: 9BOM-9DXI 36, 9DLA 30, 9BWZ 27, 9DTK 26, 9BPW 19, 9BJY 9, 9SA 14, 9JM 7, 9EHM 7, 9CAV 6, 9CDT 9, 9BWO 6, 9EEI 4.

OHIO—SCM. H. C. Storck, 8BYN—The SCM wishes to thank those who reported with traffic and those without, as well. That's the spirit and don't let's drop off thru the summer. SBAU takes the cake again with 452 msgs which is certainly FB and should set a good example to the rest. He keeps at least 7 skeds all the time besides doing a whole lot of stunts along with it. 8AVB comes next with 102 messages which is very FB. 8AVB is working in a chain route which extends from the east coast to about Colorado now. 8BEV handled 18 messages the first day on 20 meters. FB. 8BNW did some work with the Wilkins expedition. 8BPL is going to school in Calif. and will be off for a year. 8DSY is QRW but turns in a nice total. SHW is using a 7 1/2 watt and says it does just as much as his 100 watt set. 8CMB evidently had no news but turns in a nice total. 8CTD is on 20 and says FB. 8CPQ is working a lot of DX thru bad QRN. 8AKO keeps a flock of schedules. 8AYO says he will be on 20 meters for some time to come as DX is good. 8DPF is working in Akron, Ohio and is using B batt. plate supply. 8ALU will be in Maine all next month. 8ARW says 8BHE just got back from college and is pounding brass at 8ARW most every night. 9DJG says messages are scarce as hen's teeth but has been working DX. 8BKM is laid up with a combination of rheumatism and gout. 8CFT, and 8BHZ are on very consistently. 8BIB is a new ham in Columbus. 8GZ failed to report and the SCM thinks GZ's YL is responsible. H. 8DBM just got married. Congratulations, OM. 8DII is still using a UX112. 8OQ has been too QRW to be on much but expects to be on regularly after this. 8DQZ is leaving us until Sept. 8AWX is QRW the Convention which is going to be held Aug. 19th and 20th at Youngstown, Ohio. SPL says he has been QRW working on Lizzies and rebuilding station. 8DMX will be on 80 and 20 soon. 8GL has no filament transformer any more and says that summer is here, anyway. 8DIA is working away from home and doesn't get much time to operate. 8DO-8CBP will be on regularly now that school is out. 8AEU has been out of town but will be on full force in a few weeks. 8ACY has the wanderlust. 8BBH says he needs a bigger set as he can't raise 'em. 8BKQ is trying to make a Xtal perk on 18.85 meters. 8BOP is getting ready to move. 8BAH is still off on account of trouble with masts. 8CQU is back from school and will be on for a while now. The SCM has had his set on the air on 40 quite a bit lately and has surely enjoyed his QSO's with Ohio ORS. The SCM wishes to uphold QST in the matter of getting down to 20. It is really a very good band and may develop into the best we have. Besides, QRN is not so bad down there, and if more would get on, it would be a real traffic band. Keep reporting thru the summer, OMs, because you'd be surprised also to know how hard it is to get an ORS back after a cancellation. There will be a lot of new stations starting up this summer and let's all extend a helping hand to these newcomers and help them along. A QSO means a lot to them.

Traffic: 8BAU 452, 8AVB 102, 8BEV 69, 8BYN 68, 8BNW 51, 8DSY 46, 8HW 34, 8CMB 31, 8CFL 22, 8CTD 19, 8CPQ 16, 8AKO 14, 8AYO 13, 8DPF 12, 8ALU 12, 8ARW 12, 8DJG 10, 8BKM 10, 8BIB 9, 8DMX 9, 8DII 8, 8OQ 7, 8DQZ 5, 8AWX 4, 8PL 4, 8DMX 3, 8GL 2, 8DIA 1.

Kentucky—SCM. D. A. Downard, 9ARU—Seems as tho everyone has taken the same month off for vacation time. You fellows that haven't mailed reports for the last two months should at least drop the SCM a card to let him know you are still alive altho you didn't handle any traffic. If you are off the air temporarily, ask for a temporary suspension. This reduces the work of the SCM and HQ. 9ATV says he is now ready to handle traffic regularly on 40 meters. 9OX and 9WR (united) have two operating tables from which, by method of relays, either op can work the 20 or 40 meter transmitter. 9BWJ is working on 40 and 30. He reports having handled emergency messages during the Eastern

Kentucky flood. 9ABR is still working West Africa on 39.5 meters. 9BAZ reports having worked a Canadian ship in the Panama Canal on the way to N. Z. signing ss2BN.

Traffic: 9BAZ 25, 9ABR 15, 9BWJ 14, 9MN 10, 9OX 1.

INDIANA—SCM. D. J. Angus, 9CYQ—9DXH has just come on the air with two 210 tubes on 40 meters. 9BK, 9ABW, 9CNC, 9DRS, 9ASX, 9DLM, 9RBJ, 9BQH, 9ABP are off due to various reasons. 9OG is back on the air on 20 meters. 9DDZ does foreign DX with a 13 foot antenna. 9AEB is on 20 meters now. 9AUX has a new 50 on 40 meters. 9BYI, 9EF and 9AFA are on 20 meters. 9DIJ has a sked with x3K. 9CP uses a 900 watt water cooled tube. 9DBA will have a motor generator as soon as his wife lets him. 9EEY is going big with a UX852. 9AXO moved from LaFayette to Indianapolis. 9CLO is back with xtal. 9CHC's tube objects to 20 meters. 9BUZ and 9XE are off till fall. 9PD, 9CIZ and 9CVM are getting going as school is finished now. 9CVX says traffic is slow on 40. 9ASX installed a new Zep antenna. 9DPJ is again rebuilding, moving and revamping. 9EGE is building a new shack. 9AIN wants skeds on 40. 9AEB specializes in long distance stuff. 9CMJ is going again. 9BYO is going after an ORS. The Indianapolis Radio Club is going to have a picnic next month for themselves and visitors.

Traffic: 9CMV 144, 9CBT 34, 9PD 38, 9CYQ 23, 9CRV 17, 9DSC 11, 9CUD 3, 9AXO 60, 9EEY 22, 9DBA 16, 9EF 14, 9BSK 14, 9DDZ 11, 9BQH 9, 9BYI 8, 9BBJ 7, 9AEB 7, 9AUX 6, 9CP 3, 9BK 2, 9BYO 5, 9CMJ 9, 9AEB 12, 9AIN 14, 9EGE 23, 9DPJ 16, 9ASX 3, 9CVX 12.

MICHIGAN—SCM. C. E. Darr, 8ZZ—8DED and 8ALY did fine work in the International Relay Tests both scoring many points. 8DED, RM of Western, Mich., is anxious to hook the fellows up with schedules so please write him. 8CEP is about ready to resume operation. 8DS of Battle Creek says not much traffic on 20 but lots of DX and rag chewing. 8DIV complains about finding it hard to raise stations when he uses crystal. 9CM is perking on Xtal. 8AUB says business is light up his way. 9CE is on 20 meters daytime. 8BOK broke his jinx and worked SO1A. 8BKC had his transmitter stolen.

Traffic: 8BGA 10, 8CWK 56, 8BOK 72, 9CE 12, 8AUB 6, 8ZH 5, 9CM 10, 8DDS 7, 8ADK 7, 8ZZ 13, 8DED 53.

ILLINOIS—SCM. W. E. Schweitzer, 9CAA—Well, summer is here once more and old man static is trying to do his stuff. Traffic is holding out well considering the many diversions of this period of the year. One of our new stations is the high man this month and this time 9DKK has a leg on the CRTA traffic cup. Let's go, gang, and see if we can't handle at least a few messages at each station. 9AEG used up another electric light of the RCA, model UX-120. 9AFB plans to try 20 meters for the summer. 9AFF is back on the air two nights a week. 9ALJ has a static eliminator working FB. 9ALK was very QRW with YLs hence his low traffic total. 9ALW is installing his new transmitter on the second floor of his garage. 9APY attended the Pittsburgh Convention. 9AWX is one of our newer stations and is studying why the old set works than how it works. 9AXZ wants some schedules with the west coast. 9BBA is a radio checker shark. 9BHM has been laid up in the hospital but will be on the air soon again. 9BHT is working on 20 meters with the new UX-852. 9DAY has moved to Calif. 9AZE will be on soon. 9BRX is working in a battery shop. 9ECB is pounding KFSA on the lakes. 9BTV blew his plate transformer. 9BVP says he can't hear eastern stations when he has traffic for them. 9BWL's antenna blew down. 9CIA just returned from his vacation. 9CN is building a new chem. rectifier 9CNB likes his new location. 9CSB worked oa, ep, and oh. 9CSL is trying out different antennas, and oscillators at the station to see which is the most satisfactory. 9CWC says traffic and YLs don't hitch so good. 9CYN is going to be inactive for some time. 9CZL is on every evening from 8 to 12. 9DDE is playing a sax in an orchestra. 9DGA is operating on 20, 40 and 80 meter bands. 9DKK worked an, nr, and nq besides having the highest traffic total for the state. 9DOX is still laid up with sickness. 9DYD says his tower is about ready to be put up. 9DXG is keeping a schedule with 9DGR four days a week. 9DZT sends in a fine report from Quincy. 9EAI is QRW for traffic and will

stay on the air all thru the summer. 9EGC is going to take a portable transmitter along in the car when he goes to Minneapolis. 9EHK sent in his report from Toledo where he is on a vacation and learning to fly. 9IZ's receiver went on the bum and the transmitter acted foolish. 9KA and 9BA are making plans for their wedding. 9NE reports traffic plentiful on 80 meters. 9MK is going to be on the air shortly. 9PU back from college, is handling lots of traffic. 9UX is sure going strong.

Traffic: 9DKK 60, 9PU 55, 9CNB 53, 9AEG 52, 9UX 51, 9CZL 43, 9APY 42, 9DXG 25, 9CN 24, 9AMO 23, 9CSB 22, 9BTX 18, 9AXZ 16, 9EAI 15, 9BVP 13, 9DGA 10, 9ALK 10, 9DDE 8, 9AFF 9, 9BBA 7, 9CSL 7, 9CDX5, 9IZ 6, 9AWX 6, 9CIA 5, 9NE 5, 9KA 2, 9BWL 1, 9AHJ 1, 9HHM 2.

### DAKOTA DIVISION

**S**OUTHERN MINNESOTA—SCM, D. F. Cottam  
9BYA—Traffic this month is not as much as it should be and it seems as though the great open spaces are attracting the hams to a great extent. An occasional hamster holds some of the gang together and visitors revive the old spirit so that the gang tries to show that they are not as bad as this report might appear. Some of the best traffic men are out on trips or are away for the summer. Many of the fellows are rebuilding. It is pleasing to see that a good number are now on 20 with a quick change-over set for both 40 and 80. 9DBW is high traffic man this month. He handled a message for the good will flyers at Lincoln, Nebr. 9DEL is doing some nice work with a new set. 9EFK is using a 50 on 20 meters. 9CIX is on most of the time and holds one sked on Saturdays. 9AIR holds two skeds and has been taking trips to see other stations nearly every week. 9DGE is on his way to California. 9BHZ is on 20 and 40, daily. 9DMA is home from school and is on the air every night. 9BYA has been on his annual vacation and visited both Northern Minn. and North Dakota stations enroute. 9EFO is rebuilding. 9DHP is on 21 and 39 meters. 9COS is having "S" tube trouble and will not be on until he gets in a mercury arc. 9DEQ has not been on the air because Mrs. DEQ has been seriously ill. 9CPM is going to Calif. for a year. 9AQD has been bothered with QRM from carrying mail and lots of QRN.

Traffic: 9DBW 31, 9DEL 23, 9DGE 20, 9EFK 22, 9CIX 10, 9AIR 8, 9BHZ 7, 9DMA 7, 9EFO 7, 9DHP 3, 9COS 1, 9CPM 524, 9AQD 3.

**S**OUTH DAKOTA—SCM, F. J. Beck, 9BDW—Traffic has taken a slump this last month. The general swing to 20 meters is largely responsible, together with general rebuilding. 9DB leads in traffic practically all of which was on 20. 9DNS, a new ORS, lost his antenna in a storm but is putting up a higher one. 9BOW says 20 sure is great stuff. 9DIX has a pair of "H" tubes. 9DLY is coaxing a 210 and a "D" tube to work together. 9BBF hooked his crystal control set up in a 2BRB and made it work. 9CJS hooked eb-4WW with a 3-dollar transmitter on 20. 9AGL is pounding brass on a ship again and 9BKB is in Canada. 9AJP, a new ORS, is installing a mercury arc and a 75-watt tube.

Traffic: 9DB 23, 9DNS 7, 9BOW 5.

**N**ORTH DAKOTA—SCM, G. R. Moir, 9EFN—9DYA says too much QRN on 80 so he stays on 40. 9BJV has been visiting and vacationing so no traffic. 9BYA visited him a short while ago and gave him some good pointers. 9DKQ worked sc-2BL. 9DYV is not home much to operate. 9DM is going to the U. of Minn. this summer but will be on Aug. 1st. 9CDQ sold his five watters and is getting a 75 watt soon. Hope to see you on soon, OM. 9EFN is rebuilding the set and will be going soon.

Traffic: 9DM 12, 9DKQ 8, 9BJV 1.

**N**ORTHERN MINNESOTA—SCM, C. L. Barker, 9EGU—9BVH had a 5-meter transmitter all ready to go for the tests, but was out of town. 9BHY figures on locating at Red Wing very soon. 9ABV has been visiting the lakes of Minnesota. 9EHO says nix. 9EGF is on the lakes this summer. 9BMR says that WX is too warm to pound brass, but gets the bug once in a while. 9EGU has been off most all the time, due to business. 9QT is now using portable phone-cw sets at Camp. 9ADS is back from the U. and on the air again. 9CTW uses a 1500-volt dynamotor, but says he can't charge his batteries fast enough to use it. 9BJD is getting a new rectifier. 9AOK is

starting out on the road, but finds it impossible to carry a portable set with him. 9ECN says fishing is good, but he didn't say what KIND of fishing. Hil 9CIX, the new station at Hibbing is turning into a whirlwind, and no mistake. 9CKI blew his power transformer, "H" tube, and filament transformer. 9BTW, another new station, leads the section in traffic.

Traffic: 9BTW 42, 9CKI 25, 9CY 24, 9ECN 21, 9AOK 27, 9BJD 10, 9CTW 10, 9ADS 9, 9QT 6, 9BMR 5, 9EGF 1, 9EHO 1.

### DELTA DIVISION

**A**RKANSAS—SCM, Wm. L. Clippard, 5AIP—Traffic handling in Arkansas seems to have taken a slump this month but most of the gang seem to be busy putting in newer and bigger bottles or else dreaming about it. 5AKF borrowed a lineman's rig and hoisted up two 42' sticks. Says he didn't have a bit of trouble. Hi. 5AW has been off for a while. One of his aflies went West. We hope to have old 5AQH, 5AQN and 5EH back with us soon. 5SI is installing a 250 watter. Wish we could all do that. 5AR must have a secret under his hat. 5SY is new at the game but is showing up many of the others. 5HN has a dandy crystal rig but QRM from work is bad. 5ABI moved but is established once more. 5JK says his set balked on him. 5OK handled some foreign messages this month. Good, OB.

Traffic: 5JK 24, 5CK 22, 5SI 18, 5HN 8, 5AW 8, 5ABI 3.

**L**OUISIANA—SCM, C. A. Freitag, 5UK — 5IE states that due to absence during the first part of the month he has handled only 7 msgs. 5EB reports summer business will keep his totals down for a while. 5NS is keeping schedules with 5AVA, 5WA and 5VK and is on the lookout for more schedules. 5PM has left New Orleans for a few months and consequently his station is closed for the time being. 5QJ has been on the air but very little of late due to heavy QRN and QRM. He seems to be confining his efforts to the 20-meter band and has done some nice DX. 5ARN is again active, having located a fan with an induction motor to use in his shack. I don't know whether he intends to use the fan for cooling the "bottle" or the operator. Hi. 5ASE is just getting on the air and after considerable trouble, his transformer burned up and is now at the factory being repaired. Upon its receipt he will be with us again. 5GR has bought the transmitter formerly operated by 5CH. 5TQ has gone out of the game and has sold his entire equipment to another ham who will have a license within a very short time and will be going full blast. We hope to see 5TQ back with us at no distant date. 5UT is still using his 15 watt set, but is not heard locally very often. The warm weather seems to have hit him pretty hard.

Traffic: 5IE 7, 5EB 14, 5UK 13, 5NS 17.

**M**ISSISSIPPI—SCM, J. W. Gullett, 5AKP—5FQ complains of QRN and is still trying 40 meters with fair results. 5QQ has been away most of the month. 5AUB will spend his vacation in Dallas, Texas and will carry a portable transmitter with him. 5AGS has moved to Laurel, Miss., and is going in the commercial game. 5ANP has been off the air as he is without plate supply. 5QZ has quit the game and wants to sell his 250 watt layout, as he is leaving on a N. R. cruise and from there will go to Calif. 5AYP is now on the air at Greenwood with a 7 1/2 watter on 40 meters. 5API reports that he is pretty QRW lately. 5AQ has added sc-2AS to his DX on 20 meters but says he hasn't gotten any traffic. 5PJ is off the air now and will go with 5QZ to Calif. 5ARB-5ALZ is rebuilding and is going to try 20 meters for a change. 5AKP has his junk heap going on 20 meters.

Traffic: 5AKP 11, 5FQ 17, 5QQ 13, 5API 8.

### HUDSON DIVISION

**N**ORTHERN NEW JERSEY—SCM, A. G. Wester, 2WR—50% of the ORS reported this month which is very discouraging, however, our traffic total was only 3 messages lower than last month. 2JX, 2AWZ, 2AOP, and 2GX are new ORS in this section. 2WR maintained a schedule with 9CEB handling traffic with VOQ. 2CW is maintaining a nightly schedule with ARDL, a ship coming from Norway to NY. 2FG is stepping out FB with a 210. 2EY is building a 5 meter receiver. 2KA is finding it hard to make

schedules and find traffic. 2ASZ is finding it hard to step out using a jar rectifier. 2BIR using a voltage feed Hertz is having fine QSO with South America. 2IS is giving all his time to BCL work at WKBO in Jersey City. 2QI after July 15 will have a new QRA with a much better location. 2ADL is another who reports fine DX and gets R7 reports from the Pacific coast. 2BAL is QRW everything but traffic. 2IX maintains daytime schedules with 8AKI and NC 1AP for traffic. 2AOP had the misfortune of having the BCL's cut down his antenna. 2GX handled important traffic with the SS Canadian Seigneur enroute to NZ. The captain was seriously ill with no medical attendance aboard so NC 2BN at the key gave 2GX the symptoms of the case who in turn phoned the Newark City Hospital who prescribed a treatment for the sick captain. 2ABE is the proud owner of a new UX 352. 2CJD is having fine QSO with England and France and also maintains a schedule with NP 40L. 2IE has a failing for YL's and tennis which accounts for his small radio activity. 2AVK has trouble with BCL's so therefore must observe quiet hours.

Traffic—2WR 8, 2CP 19, 2CW 14, 2KA 1, 2ASZ 4, 2BR 8, 2QI 1, 2ADL 28, 2JX 60, 2AOP 35, 2GX 28, 2ABE 8, 2ANG 5, 2UR 1, 2BSJ 8, 2CJD 61.

NEW YORK CITY & LONG ISLAND—SCM, F. H. Mardon, 2CWR—Manhattan—2KR is back from Chicago and already has started his good tlc work of the past. 2AMG is soon to increase power from 2-201a to 2-210s. 2EV and 2BNL are just going and has nothing new to report. 2ANX is back in town and going again. 2BCB says no luck on 20 but 40 going FB.

Bronx: 2BBX worked about every European and Australian and South America this month on his 7L water bottle has been going constantly now for four years. Hope it goes four more. 2ALL has been very busy at school but expects more time for himself in future. 2CYX is stepping out fine on a Hertz. 2AHG is back from the West coast and will be on soon with 50 watts. 2AWU is getting his 50 going. 2ALP expects to go to sea this summer so won't be on ham waves much.

Brooklyn: 2CRB is keeping a schedule with W.N. P. 2ADZ is going on a much needed vacation for a while. 2PF, 2APV, 2FZ, & 2CYX were at the Atl. Div. Convention at Pittsburgh and had a fine time 2PF has finished night school for the summer and will be on the air much more. 2WC is going strong as usual. 2BO just returned from a vacation and will again punch holes in the air. 2AVR has been very busy with exams, but now that they are over will be on the air oftener. 2AMI is installing V.F. Hertz and expects better results.

Long Island: 2AWQ is out of school and will have more time on the air. 2AJE is turning in his ORS as he is going to Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. 2ABP is going to the seashore for the summer and is forsaking Radio for YLs during the Summer. 2AGU is now using a C. F. Hertz with twisted telephone wire feeders. 2BSL is building a set for 8AGM. 2AWX is having trouble tuning his T.P.T.G. circuit. 2AIZ says no more 40—too much like an OW—you can't depend on it. HL 2AB is blowing Kenotrons three at a time nowadays. 2APB-CCD has been operated on recently, best of luck OM and hope you get better.

Richmond: 2AFV is having a hard time trying to get tlc and keep his position as R.M. of Richmond but he is getting results both ways. Keep it up OB. 2ADB has a new 50. 2AYH is still after inter-borough tlc. 2ABH reports tlc bad this month. 2AKR is sailing for Buenos Aires in a few days. When he returns he will inaugurate a crystal on 20, 40, 80. 2CEP is keeping the air hot these days with good results.

Traffic: Manhattan—2BCB 39, 2ANX 13, 2BNL 8, 2EV 8, 2AMG 7, 2KR 34, Bronx—2ALP 119, 2CYX 15, 2ALL 5, 2BBX 57, Brooklyn—2AMI 1, 2AVR 18, 2BO 35, 2WC 24, 2PF 14, 2ADZ 22, 2ABP 27, 2CRB 28, Long Island—2AVR 45, 2APR 2, 2AIZ 36, 2AWX 7, 2AGU 40, 2AYS 5, 2AQW 21, Richmond—2CEP, 20, 2AKR 3, 2ABH 6, 2AYH 6, 2AFV 47, 2ADB 10.

#### MIDWEST DIVISION

NEBRASKA—C. B. Diehl, SCM, 9BYG—9AL was bitten with spring fever but is coming out OK. 9CJT is resting up a bit and is soon to be on regularly again. 9QY is very busy with his corn crop at this time. 9EEW is on vacation at

this time. 9AWS works on 80-M most of the time now. 9DR is vy QRW with his Sax—. 9BYG is back on the air at times. 9EHW reports fair business in daylight. 9ASD is still waiting for his fifty to get back from Frisco. 9DI works on 175 mostly these days. 9BOBQ is QRW with summer work. 9DAC slipped a sky hook and his fifty hasn't returned from Frisco. 9CGQ is back at it again. 9BBS is QRW railroad now. 9BQR is still pegging away. 9EBL is back on again after his illness.

The Observer reports stations in our section are staying within the band in excellent shape.

Chatter...Fetterman works with 5 meters these days but has turned in no reports as yet. Neilson works on 20 meters mostly. 9QY works on all bands but reports business very light at this time of year. Cox is in Ohio on his vacation and is looking for us from the 5th. Badgerow says is going to stay on 80 for a while and see if can't get some results that way. Henry has "stooped" to a Saxophone and we surely pity his neighbors. Diehl is back on the air again after over a year's silence and is QRV any and all daylight traffic. Crozier is QRV traffic on 41 meters all day. Williams is on both 40 and 80 but kinda QRW these days as this is his busy season. Bamer is QRV traffic on 40. Magnuson is QRX this Spring but is coming back for the summer. 9DIO "lost" his pole. Miller has the usual hard luck, lost his pole and also his fifty, but hasn't given up yet. 9CGQ is QRV any and all times on 40. Barmore is having rush on railroad so he can't be on the air as much as he would like. 9BQR has at last got her to 40 and waits traffic. Cumming is back on again after his sick spell and we all hope that "Ol' Slim" will be back with us for good now. 9DNN, a new station at Oshkosh, is pepping up and ready to bust out. 9QY advises that a joint Northern Kansas and Southern Nebraska Ham picnic was held at Republic, Kansas, June 19th and reports fun galore.

Traffic: 9QY 10, 9EEW 2, 9AWS 5, 9DFR 3, 9EHW 4, 9ASD 3, 9DI 13, 9DAC 2, 9CGQ 6, 9BBS 2, 9BQR 1.

IOWA—SCM, A. W. Kruse, 9BKV—Well, gang, we fell down on traffic a bit this month but here's hoping that next month will see us right up to our usual summer average. The bulk of traffic is moving on 80 meters which proves that 80 meters need not be abandoned during the summer. True, the weather is hot and the QRN is bad at times but let's do all we can to keep things moving, thus helping the RM with his work and keeping our section on top. 9BWN takes the cake this month and is planning to install crystal control. 9BPF is home from college and is pounding brass for all he is worth. 9CZC reports the old "hay wire" outfit going fine on 40 and 80. 9DAU is leaving for school and has requested that his ORS be cancelled. Sorry to lose you, OM. 9DPL, a newcomer at Huxley, is using a UX210 with 6 watts input on 42.5 meters. 9FK, Clinton, Iowa, is the new OO and has sent in several fine reports. Watch your step, fellows. 9FK has a REAL wavemeter and he will be sure to catch you if you are off-wave.

Traffic: 9BWN 59, 9BPF 32, 9CZC 14, 9DAU 6, 9DPL 5.

KANSAS—SCM, F. S. McKeever, 9DNG—The most important event of the month was the meeting of the Imperial Brass Pounders at Parsons. Plans are being made for a State Convention and your opinion sent in via the SCM will be appreciated. Fellows, let's keep busy—traffic took an awful slump, falling off 60% in one month! 9CKV, who has been a leader in traffic work, lost his antenna in a storm so ND this month. 9CFW is one of the new ORS and is letting out a cry for skeds. 9HL says ditto and reports traffic at a standstill. Lawrence has a newcomer, 9EBM, who shows promise. 9CLR has left for the Gulf to get a ship job. 9LN blew his 50 so is QRT; however 9DNG will lend him his. 9DNG has been away part of the month but worked Netherlands, Venezuela, and several others. 9CET, 9AEK, 9CV and 9CFN are all on 30 meters and report it FB. 9BUY and 9JU are very active. The latter has a new shack and will be able to QSY to nearly any band when his installation is complete. 9CCS, the old ADM, shows signs of waking up after a long sleep. Topeka is pleased to announce a brand new station with a YL on under the call 9OW. Congrats. 9BLI and 9CNT are on right along. Let's have some traffic, boys! 9BGX, the RM, is keeping up his traf-

file and is on some daily. Don't forget to send your operating hours to him, OMs!

Traffic: 9CET 25, 9BUY 13, 9CFW 5, 9HL 5, 9AEK 1, 9CV 20, 9CFN 25, 9BIT 1, 9CNT 30, 9BGX 23, 9CCS 3, 9LN 5, 9DNG 14, 9EBM 2, 9CLR 5, 9EHT 4.

MISSOURI—SCM, L. B. Laizure, 9RR—9ZK sent in the only report of messages from St. Louis this month, despite handicap of T.O.M. being in hospital 24 days. 9DZN says no traffic on 20 meters, no filament in 210, no more report cards. Hi, 9ZD, who is in St. Louis for about 3 weeks, ought to send in some good dope next month. 9LI of Monroe City, is a new applicant for ORS. 9ARA and 9CVY are on 20 meters. The former tried 5 meters with no results. 9BQS was unable to operate due to business QRM and sickness. 9BGO kept skeds with 9CZZ, 5AOV and 9CTS on 40. 9DAE was off all month on account of summer school, hot wx, hot QRN and hot tennis. 9BMT has been trying 40 meters with pretty fair DX on low power. 9DIX returned home from an extended visit in Chicago the last of June so no traffic. 9DSL of Iowa is rooming with 9DIX. 9EBV is expected there also for vacation period. 9CVC was not on very much but DX about as usual. 9HY rebuilt station and is on for traffic. 9NW is QRT. 9AJW is on again. 9BZM put in xtal control. 9HY is looking for skeds. 9ZD handled the only traffic reported in Kansas City. 9DXY is rebuilding in St. Louis and lacks only the antenna. BCL antennas are the chief QRM on his apartment roof.

Traffic: 9ZD 7, 9HY 8, 9LI 7, 9CVC 1, 9ARA 5, 9BGO 31, 9ZK 40.

#### NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

RHODE ISLAND—SCM, D. B. Fancher, 1BVB—

Reports show very little traffic this month. Most of the gang are on 20 meters now. Your SCM will be down there with you as soon as he can get a minute from shooting stars at the silver sheet in the theatre. We understand that some of the Providence fellows are "peevied" at the SCM for ruling that an ORS must handle at least ten messages per month. Why is this fellows? I am only doing what all the other SCMs have done and I haven't heard of any peevishness in any of the other sections. I realize that there is very little traffic these days but it seems as if one could originate at least ten messages in a month. Try it, fellows, and please cooperate when I do as others are doing for the good of our section.

PROVIDENCE: We are placing 1CKB on the inactive list until Sept. He is going to sea. 1AMU has acquired a first class commercial ticket. 1BIL is back from sea and will be all set on traffic next month. 1MO didn't do so well due to business. QRM. 1AID is on 20 and says she is having lots of fun working the West Coast and South America. 1AID, 1AWE, 1BIL, 1AMU and 1CKB are on 20 now. 1AWE says no traffic on 20.

WESTERLY: 1BVB has been off a lot this month due to experimenting with antennas and sickness. Will be on 20 soon. 1AAP is having excellent luck with the MO-PA transmitter belonging to 1CDS. Hope that CDS will be on himself before long.

NEWPORT: 1BQD has been on the sick list this month, also. Had to cancel all his schedules.

Traffic: 1AMU 86, 1BQD 32, 1BVB 23, 1AID 16, 1MO 4.

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, R. S. Briggs, 1BVL—This month brought forth more traffic than last and we are again represented in the BPL. 1CRA and 1UE are the fellows that made it possible. The fine summer weather is too much for some of us but don't forget to report just the same, OMs. Lately the SCM has received a lot of reports in which the number of total messages does not check with the sum of the number originated, delivered and relayed. Somebody must be kidding or just punk at addition. Hi, 1AHV is now at his summer station, 1QZ, using a 201A. 1BDV has been doing a lot of auto DX in a flivver. 1AXA is now an op at WBMA. 1ABA blew a 210 but managed to work the west coast on 20 meters using a 201A. 1AIR was on some but is very QRW. 1APK tried for a commercial ticket. When do you sail, OM? 1CRA has been doing some real traffic work on 20 meters. He is going to Denmark for the summer and pound the brass at ed-7EJ. 1YC has a daily sked with 1BJL. 1RF has at last got around

to crystal control. 1ON reports that the YLs are R7 or R8, hence little radio. The chemical rectifier at 1ACH took two weeks to form thereby giving 1ACH a vacation. 1KY is still sticking to 77 meters. 1ACA returned to 80 meters for a little traffic handling. 1AYX is manager of the Western Union office at Siasconset this summer. 1NV is another convert to 20 meters. 1UE besides handling traffic, used fone a lot on 80 meters. He and 1APX, 1AFV and 1BFE have conversations nearly every evening. 1PB took a cruise on the USS Flusier with the Naval Reserve. 1CPB and 1BVL worked each other on 5 meters during the recent CQ party with R7 signals three miles away. A number of the gang threaten to try it, also. 1AWB is on 40 meters but is busy at school. 1ADM was fortunate enough to meet Don Wallace, 6AM, while the latter was in Boston recently. 1BMS is now working on the railroad. 1BYV has been up to his old tricks working about everything on 20. 1OG was blessed with some 50 watt bottles and hopes to be on the air again very shortly. 1XM is pretty quiet now as the ops have gone home from school. W. A. Snyder of 1XM is going as an operator on the Ungava which was the Sagem last year. He will sign the same old call, KGCB on 37 and 110 meters. 1ALP and 1BVL took a flivver trip to New Hampshire on Memorial Day but had no luck in finding any hams at home. 1IA is a doctor but gets on the air occasionally. He says he can tell a Ford from a Franklin by listening to spark plug QRM on 20 meters.

Traffic: 1CRA 294, 1UE 115, 1ACA 87, 1KY 39, 1ACH 23, 1ADM 23, 1BMS 18, 1PB 14, 1BYV 12, 1QZ 12, 1ABA 9, 1AHV 8, 1AIR 8, 1APK 8, 1LM 8, 1AWB 6, 1RF 5, 1YC 4, 1BVL 3, 1NV 3.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCM, V. W. Hodge, 1ATJ—Not much news this month as many stations have shut down for the summer, among which are 1ASR, 1AER and 1AOQ. 1JN blew his fifty. 1IP says his plate power B batts are giving out after a year of constant service. 1BFT is making room for a 203A. He tried 150 with no luck. 1ALY, 1AVJ, 1AIP and 1AOH are on at times and kicking out FB. The SCM is on 20 and 80 with a 210.

Traffic: 1IP 52, 1JN 14, 1ASR 6, 1BFT 5, 1ATJ 3.

MAINE—SCM, Fred Best, 1BIG—1BFZ failed to make the BPL due to not being on the past month with his usual regularity. He made the rest of us step some just the same. 1BTO crawled up with the leaders and bids fair to becoming one of the best of Pine Tree traffic handlers in a short time. 1AIT handled his usual string and managed to get QSO some big fish in his spare time. 1AQL in spite of being on the road during a great part of the reporting month, managed to do his stuff to the extent of 18 messages handled. 1COM reports that Norway has five sure enough hams on the air. 1EP reports that he is to be on the road almost all summer so his total will be low. 1CJR of Mass. is spending the summer at Medomak Camp, Washington, Maine and plans to start pushing traffic in a short time. 1ATV's new 50 is sure doing its stuff these evenings. He plans to QSO Oceania and Asia and become Maine's first WACer. 1AAV has returned from the U. of Mich. and has joined our traffic ranks. 1CDX is now located at Norway after moving from Kennebunk.

Traffic: 1BIG 38, 1BFZ 32, 1BTO 26, 1AIT 22, 1AQL 13, 1COM 19, 1ATV 7, 1AUR 6, 1EP 1.

CONNECTICUT—SCM, H. E. Nichols, 1BM—Our report for this month shows a little decrease in traffic handled but from the observation of your SCM who has done considerable listening in, the summer fever has failed to silence very many and better contacts have been had than would have seemed possible before. 1BYM heads our list this month. He has notified us that he has hooked up with the Army Aviation Corps at Kelley Field, San Antonio to take up aviation and radio. We sure wish him success. 1BJK, 1AOX, 1ADW and 1VB are faithfully covering their territory and it is quite rare not to find one or all of them on the job most any evening. 1CTI reports having a schedule with WNP. We hope to keep it up as was done formerly and our division will get a real thrill. 1BHM, our State RM, reports that he has been doing a lot of DX on 20 and 40 but traffic is small on these bands. 1BQE reports sending a special test message from the Twin City Club at New Haven to Calif. which reached its destination in eight hours. This is not half bad, OM, as we have known some for nearer

points than this that never got there. IIM failed to send his usual report due to his untimely demise. To those who knew Martin, he was a most likeable fellow and during the last of his lingering illness, his radio set was a source of much comfort and pleasure. We tender our sincerest sympathies to his bereaved relatives. IBCA has been experimenting on 5 meters and is hoping to get going on 20 now that he is home from college. IBEZ had the misfortune to get blood poisoning in his right arm so that he had to write his report with his left hand. Several prospective ORS are sending in reports before being appointed and this is a fine way to help your appointment along so please do not fail to continue.

Traffic: 1BMG 1, 1CJX 2, 1BGC 4, 1IV 4, 1BQH, 3, 1ATG 6, 1BM 15, 1BRM 18, 1BLF 20, 1HJ 25, 1CTI 28, 1ADW 29, 1BJK 36, 1MK 51, 1AOX 69, 1BYM 158, 1OS 13, 1BGC 40, 1AMC 12, 1ASD 41, 1IV 70.

VERMONT—SCM, C. T. Kerr, 1AJG—Well, boys, it's hit us. What? Why the slump. Waited until almost too late to send in the report thinking more would come in. Most of the boys are off the air till fall. 1AC, 1AJG, 1APU, 1BIQ 1CQM, 1YD, 1AVZ, 1BBJ are not on the air. What shall we do with them? IIT is so darned QRW that he even reported. IBEB is the most active in the State this summer. Fine, OM, keep us in the running. He is on 20 this time and says it's great. 1BJP will be on when you read this—just got settled in his new home. 1FN is on 20 now, too, and says it sure is FB. Tell us what you are going to do, gang.

Traffic: 1IT 4, 1BEB 2.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, A. H. Carr, 1DB—1AAL, our RM for Western Mass, has appointed 1APL as Asst. RM. 1APL has been a hard worker for the League and surely deserves his appointment and still more, our cooperation. 1AJK has got going again and asks if he shall teach his YL code? Why not? 1ASU and Mrs. 1ASU are the proud parents of a new baby girl. The gang surely wishes them and the new future operatrix the best of luck. 1APL is the star man in our section again this month although he has been QRW enjoying a new motorcycle. 1AJM is handling all his traffic on 20 now and claims it is the best. 1AKZ has gone down to 20, too. 1AMZ is back from college for the summer so see if you can connect with him. 1AOF has the best 500 cycle note ever and will be on with it all summer. 1AWW has got back from his fishing trip. He used a portable transmitter with the call IOF while in southern Vermont and northern N. H. 1EO says he worked IOF. 1PY is going to try portable game, too. 1LC, a non ORS, gives us a report this month. He has had his set at the Worcester Armory for two months and using the call AR8 so if you work them, you will know 1LC is operating. 1WQ has graduated from school and has had some QRM from a YL who likes to dance but now that he has an extended vacation he expects to give us some good totals.

Traffic: 1AAL 26, 1AJK 20, 1APL 42, 1AJM 21, 1AMS 3, 1AOF 15, 1AWW 8, 1OF 26, 1EO 9, 1LC 10, 1WQ 5.

#### NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

WASHINGTON—SCM, Otto Johnson, 7FD—7AM takes traffic honors and makes the BPL this month. 7LZ has everything perking again. 7ACB and 7TX work So. America on 20. 7MZ and 7RL are home from school and going strong. 7DF worked fo-ABZ the long way around. 7EK has a portable set at his summer camp. 7PH built a new rectifier. 7AU, 7AET and 7AEV are new Seattle hams. Welcome to the ranks, OMs. 7LZ had some trouble with filtering but thrashed it out OK. 7DFD has a sked with na-7AFX. 7AW has completed his Xtal transmitter. Mason and Hemrich are back from the Wilkins Arctic expedition. 7KO still pounds out. Everybody is looking forward to the annual convention to be held at Spokane September 2 and 3rd. Seattle and Tacoma are holding their annual joint picnic at North Lake. 7NC worked ef-8FD and ef-8YOR.

Traffic: 7AM 122, 7LZ 40, 7ACB 35, 7DF 29, 7TX 13, 7RL 12, 7PH 8, 7FD 6.

MONTANA—SCM, O. W. Viers, 7AAT-QT—It is rather surprising how the nice summer days take

the pep and lust out of our great game, fellows. I know it is hard to stick with the set when the fish are biting good or the swimming hole is beckoning you to take a plunge. But, we have made a good start with this game and there is no reason for slumping on the job. We must have as much advancement as possible and the only way to do it is to stick with the set. Let's go now, gang, and do everything in our power to keep the game alive during the summer months as well as the winter. Some of the ORS had better watch their reporting dates or their appointments will be CANCELLED! The 26th of each month is the reporting date for all ORS that desire to continue with the work. 7AFM is having a hard time to find "hay hands" to relieve him of the duty so he can devote more time to the RM and OO work. 7DD has installed a MO PA set with a mercury arc rectifier. FB1 7AAT-QT has his new station partly assembled and hopes to be with the gang soon. He is the proud owner of a first class ham license now.

Traffic: TDD 34, 7AFM 9.

OREGON—SCM, A. C. Dixon, Jr., 7IT—7AEK with a 204a and sync rect. handled many messages for Alaska, leading the Section and making the BPL. FB1 7PP is attending CMTC this month. All active stations are requested to send dope for this report to SCM R. H. Wright, 7PP, 310 Ross St., Portland, Ore., promptly on the 26th of each month.

Traffic: 7AEK 199, 7ABH 4, 7AV 4.

#### PACIFIC DIVISION

LOS ANGELES—SCM, D. C. Wallace, 6AM—L 6BJX has his usual high total. 6BXA graduated with high honors. 6BXD says DX is good with new 50 from 6BJX. 6CQP is going down to 20 about July 1st with 4 minute QSY back to 40. 6QL could use a sked East at 7pm Mon. and Thurs. 6AGR is a new ORS and has a good message total as has also 6AWQ and 6CMY. 6CHT tries 20 but don't like it. 6BVM sends in a good total. 6AIO, 6CLK, 6CMT came through with a report as usual. 6ZBJ has a large total as usual and handled a chess tournament. 6DDO has a sked with KNT and Zaue Grey and party are very appreciative. 6BHI tried 20 and found it FB. 6RUX is handling Boy Scout traffic on 80. 6CAG sends in a good report. 6CZT, 6PY, 6BRO and 6AJQ all have good traffic. 6AKW is getting good DX, working Africa and Japan. 6DEG says that everyone QSK'd their skeds with him this month. 6RF, 6CDY, 6BHR and 6IH came through with a report as usual.

Traffic: 6BJX 317, 6BXD 73, 6CQP 60, 6QL 53, 6AGR 32, 6AWQ 27, 6CMY 23, 6CHT 13, 6BVM 8, 6AIO 8, 6CLK 2, 6CMT 1, 6ZBJ 166, 6DDO 129, 6BHI 125, 6BUX 64, 6CAG 41, 6CZT 25, 6PY 25, 6BRO 22, 6AJQ 20, 6AKW 5, 6DEG 2, 6RF 2, 6CDY 2.

6BZC is applying for an ORS. 6AWQ has moved to Lake Arrowhead and is handling lots of traffic. He gives a dance once a week and the director of his orchestra is 6CRZ. 6AJQ is moving to Long Beach for the summer and is taking a semi-portable set with him.

EAST BAY—SCM, P. W. Dann, 6ZX—Asst. SCM, J. H. MacLafferty, 6RJ—The ASCM is very grateful to all you fellows for your faithful support of ARRL activities in the East Bay Section, especially during these summer months which usually bring a slump. Last month 11 ORS reported 303 messages handled and this month 15 reports were received showing a total of 520. FB, gang, and let's keep up the good work. Visits to a number of your stations during the past month show that in addition to handling traffic, you are practically all engaged in "trying something new." 6AYC wins the traffic laurels in our Section again this month with 6CKC and 6BZU coming to the foreground. 6AYC will soon have three transmitters doing their stuff on amateur bands. His trip on the Idalia is postponed and to be honest with you, OM, we're glad of it. Another ham excursion was postponed when 6CKC had to forego a transcontinental trip with 6CLS of SF on account of illness of a relative. 6IJ is on 40 meters keeping traffic schedules and trying to work DX in between the power leaks. 6RZU has replaced his MG with a self-reflected set using two 210s. 6EY is owned and operated by J. L. McCargar. Mac is out to learn all there is to know about vacuum tubes and high frequencies. 6CZR has two reliable sched-

ules with OH and is big-hearted. Any traffic you want for OH? 6CTH expects to return from his vacation August 1st. 6ALX is using a Zep and is going to install a self-rectified tuned plate and grid. 6BER is handling traffic on 37.7 meters and says his new location is FB. 6AKF has a schedule with BAM in Tahiti and doesn't even brag about it. 6AMI and 6BBJ are rebuilding. Lack of time, power leaks, etc. have kept 6ALV, 6DKA and 6CLZ off the air during the last month but they sent in their form I reports just the same. That's the spirit, fellers. We want to know what's doing at your shack even if you have no traffic to report.

Traffic: 6AYC 185, 6CKC 112, 6RJ 45, 6BZU 40, 6EY 36, 6CZR 30, 6CTH 27, 6ALX 18, 6BER 15, 6AKF 8, 6AMI 3, 6BBJ 1.

HAWAII—SCM, J. A. Lucas, oh6BDL—6BUC is planning to assist the Mainland-Honolulu flyers by developing a portable 37 meter transmitter for the planes and maintaining listening-in stations at various points in the islands. 6ACG sold his 250 outfit to 6DBA and is now using a 50 watter with which he gets the same results. 6BDL was out on maneuvers most of the month. Got cards from EG and EB reporting 20 meter signals. 6BWV reports working KFSH and x4MK also. XDJ, 6CXY kept a business-man in Hu on vacation in touch with his office by schedule with nu6CDW. 6DCU now an ORS and school's out so he'll be on regularly.

Traffic: 6BUC 127, 6ACG 85, 6BDL 62, 6BWV 54, 6CXY 52, 6DCU 37.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—SCM, M. I. Felizaro, op-1AU—This report received by radio via op-1AU and nu-6BVY—op1HR leads the Philippine traffic list this month handling both amateur and official army messages. He keeps a number of skeds. op1AT has been very QRW so handled little traffic. op1DL failed to report in time, due to YL QRM probably. Hi. op1AU continued his China to U. S. traffic handling. Also keeps sked with Europe via el-LAIN. op1GZ is a new QRA in Manila who reported FB.

Traffic: op1HR 321, op1AU 195, op1AT 12, op1GZ 2.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY—SCM, F. J. Quement, 6NX—The SCM stepped out this month and got an OW so if you were neglected the last couple of months, the reason should now be plain. The new QRA will be 252 Hanchett Ave. and all mail should be addressed accordingly. 6AMM and 6BVY still maintain their OP contacts and together handled 439 messages to the Orient. 6BMW handled important traffic with KFZH in Alaska. 6DDN is transferring to the San Francisco Section. Good luck. 6BNH was in the I. R. Tests. 6ACQ will be QRW for the summer but will be on full blast in the fall. 6ASB is a new station starting up in L. G. 6AZS became a WAC when he worked 55 foreigners in a month. 6BTJ is moving near Reno, Nevada. 6CJD is working portable station 6CVR at school. 6BYH moved during the month so traffic suffered. 6CKV relieved the SCM last month and thanks to him for the report in July QST.

Traffic: 6AMM 273, 6BVY 166, 6BMW 56, 6DDN 13, 6BNH 12, 6ACQ 7, 6ASB 7, 6AZS 6, 6BTJ 5, 6CJD 6, 6BYH 3.

ARIZONA—SCM, D. B. Lamb, 6ANO—6BJF leads the state for traffic this month. Most of the gang are on 20 and doing good work down there. 6DCQ says 20 is the cats meow and like the rest of us reports bad QRN and QRM. 6DCQ has one bad power leak that raises the roof. 6CBJ reports a new ham on the air under the call 6DJG using a UX210 on the 40 meter band. 6BJF is working everything on 20 and 40. He is using 6BWS's 50 watter till 6BWS shoots his UX210. Hi. 6BJF has at last made the BPL. 6AZM has fun QRM and QRN at night, power line QRM and office work days. 6CDU says 20 meters sure is FB. 6CDU uses B bats for plate supply. 6BWS moved to 519 West Madison St., Phoenix. 6DIB has gone to Marmion Lake for the summer where it's cool and is going to use 6EL's portable. 6DIE is heard pounding the brass often. 6CUW is going on his vacation about the middle of July and will visit hams on the west coast. 6ASA is back from the U. of A. and will be on the air again till school starts next fall. 6ANO is on 20 and 40 meters.

Traffic: 6CBJ 16, 6DCQ 8, 6BJF 131, 6CDU 34, 6ANO 40, 6BWS 34.

SAN FRANCISCO—SCM, J. W. Patterson, 6VR—Summer is here and with it vacations for most of the gang. Traffic hasn't taken a slump yet so it looks like those left are working the harder. 6CCR left for Guerneville Park after kissing his new 50 farewell. 6GW made the BPL again. Congrats, OB—too bad the 50 went west when it did. 6BIA has spring fever (YLs). 6CLS left for the east on an auto tour best of luck and regards from the gang, Steve. 6RW is back on again with the old wallop using two ¼ KW bottles. 6HJ is still the checker champ of the Section. 6KW is off until the 300 watt DeForest arrives. 6WS is home from college so finds plenty of time to experiment with a Zep antenna. 6PW did some fine work handling a distress message from Zane Gray's Yacht KNT. 6ASI is now on with a new 75 watter. 6DEK reports the new UX210 better than the 50 on either 20 or 40. 6ADM visited prominent S. F. stations and is now rebuilding to TP-TG. 6CXI is undecided on how to tune his Zep. 6VR is rebuilding.

Traffic: 6GW 138, 6CCR 75, 6DEK 61, 6BIA 58, 6ASI 34, 6VR 33, 6RW 31, 6CLS 26, 6ADM 26, 6PW 25, 6KW 23, 6HJ 17, 6CXI 15, 6WS 8.

SAN DIEGO—SCM, G. A. Sears, 6BQ—RM, 6AJM, has replaced his half wave rectifier with chemical. Works all continents on 20 meters. 6BXI is back after a short absence. 6BAM says not much traffic on 20. 6AXU sold out and says he's thru. 6FP is QRW with interference. 6RQ finds little time to pound brass. 6DCT is attending summer school. 6CQT says he's decided to go to sea. 6SB is thru school for a while and finds time to handle traffic now. 6OX will be in his new location soon. 6MB is building a new 20 meter set. 6ANC reports it's hot and "don't mean maybe". 6BXN is learning tricks of chemical, 6SJ rebuilt his set. 6HU has a new 852 going now with a TP-TG circuit. 6BAS's crystal controlled transmitter and super receiver are all set for DX. 6AKZ is looking for a better location. 6GTP is QRW school work this month. 6BFE is still of rebuilding.

Traffic: 6AJM 62, 6BXI 41, 6BAM 24, 6AXU 16, 6FP 15, 6BQ 15, 6DCT 14, 6CQT 13, 6SB 12, 6OX 9, 6MB 9, 6ANC 8, 6BXN 5, 6SJ 5, 6HU 5, 6BAS 3.

NEVADA—SCM, C. B. Newcombe, 6UO—6ABM is doing some good work on 20 meters—doesn't have much luck on 40.

Traffic: 6ABM 24, 6CHG 6, 6UO 6.

#### ROANOKE DIVISION

WEST VIRGINIA—SCM, C. F. Hoffman, 8BSU—Some important relay work was accomplished this month by 8VZ and 8DOI of Huntington. The town was entirely cut off from the outside world, and these two stations handled all messages to the outside world. Reports of railroad officials were relayed and the hams acted as a means of traffic handling for the C. & O. One message stated that foodstuffs were running low and that immediate aid was necessary. The C. & O. a short time ago refused an offer from the amateurs of that section that they act as an emergency staff (as the PRR gang) stating that they did not need the help of the amateurs. Congratulations to the amateurs of that section for helping.

\*AK instigated a ham section in the B & O Bulletin Magazine. 8AMD is now 8OK. 8IT is now on board ship at Australia. 8SP is on with several ops. 8BNF works the west coast. 8BJB keeps schedules with Chicago and Iowa. Several other hams reported busy with school and new sets. 8ASE was blessed with a Junior Operator. The SCM was very glad to see so many of the WVA gang at the Pittsburgh convention. 8BSU worked ss-2BN. 8DOI is a new ORS. (\*)

Traffic: 8BJB 20, 8QH 4, 8WK 30, 8BSU 15.

(\*) 8CYR has schedules with 8DIC. 8ACZ works west coast regularly. 8DCM, 8CDV, 8ACZ and 8AUL reported 20 meter activity.

VIRGINIA—SCM, J. F. Wohlford, 3CA—Summer seems to have killed most of our stations and the reports are few and far between this month. The great out-of-doors is all right but remember those ORS must report every month or get canned. 3AHL worked 20 meters last month and was QSO several foreigners. 3KU worked 80 meters a few days and says it's punk. 3CEB sends wx reports at 3PM daily on 38.5 meters. 3AG is a new station at Falls Church, Va., using two UX-210s in self-rectified Hart-

ley circuit. 3RL is back on the air on 20 meters. 3AAA is the portable set of 3RL. 3CFY is at sea on SS Acme. 3BGS and 3KG picked up some traffic on 40 meters and were Qso west coast. 3BGS last reported at convention Pittsburgh and having glorious time. 3GX, 3AEV, now removed to summer station at 4BT, will report through 4JR. 3NM reported by Western Union.

Traffic: 3BZ 6, 3NM 2, 3BGS 5, 3AG 8, 3CEB 37, 3KU 50, 3AHL 11.

**NORTH CAROLINA**—SCM, R. S. Morris. 4JR—The position of RM is still open. Write 4JR if interested. 4PP is QRW with his ealing house until fall. 4SJ says he gets out better with 500 volts on his 50 watter than with 1000. 4OH has put in a 50 but finds it no better than his 210. 4BX is giving 20 a trial. 4PR reports good luck on 20. 4TS is using storage battery supply on a MO-Pa set. 4EC has put in two 60s in a self-rectified circuit. Activity is lax at 4FV. 4VQ has gone to Madison, Wis., to work for Franch Battery Company. 4BT saw lots of ham stations while on his way from Richmond to Montreal. 4VH shot his 210 but is now on with an "H" tube. 4RY says he is QRW work but turns in a good total anyway. 4JR has been holding off somewhat waiting for Kenotrons. 4OC went to Atlanta and passed his exam OK.

Traffic: 4TS 46, 4RY 43, 4EC 28, 4OH 25, 4PP 24, 4SJ 10, 4VH 7, 4FV 3, 4JR 3, 4PR 1, 4BX 1, 4OC 18.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

**COLORADO**—SCM, C. R. Stedman, 9CAA—Traffic has taken a terrible slump this month, fellows.

Other sections are requiring that all ORS handle a certain minimum total in order to retain the ORS appointment. If this were done in Colorado this month, there would be only six ORS left in the state, two of them having left on their vacation. Let's step on it, fellows. 9CAA has at last filled the gap in the transeon route, via 9PU and 9APY and promises to be in the BPL next month. 9DSU another new station in southern Colorado, comes second in traffic totals and is holding his end up in fine shape. 9DWZ says his new Hertz antenna is going fine. 9CJY is on 5:00 to 7:00 pm daily and also 1:00 am to daylight. 9DGG is using a self rect. set. 9CDE wrecked his MG so will be crippled for a while. 9BYC and 9DVL are at military camp. 9CDW is YL crazy for the summer. 9AOI was too busy with KFXF to be on much. 9QL ditto at KOA. 9CNL is the new RM temporarily. Give him your cooperation kang and let's get Colorado back on the map.

Traffic: 9CAA 81, 9DSU 30, 9DWZ 12, 9CJY 10, 9DGG 7, 9CDE 4, 9BYC 2, 9CDW 1.

**UTAH-WYOMING**—SCM, D. C. McRae, 6RM—Things seemed to have slowed up a bit this month because quite a number of the fellows have gone out of town for the summer. 6CLQ heads the list this month with a total of 32 messages and has regular skeds with 9CAA and 6BYH. 6BAJ lost his tube, aerial, and counterpoise all in one week. 6ZT has just returned from a trip East. 6RM is in California spending an enjoyable vacation visiting the ham stations there. 7DA reports that he is getting wonderful results on 20 meters. The Utah Amateur Radio Club is progressing in great style. A small gold pin shaped like a 250 watter has been adopted for a coat emblem. 6BXT got married, but will be back on again in about a month. 6CQL is up in Idaho for the summer using the call 7VO. 6CRR hopes to be on again in about a month with two 250's. 6RV just returned from a trip to California.

Traffic: 6CLQ 32, 6BAJ 15, 7DA 5, 6RV 4.

### SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

**FLORIDA**—Acting SCM, C. E. Ffoulkes, 4LK—We sure were sorry to see Grogan, 4QY, leave us as SCM but he is very QRW. Hope I can serve as well as he did while I am acting SCM. Certainly appreciate the way you fellows turned in your reports. Many thanks. 4NE made the BPL and says a dependable sked is the thing. 4AAO, a new one to report, is also a BPL. RL of 4LK made a two days trip to Atlanta. 4DD and 4LG have gone north for the summer but we hope to have them back this fall. 4CJ has worked every on and oz district but one. 4DU has a sked with nq-6AZ. 4CK reports a new

station in Miami and Key West. 4QY QRMs the 6's on 20 meters. 4VS is the RM in Miami. 4OB and 4TK have a 250 and should be WAC soon. sb-1AP reports 4HY steady as a rock using a MO set. 4JZ has QRM from electrical storms in his Section. Well, fellows, let's shove Fla. to the top.

Traffic: 4NE 133, 4AAO 122, 4LK 44, 4DD 32, 4CJ 21, 4DU 26, 4CK 16, 4QY 15, 4VS 15, 4TK 14, 4OB 13, 4HY 3.

**GEORGIA-SOUTH CAROLINA**—SCM, H. L. Reid, 4KU—South Carolina: 4WA, 4JK, 4KZ all have been on rag chewing but no traffic. 4DX is back from college and will be on soon with a 50 watter and mercury arc rectifier. 4AAM at Charleston is building his YL a ham receiver and hopes to have her on the air soon. 4OY is trying for a commercial ticket and job. 4OW is at Charleston. 4KI has moved to Columbia, S. C.

Georgia: 4TU has been devoting his efforts this month to 20, and 40 and as a result worked quite a few foreigners. 4RN is using Hertz and is working a good many foreigners. 4GY is on and doing nice work.

Porto Rico: 4JE is on 19 meters with an H tube. 4KT is waiting for his mercury arc to result and if it does, he will install a 250 watter. 4OI is on again after quite an absence. 4JA lost his pet dog "Sparkie" and hasn't been heard on the air much. 4LZ still uses a UX210 in TG-TC. 4RJ is experimenting with low power and receiving tubes. 4UG is on regularly. 4TC is at the Naval Radio Station, St. Thomas, V. I. 4UR will be on soon in Caguas with a new 50. 4AAG has been experimenting and has worked the entire PR gang. 4BM is coming back with an H tube soon. 4PQ is coming on again with a 201A. 4KD is having bad luck with tubes. Three 5's in three weeks. QRN is not bad as yet and it is hoped that it will take a summer vacation this year. A letter from sv-AYRE reported his call changed to 1XC now. HIK at Barahona, R. D. uses two 50 watters. 4AAM is a new call at Christiansted St. Croix, Virgin Islands but isn't on the air yet.

Traffic: 4AAM 12, 4OY 98, 4DX 203, 4KD 2, 4GY 3, 4RN 22, 4TU 37.

**ALABAMA**—SCM, A. D. Trum, 5AJP—Vacations must be interfering with reports as the showing this month seems to drop off to practically nil. What's the matter, gang? Come on across with your part. Four stations are on at Selma—5VX, 5AV, 5LU and 5DI. 5DI is just getting into shape for the summer. 5LU has returned to the fold again with a 210 and worked all dists. in 10 flat. 5AV has probably slowed up this month as we didn't hear from him. 5VX is very promising. Although 5ABS went out of town for nearly a month on vacation, he sent in his report. Montgomery is buzzing with activity. 5AJP has been on consistently this month with a pure DC note. 5ANJ, our newcomer, is pounding hard on a 210. 5ATP is back at the key again and makes Montgomery like old times. 5NL had trouble with getting the old set on 40 again with that old R.C.A. OT. 5JY is about the most consistent ham we have. 5ADA has a job for the summer trying to get enough jack to buy that MG set that he wants.

Traffic: 5ADA 20, 5AJP 28, 5ATP 18, 5ANJ 14, 5JY 80, 5DI 61, 5ABS 8, 5LU 6.

### WEST GULF DIVISION

**SOUTHERN TEXAS**—SCM, E. A. Sahn, 5GW—The summer slump is here. Those stations that are working are doing good work but there are entirely too few on the job. Let's pep the thing up a little and try to make a better showing next month. QRN seems to be as hard on reporting as it is on working. We have with us two new ORS, 5MU and 5RR. 5UX-CZ, our old standby of San Antonio, reports that he will now be on regularly. 5HS reports that 5GN has now moved to San Antonio. 5AVI paid the SCM a visit which was much appreciated. He and JDH Anderson operate 5AVI and 5ARF jointly at Uvalde and are doing very good work. 5EW reports that 5PK, who joined him several months ago, has given up radio. 5AHP has had some trouble coaxing UX352's to action. 5LY is visiting in S. A. 5WP will be off the air for a short time.

Traffic: 5AVI-5ARF 75, 5EW 5.

## CANADA

### MARITIME DIVISION

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—SCM, F. W. Hyndman, 1BZ—1AP worked lots of DX on 20 this month. 1CO worked eh-4WW and eg-2NH.

Traffic: 1AP5.

NEW BRUNSWICK—SCM, T. B. Lacey, 1EI—There has been quite a slump in ham activities here during the past month due to good weather. Receiving conditions have been extra poor and static very heavy. We have a new station in Fredericton, ne-1BX. 1AD has been moving but has not been able to be on much lately. 1AN of Fredericton paid the St. John gang a visit and brought his new QLC tube with him. 1AM reports plugging along on both 20 and 40 but finding the call of CAR and outdoors too much to resist. 1AK has rebuilt his transmitter and is trying to get his 204A down to 20. 1AX worked an el station and kept regular schedules but complains that traffic is slackier than usual. 1AQ finished up his exams in fine style and now is on the air regularly. 1EI is experimenting on the 20 meter band with indoor antenna and has worked considerable DX using a fiver.

Traffic: 1AQ 4, 1AX 7, 1AK 10, 1EL 2.

### QUEBEC DIVISION

QUEBEC—SCM, Alex Reid, 2BE—Well, the gang plus their wives, sweethearts and other QRM motored to Chambly, Que., for their Annual Field Day. (Sep 14 cars and 2 Fords). If 2BG keeps practicing, he should be some sprinter. 2CG nearly won the Biscuit Race but he could not whistle CQ. 2BE reports that someone swiped the Dill Pickles. 2BM is some Nurmi, he won a pair of 216B tubes and has a DC note now. 2DN says "il connais ses legumes". 2EV was so darned excited that he forgot to talk radio. 2BV—nuif sed—Horses, Horses. 2AD took moving pictures of the Ladies' Tug of War when the rope broke??? 2HT made an efficient judge of all events. 2AL won the Fat Men's Race. 2VH made one short speech. Oh boy! The ladies sure put up some eats. You can't get along without them. 2BE looked after the kiddies and was kept busy blowing up toy balloons. The Ball Game was a failure on account of having sofa cushions for bases. 2BG wanted to sit down on each base to rest. The day was voted a complete success and here's hoping that we have another one next year.

Traffic: 2AL 11, 2BM 8, 2AV 4, 2BE 12.

### ONTARIO DIVISION

ONTARIO—SCM, W. Y. Sloan, 9BJ—NC-9BZ OF UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO OPERATED BY JIMMIE HILL NC-4AJ WORKS OZ-2AC ON TWENTY METERS USING RECEIVING TUBE WITH 2.3 WATTS INPUT. NO BREAK WORK AS EUROPE HAD BEEN WORKED TWICE ON THE SAME WAVE AT FIVE WATTS.

Reports have been remarkably scarce this month, presumably because of the advent of the vacation period. A majority of the fellows are using the 20 meter band and finding it very much to their liking and others are building new sets with the avowed intention of breaking out on the most useful of all our bands.

Central Dist: 9AL is on with a crystal-controlled set going great guns on 20, 40 and 80 meters. 9BZ has been doing some very notable low power work and the credit should be divided equally between the operator and the antenna at the station. 9CJ is on the air at every opportunity but the operator has been very QRW at school. 9DY is building a new receiver and says that he is waiting for its completion before passing final judgment on his location. 9CJ also says that he was able to QSR some traffic for the University of Mich. Expedition in Greenland inside of one hour after receipt and that he is soon going to Bobcaygeon, Ont., for the summer and will take his station along. 9BL has been rebuilding and experimenting with different antennas so has not done any traffic handling. 9BT is on 20, 40 and 80 meters and is installing a new Tuned Grid-Tuned Plate transmitter. 9BR is selling out and 9DC now has his power unit.

Southern Dist: 9CS is on 20 meters generally and is doing consistent DX. 31A attended the Michigan convention at Detroit, and won a set of Aero Transmitter coils, which are already perking at 31A. 3DZ is on the air and promises to get the other fellows in Sarnia in line. 3DZ and 3CB are applicants for ORS.

Northern Dist: 3HP and GG are active and doing very good DX work and traffic handling. 3GG is working on both 20 and 175 meters.

Traffic: 9AL 19, 9BZ 20, 9CJ 14, 9FC 9, 9HP 20, 9DY 8, 9CS 11, 9CB 2, 31A 2.

### VANALTA DIVISION

ALBERTA—SCM, A. H. Asmussen, 4GT—The SCM has moved to 10723—111th Ave., Edmonton. This information has been mailed to all the ORS in this Section so there is no excuse for so few reporting. Please get the reports in each month not later than the 15th. 4HM has rebuilt his transmitter and is ready to step on it. 4CU has some real equipment and waiting for a quart bottle with which he hopes to set up a record. 4FF is back on the air. 4IO burned out his remodeled Ford generator and is fooling around with AC. 4DG had the big msg total last month but is second this month. 4GT expects to be on stronger than ever in a short time. 4AF will be using a portable soon. 4OG and 4AF reported at the last minute.

Traffic: 4IO 30, 4HM 3, 4AH 1, 4CU 3, 4AF 10, 4DG 19.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—SCM, E. S. Brooks, 5BJ—The gang is brightening up again and things look prosperous. 5GO is experimenting with various types of aeriels. 5AU steps right out on 20 working lots of DX. 5AG comes third with traffic. 9AJ has a competition on and all BCARA members are competing. 5BJ has two skeeds with Alberta using an 8 foot high aerial and inside counterpoise. 5BG says a 1V199 works better than a 50. Hi. 5CU will be on again soon. 5AV connected with oh for the first time. Everyone in Victoria is 20 meter mad just now and some fine reports have been rec'd from the East Coast. 5AR won't look at 40 any more. 5CO was QSO Japan on 40 and is reported to have a fine DC note. 5CE hooked three QAs on one CQ and QSO'd them all. FB. 5AJ was QSO Japan, fifteen oas and nineteen oz's during the month. ORS No. 15, 5GF, is hereby cancelled for failure to report.

Traffic: 5AJ 27, 5BG 24, 5AC 18, 5GO 14, 6AV 8, 5CO 6, 5AU 2, 5J 1.

### PRAIRIE DIVISION

MANITOBA—SCM, F. E. Rutland, 4DE—Despite the fact that summer is in full swing and many of the gang are away on holidays, things in this district are moving splendidly. Traffic is somewhat slower with the tendency for DX and 20 meters. Most of the gang have been QSO with a goodly part of the Globe. Most of the activity is taking place around dawn and very encouraging results have been forthcoming. 4DU is king-pin for DX having been QSO most all countries. 4FZ has been getting out also. 4CV did a nice job working se-3AG solid for an hour in daylight on 20 meters. 4DW has recently joined the ranks of the CNR radio department and consequently is out of town a good deal. Like 4FZ and 4AW, he works hard to make up for lost time when in town. 4DY has a car and reports his new MG etc., doesn't seem to work so good as it used to. 4EA has a bad case of YLitis. 4EK pounds away as usual and "gets there". ADP and 4EH report lots doing on 20 meters and its FB. 4AA of Unity, Sask., was in town long enough to attend a little party with the gang. 4DU as publicity manager keeps the local papers supplied with articles each week and makes a fine job of it. 4DE has taken over the reins at CKY and has been very QRW.

Traffic: 4DU 9, 4FV 9, 4EK 3, 4DW 14, 4FZ 13, 4AW 1, 4BT 13.

SASKATCHEWAN—SCM, W. J. Pickering, 4FC—What's the matter, gang? Has the weather got all of you? Only one ORS reported. Come on, fellows, a form 1 card is easy to fill out. Regina, the city which has been dead, has come forward with 2 new stations—4GA and 4GB and two others on by now, not to mention others coming up. 4FA is still busy farming and 4FC is only on occasionally these days—bum "A" battery.

# Calls Heard



KFZG, Detroit News-Wilkins Arctic Expedition, Base Station, Point Barrow, Alaska. H. F. Mason Opr.

1c 1mr 1aur 1awn 2bc 2bg 2uo 2xs 2xt 2af 2amj 2baj 2bg 2fu 2ux 2bf 2ew 2yr 2wv 2gu 2hm 2ve 2zv 2agc 2aol 2avb 2axc 2azs 2bge 2bbz 2bil 2cip 2cky 2cmg 2cmu 2ctx 2cua 2cut 2cwy 2dan 2dau 2dba 2dfe 2dfs 2dgy 2dhn 2dic 2fb 2fm 2ff 2ek 2fs 2fu 2gp 2je 2mo 2ol 2pn 2rh 2ri 2uh 2vl 2xf 2yaa 2abe 2abh 2abk 2ab 2xc 2adg 2agi 2ahx 2bhc 2byn 2cvs 2dcr 2drg 2dr 2fo 2xi 2art 2bah 2bex 2bjw 2bpm 2cia 2byg 2qoe 2pww 2xli 2elb aj-lsk eb-4ww cf-8fk ef-8nox eg-5xy ne-4ac ne-5ce ne-5fa ne-cka nn-1nic no-cx5 oa-2gw oa-2hc oa-2no oa-2rb oa-2rt oa-2rx oa-2sh oa-2uk oa-2vj oa-2wq oa-2xl oa-2ya oa-2zg oa-2bh oa-2tm oa-2cg oa-2cm oa-2pw oa-2rb oa-2bg oa-2hg oa-2dx oa-2hl oz-2ab oz-2ac oz-2as oz-2at oz-2bg oz-2bx oz-2sh oz-2aj oz-2ar oz-2au oz-2ax oz-2aa oz-2ae oz-2ai sa-cb8 se-2bl pckg naa nidk npe npg npl npm npn npp npp agb aqe bb3 jps spu cbz fjfp kft wfd wad wut wux wuan wve wvz wxb wxp wwd.

Mias B. Dunn, Stock, Essex, England  
(Heard during May on 20 meters)

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(40 meters)

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eg-2ACI 22 Hurst Grove, Bedford, England

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eg-5HS, M. F. J. Samuel, 16 Blenheim Rd., London, N. W. 8, England

(20 meters)  
1aao 1aba 1aci 1adm 1ajm 1akz 1amu 1asf 1aar 1axa 1bux 1bvl 1byv 1cdp 1cfo 1cmx 1enz 1ia 1rd 1rw 1ry 1sw 1ue 1vc 1xm 1zl 1zz 2agq 2ahm 2aiu 2alp 2amj 2ann 2aol 2apa 2aqw 2bg 2ctq 2evj 2gp 2jn 2nz 2tp 2wc 2zl 3aqe 3cch 3hs 3jm 3io 3qv 4bl 4hx 4io 4jr 4li 4nh 4rr 4si 5agq 5arf 5qj 6bb 6bpz 6hq 6bx 6df 6ea 6fr 6kg 6vz 6zt 7ek 7ni 7ny 8acy 8ahc 8ahd 8aks 8alg 8aly 8aub 8axa 8bag 8bau 8cc 8ev 8don 8dri 8gz 8nt 8oq 8zg 9ax 9af 9aqa 9axb 9bht 9bjp 9bmx 9cip 9en 9ep 9etw 9exx 9dbv 9dbw 9dau 9eas 9eew 9ef 9kv 9ph na-7mn ne-lam ne-lar ne-lco ne-ldj ne-ldq ne-3bt ne-3es ne-3fc ne-3ni ne-4cn ne-4dw ne-4fv ne-9ai ne-9al ne-9aq np-4sa ac-9ab af-1b aj-ikzb oa-2no oa-4rb sb-lad sb-lak sb-law sb-5ab se-2ah se-2as se-3au su-1bu su-1cd su-2ak.

eb-4AC, P. Duvignau, 16, rue de l'Eglise, Belgium

1bhv 1alr 1az 2euc 2arm 4iz 8dl 8dld sa-cb8 sb-lac sb-lar sb-lax sb-law sb-1lb sb-1id sb-2aj sb-2as sb-2ag su-1oa su-1bu su-1cd su-2ak se-2ar se-2as se-2bl sv-ayre sv-ae sv-ardi oa-7es oa-7hl oa-2yl oz-4aa oz-4ae oz-4am oz-2bg oz-3ar nj-2pz nz-5ez.

eh-4AU, Jacques Mahieu, Le Manoir, Piruwelz, Belgium

(20 meters)  
1adm 1ahi 1ajm 1aw 1bdi 1bfm 1bjm 1byv 1cjh 1cpb 1df 1ka 1nk 1rd 1ro 1ry 1sw 1uw 1vr 1xl 2ae 2ahm 2aim 2aol 2apa 2auw 2atk 2bg 2br 2br 2bse 2ctq 2evj 2rd 2tp 2tr 2wv 3akw 3ald 3bqz 3bms 3hs 3jm 3op 3ot 3wc 4io 4iz 4jr 4lm 4ob 4px 4q 4st 4wh 8adg 8ahc 8aly 8axa 8ecs 8eck 8ecr 8dgy 8ex 8gz 8nt 9br 9bjp 9bh 9ef 9nn ne-lam ne-2be ne-3mp ne-3gg nj-2pz np-4sa ne-8af sa-f6 sb-lac sb-lar sb-law sb-lad sb-1bo sb-1ib sb-2ig se-2ah se-3ag su-1bu su-1cd su-2ak oa-2ms oa-4rb oz-2ag ai-2kx af-1b fm-tun1 fm-tun2.

eb-4KD, A. Blancquaert, Roomstr 20, Lokeren, Belgium

(Heard during May, 1927)  
1xm 2kx 2abp 1aga 1ie 1epv 1ic 2co 2euc 2no nr-2fg sb-1bu se-2as su-1oa su-2ak sb-1ic sb-2ax.

eh-4UU, 312 rue Royale, Brussels, Belgium

(20 meters)  
1byv 1bfm 1amo 1ry 2jn 2nm 3ae 3ahc 3adg ne-lac ne-3mp np-4sa sb-lak nidk.

ef-8FT, R. Aronssohn, 2bis rue J. Deville, Colombes (Seine) France

(Heard from June 1 to 12 on 20 meters)  
1aep 1ahi 1bux 1ch 1io 2acd 2ahm 2bdj 2nm 2gf 2tp 3kg 4iz 3adg 3aly 3aw 3axa 3dgb 3don 9kv ne-1dm se-2ah se-2ar su-2ak.

(40 meters)

1aac 1aao 1abf 1aci 1ad 1adm 1aic 1adkm 1abc 1am 1bhv 1bke 1bxx 1ckp 1cnp 1enz 1ed 1ic 1il 1lx 1mk 1mr 1on 1rf 1sz 1xm 1zw 2ags 2ahw 2ase 2epb 2es 2euc 2evj 2kn 2me 2gf 2sge 2tp 2ty 2vj 2wr 3adl 3bur 3hm 3le 3pg 3og 3gf 3ww 3wh 3wj 4fu 4ft 4iz 4jk 4ok 4pf 5ke 6bjx 6vj 8axx 8byn 8ces 8li 8xz 9aab 9axh 9bp 9cyw 9dgd ne-1dq na-7aa nidk nd-hik sa-cb8 sa-og8 sa-hzl sa-d2 sb-lab sb-lad sb-lak sb-1al sb-lag sb-lar sb-law sb-lam sb-lay sb-lbd sb-lbu sb-lck sb-lib sb-1id sb-2af sb-2ag sb-2ar sb-2ax sb-2az sb-5ae sb-7ab sb-8ni se-2as se-2ah se-2bx su-1cd su-1ex su-1oa su-2ak sv-ayre fe-f2 fo-a9a af-1b ai-2kx ag-lmdz ag-1dh fz-4z oz-lad oz-1fd oz-4aa oz-4av oa-5bg oa-7hl oa-7tr arex age wuby.

ef-R091, C. Conte, Allee du Rocher 24, Clichy-sous-Bois (S-et-O) France

ladm laff laha laiv laur lasy lavi lavl lawn
lbeb lbeb lbez lbed lced lchr ldl lie lit lmv
lzm lzn lra lrb lhw lzab lzac lzad lzaaw lzag lzah

R. Dezerville, 46 rue St. Laurent LAGNY S. & M. France (Heard between January and April)

lauc laao labz lafn laer laeu laff lahv laiu
laix laj lajl lair laof laaa laaf lasv laur lavi
lavl lavx lawe lawa laar lbmm lbde lbez lbhs

Sbgn SbaJ SbjA Sbyn SbwW Sces Sces Scent Sevg Scau
Scyi Sebp Seed Sddl Sdei Sdof Sdor Sdsy Sdkf Sdon
Sdx Sdw Sde Sgz Sks Sja Sji Snt Svj Swk Sxh Sxuy

ek-4UAH, V. Gramich, Murnau, Bayern (Near Munich), Germany

(Heard between May 9 and May 24) (20 meters)

lsw lac lrf lbhs lrw lajm lnw layv laep ladm
lawe lbe 2bj 2af 2ch 2tp 2cbl 2agr 2bxw 2sk 2ari

oa-6KX, Henry T. Simmons, 34 1st Ave., Inglewood, Australia (Heard during April)

leek lahg lee lie lmb lccr Zapd 2ekl 3oq 5bpl
3aff 4ov 4ha 4iz 4bz 5of 9vo 9xi 9pbb 9eca 9mz
9dvp 9eih 9ben 9cmv.

L. C. Jackson, "Unley," 18 Braemar St., Essendon, Victoria, Australia (Heard during the past year)

lane laao laap lazd laga larc laep lahv laxa
lamd lana laay lasf ladm laae laa lbhw lbhs
lbnd lbqg lbux lbif leh lbmz lbmp lbmf lbx lde

(40 meters)

lie lsz ladm lckp lon lgh lxm lrf laac lbhw laur
lzs lvs lcmp lafo lwl lbdi lamu lgm lene lair
lmk lzd lmv lber lli llw lzw lcuw 2agw 2sk 2ari

su-2AK, L. A. & J. C. Primavesi, P. O. Box Nr. 37, Montevideo, Uruguay (20-meter band)

labz laef ladm lamd lemx leaw lemy lhyv lli
luw lzw lapa 2amj 2arr 2cam 2bg 2gp 2jn 2tp
2adb 2bms 2vz 2zal 2ek 2ade 2aly 2ahc 2afu 2don

(40-meter band)

laao laef lcmx leh lkk lvs 2ahm 2amj 2md 2nj
2hg 4go 4iz 5aka 5he 5kc 6aiv 6aix 6mj 6bx 6bz
6bzm 6bye 6bxi 6hm 6vr 6wt 7adm 7df 8ada 8bpl

oh-6acg oh-6axw oh-6cxy oh-1au oh-1hr oz-2ga oz-2bg oz-1lp oz-1fq oz-1fs oz-3aj oz-3ar ne-2bg ne-2fo nd-hik ni-2pz nm-1j nm-1n nm-9a nq-8kp nr-cto sp-5oa.

ei-1ER, Ing Mario Santangeli S. Eufemia 19, Milano, Italy

(Heard during April and May on 20 meters) 1aye 1ajm 1rd 2ahm 2evj 4jr 4rg 5ahc 9box af-1b ai-2kt nr-6u oa-7dx rcll.

(40 meters)

1abt 1aly 1arv 1awm 1bym 1cdw 1de 1gm 1gh 1xat 2abz 2ags 2ahc 2ase 2awx 2cs 2wr 3auu 3afu 3bck 3cco 3cf 3iu 3wc 4aao 4ap 4ce 4fa 4fu 4ox 4pk 4rg 4tp 4to 5ec 5ry 5adg 5aj 5awx 5bcz 5box 5bqi 5bun 5bzz 5cc 5ee 5rdm 5rl 5sx 5xa 5adg 5al 5buz 5cia 5ctg 5dyf 5efk ei-1se nm-5n ne-2al nm-2al nm-3ym nr-2fg sa-cb8 sa-sb5 sa-2bg oa-2sh oa-3hl oa-3lg oa-5bg oa-7hl oz-2ga oz-2hg vs-1ab dez erho mnhv nidk wuby.

OIC, Operator, T. Krumbach Skovgaardsvvej, 2 Charlottenlund, Denmark

1aff 1ak 1asa 1avf 1ii 1ja 1lu 1mv 1ql 1ro 1rs 1zd 1zw 2ags 2amp 2auu 2apd 2atk 2atz 2avu 2awv 2awr 2axe 2bvd 2bur 2hem 2eod 2erb 2ek 2gx 2is 2rs 2sf 3adb 3bdi 3eah 3ejn 3ekl 3ef 3pf 3qr 3wf 4db 4fa 4ha 4ok 4pk 4qb 4ry 4sl 4uv 5ayy 5abc 5kt 6ajm 6apf 6hgo 6bx 6bz 6m 6uj 7tl 8ahw 8ame 8avk 8has 8beo 8bi 8bja 8box 8bqi 8buz 8cfd 8dem 8dm 8dm 8do 8xa 8xj 9auu 9avy 9axb 9baz 9bn 9brc 9eaj 9emj 9en 9ep 9dke 9dws 9rk 9sd.

R. R. Maxson, Hq. 21st Brigade, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii

(Heard during April and May)

1nl nrx 2apd 2ud 3ld 4fu 4iz 4km 5aid 5ef 5pm 5rg 6aae 6aat 6aau 6abg 6ab 6ar 6apf 6awt 6axd 6ay 6ba 6bh 6biy 6blt 6bka 6cag 6cbz 6cel 6cfr 6cgm 6csl 6cu 6cwk 6cr 6dca 6dfm 6dix 6dp 6ix 6js 6rb 6ta 6tn 6vp 7ab 7df 7fd 7kd 7md 7op 7rh 8adg 8ame 8aur 8azh 8bt 8bwm 8brw 8ca 8ccs 8cd 8ep 8pl 9acv 9acq 9ahq 9ak 9cdw 9cpm 9evb 9ewa 9deq 9ekf 9ekn 9uu 9xi 9za nm-7aam na-7nm na-7np na-kfzh ne-5au ne-5go nu-1nic oa-2dy oa-2hm oa-2xi oa-3am oa-3ar oa-3au oa-3gf oa-4hd oa-5bw oa-1af oa-1fs oz-3ar oz-3gt oz-4aa sa-hdd se-2bl kfzq knt wet.

nz-EZ5, Cpl. Henry P. Karr, Hq. Btry., 4th F. A., Gatun, Panama, C. Z.

(Heard during May)

1amu 1asy 1aur 1bdi 1bfx 1bhm 1bhw 1ckp 1ic 1ru 1sz 2apd 2aqw 2arm 2bow 2cuq 2czr 2of 2tp 3ce 3lw 3ok 3ux 4aao 4ce 4fj 4fu 5af 5arg 5eb 5im 5io 5kl 5ww 6bhz 6bmw 6ec 7df 7ndf 8bau 8bhz 8bse 8ded 8gz 9aao 9anz 9auu 9bat 9bpb 9bwl 9ek 9enl 9eyg 9drd 9dww 9egh 9hd 9nn 9rk 9uu ne-1dq eb-4ww oic.

M. Solomon, Mackenzie Wireless Station, Demerara River, British Guiana

(20 meters)

1cmx 1caw 1bux 1ajm 1aep 2ctf 2ahm 8ex 8ka 8enx 8ahg eb-4au ef-8udi ef-3ed eg-5ls ei-1da ne-1ad.

(40 meters)

1dl 1bez 2ahb 2amj 2edr 2tp 3sf 4rp 5jp 5ahp 5zav 6agr 6zt 6bxi 6cnk 6ju 6bjv 6bhz 6dfw 6byy 6bl 6vjl 6dan 6akw 6zat 6abg 6bzn 6cco 6eng 6dgg 6bvm 6bch 7abz 7ou 7lz 7gf 7xf 7fs 8aig 9axf 9bho 9xa eg-gp eg-7f ea-w3 eb-4au eb-4zz eb-4yz eb-4ww eb-4ax eb-4ft eb-4ac eb-k6 ed-7zg ed-7wc ed-7ec eo-earo eo-ear6 eo-ear28 eo-ear22 ef-8rj ef-8eo ef-8fk ef-8ez ef-8tis ef-8if ef-8brt ef-8yor ef-8ary ef-8cp ef-8sm eg-2xy eg-2nh eg-2dn eg-2qb eg-2gf eg-5ms eg-5xy eg-5kl eg-5bd eg-5uy eg-5ad eg-5ls eg-5yk eg-6td eg-6lr eg-6pu eg-6yv eg-6at eg-6yq eg-6ut eg-6kk eg-6ft eg-9xb ei-1er ei-1au ei-1ay ei-1ma ei-1no ei-1er ei-gbd ek-4dba ek-4dka ek-4yab ek-4yae ek-4abg ek-4uah ek-4uu ek-4oa ei-1se ei-1alf ei-1aix ei-1alw em-smua em-olp eu-1aa eu-3gb es-2co es-2nd fm-5ay fm-8jo fo-a3x fo-a3z fo-a4z ar-8ha oa-2dy oa-2lj oa-2no oa-2yi oa-2uk oa-2vj oa-2rg oa-2ms oa-4bd oa-4go oa-7cw oa-7hl oh-6ajl oh-6bz oh-6zg oz-3gc oz-3aj oz-3ar oz-4aa oz-4ac oz-4am gc-6iz ne-2dn ne-2fo ne-3mp ne-5ac ne-9aj nd-hik ne-8jc nj-2yp nm-cxy

no-4sa np-4kd np-4tc np-4oi nq-2mk nq-8kp nr-cto nz-c75 sa-db2 sa-de3 sa-hd4 sa-bg8 sa-bp7 sa-fa3 sa-bal sb-1bo sb-1br sb-1ld sb-1ca sb-1la sb-2ar sb-2ax sb-2ab sb-2af sb-5aa sb-7ab sb-sqlj se-2ar se-2as su-1oa su-1cd sv-ayre aqe kle sjb oclj.

J. Arends, Chief Op. S. S. Leerdam, trip from New Orleans via Vera Cruz and Havana to Bermuda

1aff 1bba 1arx 1asy 1aur 1bcg 1baq 1bms 1bmm 1cdw 1ckp 1dl 1lw 1vw 1vs 1zw 2aan 2aex 2afw 2aau 2amj 2apd 2ago 2agw 2arm 2avr 2awx 2axd 2bht 2bow 2cbl 2ca 2cuq 2czr 2dq 2fa 2fj 2pv 2pz 2sz 2tp 2vh 2uh 2za 3alq 3bco 3bdi 3ech 3ekl 3ep 3rd 4aal 4ce 4db 4fa 4ft 4fu 4km 4ll 4ok 4pr 4qb 4qz 4vh 4wa 5aaq 5amx 5amy 5aqf 5ata 5auz 5avp 5ax 5axb 5df 5em 5fg 5le 5jp 5ok 5wz 6ajl 6akw 6am 6ary 6bay 6bhz 6cgw 6dam 6dan 6dij 6fr 6ix 6ju 6xi 7aa 7ek 8ai 8ahd 8ajn 8alo 8aro 8ar 8yf 8azk 8bas 8bau 8bev 8bop 8can 8ccg 8cmg 8cpl 8dbc 8dem 8diq 8in 8ke 8kl 8li 8vj 8xe 8xx 9aoo 9aac 9adk 9aek 9afa 9afe 9ain 9ak 9aka 9aju 9asd 9auu 9aw 9bah 9bba 9bca 9bdw 9bha 9bjv 9bpl 9bud 9buz 9bwo 9bwr 9bwo 9caj 9cet 9cia 9ck 9cl 9ens 9ec 9eos 9etg 9eyw 9day 9dea 9dit 9dju 9dmj 9dod 9doe 9drd 9drw 9dnt 9dwa 9dyf 9es 9eca 9ekf 9eo 9ehn 9ekf 9jh 9ln 9mh 9rf 9rl 9xi 9zk eg-ala eg-alq eg-alky ef-8if ef-8eo nm-1aa pjc od-pkh dz se-2ah agb fut irc ikzq knux nite sal wuan xam.

(From Bermuda to Coruna, Spain)

1aao 1ac 1af 1ar 1ary 1asy 1aur 1bez 1bmm 1ebh 1edw 1chw 1ckp 1cmf 1on 1zw 2ag 2axg 2agu 2apd 2aao 2arm 2br 2bow 2cuq 2fj 2gk 2gx 2qf 2tp 2vd 3ahl 3bu 3oq 3py 4ft 4iz 4ok 4rp 6aak 6dgy 6hm 6xi 7ek 8ab 8ab 8bdp 8bun 8byn 8ec 8epf 8dpl 8hb 8jc 8tis 8xe 9auu 9amz 9bpb 9ecv 9eia 9eo 9ewa 9dai 9dnt 9ehi 9nr 9ot 9rj 9sx 9xi 9za eg-5b eg-5w eg-5xy ef-8eo ef-8fk ef-8ft ef-8ld ef-8yz eb-4ac eb-4cc eb-4rs eb-4ww eb-4yz ei-1ay ei-1dr ei-1mt ei-1uu ei-1alw ea-ode em-pepp em-smvg ea-gp ea-jz ea-th ei-2fg nz-3ar nz-4ae arex aqe dnsc kca ick lgn nite oic pwa sgl skb spw tve suc2.

D. R. Holbrook, 5 Central Place, Cliftondale, Mass.

(20 meters)

eg-5yk eg-2nh eg-6br eb-4yz eg-6mu eb-4au fm-tun2 eg-5by gi-2it eg-3fz eg-2zq sb-1br nj-2pz cf-8gm ne-8af ne-3gg.

E. J. Sahn, 265 E. 182nd St., New York City

6bha 6ddf 6xi ea-gp ea-jz ea-ll eb-4ww eb-n33 ee-ear6 ef-8eo ef-8fu ef-8yor eg-5ms eg-5zh ei-1au ei-1bd ei-1er ei-1fg ei-1er ei-1pl ei-1uu ek-4oa ek-4uah ei-1se en-oga ep-1ae ep-3fg ep-3gb es-2co ne-1ud ne-1bd ne-1cx ne-1da ne-1dq ne-3cj ne-4pd ne-5ac ne-8azs ne-8je nj-2pz nl-1p nm-1n nm-cyy nn-m3y nq-8kp nr-cto sa-cb8 se-2ar se-2as se-2bl se-1fg sh-bzl su-2ak agb age bds hm ex6 dez gbk glq hd oclj sgl sjb vde via wbnst wya xxl.

Donn Morris, 703 Maryland Ave., Fairmont, W. Va.

(20 meters)

1adm 1akz 1asu 1aur 1bvy 1cmx 1rw 1sw 4cj 4cl 4dd 4dm 4gq 4iz 4ll 4ob 4oy 4qg 4y 4y 4w 4xe 5aci 5adz 5af 5en 5as 5ar 5ahk 5ats 5ajc 5amo 5aue 5aru 5avs 5ek 5lf 5nn 5ok 5qj 5us 5qo 5ru 5sh 5uc 5wz 5aod 5am 5anp 5anz 5bam 5bav 5bdg 5bnq 5bux 5bvx 5cax 5cbz 5ccr 5ccz 5cp 5ci 5ckv 5cls 5cin 5emy 5col 5cvg 5cxk 5czm 6cda 6dad 6dck 6dfe 6dgg 6ea 6fr 6gj 6jn 6ka 6km 6ku 6nx 6pj 6rv 6tx 6ux 6zat 6ay 6ad 7dm 7bb 7hm 7oa 7fu 7mh 7mx 7ne 7ph 7uj 9afa 9agd 9ahq 9akg 9amq 9anz 9aob 9api 9ara 9arl 9auu 9ayw 9bgh 9bcl 9bcn 9bdc 9bfb 9bjp 9hml 9hmx 9bq 9brh 9brm 9br 9brw 9bvh 9bv 9byv 9cvc 9cei 9cf 9cl 9ca 9cos 9cpl 9cpq 9ept 9ear 9eto 9evn 9ewa 9eyg 9ka 9db 9dbz 9deq 9des 9dft 9dhy 9dip 9dpp 9dvp 9dra 9eae 9eal 9eer 9eew 9ef 9ege 9eho 9gh 9if 9kv 9nm 9rx oz-2ae oz-3ar oz-4fa ef-3ct ef-8ix ef-8yor eb-4au eb-4ax eg-5hs se-2ah se-3ag es-2nm oh-6acg oh-6bd nl-4aa ne-1ap ne-1ar ne-8yx ne-8hp ne-4fv ne-4dp ne-4ek ne-5vx ne-5au ne-8af.

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## About That Phone

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Editor, QST:

As a comparatively new ham, I don't like to speak right out in church, but when I see the "Three Guardsmen" (of Detroit) lambasting the 80-meter phones, I hasten to the rescue. As a starter, I will agree that phones and c.w. do not work well on the same frequency; in fact, most 80-meter phone conversations are more or less hashed up by c.w. I see no reason, however, why phone amateurs should not have a small short-wave band exclusively during certain hours of the day—say late evening.

I have read many articles by QST contributors all tending to show that phone work below 150 meters is N.G.—that phones were only local affairs anyway, good for ten or fifty or perhaps a few hundred miles under favorable conditions with high power. As a newcomer, I naturally believed all these things and took no particular interest in the squeals I sometimes noticed in the upper part of the 80-meter band.

Late last winter, however, as the result of some experiments with higher power, I found myself with an extra 203-A and some other parts nearly sufficient to equip my 50-watt transmitter for phone work. The results at first were a bit rough, but only a few hours testing were necessary to correct the troubles and I was surprised to find a consistent range of at least 400 miles. Cards came from Nova Scotia, Colorado, Florida, Oklahoma, etc., all reporting good reception on ordinary c.w. short wave receivers. Conservative observers report the modulation excellent and the signals quite steady—especially at the greater distances. Some repeat every word in long conversations correctly, while others make small errors. Again, if I spend an hour or two working other stations and talk perhaps fifteen minutes altogether, I will receive on an average of eight cards from all parts of the country, even though I only give my call letters a few times. Furthermore, I have never known but one amateur to answer my CQ with the call letters wrong, for instance—SRB or Z or G—as is so common in phone work. SMS secures correspondingly good results with lower power and same circuits.

All of this convinces me that it is little more difficult to get good phone results on 80 meters than on 175 and that *the working distance is at least five times as great.*

Perhaps I should add that my location here is very bad for DX. I have never heard but one foreign amateur station and my c.w. signals are seldom reported outside the U. S. A. A pair of fifty watters in a loose-coupled Hartley oscillating circuit with Heising modulation is used. Any amateur should be able to obtain as good or better results from the same moderate power. I do not think it can be done, however, with one or two 210s and the loop modulation with which most of the boys on 80 stir up the so-called ether.

I would like to hear from anyone obtaining similar results on 175 meters. I wonder, however, if most of the fine results in that band are not obtained (in imagination) by those dyed-in-the-wool traffic hams who want the upper 80-meter channels for such important messages as—"Did you get my letter? Hope to see you soon," etc., etc., often a month old.

—C. H. Vincent, 8RD

## Some More About It

Yakima,  
Washington.

Editor, QST:

In regard to "Amateur Phone Work" in the Correspondence Department of the June QST, we have several things that we would like to bring to the attention of V. Sherman, 8BMV-8MX, and H. Allport, 8CBM. We have been on the air with spark, c.w., i.c.w., and phone since 1920. We have done our share of experimenting as far as the amateur fashion goes. We have worked the key here until we are tired of it and want to do a little experimenting with something else that has a kick to it. We have worked all the foreign DX possible and have heard so many "nil hr om pse QSLL cuagn 73" that we almost hate to touch the key any more.

Now, to get down to business, the main purpose of this letter is to find out the object in keeping amateur phone work on the 150- to 175-meter band when we have practically abandoned it for key work because of the more miles per watt and reliability of the shorter wave bands.

The average ham who is experimenting with phone wants to see how his phone signals compare with the c.w. signals on the same wave band and not on a band that has already proved less satisfactory for key work as to miles per watt input. It takes an outlay of cash to build an A-1 phone transmitter that every ham does not feel willing to make, but he does get a great kick out of comparing his c.w. and phone signals on the same wave, and with what equipment he is able to afford. Why keep him in the longer wave band where he does not get nearly the opportunity for coöperation and where it takes a larger amount of equipment to do the same things that can be accomplished on the shorter waves at less cost.

As to the bum ham phones that the key men rave about, it is largely the fault of the ravers themselves. From our experience we found that asking them for reports brought "good om cuagn" when it was rotten. We had to adopt the method of asking them a question and if it was answered then they must have gotten it o.k. in the first place.

We have had excellent help from the Seventh District hams with phone work and since we have been off with phone while we build a new speech amplifier and mike, we have had several letters, cards, and requests on the key as to when we will be on again with our phone. The station here is all storage battery equipped and we have been asked repeatedly when using the key if we could use phone too. We built a phone set and have found a great number of hams willing to work with us in the development of the phone work on the shorter waves. We don't approve of the use of phone with a plate supply that doesn't even give a good c.w. signal but we would like to see some of the fellows that can, do a little more phone work on the shorter waves. We believe there is a larger field open to phone work where the key has been used for some time.

We would like opinions from the hams on both sides of this question and see what the amateurs think of this phone business. The big noise seems to be to do something new and here some of the hams want to hold back what we consider one of the higher developments of radio. Why not turn our energy to making amateur phone something to be proud of? We have heard amateur phones that were superior to some of the broadcasting stations in operation at the present time.

Well, OMs, this is out of our system so we will sign off and here's to more and better amateur phone work on the shorter waves.

—William Lawrence, 7OX, R.F.D. No. 3

## Still More

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Louisville, Kentucky.

Editor, *QST*:

Inasmuch as 8BMW-8MX and 8CBM ended their letter in the June issue of *QST* on "Amateur Fone" with, "what sa oms", I wonder if I will be allowed to voice my opinion regarding their suggestion. It seems to me, I cannot find in *QST* columns any letters in defense of the phone and as the key men are continually writing in I want to take exception to this one letter.

I am a B.C.L., very recently converted to amateur interests, such conversion being brought about by contact with phone operators and helpful suggestions and information furnished by *QST*. My interest has grown until I am very proud of my temporary 9AUH license. I am tenderly and religiously building a Hartley phone set for this Fall on 175 meters and am primarily interested in phone work. I might add I have read every word published by *QST* since March, 1926.

I can agree with the above men that the 80-meter band is small enough, but I cannot understand how it is monopolized by a group of phones, referred to, as a scattered element, nor can I understand why this band is too important for phones. A glance at the Communications Department in June *QST* would tend to prove that the most consistent traffic was handled on 20 and 40 meters, sans a lot of QRM and QRN.

I understand that phones are permitted only from 170 to 180 meters and 83.28 to 85.66 meters while our honorable brass pounding brothers have six, count 'em, bands in which to pursue their feverish struggle for a W.A.C. certificate. More power to 'em! The small broadcasters are clamoring for this high band and if they keep on clamoring loud enough they will get it, exclusively, all arguments to the contrary, notwithstanding.

I want to say also, I am pleased to note in the June issue of *QST* a paragraph requesting phone dope. I hope someone will comply and give to *QST* readers some reading matter on the subject. If *QST* is to represent the amateurs it should do this, for phones are far more numerous than is supposed. It is indeed fitting that the amateurs' suggestions in regard to the new system of things, be heeded as much as are those of the commercial people and now is the time for someone to champion the phones. Why deny the phones 80 meters? It is admitted there are creditable phones on 80 meters, they can all become so with experimentation without which *QST* could not have presented its June issue of 5-meter finding.

In K. B. W.'s article "150 to 200 meters" page 31, June, *QST* underneath Commissioner Caldwell's letter of April 15th, the following: "Amateur radio then, continues in the 150- to 200-meter band as before, except that the region is now, *non-exclusive*." The phones *must* if called upon, share *this* band with more powerful ones, and I for one, hope the 80-meter "clickers" won't object too strongly to letting the phones play a little in "their" band. Sort of a "united we stand" idea, so please let's unify this scattered element, and pull together. I have corresponded with phones in 1st, 3rd, 5th, 8th and 9th districts for over a year and the sentiments herein expressed seem to be the consensus of opinion.

—G. W. Mossbarger

## Twenty

815 Stewart Drive,  
Dallas, Texas.

Editor, *QST*:

When I arrived home to-night I found *QST* smiling down from the mantel piece. Being a bit batty on twenty-meter stuff I promptly turned to page 1 of the C. D. to learn of the progress we had made in the last month. Only you other first-comers to our twenty-meter band can vision my horror at the publicity some of our dizzy brethren are giving our best DX band. Nay! Not only publicity, but the most tearful entreaties for everybody to come down to twenty! To get down where QRN is nil! Work Europe in daylight! Forget QRM! After reading all this I wiped away a tear and mournfully went back to the old set that has been such a joy since it was first tuned to twenty back in the Fall of '25. Soon it must be choked and crammed down to five meters. Very soon twenty will cease to be the wave it now is. It will be filled with the QRM, a.c. notes bum operating and all the evils that descended on forty back in '25 and choked it down to a whisper. Ye Gods, fellows! Don't you know a good thing when you see it? If you can QSO eg5HS at noon and oz2AC at midnight keep mum! Then we can go on working DX and having old time rag chews on 20 with never a "sorri om, QTA msg no. 148 QRM" or "sorri must QRT on acct QRM now om". Let nature take its course. The bright boys will QSY quickly enough and the rabble will be blissfully unconscious as usual. Come on and let's keep one secret at least. What sa?

—M. E. Lawson, nu5ACL

P.S. (One week later)

'Stu late now OMS. Let's all go to 5 meters.

—M. E. L.

## Grid Meters

1640-50 Walnut St.,  
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Editor, *QST*:

With the use of shorter wavelengths for transmission, an increasing amount of trouble is being had with grid milliammeters. We have received any number of grid milliammeters in our factory for repair, which have been claimed defective, and yet, when opened we have found the shunt or the moving element cooked to a crisp.

There is no question in the writer's mind but what this is due to the fact that the instrument indicates the direct current component only of the grid current and that there may be a much larger radio frequency component flowing through the meter not indicating, but burning it up. In other words, the meter may burn up when indicating only one-half scale because of this much larger amount of high frequency current.

This can be very effectively cured in a number of ways, and the simplest way is to put a radio frequency choke in series with the meter and by-pass the meter and choke with a condenser. Most any condenser will do the work.

Various other schemes may be used in special circuits and sometimes the choke and by-pass condenser may be made a part of the other apparatus in the grid circuit. However, the aim should be to be absolutely sure that the radio frequency component of the grid current is effectively blocked from the instrument circuit, since 1 ampere of radio frequency current will very soon cook a 50-milliamper direct current instrument and then the poor instrument manufacturer gets a letter about how the meter "burned out when indicating only half scale."

I trust you will give this fact proper publicity, as I feel that it is a factor which must be carefully watched, and I know that many a good milliammeter will be saved if this precaution is taken.

—John H. Miller

Engineer, Jewell Electrical Instrument Co.



WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

## The Atlantic Division Convention

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that Lidbury, SBAG, was responsible for this new invention. It won them the silver cup. The Pittsburgh fellows sent Fred Westervelt to Mars and we were sure surprised to have a visual demonstration of the advancement of radio on that planet. The climax of the convention was the arrival of Lt. Commander F. H. Schnell, who flew to the convention from Washington in Admiral Moffatt's personal plane the UO, with Lt. E. W. Litch, U. S. N., of the Naval Air Station, Anacostia, as pilot, and with one of the new Ford ships as escort plane. Mr. Schnell was the *piece de resistance* and entertained us for two hours by recounting his NRRL trip fully illustrated with some 150 slides. The courtesies of the Bell Telephone Co. and the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. were much appreciated in giving all an opportunity to visit the big telephone exchange and the broadcasting station KDKA.

With a most delicious steak dinner being served on the last night, the distribution of prizes and last but not least an initiation of several candidates in the new radio fraternity, Pi Alpha Tau, the convention closed to reconvene next year at State College, Pa.

—A. A. H.

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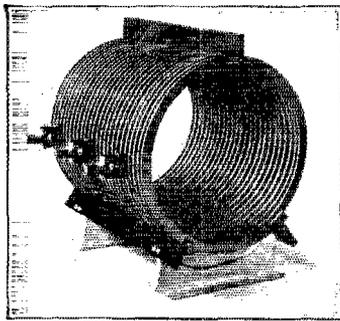
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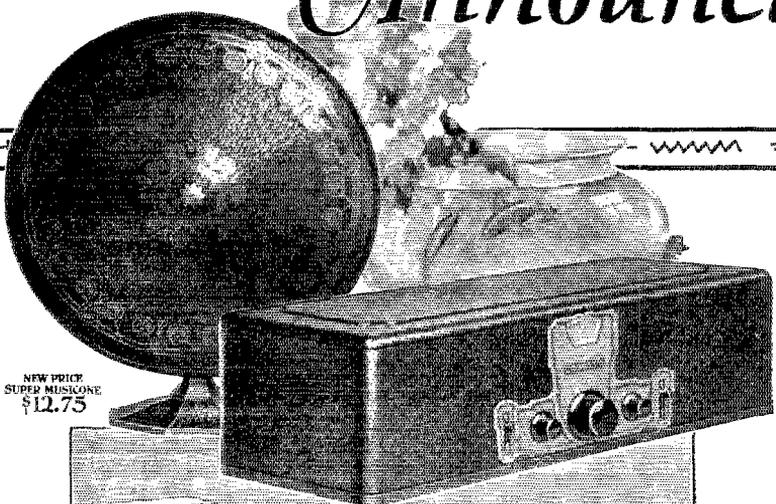
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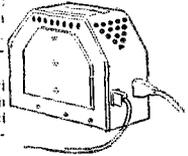
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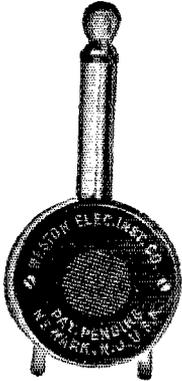
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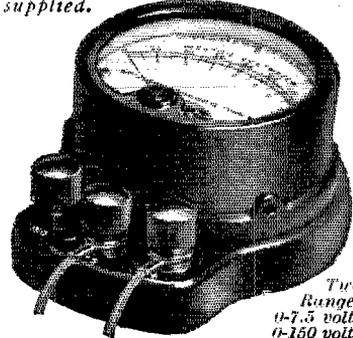
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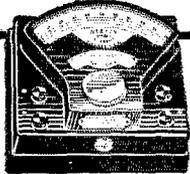
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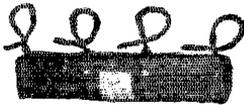
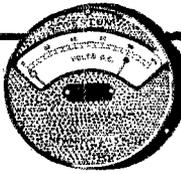
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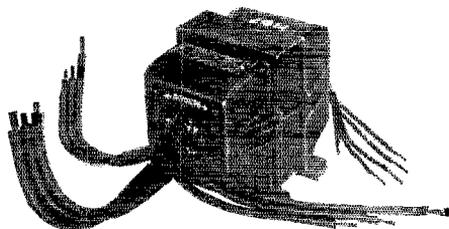
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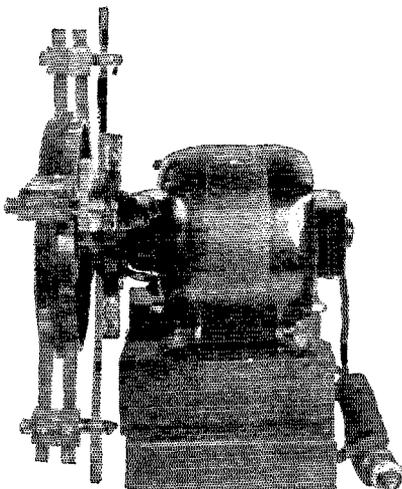
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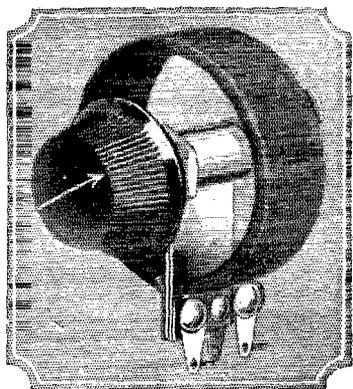
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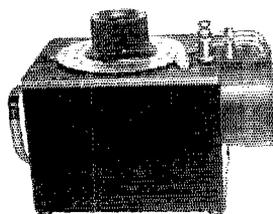
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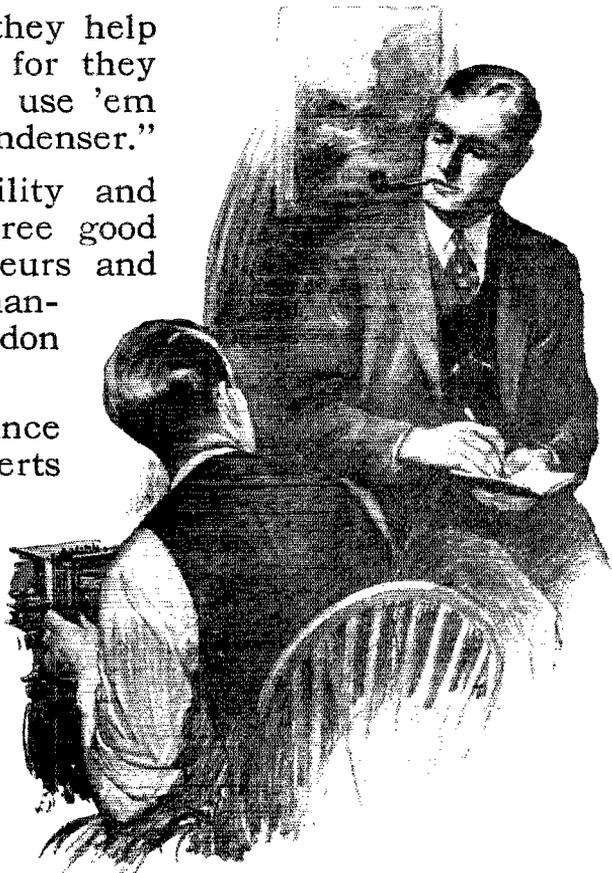
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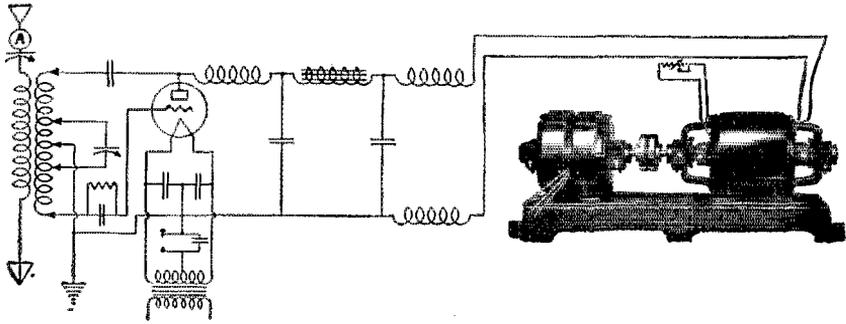
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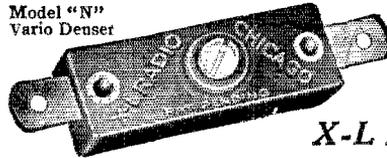
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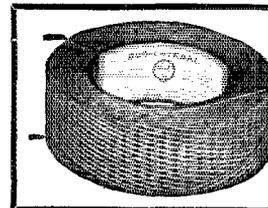
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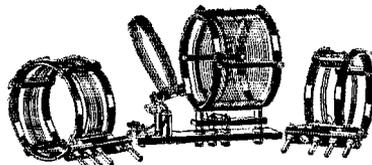
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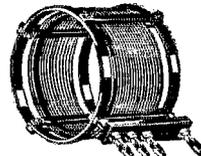
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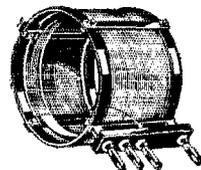
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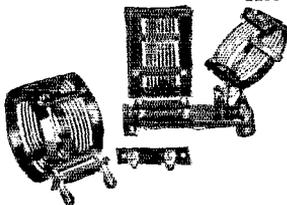
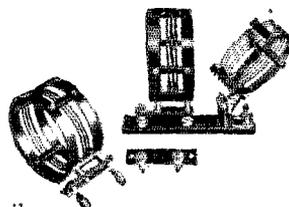
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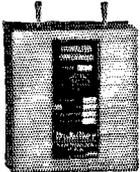
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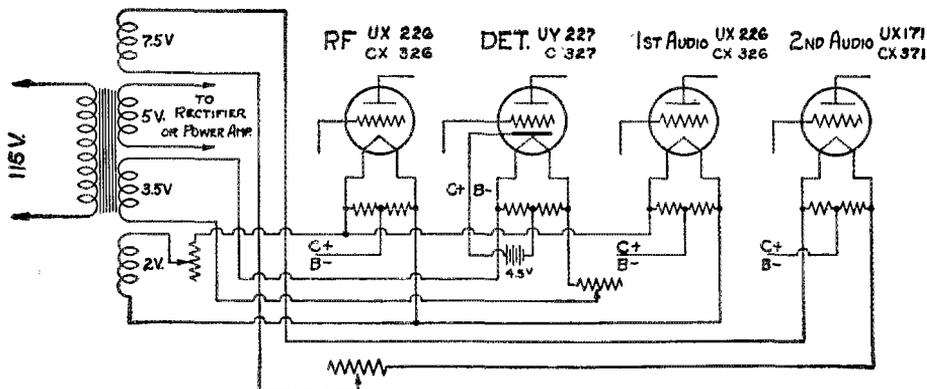
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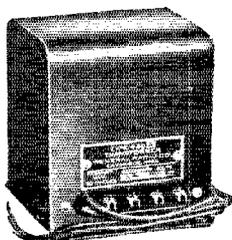
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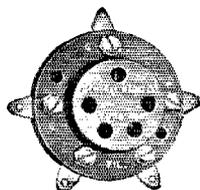
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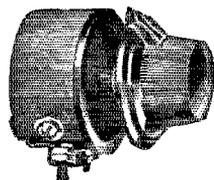


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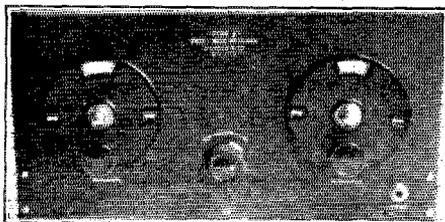
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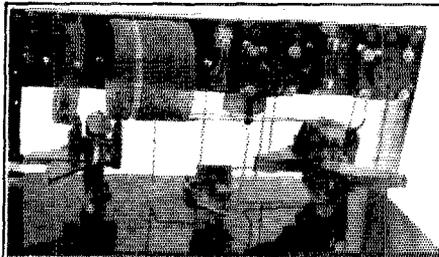
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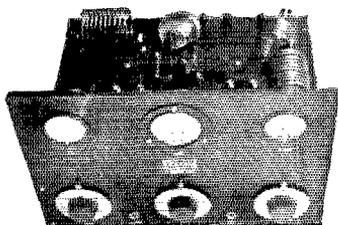


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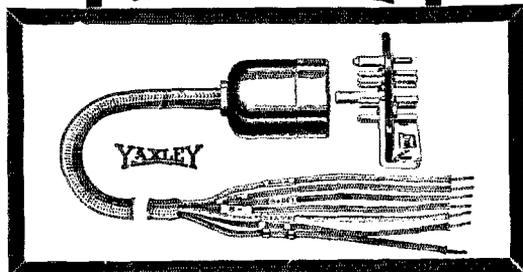
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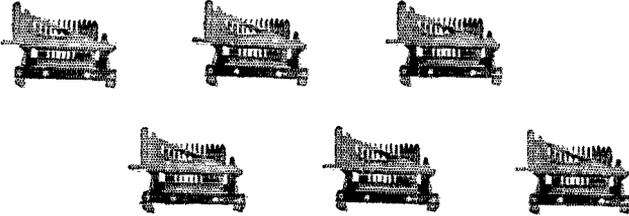
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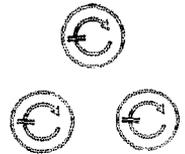
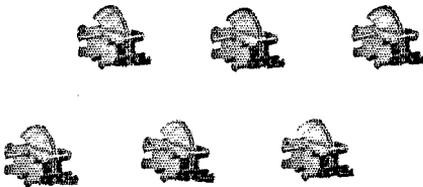
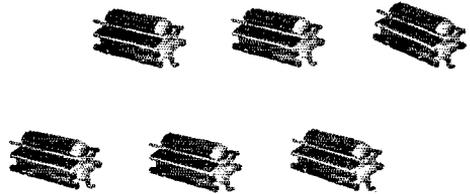
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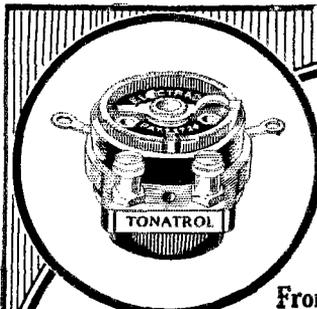


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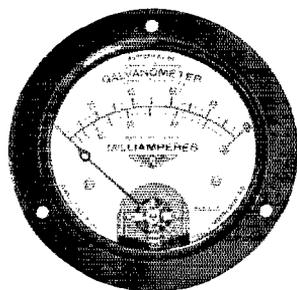
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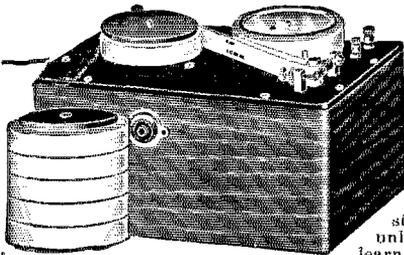
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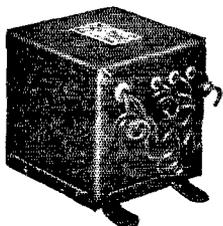
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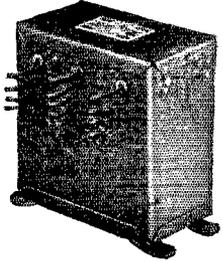


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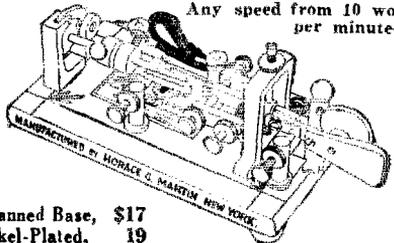


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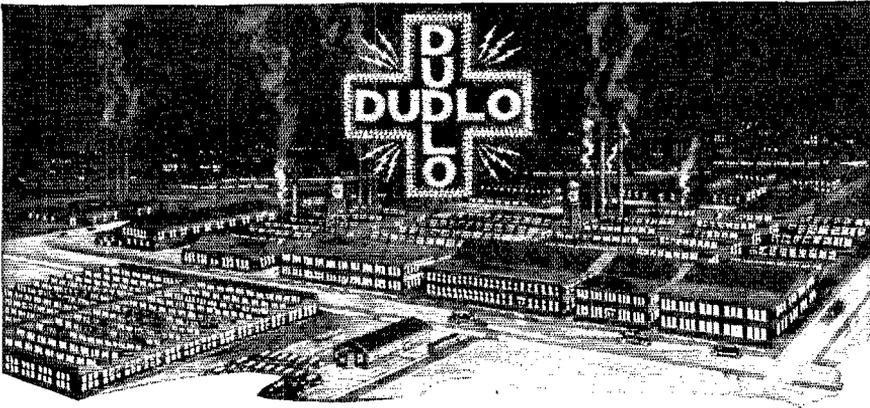
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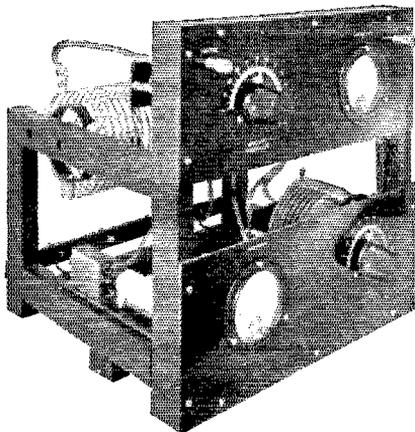
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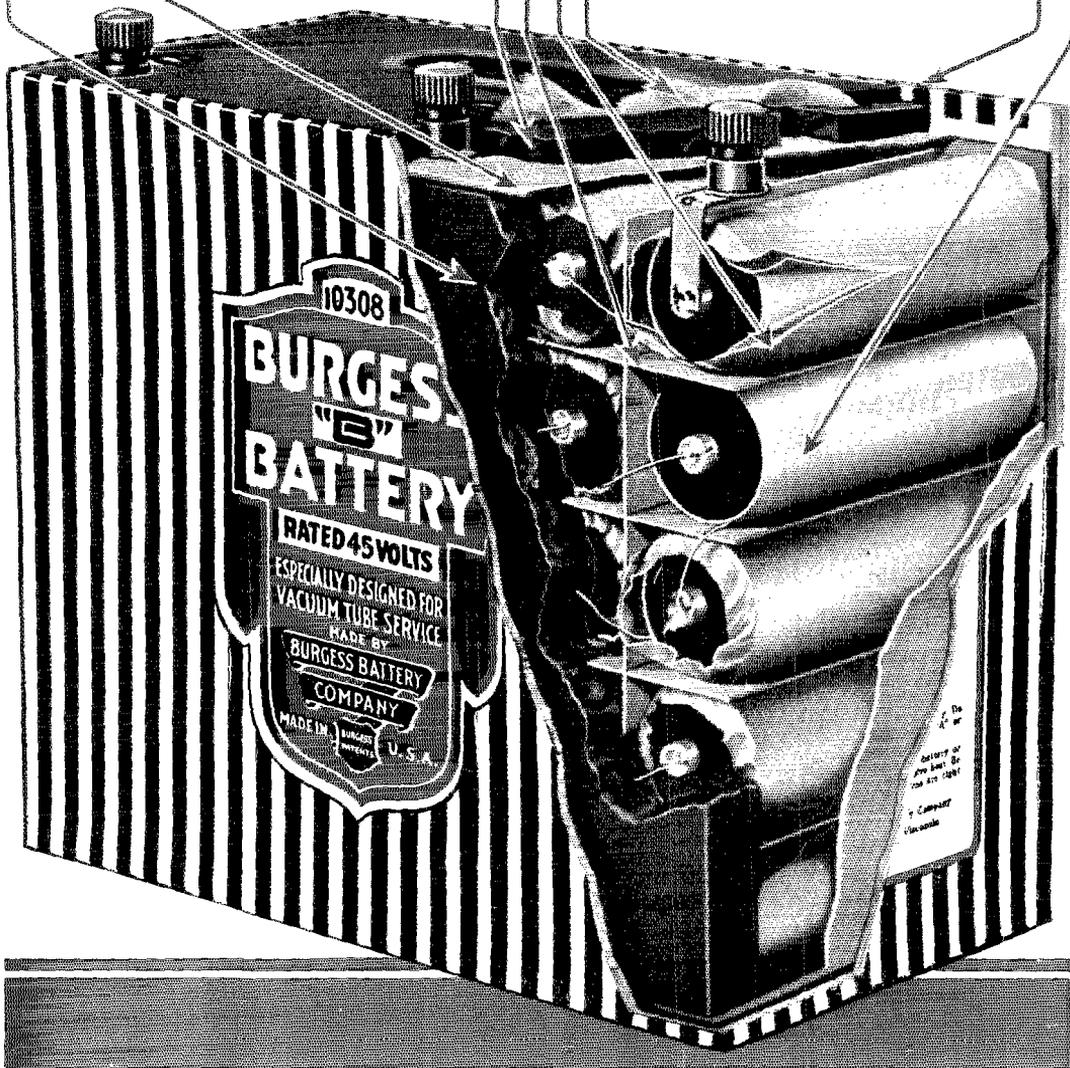
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