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THIS MONTH'S COVER

Photographer Coxe, of Greenville, S. C., flying his own plane, took this picture of the WMRC-FM installation on Paris Mountain. This is probably the most powerful com-mercial FM broadcast station now on the air, and its wide now on the ar, and its which service area confirms the urgency of getting all FM transmitters up to their full rated power. General manager E. Ennis Bray gives the details in his second and conchiding article on page 34.



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PRODUCTS & LITERATURE

So mony new instruments, components, and materials are being brought out that space does not permit us to publish illustrated descriptions of them all. Accordingly, rather than selecting a few each month, we have established this new department of Products & Literature so that a great number of brief descriptions can be published. From these, you can select items which interest you, and send for catalogs or bulletins. We'll appreciate it if you will mention FM and TELE-VISION in your requests.

Audio Frequency Meter has 6 ranges, covering 0 to 30,000 cycles for use in checking audio oscillators and tone generators. Minimum sensitivity, .5 volt input. Operates from 110 volts, 60 cycles, with selfcontained power supply. Circuits include an input voltage-gain amplifier followed by two limiting amplifiers. — Model 300, Barker & Williamson, Upper Darby 1, Pa.

Mobile Power Supplies operating from storage batteries, for radio installations on cars, trucks, and busses, and railroad service. Models cover a wide range of special types and ratings. — Bulletin 447-JF, Carter Motor Co., 2644 N. Maplewood Ave., Chicago 47

Selenium Rectifier for relays and low-current controls. Contained in Bakelite case 3% in. in diameter by 1½ ins. long. — Bradley Laboratories, Inc., 82-M Mcadow St., New Haven, Conn.

Resistor-Fuse unit $\frac{1}{2}$ in, long by $\frac{3}{32}$ in, in diameter. Available in values from 15 to 150 ohms, 1 watt. Resistor also serves as smokeless, non-flaming fuse. — International Resistance Corp., 401-A N. Broad St., Philadelphia 8

DC Dry Electrolytics of all types and sizes, in metal cans and impregnated eardboard tubes, rated from 5 to 2,000 mfd. and 6 to 600 working volts. — Bulletin J-4, Pyramid Electric Co., 155 Oxford St., Paterson, N. J.

Instrument Case for Simpson model 260 voltohm-milliammeter has protective roll-top front of Bakelite strips with cloth backing. — Simpson Electric Co., 5200–5218 W. Kinzie St., Chicago 44

Rotary Switch for circuits requiring up to 32 positions, and as many as 10 decks. Contacts rated at 5 amperes, 120 volts. Breakdown between terminals or terminals to ground 2,500 volts. — U. S. Instrument Corp., 409–M Broad St., Summit, N. J.

Terminal Blocks for 1 to 14 connections. Can be built up, as required, from a kit containing individual molded sections, threaded tie-rods, and end brackets. — Bulletin FM-118, Curtis Development & Mfg. Co., 1 N. Crawford Ave., Chicago 24

Pocket Stethoscope is the name of a new signal tracer, light in weight, 4½ ins. wide, 2% ins. deep, 8¾ ins. high. Has PM speaker and jacks for plugging in a volt-ohmmilliammeter to make the instrument an effective RF VT voltmeter. — Models TS-3 and -5, Feiler Engineering Co., 422 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 5

Television Transmitter, described as the Acorn Package, designed to enable telecasters to get on the air with a minimum investment. Video output 500 watts, andio 250 watts, on channel No. 1 to 13. Includes dual image-orthicon pickup chain, antenna, 16 mm. film projector, audio pickup gear, and test equipment. — DuMont Labs., 38 Inc., 2F Main Ave., Passaic, N. J.

Tube Checker employing differential frequency system. Tests all standard receiver tubes, and also voltage regulators and low-power Thyratrons. Four different potentials can be used in combination with various screen potentials to eliminate possible overloading of diodes and battery tubes. — Model 798-MF, Weston Elect. Inst. Co., Newark 5, N. J.

Miniature Resistors of $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt capacity 9/64 in. diameter by $\frac{3}{8}$ in. long, and 1-watt capacity 7/32 in. diameter by 9/16 in. long. Values $\pm 5\%$ from 10 ohms to 22 megohms. Designed to meet JAN-R-11 specs, including salt water cycling and humidity tests. — Bulletin LD, Ohmite Mfg. Co., 4980 W. Flourney St., Chicago 44

65-Watt Tetrode for mobile applications up to 200 mc. Has instant-heating 6-volt thoriated tungsten filament, non-emitting grids, fits standard sockets. Can be stepped up to 200 watts output with 2,000 volts plate potential. — Type 4-65A, Eitel-McCullough, Inc., 178-F San Mateo Ave., San Bruno, Calif.

Sound-Powered Telephone handset for use in adjusting FM and television antennas. Separate line or the transmission line can be used from roof to set. — Type FMT U. S. Instrument Corp., Summit, N. J.

Pickup Adapter to adapt the Western Electric arm to take G.E. variable reluctance or Pickering 120M cartridges. — Type M-M, Technical Products International, 453 W. 47 St., New York

Packaging for tubes and delicate assemblies, called "Vibra-Safe". Part to be packed is first wrapped in several thicknesses of Kimpac wadding and inserted in Fiberpak container. This package is wrapped in single-faced corrugated, and put in a second Fiberpak container, with a roll of corrugated at the top and bottom. Packing is intended to withstand crushing loads and vibration. — Continental Can Co., 100 E. 42 St., New York 17

Antenna Fittings for aircraft and special mobile uses. Units developed by Air Materiel Command, include strain insulators, corona shield, and tension takeup. — Dayton Aircraft Products Co., A-342 Xenia Ave., Dayton 10, Ohio

Transformer Laminations of 18 different types and sizes for RF, AF, and power devices. Mechanical and electrical design data is presented in very complete tables which also show most suitable applications. — Bulletin 47, Thomas & Skinner Steel Products Co., 1164 E. 23 St., Indianapolis, Ind.

7-in. Oscilloscope in portable case 17 ins. high, 11% ins. wide, and 17% ins. deep, weighing 37 lbs. Push-pull amplifier with four 7C7 tubes used to provide extra gain with reduced distortion and increased clarity of images. Provision is made for Z-axis input with impedance to ground of approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ megohm with 30 mmf. shunt capacitance. — Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 5th Ave. & 42nd St., New York 18

Midget Electrolytics in cans with waxed-paper jackets spun over at the ends. New types are available with DC working-voltage ratings of 500, 600, and 700 volts. — Aerovox Corporation, New Bedford, Mass.

Tube Puller for extracting such miniature tubes as the 6AG5 and 50B5 from hardto-reach parts of receiver chassis. — Salescrafters, Inc., F510 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 10

Television Receiver Kit with 7- or 10-in. tube has FM sound reception, pretuned coils. \$77.50 or \$124.50 without tubes. Electrotechnical Industries, 121-F North Broad St., Philadelphia

Labels of the removable, self-adhesive type are described in a bulletin illustrating typical designs used for inspection, instructions, and warnings. — Avery Adhesive Label Corp., 36 W. Union St., Pasadena 1, Calif.

Auditorium Speaker developed for halls and theatres seating up to 1,000. Employs separate bass speaker and multi-cellular highfrequency horn with dividing network crossing over at 800 cycles. Power rating 20 watts, 67 ins. high, 50 ins. wide, 23 ins. deep. — Altec Lansing Corp., 250 W. 57 St., New York 19.

Catalogs and bulletins on new products listed here are acailable without charge unless a price is shown.



A CRYSTAL THAT GREW FROM A SEED ... The large crystal in the foreground is an EDT (Ethylene Diamine Tartrate) crystal. It started from a seed (a piece of mother crystal) and in three months grew in a slowly cooling solution to the size shown. The small plate is cut from a large crystal, then gold-plated for electrical connection and mounted in vacuum. Cultivated EDT crystals can do the same job as quartz in separating the nearly 500 conversations carried by a coaxial circuit.

Crystals for **Conversations**

AT WAR'S END, the Bell System began to build many more Long Distance coaxial circuits. Hundreds of telephone calls can be carried by each of these because of electric wave filters, which guide each conversation along its assigned frequency channel. Key to these filters was their frequency-sensitive plates of quartz.

But there was not enough suitable quartz available to build all the filters needed. Bell Telephone Laboratories scientists met the emergency with cul-

tivated crystals. Years of research enabled them to write the prescription at once-a crystal which is grown in a laboratory, and which replaces quartz in these channel filters.

Now Western Electric, manufacturing unit of the Bell System, is growing crystals by the thousands. Many more Long Distance telephone circuits, in urgent demand, can be built, because the scientists of Bell Telephone Laboratories had studied the physics and chemistry of artificial crystals.



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Collins custom-built units can be furnished in any combination to suit the needs of radio and sound systems for public auditoriums and schools. Specifications for turntables, microphones, and speakers can be met with equipment so rugged in design that maintenance is cut to the irreducible minimum.

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Bendix: Paul J. Reed, after 4 years at Bendix Radio headquarters in Baltimore, has been mayle district manager for New England and upper New York. He will make his headquarters in Boston.

Amperex: Sam Norris, Amperex sales manager since 1942, has been appointed executive vice president of the Corporation.

Zenith: New general sales manager of Zenith Radio Distributing Corp., Zenith subsidiary, is William W. Bayne, former Zenith district sales manager.

Stewart-Warner: Additional Stewart-Warner television service stations are: Missouri Research Labs., St. Louis; National Radio & Television Service, Washington, D. C.; Arlington Television Labs., Arlington, Va.; Television Sales & Service, Inc., Newark, N. J.; Short Hills Radio & Appliance Co., Short Hills, N. J.; Pioneer Television Co., Philadelphia; Minor's Radio & Television Co., Baltimore.

Sylvania: William M. Magnire has been transferred from Sylvania's Salem plant to the distributor sales department of the radio tube division. He will work with sales division managers and distributors east of the Mississippi.

National: After 21 years on the editorial staff of QST, with war time out to direct Raytheon's field engineering, Clark C, Rodimon has joined the National Company, Malden, Mass, His work will be on the development and marketing of amateur and commercial products.

Merit: New representatives for Merit Coil & Transformer Corp. are Herb Becker, 1466 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles 16, for southern California and Arizona, and Bullock-Cobb Co., 233 E. Market Street, Louisville 2, for Undiana, Tennessee, and Kentucky.



Nielsen <u>Audimeter</u> Uses CLARE SEALED TYPE "K" RELAY for Radio Audience Research

Pencil points to Clore "SK" Relay in Nielsen Aødimeter

• One of the most interesting developments in radio listening research is the Audimeter, designed by A. C. Nielsen Company, Chicago marketing research organization, to provide information hitherto unobtainable.

Attached to home radio receivers, scientifically selected on a nation-wide basis, this device keeps an accurate 24 hour a day record of when each receiver is operated and the stations to which it is tuned.

Clare Sealed Type "K" Relays were chosen for use in the Audimeter because of their extreme reliability, capacity for precise, sensitive adjustment, and the fact that they are sealed so that dirt and handling cannot affect their operation.

In the Audimeter, the unusually sensitive Clare Sealed Type "K" Relay operates under the control of a vacuum tube to stop the recording stylus at the correct spot to identify station choice on the calibrated record tape. Clare Sealed Type "K" Relays, sealed in nitrogen in a metal cover, are immune to conditions imposed by high altitudes, dust, moisture or combustible gases. They function at maximum precision under extreme conditions. Like all Clare "Custom-Built" Relays they are available in a wide range of contact ratings and contact forms, flat or hemispherical contacts of rare metals or special alloys and with coil windings to match the circuit and application.

Clare "custom-building" makes it possible... with the utmost economy... to secure a relay exactly suited to specific requirements. Clare sales engineers are located in principal cities to help you secure just the relay you need. Write to C. P. Clare & Co., 4719 West Sunnyside Avenue, Chicago 30, Illinois. In Canada: Canadian Line Materials Ltd., Toronto 13, Ontario, Canada.



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Unique design shields input output circuits, simplifies neutralization.

Non - emitting processed grid provides stability familiar to all Eimac tetrodes.





Write today for additional data.

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TELEVISION

AERIALS

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- (1) Quality reception is difficult, if not impossible, without a good outside dipole antenna.
- (2) Ward "Magic Wand" FM and Television Aerials offer the finest FM and Television reception at modest cost.

Alert radio dealers are finding this campaign exceedingly helpful in creating extra sales and profitable installation jobs. In addition these dealers are winning satisfied customers who can now enjoy the true beauty of FM or television reception.

Available in straight or folded dipoles for both FM and television bands (reflector kits available), Ward "Magic Wand" Aerials are products of the world's largest makers of aerials for car and home.

Listing at only \$9.00 to \$12.00 (reflector kit \$5.25) they are priced to encourage volume sales and an adequate profit margin.

Phone or see your nearest Ward distributor today for full details on how to capitalize on this hard-hitting consumer advertising for Ward "Magic Wand" FM and Television Aerials; or write direct to:

THE WARD PRODUCTS CORPORATION

1523 East 45th Street, Cleveland 3, Ohio

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3. Rapid Acceleration...Goes from standstill to stable operating speed of 33¹/₃ rpm in one-half revolution.

4. Vibration-free...Mechanical filters isolate turntable from vibration in motor, driving mechanism and cabinet.

5. Electrical Speed Change... New electrical method of changing speed eliminates clash-gears or planetary ball devices—permits quick speed change while turntable is running.

The 1304 Type Reproducer Sets will be in production during this year. For full details, call your local Graybar Broadcast Representative or write Graybar Electric Co., 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

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FIG. 1. WIRE AND RADIO DISTRIBUTION OF THE CONTINENTAL FM NETWORK PROGRAMS ORIGINATING AT WASHINGTON, D. C. FIG. 2. ALPINE PROGRAMS COULD BE PICKED UP DIRECTLY AT THE AMBASSADOR, ATLANTIC CITY, OR THROUGH WBAB-FM

FM FOR TROPICAL AND MOUNTAINOUS COUNTRIES

An Address Delivered at the FCC's Demonstration of FM for the Delegates to the International Telecommunications Conference, Atlantic City, August 6, 1947

THE development of the radio art has reached a point where the United States Delegation feels that those attending the International Telecommunications Conference at Atlantic City should have an opportunity to hear Frequency Modulation broadcast programs, and to secure first-hand information regarding methods

*Jansky & Bailey, National Press Bldg., Washington, D.C.

BY C. M. JANSKY, JR. *

by which very high frequencies (VHF) can be used to deliver high-grade, staticfree and interference-free broadcast service over very large areas.

On July 27, 1947, there were in operation in the United States 253 FM broadcast stations in the band between 88 and 108 mc. In addition, on that date there were outstanding Government authorizations for the construction of 699 such stations not yet in operation, and applications for the right to construct and operate 172 more. The combined total of stations in operation, under construction, and applied for on that date was 1.124. This number is increasing steadily. These figures show the great interest in **FM** broadcasting in the United States, and the faith and coufidence which the industry here has in this new medium.

AT THE DEMONSTRATION, ONE RECEIVER WAS TUNED TO W2XMN, THE OTHER TO WBAB-FM, NOTE KLIPSCH SPEAKER AT RIGHT



FM & TELEVISION PROBLEMS

Proposed Cut in Television Channels—FM Networks—AT&T's Strange Attitude — FMA Needs the Needle

BY MILTON B. SLEEPER

WE HAVEN'T any actuary's figures to prove it, but it must be true that the men of the radio business are rugged. sturdy individuals. If it weren't so, they wouldn't stand up long under the continued pressure of new problems created by technical progress, expanding services, and the competition between conflicting interests.

Proposed Allocations Changes * On August 14. the FCC served up a hot potato in the form of a proposal which, in the face of television's need to increase the number of channels, deletes channel No. 1, 44 to 50 me.

As if in compensation, the FCC proposes to eliminate the sharing of television channels by communications services, ex-

STATUS OF U.S. TELEVISION STATIONS

As of September 1, 1947

ON THE AIR

CHICAGO Balaban & Katz Los Angeles Television Productions, Inc. Detroit **Evening News** NEW YORK Columbia Bestg. System DuMont Laboratories, Inc. National Bestg. Co. PHILADELPHIA Phileo Corp. ST LOUIS Pulitzer Pub. Co. SCHENECTADY General Electric Co. WASHINGTON National Bestg. Co. DuMont Laboratories, Inc.

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CALIFORNIA Los Angeles: National Bestg. Co. American Bestg. Co. Times-Mirror Co. Dorothy S. Thackrey Earl C. Anthony, Inc. Riverside: Bestg. Corp. of Amer. San Francisco: American Bestg. Co. Chronicle Pub. Co. Assoc. Broadcasters, Inc. Stockton:

E. F. Peffer District of Columbia Evening Star Bestg. Co. Bamberger Bestg. Sve. FLORIDA Miami: Southern Radio & Teleg. Equipment Co. **HEINOIS** Chicago: American Bestg, Co. National Bestg. Co. WGN, Inc. INDIANA Bloomington: Sarkes Tarzian Indianapolis: Wm. H. Block Co. Iowa Ames: Iowa State College KENTUCKY Louisville: WHAS, Inc. LOUISIANA New Orleans: Maison Blanche Co. MARYLAND Baltimore: A. S. Abell Co. Hearst Radio. Inc. Radio Tele, of Balt. Inc. Massachusetts Boston: West'h'se Radio Sta., Inc. Raytheon Mfg. Co.

cept Nos. 7 and 8, 174 to 180 and 180 to 186 mc. This is of no present significance. however, because no communications systems have been assigned to share television frequencies. Thus the change stands as a net loss to television.

To be sure, the worth of channel No. 1 for television is open to question. No one wants it, and the one station to which it has been assigned is not under construction.

The Television Broadcasters Association is preparing to renew its request for 3 additional channels between 108 and 174 me. Our Government has the following blocks in that part of the spectrum:

108 to 118 mc. 132 to 144 me.

(144-148 me. ham band)

MICHIGAN Detroit: King-Trendle Bestg. Corp. RHODE ISLAND Fort Industry Co. MINNESOTA Minneapolis: Minnesota Bestg. Corp. St. Paul: KSTP, Inc. New Jersey Newark: Bremer Bestg. Corp. New York Buffalo: WBEN, Inc. New York City: Bamberger Bestg. Co. American Bestg. Co. News Syndicate, Inc. Оню Cincinnati: Crosley Bestg. Corp. Cleveland: National Bestg. Co. Scripps-Howard Radio, Inc. Columbus: Crosley Bestg. Corp. Dayton: Crosley Bestg. Corp. Toledo: Fort Industry Co. Oregon Portland: Oregonian Pub. Co. PENNSYLVANIA Johnstown: WJAC, Inc. Philadelphia: Triangle Publications, Inc. SAN FRANCISCO Wm. Penn Bestg. Co.

148 to 152 me.

162 to 174 me.

It is doubtful if the Government can justify its position in holding all these bands. If it cannot, it certainly should release them for television service.

Television has another problem. Channel No. 2, 54 to 60 mc., is seriously troubled with harmonic interference from amateurs on 14 me. Also, it is adjacent to the amateur's 50- to 54-me, band. In many cases, amateur stations are near and in line with antennas directed at television stations. Space should be found above 108 mc. for another channel to take the place of the present No. 2.

The truth is that we are approaching a show-down on the matter of television frequencies. The prospect of losing No. 1 channel may be only the beginning, as we pointed out two months ago. The plan to assign communications systems to television's channel No. 1 is only the first raid that will be made into that territory on behalf of the safety services.

The FCC knows this, TBA should recognize it. This is the time to be frank and open, not only for the benefit of television broadcasters and set manufacturers, but in the public interest.

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Pittsburgh: DuMont Laboratories, Inc. Providence: The Outlet Co. TEXAS Dallas: Carter Publications, Inc. KRLD Radio Corp. UTAH Salt Lake City: Intermountain Bestg. Corp. VIRGINIA Richmond: Havens & Martin, Inc. WASHINGTON Seattle: Radio Sales Corp. WISCONSIN Milwaukee: The Journal Co. **TELEVISION APPLICATIONS** ROSTON New England Theatres, Inc. Cincinnati DuMont Laboratories, Inc. CLEVELAND DuMont Laboratories, Inc.

Interstate Circuit, Inc.

Don Lee Bestg. System

Don Lee Bestg. System

Daily News Television Co.

United Detroit Theatres Corp.

DALLAS

DETROIT

Los Angeles

Philadelphia

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THE KLIPSCH SOUND REPRODUCER

A Corner-Type Speaker Which Uses the Walls as Part of the Acoustical System

RESULTING largely from a desire to hear symphonic music reproduction with some semblance to a live rendition, armchair philosophy led to experimenta-



FIGS. 1 AND 2. TOP AND ISOMETRIC VIEWS OF THE BASS REPRODUCER

tion with corner speaker enclosures. Examples of this design are shown in this issue of FM AND TELEVISION, page 21, and page 20 of the August, 1947 issue.

Early Development * More by luck than deliberate cerebration, the horn was chosen as a basis, which was fortuitous as

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the horn has come to be recognized as the most effective means of achieving highefficiency and, incident to this high efficiency, low distortion. The earlier work has been reported elsewhere.^{1, 2, 3} The general design selected as offering the most performance per cubic foot is depicted in Figs. 1 through 4. These figures show oblique, top, side, and front views of the third experimental model designated as model X-3. The efficiency of this horn. based on voice coil impedance measureto 30 cycles, whereas the X-3 fundamental radiation was good down to only about 38 or 40.

This idea, together with some mechanical simplifications including flat side members and simplified access door construction, was standardized as the K-3, and a pilot lot was put into production.

Recent Woofer Development \star As a result of a demand on the part of individuals who wanted to apply this speaker system to



FIGS. 3 AND 4. SIDE AND FRONT VIEWS, SHOWING CAVITIES OF THE CORNER SPEAKER

ments, was better than 20% in the range from 45 to 400 cycles,²

The war interrupted development, but late in 1945 some serious thinking was brought to bear on several aspects of the X-3 design: the multiple taper came in for close scrutiny, and it was decided that a taper more closely approximating the simple exponential would be worth trying. Accordingly, using a unit built by Mr. Sherman Fairchild as a guinea pig, the initial taper was altered to eliminate the multiple-taper idea and at the same time to make the average taper rate somewhat lower than the original 47 cycles per second. The result was that the unit would produce a clean fundamental down

⁴ P. W. Klipsch "A Low Frequency Horn of Small Dimensions," J. Acous. Soc. Am. 13, 137-144 (October 1941).

1941).
² P. W. Klipsch "Improved Low Frequency Horn,"
J. Acous. Soc. Am. 14, 171-182 (January 1943).
³ P. W. Klipsch "Design of Compact Two-Horn Londspeaker," Electronics 19, 156-159 (February 1949). 1946).

electric organs, an effort was made to improve the efficiency in the extreme low end. One successful attack was made by Mr. R. W. Brickenkamp, who scaled the writer's K-3 drawings up by a factor of 4/3, using an 18-in. driver. It was, and still is, this writer's opinion that the limit of performance has been closely approached in the design, and that material improvement in low-end cutoff must be at the cost of larger structures. That is to say, the performance per cubic foot has approached the limit. However, it was recognized that the 15-cubic-foot K-3 has about 1,400 cubic inches of waste space in the form of "sinuses" which oecurred in folding the horn around the air chamber. Thus, it can be reasoned that if the horn can radiate below its nominal cutoff,4 and if the air chamber had been designed "tight," as indicated in the original paper,¹ would it not be possible to increase the maximum wavelength to

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FIG. 1. SPEAKER, HANDSET, AND CONTROL CIRCUITS INSTALLED IN A CABOOSE

FMI RAILWAY RADIO Frequency Modulation Is Employed for an Inductive System Operating on 50 to 250 kc.

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THE FMI (Frequency-Modulated Inductive) equipment described in this article is the result of over four years of continuous, practical experience in the application and design of radio communication equipment to the stringent needs of railroads. As is well known by this time, there have been two main avenues of approach to the solution of this problem: low-frequency FM carrier propagated along the wayside wires, and conventional FM communications on 152 to 162 mc, through space in the usual manner. The purpose of this article is not to argue the relative merits of the two, but rather to treat at some length the low-frequency inductive system developed by the Aircon Radiotelephone Manufacturing Company. It should be noted, however, that the inductive equipment.

* Railway Radiotelephone and Signals, Inc., 1407 Central Street, Kansas City 6, Mo, operating on 50 to 259 kc., is so designed as to be readily integrated with a VIIF system wherever the use of the latter is indicated, or connected into a regular PBX board to serve as an auxiliary telephone circuit.

General Description \star Braefly, an inductive communication link between a wayside station and a moving train consists of the following: — 1) an effice unit transmitter and receiver operating on 115-volt AC, and capacitively coupled to the trackside wires, 2) the wayside wires themselves which serve as a transmission path for the carrier, and 3) specially-designed mobile equipment and a power supply operating from the particular voltage available in the engine or caboose. Signal voltage is picked up by a large single-turn loop placed on the engine or caboose, in a plane parallel to the wayside wires. With well-

FIG. 2. FM INDUCTIVE TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER UNIT AND POWER SUPPLY IN STEEL CASE



designed equipment of this sort, very satisfactory communication can be realized between wayside stations installed approximately every 50 miles along the right of way, or between moving trains and the nearer of any two wayside stations. The advantage of having such a communication system now seems beyond argument and, at this writing, all of the major railroads in the country have witnessed demonstrations of one type of radio link or another. Many have made extensive installations, while others are now in the planning stage.

Historically, the equipment described below was developed with the coöperation of the Kansas City Southern Railway, and an extensive inductive system was installed on the Kansas City-Shreveport run of this line. While the figures given above represent the maximum that are quoted for reliable day-to-day communication, there were cases, during experimental runs, when communication was maintained over an inductive link for distances up to 135 miles. Such a phenomenal range as this, with a 5-watt wayside transmitter and a 50-watt mobile transmitter, presupposes unusual terrain conditions, low line-to-ground leakage. and low line noise. A typical installation of present day equipment is shown in Fig. 1.

Mobile Equipment \star A typical mobile installation consists of 1) the mobile transmitter-receiver unit and a separate power supply adapted to the available power source, 2) a single-conductor loop antenna which is mounted on either caboose or locomotive, 3) loop tuning unit, 4) remote control unit and handset, 5) call-type londspeaker, and 6) suitable mounting equipment and a steel, weatherproof box to house the transmitter-receiver and its power supply.

Actual operation of the equipment is quite simple. It is only necessary to turn on the equipment at the start of the run. and calls can be made at any time merely by lifting the handset from the book and depressing the push-to-talk button on the handset. The receiver itself is always in a stand-by condition during the run, and incoming calls are heard over the loudspeaker. When the handset is lifted, communication over the speaker is interrupted and continued over the handset. The two controls on the handset box, volume and squelch, are seldom reset once they are adjusted to suit the individual operator, Λ pair of lights on the handset box indicate when the equipment is on "transmit" and when the station is being called.

Fig. 2 shows the mounted power supply and transmitter-receiver. The box is made in two weights, since a heavier covering is necessary when the equipment is to be mounted externally on a tender than for use inside a caboose. Rubber gaskets make this box impervious to moisture.

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TABLE I

CHARACTERISTICS OF MOBILE INDUCTIVE EQUIPMENT

Frequency range: 50-250 ke Transmitter power output: 50 watts Modulation: Narrow band frequency modulation Keving: Push to talk Receiver sensitivity: 500 microvolts Receiver audio output: 5 watts Receiver tube complement RF amplifier: 12SK7 Limiters: Two 68J7 Discriminator: 12H6 Squelch: 6SL7 First audio: 6SL7 Audio power output: Two 6V6 Transmitter tube complement Power amplifier: Two 1625 Oseillator: 6V6 Modulator: 6AC7 Voltage regulator: VR 150/30

water, smoke, dust and dirt, all of which are found in liberal quantities along the railroad right of way. When one considers the extremes encountered from the crossing of a hot dry desert to the washing down of equipment with a hose at the end of the run, it is obvious that great care must be given to the design of the enclosure.

The circuit employed in the mobile equipment is straightforward. Electrical characteristics are given in Table 1, while Fig. 3 shows a circuit diagram of the equipment. The receiver is slug-tuned, and coupling is adjusted to give a band width of approximately 8 kc. A conventional RF amplifier is followed by two limiters and a discriminator, to form what amounts to a TRF Frequency-Modulation receiver with a sensitivity of approximately 500 microvolts at the loop connection. The second limiter is followed by duo-diode frequency deviation discriminator which also acts to control the frequency of the transmitter. This is accomplished by taking advantage of a residual DC voltage obtained from the discriminator when the signal is not deviating from the precise center frequency to which the discriminator is tuned. The remaining tubes in the receiver consist of a 6SL7 squelch tube which also actuates the RECEIVE light, a 6SL7 first audio, and a pair of 6V6's to supply 5 watts of audio power to the loudspeaker. It might be mentioned at this point that all tubes used in this railroad equipment are of the heater-cathode type.

The handset used in conjunction with mobile equipment is of a special Electro-Voice noise-reducing type which has an ample rubber cup surrounding the carpiece in order to exclude as much as possible of the high ambient background of the engine cab or caboose. As an added means of entting down noise, the micro-

FIG. 3. SCHEMATIC OF THE MOBILE TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER UNIT



FIG. 5. THERE ARE SEVERAL NOVEL CONTROL FEATURES BUILT INTO THE CIRCUIT OF THE WAYSIDE TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER

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FIG. 6. THE LOOP ANTENNA FOR TRANSMITTING AND RECEIVING, MOUNTED ON THE ROOF OF A DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE

phone used is a differential type which has proved very successful in noisy locations.

Two type 1625 tubes serve as Class C power output for the mobile induction transmitter. These are driven by a single 6V6, reactance-modulated by a $6\Lambda C7$ which is fed directly by the microphone.

Like the receiver RF tubes, the transmitter oscillator is also slug tuned. Deviation is limited to 4 kc., and this is controlled by the amount of modulator stage gain.

Three different power supplies are available, each supplying an output of more than 300 watts, the level required by the mobile induction equipment when on the TRANSMIT position. The 32- and 64-volt DC types each employs tandem dynamotors. Relay action connects both in series to supply high voltage for operation of the transmitter. For trains that have 117 volts, 60 cycles available, a conventional rectifier-type power supply is employed which uses two type 5U4 rectifiers, each with its own filter system.

Dimensionally, power supply and transmitter-receiver are identical. Each is 20 in, deep, with front panels 8 by 10 ins.

While this is a somewhat simplified description of the mobile inductive equipment, it will be seen that the equipment is straightforward in design, though extremely rugged, and very easy to service.

Wayside Station \star A typical wayside station consists of 1) a transmitter-receiver unit, 2) separate remote-control unit which also mounts a speaker, and 3) a handset and hook-switch. As with the mobile equipment, the only controls which need be touched by the operator are squelch and volume control. The crackle-finished, grey steel cabinet seen in Fig. 4 can be mounted in any out-of-the-way spot in the station and forgotten. Dimensions of the office unit are: $20\frac{1}{2}$ ins. long, $20\frac{1}{2}$ ins. wide, 9 ins. deep. The remote control box, customarily mounted on the operator's desk, measures $9\frac{1}{8}$ by $7\frac{1}{2}$ by $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins. TRANSMIT and RECEIVE lights, squelch and volume controls, and a permanentmagnet speaker are mounted in this remote control box. Fig. 5 shows the circuit of the wayside unit.

The transmitter-receiver and power components of the wayside unit are mounted on a single, vertical chassis which is hinged inside the dust-cover. Thus access to top or bottom chassis components is greatly simplified.

Wayside Receiver \star TRF receiver for the wayside station consists of a 6SK7 RF tube followed by two 6SJ7 limiters. The second limiter is followed by a balanced discriminator, which feeds its andio output to one half of a 6SL7. (The other half of the first audio tube serves as the squelch tube.) The power output tube is a 6V6. Both the regular signal channel and the separate noise channel to be described are slug-tuned.

Perhaps the most interesting feature of the receiver is this separate noise channel, an innovation which was found to be of great assistance in cutting down the high level of electrical noise frequently found on wayside telegraph lines. Essentially, the noise channel consists of a separate RF channel, identical to the regular signal channel. Line noise is picked up on the receiver side of the line blocking condenser, and applied to the grid of the 6SK7 noise channel RF amplifier. (The normal frequency of this channel is fixed at 190 kilocycles, since the noise envelope will not differ essentially anywhere over the 50- to 200-ke, range of the receiver.) The RF noise amplifier stage is followed by a 6SJ7 noise limiter, identical to the signal channel limiter, and then one-half of a dual triode rectifies the noise current. The DC voltage thus derived is proportional to noise voltage and is used in a differential manner to buck out the equal and opposite DC voltage produced by noise in the signal channel. The bandwidth of both channels is identical, so that each provides, at a given instant, two noise voltages of equal but opposite voltage. With a sequence such as the one given above, line noises cancel out before the squelch tube is reached and, therefore, noise alone can never open the audio end and be heard over the speaker.

Transmit-Receive Interlocks * Since it is desirable to operate the wayside station (CONTINUED ON PAGE 50)

FIG. 4. STEEL-ENCLOSED WAYSIDE TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER OPERATES ON 117 VOLTS AC





FIG. 9. SHADED AREA SHOWS CALCULATED SERVICE AREA OF WMRC-FM. CIRCLES ARE AT INCREMENTS OF 50 MILES

THE 48.6-KW. INSTALLATION AT WMRC-FM

An Account of the Planning, Installation, and Operation of a High-Power FM Station-Part 2

Studio-Transmitter Link \star We had another problem on the Mountain. Our studios, in the business section of Greenville, were 6_{24} miles airline from the FM transmitter. It seemed as if we could get a 15,000-cycle line over that distance without too much trouble or any prohibitive expense. However, we couldn't sell that idea to the Telephone Company.

They allowed that it might be done at a cost of \$20,000 to \$30,000, but they were definite only in their indifference to doing the job at all. At that point, our chief engineer went into action. It wasn't long before we had a 70-mc. relay transmitter in operation at the studio, and a suitable receiver on the Mountain. The total cost was \$500!

Fig. 10 shows the antenna for the transmitter. It was some kind of a radar tower,

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bought from Government surplus, light enough in weight that we put it up on the roof of the studio building without any difficulty.

The transmitter cabinet, with a row of four meters aeross the top, can be seen through the control room window in Fig. 11. This is a convenient spot for it, because the operator can keep his eye on the meters.

Fig. 11 shows the link receiver, set into the wall of the engineer's office at the transmitter. It is a Hallicrafters model, somewhat revised to meet the needs of this special purpose. The system has proved entirely satisfactory, and not only eliminated the initial expense of a telephone line and the monthly charges, but also the possibility of failure in case of a bad sleet storm on the Mountain. **Coverage** ★ The shaded area on the map in Fig. 9 indicates the calculated coverage area of WMRC-FM, with a radiated output of 48.6 kw. Circles on the map are 50 miles apart. Some of the points where consistent reception has been reported are marked by arrows. Those reports came in while we were operating on 36 kw. effective radiation.

We believe they indicate that we shall deliver solid coverage, day and night throughout the year, somewhat beyond the calculated contour. More will be known about that when the station has been on the air a year. Then the records of listener reports will show up any seasonal changes. Meanwhile, we have been pleased indeed to find that the installation is more than meeting our expectations.

Certainly the performance disproves the

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FIG. 10. WMRC-FM RELAY, BUILT BY CHIEF ENGINEER, USES SURPLUS RADAR TOWER. FIG. 11. CONTROL ROOM IS BETWEEN STUDICS

line-of-sight theory. As any one knows who has flown over this section, there is hardly a level area. In contrast to the straight lines of the plowed fields in the middle-west, in our country all the furrows show the curved lines of contour plowing. So far, we have not found any locations within reasonable distance of the station where our signals cannot be picked up.

We find, for example, that WMRC-FM is being heard at Dunville, Va., nearly 175 miles away. That is direct line with Mt. Mitchell, over 6,000 ft, high. This is one of the most distant reports we have received.

One of the most significant reports of long-distance reception has come to us from WRAL-FM, in Raleigh, N. C., at a distance of nearly 200 miles. They have been receiving us so consistently that they asked us to put on a special program from WMRC-FM for their inaugural ceremony. They plan to rebroadcast our transmission as a part of their first official broadcasting. We shall, of course, cooperate with them. This will be our first experience in what, we hope, will eventually become regular participation in FM network operation for this area. The relative location of WRAL-FM can be seen on the map in Fig. 9,

Programs \star Until the official inauguration of WMRC-FM, we operated the station from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Now we start at noon, 7 days a week. Programming is, for the most part, independent of WMRC, an ABC affiliate. We do carry such ABC features as Drew



FIG. 12. RELAY RECEIVER USED AT THE TRANSMITTER ON PARIS MOUNTAIN

Pearson, the Paul Whiteman Club, Elmer Davis, Christian Science Monitor, and America's Town Meeting on FM. One of the most popular FM features is the reporting of local baseball games. Evening games start at 8:15, and we keep the station on the air until they are over. Radio dealers tell us that this has helped them to make many FM set sales, since the games are not broadcast over any other station.

A considerable part of our FM programs are made up of World transcriptions. The quality is excellent, to the point where many of our listeners report that sometime they cannot distinguish them from live talent. Local news is transmitted three times a day from our studios.

In the meantime, as the completion of the FM installation has given us more time to devote to program problems, we are testing out new live-talent ideas to take fall advantage of FM quality. We have sampled local talent with a hill-billy band, for example, Galen Harvey has experimented with the Hammond organ on a series of musical programs combined with guest interviews.

Now we are setting up a plan of developing special FM shows, based on our initial experience, and we are beginning to learn much from our first sponsored programs. This has taken us to the point where we expect to gain rapidly from practical experience.

As a part of our preparation for establishing FM rates and selling time, we

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have been making a very thorough survey of our audience.

At the end of August, our figures showed 15,000 FM sets in use within our service area. But here is what astonished us: Of that total, there are about 4,000 Pilot FM tuners. We find that their performance is consistently satisfactory. However, most of them are being used with outside antennas. This is due in part to the intelligent sales promotion by the local distributor. Credit must also be given to FM AND TELEVISION Magazine and its effort to educate the dealers and servicemen in the matter of assuring satisfactory reception by the use of adequate antenna installations. For this we, in turn, are very grateful.

Organization \star An outline of our organization may be of interest to newcomers. Since our staff handles both the FM and AM stations, we are organized for 18 hours of AM operation. This requires extra transmitter and control-room operators, and announcers.

Under the General Manager, acting as coördinator of all station activities, there are the:

- Commercial Manager Chief Engineer Program Director Production Manager Traffic Manager 3 Transmitter Operators 5 Announcers

FIG. 13. TESTS WITH A HILL-BILLY BAND ON FM HAVE PRODUCED INTERESTING RESULTS

3 Control Operators2 Bookkeepers

2 Salesmen

FIG. 14. GALEN HARVEY USES THE HAMMOND ORGAN FOR SEPARATE FM PROGRAMS



While titles and duties vary at different stations, this is a typical organization for a station in such an area as ours.

Conclusion \star If this account of WMRC-FM were written at the end of 1947, rather than in July, there would be much more factual information to include. So far, we have gone through the period of initial enthusiasm, the discouragements of erecting an FM station under unfavorable conditions, hoping against hope that enough receivers would be sold to justify our putting programs on the air, and wondering if we would ever reach the point of selling time.

Now, all that is behind us. The station is giving an excellent account of itself in point of coverage, we have a larger audience already than we dared to expect, and we are selling time. There are still some problems ahead, but there is every reason to expect we shall liek them, as we have already met others which, in prospect, seemed more formidable.

We are asked: "Do you think you are better off for having pushed ahead in FM, or do you wish now that you had waited six months or a year?"

There is no doubt that we gained many competitive advantages by taking the lead in our area. We are set up to make the most of being first, and we intend to maintain this position. There is so much about FM that can be learned only by first-hand experience. The sooner that experience is gained, the sooner it can be applied to profitable FM operation.

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PILOTUNER CIRCUIT EMPLOYS RATIO DETECTOR. ALIGNMENT POINTS ARE INDICATED ON TOP AND BOTTOM CHASSIS DRAWINGS

DATA ON THE FM PILOTUNER Gircuit and Service Information Show Ease of Use with AM Sets

THE FM Pilotuner was designed as a head end for use with an audio amplifier and speaker, or the audio end of any AM set. It is a complete FM tuning system, covering 88 to 108 mc.

Antenna * Because of the many different conditions under which the tuner may be required to operate, provisions are made for 3 types of antennas:

1. BUILT-IN ANTENNA: When the Pilotuner is shipped from the factory, it is connected for line-cord operation. This is connected internally by the wire link between terminals No. 1 and 2, as shown in the accompanying diagram.

2. SINGLE-WIRE ANTENNA: Increased receiving range can be obtained in some areas by removing the link between ter-

minals 1 and 2, and connecting a 4-ft. length of wire to terminal 1.

3. OUTSIDE ANTENNA: Maximum range and noise reduction are obtained by using an outside dipole with a 300-ohm line for a leadin. The link between terminals 1 and 2 should be removed, and the 300ohm line connected across terminals 1 and 3.

Connections to Am Sets $\star \Lambda$ 5-ft, cord is furnished with the tuner for connecting it to an ΛM set, audio amplifier, or record player. The outside shield of the cable must be connected to terminal 6 on the tuner, and the inner wire to terminal 7.

At the other end of the cable, the inner lead goes to the "high" side of the phono connections and the shield to the low side. To determine which is the high side, turn on the set and switch it to the phono position. Touch one phono terminal and then the other. On the high side, you will hear a hum in the speaker. A little ingenuity may be needed to connect the cable to the special sockets and terminals used on some sets, but if the instructions as to polarity are followed, proper results will be obtained.

Connections to Phono Combinations \star In the case of a radio-phonograph combination, disconnect shielded lead coming from pickup and connect tuner in its stead as indicated in previous paragraph. Then attach center wire of disconnected lead to terminal 4 and shield to terminal 5. Then having located (*Concluded on page 40*)

FM COMMUNICATIONS FOR LOGGING CAMPS

How the Ontario-Minnesota Pulp & Paper Company Uses FM in the Canadian Woods

ASSOCIATED with the production of paper and pulp products such as insulation and building board is the procurement of the industry's most important raw material, pulpwood. The yearly weight and volume of this commodity is staggering, and the transportation from the forests to the mills poses major problems.

The Ontario-Minnesota Pulp and Paper Company, Ltd., a Canadian subsidiary of the Minnesota and Ontario Paper Company in the United States, gets its supply of pulpwood from the vast and rugged timberlands of northwestern Ontario. This area is still largely an uninhabited wilderness, dotted with thousands of lakes and rivers. The winters are extremely long and cold. There are few roads and fewer telephone lines. Much of the terrain is irregular and rocky. It is from this isolated area that millions of logs must be moved to the mills.

Problem in Logistics * Many individual logging camps are built each season for cutting timber in the surrounding area. Most of the pulpwood is cut during the winter months, and skidded either to logging roads for transportation by rail or truck to the mill, or onto ice of nearby rivers and lakes to await the spring thaw when it can be towed in booms through connecting lakes, and driven down rivers to the mill.

Logging operations require the services of hundreds of men and much heavy

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machines such as tractors and bulldozers. Marine craft are also used, including tugboats, barges, amphibious crafts called Alligators, which are capable of pulling themselves across portages, and numerous smaller boats.

Logging might be closely compared to a military expedition, since the problems of logistics are so similar. A steady stream of food and stores must be kept moving to the camps. Personnel must be transferred from camp to camp where unforeseen circumstances call for more men in a hurry. Machines break down and repair parts must be supplied. Immediate medical attention or advice is necessary when accidents happen. Weather forecasts from the outside world are needed for efficient operations. Forest fires in remote sections are a constant danger. These are just a few of the many factors that affect woods operations, and demonstrate the need for communications.

In the past, logging operations have been characterized by the complete lack of communications or, at best, inadequate communications. Some telephone lines have been built, but these are costly due to the fact that they must be moved each year to follow the movements of the camps. Also, maintenance on these lines is unusually high.

The Ontario-Minnesota Pulp and Paper Company has found the answer to their communication problem in FM. The Company operates two mills in Canada, one at Fort Frances on the International Border, and another 93 air-miles to the north in Kenora, at the head of sprawling Lake-ofthe-Woods. Each of the mills has been equipped with a 250-watt General Electric FM transmitter for operation in the 30- to 40-Mc, band. Since no direct wire telephone lines run between Fort Frances and Kenora, it was decided that a network should be designed to provide radio communications between the mills, A 300 ft, steel tower, Fig. I, was built at Kenora, and another at Fort Frances.

Fort Frances Station \star The immediate area surrounding Fort Frances is flat and boggy, the remnant of an old glacial lake bed. Since there was no advantageous high ground within reasonable distance on which to erect a tower and transmitter house, it was necessary to choose a site 3 miles from the mill on a flat composed of muskeg. The tower base, of reinforced concrete, extends $6\frac{1}{2}$ ft, below the ground line to a level of loose sand. This base is supported on 5 concrete piles cast in place and extending down through $7\frac{1}{2}$ ft, of sand and into 1 ft, of elay.

The 4 guy wire anchors, 175 ft, from the tower base, were east into reinforced concrete blocks, 8 by 8 by $1\frac{1}{2}$ ft, resting on sand. A machined bolt is imbedded on the upper surface of the tower base and of each anchor, for the purpose of making yearly surveys to detect settling or shifting.

The transmitter is housed in a structure 8 by 10 ft. The house is constructed with 13-in, brick walls and a concrete roof and floor. The foundation consists of 9 concrete piles which extend down through 6 ft. of muskeg, and rest on a reinforced concrete slab $13\frac{1}{2} \ge 12\frac{1}{2} \ge 1\frac{1}{2}$ ft. The house is equipped with a steel-plated door, as a precaution against stray bullets from the guns of hunters.

A 5-kva. electric wall heater and thermostat control keep the house at a constant temperature, even in 40-below weather. At one end of the room is a service bench with a series of outlets for plugging in test equipment. The transmitter, outlets, and tower lighting control equipment are supplied from a 2-kva. G.E. voltage stabilizer because the line voltage fluctuates considerably. Tower lighting is controlled by a G.E. photo-electric unit, arranged in parallel with a Sangamo sidereal time clock, to assure that the lights will be turned on in event either device should fail.

The transmitter, power line, tower, and the guy anchors all have separate grounding networks, and are tied together by a copper bus located behind a plate in the wall. In this fashion, a very low resistance to ground was obtained.

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FIG. 2. FORT FRANCES MILL CAN TALK DIRECTLY TO FLANDERS CAMP, 60 MILES AWAY



The receiver is on the same rack with the transmitter. Both units can be controlled at the transmitter house, or from a remote control unit in the mill office. A Doolittle FM frequency monitor with an RF adaptor-amplifier, located alongside the remote control unit, is used to monitor the frequency and modulation continuously. This can be seen in Fig. 2. Another remote control is provided at the logging office, several blocks away.

Kenora Station \star The transmitter at Kenora is located on a rocky hill about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of the mill. The tower base and guy anchors were secured by drilling into solid rock. A 200-ft, swath was cut through the trees to run in the necessary power and telephone lines. The transmitter house is an insulated wooden structure, containing essentially the same equipment as the Fort Frances installation.

A separate, sound-proof operating room was constructed in the office building across the street from the Kenora mill.

Headquarters Camp Installations * Most of the logging camps are established to the northeast and west of the two mills, and at distances up to 100 miles. To make complete coverage possible, it was decided to install relay stations at two previously-established headquarters camps, which are more or less permanent in nature. One is located about 60 miles west and slightly north of Kenora, and the other about 60 miles west of Fort Frances. A 60-watt transmitter was installed at each camp office, and coaxial dipole antennas were mounted on 90-ft, guyed wooden masts. Thus, 4 key stations made it possible for 9 radio-equipped camps, scattered throughout the surrounding area, to send and receive messages, either by direct communications or by relay, to any of the other stations in the network.

FIG. 3. KENORA OPERATOR AND ENGINEER LEYDIER CHECK 60-WATT PORTABLE





FIG. 1. THE 300-FT. TOWER AT KENORA

Portable Stations * The portable stations for individual camps as well as those used at the headquarter camps are 60-watt G.E. units, with the transmitter and receiver shock-mounted in a small, taxi-size wardrobe trunk. These equipments are shown in Figs. 4, 5, and 6. When the trunk lid is open, a panel is exposed which earries a loud speaker, the necessary controls, and a wall bracket to mount and hold the telephone handset. In the upper right hand corner of the trunk is an antenna mounting bracket. A telescoping quarterwave, whip-type antenna, carried in the lid of the trunk, can be quickly removed. extended, and screwed into the antenna mounting bracket. The lower compartment contains the power cord, a length of ground wire with an alligator clamp, 60 ft. of coaxial cable with terminating connectors used if the antenna is mounted remotely, and a large C clamp to fasten the removable antenna bracket if it is desired to mount the antenna in a more advantageous location. The upper compartment consists of a drawer containing a complete set of spare tubes, a kit of small tools, spare fuses, a multimeter and test leads, and a space for storing the telephone handset. The complete station can be assembled and put on the air in less than 5 minutes.

At Camp Mando, the trunk unit was set up in the camp clerk's office with the antenna at the top of a 30-ft. pole. The equipment draws 325 watts maximum from the camp's 115-volt, 60-cycle, gasoline-driven power system.

Tugboat Installations * Similar 60-watt stations are being installed aboard two of the Company's lake tugboats. These units are of the standard mobile type. The radiating system consists of an Andrews Unipole with a quadrature counterpoise.

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The mast can be lowered to allow the tugboat to pass beneath low bridges and power lines.

Radio Maintenance \star A policy of preventive maintenance has been established to insure continuous satisfactory service. Before the equipment was put into operation, selected personnel from the electrical department were given a 10-day course covering the theory, circuits, operation, maintenance, and test equipment.

Each mill was furnished with radio service equipment comprising an oscilloscope, RF signal generator, a multimeter, tube tester, a set of wave meters, and other small equipment necessary to make complete over-all alignments and major repairs. A complete stock of spare parts and tubes is kept on hand at all times.

Advantages of FM \star Camps operated from O. & M. headquarters are as much as 100 miles into the virgin timberlands. Roads are rough logging trails, or mere paths eleared by bulldozers. During the spring and fall, rains stop or slow down traffic to the camps. Before the radio system was put into operation, all communications were frequently cut off for days at a time. Winter snowfalls are even more effective in isolating the camps.

The log books of the main stations are filled with records of unusual events. A camp on Trail Lake, for example, reported that one of its men had suffered serious injury. While a doctor at Kenora gave first aid instructions by radio, arrangements were made to stop a Canadian Pacific train at Vermillion Bay, where the injured man was taken by a camp truck. Within a few hours, he was at the Kenora hospital.

At John Lake, an equally isolated spot, a woodsman was taken with appendicitis. All roads were closed, but a doctor was dispatched in a plane equipped with pon-

FIG. 4. PORTABLE UNITS ARE USED IN WOODS FOR SUMMER LOGGING DRIVE





FIG. 5. ENGINEER SNIEZEK USES TRUCK DURING CAMP CONSTRUCTION. FIG. 6. BOSS WHITE'S OPERATING SHACK AT CEDAR LAKE

toons. Arriving at the camp, the doctor found the man's condition so serious that he called the Kenora hospital to say that he was flying the patient back, and to prepare for an emergency operation.

So the log goes on with its record of services to the men and the Company.

This summer, the Company will use FM in a new way. For the first time, it will attempt to coordinate and expedite a major log drive by radio. Thousands of cords of pulpwood must be rounded up from many lakes and herded through a labyrinth of rivers, lakes and damns, to arrive eventually at the mills. This harvest of pulpwood begins with the spring thaw and ends with the winter freeze. It is a battle against time, water levels, and head winds. Personnel associated with the drive are scattered over many miles. Five 60watt portable stations in trunk-units, powered by gasoline-driven generators, are to be used at strategic points in an effort to conserve head waters and increase the total yield by coordinating the drive.

Construction is now under way for another Company system to be installed throughout Northern Minnesota. A 250watt station is to be located in Big Falls, Minnesota to serve some 19 logging camps in the surrounding area. There is to be another station at the mill in International Falls, for the purpose of controlling the water level of Rainy River at International Falls. Several 60-watt mobile installations are planned for the powerline service trucks.

J. A. Ryan, logging supervisor at Kenora, summed up the value of FM recently when he reported to Mando executives: "You can take anything away from me in the way of equipment just so I retain the new FM radio. I've logged for years, but I wonder now how we ever did it effectively before without radio."



FIG. 7. 250-WATT MAIN STATION TRANS-MITTER. EQUIPMENT IS SERVICED ON PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

DATA ON THE PILOTUNER

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the leads from the phonograph to the radio set, leave them connected, but attach the shielded wire of the cable to the "high" side, and the center wire to the "low" side. If the connections are made correctly, the phonograph will operate normally when the Pilotuner is switched off. **AC Hum** \star If there is an excessive hum on FM, reverse the line cord plug on the receiver, or tuner, or both. If it continues, the connecting cable from the tuner may not have been wired correctly.

Alignment * Allow at least 30 minutes for the tuner to warm up before making adjustments, STEP 1, IF ALIGNMENT: Set the tuner at 88 me. Connect a signal generator to the grid of the 6BE6 through a capacity of .01 mfd. Set the generator at 10.7 me., and adjust S2, S1, S4, S3, S6, and S5 for maximum ontput. Use a VTVM connected across two 100,000-ohm resistors, as shown in the diagram.

STEP 2: Repeat Step 1.

STEP 3, RATIO DETECTOR: With the tuner at 88 mc, and the generator still connected and set at 10.7 mc, adjust the VTVM to zero setting and then connect it from the junction of the two 100,000-ohm resistors to the audio output of the ratio detector, as the diagram shows. Adjust S1 until the meter reads zero. The meter should register reversed polarity when S1 is rotated through zero output.

STEP 4, OSCILLATOR: Adjust the tuner to 90 mc. Set the generator at 90 mc., and connect it to the antenna terminal through a 300-ohm carbon resistor. Connect the VTVM as in Step 1, and adjust P8 for maximum output.

STEP 5: Without changing the connections, adjust the timer and generator to 106 me., and adjust T7 for maximum output.

STEP 6: Repeat Steps 4 and 5.

STEP 7: Repeat Step 4, but adjust P10 for maximum output.

STEP 8, RF: With the tuner and generator at 106 me., repeat Step 4, but adjust T9 for maximum output.

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CHAPTER 3-Primary Components of Equipment Part 2: Image Dissector Tube and Its Associated Circuits

BY MADISON CAWEIN

3. The Image Dissector \star (3.1) Description: This section describes the image dissector and its associated circuits in some detail for the information of those television engineers who are not familiar with this type of photo-electric pickup device. It will be the purpose to present simplified circuit arrangements for the dissector, whereby those skilled in the art may arrive at an understanding of dissector performance as a television pickup device.

The dissector is recommended primarily as a motion-picture pickup, rather than as a direct-pickup camera-tube. There are two reasons for this: the first is concerned with the sensitivity of the dissector, which is admittedly less than that of storage types of television pickup tubes: and the second is concerned with linearity of photo-response and freedom from electronic shading. In the reproduction of motion pictures by television systems, the sensitivity to light is not of prime importance, whereas linearity of response and freedom from shading are of prime importance.

There are three types of standard dissectors: the standard diameter is $4.5 \pm \frac{3}{16}$ in.; overall lengths are $9.5 \pm \frac{1}{4}$ in. or $13 \pm \frac{1}{4}$ in.; multiplier apertures are supplied on-center or approximately 1.5 ins. off-center (to remove the multiplier structure from the light path of a projector); and spectral response curves, either of the *daylight* variety which peaks in the green, or of the infrared variety which peaks around 8,000 Angstroms, can be supplied. Fig. 49 shows typical spectral response curves for the two types of dissectors.

A photograph of the standard image dissector, type D12LD, is shown in Fig. 50 while Fig. 51 gives a suitable circuit diagram for this tube. This tube comprises a photo-sensitive cathode of the caesiumoxide-silver type, arranged in an evacuated envelope opposite an optical window. An 11-stage electron multiplier is placed directly inside of the optical window. This multiplier contains an aperture, usually square and approximately 0.012 in, on a side, for high-definition television pickup. The size and shape of the aperture may vary from tube to tube, the size depending upon the magnification of the electron image between cathode and aperture, and the resolution desired. This electron image extends outward from the cathode like bristles in a brush, usually diverging from

the eathode. It is possible to obtain a blow-up in image-size up to 2.5 times, depending upon the type of magnetic focussing-field utilized. The extended electron image is focussed in the plane of the aperture by means of a longitudinal field parallel to the axis of the dissector. This image is deflected across the aperture, either horizontally or vertically, or both, by means of rectilinear, saw-toothed magnetic fields, arranged at right angles to one another. The tube is relatively nonmicrophonie.

A second type is called the *gooseneck* dissector, Fig. 52. The type number of



FIG. 49. SPECTRAL RESPONSE OF TWO TYPES OF IMAGE DISSECTOR TUBES

this tube is D15LF. A third type of tube, D4OSE, is shown in Fig. 53. This tube is shorter than the standard tube, and is used for direct pickup in industrial applications. The short tube is more difficult to scan than the long tube, but has a shorter focal length and requires a less expensive lens for direct pickup applications. The long tubes are for use in-telecine channels, usually with continuous motion projectors. The numbers in the type designation refer to size of aperture D15LF, for example, refers to a long dissector with a 15-mil, square aperture.

As the extended image is scanned across the aperture, the portion of the extended space current entering the multiplier is proportional at every instant of time to that part of the extended-image currentdensity at which the aperture is looking.

The aperture current is proportional to the area (or square of the linear dimensions) of the aperture, to the illumination of the cathode, and to the photo-sensitivity of the cathode. The photo-sensitivity is approximately 20 microamperes per

lumen (for the portion of radiant energy in the visible spectrum). There are approximately 10^{-10} amperes entering the 40-mil aperture at any instant of time, when the cathode illumination is 40 f-c. The subject of the sensitivity of the dissector will be discussed later.

The recommended operating voltage of the electron multiplier is between 100 and 200 volts per stage. The gain per stage is of the order of 3.4 at the higher potential, and the overall gain is approximately 1,000,000, so that the output current is of the order of 0.1 millianperes for those regions of the optical surface having 40 f-c illumination. Calculations for other illuminations and sizes of apertures can be made as indicated in the discussion on sensitivity in the next section. The gain per stage of the multiplier is proportional approximately to the square root of the intra-stage potential.

The image dissector can be used for direct pickup, providing that a highquality projection lens is used; but only in cases where the studio illumination is relatively high; that is, of the order of 5,000 foot-candles or greater. The lens should be f/2.5, having a back focal length of 9.25 ins. (in the case of a 10-in, dissector) and an aperture approximately 4 ins, in diameter. Due to the wide angle of this lens, reflected images from the wall coating can produce an *optical shading* which is bothersome. For this reason, the dissector walls are sandblasted to reduce reflections.

The recommended application for the dissector, however, is with a still projector or a motion picture projector, in which case an image approximately 1.2 by 1.6 ins, is projected onto the cathode directly. The average illumination level should be approximately 1,200 foot-candles, to obtain a signal relatively free from noise, with a 15-mil aperture. If infrared filters are not used, the average illumination necessary, with a 2,870° K source, is in the neighborhood of 120 foot-candles to obtain good pictures with the 40-mil tube, using a red-sensitive surface.

(3.2) Sensitivity of Dissector: In Fig. 54, assume that there is a uniform distribution of light on the cathode of a dissector, so that the illumination is

f(t) = L (lumens/ft²) (7)

Let M be the linear magnification between the extended electron-image ar-

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FM Network Operation \star The map presented in Fig. 2 shows in graphic form the method by which Atlantic City FM station WBAB-FM receives and rebroadcasts programs from W2XMN-W2XEA, at Alpine, New Jersey.

W2XEA operates on a frequency of 92.1 mc. with a power of approximately 20 kw. W2XMN operates simultaneously on a frequency of 44.1 mc. with a power of approximately 30 kw. In each case, an antenna array with several units is used to increase the radiation in the horizontal plane. The approximate range of the stations at rural or small town receiving locations, using outside antennas, is about 90 miles (145 kilometers). Although the coverage area is shown as circular, there are minor differences in range in different directions, due to several factors.

At the Seaview Country Club, 7 miles (11 kilometers) distant from Atlantic City, a special receiving antenna has been installed on a tower 120 ft. (37 meters) high. As the ground elevation is 40 ft. (12 meters), the antenna is approximately 160 ft. (49 meters) above sea level. A receiver which takes full advantage of the ability of FM to suppress noise and interference is used. It is capable of operating on low signal strengths, if necessary. The output of the receiving set is connected to a wire circuit which carries the program to the WBAB-FM transmitter. This wire circuit, which is capable of carrying audio frequencies up to 16,000 cycles, is connected to the input of the FM transmitter, thereby making it possible to rebroadcast programs as received from Alpine, WBAB-FM uses a 1-kw. transmitter, with an antenna height of approximately 200 ft. (61 meters). The range of this station is about 45 miles (72 kilometers) for normal receiving sets. This range is the same day and night.

The airline distance from Alpine to Atlantic City is 116 miles (186 kilometers). The distance from Alpine to the special receiving installation is 110 miles (177 kilometers). The balance of the distance to WBAB-FM's transmitter is covered by the short wire circuit.

An additional FM radio link, not shown on the map, is employed for the special demonstration over the route shown in Fig. 2. The program originates at Yonkers, N. Y., across the Hudson River from Alpine. The program is carried over a lowpower FM radio circuit from the Yonkers station W2XCR to Alpine on a frequency of 158 mc.

Alpine-to-Atlantic City Profile ★ Fig. 3 shows the extent of radio transmission beyond true line-of-sight utilized in direct reception of W2XEA-W2XMN at Atlantic City. The center of the transmitting array at Alpine is 350 ft. (107 meters) above (CONCLUDED ON PAGE 61)

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ground level, or 850 ft, (259 meters) above sea level. The receiving antenna at the Seaview Country Club is 120 ft. (37 meters) above ground level, or 160 ft. (49 meters) above sea level. The distance between the two points is 110 miles (177 kilometers).

The distance to the horizon from Alpine is only 37 miles (59 kilometers). Therefore, the distance from Alpine to the Atlantic City receiving location is 3 times line-of-sight. A projection of the line-ofsight from the Alpine transmitting antenna shows that the receiving antenna at the Seaview Country Club is actually 7,400 ft. (2,260 meters) below line-ofsight.

The extent to which reception is possible at distances considerably beyond line-of-sight over comparatively level terrain is indicated in Fig. 3. Field intensity measurements show the same to be true in hilly and mountainous country. FM signals can be received behind hills and mountains. This is proved by measurements made on a 1-kw. FM transmitter in Washington, D. C. The antenna is 400 ft. (122 meters) above ground and 800 ft. (244 meters) above sea level. Approximately 72 miles (116 kilometers) to the west, the ground elevation rises to a height of 3,800 ft. (1.160 meters). At 5 miles (8 kilometers) beyond this point. the elevation drops to 1,700 ft. (519 meters). There, 5 miles (8 kilometers) beyond the mountain and 77 miles (124 kilometers) from Washington, the signal intensity is such as to give good reception in rural and small town receiving locations without outside antennas.

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sounded better tonight," or "Perhaps the microphone was set differently. I thought he sounded better last week." The Donkey Serenade and Pop Goes the Weasel elicited gleeful praise. Complaints that the announcer shouts at the microphone have been consistent. In the beginning of the series, it was possible to hear occasional coughs from the audience. Rather than being objectionable, they sounded so real that they seemed natural. The microphone over the audience must have been moved, because we haven't heard any coughing lately.

No AM program can hold the undivided attention of its listeners for an hour. Nor can it inspire the critical attitude of a coneert goer, as FM does. This brings us back to the opening remark about a new demand for high-fidelity transmission and reproduction. The more accurately the reception reproduces the original studio program, the more keen the listeners' critical faculties become.

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Apparently, people have developed a mental defense against the limited and distorted quality of AM. That must have the effect of closing an auditory gate part way, just as they squint to protect their eyes against the sun. If that is so, it would explain why people talk, or play cards, or read while they listen to AM, or even during the reception of low-fidelity recordings on FM. But live talent coming through on FM demands undivided attention. And gets it!

That's not all there is to this aspect of FM. Next, we shall hear listeners say: "I don't like station — — — as well as — — — —. Their programs lack something. They seem to be dull and lifeless."

The difference will be due to the audio systems, or to the skill of the program directors and their staffs, or both.

We have heard broadcasters say: "What's the use of using live talent and 15,000-cycle quality at the station when so many of the receivers won't reproduce more than 8,000 or 10,000 cycles, at the outside?"

Well, we shan't attempt a technical reply to that question, but here is an answer from actual listening experience:

While we were at the FCC's demonstration of FM for the International Telecommunications conference, several friends were listening at our home in Great Barrington. Our FM receiver is a very good model, but the audio response probably cuts off around 10,000 cycles.

The first part of the transmission came over the Continental Network's 8,000cycle line. The second part was a live talent program originating at Yonkers and beamed to Alpine on a 15,000-cycle relay transmitter.

You might expect that there would have been very little difference in the tone quality on such a receiver. But you'd be wrong! On our return to Great Barrington, we checked with our friends, "What was the difference," they wanted to know, "between the first and second parts of that program?"

Being cautious, we asked: "Was there much difference?"

They said there was a decided difference. In fact, "We could distinguish so much more clearly between the different instruments. And the sound effects! Why, they were amazing!"

There you have the difference between 8,000 cycles and 15,000 cycles reproduced on a 10,000-cycle receiver. The *technical reasons* aren't important. What counts is the *effect* of the difference on the radio audience. Certainly, everyone will agree that broadcasting that commands the listeners' undivided attention is worth more to sponsors than programs that are heard as a background for conversation, playing cards, reading, or just getting off to sleep. — Milton B. Sleeper



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