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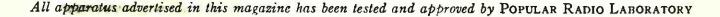
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WHEN, from so many good radio instruments on the market, one may choose with the same wisdom and deliberation exerted in the selection of a motor car or timepiece, it is not surprising that you will find an ever-increasing number of Synchrophase enthusiasts. A man who has once operated a Synchrophase is content with no other type of receiver.

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PAGES WITH THE EDITOR

ONE of the most conclusive proofs of the standing of a publication is the regard in which it is held by the educational authorities. And when a magazine is officially adopted as a textbook in schools and colleges, one may safely conclude that it ranks foremost in its field.

WITH particular satisfaction, therefore, we record the extending use of POPULAR RADIO in both public and private institutions of learning. The latest school to select this magazine as a text-book in radio is the Brunswick School in Greenwich, Conn. The faculty notifies the Editor of its decision as follows:

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"THE enclosed order for fifteen copies of POPULAR RADIO each month is the result of the decision of our Science Department to use your magazine as a text-book during the rest of this school year. We plan to use everything—from editorials to advertisements—in some way in our work."

WHILE from far-away Wellington, New Zealand, Mr. C. Billings reports: "Your publication has become a standard text-book in New Zealand and we follow your articles with the greatest interest."

IF you see it in POPULAR RADIO it's so!

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Few articles in POPULAR RADIO have stirred so many readers to write their opinions to the Editor as "Religion's Raid on Radio" in the January number. And all of these opinions with just two exceptions—have strongly endorsed the views expressed by the author, Mr. Armstrong Perry.

"MR. ARMSTRONG PERRY surely started something when he wrote 'Religion's Raid on Radio,'



THE INSPIRATION FOR THE CURRENT COVER OF POPULAR RADIO

Do you notice any similarity between this little amateur photograph and the cover design on this issue of POPULAR RADIO? The picture was sent to the Editor by a reader, Mr. F. K. Leslie of Detroit, as a suggestion for a cover and our artist used it! writes F. A. Gates of Albany, N. Y. "But whether he started a much-needed reform or merely overturned a beehive will have to be decided by public opinion."

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As if in answer to Mr. Gates, the very next letter that the Editor opened was from Mr. H. H. McFellen of Washington, D. C., who wrote: "The article 'Religion's Raid on Radio' is such that I wish to express my appreciation—as well as thank an editor big enough to print it!"

FROM a Chicago reader, Mr. G. W. Rabnett, comes an opinion that is representative of the more scientifically-minded readers:

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"I SHOULD like to compliment you upon the article 'Religion's Raid on Radio.' I feel very sure that early steps toward some method of restriction of religious propagandists will avoid much later trouble. It is a shame that the religionists, who ridicule science, should try to grab off the findings of science and put them to use for their own personal aggrandizement. Keep up the fight!"

"I WANT to express my approval of Mr. Armstrong Perry's article in POPULAR RADIO for January," writes Henriette E. Staege of Mattoon, Wis. "We hope the time will never come when we shall be forced to listen to anything or listen to nothing. You do well to put the public on guard."

"THE article in POPULAR RADIO for January, 'Religion's Raid on Radio' by Armstrong Perry, is a good one. He states things clearly and straight. I believe as he does. A mighty good article," writes Lowell L. Ellis of Warren, Mass.

ONE of the two letters that object to the article comes from a man who is an avowed religionist; he states that "it is highly regrettable that such material should pass through a censor's hands."

FORTUNATELY there are no official censors in this country to throttle the expression of religious opinion yet. The press is still a free press, and POPULAR RADIO is not subjected to the blue pencil of either the religious fanatic or the professional reformer.

AND POPULAR RADIO believes that a protest against the intrusion of religious propaganda or any other form of propaganda—on the ether is not only justified but that it is an expression of the opinion of the vast army of radio fans.

In the meantime new broadcasting stations are springing into existence under the sponsorship of religious bodies; within the past few (Continued on page 6) The Best in Radio Equipment

You Like it Better When You Build it Yourself

THE American boy is a natural-born builder. His imagination—his inherited constructive spirit—craves a worthy objective.

There is nothing that so satisfies the natural creative ability of American boys—young and old —as the building of a radio set; for when a radio is finished it brings to the boy the world's best entertainment and education from far and near.

Many of the achievements in modern radio reception have been made by young men who a few years ago built radio sets, listened to code messages, and were the first to listen in when speech and music were first broadcast.

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PAGES WITH THE EDITOR (Continued from page 4)

weeks alone the following have been licensed; KFRP, Redlands, Calif., (Trinity Episcopal Church); WOQ, Kansas Cty, Mo., (Unity School of Christianity); KPPC, Pasadena, Calif., (Pasadena Presbyterian Church); KFBG, Tacoma, Wash., (First Presbyterian Church); KFRW, Olympia, Wash., (United Churches of Olympia); and WGBC, Memphis, Tenn., (First Baptist Church).

AND the Paulist Fathers (Roman Catholic) are now announcing station WPL in New York, as the first of a chain of broadcasting stations that are established frankly "for the purpose of acquainting the public with the Catholic viewpoint on current affairs."

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"Our station," announces the Very Reverend Joseph MacSorley, the Superior General, "will be the official mouthpiece of everything Catholic. We want especially to reach isolated communities where there is no Catholic church. We want owners of radio sets all over the country to be in a position to understand Catholicism and the Catholic viewpoint."

On the heels of this announcement from the Roman Catholics, the National Lutheran Council announced that the Lutheran Church will also "broadcast direct gospel messages," employing station WFUS at St. Louis for the purpose. This station "will be used to bring the Lutheran viewpoint to the radio audience," is the gist of their own frank statement.

How long will the radio fan submit to this rising flood of religious propaganda?

"JUST about a year ago I picked up the first copy of POPULAR RADIO that I ever saw," writes Byron Jones of Sag Harbor, N. Y. "Since then I have never missed a copy and have also sent for several back numbers.

"As the idea of your magazine seems to be simplicity and clearness you might use the following as a sort of slogan:

"POPULAR RADIO—by the scientist, with the amateur, and for the people."

To the "hams"—the radio amateurs who transmit and who can read the code—the rhythm and technique of the expert on the key is something akin to music. And once in a while a broadcast listener rises to doff his hat to the brass-pounding artist.

"OFTEN, when broadcasting is uninteresting," writes Ward Dorrell of Toledo, Ohio, "I get an undeniable thril, when I tune in on some of the boys on '600.' The most pleasurable of all comes from the fist of the night operator at WSC at Tuckerton. He is, of

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course, unaware of my enjoyment of his skill —and I'd like to let him know of it through POPULAR RADIO. The commercial stations come in for so much criticism from the BCL's that I want to give a kind word when it is deserved."

THE Editor is glad to broadcast this tribute —which is the first of its kind that he has received.

On page 274 of this issue of POPULAR RADIO appears the first of a series of monthly commentaries on broadcast programs—a series that the Editor believes will prove widely popular with all classes of readers. This feature is contributed by Mr. Raymond Francis Yates who, under the pseudonym of "Pioneer," made a national reputation as the first radio program critic of *The New York Tribune*.

THE series of "Simple How-to-Build" articles that POPULAR RADIO is running for the particular benefit of beginners is proving widely popular. Apparently the simply-constructed receivers that are described in the brief but pointed directions given by our Technical Editor are being built in large numbers by our readers—and with marked success, too.

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"I WANT to thank Laurence M. Cockaday for his article on the Reinartz set," writes Harold J. Kittsley of Cedarburg, Wis. (to select a typical experience). "I am using an inside aerial. I get Texas every night, have had KOA, but I can't get static!"

IF you are thinking of building a simple radio receiver, just turn to page 258 and see for yourself how easy it is to follow Mr. Cockaday's instructions—in this case for the building of a combination three-stage amplifier.

In this number two of our regular departments—"What's New in Radio Apparatus" and "Trouble Shooting"—have been so extended in length, in order to include new and timely information of value to readers, that the "What Readers Ask" department has been crowded out entirely—but out of this number only. Many of the questions that would have been answered in the held-over department will be found in the departments that have encroached upon it.



The Best in Radio Equipment

Selections from Carmen

says the broadcasting announcer, and in a moment you are transported to old romantic Spain, to enticing, sunny Se-

ville. That is but one of the endless joys of radio owning. For the full enjoyment of modern life, radio has become a necessity. For full enjoyment of radio, you will find Cunningham Tubes essential.

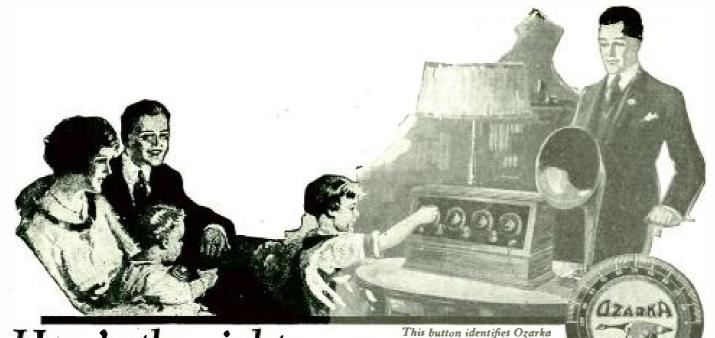
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It's one thing to hear a radio instrument give an impressive performance in a dealer's store or someone else's home, but entirely different to get thoroughly satisfactory results in your own home with your own operation.

Thousands of folks have spent their good money for radio outfits that are not delivering the results they had hoped and expected to receive.

Ozarka Radio Instruments are sold on the results they actually show you in your own home. The Ozarka representative brings the instrument to your home and sets it up, supplying the batteries, the aerial and all equipment for the demonstration -from that point on the instrument is yours for the evening.

Tune in yourself—let the wife and children tune in

Test for Tone, Volume and Distance and then—decide if it gives the radio results you want.

If you invest in an Ozarka Instrument, our representative installs the equipment and leaves it in perfect working order, and is always near at hand if some little problem comes up that you can't figure out for yourself.

Through the Ozarka Plan of demonstration in the home, peo-ple are finding that Ozarka gives the radio results they want —at far less expense than they thought possible.

4 Tube Set as Low as \$39.50

We predict you will be greatly pleased with the easy-tuning Ozarka—it gives wonderful satisfaction as a radio instrument for the whole family — but you will be the sole judge as to whether you want it or not after you hear it, after you swing the dial yourself and know exactly what Ozarka will do in your own home.

Let us know you are interested in hearing Ozarka in your home, and we will make the arrangements. Send for large illustrated book No. 200 and don't fail to mention your county when you write.

ZARKA, INC.,

Here's What One 6 Year Old Child Did

Ottawa, Ill., Oct. 13, 1924

Ozarka, Inc., Chicago, Ill. Dear Sirs-On October 7th, at 6:45 P. M., I had completely set up my Ozarka No. 201 and began tuning in. hurriedly, on account of a meeting which I had at 7:00 o'clock sharp.

My son, six years of age, watched me while I was tuning in, and after I left he was able to tune in seven (7) stations very plainly and entertained his mother until his bedtime at 8 P. M.

Since that time he has been able to manipulate the instrument very satisfactorily. Yours very truly, E. T. EBERSOL.

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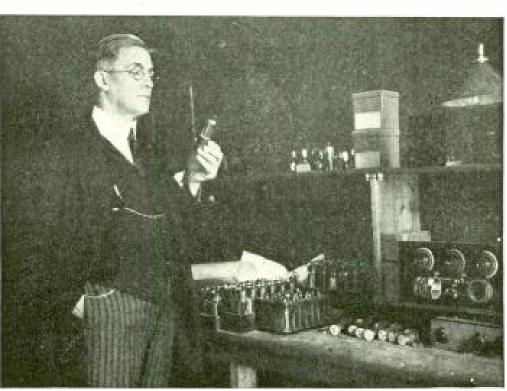
We have trained 3100 Ozarka factory rep-resentatives in their own homes, made them thoroughly capable, in a short time, of as-sembling Ozarka instruments, installing the complete equipment, and qualified to wear the Ozarka button.

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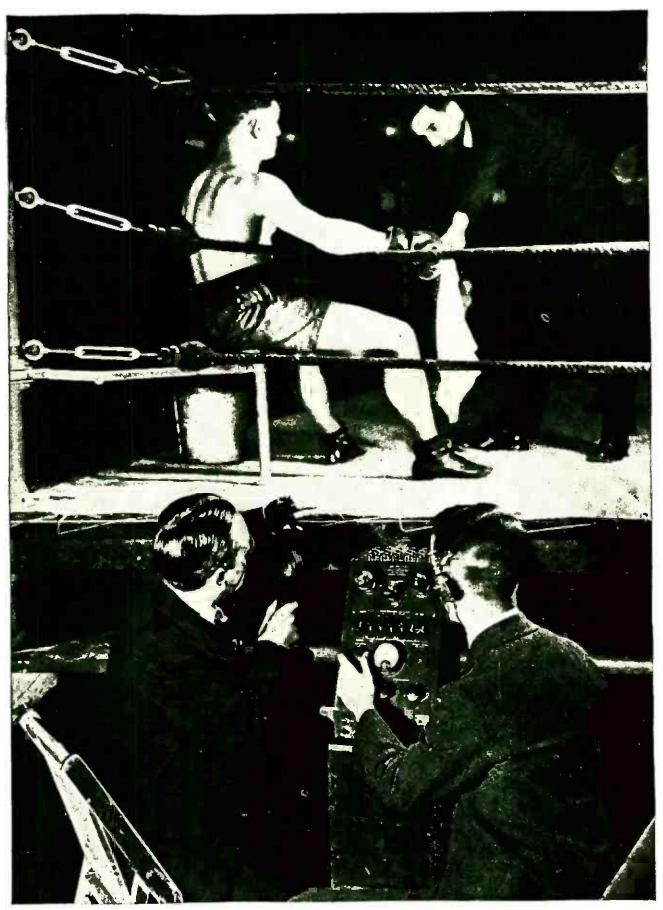


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"The Foremost Magazine in the Field of Radio"

"To my knowledge there is no periodical that covers the field of radio with the combination of sound, authoritative scientific information and human interest that characterizes POPULAR RADIO. It has been a powerful factor in popularizing radio by its insistent adherence to only the highest standards of radio practice and equipment—and of editorial ethics as well."

> -Byron Eldred, D.Sc., scientist and inventor



International

The broadcast listener can hear not only the reporter's ringside descriptions, but the actual sounds of the boxers' blows

The outstanding "radio reporter" of pugilistic events is J. Andrew White, whose running comment during the contests ranges from introductions to notable figures among the spectators to detailed accounts of each movement of the contestants.



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WHAT RADIO IS DOING TO THE WORLD OF SPORT

How the introduction of reports of athletic contests, broadcast from the side lines, is not only affecting the public's attitude toward sporting events—but affecting the sports themselves. Told by one of the world's foremost sport writers—

··· LAWRENCE PERRY

A BOXING promoter recently took steps to end the broadcasting of important bouts by refusing admission to the radio reporter to arenas, indoor and out, where his fights are held.

At the same time the intercollegiate athletic authorities, who have hardly known where to turn in the face of evergrowing demands for tickets by alumni and their friends, are welcoming the broadcasters with every manifestation of pleasure.

Apparently the appearance of the radio reporter is having an effect on attendance at sporting events. It has not, however, affected the sale of sporting news; publishers state that they have noticed no appreciable effects upon the sale of sporting extras and Sunday editions because of previous publicity of outstanding sporting events via the ether route.

Radio broadcasting is new to sport as to other phases of entertainment, of busi-

ness and the like, and there is no telling what the ultimate effect may be. Certain it is that the attitude of writers for the press toward broadcasters was at first characterized by an inimical bearing, as of men who saw in the radio reporters a menace to their calling. This state of mind has changed to a rather grudging acceptance of the new order of 'things, but it is easy to see that the newspaper writers are looking ahead to the future and wondering just what changes are in store. What will happen, for instance, when the radio companies begin to engage special experts in the various sports which are now being covered on an everwidening scale? A large Eastern broadcasting station (WBZ) has already placed a sports writer in the job of announcer.

This spring, as an example, the broadcasters are reporting the opening games of the baseball season. One game at the beginning of the season and **a complete** detailed narrative of every game of the World's Series at the end of the season do not constitute a very great menace to the baseball reporter, or to those sections of the daily newspapers devoted to chronicles of the great national game. But this is merely a beginning; when descriptions of every game in the various leagues are broadcast every evening, as will probably be done before long, what will be the effect upon newspaper circulation? And what will become of the sport Will he have to change his writer? method of reporting, as well as his point of view, in order to give his public the sporting news instantaneously?

Just to illustrate what these changes really are in the reporting of sporting events, let us watch a radio reporter in action.

One of the big football games of the autumn season is about to begin. It is a great day in the chronology of intercollegiate sport. It is also a rainy day. Throughout the year, in sooth, there have been no rainy days like it. The sporting scribes of the daily press, seated high on the very rim of the vast concrete bowl, lean forward to shield their sheets of paper from the torrential downpour as they record the inclement conditions and then give vent to metaphor and downright statement of fact as the telegraph operators attempt vainly to transmit, over washed-out telegraphic mechanism, what has been written.

Above the press seats, approximately in the middle of the field, rises a small booth, canvas-covered. (The press seats are not covered.) Comparatively, everything seems quite snug and cosy in that booth, which contains three chairs and a section of pine planking serving as a desk. Directly in the center of this piece of deal stands a telephone transmitter with an arrangement on either side which enables the speaker to talk directly into the microphone, with his mouth always in the same position. It is through this instrument, of course, that the radio public is to receive its report of this aqueous

football contest while it sits dry at home.

A young man is working over the microphone, adjusting it, insuring proper connection with the nearest long-distance station, which in this case happens to be located in New Haven, a bit more than two miles away.

The crowd gathers—it takes more than sheeted rain to keep a football throng at home. The bowl becomes a huge duotone of gleaming umbrellas and yellow slickers. Below, the gridiron has developed into a pond. The newspaper men glance upward at the canvas-covered radio stand and huddle in their coats with venomous scowls.

In five more minutes the teams will be upon the field. Down the press aisle hurries a keen-faced young man with felt hat and raincoat of capacity and texture it would seem to defy the heaviest precipitation that ever drowned the gorse of a Scottish moor.

He looks upward to the booth.

"Everything set?"

His voice has a full, pleasing cadence, a resonant baritone quality which these days is as familiar to a public incalculably immense as are the mellifluous voices of Jeritza and Chaliapin to frequenters of the Metropolitan Opera House.

"Everything all right," comes the reply from the booth.

"Good !"

The newcomer scales a concrete tier and ducks under a flap into the booth. He leans forward to the transmitter with that expression of assurance such as one marks upon the countenance of any protagonist of stage or platform who is absolutely sure of himself and of his audience.

He knows that hundreds of thousands, perchance millions, are waiting in cities and towns and hamlets in expectancy to hear his voice.

He is a new adjunct to sport, this broadcaster, and already he is invested with a personality that is unique. No feature writer for the newspapers has a tenth of his audience. He leans forward to the microphone.

WHAT RADIO IS DOING TO SPORT



George H. Davis, Jr.

WHERE THE BROADCAST LISTENER SITS AT A BIG FOOTBALL GAME From this vantage point at the athletic stadium at Harvard the new kind of reporter not only tells his audience what is happening—while it is happening—but, by a system of supplementary microphones, enables listeners to get "close-ups" of the college songs, the cheering and occasionally the comments of distinguished spectators.

"Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen!"

Then in matter of fact tone he proceeds to cull from the alphabet a mouthful of capital letters by which the waiting public may know—as if they already did not—the identity of the corporations to whom they are to be indebted for their afternoon of sport.

_A gust of wind carries a pailful of rain into the booth. It strikes the broadcaster

- - - - MAR. UP -

squarely in the neck. It penetrates beneath his raincoat and trickles down his chest and back. None the less he smiles. It gives him something to talk about aside from the football game. And if your announcer loves anything it is the opportunity for humorous asides by which he may enhance the quality of the entertainment and more deeply establish an impression of his personality upon his hearers. "Some rain up here," he says. "They may call this a gridiron down below, but from the water it contains I should call it a tea kettle. The boy who makes a touchdown to-day will be one fine swimmer.

"Hi! There goes my hat!"

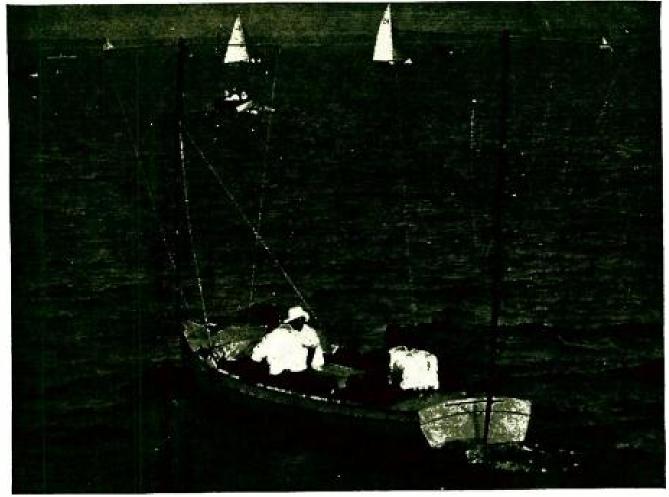
Now, no one can be an acceptable broadcaster who cannot visualize his audience as clearly as the actor actually sees his audience in front of the footlights.

For example, when the remark about the watery gridiron was made the broadcaster had imagination sufficient to see the smiles that went the rounds of groups seated in the comfortable warmth of their homes throughout hundreds and hundreds of square miles of territory.

Graham McNamee tells the writer it would be impossible for him to get anywhere in broadcasting were it not for the fact that he is visualizing, or, rather as he puts it—*feeling* his vast army of listeners-in every minute he is talking.

One wonders if the radio audience, those comfortably sequestered within doors, or—since the voice of the radio is so far-reaching—in milder climes where the sun was shining, could in their turn visualize the rain-soaked announcer at his post, trying to protect his transmitter from washout by the intervention of his own body to the end that the game might be reported to its very end? There is evidence that many do.

The Yale-Princeton game at Princeton, for example. It was not raining that day; but, my, how cold it was! There was a high wind and it had teeth. Down in the stadium there was protection, but



Underwood & Underwood

THE FIRST "RADIO REPORTER" TO COVER A YACHT RACE When the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club held a contest four years ago, an ingenious sport writer rigged up a radio transmitting apparatus on a small launch and sent out "side line" reports of the race by means of electric power derived from a handdriven generator.

WHAT RADIO IS DOING TO SPORT



International

THE BEST-KNOWN BROADCASTER OF SPORTING EVENTS IN THE WORLD Every radio fan in the East knows Graham McNamee-whose absorbing side line reports of the World Series baseball games and the most important of the football games have made him a unique figure in the world of sport.

the radio announcers were high in the air with nothing but the horizon at their backs.

"Gee! This is cold!" So asserted Graham McNamee to the wide world. "I've got a fur coat on, but the wind is cutting through the small of my back like a buzz-saw. B-r-r-r!"

This is almost precisely what he said, for the writer sat directly in front of him that frigid day and heard him "report" the game.

Well, so much for that. Next Monday McNamee received a letter by special delivery. Here is what it said:

"I felt for you last Saturday at Princeton as I was quite comfortable at home and enjoying what you said about the game immensely. I cannot bear to think of your being cold at these games and therefore I beg you to consider the following offer: 1, a silver, very flat, quart flask which is guaranteed to contain the most warming fluid; 2, a suit of very heavy flannel un_7 derwear; 3, two bottles of Scotch which I have had in my cellar for ten years. Make your choice and please advise me."

He selected the article first named. And he got it!

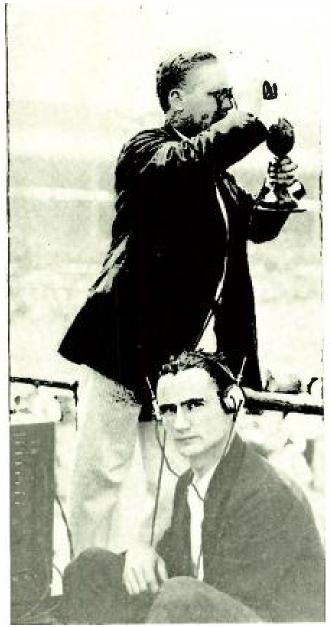
And that was not all he received from other sources. All sorts of gifts that make for warmth, sweaters and the like, came in. In fact, for some curious reason a broadcaster of sporting events receives more gifts by far than any other person in public life. It is a way the public has of showing its appreciation.

How many of those who sit at home and listen to sporting events—as, for example, a great football game—realize the detail which must be observed to the end that the event be broadcast?

In the first place, of course, there is

the setting of the microphones. In addition to the "mike" used by the announcer there is one at each end of the stadium, designed to catch the cheering and band music and thus give those who take the game through the air a complete impression of what is going on.

These supplementary microphones, naturally, must be placed with due regard to the direction of the wind, lest the sounds which it is desired to transmit be



Thos. C. Kuight

"EPINARD IS RUNNING SECOND!" Everyone who is familiar with the thrill that is evoked in the theater by an actor's excited comment about an imaginary horse race run "off stage" can realize the possibilities of a real report of a real race! Here is Mr. J. Andrew White reporting the international horse races at Belmont Park. swept in an entirely different direction and thus escape the instruments. They are under the control of the announcer, and when he calls into his "mike":

"Now I'll let you hear the cheering over that great run." Or, "Now I'll switch you on to the Yale band," he performs this service simply by throwing in one or the other of the supplementary transmitters.

At the announcer's side is an assistant —a man whose duty it is to distinguish the various players. Usually he is some man who has played football and has a gift for penetrating the welter of writhing bodies and singling out the man who carried the ball as well as the man who tackled him.

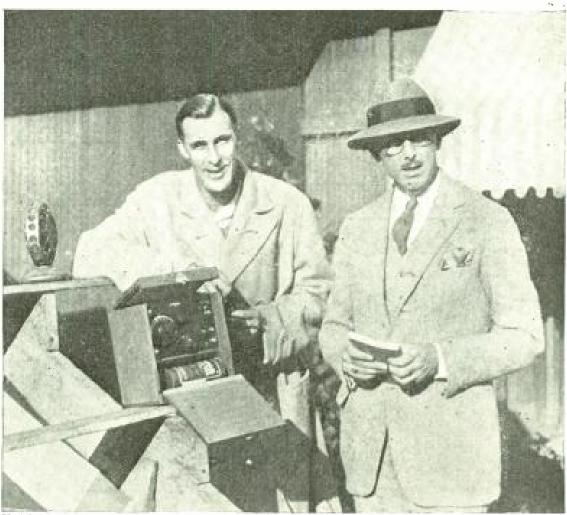
Whereas the newspaper men can say, "Dartmouth carried the ball ten yards through left tackle," or "Harvard made first down on Princeton's twenty-yard line," it is a fetich on the part of the broadcast announcer to name the individual in every instance. That is the reason why often you will hear a correction made in a name when in the surge of the excitement with which you are following the narration of the contest it matters little to you who did which or what. But announcers, above all things, desire to be exact.

The assistant who, through his glasses, picks out the players speaks through a telephone transmitter, the receiver of which is hooded to the ear of the broadcast announcer, even though the two men may be touching elbows. This is a precaution taken against the voice of the assistant carrying into the microphone thus to be transmitted to the radio fans. In addition to the assistant there is the amplifier operator who sits next to the announcer, or at least near him.

The voice of the broadcaster goes into this amplifier and there gets an increased impulse.

Thus enhanced in volume and carrying power the announcer's voice goes over a local line to the nearest long distance office. In the case of the Yale

WHAT RADIO IS DOING TO SPORT



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THE CONTESTANTS THEMSELVES TALK TO THE RADIO AUDIENCE The radio fan may not only follow the game play by play and hear the applause of the spectators, but may even listen to the players' own comments. Here, for instance, is William Tilden, the world's champion tennis player, about to talk into the microphone at the tennis courts.

game, this long-distance office was in New Haven. Here it was again amplified and then shot via wire to an intermediate long-distance station at New Rochelle. Caught here, the voice received further amplification. In this connection it should be understood that a voice loses power in transmission just as water through friction loses force in traveling through a line of hose. That is the reason the sound goes through the amplifying process at each station.

From New Rochelle the voice went, still via wire, to the building at 24 Walker street, the long-distance terminal in New York City. Here it was once more amplified and sent into the WEAF headquarters, where it was kicked out over another line to the Western Electric Building on West street, New York, where it was "put on the ether."

Pretty difficult to realize that the voice you hear from some football arena or prize fight ring is going through all the manhandling as above described, isn't it? Yet the voice, through all the processes, is the same voice speaking into the microphone at the scene of activities.

And, in addition, the voice thus being transmitted from the field to the final station is also being sent over long-distance wires to various other stations that are involved in the broadcasting of the game—as, for instance, WNAC in Boston and WCAP in Washington.

Finally, besides the three men at the field the broadcasting involves the services of interior men at the various stations



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THE FIRST HOCKEY GAME TO BE BROADCAST The contest between the Boston Bruins and the Ottawa teams, held in Boston in December, 1924, is said to be the first hockey game to be reported by radio. The side line reporter is Mr. Frank Ryan of station WBZ.

such as those who operate the transmitters at the West Street station and the men who monitor the amplifiers at WEAF.

By the term, "monitoring" the amplifiers, is meant the regulation of the volume of sound so that there will be no blurring or other defects.

Of all the new order of sporting broadcasters the two best known are Graham McNamee and J. Andrew White. Mc-Namee was a concert singer before he went into broadcasting; in fact, he still holds down choir-singing positions. Hence his style of broadcasting differs materially from that of his colleague who has been, and still is, in the commercial side of the new industry. McNamee has a lot of temperament and throws into his broadcasting a great deal of the dramatic spirit of a contest; whereas Mr. White is more judicial in his methods.

Radio fans tell me that they thoroughly enjoy McNamee at a football game, but that Major White impresses them as being a bit more of a critic at an important boxing match than does the other, who is pretty much inclined to be in the ring himself, ducking and walloping and blocking as the fight rises to crescendo.

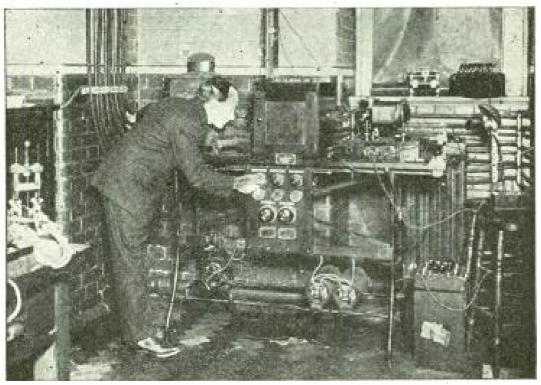
What effect does the radio-reporting of sporting events have upon attendance?

Figures are not yet available for reply. But it may be safely assumed that the publicity that is accorded sports by broadcasting is and must be a powerful factor in arousing public interest in them. Boxing bouts that involve the world's champions naturally draw out the boxing fans in throngs; at the same time they interest many who prefer to stay at home and listen to an absorbing narrative of a bout as it actually takes place. These are the radio fans who have never attended bouts in the past but who are initiated into the sporting world as the result of the stirring ringside reports that reach their ears.

On the other hand, some of those who have been accustomed to attend sporting events now prefer to remain at home and hear the games over the radio if only because they are able to follow the contest so much more closely in all its details than if they were present. The broadcaster occupies a post of vantage in the very center of things and finds every sort of information demanded right to hand. One easily may imagine, therefore, that the person who is taking the game out of the air has more accurate and intimate information as to what is actually happening, or at least why and how it is happening, than the occupants of a majority of seats in the vast stadiums. This is particularly the case when it comes to penalties in football games, for example, and other incidents the exact nature of which most of those present at the field have no means of knowing.

This coming spring and summer radio will give even more than usual attention to national and international sport. The announcers who have become familiar to radio audiences through their activities in football, boxing and polo, will be at the microphones to report boat races, horse races, field games and tennis. The time may conceivably come when William Tilden, the singles champion and other star players, whose writings on the game are now featured in the daily prints, will be taken over by the broadcasting interests.

And the time may not be far distant, too, when radio pictures of sporting events will be flung through the ether, even as sound now is. In such event, it is not difficult to imagine two prize fighters or two baseball or football elevens staging their struggles before a mere handful of witnesses with the rest of the world listening and looking in!



From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO

WILL THE VAST ENERGY IN THE ATOM BE RELEASED? Dr. T. F. Wall of London thinks that it may be, and has been making experiments that are attracting world-wide interest. Just what they are he will tell in a coming issue of POPULAR RADIO.



A PICTURE THAT CROSSED THE ATLANTIC IN 20 MINUTES This is one of the photographs (of a street scene in London) that was sent from England in the radio photographic tests. These experiments prophesy the publication of pictures of important European events in the daily press of America as soon as in the newspapers abroad.

THE NEW

PHOTORADIOGRAMS

The recent inauguration of the radio-transmitted picture on a commercial basis opens up new and startling possibilities in the realms of industry and commerce. Contracts and other documents may be signed within a few moments, between parties on opposite sides of the globe, and the world's business thereby speeded up immeasurably; news photographs may be sent to newspapers throughout the world; portraits of missing persons and crooks may be broadcast to police departments everywhere. In this article the inventor of this latest apparatus tells the readers of POPULAR RADIO how these pictures are sent and received on the Ranger apparatus.

By RICHARD H. RANGER

BEHIND any development or invention there must be first the desire. for its particular accomplishment. This desire has long been behind the transmission of pictures by radio and it has finally culminated in the demonstration of last month when picture after picture

was successfully transmitted from the City of London to downtown New York by the Radio Corporation of America's high-powered transatlantic system.

Set up in the laboratories were loudspeakers amplifying the signals coming in from England; but instead of the radio code signals with which most broadcast listeners are familiar, this picture talk seemed to be an incongruous collection of buzzing noises—not patricularly rapid in succession and with more or less of a halting characteristic. Nevertheless, they were the shorthand indications which were accomplishing the registration in New York City of the photographic impulses that originated from Radio House, London.

Mr. Donald G. Ward, an engineer, had gone across to London only three weeks before to set up a "board" about 3 feet by 4 feet in size, on which was mounted a fair-sized motor which is used to rotate a glass cylinder. This motor revolves at an exact speed determined by a vibrating tuning fork which sees to it that, in spite of load or electric current variations, the motor will keep rigorously geared to time.

The glass cylinder supports the photographic film to be transmitted. The film may be either a positive or negative, but from an operational point of view it is usually found convenient to use a positive print so that the operator can judge better of the values which should be brought out as the solid black and the pure white of the picture. Inside the glass cylinder is a powerful, although small, electric light which, with its appropriate lenses, sends a beam of light through the film at one point at a time as the drum



A RADIO CAMERA WITH A 3,000 MILE FOCUS The inventor is here comparing an original photograph with its transmitted duplicate.



rotates into a light proof box inside of which is a photoelectric cell.

This cell is the "photoradiographic eye." The electrical resistance of this cell changes in accordance with the amount of light which falls upon it and in this way takes care of the shading of the picture in transmission.

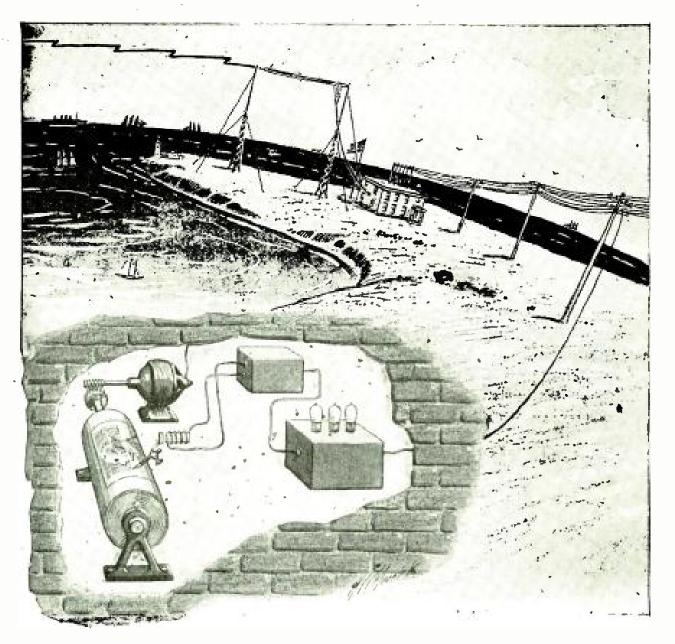
The photo-electric cell functions practically without any lost motion. That is, the instant the slightest change in the amount of light reaches the cell, a corresponding change in the output current of the cell takes place. In this way the "eye" of the transmitter is able to "see" even the tiniest light variations; in fact the "eye" sees and records electrically millions of different current impulses as the films sweep by the light beam from inside the cylinder.

The photo-electric cell is, therefore, responsible for reproducing an infinite number of different electric current values, which correspond with the light or dark areas of the pictures that are being transmitted.

In order to cover all of the original film, the glass cylinder is rotated back and forth; in this way the entire surface is eventually exposed to the piercing light beam. The film rotates through an angle equal to the width of the picture, and the electric camera itself advances down the length of the picture one notch at a time. Thus, line upon line, the whole picture is covered.

After the signal impulses or electric waves from the photo-electric cell pass through'a series of vacuum-tube amplifiers, they are fed into a modulating device ready for transmission. The electrical interpretation of the picture is then transmitted over land wires from the London laboratory to the high-powered transmitting station of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company, Ltd., at Carnavon, Wales. Here the electric impulses on the land wire operate small relays which turn on and off the high value currents that flow from the 200-kilowatt generator to the antenna system. This high power electrical energy leaving the antenna in interrupted impulses, similar to dots and dashes of the telegraph code, creates the ether waves which carry the photograph 3,000 miles through space to the receiving station on this side of, the Atlantic, located at Riverhead, Long Island.

The development of the photoradiogram transmitter has purposely been carried on in connection with the established radio-transmitting stations, now engaged in sending radiograms daily between Europe and America. Thus the new device does not require the preparation of any special radio circuits for efficient operation.



HOW THE PICTURES SPAN THE ATLANTIC

The photographs and printed documents are sent from London by wire to a radio station as shown on the page opposite. They are received by an American station as indicated on this page. From the radio station the electric impulses are relayed to New York and are recorded, as shown, on the cylinder by the special pen.

At Riverhead, Long Island, in the Radio Corporation's central receiving station, the operator tunes in to the Carnavon station. He receives the picture just as he would receive a radiogram, but instead of dots and dashes which he can read he receives an undecipherable series of electrical impulses. These impulses pass through a bank of vacuumtube amplifiers and are then sent by land wire to the laboratory of the corporation, located in the building in Broad Street, New York.

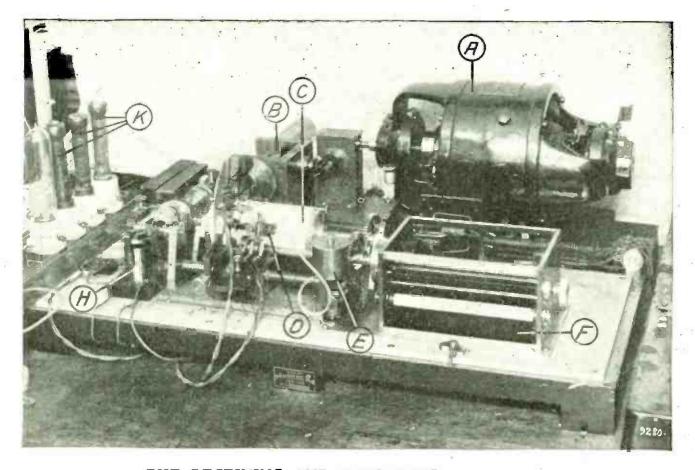
Here this unintelligible code, carrying

the photograph, is translated back into black and white, recording the original picture much in the style of a stippled engraving:

An "unscrambling" device in the laboratory then decodes the complex photo message and gives each individual electrical pulse of energy a definite task to perform in reassembling the picture.

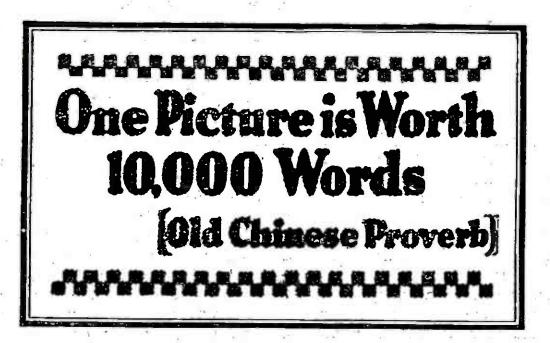
The picture is reproduced in duplicate at the receiver, both on a paper record and on a photographic film. The paper upon which the record is made is wrapped about a rotating cylinder, which, in size

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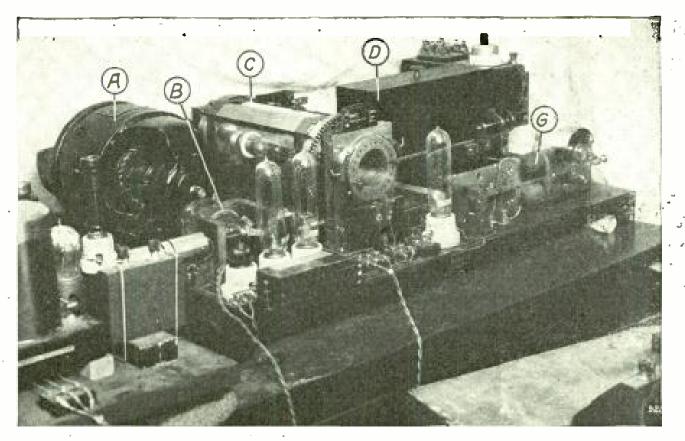
THE RECEIVING AND RECORDING APPARATUS

A in the picture above is the driving motor that runs exactly at the same speed as a similar motor at the sending end. B is the gcar that runs the cylinder C on which the picture is recorded by the special pen D. At H is a magnet that shifts the pen like a typewriter carriage. K are resistances. E is an ink reservoir for the pen. While the pen makes a picture, a ray from an electric light makes a duplicate within the camera box F.



HOW PRINTED DOCUMENTS ARE RECEIVED BY RADIO At a public demonstration of the Ranger apparatus a full-page advertisement, complete with reading matter and pictures, was transmitted from London within a few minutes, ready for reproduction in a New York newspaper.

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THE RADIO PHOTOGRAPHIC TRANSMITTER A is the synchronous motor and B is a gear that connects it with the cylinder C on which the photograph to be sent is fastened. D is the camera box that is shifted by the magnets G while the varying lights and shades of the photograph are being converted into electric impulses.

and appearance much resembles the early type wax phonograph record. A specially constructed fountain pen bears against this just as the needle of the phonograph does on a record. The pen is attached to an electrically-controlled lever in such a way that every pulse of electrical current which passes through the magnet coils of the relay lever draws the pen to the surface of the paper, making a fine ink mark. A changing current fed through the magnet coils causes the pen to wiggle in step with the current impulses, thus giving the artistic stippling effect in the reproduced picture.

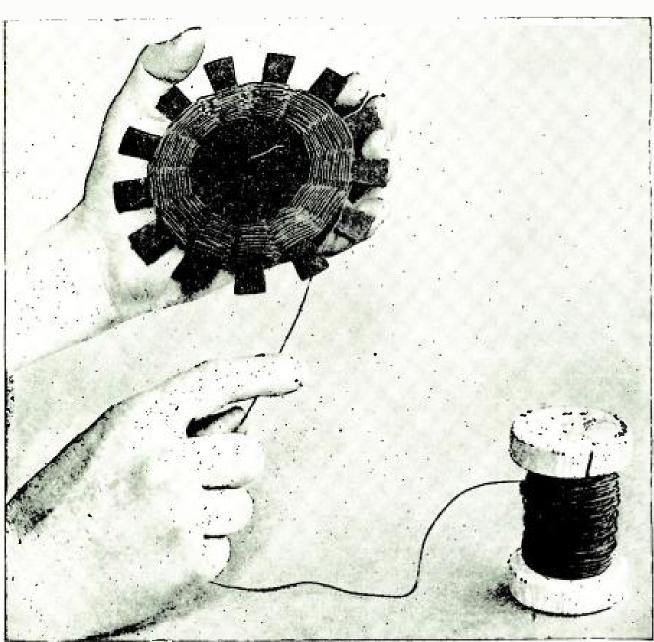
One of the outstanding requirements in sending pictures by radio or wire is absolute synchronism of the sending apparatus with the receiving device; otherwise distortion will occur. If the receiving apparatus should lag the slightest particle of time behind the transmitting set, the received picture would be blurred and unrecognizable. This necessary synchronism is maintained by the use of special driving motors, one geared to the transmitting cylinder and the other geared to the receiving cylinder. These motors although separated by 3,000 miles maintain the same speed. This is accomplished by the aid of the tuning forks already mentioned.

Chief of the features of this photoradiographic system may be mentioned the fact that the entire operation at transmitter and receiver is in broad daylight. This immediately removes the process from the laboratory stage, which necessitated dark rooms and many other special provisions and brings it into a category of usual commercial equipment.

The building up of the received picture is a fascinating sight, even to those who have watched it as it became more perfect day by day. This is particularly true when it is realized that it is originating more than 3,000 miles away, and that those particular dots are being formed nowhere else but right on the receiving cylinder in New York City. No human hand could hope to imitate the precision of the small special fountain pen which puts down, here and there, dots or dashes, then leaves an open space which gives the pleasing effects of the finished picture.

If the same picture is transmitted twice, the dots do not occur in exactly the same spots on each picture; in other words, each and every transmission is individualistic, although the resultant pictures when held at a little distance are absolutely identical. In other words, the dots come in seemingly, hit or miss, but it all depends upon the chance way in which the picture first starts, so that the succeeding dots will take up their proper places with mathematical exactness to give true tonal value to the picture.

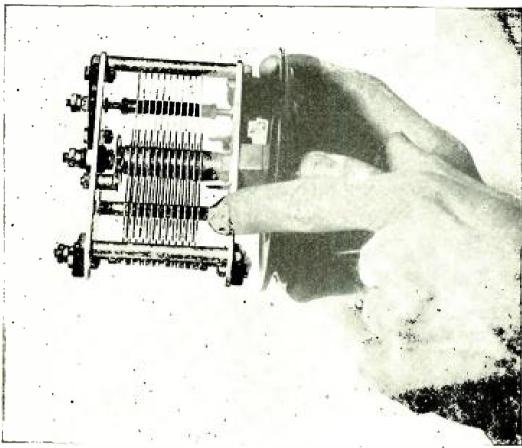
So it seems that this photoradiographic art will soon come to have a real place in communication; particularly as facilitated by the rapidity of radio waves.



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HOW TO WIND A LOW-LOSS SPIDER-WEB COIL

On a hard rubber or bakelite form as shown above, start winding the wire from the center in an over-and-under fashion around the spokes of the frame. Continue alternating the wire in this manner until you have wound on the frame the number of turns required for the particular coil.



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A TYPICAL RECEIVING CONDENSER

FIGURE 1: The ordinary receiving condenser has air insulation and the plates are spaced as close as mechanical considerations permit. This is a satisfactory pro-cedure since the potential between the plates is low, and the close spacing gives rela-tively high capacity. If the air was replaced by another insulating material, the capacity of the condenser would be increased.

FACTORS THAT GOVERN THE **CAPACITIES OF CONDENSERS**

Article No. 12

Condenser capacity is determined by the insulating substance between the condenser plates, as well as by the mechanical dimensions of the condenser. High-grade materials that will not absorb moisture and that are not greatly affected by changes in temperature should be employed. In this article a condenser capacity formula, em-bodying these variables, has been developed.

By SIR OLIVER LODGE, F.R.S., D.Sc., LL.D.

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X/HEN a conductor is charged with electricity, its potential rises. And, if the quantity of electricity supplied to it, is doubled, the potential is doubled too. The ratio of the charge to the potential is called the "capacity" of the body.

There is the same sort of thing in heat. The more heat is supplied to a body, the higher grows the temperature. pacity of each pound or each gram.

And the ratio of the amount of heat supplied, to the consequent rise of temperature, is called its "thermal capacity."

The thermal capacity of a body naturally depends on its size or rather its weight; but it also depends on its material. That part of the capacity is called "specific," which means the ca-

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The specific capacity of lead is one thing, of iron another, and of water is greater than either.

In this respect, thermal capacity differs from electric capacity. Electric capacity does not depend on the material of the conductor, but, as Faraday showed, on the nature of the material surrounding the conductor. A conductor in air has one capacity; but if plunged into a vessel of oil, or melted resin or pitch, or some other insulator, it has another and greater capacity. Hence there is a specific inductive capacity for each insulating material, which can be ascertained by experiment.

In addition to that, however, the capacity of a body changes, not only by reason of the insulator surrounding it, but also by reason of conductors in its neighborhood. If it is brought near the earth, for instance, or near a wall, its capacity increases. And this increase of capacity is calculable from the geometrical conditions, that is, when the shape and distance of bodies is known.

In some respects, therefore, electrical capacity is less simple than thermal capacity; since the latter has wholly to do with properties of materials, whereas the former is dependent on geometrical conditions besides.

Take the simplest case—an isolated sphere: the moon," for instance, or a brass ball far away from anything else. A charge on it is measured by the repulsive force it can exert on a similar equal force at a given distance, in accordance with what is called Coulomb's Law. The electrical force varies inversely with the square of the distance, just as gravitation does. But force is always equal to gradient or slope of potential. From this it follows, though not quite obviously, that the electric potential at any point near a charged body is equal to the charge divided by the distance, *i.e.*, the simple distance of that point from the charge.

Assuming this, and applying it to the case of an isolated sphere, let us ask:

What is the potential of its center?

The charge resides wholly on the surface; hence the center is at a distance from that charge equal to the radius of the sphere. Consequently the potential is Ω .

And since the body is a conductor, and the electricity is at rest upon it, its potential is uniform, or the same throughout. This $\frac{\Omega}{r}$ therefore gives the potential of the conductor. And, if you want to know its capacity, you simply divide the quantity by the potential; and you get r.

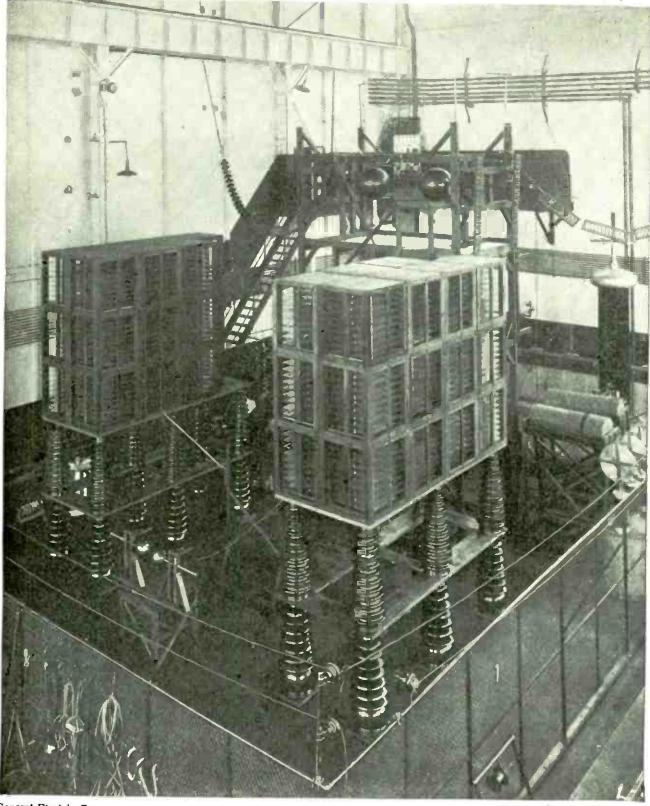
That is, the capacity of an isolated sphere is equal to its radius, and can be expressed in centimeters, meters, miles, or any other units of length.

It may be asked: How can a capacity be a length?

The capacity depends, not on the body itself, except as regards its size and shape. It depends essentially on the properties of the material surrounding it. The material surrounding the moon is the ether of space. The material surrounding a brass ball is the ordinary atmosphere. The two surroundings do not differ appreciably in this respect. They both have practically the same specific inductive capacity. But unfortunately its value is unknown. It is accordingly called K. And when we speak accurately, we ought to say that the capacity of an isolated sphere is Kr.

But for practical purposes, we cannot deal with an unknown quantity. The simplest plan is to assume it to be 1, and proceed with the memory of that perfectly gratuitous and arbitrary assumption at the back of our minds. This is the basis of the electrostatic system of measurement. When a thing is expressed in electrostatic units, the meaning is that the unknown quantity K has been arbitrarily called 1. The worst of it is that we get so used to doing this that we are likely to forget The conthe assumption altogether. venience of the assumption is that it enables us to specify our measurements

CAPACITIES OF CONDENSERS



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A COLOSSAL 2,000,000 VOLT CONDENSER

FIGURE 2: In the case of this high-tension condenser, used in producing a 2,000,000 volt lightning flash, high insulation is of the utmost importance. Thick glass insulation separates the condenser plates of each unit and many units are connected in series so that the voltage across each one is much reduced. With all these insulating precautions the condenser naturally attains a huge bulk.

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A COMPACT TYPE OF CONDENSER

FIGURE 3: This tiny condenser has about ten times the capacity of the one shown in Figure 1 because it is constructed with mica insulation and the plates are spaced only a few thousandths of an inch apart. Part of the condenser is cut away to show the interior construction.

in a very much more simplified manner. Now put an outer hollow globe round

the brass square. It can be done, and actually used to be done, by applying to it two brass hemispheres bigger than itself, and suspending it symmetrically in the hollow. It can be charged through the suspending wire. If the outer shell is earthed, the inner globe will now be found to have a much greater capacity than before. The charge on it has, so to speak, pulled up from the earth an equal quantity of opposite electricity; and the two charges face each other across the insulating space.

If we now reckon the potential of the center of the sphere, it will be $\frac{Q}{r}$ due to the one charge, and $-\frac{Q}{r'}$ due to the other. The potential will then be:

$$Q\left(\frac{1}{r}-\frac{1}{r'}\right)=Q\frac{r'-r}{r\ r'}$$

and hence the capacity (Quantity \div Potential) of the globe, now that it is surrounded by an outer shell of radius r', is

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}'}{\mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{r}} \mathbf{r}$$

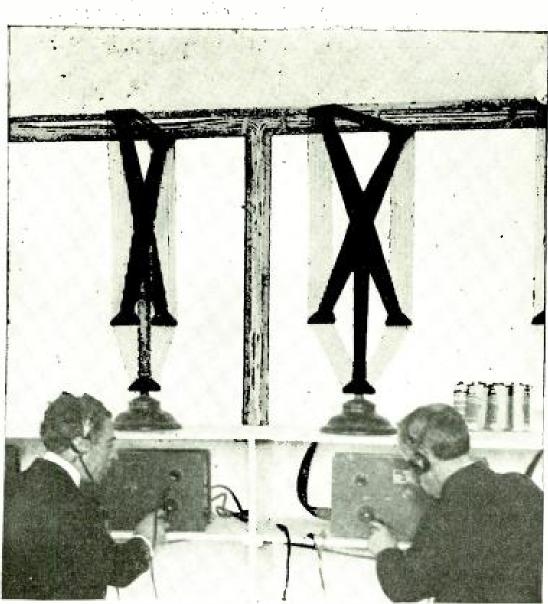
Now, we see that r' - r is the thickness of the insulating space or dielectric separating the two conductors, which we may call Z; and if this space is very thin, that is if the spheres nearly fit, r r' may be called r². So the capacity of such an arrangement as this, which is familiar to electricians as a condenser, is $\frac{r^2}{Z}$. Now the area of a sphere is $4 \times r^2$. Hence we may specify the capacity of the spherical condenser as,

$$\frac{A}{4 \pi Z}$$

This result is general; for it does not really matter whether the condenser is spherical or not, provided the dielectric thickness is uniform. It will do equally well for a pair of flat plates, one earthed, the other insulated, each plate of area A. So the capacity of a condenser in general is,

$\frac{A}{4 \pi Z}$

provided only air or ether is between the plates. If, however, some other substance is used as the insulator or dielectric, such as glass or mica or paraffin or oil, we must multiply this value by the specific inductive capacity of the material relative to air, as determined by Faraday; and may thus get four or five times the air-value. This numerical ratio has to be determined by experiment for different materials, and is usually recorded among the data characteristic of different substances.

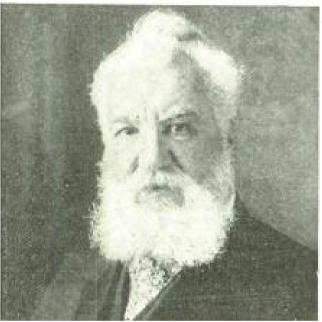


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THE RADIO EQUIFMENT IN AN APARTMENT HOUSE WHERE RADIO GOES WITH THE RENT

In a new apartment house in New York, each tenant can plug in on any of four programs in his own rooms. All the tenant needs is a loudspeaker. Four radio receivers, which are operated on the top floor, pick up the programs. Besides, through the use of four loudspeakers, the dweller in this house may have four programs in four separate rooms.





A. T. and T. Co.



Elliott and Frey, London

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THE BUILDER OF THE FIRST PRACTICAL ARC TRANSMITTER

BEFORE 1902 the electric arc had been experimentally used for radio transmission, but it was not until VALDEMAR POULSEN, a Dane, in 1902 developed an arc transmitter that efficiently produced radio-frequency waves. His invention embodied the principles of William Duddell and Elihu Thomson.

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THE MAN WHO LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR THE "BEAM SYSTEM"

IN 1878 ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL, known the world over as the inventor of the telephone system which bears his name, spoke along a beam of light. In his experiment a flexible mirror acted like the diaphragm of a telephone receiver that vibrates with the sound waves produced by the voice. This mirror sent a ray of light to the receiving station where it moved about the face of a selenium cell in unison with the vibrations of the voice at the transmitting station. The consequent varying current of the ccll actuated a telephone receiver which reproduced the transmitted voice.

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ONE OF THE FIRST TO SIGNAL AT A DISTANCE WITHOUT WIRES

WITH two loop circuits one quarter of a mile apart, SIR WILLIAM PREECE in 1885 transmitted speech between two points on the Bristol Channel in England. The method used by Preece united conductive and inductive effects in making one circuit influence the other. Little is known about the apparatus he employed. In 1896 he was associated with Marconi in his early experiments.

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THE FIRST TO EXPLAIN THE BEHAVIOR OF ELECTRONS

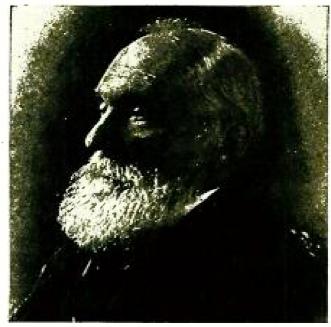
SIR JOSEPH J. THOMSON, an Englishman, was the first person to isolate the electron. Follow-ing this discovery, he expounded the electron theory, which provided the true explanation of the operation of the vacuum tube. His other work that is directly related to this same field were experiments with the discharges of electricity through gases and with the conductivity of gases that led up to his electron investigations.



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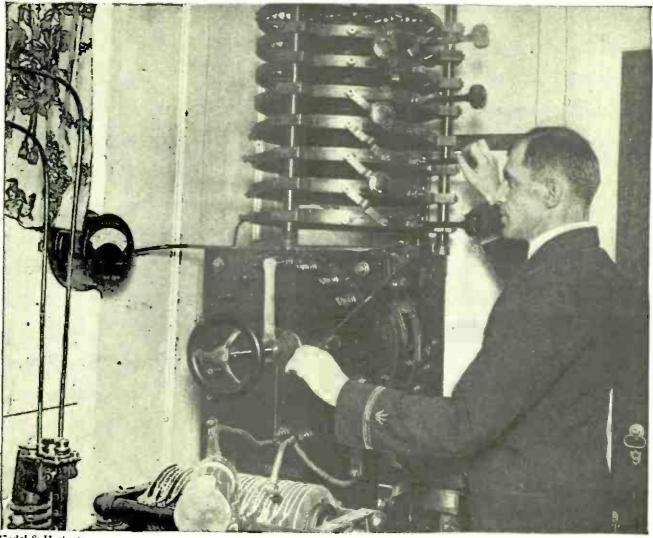
THE FIRST NAVAL SIGNALLER

IN 1895 ADMIRAL JACKSON of the British Navy used vertical antennas and tuned sending and receiving stations to telegraph at a short distance between ships employing most of the principles expounded by Marconi. His experi-ments were conducted for the British Navy for which he did a large work in organizing its radio service. Later Admiral Jackson was associated with Marconi in other experimental transmitting tests.

THE FIRST RADIO MATHEMATICIAN

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THE first man to provide mathematical ex-planations for some of the electrical phenomena associated with radio was LORD KELVIN (Wil-liam Thompson). His paper "On Transient Electrical Currents," written in 1853, has become classical as a mathematical unfolding of the character of the discharge of a Leyden jar. Similar investigations in the same field that have contributed to radio science were his mathematical studies in electro-dynamics.



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ADJUSTING INDUCTANCE ON A SHIP'S RADIO TRANSMITTER The radio operator adjusts the coupling with the left hand and changes the inductance of the loading coil with the right hand. These changes have to be made carefully in order to get the greatest possible radiation and a sharp wave in the case of the spark sets.

What "Inductance" Means to Your Set

In the ordinary radio circuit are found three electrical properties: resistance, inductance and capacity. In POPULAR RADIO for July the author told how resistance affects the constants of a radio circuit; in this article he tells what inductance is

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THE year 1831 was a memorable one in the history of electricity, for that year marked the date of the discovery of electromagnetic induction by Michael Faraday, Professor in the Royal Institution in London. Were it not for this phenomenon, whereby a change of current in one circuit sets up currents in another circuit, not metallically connected, there would be no motors, no dynamos and no radio.

Electricity would exist in the form produced by chemical action, such as modern dry cells, and by rubbing the cat's back. It would be useful in producing light and heat in limited quantities, but the many other applications to which this natural energy has been placed would be nonexistent.

Faraday's experiment is now part of the stock and trade of any high school course in physics. Two coils of wire, a dry cell E, and an indicating instrument G, such as a galvanometer, and a switch S are all the instruments that are needed.

The arrangement of such an experimental set-up is shown in Figure 1. The two coils L1 and L2 are placed near each other, and the current made and broken in the first circuit, known as the "primary." As the current is turned on or off, a slight movement of the pointer shows that a minute current has been "induced" in the secondary winding. As long as the current flows steadily in the primary, no deflection is noted. It is only at the make or the break.

The two principles underlying the phenomenon of induction are stated simply as follows:

I. Any coil of wire in which a current is flowing will have a north and south pole and the coils will be surrounded by magnetic lines of force like a horseshoe magnet.

of force like a horseshoe magnet. When the current is turned on or off these lines of force *move out* from the coil or *fall* back upon it.

2. Any other coil, placed so that these lines of force move through it, will have an electric current induced in it.

From these two principles, which are practically the converse of each other, have come the motor and the dynamo. The coil of wire carrying a current will tend to orient itself with respect to a magnet just like any other magnetized material. If the magnet moves, the coil will tend to follow, and a motor results.

Conversely, a coil of wire rotated in a magnetic field will have a current set up in it. In Figure 2 is shown an elemen-

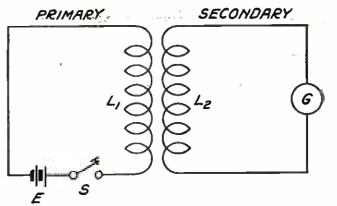
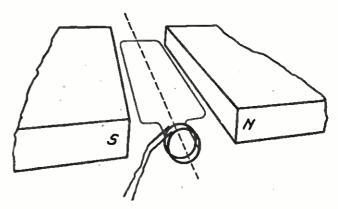


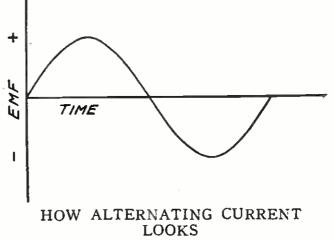


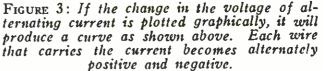
FIGURE 1: When key S is opened or closed, galvanometer G flickers, thus showing that the building up or collapsing of the lines of magnetic force about coil L1 have induced a current in coil L2.



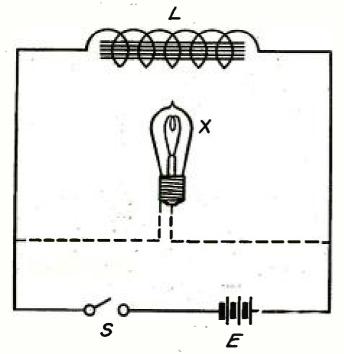
HOW THE GENERATOR WORKS

FIGURE 2: As the wire of the armature rotates between the magnetic poles pieces, it cuts the magnetic lines of force that lie between them, and a current is induced in the wire which is carried from the armature by the brushes that press against the rings. As the direction in which the wire cuts the lines of force reverses on each half revolution, the current is an alternating one.





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INDUCTION WILL LIGHT THE LAMP FIGURE 4: When key S is opened, the collapsing lines of magnetic force about the core of magnet L cut the wire of the magnet and induce a current that flashes the lamp.

tary alternating-current dynamo. When the coil passes the two magnets, the lines of force are cut most rapidly by the windings and the greatest amount of current is induced. When the coil moves parallel to the lines of force, no current is induced. The net result of one revolution is shown on the curve in Figure 3, representing one complete "cycle" of alternating current.

There are two kinds of induction, "mutual," illustrated by Faraday's experiment, and "self-induction" which is pictured in Figure 4. Here the lines of forcefrom any one turn cut adjacent turns of the same coil, so that a current is set up in them—even though they are part of the original winding.

Consideration of the law of the conservation of energy makes it necessary for this induced current to be in an opposite direction to the exciting current. for otherwise the resultant energy would build up and no one could tell where such a process would stop. Lenz's Law states this principle.

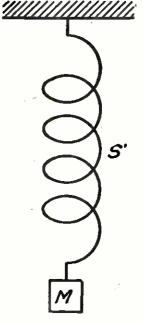
In any circuit the induced electromotive force and the induced current depend

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chiefly upon the "amount of cutting" of lines of force. This in turn is controlled by the number of turns of wire and the urrent flowing in the primary coil. The "amount of cutting" is termed the inductance of a coil, and the unit is named after the American mathematician and physicist, Joseph Henry.

When the induced electromotive force amounts to one volt and is caused by a current changing at the rate of one ampere-per-second, the unit of inductance is said to be one henry. The henry is a very large unit, and radio-frequency coils for the ordinary range of wavelengths seldom have an inductance above a few milli-henries (thousandths of a henry).

To illustrate the effect of induction we may connect a large electromagnet L, a battery E, a key S, and a small lamp X, as shown in Figure 4. When the key S is closed, current flows in the winding L, lines of force cut the many turns of wire, and a current, due to self-induction, is set up. According to Lenz's Law the direction of this induced current must be opposite to that of the exciting current.



HOW RESONANCE WORKS

FIGURE 5: If the weight M is pulled down and then released, it will move up and down in regular time, depending on the strength of the spring and the weight. Similarly, a coil of wire has an electrical resonance which depends on the number of turns of wire, the spacing and other physical dimensions.

WHAT "INDUCTANCE" MEANS TO YOUR SET



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MODERN INDUCTANCE COILS ARE SMALLER THAN THEY WERE At the right is a loose coupler which was in use twelve years ago." At the left is a modern variocoupler which performs the same electrical function as the bulky, old-style instrument.

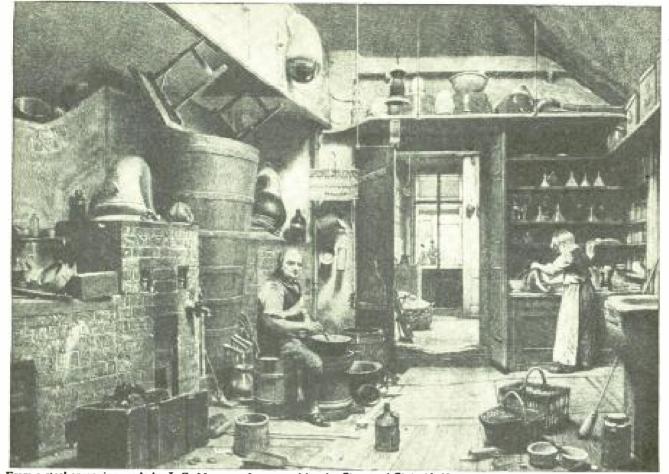
For this reason several seconds may elapse before the magnetic field is built up, and the maximum flow of current is reached.

When the key S is opened, the lines of force collapse back upon the coil L, a current is induced in such a direction as to keep the exciting current *flowing*, and a rush of energy takes place across the gap at the key. This is made evident by the spark that occurs between the points of the key.

A lamp X of higher resistance than the magnet windings L (placed as shown in the dotted lines) will flash up when the key is closed and the current is hindered in its journey through the coil. After the lines of force through the magnet are established and no more energy is required to move them, the current divides, and the lamp dies down. When the key is opened, the rush of current takes place through the lamp instead of the gap at the key.

A severe shock may be felt if both wires are touched at the time of breaking the contact, for not only does the experimenter get the effect of the normal current but the added induced current as well. This "make and break" system is

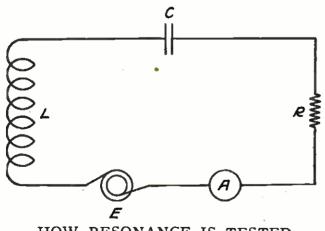
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From a steel engraving made by J. G. Murray, 1842, owned by the Chemists' Club. N. Y. THE FIRST LABORATORY OF THE DISCOVERER OF THE LAWS OF INDUCTION

Michael Faraday, the scientist who later discovered the laws of electromagnetic induction, started his career as a dishwasher and pupil of the great chemist, Sir Humphrey Davy, in the famous laboratory of the Royal Institute in London.

often used for lighting gas jets, or cigar lighters, or for the ignition on motor boat and stationary engines. A coil with an iron core, a battery, and a timer which



HOW RESONANCE IS TESTED FIGURE 6: In an electrical circuit, the frequency of oscillation depends on the inductance and the capacity. When generator E is run at varying speeds, some one speed will produce a frequency that will give the highest reading in ammeter A.

opens and closes the circuit at the proper intervals comprise this form of ignition.

A comparison of inductance with resistance has a mechanical analogue in the comparison of inertia with friction. Resistance opposes any flow of current; inductance opposes a change in direction or magnitude of current. Friction opposes any motion; inertia opposes a change in direction or magnitude of motion. Thus, in the realm of direct current electricity, inductance plays a relatively unimportant role. In alternating current circuits, however, the effect of inductance may be many times that of resistance. This is particularly true of high-frequency, alternating current with which radio has to deal.

Another mechanical illustration will show the effect of inductance upon a high-frequency circuit.

WHAT "INDUCTANCE" MEANS TO YOUR SET

The spring shown in Figure 5 will vibrate at a certain frequency if disturbed from a position of rest. This frequency —be it five vibrations per second, or a hundred—is determined by the stiffness of the springs, and the inertia of the mass M. Energy applied to this system must overcome these two forces as well as the resistance of the air.

If the spring is disturbed at a certain rate, known as the natural frequency, the greatest amount of vibration will result. In an imperfect way this represents what in electrical terminology is known as resonance.

An alternating current flowing in a circuit as shown in Figure 6 will give a certain response in the ammeter. It will be found that at some particular frequency the current will be at a maximum. This is known as the natural frequency of the system, and is determined by the inductance of the coil, and the capacity of the condenser—a property of electrical circuits which will be discussed in the *third* of these articles.

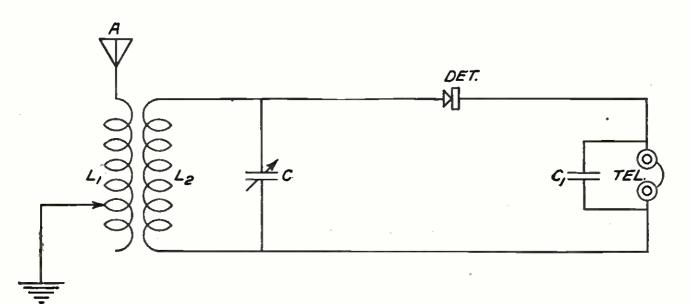
The process of tuning consists in varying either the inductance or capacity of a circuit in order to get maximum current flow. The application to radio receiving is illustrated by Figure 7. Here is an antenna A in which current of definite frequency is flowing. The "secondary" of the receiving circuit is tuned by means of a condenser C or a change in the inductance of the coil until maximum response is heard.

The relation between wavelength and its components is

Wave length=1884 $\sqrt{\text{inductance x capacity}}$ Wave length=1884 $\sqrt{\text{LC}}$

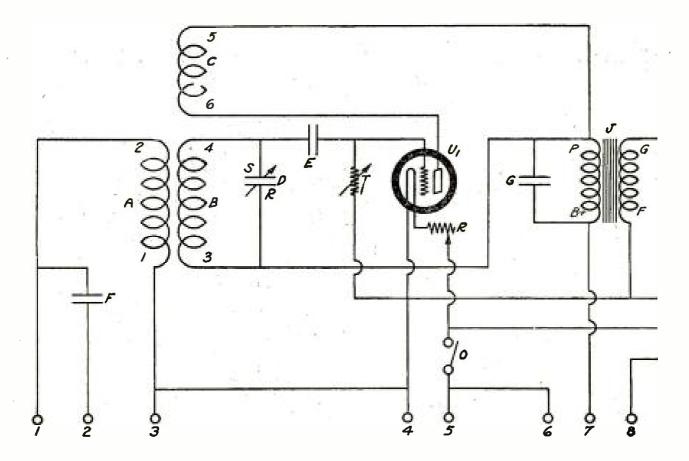
Where L is inductance in microhenries, C is the capacity in microfarads.

For instance, if a broadcasting station operating on 360 meters is to be received, the product of L and C must be .03648. If we own a "twenty-three-plate variable" whose maximum capacity is about .0005 microfarad, our coil should have an inductance of about 200 microhenries. Charts have been given in POPULAR RADIO for the winding of coils of any desired inductance, and in various publications may be found tables of the product of L and C. By varying the condenser mentioned above, with an inductance, signals from a range of about 170 to 600 meters can be received.



HOW RESONANCE WORKS IN RADIO

FIGURE 7: Compare this diagram with Figure 6 and see how the inductance, capacity and resistance are duplicated (the resistance of the radio receiver is in the wire, etc.). Radio currents flowing in L1 induce currents in L2 and maximum response is secured when variable condenser C is adjusted to resonance.



HCW TO BUILD THE IMPROVED DX REGENERATIVE RECEIVER

The set described in this article cuts down tuning controls to a minimum and at the same time embodies features that eliminate the trouble some amateurs experience with this type of receiver. This is one of the most reasonable sets to build that has been described in this series of construction articles. The tube circuit is based on the ultra-audion system of De Forest with the addition of a tickler coil.

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COST OF PARTS: Not more than \$45.00

RECEIVING RANGE: Up to 2,000 miles

HERE ARE THE ITEMS YOU WILL NEED-

- A, B, and C-primary, secondary and tickler coils of the New York Coil Co. DX coupler equipped with Kurz-Kasch 4inch dial;
- D-Rathbun variable condenser, .0005 mfd., equipped with Kurz-Kasch 4-inch dial;
- E-Dubilier mica fixed condenser, Type No. 640, .00025 mfd.;
- F-Dubilier mica fixed condenser, Type No. 640, .00025 mfd.;
- G-Dubilier mica fixed condenser, Type No,
- 640, .005 mfd.; H and I—Dubilier mica fixed condensers, Type No. 640, .02 mfd.;
- J-General radio type 285 amplifying transformer;

- K and L—Bradleyohms No. 25; M and N—Cico double-circuit and singlecircuit jacks respectively;
- O-Cico filament battery switch; P-Composition panel 7 by 24 inches;
- Q-Amperite No. 1A automatic filamentcurrent adjuster;
- R-General instrument, filament rheostat (6 ohms) equipped with knob and dial;
- -General instrument, filament rheostat (20 ohms) equipped with knob and dial;

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- T--Fil-Ko-Leak; U1-Benjamin Cle-ra-tone socket; U2, U3 and U4--Walbert sockets;

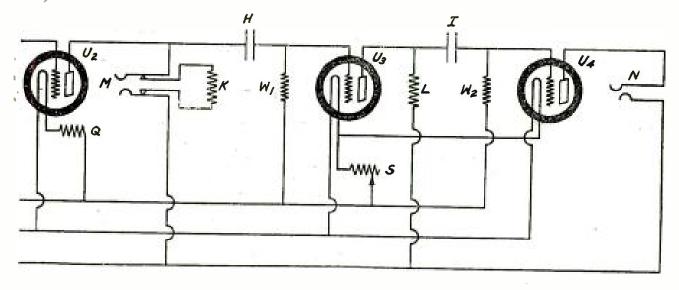
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- V1 and V2—Daven mounting No. 50; W1 and W2—Durham metallized filament grid-leaks .5 meg. and .25 meg.;

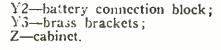
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THE COMPLETE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

FIGURE 1: This is the hook-up for the improved regenerative receiver. All the symbols for the instruments bear designating letters which reappear in the list of parts on the opposite page and throughout the text and the illustrations.



X-sub-base; Y1-antenna connection block;



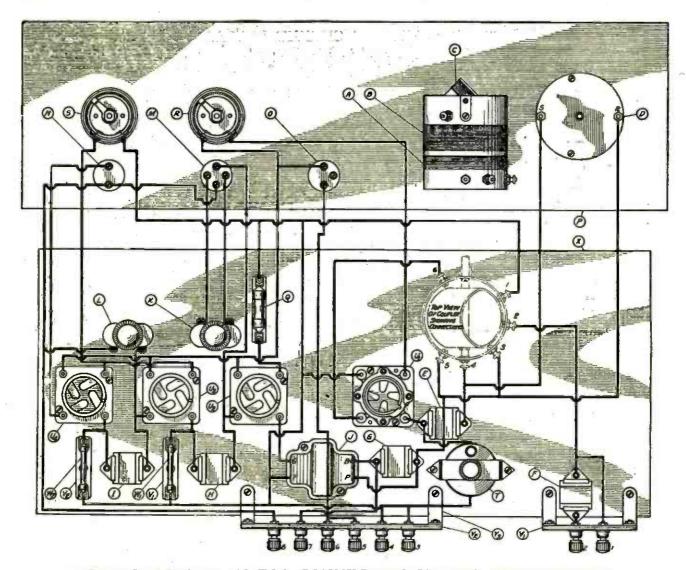
S O many radio enthusiasts are using the "Real DX Regenerative Receiver" which was described in the January, 1923, issue of POPULAR RADIO, and so many requests are received for information about improvements for this set, that the POPULAR RADIO Laboratory has worked out a new embodiment of this design which incorporates all the good features and eliminates many of the troubles experienced with the former set.

In this new and improved set only a single variable condenser is used and the plate variometer has been reduced to a simple form of tickler coil. Otherwise, the tuning circuit remains substantially the same except that the frequency range has been broadened to take in the whole broadcasting range from 200 meters to 536 meters. In addition to this the same type of amplification that was used in the last Four-circuit Tuner has been incorporated in the set described in this article.

The whole set has been arranged with a view to obtaining the following features: (1) Maximum amplification as obtainable from a regenerator:

- (2) Sufficient selectivity to allow tuning in distant stations through the local stations:
- (3) A receiver that can be used on an outdoor, or on an indoor antenna:
- (4) Truthful reproduction:
- (5) Ample volume for distance reception on a loudspeaker:
- (6) Low cost of construction:
- (7) Simplicity of operation.

The set contains the modified DX Coupler with an aperiodic primary and a secondary coil shunted by a variable condenser. The general scheme of hook-up for the tube circuit is the familiar ultraaudion scheme of DeForest with the addition of a novel tickler connection. One stage of transformer-coupled audio-frequency amplification is used next to the vacuum-tube detector and two additional stages of resistance-coupled amplification are used after this stage. POPULAR RADIO



THE WORKING PLAN FOR CONNECTING UP THE INSTRUMENTS FIGURE 2: The upper rectangle represents the panel and on it the instruments are drawn just as they appear. The lower rectangle represents the baseboard; the instruments are drawn in about their relative positions. The heavy black lines show the way to wire up the mounted instruments.

This combination gives results superior to any other form of audio-frequency amplification that has been tried out in the laboratory.

All of the apparatus is mounted on a standard 7 by 24-inch panel and subbase, with a standard cabinet of the same dimensions as used for the five-tube Four-circuit Tuner. The schematic wiring diagram for this receiver is shown in Figure 1. The picture wiring diagram which shows the instruments as they appear and the connecting wires as they actually go in the set, is shown in Figure 2.

Parts Used in Building the Set

In all the diagrams in this article each part bears a designating letter; in this way, the prospective builder of a set may easily determine how to mount the instruments in the correct places and connect them properly in the electric circuit.

The same designating letters are used in the text and in the list of parts at the beginning of the article.

The list of parts there given includes the exact instruments used in the set from which these specifications were made up. The experienced amateur, however, will be able to pick out other reliable makes of instruments which may be used with equally good results. But, we recommend that the novice follow the list. For the diagrams in this article will tell him exactly where to bore the holes and exactly where to place the connections.

If instruments other than the ones listed are used, the only change that will be necessary will be the use of different spacings for the holes that are to be drilled in the panel for mounting the instruments.

THE IMPROVED DX REGENERATIVE RECEIVER 243 VIEW OF THE SET FROM THE REAR FIGURE 3: This picture shows the general arrangement of all the instruments fastened to the panel or base. The exact locations for the instruments are shown in Figure 5.

THE PANEL VIEW OF THE RECEIVER

FIGURE 4: This gives an idea of how the set looks from the front and as the dials and knobs are marked with letters which correspond to the instruments to which they are attached, the prospective operator will have no trouble in locating the various tuning controls as they are explained in the instructions for tuning.

How to Construct the Set

After procuring all the instruments and materials for building the set, the amateur should prepare the panel P. (Shown in Figures 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.)

First of all, cut the panel to the correct size, 7 by 24 inches.

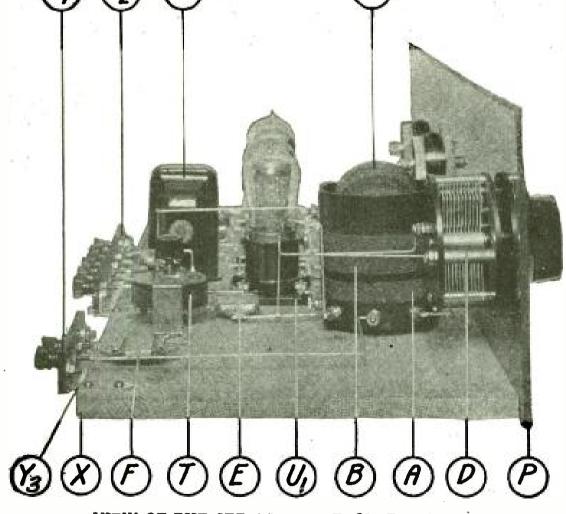
Then square up the edges smoothly with a file. The centers for boring the holes (which are necessary for mounting the instruments) should be laid out on the panel as shown in Figure 8. A convenient method of doing this is to lay out all center holes on a piece of paper the same size as the panel; then the piece of paper should be fastened on the panel and the centers marked directly on the panel by punching through the paper with a sharp, pointed instrument.

If all the holes to be drilled are first started with a small drill, one-sixteenth inch in diameter or less, they can be more nearly centered. The holes outlined with a double circle should be countersunk, so that the flat-head machine screws used for fastening the instruments will be flush with the panel. All the rest of the holes in the panel are straight-drill holes. Sizes for the diameter of these holes have not been given, but the builder will readily decide what size hole is necessary by measuring the size of the screws and shafts of instruments that must go through the holes.

When the panel is drilled, the builder may give it a dull finish by rubbing the face of the panel lengthwise with fine sandpaper until it is smooth. This process should be repeated, except that light machine oil should be applied during the second rubbing. Then rub the panel dry with a piece of cheescloth. A dull permanent finish will be the result. Or, the panel may be left with its original shinyblack finish, if care has been exercised, so that it has not been scratched during the drilling.

After the panel has been prepared you are now ready to mount the instruments on it.

First fasten on the variable condenser D by means of the large nut that comes with the



VIEW OF THE SET AS SEEN FROM THE LEFT FIGURE 6: This illustration shows the general manner of mounting the DX coupler, condenser and variable grid-leak.

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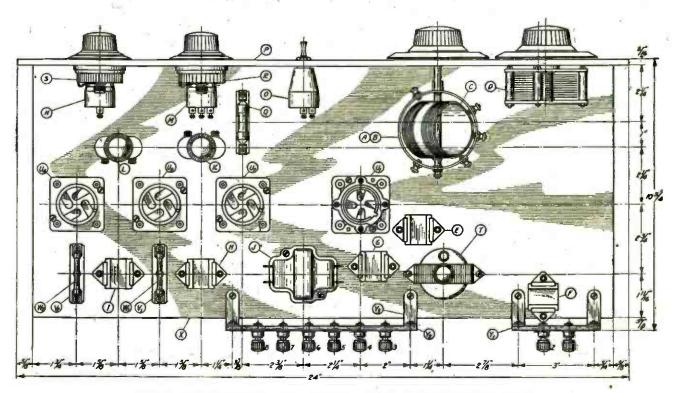
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From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO

HOW THE COMPLETED RECEIVER LOOKS

The simplicity of tuning this receiver is apparent at a glance. The large dial at the left is the single wavelength control. The dial which the operator is turning is the regeneration control. Each of the local stations was received with excellent volume and tone quality in the daytime, while at night distance was readily picked up.



THE WORKING DRAWING FOR CONSTRUCTION

FIGURE 5: Here are shown the correct positions for the instruments which are mounted on the baseboard. The positions are given, center to center, for all instruments. instrument and then attach the dial to the shaft of the instrument.

Next mount the DX Coupler by means of two screws fastened through the panel P and attach the dial to this instrument. (See Figures 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.)

Next fasten on the switch O and the two jacks M and N, in their respective places as shown in Figure 5. Then mount the two rheostats R and S by means of two screws to each rheostat and attach the knobs and dials. See Figures 4 and 5. This finishes the mounting work on the panel and it can be set aside for the time being.

Now prepare the baseboard. It should be cut from one-half inch hard wood to the size shown in Figure 5. Be sure that it is squared up properly when it will be ready for the mounting of the instruments.

First mount the four sockets U1, U2, U3 and U4 in their respective places as shown in Figures 3 and 5. These are fastened to the baseboard X by means of two wood screws to each instrument.

Then mount the two Bradleyohms K and L

with two thin wood screws fastened through the two holes in the instrument and into the wood of the base X. The amperite Q should then be fastened in its place by a single short wood screw as shown in Figure 5.

Next mount the transformer J and the gridleak T as also shown in Figure 5. The gridleak should be mounted with the small peephole turned around toward the front of the set. This instrument should be mounted by means of the brass bracket that will be found in the box in which the instrument is packed. This bracket should be fastened to the instrument by means of the thumb nut which is usually used to mount the instrument on a panel. Be careful that you have the transformer mounted with the terminals turned into the same position as indicated in Figure 2.

Then fasten the two Daven mountings V1 and V2 in their proper positions as indicated in Figures 5 and 7. These instruments require only a single wood screw to hold them to the base.

All of the mica fixed condensers are supported by the wiring and these should be left

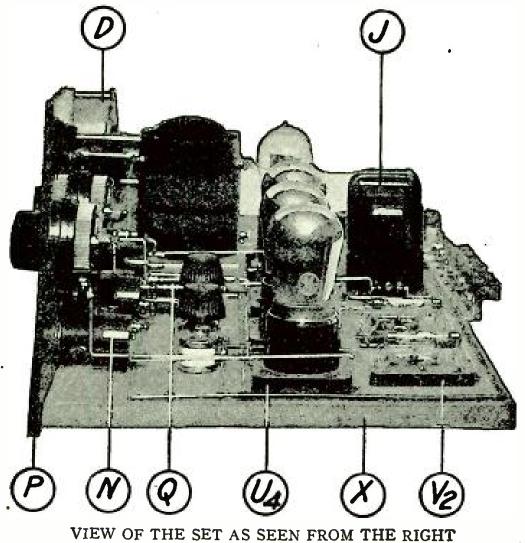
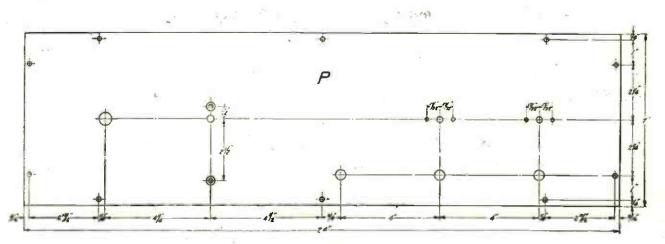


FIGURE 7: This end view indicates the manner of mounting the sockets, grid-leaks, Bradleyohms, rheostats and the jacks.



THE DRILLING PLAN FOR THE PANEL

FIGURE 8: This drawing shows where to drill the holes for mounting the instruments. The correct spacings are given for the holes. The holes outlined with a double circle should be countersunk. Always start drilling holes in the panel with a small drill—one-sixteenth is a desiroble size.

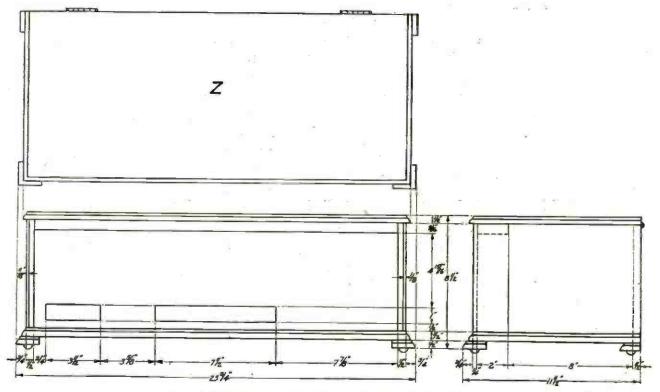
to hook up after the connections are being made. The last job on the sub-base is to prepare and mount the battery connection block Y2 and the antenna connection block Y1 by means of the brass brackets Y3; construction data on these three accessories appear in Figure 10. The connecting blocks should be mounted in the positions shown in Figure 5. The Eby binding posts Nos. 1-8 should then be fastened in the holes drilled for them in the two connection blocks Y1 and Y2.

- This completes the mounting of the instruments on the base which may be fastened at right angles to the panel P by means of three wood screws inserted through the holes drilled for them in the panel and into the edge of the sub-base X.

When this has been done the set is ready to be wired up.

How to Wire the Set

The design of this set is such that the wiring of the grid circuit of each of the four tubes is made extremely short and is isolated from other parts of the circuit. In fact, this



THE DIMENSIONS FOR THE CABINET

FIGURE 9: This diagram (which contains the top, front, and side measurements for the walnut cabinet) may be turned over for construction to a competent cabinet maker who can build it from these directions exactly the right size for the pancl. idea has been employed throughout and the leads are so arranged that the shortest connections may be used. As this is the case, the set should be wired with bus-bars.

A tinned-copper, round bus wire is recommended. All connections should first be shaped so that they will fit and then soldered in place. Refer to the wiring diagram in Figure 1 and more specifically to the picture diagram in Figure 2 for the exact way in which to run the wires.

Start wiring up the primary circuit by running a wire from binding post No. 1 on the antenna connection block Y1 over to binding post No. 2 on the DX Coupler, which is comprised of the coils A, B, and C.

Next, solder one terminal of the mica fixed condenser F to binding post No. 2 on the antenna connection block Y1 and run a wire from the remaining terminal of this condenser to a junction with the first wire connection you have completed.

Next run a wire from the terminal marked (-) of tube socket Ul over to the right-hand terminal of rheostat R, looking from the rear of the set. Then run a wire from terminal marked (+) on the same socket over to the right-hand terminal of the rheostat S, looking from the rear. An extension of this last wire should be connected to the terminal nearest the panel of the amperite Q. Another extension should be run from this wire to the terminal No. 1 of the DX Coupler and this completes the wiring to the coil A of the DX Coupler.

Next remove the two screws fastening the grid-leak T to the base and fasten two oneinch pieces to the two terminals of this instrument.

Then connect the rear terminal of this instrument (the one to the rear of the set) to binding post No. 3 and from there to binding post No. 4 and carry this wire to the left and connect it to the rear terminals of the gridleak mountings V1 and V2.

Next run an extension from this wire to the terminal F of transformer J and then run another extension from this wire over to the terminal (+) of the tube socket U1.

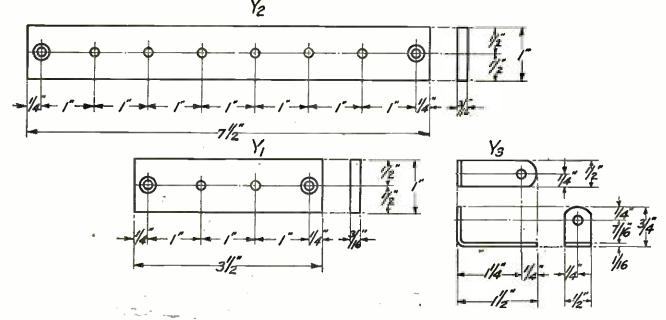
Next solder one terminal of the condenser E to the terminal G of the first tube socket U1 and run a wire from this point to the remaining terminal of the grid-leak T. The remaining terminal of the grid condenser E should be connected to post No. 4 on the coupler and an extension of this wire run over to the lefthand terminal of the condenser D. The righthand terminal of the condenser D should be connected to post No. 3 of the DX Coupler and then run over to post No. 5 of the same coupler and then extended from here to the post P on the transformer J.

Next connect the two binding posts Nos. 5 and 6 on the block Y2 together with a wire and run a wire from here over to the bottom terminal of the switch O. The top terminal of the switch O should be connected to the lefthand terminal of the rheostat R by a wire and an extension run to the left-hand F terminal on the socket U2 and then to the same terminal on U3 and the same terminal on U4. The intermediate terminal on the switch O is left disconnected.

Then connect terminal No. 6 on the DX Coupler with the terminal marked P on the first tube socket U1.

Be careful to follow the diagram in Figure 2 while you are doing this work.

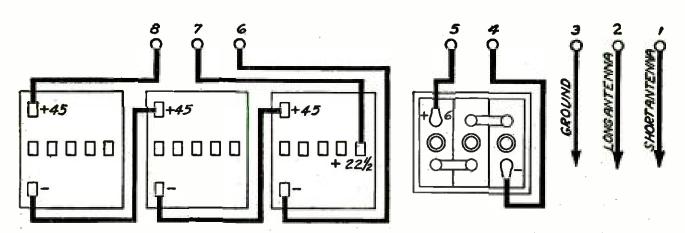
Now, run a wire from binding post No. 7 on the block Y2 to the terminal marked B+ of transformer J and to this solder one terminal of the condenser G. The other terminal of the condenser G should be soldered to the



DETAILS OF THE CONNECTION BLOCKS AND THE SMALL BRASS BRACKETS

FIGURE 10: This drawing gives the necessary data for making the insulated blocks or strips on which the binding posts are to be mounted. It also gives the dimensions for the small brass brackets that are used to fasten the blocks to the baschoard.

THE IMPROVED DX REGENERATIVE RECEIVER



HOW TO HOOK UP THE BATTERIES

FIGURE 11: This drawing prevents you from making mistakes in connecting the batteries to the terminals. If you follow these instructions the set will be hooked up correctly because the terminals shown in the wiring diagrams are marked with designations that correspond with the numbers given here.

wire running to terminal P on the transformer J.

Next run a short wire from the right-hand F terminal of the socket U2 and connect it with the remaining terminal of the amperite Q. Then with a wire connect the right-hand F terminals of the sockets U3 and U4 and run an extension of this wire over to the lefthand terminal of the rheostat S. Next connect the two bottom terminals of the jacks M and N together with a wire and run an extension around the left-hand side of the set and over to the binding post No. 8 on the battery connection block Y2. A short extension of this wire should also be run to the left-hand terminal of the Bradleyohm L. The right-hand terminal of this instrument should be connected to the terminal marked P on the socket U3 and a wire continued from here to the righthand terminal of the condenser I. The remaining terminal of this condenser should be connected to the terminal marked G of socket U4 and also to the remaining terminal (which is turned nearest the panel P) of the gridleak mounting V2.

Next connect the two terminals of the Bradleyohm K to the two horizontally spaced terminals of the jack M.

Now run a wire from the top terminal of the jack M over to the terminal marked P on the socket U2 and continue this wire over to the right-hand terminal of the condenser H. The remaining terminal of this condenser should be connected to the terminal marked G on the socket U3 and also to the remaining terminal (which is turned nearest the panel P) of the grid-leak mounting V1.

Then connect the top terminal of the jack N to the terminal marked P on the socket U4.

The terminal marked G on transformer J should be connected to the terminal marked G on the tube socket U2.

How to Install the Set

After the wiring has been completed the cabinet may be attached by means of wood screws (nickel plated) inserted through the panel into the woodwork of the cabinet. The terminal binding posts Nos. 1 to 8 on the connection blocks Y1 and Y2 will now protrude through the two slots cut for them in

the back of the cabinet. To connect the set do the following: Attach the antenna lead-in wire to either binding post No. 1 or No. 2. (If you are using a regular, long outdoor antenna the lead-in wire should be connected to binding post No. 2. If, however, you are using a short outdoor antenna or an indoor antenna the lead-in wire should

be connected to binding post No. 1.) Connect the ground wire to binding post No. 3.

Connect the negative terminal of the 6-volt storage "A" battery to terminal No. 4.

Connect the positive terminal of this same battery to terminal No. 5.

Working Blueprints of This Receiver

IN order to accommodate readers who may desire actual-size diagrams of this Improved DX Regenerative Receiver, a set of three blueprints has been prepared, consisting of—

One panel pattern (actual size);

One instrument layout;

One picture diagram of all parts, showing the wiring.

This set of three prints will be forwarded, postage prepaid, upon receipt of \$1.10

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Connect the negative terminal of the 135-volt "B" battery to binding post No. 6.

Connect a 22¹/₂-volt tap on this same battery to binding post No. 7.

Connect the positive terminal of the 135-volt block of "B" battery to terminal No. 8.

Be sure that these connections are made as shown in Figure 11.

Next be certain that the small knob of the switch O is pushed in so that the batteries are turned off.

Then insert the UV-200 detector tube into the tube socket U1. Then insert three C-301-a tubes or three UV-201-a tubes in the sockets U2, U3 and U4. Pull out the switch knob O and adjust the rheostats R and S for the correct filament current of the tubes.

Insert the loudspeaker plug into the jack N and the set is then ready for use.

Operating Data

The approximate setting for both of the theostats will be found to be about threequarters of the way towards the "on" position.

Set the knob on the grid-leak T so that the Figure "5" shows in the small peep hole.

Next set the knob of the tickler control C at approximately zero on the dial. Then by

rotating the knob of the condenser D, the various stations may be picked up.

By careful rotation of the tickler coil C the strength of the signals received may be controlled so that the proper volume is obtained. (It may be necessary to reverse the setting of the coil C on the knob because the signals from stations should be of minimum loudness when the knob C is set at zero. This can be easily determined from experience.)

The proper way to determine the settings for the two Bradleyohms K and L is to screw them down rather tight and then, after a signal is tuned in, to turn the knobs in an anti-clockwise direction until there is a click and the signal fades out. The knobs should be set just about a half turn clockwise from this point.

For an antenna, a regular, outdoor wire of about one hundred feet may be used with the lead-in connection to post No. 2 as previously explained. For an indoor antenna, about forty to sixty feet of wire strung in back of the picture molding may be used with good results. The lead-in in this case should be connected to the binding post No. 1.

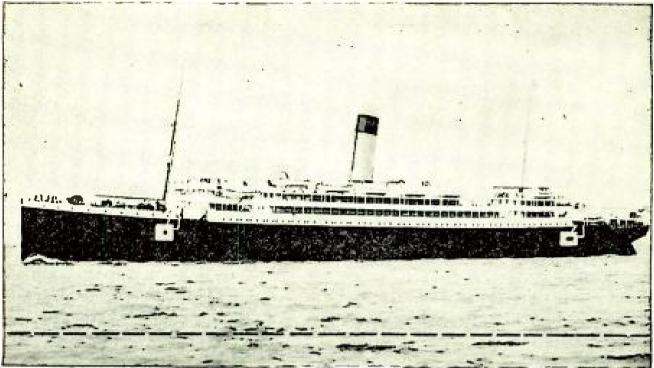
The volume, selectivity, and tone quality that will be obtained, if the set has been built exactly as specified, will amply repay the builder.

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Gilliams Service

GERMANY DEDICATES A HALL TO RADIO At the national radio exposition held recently in Berlin, a building that was completed last year for radio research was officially opened by German officials and scientists. This building is the first of its kind in Germany.



Gilliams Service

HOW THE "PHANTOM PILOT" WORKS The white coils, forward and aft shown above on the side of the ship, pick up the inductive signals from the piloting cable, the position of which is indicated by the broken line at the bottom of the picture.

Piloting Ships by Radio

How the new piloting cable that is coming into use will save enormous sums of money to business by eliminating the delays of vessels which now wait outside fog-bound harbors—at a cost—ranging from \$500 to \$4,000 an hour.

By PHIL HARRIS

R ADIO signals that emanate from piloting cables laid along channel beds will result in a saving of from \$500 to \$4,000 an hour for steamship companies. Only recently more than a dozen passenger ships were held up outside New York harbor for more than twenty-four hours by dense fogs. Had these ships been equipped to depend on "the phantom pilot," the radio piloting cable, they could have been brought to their berths on schedule.

The United States Navy laid a piloting cable in the Ambrose Channel at New York some time ago as an experiment. The narrowness, together with the two dangerous turns of this channel, have formed the most difficult problem which the inventors of the new cable piloting system expect to encounter in any of the harbors of the world.

In the navy's experiments, the cable extended from Fort Wadsworth, on Staten Island, through the channel to the Ambrose Lightship, which is the polar star of the channel, fourteen miles away. The cable, lying at the bottom of the channel and directly in the center, acts as an antenna to transmit the word "NAVY" continuously. Coils on either side of the incoming ship, acting as receiving antennas, carry the impulses to a sensitive receiving set, telling which side of the ship is nearest the cable and when the ship is directly over the cable. Although auditory signals have been found to be practical, a plan is being developed whereby sensitive galvanometers will show the exact location of the ship with respect to the cable and will be as simple to read as the common magnetic compass.

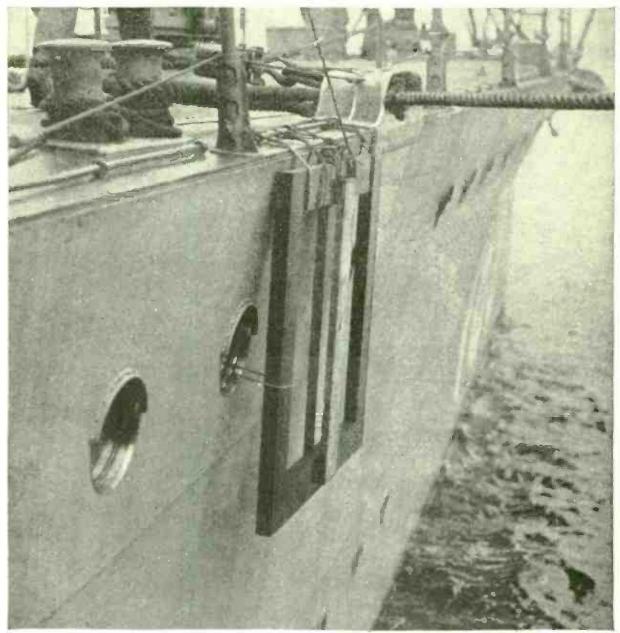
The use of a single receiving coil and a single telephone receiver first showed the principle to be practical. It indicated the proximity of the ship to the cable, but not the direction the ship should take. It was found necessary to place a coil on either side of the ship, so that by comparing the strength of the signals it was possible to tell which coil was nearest the cable.

Even the use of two coils had its faults and was successful only when the vessel started in the proper direction and kept moving. If the vessel stopped or in some other way managed to turn at right angles to the cable, the signals from both coils were the same, and there was no way to tell definitely in which direction the ship was pointing with regard to the channel. It was therefore necessary to install four receiving coils, two forward and two aft. The job of listening to signals from four coils and comparing their signal strength was found to be a delicate task and was at once turned over to the sensitive milliammeter, which tells the true relations at a glance. When the four meters are arranged to correspond with the coils, it is a simple matter to tell which coils are nearest the cable and how the ship is heading.

A combination meter is being developed in which two coils on opposite sides of the ship will set up opposing fields. In such an instrument, the pointer would rest at zero when the two fields were of equal strength, showing that the ship was directly over the cable. A slight shift to either side would swing the pointer correspondingly to one side or the other.

In the navy's experiments the wave was sent out by a 500-cycle generator at Fort Wadsworth, with about 350 volts potential and a current of 3.25 amperes. The cable was of the ordinary commer-

HOW THE MOUNTING POSITION OF THE COIL IS DETERMINED This diagram shows how the electromagnetic field surrounding the cable is distorted by the steel hull of the ship. The coils, to operate to best advantage, must be parallel to these waves, as indicated above.



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THE PILOTING CABLE COIL IN ACTION

The rectangular wooden frame shown in the illustration encases a coil of wire that is constructed like a loop antenna. When this coil is directly over the piloting cable, sensitive galvanometers indicate this position by maximum deflections of their needles.

cial variety, with seven strands of number 18 copper wire, insulated with a half inch of para rubber and jute, and armored with ¼-inch steel cables. The impulse sent out through the cable was returned to the generator along its armored surface and the water which touched it, so that the cable in reality formed a loop antenna.

The signal word, "Navy," was transmitted by an omnigraph. The word was selected merely to distinguish the cable signal from the induction of a passing ship's generator or other noises which might be ignored by a listening operator.

All the apparatus is still under the direct control of the navy and will probably be so controlled in the future—at least until it is perfected and protected with patents. The work was begun under the direction of Lieutenant Commander J. W. Reeves, Jr.

Harbors protected by mines have heretofore been unavailable to incoming ships during foggy weather. War vessels have been forced to wait outside where they were exposed to submarine attacks. The cable will guide a ship into such a port where it is urgently needed to protect the port or to bring valuable supplies without delay. •

Ship operators not only lose by having their cargo delayed but also by burning huge amounts of coal to keep steam up in case the fog should lift, by serving extra meals to passengers, by holding piers and harbor facilities in readiness, by general overhead expenses and possibly by being able to make fewer trips within a year.

The new device will not take the place of the pilot who now meets all vessels according to federal laws, and steers them safely to port, but will aid him in his work. He will merely take the small amount of equipment necessary when he boards a ship. He will suspend his coils from the side of the vessel, take his meters to the bridge and perform his duty in all kinds of weather.

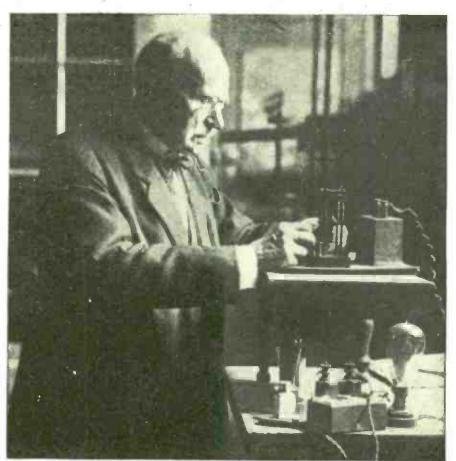
Not only has the United States Navy demonstrated the practicability of the "phantom pilot" but the British Government has used one experimentally in Portsmouth Harbor outside Southampton.



From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO

HOW RADIO MAY DIRECT OUR TRAFFIC

A prophecy made in POPULAR RADIO may soon come true. The first step in this direction is shown by this electric timing apparatus which automatically directs all the street traffic in Los Angeles. This same system adapted to radio could be operated without the use of a network of wires as explained in "The Radio Traffic 'Cop'" in the November issue. Radio-controlled traffic signals are not at the mercy of the weather or wire trouble; and the construction cost is low.



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THE FIRST PRACTI-CAL DETECTOR

The Branly coherer (shown at the left), which its inventor, Edouard Branly, is adjusting, marked a tremendous step in radio progress in 1892. Before this a single loop of wire was the only electromagnetic wave detecting device; this, however, was too crude for practical use. Branly's coherer gave Marconi a basic piece of apparatus for his work.

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WHERE RADIO BEGAN



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EARLY MODELS OF SENDING AND RECEIVING INSTRUMENTS

The old tuner (shown at the left in the picture above) was the type first used in radiotelegraph ship stations. It had three sliding contacts that permitted fairly close tuning through a conductively coupled hook-up. At the right of the picture is the old "pump-handle" key used in land stations as well as aboard ship. As it was used to break heavy currents, its contacts had to be large.

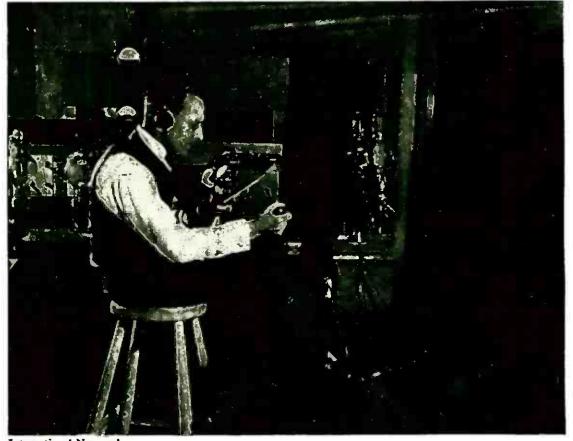
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THE FIRST TRANS-MITTING TUBE

This vacuum tube is in the U. S. National Museum at Washington. It was made in 1898 and is said to be the first tube to transmit radio waves. At a distance of a block, D. McFarlan Moore, its inventor, blew up a miniature of the battleship Maine.

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International Newsreel

THE CRADLE OF THE FIRST BROADCASTING STATION

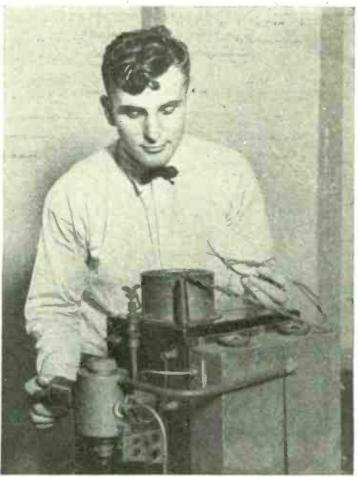
The pioneer broadcasting station, KDKA, was born in the unromantic atmosphere of a garage near Pittsburgh, Pa. Frank Conrad, the radio inventor, from his station, 8XK, broadcast the returns of the Harding election in 1920. The election figures were relayed from the office of J. C. McQuiston in East Pittsburgh to Mr. Conrad's home.

WHERE RADIO BEGAN



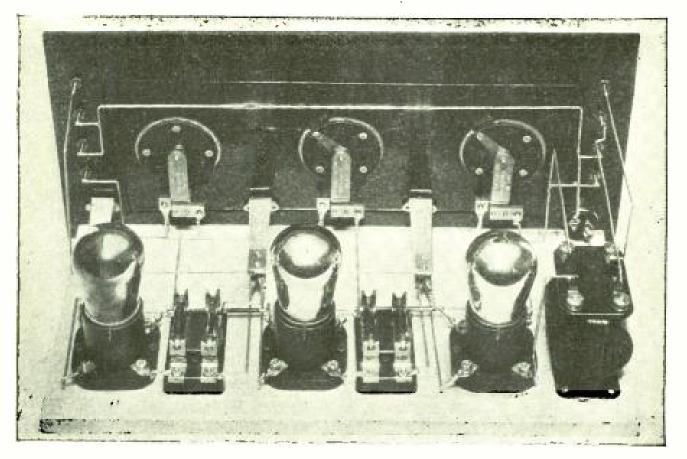
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ONE OF THE EARLIEST RADIOTELEGRAPH TRANSMITTERS Before the transformer, operating on an alternating current, came into use for radio transmission, this induction coil was run on a direct current that also operated an interrupter. The secondary terminals of the coil were connected to a spark gap which was placed in series with the antenna.



THE PRIDE OF THE NAVY IN 1909, THE POULSEN ARC

The picture at the right shows the old arc transmitter which was used aboard the U. S. S. Connecticut in 1909 when the American fleet made its famous trip around the world. Some of the carliest radiotelephone experiments were made with these arcs in the Navy. The piping shown is for feeding gas to the arc to increase its steadiness.



VIEW OF THE AMPLIFIER FROM THE REAR Compare this picture with the diagram on the next page when you mount the parts and when you connect up the instruments. The wiring is so simple that it can be done in a little less than an hour.

Simple "How-to-Build" Articles for Beginners No. 7

How to build a combination three-stage amplifier

By LAURENCE M. COCKADAY

Cost of PARTS: Not more than \$25.00

HERE ARE THE ITEMS YOU WILL NEED-

- A-Samson audio-frequency transformer, Type HWA-2, ratio 3 to 1;
- B, C and D-Kellogg rheostats, No. 502, 20-ohm;
- E. F and G-Cutler-Hammer sockets;
- H and I-Daven resisto-coupler No. 41;

T HE seventh instrument to be described in this series is a vacuumtube, audio-frequency amplifier comprising one stage of transformer-coupled amplification and two stages of resistancecoupled amplification. This is the type of amplifier first used by the author in connection with the Four-circuit Tuner

- J, K, L and M-Daven resistances, ¼ meg.; N-Bradley switch;
- O and P-Yaxley radio jack, double-circuit;
- Q-Yaxley radio jack, single-circuit; R and S-N. Y. mica fixed condensers, .006 mfd.

described in the issue of October, 1924.

This unit was built in the POPULAR RADIO LABORATORY with the express purpose of submitting to the beginner an amplifier that will give him the best reception possible and at the same time teach him something about the principles involved in distortionless amplification.

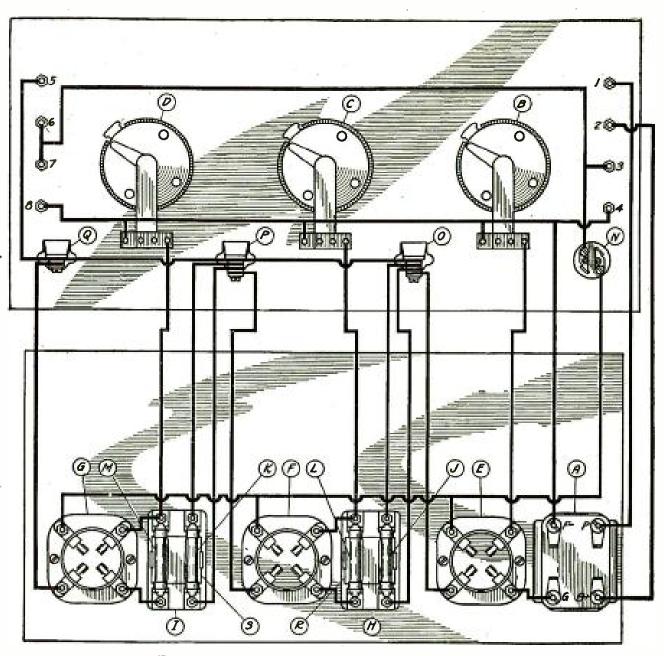
HOW TO BUILD A COMBINATION THREE-STAGE AMPLIFIER 259

The unit is simple to construct and to operate as are all the other units described in this series.

This particular unit may be connected to any of the other single-tube or crystal receivers described in this series. It will enable you to obtain louder signals and still retain the same quality of reception on a loudspeaker as on headphones.

Take these pages to a radio dealer and ask him to supply you with the parts listed above. When you have your parts ready for mounting, use a kitchen-work table for the job. Set them upon the panel and baseboard as shown in the picture diagram on the opposite page and also in the two photographs accompanying this article.

Next, wire up the instrument as indicated in the picture diagram. If you follow the series as shown there you cannot make a mistake. All the connections are clearly shown and the instruments are all marked with designating letters that re-appear in the list of parts and in the text.



THE "PICTURE DIAGRAM" OF THE HOOK-UP

This illustration shows the exact manner in which the instruments are placed on the panel and baseboard and how the wires run in relation to them. The upper rectangle shows the back of the panel, and the lower one shows the baseboard. All the parts are lettered to correspond with the designations in the text and in the list of parts.

POPULAR RADIO



The next article in this "Simple How-to-build" series will describe how to build "A SINGLE-TUBE FOUR-CIRCUIT TUNER." The editors consider this to be the best single-tube receiver that a beginner can make.

When you have finished wiring up, all you have to do is to connect the loudspeaker, the batteries and the detector unit and you are ready to "go."

To connect this unit do the following: Connect the binding posts 1 and 2 in place of the phones in your detector unit. The binding posts 3 and 4 should be connected to the "A" battery terminals on the detector unit with the positive terminal connected to binding post 3 and the negative terminal connected to binding post 4.

Then connect the "A" battery that was originally used on the detector unit to binding posts 7 and 8 of this unit with the positive terminal connected to binding post 7 and the negative terminal to binding post 8. This means only the single "A" battery connected to the two units, as the binding posts 7 and 3 are bridged across as also are binding posts 8 and 4.

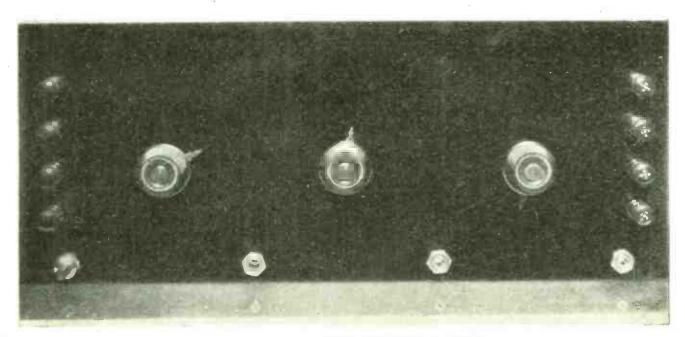
Next, connect a 90-volt "B" battery to terminals 5 and 6 on the amplifying unit with the positive terminal connected to binding post 5 and the negative terminal connected to binding post 6. Insert 3 UV-201-a tubes in the three sockets and turn up the three rheostats B, C and D approximately three-fourths of the way and place the loudspeaker plug in jack Q.

Then turn on a detector rheostat in the tuning unit and tune in a station after which the three rheostats may be adjusted for proper quality and volume.

You will find that you will obtain wonderful reproduction if a good loudspeaker is used with this type of an amplifier. You will also discover that distance reception will sound much clearer and stations will be easier to understand with a highgrade loudspeaker.

Do not turn the rheostat which controls the filament current any higher than is necessary to produce sufficient volume.

If dry-cell tubes are used, you will have to get suitable rheostats in place of the ones specified, and also, you will have to vary the "A" battery voltage to suit the tubes used.



THE FRONT VIEW OF THE PANEL

This view shows the arrangement of the three rheostat control knobs, the rows of binding posts, one at each side of the panel, and the three jacks for cutting in the various stages. The battery switch is located at the lower left-hand corner of the panel.

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From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO MAKING THE ACQUAINTANCE OF THE RECEIVER The author has made himself familiar with the tuning characteristics of the Melco receiver, and has begun to log broadcasting stations for future reference, as explained in this article.

HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR READY-MADE RECEIVER

No. 3: Melco Supreme Receiver

This series of articles explains the theory, operation, equipment and care of standard receiving sets

This series does not indorse the product of any manufacturer or make comparisons between receivers. The sets already described include: No. 1, the Eagle Neutrodyne and No. 2, the Radiola Superheterodyne.

By S. GORDON TAYLOR

THE use of tuned radio-frequency amplification in radio receivers has become increasingly popular. One reason is because this type of amplification brings in distant stations with sufficient volume to operate the loudspeaker. This type of set, besides, does

not require a long outdoor antenna and it usually gives better tone quality than the ordinary regenerative receiver used so extensively a year or two ago.

There are numerous types of radiofrequency amplification in common use. How to operate one type—the neutro-

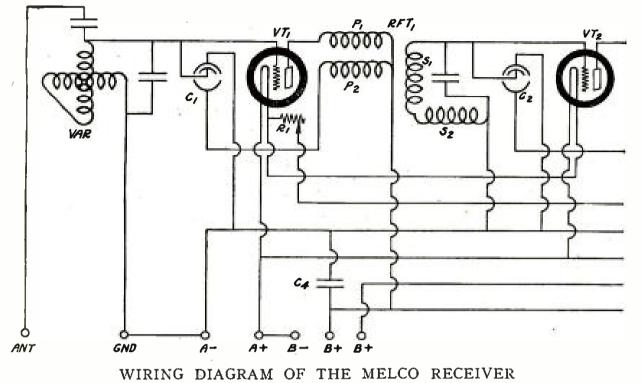


FIGURE 1: All the designating letters in this hook-up are referred to and explained in the text. The parts are: VAR, variometer; RFT1 and RFT2, variotransformers each of which consists of four windings P1, P2, S1 and S2; AFT1 and AFT2, audio-frequency transformers; C1 and C2, compensating condensers; C3, .00025 mfd. grid condenser; C4, .5 mfd. fixed condenser; C5, .005 mfd. fixed condenser: GL, 2 megohm grid-leak; R1, 15 ohm rheostat; R2, R3, R4, 20 ohm rheostats; VT1, VT2, VT3, VT4, VT5, are UV-201-a or C-301-a vacuum tubes and sockets; J, filament-control jack; S, double-pole, double-throw jack switch.

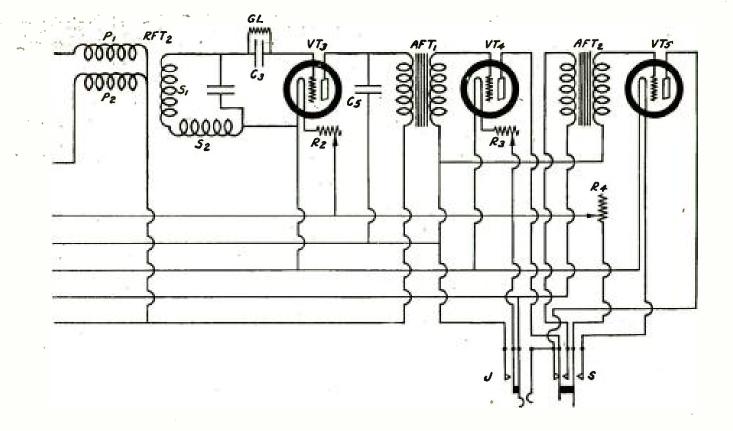
dyne—was told in the first article of this series (December, 1924). How to operate another type, which makes use of a special kind of tuned radio-frequency transformers, is told in this article.

Feed-back should be at least partly eliminated in a radio receiver, otherwise the interaction between the plate and grid circuits of the vacuum tube creates oscillations that prevent reception, or produce distortion of signals. This condition becomes increasingly troublesome when radio-frequency amplification is used.

Feed-back may occur through the elements of the vacuum tube itself, or through the interaction between the coils in the various circuits. The coils, however, may be placed in such a way that their fields do not affect each other noticeably or they may be wound in a form which produces practically no external field. Thus the so-called "inductive feed back" may be largely eliminated by the physical placement or form of the coils. There still remains the capacitative feed-back through the action of the capacity of the elements of the vacuum tube itself. This feed-back too may be eliminated through the agency of an external capacity and inductance that will neutralize or compensate the capacity of the tube.

In the Melco Supreme receiver a special form of winding is used in the radio-frequency transformers shown at RFT1 and RFT2 in Figure 1. This form of winding practically limits the electro-magnetic field of the coils in each transformer to the dimensions of the transformer, or variotransformer as it is called in this receiver. In addition to this, a small variable condenser is employed in conjunction with each variotransformer to compensate the tube capacity.

The variotransformer is designed to



provide the necessary coupling between the plate circuit of one tube and the grid circuit of the succeeding tube. This instrument also tunes the grid circuit to the resonance with the incoming signal by means of the variometer action of coils S1 and S2. The variotransformer includes a special winding (P2) in the plate circuit which induces a neutralizing voltage on the grid of the preceding tube and thus, in combination with the variable compensating condensers C1 and C2 prevents oscillation, but nevertheless permits the operation of the tube at the point of maximum practical efficiency.

The Construction of the Receiver

This receiver is designed to make use of external batteries, loudspeaker, antenna and ground, as shown in Figure 3. Binding posts are arranged at the back of the receiver for these various connections with the exception of those for the loudspeaker. This instrument is connected to the jack J by means of a standard loudspeaker plug which is inserted in the jack.

Five vacuum tubes are used as shown in Figure 1. VT1 and VT2 with their

accompanying equipment make up two stages of tuned radio-frequency amplification. VT3 is the detector. VT4 and VT5 with the equipment that goes with them, are used in two stages of audiofrequency amplification. The variometer T1 is used to tune the antenna circuit as well as the grid circuit of the first tube. This arrangement is in its effect a two-circuit, conductively-coupled tuner. RFT1 and RFT2 are the variotransformers which tune respectively the first and second stages of radio-frequency Regular audio-frequency amplification. transformers are used for coupling the last two stages of amplification. These transformers are shown at AFT1 and AFT2. The rheostats R1, R2, R3 and R4 control the current flow from the "A"battery, through the filaments of the vacuum tubes. R1 controls the filaments of VT1 and VT2, while R2, R3 and R4 control the filaments of VT3, VT4 and VT5, respectively. The switch S is for volume control. With it only four tubes may be thrown in setting the receiver for "Soft" reception, and five tubes when setting for "Loud," which are marked on the panel.

The Antenna and Ground.

This receiver may be used with any antenna from 20 to 75 feet in length. A longer outdoor antenna will provide greater volume on weak or distant signals, but it may broaden tuning. In locations close to powerful broadcasting stations, however, as in most large cities for instance, such an antenna is not advised because of the possibility of interference from the local stations.

Perhaps the best antenna for this receiver is an outdoor stretch of approximately 50 feet including the lead-in. The lead-in should be as short as possible and should be attached to the end of the antenna nearest the receiver. A convenient way to bring in an antenna lead is to attach it to an insulator fastened to a window frame. Care should be exercised so that the lead hangs free of the house and anything that may partly ground the antenna. Where the lead-in wire is brought through a window, it should be No. 18 rubber-covered wire or bare wire insulated by a glass or porcelain tube. The lead-in may be the same kind of. wire as that used for the antenna. If the lead is a continuation of the antenna wire, it will eliminate all joints throughout the antenna circuit. Figure 4 shows one good method for accomplishing this.

When the use of an outdoor antenna is not practical, a short indoor antenna may be used with nearly as good results. The indoor antenna may consist of a wire from 20 to 30 feet long connected directly to the antenna binding post on the receiver. From this binding post the antenna lead may extend up to a picture moulding and follow it around the room. Where possible the lead should run in a straight line.

With an outdoor antenna a lightning arrestor should be connected to the antenna lead at a point just inside the window through which the lead-in comes. This device is, of course, unnecessary with an indoor antenna.

A ground connection may be made to the nearest cold water pipe, or to a radiator. In case these connections are not available, use an iron pipe driven six feet into the ground, preferably beneath the window through which the antenna lead is brought. The lead from this iron pipe can then run straight to the window above.

The Tubes that Are Used

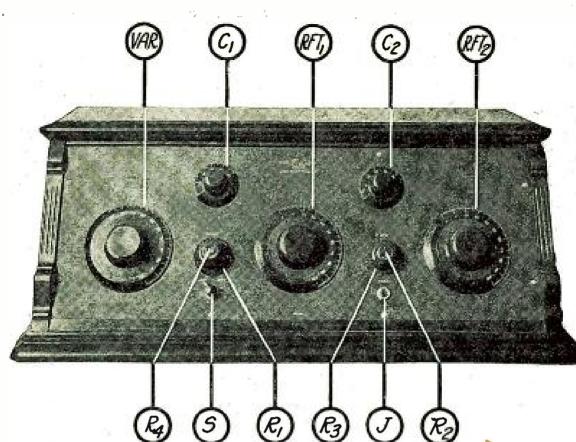
This receiver is designed for the use of UV-201-a or C-301-a tubes throughout. Either of these types will give equally good results. Many receivers employ a UV-200 tube for the detector, but in the case of the Melco receiver this is neither necessary nor advisable. As a result there is a considerable saving of "A" battery current. Dry cell tubes are not recommended for this set.

When the receiver is first put into

	Two Hours	a Day	•
Voltage Connected to Post No. 6	Voltage Connected to Post No. 7	VOLUME SWITCH Set for "Soft"	Volume Switch Set for "Loud"
45	90	243 days	132 days
671/2	671/2	142 days	82 days
671/2	90	112 days	72 days
90	90	65 days	47 days

Approximate Life of "B" Batteries When the Receiver is Used for an Average of

HOW TO USE YOUR READY-MADE RECEIVER



PANEL VIEW OF THE RECEIVER FIGURE 2: The three principal controls are VAR, variometer; RFT1 and RFT2, variotransformers; C1 and C2 are the compensating condensers; and R1, R2, R3 and R4 are the rheostat controls for the tubes. S is the jack switch and J is the filament control jack.

operation, the operator should shift his tubes around from socket to socket to discover which ones work best in particular holders. Some tubes, as many of us know, work better as radio-frequency amplifiers, or as audio-frequency amplifiers. Insist upon your dealer's having the tubes in the receiver which he uses to demonstrate the set for you. This policy will eliminate the possibility of getting a defective tube.

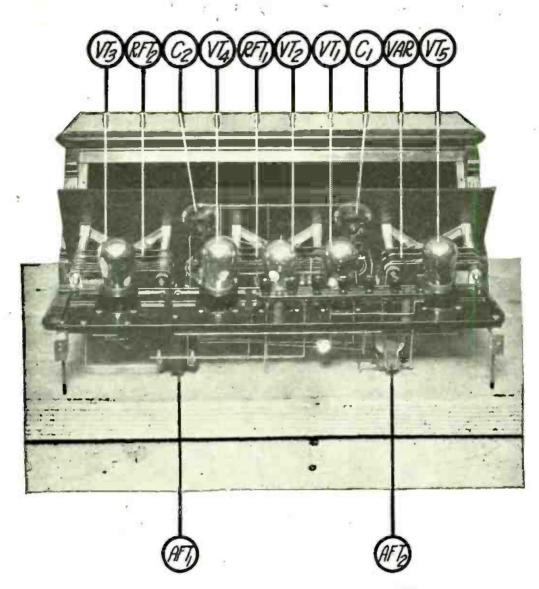
Types of Batteries Necessary

To light the filaments of the five tubes a 6-volt storage battery is required. The 100 ampere hour capacity type is preferable. Batteries of smaller capacity may be used but with less success. Dry batteries are not recommended, because they become nearly dead after a few hours of use with five UV-201-a tubes.

If you use storage batteries, it is worth your while to have a battery

charger that operates on ordinary lighting circuits. If your house current is alternating current (A.C.) the charger must be the rectifier type. If your lighting system is direct current (D.C.), then the charger required is the resistance Connections for the A.C. type type. of charger are shown in Figure 5. One method of charging from a D.C. line, using electric lights for the charging resistance, is shown in Figure 6. You should have a special storage battery hydrometer with which to watch the progress of charging the battery and to determine when you have a full charge.

Besides the storage "A" battery another set of batteries known as the "B" battery is needed. This battery is made up of blocks of $22\frac{1}{2}$ or 45 volts. A total voltage of 90 is needed for this receiver. The "B" batteries may be of the dry-cell type as the current consumption is low. For those who



VIEW OF THE SET WHEN OPENED FIGURE 3: The rear view of the set showing the parts and wiring. The designating letters refer to the parts that are listed in Figure 1 and explained in the text.

prefer them, the storage "B" batteries may be used, or some of the "B" battery substitutes now on the market. The latter are outfits which make it possible to use the house-lighting current to supply the high voltage to the receiver in place of the "B" batteries. Before purchasing one of these, however, it is advisable to demand a demonstration on the receiver with which it is to be used.

The five tubes of this set consume approximately 1¹/₄ amperes an hour of "A" battery current. If, therefore, a 100-ampere-hour storage battery is used, a full charge will operate the receiver for something less than 80 hours. This means you can use your battery an hour a day for about two months. If you have a battery charger, it is a good plan to charge the battery to keep it nearly at full charge. Never allow your battery to run down completely. Check often the amount of charge with a hydrometer. When this instrument registers 1,185, the battery should be recharged.

The "B" battery current consumption is much lower than that of the "A" battery, but the capacity of the "B" batteries is lower than that of the "A" battery. Inasmuch as the cost of replacing "B" batteries (if the dry-cell type is used) represents practically the entire upkeep cost of the receiver, it is naturally an important point for consideration. The amount of "B" battery

current consumed varies with the number of tubes in use and the "B" battery voltage. Using only four, for instance, the life of the "B" battery will be nearly 50 percent greater than with five tubes. It is therefore advisable to use the fifth tube only to provide great volume. Usually four tubes will give ample volume to -operate the loudspeaker satisfactorily on local broadcasting stations even when an indoor antenna is used. Also, the use of $67\frac{1}{2}$ volts instead of 90 volts reduces the current consumption considerably. If using only 671/2 volts and 45 volts gives satisfactory results, the saving will be quite noticeable. Data demonstrating are given in the table on page 264.

How to Operate the Receiver

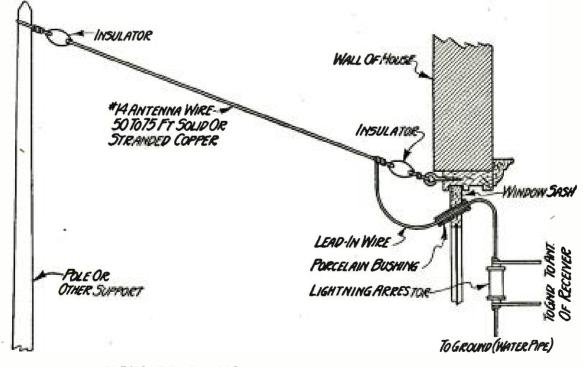
Assuming that the batteries, antenna and ground have been connected as shown in Figure 5, and that the tubes have been placed in the sockets, the loudspeaker plug should be inserted in the jack which is marked "output," and the volume switch S set with the pointer

toward "loud." Next, the four rheostat knobs R1, R2, R3 and R4 should each be turned approximately one-half a revolution in a clockwise direction, thus lighting the tube filaments preparatory to operation. It should be noted that the filaments will not light even when the rheostats are turned on unless the loudspeaker plug is in position in the jack as there is an automatic switch arrangement in connection with the jack which breaks the "A" battery circuit when the plug is removed from the jack. When one is through listening it is necessary merely to withdraw the plug to cut off the batteries. This eliminates the necessity for turning the rheostats on and off every time the receiver is used.

All is in readiness now to start the tuning operations.

First, the dials C1 and C2 which control the two compensating condensers should be set at about 30.

Then you begin the actual operation of tuning in the stations with only the three dials T1, T2 and T3. Start with



HOW TO BRING IN YOUR ANTENNA LEAD

FIGURE 4: This diagram shows how the lead-in is attached to the antenna and anchored near the window. From the insulator outside the house, the lead passes through a porcelain tube or bushing that is set in a hole bored through the window sash. all three set at any given point, say 40. At this point it is likely that station WGY of Schenectady will be heard if it is within range and is on the air at the time. If nothing is heard, move each of these three main dials one degree higher. If there is still nothing audible, continue turning these dials one degree at a time, with the settings of the three dials always alike, until a station is heard.

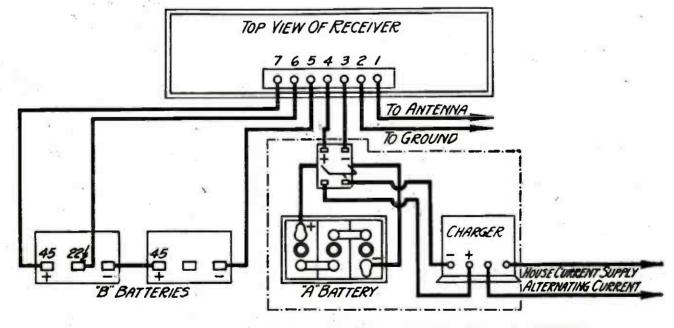
When the first station is heard readjust each of the three dials until the point is found on each where the volume is greatest. When this has been done it will probably be found that the dial readings of the three are not quite alike. In any event they will be very nearly alike. With a station tuned in, make the final adjustments to bring the receiver up to the point of greatest efficiency. Readjust the rheostats one at a time until the lowest point is found on each where best volume and quality of signals are obtained. By "low" is meant the least part of a revolution in a clockwise direction from the "off" position. The last operation is the readjustment of the dials C1 and C2.

These should be turned one at a time to a point where there is the best volume without distortion. Beyond this point the receiver will oscillate, the result will be a hissing or whistling sound in the loudspeaker. It is sometimes helpful to slightly readjust T2 while C1 is being adjusted; and T3 during the adjustment of C2.

After practice the operator will discover that C1 and C2 need not be adjusted for every station. A certain point will be found on each of these where they may be left permanently set, except when extremely distant stations are tuned in.

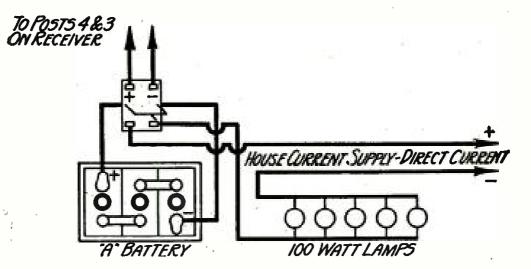
If the volume is too great on local stations the volume switch S may be turned to the "soft" position, thus cutting out the last stage of audio-amplification. Or if one wishes to use headphones when hunting around for DX (distant stations) this switch may be set for "soft" and the headphones plugged into the jack.

When you have fulfilled the foregoing instructions, it is well to change the connections from binding posts 6 and 7 at the back of the receiver to different



HOW TO CONNECT THE RECEIVER WITH THE BATTERY CHARGER

FIGURE 5: This is the hook-up for the charger that operates on an alternating lighting current. Refer to Figure 6 for the attachment of a direct current battery charger to the receiver.



HOOK-UP FOR THE DIRECT CURRENT CHARGER FIGURE 6: When your house-lighting service is direct current, a different type of charger is needed, which is wired to the set as shown above. To determine the positive and negative terminals of your house current, dip leads from the supply line in a cup of salt water. Bubbles will form around the negative wire.

points on the "B" battery. Try connecting both to the $67\frac{1}{2}$ volt tap, then No. 6 to the 45 volt tap, etc. Remember always that the lower the "B" battery voltage used the longer will be the life of the batteries.

Charting the Receiver

As each station is tuned in, a record should be made of the settings of the three large dials, similar to that shown in the tuning chart below. With the aid of such a "log" or chart, it is easy to pick up any station that has been tuned in previously by setting the dials at the readings shown on the chart for that particular station.

The dial settings of any receiver of this make and type will be approximately like those shown in the chart so far as the dials T2 and T3 are concerned. In the case of the readings shown for T1 there is more likelihood of deviation that results from the use of different types of antennas.

Make up a rough chart first, on which you list the stations with their wavelengths, call letters, location and dial settings in the order you tune them in. After a dozen or so have been recorded in this manner, begin your permanent record to correspond with that in the chart.

ACTUAL LOG OF A MELCO RECEIVER

Wave- length	Station	Location	T,	Tz	T3
278	WNAC	Boston, Mass.	21	22 3	223
286	WTAS	Elgin, Ill.	22 1/2	23	23
291	KFKX	Hastings, Neb.	23	24	24
303	WEEI	Boston, Mass.	24 1/2	25	25
309	WSAI	Cincinnati, O.	25 1/2	26 1/2	29 <u>1/2</u>
312	KGO	Oakland Cal.	26	27	27
326	KDKA	Pittsburgh, Pa.	27	28	28
330	WGBS	New York City	28	29	29
337	WBZ	Springfield, Mass.	32	33	33
360	WHN	New York City	36	37	37
370	WGN	Chicago, Ill.	39	40	40
380	WGY	Schenectady, N. Y.	41	42 .	42
390	WTAM	Cleveland, O.	43	44	44
395	WDAR	Philadelphia, Pa.	45	46	46
400	WHAS	Louisville. Ky.	46	47	47
405	WOR	Newark, N. J.	47	48	48
411	WDAF	Kansas City, Kan.	48	49	49
455	WJZ	New York City	59	61	61
461	WCAE	Pittsburgh, Pa.	61	62	62
469	KFI	Los Angeles, Cal.	62	63	63
476	WBAP	Fort Worth, Tex.	63	64	64
492	WEAF	New York City	70	71	71
500	WMC	Memphis, Tenn.	72	74	74
509	WIP	Philadelphia, Pa.	74	76	76
517	wwj	Detroit, Mich,	76	78	78
535	KYW	Philadelphia, Pa.	86	88	88
545	KSD	St. Louis, Mo.	90	92	92

POPULAR RADIO

"THEY SAY-"

Onion Sauce on the Ether

"S WEET are the uses and abuses of radio. Especially sweet, however, to the numerous corporations which are quick to capitalize the air opportunities afforded by New York's fourteen stations. Orchestras are named after hotels and eating places, and comedians for various soaps and pickle brands. The radio fans plug in night after night only to hear the jazz babies plug the same old songs. Rice and coffee recipes are freely thrown on the ether, while bedtime stories and sports talks, ostensibly given for entertainment purposes, turn out as propaganda for a new kind of onion sauce or face massage... The perfect radio program will be reached only when it is shorn of its too evident commercialism."

-THE NEWS (New York)

Unwanted Sermons

"THE more radios you get the more sermons you hear, and I won't let any preachers come into my house uninvited."

-CLARENCE DARROW

Pocket Radio Sets

"ONE's head spins at the rapidity with which one radio feat piles on top of the other... At the present rate it looks as though we were to be placed in complete audible and visual communication with the rest of the world. The pocket radio, apparently, is sure to come. If in addition to the ear-pieces it has a little hole we can look into and see ten thousand miles away, then away dull travel-talks and school courses on Asia. The world is ours, to do what we please with."

-THE WORLD (New York)

Radio Now a "Public Necessity"

"It seems probable that broadcasting is permanently established as a public necessity and may be considered as indispensable in the average home as the telephone. The success achieved in this country has encouraged many other countries to utilize this important means of establishing direct contact with the public."

—D. B. CARSON United States Commissioner of Navigation

Why They Broadcast

"The big broadcasters are of two classes—those who use radio to advertise and those who broadcast to promote the sale of receiving sets and apparatus."

—William E. Harkness

Assistant Vice President, American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

How Radio Helps American Drama

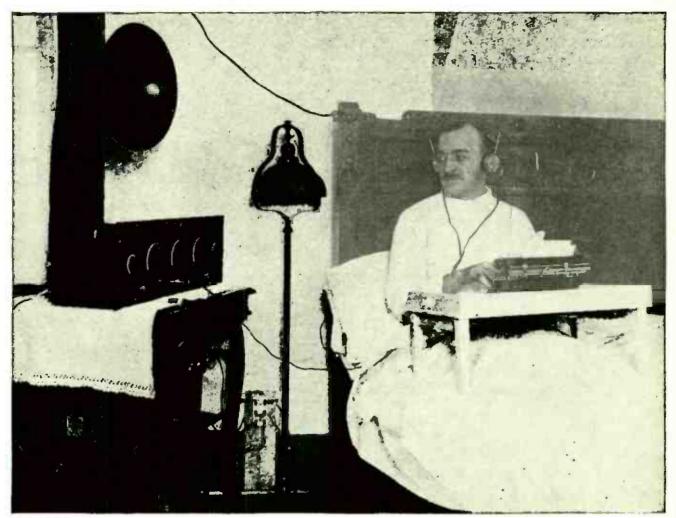
"THOSE who believe that the radio will sweep all other forms of entertainment away are in error. . . The show which cannot more than hold its own with the present standard of broadcast entertainment must be a play of the feeblest sort. If the radio serves to kill off the inconsequential dramas and leave only the more sturdy ones, it will have performed a useful task for the betterment of the American theater."

> -HEYWOOD BROUN -THE WORLD (New York)

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Excerpts from the notebook of an isolated fan who keeps in touch with the world through personal cards of comment to broadcast artists



Kadel & Herbert

APPLAUSE-CARD ADDICT

By HAROLD R. THOMPSON

O NE evening there was a fellow telling stories from a station out West. His stuff was so old I could not look my loudspeaker in the face without feeling sorry. He even pulled that old one about having a little dog at home and his name was Tax; he opened the door and Income Tax! And also the old one about a fellow's brother who was so strong that he could tear a pack of cards in two with one hand, and the other chap says:

"That's nothing; my brother only yesterday rushed out the front door and tore up the street." Well, the broadcasting stations always ask us to send in our suggestions and criticisms, so I drew up a Cartoon-a-gram picturing a young girl laughing so hard that she was falling out of bed, and I wrote on the card:

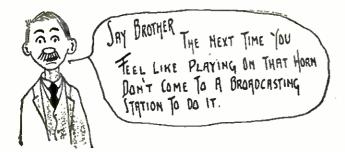
"Applause, Mr. Story-teller; your program came over well. But when my grandmother was a girl she fell out of bed laughing at those jokes and broke her collar bone."

In a few days I received a letter saying:

"I am glad my part of the entertainment came in so good. Sorry grandma had an accident."

To a Cornet Player

THERE was a chap broadcasting a cornet solo the other night-and he was simply awful! He used the "hit and hunt" method of playing, although he didn't hunt at all; he just blew. It really was so bad that I could not help sending this card:



After several days I received this.

"Too bad you use clever applause cards to such poor advantage. My advice to you is not to first blame the broadcasting artist-look for trouble with your receiving set."

I guess he is right, at that!

To a Vocal Soloist

To a young lady singing at one of the western broadcasting stations, I sent an applause card like this:



PPLAUSE MISS LEHLBACH LENJOYED YOUR SOLOS FROM STATION A.B.C. LAST MIGHT.] HOPE YOU WILL SOON BROADCAST AGAIN FROM THIS STATION.

And her answer was:

"Dear Sir:

"Thanks for your Cartoon-a-gram. Would you do me a favor, and draw me a cartoon just like this one, only have my brother's face in it, because he never says anything nice about my singing, and this would be such a joke. He has light hair and brown eyes. And, oh, yes! his nose turns up just a bit. "Sincerely,

To a Temperamental Soprano

But "that ain't the half of it." I sent one of these applause cards to a young lady who sings every week from Chicago. She answered with a personal letter: "I'll say it was personal!" After thanking me for making her such a perfectly lovely personal card, and such a clever one too, she wondered why I did not write and tell her something of myself; she would

A Radio Fan Who Has Checked Up on 42 Stations an Evening

Up at Lake Placid, New York, lives a radio fan who has written-and illustrated with pen-and-ink sketches-so many and such amusing applause cards that his name is known to many hundreds of broadcast artists throughout the country. It is Harold R. Thompson.

Mr. Thompson's cards are so unusual that they sometimes elicit unexpected replies. Some of these replies bring a smile-as the incidents told in this article indicate.

During Mr. Thompson's health sojourn at Lake Placid he has become a diligent radio fan. He has logged as many as 42 sta-tions a day. He claims that the mental stimulation resulting from this interest has been largely responsible for his improve-ment in health. "And I am getting well," he adds, "because I have not forgotten how to laugh."

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just *love* to hear something of such a clever boy.

Well, I answered that one before the wife got down to breakfast. I didn't like to say "Soft pedal on that stuff, girlie; the wife goes to the post office for the mail," so just as though I were telling her all about me I wrote:

"It may interest you to know how I started cartooning. When my three boys were young, they always wanted me to draw for them before they went to bed. . . ."

I have had no further requests for the rest of my autobiography.

To a Prize Fighter

ONE of the popular prize fighters broadcast from one of the New York stations. He told how he had succeeded by hard work. He said he would like to hear from his listeners, so I sent him this card, with the following message:



"Oh, Mr. —, are you really the man that

fights? My papa enjoyed your talk last night. Maybe you don't recognize my papa by name but he attended your last fight and you no doubt will remember him as the man with the brown derby in the third row."

This answer came in a few days.

"Your card received. Thanks. If your papa was the man that stood up every time I knocked my opponent down—yes, I remember the brown derby."

To a Telephone Girl

A TELEPHONE operator gave a most interesting talk, "How a Telephone Call Is Made," from one of the popular broadcasting stations. Having enjoyed it I. sent the following applause card:

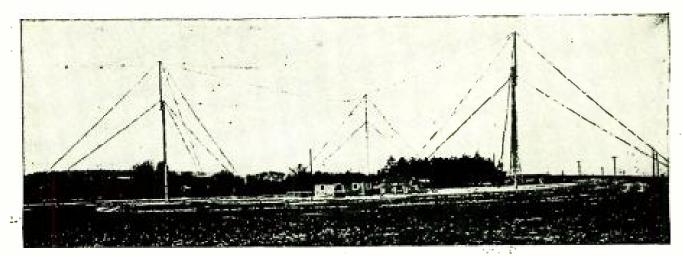


In a few days I received the following from friend telephone operator.

"Many rings you have wished me But one is enough

- I hope that you get me,
- For I'm calling your bluff."

I have crossed telephone operators off my applause card list for good.



A FIFTY-THREE ACRE RADIO LABORATORY To discover means of improving broadcast transmission, the General Electric Company has constructed near Schenectady, N. Y., one of the most extensive radio testing plants in the world. One of the experimental antennas is shown above.



The Bray Productions

The BROADCAST LISTENER

Comments on radio programs, methods and technique -from the point of view of the average fan

By RAYMOND FRANCIS YATES

"Ear-fag" from Listening in on Dinners

I T seems that our hard-pressed entrepreneurs of the radio still believe that public and semi-public dinners with their rattling salad forks, incessant chattering reminiscent of the primate quarters at the zoölogical park, and the crusty puns of bored speechmakers, make good material for broadcasting.

If you are a hearty laugher and need but a small mental prick to provoke a sustained spell of guffawing, you probably get a great deal of pleasure out of these dinners. On the other hand, if your funny bone is properly shielded and insensitive to anything but double-distilled humor and witticism, you may feel with us that the dinners of the United Association of Traffic Managers or the Society for the Appre-ciation of Mozart, wherein Mrs. Dingle, the fat lady president, reads a ten-thousand word eulogy filled with platitudes and lavender-scented phrases, should be kept off the air.

scented phrases, should be kept off the air. Either that or arrangements should be made to attach some sort of a gaget to the aerial of the studio so that the vaporous matter, instead of pouring over the country, would be stored in high-pressure steel cylinders. These in turn might be distributed to local garages for inflating automobile tires. It seems to us that dinners fulfill their social mission when they bore their guests to the point of picking up and nibbling on cracker crumbs or balancing their butter knives on the edge of their soup plates. Why, in the name of

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human decency, should this contagion be flung far and wide to bring to a state of itching boredom the thousands of innocent radio listeners who seek solace in the air?

Dinners make pretty inexpensive broadcasting in many ways. It is certain that they are about fourteen kilometers short of making good material for the esthetic nourishment of the radio audience.

Ear-fag, that's what they are; ear-fag!

Not a single thing can be recorded in their favor. Continuity, so necessary to the formula of good broadcasting, is about as conspicuous by its absence as anything can be. Long spaces of waiting, filled by the impromptu ranting of an announcer registering with negative interest is another sad but inevitable part of every dinner program. And then, to top all of this, the transmission, like the transmission from most out-of-studio events, is chronically bad.

So here is a great big vote against the broadcasting of public dinners in their entirety. Only excerpts in the form of orations from prominent folks are excusable.

Why Not a "Fade-out" in Radio?

H EAVEN knows that we are not a body to pile up more responsibilities on the already rounded shoulders of our studio managers, but we must be permitted to suggest new artistic touches to the programs when they occur to us. If these old bones are not mistaken, an acoustic fade-out for the radio, functioning in the manner of the optical fade-out in the mevies, could be devised for a very few pennies.

be devised for a very few pennies. A curtain roller spring with a slider on it bridged across the microphone might do the trick; variable resistance across the microphone —that is what we are driving at.

Imagine, if you will, an orchestra playing Victor Herbert's "Kiss Me Again." That should be very easy to remember if you listen much to the radio. The fade-out device is brought into action on the last two bars and during a short interim a second orchestra strikes up a fox-trot version of the same number. This is faded-in.

Here's a little dare for some studio to put this into practice.

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Do Announcers Talk Too Much?

I T is difficult to define the correct formula for correct announcing. Yet this cannot be taken to mean that the mistakes of some announcers are any the less evident or that they can shock the artistic sensibilities of this department and get away with it.

If there is one thing in this wide, wide world that stirs these old bones to action it is a talky announcer possessed with the notion that he is about the wittiest thing on the air and that, were it not for his literary pie-throwing, his station would be about the saddest spectacle in airdom.

Short, easy, facile announcements in a wellmodulated voice with an occasional salting of witticism, register strongly in this neck of the woods. There is one announcer up at WGY that just tickles us all over.

Some of our worthies seem to think that the interim between features should be stretched out and filled up with a heavy brand of arid hokum designed to send the listeners into prolonged fits of laughter. There is a technique to being cheery and there is a technique to being humorous but there is no technique to the incessant unloading of parlor wisecracks.

Let us have more announcing and less talking!

A Distinguished Service Medal for Broadcasting

I T will be one of the aims of this department to toss out little bunches of smiling violets to worthy performers and studios. Let it be understood at the outset that our blue ribbons and our violets are very precious and that the recipients can feel justly proud at having penetrated a hide of substantial thickness.

WEAF must be the first to be called forth to the platform to receive the distinguished service medal.

No fair-minded listener to the radio could have heard the broadcasts of the Navy Orchestra coming through from WCAP Washington without feeling like going right out to the voting booths and voting it one of the grandest pieces of broadcasting that ever modulated a plate current.

To think that this music was exposed to all of the dangers of two hundred and thirty miles of land wire between Washington and New York without losing one iota of its brilliancy or life is to appreciate the marvel and perfection of the work.

We have a pretty long list of stations that should write in to WEAF for a little information on this subject.

The New Technique of the Radio Drama

 \mathbf{F} OR two years now we have been deserting the dinner table at the salad in order to be at the radio in time for WGY's dramas.

It must be admitted, even by the most intolerant observer, that WGY has once and for all time established the ear-play in broadcasting. This accomplishment in itself should be attended with some honor and glory and in the radio years to come perhaps the penetrating pen of some historian of the theater will give decent recognition to the effort.

This establishment of the ear-play, with its carefully worked out technique of sound illusions, has by no means come about through unintelligent leadership or unmindful application to the problem of creating the atmosphere of the theater in the voids of space. The performers, the principal equation, have been selected with care and patiently trained. Their work, all considered, has been admirable.

work, all considered, has been admirable. Unfortunately for WGY, the technique of the theater is strange to the technique of the studio and we can never hope to take a play prepared to meet the needs of the legitimate stage and broadcast it without, in the majority of cases, confusing the listeners or losing their interest.

The chief obstacle to the success of the transfer from the stage to the studio is not caused entirely, as might be presumed, by the total lack of vision. A play with a sufficiently small cast may be presented from either source with a large degree of success.

The trouble with most stage plays adapted to the radio is that they have too many characters who, because they are not seen, cannot be readily recalled by the listener. The listener, unlike the theatergoer, must

The listener, unlike the theatergoer, must mark and follow his characters by voice only and when a large group of players with voices differing only slightly in modulation appear, the radio listener divides his mental effort between following the plot and keeping tabs on the players. It is natural that he should lose much of the entertainment.

The only solution to this problem seems to lie in preparing plays especially for the air with a small cast of characters with voices varying in modulation to a marked degree. Four players or five at the utmost would seem to be about the limit.

The Art of Radio Program-making

S OME day we shall feel inspired (or bored?) to the point of writing a long and bitter critique on the art of program fabrication.

It has always seemed to us that our station programs are assembled with little regard for emotional or artistic effect. To an esthetic soul of our sensitivity, this is one of the unpardonable sins of the radio. Jazz band follows jazz band, sopranos follow sopranos and it seems, to one who listens with a critical ear, that proper balance and artistic arrangement are attained always by chance, and never by design. Some day program construction will be reduced to an art with a list of rules as rigid and definite as those that have been formulated for the theater. That may be a long way off, but it must come.

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(EDITORIAL NOTE: This feature is dedicated to more intelligent program presentation and to better service from the studios. Its function as a forum will be facilitated if you will jot down your own thoughts about broadcasting features and send them to this department for comment.)



International Newsreet

HOW JOHN BULL CATCHES BANDITS BY RADIO

Constables aboard motor cars. equipped with radio transmitting and receiving apparatus, kept in communication with other police cars while they chased automobile bandits a short time ago in England. In the picture above the riggings on top of the automobiles are used to support antenna wires. They may be raised, with the aid of counterweights, when they are used for transmitting. Other European police forces are developing similar radio "flying squad" systems to combat crime in conjunction with the broadcasting of descriptions of criminals.

Handy Tools for Radio Fans: No. 1

From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO

SIDE-CUTTING PLIERS

An indispensable tool for any radio set owner

THE average radio fan's tool kit usually consists of a pair of pincers, a screwdriver and (if he is lucky) a small soldering iron. There are many jobs that he may like to do, but unless he has adequate tools he will be handicapped.

be handicapped. This series of workshop hints will indicate the tools that always come in handy for a set owner, whether he is interested in actually building a set, or merely in keeping it in repair. The first six items that will appear are *necessary* to every set owner, and the following implements will be of interest to the more intensive experimenter.

The first tool—here illustrated—is extremely useful for cutting and bending wire used in a radio set or for antenna or ground connections. It is probably the most used single tool in radio work.





Kadel & Herbert

A Five Meter Vacuum-Tube Transmitter and Receiver

The use of shorter and shorter wavelengths for both broadcasting and amateur transmission is slowly increasing. At one time a wavelength of 200 meters was considered as short as could be successfully employed. Now, however, we have had for some time regular broadcasting transmission and reception established on a successful basis below 100 meters by station KDKA. In the above picture is shown an experimental transmitter and receptor which operates from a VT-2 vacuum tube (with the base removed) and the connections made directly to the lead-in wires. This laboratory set-up was designed by William A. Bruno.

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THIS department is conducted by Popular Radio Laboratory for the purpose of keeping the radio experimenter and the broadcast listener informed concerning the newest inventions and the approved developments in radio equipment. Only such apparatus as has been tested and endorsed by the Laboratory is noted in these columns.

LOOPS

- Amplifex loop; Amplifex Radio Corp. Bodine basket-weave loop aerial; Bodine Electric
- Ĉο, "Boone" Super Folding loop acrials; J. T. Boone Radio Corp.
- Loop antenna and base; Calvert Specialty Co.

AMPLIFIERS

- Adaunit amplifier; Auto Indicator Co. Algo audio-frequency amplifier; Algonquin Elec. Mfg. Co. Distortionless amplifier; Amplex Instrument Lab-
- oratories.
- "Superheterodyne" amplifier; Amplex Instrument Laboratories.
- "Atwater Kent" amplifying units; Atwater-Kent Mfg. Co. "Bristol" one-stage power amplifier; The Bristol
- Co.

HEADPHONES

- ADPHONES Bel-Canto headset; Bel-Canto Mfg. Co. Berston headset; Berston Radio Products. Bi-Metallic phones; Bi-Metallic Radio Parts Corp. "Brandes" Navy type headset; C. Brandes, Inc. "Callophone" headset; Callophone Co. "Cannon Ball headset; Cannon and Mil-ler Co. Headset; Connecticut Instrument Co. "Coryphone" headsets; Chas. Cory and Son.

LOUDSPEAKERS

- "Dodge" Tone Amplifier; Ackerman Bros. Co., Inc
- Burns loudspeaker; American Electric Co.

A USEFUL ACCESSORY

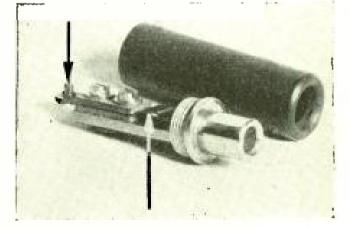
- Name of instrument: An extension jack. Description: A jack which may be used on a long cord for moving the loudspeaker away from the receiving set. It is equipped with a cover which may be attached after the connections have been made so that there are no live terminals.
- Usage: As an accessory in connection with the lengthening of the loudspeaker cord. Outstanding features: Sturdy construction. Well insulated. Dustproof.
- Maker: Yaxley Manufacturing Co.

- "Radion" loudspeaker horn; American Hard Rubber Co. "Amplion" loudspeaker; Amplion Corp. of
- America. "Atwater Kent" londspeaker; Atwater Kent Mfg.
- Co. Bel-Canto loudspeaker; Bel-Canto Mfg. Co. "Sonochorde" loudspeaker; Bondette Mfg. Co. "Brandes" table talker; C. Brandes, Inc. "Bristol" audiophone loudspeakers; The Bristol Co.

- Co. "Callophone" loudspeaker; Callophone Co. Cameo loudspeaker; Cannon and Miller Co. Radiograph (crystal set loudspeaker); Central Radio Co. "Madera Clearspeakers"; Compressed Wood Corp. "C. I. C." loudspeaker; Connecticut Instrument Co.
- "Coryphone" loudspeaker; Chas. Cory and Son.

CRYSTAL DETECTORS

- All American Super-sensitive crystal; American Radio Mfg. Co. Syn-tec radio crystal; Appliance Radio Co. "Airader" detector; Bernards Radio Co. B-Metal loud talking crystal; B-Metal Refining Co. Celerumdum "de-tex-it" (fixed detector); Celerum-dum Radio Products Co. "Century? Radio Reflex crystal; Century Products Co.
- Čo. "Century" Maxitone crystal; Century Products Co.



Equipped with phosphor bronze connection strip and screw terminal.

RADIO-FREQUENCY TRANSFORMERS

- Acme "D" Coil Unit (Tuned R. F. Transformers with Condenser); Acme Apparatus Co. Radio-frequency transformers; Associated San-gamo Electric Companies. "Benson" Reflex transformer; Benson Engineer-ing Co.
- ing Co. "Ballantine" Variotransformer Units; Boonton
- "Ballantinc" Fariotransformer Units; Boonton Rubber Mfg. Co.
 "Branston" Kadio-frequency Transformers; Chas. A. Branston, Inc.
 "Branston" Three Stage Long Wave R. F. Transformer; Chas. A. Branston, Inc.
 "Tri-Coil" Radio Frequency transformers; Brook-lyn Metal Stamping Co.
 "Cardwell" radio transformer; Allen D. Cardwell

- Mfg. Corp. "Como" intermediate frequency transformer; Como Apparatus Corp. "Colo" radio frequency transformer; Coto Coil
- Co.

BATTERY CHARGERS AND RECTIFIERS

APCO "A" battery charger; Apco Mfg. Co. APCO "B" battery charger; Apco Mfg. Co. "Acme" silent battery charger; Acme Engineering "Gold

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Co. Gold Scal" "Homchorger" Automatic Elec-trical Devices Co. 'o. 4 chemical rectifier; Cleveland Engineering Laboratories Co. torad "B" battery charger; Cleveland Engineer-ing Laboratories Co. Storad

BATTERIES

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- Bosch Nobattry (takes place of "B" battery); American Bosch Magneto Corp. "Arrow" Storage batteries; Arrow Battery Co. Radio "B" batteries at "factory" prices; Ayres Battery Corp. Burgess Batteries (dry cell); Burgess Battery Co. Ace Radio "B" battery No. 15; The Carbon Products Co.
- Burgess Batteries (dry cell); Burgess Battery Co. Ace Radio "B" battery No. 15; The Carbon Products Co. Ace Radio "A" battery No. 61; The Carbon Products Co. Ace Radio "B" battery No. 1301; The Carbon Products Co. Flashlight battery No. 1-A; Champion Carbon Mfg. Co.

- Flashlight battery No. 1-A; Champion Carbon Mfg. Co.
 Flashlight battery No. 1-B; Champion Carbon Mfg. Co.
 Storad "A," "B" and "C" batteries; Cleveland Engineering Laboratories Co.
 "Copper Giant" "A" battery; Copper Giant Bat-tery Co.

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Two sets of movable plates.

RADIO CABINETS

Radio cabinets; A. Hall Berry. "Blandin" radio cabinet; Blandin Phonograph Co., Inc. "Corbett's" radio cabinet; Corbett Cabinet Mfg. Co.

PHONOGRAPH ATTACHMENTS

"Amplion" phonograph unit; Amplion Corp. of America. "C. I. C." Phonograph attachment; Connecticut Instrument Co.

VARIABLE CONDENSERS

- "Acme" variable condenser; Acme Apparatus Co. "Bradleydenser"; Allen Bradley Co. "American Brand" Worm-drive vernier con-denser; American Brand Corp.
- Kelford variable condenser; American Specialty, Ċo.
- Amplex grid-densers; Amplex Instrument Labora-
- Amplex grid-densers; Amplex Instrument Labora-tories.
 "Amsco" Low Loss variable condenser; Amsco Products, Inc.
 "Fada" variable condenser; F. A. D. Andrea, Inc. Variable air condenser; Beacon Radio Mfg. Co.
 "Boone" Super Variable condensers; J. T. Boone Radio Corp.
 "Bremer-Tully" Lifetime condenser; Bremer-Tully Mfg. Co.
 "Bruno" 3 in 1 variable condensers; Bruno Radio Corp.
- Corp.
- Corp. "Flewelling" variable condensers; Buell Mfg. Co. "Cardwell" variable condensers; Allen D. Card-well Mfg. Corp. "Chelsea" variable condensers; Chelsea Radio Co. Chelten "Special" condensers; Chelten Electric

SWITCHES

- "Fil-fone" control switch; The A-C Electrical Mig. Co. "Ackerman" inductance switch; Ackerman Bros.
- Inc. Co.. "Bradleyswitch" (battery switch); Allen-Bradley

- "Bradleyswitch" (battery switch); Anen-Drauley Co. "Regal" switches; American Specialty Co. "Amsco" switches; Amsco Products, Inc. Benjamin radio battery switch; Benjamin Elec. Mig. Co. "Bruno" inductance switches (single and double); Bruno Radio Corp. "Centralab" battery switch No. 300; Central Radio Laboratories. Lock "A" battery switch; Connecticut Instrument Co.

Co. "Cico" battery switch; Consolidated Instrument Co. of America, Inc. C-H Radioloc; Cutler Hammer Mfg. Co.

A NOVEL FORM OF VARIABLE CONDENSER Name of instrument: Variable condenser.

- Description: This instrument is unique in design because its rotary plates are made of hardened brass. These are mounted on two separate shafts which are geared together by means of three bakelite gears which also transmit the rotary motion from the knob and dial. Both of the plates are equipped with pigtail connections and the terminals are both brought out to binding posts with soldering lugs.
- Usage: In any radio-frequency circuit for tuning.
- Outstanding features: High efficiency. Com-Simplicity of mounting on a pact. panel.
- Maker: Remler Radio Manufacturing Co.

Co. "Connecticut" variable condenser; Connecticut Telephone and Elec. Co. "Coto" compact air condensers with vernier, types 35025 and 3505; Coto Coil Co.

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AN EXCELLENT AUDIO-FREQUENCY TRANSFORMER

Name of instrument: Audio-frequency amplifying transformer. Description: A transformer in which the core

and the two sets of windings are totally enclosed in a metal shell. The windings themselves are composed of sets of helically-wound coils connected in series as against the ordinary layer-wound coil, which is generally used. This construc-tion reduces the distributed capacity across the windings. The terminals are brought out to soldering lugs.

Usage: In an amplifying circuit of audio-frequency transformer.

Outstanding features: Coils entirely enclosed. Equipped with soldering lugs. Good volume. Clear amplification. Good

Maker: Samson Electric Co.

TUNING INDUCTANCE UNITS

"Copp" Vario Selector; A. C. Electrical Mfg. Co. "Amrad" Basketball (inductance tuner); Amer-ican Radio and Research Corp. "Amsco" variometers; Amsco Products, Inc. "Amsco" honeycomb coils and mountings; Amsco Products, Inc. Oscillator Coil Unit; Associated Sangamo Electric Companies

Companies.

Companies. Honeycomb coils; Atwood Electric Co. Bel-Tone Variometer; Bel-Tone Radio Co. Bel-Tone Variocoupler; Bel-Tone Radio Co. Coupler and plate coil for superdyne circuit; Bel-Tone Radio Co. Bel-Tone Filter Tuner; Bel-Tone Radio Co. "Branston" Oscillator Coupler; Chas. A. Branston, Inc.

"Branston" honeycomb coils; Chas. A. Branston,

"Branston" noneycomo cous; Chas. A. Branston, Inc. Bremer-Tully Vernier tuning unit; Bremer-Tully Mfg. Co. "New type B-T Low loss tuner; Bremer-Tully Mfg. Co. "Flewelling" Tuner; Buell Mfg. Co. "Chelsea" antenna tuning unit; Chelsea Radio Co. "Chelsea" radio-frequency tuner; Chelsea Radio Co.

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"Voisometer" (combination variometer and coup-

ler); Co-operative Sales Co. "Coto" Compact moulded variocoupler; Coto Coil Co.

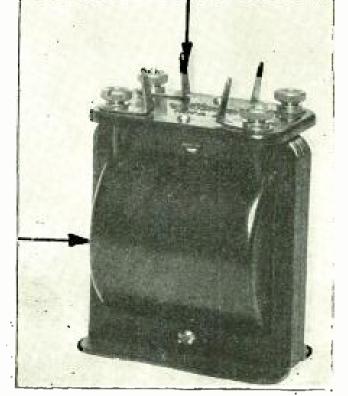
> A FILAMENT CURRENT CONTROL Name of instrument: Automatic rheostat.

Description: A small vacuum tube which contains a filament of metal that has a high co-efficient of resistance. In other words, a metal filament which has a very low resistance at low temperature, but a high resistance at high temperature. This ability of the metal to vary its resistance with temperature makes it useful for controlling the filament current of vacu-um tubes. The small tube that contains this resistance element is equipped with two metal ends which are used as ter-minals when it is inserted in the base that is supplied with the instrument.

Usage: For controlling the filament current of vacuum tubes.

Outstanding features: Automatic in control. Needs no adjustment. Neat appearance. Maker: Radiall Co.

Detachable unit. Equipped with soldering lugs.



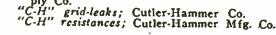
Coils encased in metal shell. Equipped with soldering lugs.

"Coto" Compact moulded variometer; Coto Coil "Coto" honeycomb coils; Coto Coil Co.

GRID-LEAKS AND RESISTANCES

- "Bradleyleak" (grid-leak); Allen-Bradley Co. "Bradleyohm" (resistor); Allen-Bradley Co. Ampler Lavite resistances; Amplex Instrument

- Ampler Lauste resistances; Amplex Instrument Laboratories. "Kant-Blo"; Apex Radio Co. "Brady" grid-leak; A. C. Brady Co. Volt-X Ball-bearing variable grid-leak; Burton and Rogers Mfg. Co. "Centralab" Adjustable grid-leaks, No. 106 and 107; Central Radio Laboratories. "Crescent Lauste resistances; Crescent Radio Sup-ply Co. ply Co. "C-H" gr



MISCELLANEOUS ACCESSORIES

"Copp" vario selector; The A-C Electrical Mfg. Co.

Co. "Celatsite" (tinned copper wire); Acme Wire Co. "Acme" Spaghetti tubing; Acme wire Co. 7/22 Enameled antenna wire; Acme Wire Co. Ribbon copper acrial; Acorn Radio Mfg. Co. Enameled ribbon aerial; Acorn Radio Mfg. Co. Window Lead-in; Acorn Radio Mfg. Co. Jack Wrench; Adams Radio Mfg. Co. Multi Radio Connector No. 18; Ajax Electric Spe-cialty Co.

cialty Co. BPB 5 Binding Post; Ajax Electric Specialty Co. Panel mounting; Alden Mfg. Co. Allen Special radio soldering paste; L. B. Allen

Co., Inc. "Radion" Insulators; American Hard Rubber Co. "Radion" Loudspeaker phone cap; American Hard

"Radion" Loudspeaker phone cap; American Hard Rubber Co. "Amrad" S-tube rectifier; American Radio and Research Corp. Condenser plate cleaner; Atwood Electric Co. "Bakelite" products; Bakelite Corp. "Condensite" products; Bakelite Corp. "Redmanol" products; Bakelite Corp. Quarter hard copper; Baltimore Brass Co. Flat copper antenna ribbon; Baltimore Brass Co. Flat brass, bronze, gold and zinc; Baltimore Brass Co.

Flat brass, bronze, gold and zinc; Baltimore Brass Co. No. 602-60 lightning arrester switch; The Barkelew Elec. Mfg. Co. No. 66 lightning arrester switch; The Barkelew Elec Mfg. Co. "Bates" Ear Cushion for phones; Bates and Co. "Solderette" Senior Electric soldering iron; Beeh-ler Steel Products Co. "Solderette" Junior Electric soldering iron; Beeh-ler Steel Products Co. Belden loop wire; Belden Mfg. Co. Belden Litz wire; Belden Mfg. Co. Beldenamel aerial wire; Belden Mfg. Co.

Co. Spaghetti tubing; Bentley-Harris Mfg. Co. Perfection Hydrometer; Bernco Mfg. Co. Domino Lead-In; Bi Metallic Radio Parts Corp. Gold plated bus bar; Bi Metallic Radio Parts Corp

Gold plated acrial wire; Bi Metallic Radio Parts

Blackburn Ground Clamp Type A1; Blackburn

Spec. Co. Board's Bearings for radio tuning coils; Edward

Board S Board. Board. "Junior" Bench Saw; W. B. and J. E. Boise. "Branston" Three Coil mounting; Chas. A. Brans-

ton, Inc. "Brilliantone" radio specials; Brilliantone Radio Products. Dutch Radio valves; Thos. Brown Co. Bruno engraving; Bruno Radio Corp.

Reinforced slot. Equipped with soldering lugs.

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C & C "Reachit" Wrench Caufman and Clough

Co. Camco Grand; Cannon and Miller Co., Inc. Jack Name Plates; Carter Radio Co. S.O.S. Hydrometer; Chaslyn Co. "Gem" radio fuse base; Chicago Fuse Mfg. Co. Kester Rosin-core radio solder; Chicago Solder Co. "Church" automatic template; Clark and Tilson,

Inc.

Inc. Silvertone antenna; Colonial Brass Co. Bus Wire, square and round; Edward N. Cook Plate Co. Tinned "Copperweld" antenna wire; Copperweld Steel Co. "Pyrex" insulators; Corning Glass Works. Telephone receiver cords; Crescent Braid Co., Inc. Premier 20ft. extension cord with plug; Crescent Braid Co., Inc. Tufglass battery tray; R. B. Cressman. Cuno radio electric match; Cuno Engineering Corp.

Corp.

PANELS

"Radion" panels; American Hard Rubber Co. "Bakclite-Dilecto" panels; Continental Fibre Co.

KITS

Reflex, Neutrodyne and Superheterodyne kits; American Radio Mfg. Co. Neutrodyne and Tobias kits; Amplex Instrument

Neutrodyne and Tobias kits; Amplex Instrument Laboratories.
Superdyne kit; Amplex Instrument Laboratories.
Kits for Improved Cockaday 4-Circuit Tuner; Amplex Instrument Laboratories.
Kit for 4-Circuit Tuner with Resistance-Coupled Amplifier; Amplex Instrument Laboratories.
"Melco" Supreme Kits; Amsco Products, Inc.
Kit for 7 * tube Superheterodyne; Apex Electric Mig. Co.
"Bel-Tone" Superdyne Kit; Bel-Tone Radio Co.
Superheterodyne Transformer Kits; J. T. Boone Radio Corp.
"Branston" Kit (for Superheterodyne); Chas. A. Branston, Inc.
"Bremer * Tully" "Nameless" R. F. Circuit; Bremer-Tully Mfg. Co.

POTENTIOMETERS

- TENTIOMETERS "Acme" potentiometer; Acme Apparatus Co. "Bradleyometer"; Allen-Bradley Co. "Regal" potentiometer; American Specialty Co. "Fada" potentiometer; F. A. D. Andrea, Inc. "Amsco Dubl-Wundr" combination potentiometer-rheostat; Amsco Products, Inc. "Centralab" potentiometers No. 110 and No. 111; Central Radio Laboratories. "Cico" bakelite potentiometers; Consolidated In-strument Co. of America, Inc. "C.H" potentiometers; Cutler-Hammer Mfg. Co.

JACKS

Radio Jack; Adams Radio Mfg. Co. "Tri-Jack"; Brooklyn Metal Stamping Co. "Hold-Tite" Jack No. 104; Carter Radio Co. "Imp" Jack; Carter Radio Co. Receptacle Jack No. 202-A; Carter Radio Co. "Cico" Bakelite Jacks; Consolidated Instrument Co. of America, Inc.

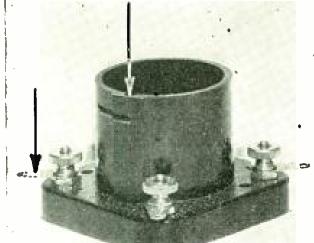
A WELL-MADE VACUUM TUBE SOCKET

Name of instrument: Vacuum-tube socket. Description: A socket for standard tubes com-pletely constructed of bakelite with strong connection fingers of phosphorbronze and terminals including both binding posts and soldering lugs. The portion of the socket which includes the slot for the vacuum tube pin is reinforced to prevent breakage.

Usage: For mounting standard makes of vacuum tubes.

Outstanding features: Neat appearance. Good contact. Compact.

Maker: Rauland Mfg. Co.



A STURDY VARIABLE CONDENSER

Name of instrument: Vernier variable condenser.

Description: A condenser in which great pains have been taken to make a rigid instru-The rotary plates are forced into ment. a solid piece of metal and three sets of metal end plates are used. Two are located on each side of the main-section plates and one on the end which con-The machine tains the vernier plate. work is well done and the insulated segments are so placed and shaped as to reduce the dielectric losses to a minimum.

Usage: In any radio-frequency circuit for tuning.

Maker: Duplex Engine Governor Co.

RECEIVING SETS

- A-C Dayton receiver; The A-C Electrical Mfg. Co. Polydyne receiver, type XL-5; The A.-C Electrical Mfg. Co. "Paragon" Receiver; Adams-Morgan Co. "Air-Way" Receiver; Air-Way Electric Appliance Corp.

- Corp. Ajar Crystal Receiving set; Ajax Electric Spe-cialty Co. Marv.O.Dyne radio receiver; Amber Sales Corp. "Amrad" Receiver (3380); American Radio and Research Corp. Electrola Receiver: American Specialty Co.
- Research Corp. Electrola Receiver; American Specialty Co. Melco Supreme Receiver; Amsco Products, Inc. "Fada" Neutrodyne Receiver; F. A. D. Andrea, Inc.

Deresnadyne Broadcast Receiver; Andrews Radio Co.

Microdyne radio receiver; Apex Electric Mfg. Co. "Atwater Kent" receiving set; Atwater Kent Mfg. Co.

Pocket radio receiver; Auto Indicator Co. "Baby Grand" crystal receiver; Beaver Machine and Tool Co., Inc. "Benson" Portable Superflex; Benson Engineer-

ing Co. Biltmore Master Reflex receiver; Biltmore Radio

Bilimore Master Reficx receiver; Bilimore Radio Co. Brandola Receiver; J. F. Brandeis Corp. "Cardwell" Receiver; Allen D. Cardweil Mfg. Co. "Chelsea" Receiver; Chelsea Radio Co. Clear-O-Dyne receiver; Cleartone Radio Co. "Goldcrest Cleartone" receiver; Cleartone Radio

Co. Crosley Receivers; Crosley Radio Corp. "Teledyne" Receiver; Cutting and Washington Washington

"C & W" Receiver; Cutting and Washington Radio Corp. "Town & Country" Receiver; Cutting and Washington ington Radio Corp.

PHONE PLUGS

Multi Radio Plug No. 18; Ajax Electric Specialty

Multi Radio Plug No. 18; Ajax Electric Specialty Co. Series four-phone plug, No. 616; The Barkelew Electric Mfg. Co. Multiple four-phone plug No. 614; The Barkelew Electric Mfg. Co. Series four-phone post No. 618; The Barkelew Electric Mfg. Co. Series four-phone post for binding post mounting No. 628; The Barkelew Electric Mfg. Co. Series four-phone post for Radiala III No. 624; The Barkelew Electric Mfg. Co. "Tu-way" Plug; Carter Radio Co. "One-Way" Plug; Carter Radio Co. "Cico" 2-Way Plug; Consolidated Instrument Co. of America, Inc. "Cico" automatic plug; Consolidated Instrument Co. cf America, Inc.

DIALS

"Na-ald" Dials; Alden Mfg. Co. "Radion" Dials; American Hard Rubber Co. "Regal" Dials; American Specialty Co.

Long narrow insulation strips. Equipped with soldering lugs,

"Amsco" Dials; Amsco Products, Inc. "Apex" vernier dial; Apex Electric Mfg. Co. "Bell" dials; Bell Mfg. Co.

SOCKETS AND ADAPTERS

- "Na-ald" sockets; Alden Mfg. Co. Standard socket; Alden Mfg. Co. "Radion" socket; American Hard Rubber Co. "Amsco" socket; Amsco Products, Inc. Sockets; Belden Mfg. Co. "Bell" sockets; Bell Mfg. Co. Benjamin Cle-Ra-Tone socket; Benjamin Electric Mfg. Co. Cle-Ra-Tone Gang socket; Benjamin Electric Mfg. Co.

Co. Co. "Flewelling" sockets; Buell Mfg. Co. "Coto" tube socket; Coto Coil Co. "C-H" sockets; Cutler-Hammer Mfg. Co.

RHEOSTATS

- EOSTATS "Acme" rheostat; Acme Apparatus Co. "Bradleystat"; Allen-Bradley Co. "Amsco" Dubl-Wundr" combination potentiometer-rheostat; Amsco Products, Inc. "Fada" rheostat; F. A. D. Andrea, Inc. "Autostat"; Automatic Electrical Devices Co. "Centralab" rheostats No. 206 and No. 230; Cen-tral Radio Laboratories. "Cico" rheostats; Consolidated Instrument Co. of America. Inc. America, Inc.

AUDIO-FREQUENCY TRANSFORMERS

- "Acme" Audio-Frequency transformer; Acme Apparatus Co. "American" transformers; American Transformer
- Co.
- Kelford audio transformer; American Specialty "Regal" audio transformer; American Specialty
- "Fada" audio transformer; F. A. D. Andrea, Inc. Twin Audio-frequency transformer; Chas. A.
- Branston, Inc. "Cardwell" audio transformer; Allen D. Cardwell
- Mfg. Co. Chaslyn A-F transformer; The Chaslyn Co. "Chelsea" amplifying transformer; Chelsea Radio
- "Como" Duplex transformer (push-pull); Como
- Apparatus Co. "Coto" audio transformer; Coto Coil Co. "Globe" audio frequency transformers; Coyne Radio Service. "Crescent' push-pull transformers; Crescent Mfg.

"Crescent" audio transformer; Crescent Mfg. Co.

POPULAR RADIO

TUBES Bluebird radio tubes; Bluebird Tube Co. Vacuum tube; Brendonne Corp. Brighton True Blue vacuum tube; Brighton Laboratories, Inc. "Gem" radio fuse; Chicago Fuse Mfg. Co.

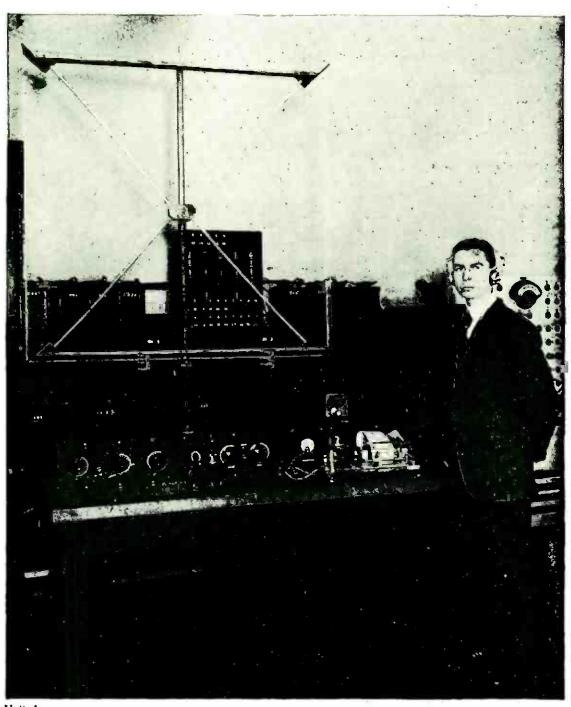
"Sodion" tubes; Connecticut Telephone and Elec. Co.

Magnetron, types DC-201A, DC-199 and DC-199 (Standard base); Conneway Electric Laboratories.

"Cunningham" tubes; E. T. Cunningham, Inc.



This list of apparatus approved by the POPULAR RADIO LABORATORY will be continued as a part of the WHAT'S NEW IN RADIO APPARATUS department until all instruments, parts and complete sets have been included. The listing is alphabetical by manufacturer's name and the installment in this issue goes only to the end of letter C.



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LISTENING-IN ON THE ECLIPSE

This radio receiver in the Bureau of Standards at Washington, D. C. was part of the chain of stations that made observations on January 24 to determine the effect of the eclipse on radio transmission. Signals were broadcast during the eclipse so that the check-up could be made.

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Ready Reference Table of Ready-made Receivers								
MANUFACTURER'S NAME	Western Coil & Elec. Co.	The Crosley Radio Corp.	F. A. D. Andrea, Inc.	Mu-rad Labs., Inc.				
MODEL NUMBER OR NAME	Radiodyne	Model 52	Neutrola Grand	MA-15				
NUMBER OF TUBES	6	3	5	6				
TYPE OF TUNING	Radio Frequency	Regenerative	Neutrodyne	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				
TYPE OF DETECTOR	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tube				
RANGE ON PHONES		2.000 miles	Unlimited	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				
RANGE ON LOUDSPEAKER		1.500 miles	1,000 miles	3,000 miles				
COST COMPLETE	\$200.00	\$45.75	\$360.00	\$182.50				
ANTENNA RECOMMENDED	Outdoor or indoor	Outdoor	Outdoor	Indoor				
KIND OF TUBES FOR R. F.	UV-201-a		UV-201-a C-301-a	С-301-а				
DETECTOR TUBE	UV-201-a	UV-200 C-300 WD-12 C-12 UV- 199 or C-299	UV-201-a C-301-a	С-301-а				
AUDIO TUBES	UV-201-a	UV-201-a C-301-a WD-12 C-12 UV-199 or C-299	UV-201-a C-301-a	С-301-а				
TYPE OF "A" BATTERY	Wet or dry	To suit tubes	6 Storage	6 Storage				
TYPE OF "B" BATTERY	Wet or dry	90 volts	90 volts dry or storage	Large size				
DETECTOR "B" VOLTAGE	22 1/2 volts	22.1/2 volts	22 ½ volts	36 polts				
WAVELENGTH RANGE	220 to 560 meters	200 to 600 meters	200 to 600 melers	250 to 600 meters				
NUMBER OF TUNING CONTROLS	2	· 1 · . · ·	. 3.	1				
"A" BATTERY CURRENT USED	1 % amps.	Depends on tubes	1 1/4 amps.	1.25 amps.				
"B" BATTERY CURRENT USED	9 to 12 mils	Depends on tubes	20 mils.	27 mils.				
MANUFACTURER'S NAME	Garod Corp.	Clearlone Radio Co.	The C. D. Tuska Co.	Radio Corp. of America				
MODEL NUMBER OR NAME	Type V	Models 70, 71, 72	Type 4	Radiola Regenoflex				
NUMBER OF TUBES	5	4 ***	4	· 4				
TYPE OF TUNING	Tunci Radio	Tuned Radio	1 R.F. with Regeneration	1 stage R.F. with Regenerotion				
TYPE OF DETECTOR	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tube	Vacuum Tubes				
RANGE ON PHONES	4,000 miles	3,000 miles	3,000 miles	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				
RANGE ON LOUDSPEAKER	2,500 miles	2,000 miles	3,500 miles	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				
COST COMPLETE	\$195.00	\$130.00	\$350.00	\$191.00				
ANTENNA RECOMMENDED	Outdoor	Outdoor	Outdoor	Ouidoor				
KIND OF TUBES FOR R. F.	UV-201-a or C-301-a	UV-201-a or C-301-a	UV-201-a	WD-11				
DETECTOR TUBE	UV-200	UV-200, C-300 UV-201-a C-301-a	UV-200	WD-11				
AUDIO TUBES	UV-201-a or C-301-a	UV-201-a C-301-a	UV-201-a	WD-11				
TYPE OF "A" BATTERY	Storage	Storage	6 storage	Dry cells, 1.5 volts				
TYPE OF "B" BATTERY	Storage	Dry or storage	Any slandard	90 volts				
DETECTOR "B" VOLTAGE	90 to 200 volts	Depends on tubes	Any standard	20 to 45 volts				
WAVELENGTH RANGE	200 to 600 meters	200 to 600 meters	Broadcast range	220 to 550 meters				
NUMBER OF TUNING CONTROLS	3	2	2 -	2				

1 1/4 to 2 amps.

15 to 35 mils.

"A" BATTERY CURRENT USED

"B" BATTERY CURRENT USED

1 to 1.75 amps.

.02 amps.

1¼ amps.

10 mils.

1 amp.

6-7 mils.

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CONDUCTED BY DR. E. E. FREE

No Lightning Danger from Radio Installations

ANOTHER recognized authority has gone on record to the effect that the installation of a radic antenna does not increase the danger that a house will be struck by lightning. This time it is the Bureau of Standards.* After stating that radio antennas are not likely to be a menace, the official statement of the Bureau continues: "They need not be considered as potential inviters of lightning strokes, being in a class with other metal objects normally found about buildings, such as metal gutters, downspouts and wire clothes lines." But it is unwise, the Bureau explains, to

But it is unwise, the Bureau explains, to count on a radio antenna for actual protection against lightning. While a grounded antenna wire may serve, to some degree, as a discharge point for a dangerous accumulation of ground charge, an actual stroke of lightning is likely to melt the antenna wire at once. Ground connectors for lightning rods, intended to supply real protection from lightning-damage, are much larger than the usual radio wire. Furthermore, an adequate lightning rod installation always has at least two separate ground connections instead of the single connection usual in radio.

Fortunately, the prejudice against radio on account of a supposed lightning hazard seems to be passing: But this cannot be said about the prejudice of landlords and insurance companies to interior radio installations of experimental character. For the landlord much can be said; it really is not so desirable to have holes cut in floors and acid spilled about in the fashion which thoroughgoing radio experimentation seems so often to require.

mentation seems so often to require. But why do the insurance companies continue so to oppose radio? Professor Morecroft cites an instance in his always-interesting Department, the March of Radio, in *Radio Broadcast.*[†] One recent policy requires, he reports, that "the source of energy shall be only from primary or storage batteries."

* "Radio Antennas Not Lightning Menace," a statement issued by the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., for release October 31, 1924.

† Radio Broadcast (Garden City, N. Y.), vol. 6, pages 255-256 (December, 1924).

It is quite true that devices for supplying radio receivers with current drawn from the ordinary house mains are not yet entirely perfect. Nevertheless, the Editor of this Department joins Professor Morecroft in a strong feeling of resentment against such a clause in any insurance policy, a clause which, the Professor remarks, "one could almost believe was written at the request of the battery manufacturers."

The supply of radio current from the ordinary power lines is undoubtedly the method of the future. There are a hundred ways in which the fire risk of such attachments may be eliminated. Neither the insurance companies nor anyone else should attempt to stand in the way of inventive progress.

New Measurement of the Speed of Ether Waves

PROFESSOR A. A. Michelson of the University of Chicago, one of the most distinguished of American physicists, has spent the last two summers on top of a mountain in California attempting to make a new and better measurement of the speed of light. At the recent centenary meeting of the Franklin Institute, in Philadelphia, he described the results obtained so far.*

This natural constant of the velocity of light is one of the most important figures in all of science. It underlies the theories of electricity and of the propagation of electric waves as closely as it does the phenomena of light itself. It is involved in the theory of relativity and in all our modern ideas of the relation between matter and energy. Its exact determination is a matter of altogether exceptional interest.

The trouble with many of the past determinations of this velocity has been that they were made over comparatively short distances. Small errors in measurement meant large er-

• "Preliminary Measurement of the Velocity of Light," by A. A. Michelson. Journal of the Franklin Institute (Philadelphia). vol. 198, pages 627-628 (November, 1924). The address was published also in Science (Lancaster, Pa.), vol. 60, pages 391-392 (October 31, 1924). rors in the final value. Dr. Michelson has avoided this by using a path 44 miles long. The light-producing apparatus was set up on Mount Wilson, where the great Mount Wilson Observatory is located. On Mount San Antonio, 22 miles away, Dr. Michelson set up a carefully adjusted mirror. A beam of light was sent from Mount Wilson to Mount San Antonio and back again and the fraction of a second needed for the trip was measured with the greatest possible exactness.

The results give, as the mean value of eight independent measurements, a speed of 299,820 kilometers per second for the speed of light in a vacuum. This is somewhat more accurate than any previous measurement. Still more accurate determinations will be attempted with the same apparatus this year.

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A New High-frequency Resistance Measurement

A NEW means of high-frequency resistance measurement has been devised by Professor E. Mallett.* In his method the circuit to be measured is coupled magnetically with a coil, and the magnitude of the ratio of the resultant effective impedance to that of the coil alone is measured at various points as the resonance of the circuit is passed through by alternation of the frequency of the supply. The resulting ratios are plotted against the supply frequencies and the high-frequency resistance of the circuit is determined by a graphical solution.

* A paper read before the Institution of Electrical Engineers, London.



General Electric Co. HAS BALL LIGHTNING BEEN DUPLICATED IN THE LABORATORY? In this vacuum tube that contains a very small quantity of vaporized tungsten, Dr. C. G. Found has produced a "streamer discharge" that is said to be similar to the rare "ball lightning" that is observed in nature. An electric current acting upon the tungsten creates the atomic behavior that produces this phenomenon.

A Radio Detector Suggested for Earthquakes

In this Department of POPULAR RADIO two months ago mention was made of the growing use of radio apparatus in all kinds of laboratory measurements, for example, in the measurement of very small motions and distances.* Now comes Mr. J. E. Anderson with the suggestion that these effects can be used for the recording of slight earthquakes, possibly of those very minute earth tremors that the present mechanical seismographs do not record satisfactorily.†

The suggestion is to attach one plate of a condenser to a pier fixed firmly in the earth; the other plate of the condenser to a heavy weight so suspended that its inertia will prevent its responding to all the tiny tremors of the earth. The two plates of this condenser are part of the circuit of a vacuum-tube oscil-

* "The Vacuum Tube as an 'Electrical Microscope,' " POPULAR RADIO for November, 1924, page 507.

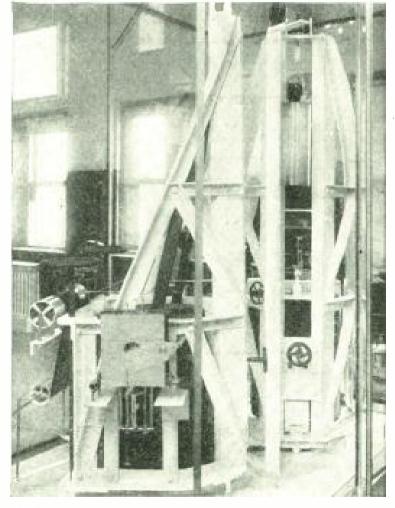
[†] "Vacuum-tube Oscillators Record Distant Earthquakes," by J. E. Anderson. *Radio News* (New York), vol. 6, pages 660-662, 831-832 (November, 1924). lator. Another oscillator is set up near the first one, but is not attached to the condenser plates. These two oscillators are slightly different in frequency, so that they give an audiofrequency beat note.

If, now, the earth quivers at all, the condenser plate attached to the pier will quiver also. This will alter the capacity of the condenser, the frequency of the first oscillator and the beat note between the two oscillator circuits. This alteration can be measured and recorded in some one of the standard ways.

Where the Static Comes From

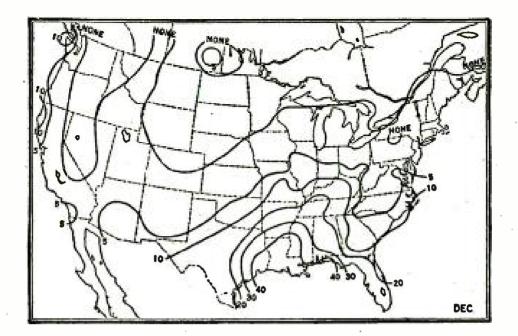
THE relation of static, at least in part, to areas of thunderstorms is now so well established* that data concerning the places where thunderstorms are most likely to occur has the greatest possible interest for the radio public. Records of thunderstorms are kept regularly by the observers of the United States Weather Bureau and a map showing the average number of storms in different parts of the United

* See "Tracing Static to its Lair," by Professor Earle M. Terry, POPULAR RADIO for October, 1924, pages 342-349.



WILL A RADIO DEVICE SUPERSEDE THIS EARTHQUAKE RECORDER?

This is a typical, recording seismograph that is installed in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington; it may be made more sensitive by the application to it of radio detecting principles.



WHERE THUNDERSTORMS OCCUR IN WINTER This map indicates the number of thunderstorms that strike different areas in the United States as proved by December storm records for the years 1904-1923.

States was compiled and published by the Bureau in 1915.[†] Data for ten additional years has now been added to this map and the results of this revision, together with the data used and with individual thunderstorm maps for each month of the year, have been published in the official journal of the Bureau.[‡]

The new map showing the average location of thunderstorms for the entire year is little changed from the earlier map based on a tenyear period and which has already been reproduced in POPULAR RADIO. Radio fans will be more interested in the maps for the individual months. During the winter months the center of thunderstorms activity is in the Gulf of Mexico and in the southeastern states; Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi. This is clear from the map for December, reproduced herewith.

As the winter goes on, the center of activity moves slowly northward and westward. In February it is about over the northeastern corner of Louisiana. In March and April the total number of storms increases and the center of greatest number moves slightly westward, invading the northeastern. corner of Texas. By May there are two centers of storminess; one over northern Florida, the other (slightly less intense) over Oklahoma.

With June we enter the summer thunderstorm season. Many more storms occur. As in the spring, there are two centers of prevalence. One remains stationary over northwestern Florida and the Gulf. The other center moves westward until it hovers over Arizona, New Mexico and southern Utah. This

† This map was reproduced in connection with Professor Terry's article just cited; POPULAR RADIO for October, 1924, page 342.

t "The Distribution of Thunderstorms in the United States," by William H. Alexander. Monthly Weather Review (Washington, D. C.), vol. 2, pages 337-343 (July, 1924, issued September 27, 1924). is the typical summer condition, as is indicated by the July map.

In August conditions begin a slow return to the winter distribution. The western storm center moves slowly back toward the east. By October it has nearly coalesced with the other center over the Gulf. In November the conditions are again almost the same as indicated by the December map.

For the radio fan there are two conclusions. *First*, the amount of static is much greater in summer than in winter—which is something that we already knew well enough from listening in.

Second, the summer static comes from two centers of dispersal, one over the Gulf of Mexico, the other over the southwestern deserts.

The winter static, on the other hand, comes mainly from the single eastern center, over the Gulf and the states adjacent to it. These, of course, are average conditions. Local storms may occur anywhere and almost any time.

When Electric Circuits Show No Loss At All

Most things move more sluggishly as they get colder, but electrons are an exception.

If you cool down a piece of wire until its temperature comes close to the so-called absolute zero (which is about 450 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit), the wire will have practically no electrical resistance at all.

Such extremely low temperatures as this do not exist naturally on the part of the earth which is accessible to us although they may possibly exist in the space outside the earth's atmosphere. Whether they do or not, we cannot take metals out there to cool them. It has proved possible, however, to devise laboratory methods, using liquid hydrogen and liquid helium as cooling materials, which will cool wires down to within less than two degrees of the supposed zero below which it is believed to be impossible to go.

Most of this work on the effect of extremely low temperatures on metals has been done by Professor Kamerlingh Onnes of the University of Leyden, in Holland, and some of his more recent and remarkable results are summarized in a paper by Dr. Karl K. Darrow, one of a series on contemporary advances in physics which has been appearing in the *Bell System Technical Journal.** "When with the aid of liquefied helium," Mr. Darrow writes, "Kamerlingh Onnes peneterted to with the series of the series o

"When with the aid of liquefied helium," Mr. Darrow writes, "Kamerlingh Onnes penetrated to within five degrees of the absolute zero, something astonishing took place." Previous experiments with fine wires of platinum had showed some uncertainties. Accordingly Professor Kamerlingh Onnes was working with a thin thread of repeatedly-distilled mercury, contained in a narrow glass tube so that it formed a tiny filament like a wire.

it formed a tiny filament like a wire. "When he lowered this filament of mercury to the temperature of frozen helium," Mr. Darrow continues, "at a certain point the resistance suddenly vanished. Literally it vanished; the word is justified, for the value to which it had dropped was, if not truly zero, at all events not so much as one five-billionth of its value at room temperature, and not so much as one ten-millionth of its value just before . . . it suddenly disappeared. The mercury had altogether lost what had always seemed to be as inseparable a quality of matter as its inertia or its weight."

This remarkable loss of electrical resistance

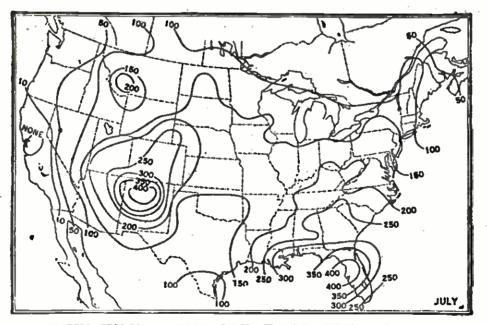
*"Some Contemporary Advances in Physics-V. Electricity in Solids," by Karl K. Darrow. The Bell System Technical Journal (New York), vol. 3, pages 621-650 (October, 1924). happens, in the case of mercury, at about 4.1 degrees, Absolute, which means 4.1 Centigrade degrees above the hypothetical—but unreached —Absolute Zero. Three other metals show similar behavior. Tin loses its electric resistance completely at about 3.8 degrees Absolute, lead at about 7.2 degrees, thallium at about 2.3 degrees. Gold, copper, iron, platinum and cadmium do not lose their resistance altogether at any temperature so far attained in the laboratory.

the laboratory. "A number of fantastic things could happen," says Mr. Darrow, "in a world from which electrical resistance had vanished, and one of them was actually realized by Kamerlingh Onnes within the compass of his helium-cooled chamber, when a current of 320 amperes flowed for half an hour around and around a leaden ring with no applied electromotive force whatever to maintain it, and did not lose so much as one one-hundredth of its initial strength. In another experiment a current of 49 amperes flowed for an hour around a coil of lead wire of a thousand turns, wound upon a brass tube, and did not lose quite one percent of the intensity with which it had been started by removing a magnet of which the field had interlaced the coil."

This is certainly the last word in "low-loss" coils, but we fear that few radio fans will be willing to keep their receivers in frozen helium in order to operate under these conditions. In fact, the liquefied and frozen helium upon which these experiments depend is available, at present, only in two laboratories, that of Professor Kamerlingh Onnes and that of the University of Toronto. Temperatures almost as low as these have been attained in the helium laboratory of the United States Bureau of Mines but the records remain with Kamerlingh Onnes and his workers at Leyden.

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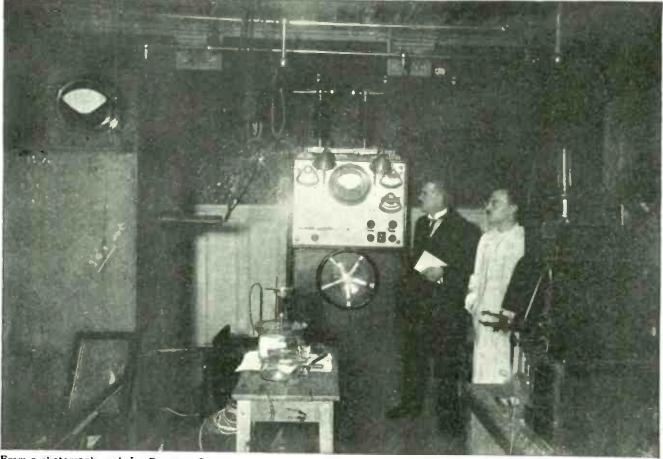
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WHY JULY IS THE GREAT "STATIC" MONTH

This map shows another 20-year record of electric storms during July. In one area we note that there were 400 thunderstorm days out of a possible 620. California is comparatively free from thesc disturbances, as the storm lines show. The Gulf region and the Southwest are the worst "static" areas.

IN THE WORLD'S LABORATORIES



From a photograph made for POPULAR RADIO

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FAMOUS STUDENT OF ETHER WAVES

Louis, the Duke of Broglie, French nobleman and distinguished scientist, is one of the world's foremost students of the Quantum theory—the theory of ether-wave squirts. The Duke (in dark clothes) is here shown in his private laboratory near Paris.

Ether Waves That Move in "Squirts"

THE new quantum theory of light and of other kinds of radiation has already been described in this Department.* This theory abandons the familiar idea that light is a spreading wave in the ether, a wave moving outward from the source in the shape of a continually enlarging sphere. On the contrary, the quantum theory conceives light as consisting of small individual bits or particles, what Sir Oliver Lodge called so vividly small "squirts" of light.

Each of these moves in a straight line in the direction in which it started. It is as though the source of light was a tremendously powerful and quick-acting gun from which billions of bullets were being shot out in every direction all at once.

This idea has come to be accepted by the majority of physicists for the rays of light and now it has been applied successfully to another kind of ether waves, the X rays. In a recent talk before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Professor Arthur H. Compton of the University of Chicago summarized his recent researches in this field.[†]

These researches have dealt mainly with the phenomenon that is called "scattering." When a beam of sunlight passes through a dark room the beam becomes visible because it illuminates the hundreds of tiny dust motes in its path. Even with very much tinier particles than these dust motes a certain amount of light is "scattered" in this fashion so that it goes out sidewise from the path of a beam. An effect of this sort is supposed to be responsible for the blue color of the sea.

The theory of this scattering of light has been worked out by numerous scientists, as has also the theory of the similar scattering of X rays by small particles, although in this instance the "particles" are as small as possible, being, in fact, the atoms and electrons of matter. When a beam of X rays is allowed to pass through almost any kind of matter a part of the X rays are scattered off sidewise, just as light is in fog or dust.

^{* &}quot;Are Ether Waves Composed of Minute Particles," POPULAR RADIO for February, 1924, pages 207-209; "Is There a New Universe Still Smaller Than the Electrons?" POPULAR RADIO for July, 1924, pages 82-83.

t "The Scattering of X Rays," by Arthur H. Compton. Journal of the Franklin Institute (Philadelphia), vol. 198, pages 57-72 (July, 1924).

In studying this phenomenon Professor Compton found that the usual theory for it would not fit the facts. This usual theory had been worked out by Sir Joseph J. Thomson a number of years ago and was based on the ordinary spreading-wave theory of all ether waves, including the X rays. Finding that this theory did not fit, Professor Compton tried the new quantum theory. He endeavored to develop a theory based on the idea that X rays, as well as light, consist of discrete quanta the "squirts" of Sir Oliver Lodge.

This new theory was worked out. It does fit the facts. No other theory will fit them unless we abandon the time-honored principles that energy cannot be destroyed and that action and reaction are equal. Here is Professor Compton's conclusion:

"If this work on the scattering of X rays is correct, we must, therefore, choose between the familiar hypothesis that electromagnetic radiation consists of spreading waves, on the one hand, and the principles of conservation of energy and momentum on the other. We cannot retain both.

"It seems to me that the very fact that the energy and momentum principles may be applied to the problem of the scattering of radiation with results in accord with experiment constitutes a test of their validity for phenomena of this type. For this reason I am inclined toward the choice of these principles even at the great cost of losing the spreadingwave theory of radiation.

wave theory of radiation. "I am by this choice confined to the view that radiation consists of directed quanta." The "directed quanta" are Sir Oliver's "squirts"; each squirt going out in a given direction which it thereafter maintains unless deflected. This is a complete reversal of all our familiar ideas about ether waves. Even the ether itself becomes unnecessary.

Just what these quanta are we do not know. Most scientists seem to incline to the idea that they may be "darts" that still maintain something of wave character; a kind of snake-like object that goes ahead in a straight line but consists, somehow, of a succession of humps and hollows as a moving snake does. This idea was suggested two years ago by Silberstein.* Even if these snake-like darts are what make up the supposed "waves" of light and of the X rays nobody knows whether they or some other- variety of quanta compose the longer "waves" that we use in radio.

The science of ether radiation is now in the state of having had one theory shot from under it and not being able to find another. There is little doubt that the spreading-wave theory is wrong or incomplete. It is reasonably certain, too, that the squirt-like quanta represent some kind of reality which we do not yet see in detail. The next two or three years are likely to bring important progress in all these problems, progress which can hardly fail to have significant effects on all our theories of radio.

* Philosophical Magazine, vol. 44, pages 257, 956 (1922). An excellent summary of all the modern theories of radiation is the article by Dr. Wheeler P. Davey entitled "Radiation," in the Journal of the Franklin Institute (Philadelphia), vol. 197, pages 439-478 and 629.666 (April and May, 1924).



Gilliams Service

THE OFFICIAL RADIO EAR OF GERMANY

Part of the extensive receiving apparatus in the famous, high-powered radio station at Nauen near Berlin in Germany. This station, now owned by the German Republic, was c great factor in communicating with the outside world during the war; it ranks with the American station at Arlington, Va., and the Eiffel Tower station as one of the most powerful in the world.

A Perambulating Receiver for Radio Detectives

For the discovery of concealed transmitting stations or for the locating of careless operators who annoy their neighbors with mushy transmitters or with howling regenerative sets it has been customary for some time to employ a portable loop receiver mounted on an automobile, so that directional bearings can be taken at a number of places and the point of origin of the disturbance thus tracked down. A new form of apparatus for this purpose, the entire receiver being so constructed as to be carried around by a single man, has now been suggested by Mr. Robert H. Marriott.*

The receiver, which may be of any lightweight type, is mounted in front of the operator on braces connected with an Indian packboard of a type quite familiar to campers. On the side of the operator, also connected to the braces of the packboard, is the compass loop. The entire equipment, as made up, weighed only about twenty-five pounds. This weight could be reduced, Mr. Marriott states, to ten pounds or even, in extreme cases, to five pounds.

Mysterious Errors in Radio Time

ONE of the chief developments of radio during the past five years has been the sending of extremely accurate time signals from a large number of stations all over the world. At a limited number of these stations—Greenwich, England; Paris; Berlin; Arlington, and others —the radio time signals are controlled more or less directly by independent determinations of the exact time made by watching the stars. The larger stations are powerful enough, furthermore, so that the time signals from any one of the fundamental stations can be picked up at the others. Thus it has proved possible to compare exactly the time signals from, for example, Paris, with those from Arlington or from Berlin (Nauen) or elsewhere. Surprisingly enough, it has been found that

Surprisingly enough, it has been found that the signals do not agree. There may be an error of as much as two or three tenths of a second.

When this error was first discovered it was attributed to some fault of the apparatus or to some error in the obtaining of the exact time from the stars. Further investigation has failed, however, to confirm this idea. For example, the United States Naval Observatory, which is responsible for the time observations and signals in the United States, has just reported the results of a two-year series of comparisons between duplicate sets of instruments for the determination of the time.* No errors of any magnitude were found in the instruments. Similar tests in other countries have been equally negative. It seems probable that

• "A Kit for the Radio Detective," by Robert H. Marriott. Radio Broadcast (New York), vol. 6, pages 463-469 (January, 1925).

* "Some Recent Results of Time Determinations at the United States Naval Observatory," by J. C. Hammond. Paper before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D. C., December 31, 1924.



Radio Broadcast

THE RADIO SHERLOCK HOLMES With the portable radio-receiving outfit shown strapped to the man in the picture, concealed transmitting stations can be located, radio "hogs" discovered and tests can be made for comparing reception in different localities.

there exists some unsuspected factor which is affecting the speed of radio transmission so that a variable lag may occur between the time of sending a time signal from Paris or Nauen and the receipt of this same signal at Washington.

What may be the cause of this radio variation is unknown. In reporting the Naval Observatory results before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Mr. Hammond suggested the possibility that the atmosphere over Washington might vary in some way, as, for example, by a variable smoke content and consequent variable ionization, and that this might be responsible for the variations in the time of receipt of the foreign time signals at the American station.



CONDUCTED BY S. GORDON TAYLOR

EVERY radio receiver requires a careful balancing of all of its parts if the best results are to be obtained. Two receivers made from exactly the same design may give widely different results, owing to variations in the parts used, the skill of the experimenters and the locations of the receiver. This department is conducted for the special benefit of readers who have built the radio receivers described in POPULAR RADIO and who want to profit from the experience of others in operating them—to learn the little kinks that get the maximum results.

The Non-radiating Seven-tube Superheterodyne Receiver

(This set was described in Popular Radio for December, 1924)

THE hints given below for the use of an antenna with the eight-tube Reflex Superheterodyne receiver also apply to this receiver, as do the suggestions regarding the matching of tubes. The data given for the home-made loop is also correct for both receivers.

How to Neutralize the Set

Evidently some readers do not understand the method of neutralizing the seven-tube superheterodyne, as explained in the descriptive article in the December issue. This is done by connecting headphones in series with the 45-volt tap of the "B" battery.

In Figure 2 is shown a duplicate of the battery connection diagram given in the December issue except that the headphones are shown properly connected for the neutralizing process. The loop must, of course, be connected to the receiver while it is being neutralized, and the tubes lighted just as they would be when the receiver is in operation.

With connections made as shown in Figure 2, the two tuning dials are rotated until a check is heard. Or the first dial from the left may be set at any desired point, preferably about 20, and the second dial rotated. When this has been done and the click is heard, move the neutralizing condenser rotor plates slightly and again rotate the second dial until a click is heard. Continue this until a point on the neutralizing condenser is found

where no click can be obtained by rotating the second dial—or at most a very soft click. This will be the proper point of neutralization and the neutralizing condenser should be left permanently at this setting.

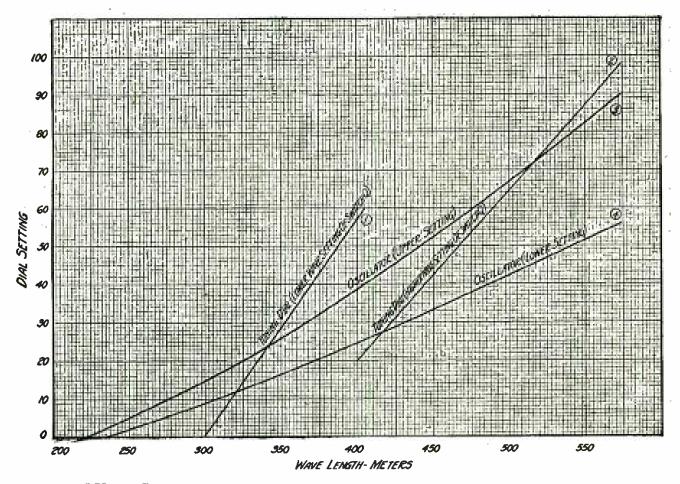
Charting the Receiver

The dial settings of this receiver are always the same for the same wavelength; therefore it is entirely practical to make up a tuning chart as shown in Figure 1.

The chart shown here was made up in a few minutes, using one of these receivers and a home-made loop, tapped approximately in the center. Line 1 represents the setting of the first dial when the wavelength switch Q was set for the lower wavelengths. Line 2 shows settings of this dial with switch Q set for the higher wavelengths. Line 3 shows the upper settings of the oscillator dial while line 4 represents the lower settings of the second or oscillator dial.

Any superheterodyne receiver stations can be picked up at two points on the oscillator dial. The lower of the two points is the one at which the oscillator frequency is equal to the sum of the frequency of the incoming wave plus the frequency of the intermediate transformer windings. The upper setting occurs when the oscillator condenser is set so that the oscillator frequency is equal to the frequency of the incoming wave less the frequency of the intermediate transformer windings. This action was explained more in detail in the description of the Radiola Super-

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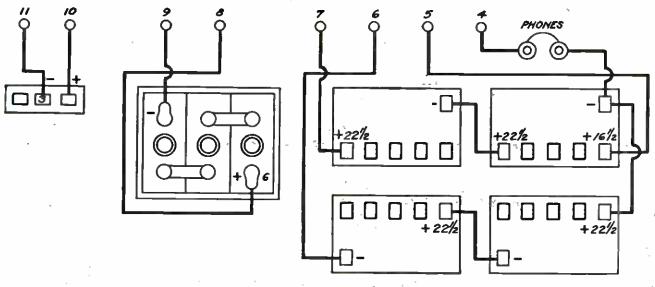
TUNING CHART FOR THE SEVEN-TUBE SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER

FIGURE 1: Curves 3 and 4 will be practically the same for any receiver of the same type, but curves 1 and 2 will vary with the kind of loop antenna employed.

heterodyne in the February, 1925, issue of POPULAR RADIO. It may be mentioned here that it is usually best to use the upper setting of the oscillator condenser dial when tuning in stations.

To make up a chart of this kind, tune in any broadcasting station, the wavelength of which is known, in the usual manner, and, when it is tuned in best, mark the settings of the two dials with dots on a piece of cross section paper laid out as shown, with wavelengths and dial calibration marked at the bottom and left as in Figure 1.

Next rotate the oscillator condenser dial un-



CORRECTED BATTERY HOOK-UP FOR THE SEVEN-TUBE SET FIGURE 2: The headphones are shown properly connected for the neutralizing process.

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til the other setting for the same station is found and show this with a dot on the chart. Repeat this process with other stations until several have been registered with the switch Q set for high wavelengths and several with the switch set for low wavelengths. When this has been done join together with a line all the dots representing the lower oscillator settings for the various stations. Then draw another line through the dots which represent the upper oscillator settings. Do the same with the first dial settings with the switch set for low-wave stations. Finally connect the dots which represent the setting of the first condenser when switch Q is set for high wavelengths.

Assuming that the above directions have been followed and a chart similar to that in Figure 1 has been made, it becomes a simple matter to tune in any station without knowing the

dial settings, providing the wavelength of the station is known. If you want to tune the receiver to 380 meters (the wavelength of WGY at Schenectady, for instance), simply follow the vertical line at 380 meters up to the point where it intersects curve 1, then follow the horizontal line from this intersecting point over to the left-hand edge where the setting for the first condenser will be found (provided the switch Q is set for low wavelength). Then, going back to the 380 meter vertical line, follow it to the point of intersection with curve 3, and from this point move horizontally to the left where the proper setting for the oscillator dial will be found. With these two dials thus set, station WGY should be heard. If you cannot hear it and you know that it is broadcasting, a slight movement of the oscillator dial should tune the receiver to its wavelength.

New Data About the Eight-tube Reflexed Superheterodyne

(This set was described in POPULAR RADIO for January, 1925)

MANY readers are surprised when they read that a single rheostat is used to control the filament current of the eight tubes in this receiver. To those who have operated other types of superheterodyne receivers, this control method seems highly impractical because most superheterodynes will not operate properly unless the oscillator and detector tubes are controlled by individual rheostats, the adjustment of which must be just right. This makes the several rheostat adjustments among the most critical that are required in tuning these receivers. However, in the design of the Eighttube Reflexed Superheterodyne the critical adjustment of the filament current has been eliminated to such a degree that a single rheostat proved just as satisfactory as individual rheostats.

Equally important is the fact that the adjustment of this single rheostat is far from critical. In tests made in this connection it was found that results were practically equal with the rheostat set at any point between 45 and 65 on its dial. Absolutely no difference was noted at any setting between 45 and .55. This means that this rheostat can be permanently set at a point such as 50, for instance, and no further adjustment is necessary at any time.

Matching the Tubes

It should be noted that only tubes in good condition should be used in this receiver. When vacuum tubes of the UV-201-a type have been used for a long period of time, until they are almost worn out, they will require more current than ordinarily for best results. They may even not function at all at the current for which they are rated. It is therefore obvious that a tube in such a condition as this will not function satisfactorily in a receiver in which several tubes are controlled by a single rheostat for the reason that, if a normal current sufficient to operate the good tubes is

passed through the rheostat, this current will not be sufficient to operate the worn-out tube.

On the other hand, if the rheostat is turned sufficiently high to pass enough current to operate the poor tube, the current will be too high for best results from the good tubes.

As in any receiver, the tubes should be changed around until each is in the socket where it gives best results. There is a certain amount of variation in UV-201-a and other tubes of this type. Some oscillate more freely than others while some are better detectors or better amplifiers. It is most important that sockets H, I1 and I2 be equipped with tubes which function best in these positions. Therefore all eight tubes should be tried in these three positions, by shifting them around one at a time. Having an extra tube on hand will facilitate this try-out process.

The Use of an Outdoor Antenna

When the superheterodyne receiver will cover such remarkable distances using a loop antenna, many wonder why even greater distances cannot be covered when an outdoor antenna is used. Logical as this question may seem, it is nevertheless a fact that the most satisfactory results are obtained with the loop. The reason for this is that the extreme sensitiveness of this receiver, when combined with an outdoor antenna, is such that too many disturbing noises are picked up along with the desired signals. The farther a receiver is able to reach, the more interfering noises will be heard. This is especially true where an outdoor antenna is used. If the transmitting station to which one desires to listen is too far away these interfering noises will be louder than the sought for signals.

For those who wish to experiment with the use of an outdoor antenna, however, the most simple plan is to add a two-turn coil around the loop. This coil is connected to the antenna and ground in the same way that the primary of a coupler is usually connected; thus making a two-turn aperiodic (untuned) pri-

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HOW DATA FOR THE "TROUBLE SHOOTING" DEPARTMENT IS OBTAINED

The author of the "Trouble Shooting" department, Mr. Taylor, constructs the models of the receivers from which the "How to Build" articles are made up. He is shown above at work on the Cockaday Eight-tube Reflex Superheterodyne receiver described in the January issue.

mary. The loop connections are not changed in any way as the loop merely serves as the secondary of this giant coupler.

The Use of Dry-cell Tubes

The use of dry-cell tubes is not recommended in this receiver.

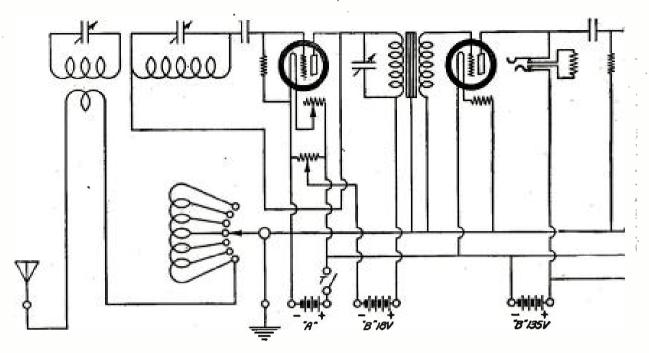
First of all, dry-cell tubes are not as efficient as the larger tubes. More important, however, is the fact that this circuit has been designedand balanced (if a somewhat over-used, but nevertheless understandable term may be applied) for use with 201-a tubes. Much time and patience were spent in this process until everything in the receiver was just right for best results. It does not seem logical that a receiver thus carefully worked out for one type of tube would prove as satisfactory with another type, and it is not believed that the results obtainable with dry-cell tubes would be sufficient to warrant going through the balancing process again.

A-Suitable Home-made Loop

A loop for this receiver may be of the flat, square type with two wooden crosspieces for the form. Each crosspiece is slotted at intervals of 3% of an inch to hold the windings. Eifteen turns of stranded loop wire or ordinary stranded insulated electric light wire are wound on this form, the outer turn being 18 inches square and the turns spaced $\frac{3}{5}$ of an inch apart. The loop should be tapped at the eighth turn for the lower wavelengths.

Change in Connections of the Audio Transformer

The manufacturer of the audio-frequency transformer specified for this receiver in the January issue has recently changed the location of the connections. The connections on the new type are properly indicated on the transformers themselves but this point is brought up to avoid any possible confusion in the minds of readers. The marking on the transformer should be followed in connecting it into the circuit. Referring to the blueprints of this receiver published by POPULAR RADIO, and also to the picture wiring diagram on pages 38 and 39 of the January issue, the P and B connections should be reversed if one has the new type transformer. Also F - and Gshould be reversed. Attention is called to a typographical error which appeared on page 40 of the January issue. The total "B" battery current consumption as given there should be 35. milliamperes instead of 15.



More Data on the Four-circuit Receiver with Resistance-coupled Amplification

FREQUENTLY only the last two or three switch points are used for tuning in stations, even the low-wave stations. This is decidedly wrong, and is caused by an antenna that is too short. The coil D, to which these switch points are connected, is simply an antenna loading coil, which makes it possible to tune the antenna circuit approximately to the wavelength of the incoming signals. However, if the antenna is too small, so that a good deal of the load coil must be used to tune to a given wavelength, tuning will be broadened and there will be decreased selectivity.

In the ordinary receiver the selectivity is inversely proportional to the size of the antenna, so that increasing the antenna size decreases selectivity. The action is just the reverse in the Four-circuit Receiver. An antenna which has been found to give wonderful results with this receiver consists of four parallel wires, spaced three feet apart and each 100 feet long. This type is not practical for the average fan, especially for those who are located in congested districts.

However, many other types of antennas will give excellent results. A single wire 150 feet long, exclusive of lead-in is satisfactory. Two wires, each of this length, will be still better. If the length must be limited to 100 feet the use of two parallel wires spaced three feet apart is recommended. If space limitations require the use of a shorter antenna than this it is best to make it as long as possible and use three or four parallel wires two or three feet apart. Incidently, the leadin should always be taken off the end of the antenna and not from the middle. It should be borne in mind that the length of an antenna is measured from the point where the lead-in is taken off to the farthest end.

Thus an antenna 100 feet long which has

the lead-in taken off the middle is considered a 50-foot antenna. Also, an antenna that has two parallel wires, each 100 feet long, is not a 200-foot antenna. It is the overall length that is counted, not the number of feet of wire.

Selectivity Depends on Bypass Condenser

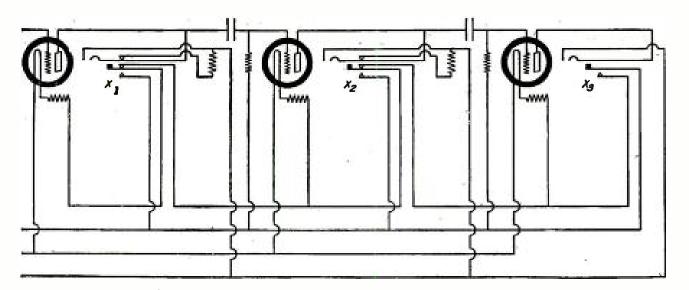
In some cases the condenser H across the primary of the transformer cannot be adjusted for sufficiently low capacity to permit proper selectivity.

Experiment has shown that while .00025 mfd. capacity (which is the minimum capacity of the grid-denser specified), is usually correct, better selectivity is obtainable in other cases by the use of lower capacity. When difficulty is experienced in obtaining perfect selectivity, therefore, it would be well to replace this instrument with a fixed condenser of .0001 mfd. capacity. Or results may be still better if two such condensers are connected in series and then connected across the transformer primary. This will provide a capacity of .00005 mfd., which should prove sufficiently low for any receiver of this type.

Poor Coil Connections

Attention should be called to poor connections at the binding posts on the coils. A number of Four-circuit Receivers have been found recently in which trouble has been traced to this source. In some cases soldering flux has been allowed to get into the connections while in others the heat of the soldering iron has caused the radion tube to shrink, thus leaving the binding posts loose, with attendant loose connections between the ends of windings and the lugs. This is usually the cause

"TROUBLE SHOOTING"



WIRING DIAGRAM OF THE RESISTANCE-COUPLED, FOUR-CIRCUIT RECEIVER WITH AUTOMATIC FILAMENT-CONTROL JACKS

FIGURE 3: In the hook-up X_1 and X_2 are "Radio Improvement" double filament-control jacks. X_2 is a single filament-control jack of the same make. These jacks may be substituted for those specified in the October, 1924, issue without changing the panel holes or layout.

when it is found that the stabilizer coil seems to have no effect on tuning regardless of how the stabilizer condenser is set.

A Set That Is Practically Fool-proof

Fundamentally, the resistance-coupled type of amplification is as nearly "fool-proof" as an

amplifier can well be. However, even in this there are possibilities for trouble. The adjustment of the Bradleyohms in the amplifier is not critical. They will not func-tion at all until turned about halfway in, and from this halfway point to the all-in position results will be practically uniform. Usually results will be practically uniform. Usually results are slightly better with the knobs turned part of a turn clockwise beyond this halfway point. Once they have been adjusted they need never be touched.

Perhaps the most common trouble is a highpitched whistle when all four stages are put into use by plugging the loudspeaker into the last jack; also a body capacity is noticeable in the receiver when using this last jack.

This trouble is due to audio-frequency feed-This trouble is due to aution require, first back and usually results from having the loudspeaker or its cord too close to the re-ceiver or to the body of the operator. The ceiver, or to the body of the operator. antenna lead and loudspeaker cord should be led directly away from the receiver and the loudspeaker should be several feet away from the receiver and operator if this is possible.

Another plan usually helpful in alleviating this trouble is the substitution of a $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{10}$ megohm grid-leak in place of the 1/2 megohm in the last stage.

Another source of trouble is a short-circuit in the condenser banks. This results perhaps from applying the soldering iron directly to the condensers in making connections. Condensers may be tested by connecting them in series with headphones and a dry cell. If there is a click in the phones as the connection is

made and broken it is an indication that the condensers have "gone west" or are damaged: Contacts in the jacks may be poor. In the

double-circuit jacks each inner arm should make contact with an outer arm when the plug is not in the jack. Sometimes through wrong adjustment of the springs the arms do not quite make contact, thus leaving an open circuit, in which case the amplification will be poor or may be entirely inoperative. Poor contacts in one of the tube sockets may also cause this trouble.

Several cases have been found when dealers, through oversight-or worse, have supplied resistances of 50,000 ohms for the grid-leaks P1, P2 and P3; instead of 500,000 ohm (1/2 megohm) as specified.

These resistances will produce only weak signals.

In other cases 1/2 megohm may be too high for the leak in the last stage with a resulting lack of good tone quality. This fault can be determined by bridging the thumb and forefinger across the leak mounting terminals. If results are improved by doing this, it is an indication that a lower resistance of 1/4 or 1/10 megohm is needed.

The only instruments left that may give trouble are the Bradleyohms. If none of the foregoing suggestions remedy the trouble it is well to remove the Bradleyohm from the stage that is not working properly and try it in a stage that is operating perfectly. If the good stage then refuses to function, it is evidence that the Bradleyohm is defective in some way and should be replaced.

If no click is heard when the loudspeaker plug is inserted in the various jacks, the trouble will be found in defective tubes in the stages where no click can be produced, or in an open connection in the plate circuit of the tube. This open connection may be due to improper connections of the plus side of the

"B" battery circuit, poor contact between the spring contact and the plate prong of the tube base, poor contact between jack and plug, to a defective plug, a broken wire in the loud-speaker cord, or a defective loudspeaker. The method for correcting these troubles is too obvious to need detailed explanation.

It is always well to try reversing the con-nections of the loudspeaker. Most of them operate best when the power flows through them in one direction.

The Use of the Filament-control Jacks

Some readers have requested a hook-up of the receiver described in the October issue but with filament control jacks added.

(This set was described in Popular Radio for November, 1924)

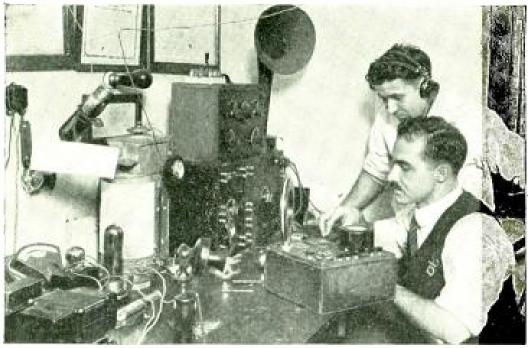
THE coil set used in this receiver is made in two different types. The first is de-signed to cover a waveband of approximately from 250 to 550 meters, or the usual broadcast wavelengths. The second is for the short wavelengths, from 60 to 275 meters. This lat-ter band includes the wavelengths used by several of the larger broadcasting stations which operate around 100 meters or lower. This low-wave band also covers the wavelengths used by amateurs-wavelengths which will interest the fan who wants to pick up amateur code and telephonic communciation as well as broadcasting.

In the arrangement shown in Figure 3, turn-ing on the battery switch "T" lights the filaments of the first two tubes only; that is, the detector and first amplifier tube. The filaments of the other three amplifier tubes are individually controlled by the automatic filamentcontrol jacks. Plugging the loudspeaker into the second jack lights the filament of the third tube and permits reception when using the first three tubes but leaving the last two tubes unlighted. Removing the loudspeaker plug from the second jack and inserting it in the third jack, automatically lights the filaments of the third and fourth tubes; and inserting the same plug in the last jack lights the fila-ments of the last three tubes. This arrangement dispenses with a filament switch.

Wavelength Data for the Low-loss Tuner

This explains why some receivers cover only the low-wave stations and do not tune up to the stations that operate around 400 meters. In such cases it is evident that the correspondents have installed short-wave coil sets instead of the long-wave receivers.

Some readers have had trouble because of the lack of a by-pass condenser across the primary of the audio-frequency transformer. Such a condenser is especially important on the shortwave receiver and is frequently helpful in the long-wave receiver. The condenser may be of the usual "postage stamp" variety, preferably with lugs for transformer mounting. It is well to try different capacities between .00025 and .001 mfd. until the capacity is found that gives the best results in any particular receiver.



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THE RADIO "COP" PATROLS THE ETHER

When broadcasters—amateur or professional—violate the transmitting regulations, a radio traffic cop camps on the trail of the offenders. Here is a Federal radio inspector, Emcry H. Lee, checking up on them. The inspectors are kept busy besides with complaints—some of them from "cranks" with obsessions about radio waves.



CONDUCTED BY DAVID LAY ITEMS of general interest that you ought to know; bits of useful information that every radio fan ought to know.

Hospitals Install Radio Sets

Not only for entertainment but for the therapeutic effect upon nervous sufferers, London hospitals are installing radio apparatus. The results at one hospital where broadcast musical programs were tried out on nervous patients have been so satisfactory that two eminent British physicians, Sir Henry Hadow and Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter generally recommend the use of radio sets in hospitals. It was proved some years ago that certain kinds of music had a decided calming effect upon even a normal nervous system.

Theatrical Producers Fear Competition of Radio

THE fear on the part of certain theatrical producers that radio is competing successfully with the drama and must, therefore, be regarded as a rival, has stirred Sam H. Harris, one of the prominent producers of New York, to institute a movement to insert a clause in contracts with actors to prevent them from appearing before the microphone. In the meantime, other impresarios are seeking opportunities for their stars to appear on broadcast programs in the belief that such publicity creates a demand to see and hear them in person.

Will Union Labor Run Radio Programs?

THE first strike to occur in a broadcasting station was recently staged in Chicago at station KYW. Union musicians acting upon orders from the Chicago Federation of Musicians, refused to play in the same studio with two non-union pianists. This action brings up a point of discussion when noted but non-union artists are engaged to give instrumental performances in broadcast studios where union musicians are employed.

An American Radio Club in Paris

A GROUP of English and American radio amateurs residing in France has organized the "Radio - Club Anglo - Franco - Americain," the object of which is to promote radio relations of all kinds between amateurs and listeners in England, the United States and France. The President of the Club is Mr. Reginald Gouraud, a young American who has been active in French radio circles.

"Listening In" Seats for Fans

STATION WHB in Kansas City is attempting to solve the problem of who will pay the broadcasting bill by selling seats to its invisible audience. "Seats" run from a dollar for general admission to the cost of "box seats." The audience is supplied with programs as in a regular theater. The plan was based on the belief that the fans would be ready to support a favorite station, which WHB believes it has become with a large number of Missourians.

Radio Helps Drug Addicts

RADIO is proving so beneficial to the narcotic addict inmates of the Municipal Farm on Rikers' Island, New York, that similar installations may be made in other "dope farms." According to a recent report of the State Commission of Prisons, the radio entertainment has had a "distinct effect upon the discipline of the institution."

The "Unco Guid" Can't Go to Church by Radio

SCOTLAND is now in the throes of a religious rumpus over radio. The Glasgow Presbyterian Council prohibits the broadcasting of full religious services on the grounds that there is no "real presence" in any service except that held in a consecrated church, and that many persons would abstain from attending church if services were broadcast.

A Sales Tax to Pay Broadcasting Artists

IN THE belief that "the radio industry can't live on an endless diet of jazz," Secretary Hoover recommends a two percent tax levy on radio sales. He maintains that a licensing tax upon radio listeners would not be tolerated in this country; and besides, as one large radio manufacturer alone has reported sales running above \$22,000,000 for 1923, Secretary Hoover sees in such an amount a revenue that would pay for daily programs of the best talent in the country.

Radio Breaks the Isolation of the Jungle

DR. ALEXANDER H. RICE, a New York surgeon and explorer, who is 1,200 miles up the Amazon River in the Brazilian jungles where he is studying tropical diseases, is in touch with his city every night. He communicates with his family through the 50-watt short-wave transmitter owned by Ellison Thompson. In this way he sends requests for scientific supplies.



Pacific & Atlantic

WILL BROADCASTING HELP OR HURT THE SALES OF PHONOGRAPH RECORDS?

To determine their merchandising value for the sale of phonograph records, a manufacturer recently put opera stars. (Lucrezia Bori and John McCormack) on the air in co-operation with a group of broadcasting stations. The sales of radio sets and phonograph records are reported to have increased appreciably since several of these concerts have been broadcast.

German University Lectures by Radio

A SUMMARY of topics studied by students at the University of Berlin is being broadcast from one of the Berlin radio stations two evenings a week. These programs are intended primarily for students, but they are also presented for the purpose of interesting the general public in educational courses.

Bootleggers Seek Broadcast Help

THE Department of Commerce finds that rum runners are seeking the aid of commercial and amateur radio stations. A couple of instances have occurred when operators have unknowingly relayed messages that related to the illegal shipment of liquor. One station on the Great Lakes broadcasts regular programs which the Federal authorities believe contain code instructions to the rum runners on the Canadian side of the lakes.

Radio "Subscribers" Increase Rapidly in Germany

SINCE the German Government lowered the radio broadcasting service fee, subscribers have increased from 7,500 to 500,000 within half a year. Concert managers are protesting against the condition that has resulted from this low cost of broadcasting and predict that German singers will be ruined.

Brazilians Demand Broadcast Stations

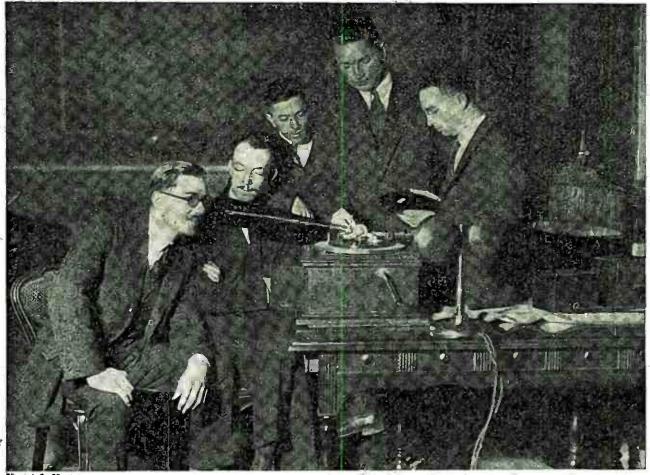
BRAZIL still prohibits radio transmitting stations except in a few cases. In Bahia communication with the outside world is so slow and unreliable that a group of citizens has organized a radio society in the hope of having the radio prohibition removed so that broadcasting stations may be built. There is a radiotelegraph station in the city, but it is used by the government for the transmission of federal code messages only.

5,000 Monthly Radio Complaints

THERE are about 5,000 complaints filed each month with the Department of Commerce regarding some phase of radio. These protests come by phone and are made by personal calls as well as by mail. The majority of the complaints are concerned with radiating receiving sets. Last November the Chicago district led with 756 complaints; San Francisco was second; and New York was third.

One Set for Every 15 Persons

ONE district of New York City, the Borough of Queens, with a population of a little morethan 500,000, reports 34,994 receiving sets within its boundaries. This means there is one radio set for every 15 persons in that area. Since Christmas the borough president believes the number of sets has passed the 40,000 mark. BROADCASTS



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MAKING PHONOGRAPH RECORDS OF BROADCAST PROGRAMS A device for making a permanent record of important broadcast programs has been made by R. C. Borden and A. C. Busee of New York University. Here they are shown using their apparatus to test the "radio" voice of the singer who sits before the horn. Records are made on wax cylinders.

A "Radio Newspaper" in Esperanto

A NEW radio periodical is being published in Switzerland in the "international" language, Esperanto. The new publication comprises four pages and is called *Radio-Servo*. It is of newspaper size and devoted in part to propaganda for making Esperanto the world-wide language through its use in radio broadcasting.

Receiving Sets and Loops As Storm Direction Finders

By using a loop antenna and an ordinary receiving set, weather observers at the naval air station at Cocosolo, Panama Canal Zone, have detected the approach of thunderstorms and other atmospheric disturbances. The operators have been able to ascertain not only the direction from which the storms are coming, but also the approximate hour of arrival. Nearby storms have been anticipated through static on board naval ships for several years, but the question of the past of the storm areas, of greatest importance to aircraft operations, remained to be solved by the use of the loop antenna as it is employed at Cocosolo.

"Radio Lifeboats" Now Compulsory

HEREAFTER all British passenger liners must be fitted with at least one lifeboat equipped with radio transmitting apparatus, according to a recent rule of the London Board of Trade. These sets will be able to send up to fifty miles and the receiving sets used in conjunction with them will receive signals at least a thousand miles, according to the power of the sending station. A picture of one of these radioequipped lifeboats appeared in POPULAR RADIO for January, 1925.

Radio Fills an Emergency Rôle in Grand Opera

WHILE listening in at his home, a Boston singer heard the manager of the opera house announce that the tenor singing the leading rôle in "Il Trovatore" would be unable to continue after the second act and that a substitute would be sent for. The substitute was the listener, and before the messenger had come from the opera house, the understudy had arrived backstage.

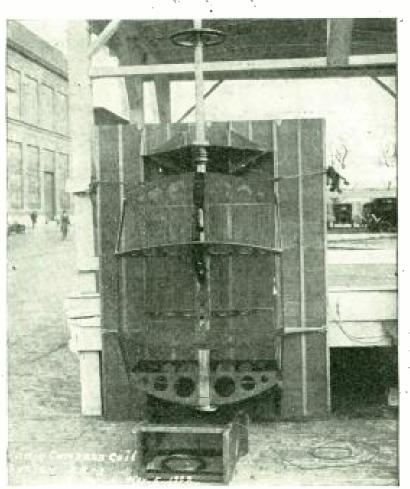
New List of Broadcasting Stations

CALIFORNIA has the largest number of broadcasting stations of all types, while New York has the largest number of Class B stations, records at the Radio Bureau disclose. Second to California in the total number of stations is Pennsylvania, with Texas third. According to the records, every state has one or more Class A stations, while only nineteen states and one territory have Class B stations.

The following table gives the total number and type of broadcasting stations in each state:

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Colorado	11	• •		11
Connecticut	2	•••		2
Delaware	1		• •	1
District of Columbia	3	2		5
Florida	6	••		6
Georgia	4	1	1	5
Hawaii	1	• •	1	2
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U. S. Navy

THE APPARATUS THAT GIVES SHIPS THEIR LOCATIONS

Here is a close-up picture of a radio compass coil, ready to be installed. It is mounted upon a long vertical shaft fitted to bearings attached to a square wall bracket. When the compass coil is finally mounted it is usually placed in a reversed position to that shown above.

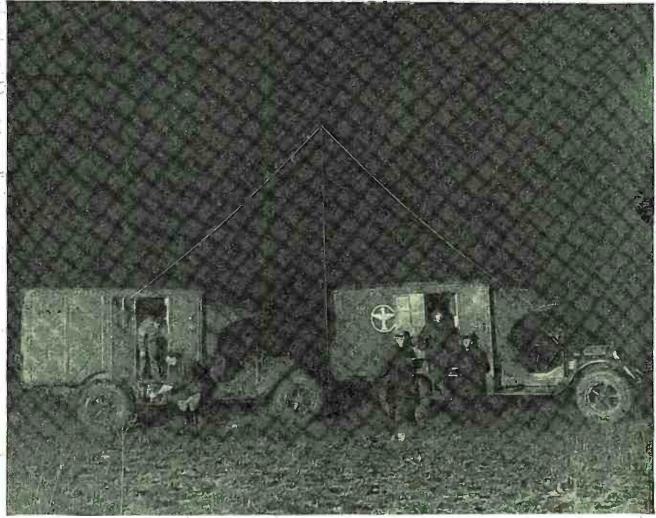


Foto Topics

UNCLE SAM'S SOLDIERS LISTEN IN ON EUROPE

To discover how far the American air force could receive messages in the event of an emergency, this portable transmitting and receiving unit was tried out on Mitchell Field, near New York, during the recent transatlantic broadcast tests. This radio motor equipment is used for communicating orders to air squadrons and scout planes.

Racing News by Radio

BEFORE even a small part of the crowd that gathered recently at Epsom Downs in England to witness the Derby, the biggest horse racing event in Great Britain, knew the name of the winning horse, thousands of radio listeners as far off as India, South Africa and even South America had heard the news over the air. No provision was made to announce the news at the race course, so that distance in this instance had its advantage through the miracle of radio.

A Broadcast Bugle Call Musters a Regiment

Two hours after a mobilization call was broadcast from the 131st Infantry armory in Chicago, the entire regiment mustered at itsheadquarters. Only a few commissioned officers knew that the test was to be made on Armistice Day, yet seven minutes after the order was broadcast, the first man responded to the call.

A New Austrian Loop Wound On Pegs

A NEW type of loop antenna that has appeared recently in Vienna consists of a round wooden hoop, like a barrel hoop, with a number of pegs of insulating material inserted in the edge of the hoop so that they project on one side of it. The loop is then wound on these pegs. The advantages are said to be a firm support by the hoop, and the small amount of dielectric material in contact with the wires of the loop or inside them.

Radio-Sets To Be Taxed in Vienna

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THE Viennese, who have been cherishing the idea that in radio they had at last found a tax-free amusement, are now incensed over the proposal of Herr Breitner, the financial advisor of the municipality of Vienna, that all owners of radio sets be taxed, in order to maintain the costs of broadcasting. The "radio craze" in Austria is now reported at its height.

A Death Message by Radio

"IF there is anyone listening in Kansas City, please notify the Union Station officials, and the Chief of Police to search for R. C. and J. R. C. Moseley, brothers, at the Union Station; their parents have been killed in a motor car accident," was the startling announcement made on January 6 at station WBAP in Kansas City. The Union Station telephone switchboard immediately was flooded with calls from persons who had heard the appeal. All trains were paged and the Moseley brothers were found just before time for departure of the train on which they were to have gone to Chicago.

New Officers of the Institute of Radio Engineers

At the annual election of officers for the year 1925, Institute of Radio Engineers, the following were elected: John M. Dellinger, president; Donald McNicol, vice-president;



Felix J. Koch

A NOVEL DEVICE FOR AVOIDING WAITS IN BROADCAST PROGRAMS A novel attachment to a microphone stand has been developed by station WLW in Cincinnati. It consists of a cylinder (shown above) in which one of two words "PREPARE" or "BROAD-CAST" is illumined as instructions to the artist from the director. The device has helped to eliminate the "one moment please" waits that usually interrupt the broadcast programs. members of the Board of Managers, Melville Eastham and A. E. Reoch. At the first meeting of the new Board three appointive managers were added to the Board, J. H. Morecroft, Lloyd Espenschied, and John V. L. Hogan. Alfred N. Goldsmith was reappointed secretary and editor of the *Proceedings*, and W. F. Hubley, treasurer. Managers whose terms have not yet expired and who continued to hold office throughout 1925 are: Edward Bennett, L. A. Hazletine, H. W. Nichols and A. H. Grebe.

Ban on Radio Lifted in Azores

In the Azores the use of radio transmission apparatus is prohibited, but the ban on receiving sets was lifted recently. Now, the Portuguese islands boast of nine receivers. Most of them are long-range sets, as the nearest land is 750 miles away. Two of these sets are American eight-tube hook-ups. An effort is being made to persuade the Portuguese Government to install up-to-date radio transmission and receiving equipment on the islands so that regular communication can be maintained with the European continent. The daily newspapers on the islands use receiving sets to keep in touch with the events of the world.

Melodious Time Signals

INSTEAD of broadcasting the noon time signals with the customary ticks that are used almost universally by government weather bureaus, a Swedish broadcasting station has begun to broadcast the noon-hour chimes from the Stockholm City Hall. This is considered an exceptional treat for Swedish listeners because the chimes are one of the finest in the world, and were recently installed at a cost of \$4,000,000.

Daily Chats by Radio

THE practical use of the radiotelephone for private conversation between two individuals has been demonstrated by Donald H. Johnson of Cleveland, Ohio. For two years he has employed his radiophone for a daily chat with his father, Dr. William H. Johnson, who lives about seventy miles from his son. These conversations are carried on in the daytime with the same reliability as that of a private telephone and, of course, they necessitate no toll charges. Both father and son are, naturally, licensed amateurs. Their calls are respectively 8BEI and 8DGS.

Radio Unites Another Family

"Our next number will be a song by George Dion," was a recent simple announcement from a broadcasting station. But it brought Edna Dion and her father in touch for the first time in fourteen years. When Mr. Dion went on the stage in 1910, he lost track of his wife and daughter. A short time ago the daughter, at her home in Whitinsville, R. I., picked up the message from Providence which was the means of Mrs. Dion's tracing her husband who was appearing in vaudeville.



CONDUCTED BY ALBERT G. CRAIG

How to Mount the Sub-panel

A GOOD way to support the panel of a receiving set on the wooden base or to fasten a sub-panel to the front panel is by the use of special jacks which are made with tapped holes in the frame so that the sub-panel or wooden baseboard can be bolted directly to them. It is a simple matter, if your dealer can not supply you with jacks already drilled and tapped, to drill the necessary holes and tap them yourself. This construction method eliminates a number of unsightly screw heads on the front panel. Incidentally, it means a rigid mounting of the base.

Keep the Wire Clean

ANYONE who has wound special coils knows how hard it is to prevent the wire from becoming soiled by the hands. Besides, the perspiration on most peoples hands is slightly acid and if any appreciable amount soaks into the insulation, the losses in the coil will be much greater than if the wire were kept clean and dry. Wind your coils with gloves on your hands. This may be a bit awkward but the results will warrant the annoyance.

Coil Angles Are Important

IN building a receiver which includes two stages of tuned radio-frequency, it is desirable to mount the tuning induc-

tances so that the angle of the coils with relation to each other can be varied slightly. Often a small change in the angles of the coils will eliminate troublesome oscillations.

The Dials Should Run True

A DIAL that wobbles as it rotates does not affect the working qualities of a radio receiver but it certainly does spoil its appearance. When you buy dials, have the dealer spin them on the shaft of a condenser and make sure that they run true before you make your purchase. It is often possible to true-up a dial on a shaft by fitting a bit of paper or shim brass in the shaft hole or by polishing the shaft on one side or the other with emery paper.

An Extension Cord for Your Loudspeaker

OFTEN we desire to operate the loudspeaker in another room from that in which the radio receiver is installed. The simplest way to do this is to buy a sufficient length of ordinary electric light drop cord, an open circuit jack and an extra plug. Solder the jack to the two wires at one end of the drop cord and fit the plug to the other end.

Select Your Cabinet First

IF you intend to fit your radio receiver into a cabinet, it is much easier and may save you a lot of trouble to buy the cabinet when you purchase the other parts and then fit the panel and base together and into the cabinet before you start the rest of the work. Otherwise you may find, when you have your set completed, that it will not fit into any standard cabinet without changing the position of some of the instruments or re-wiring part of the circuit.

Clean Your Rheostat Contacts

GRATING and sizzling noises heard in the loudspeaker or phones are sometimes due to a defective rheostat contact. Remember that there are two sliding contacts in every wire wound rheostat. There is one between the contact finger and the resistance wire; and the other is between the rotating shaft and the spring which is connected to the terminal. It is easy enough to test the pressure of the contact on the resistance wire, but the other sliding contact may have become weak or dirty. The remedy for this condition in most forms of rheostats is to take them apart and increase the tension of the spring after cleaning the contact surfaces with emery cloth.

Round-nose Pliers Are of Wide Utility

ONE of the most useful tools for the radio constructor is a pair of small, round-nose pliers. With pliers of this type you can bend bus wires into any shape desired and form perfect loops on their ends to clamp under the binding posts of instruments that are not supplied with soldering lugs.

Watch Out for Your Rugs

FREQUENTLY it is necessary, in order to have a short ground connection, to run the ground wire across a room under a rug or carpet. After a few months you will notice that there is a streak across the floor covering caused by the extra wear on the portion which is raised slightly by the wire. To overcome this, substitute thin brass ribbon for the heavy, round ground wire.

Keep Your Soldering Iron Hot

Most of the poor soldered joints that bother the amateur radio constructor are due to working with an iron that is not hot enough. It must be remembered that the solder on the point of the iron should be hot enough so that the surface of the wire or soldering lug which it touches will be heated to a temperature which will permit the solder to flow onto the surface of the metal and not simply stick to it in a pasty mass.

When to Add Water to an "A" Battery

IF water is added to the storage "A" battery when it is nearly discharged, it is likely to run out of the vents in the filler caps when the battery reaches full charge. This is due to the quantity of small gas bubbles which form in the solution and greatly increase its bulk. In most batteries, the separators between the plates extend up above the level of the top edge of the plates so that it is only necessary to keep the acid solution just above the separators. Water can be added after the battery is fully charged.

Will the Energy of the Atom Be Released?

Recent experiments indicate that the long dream of the scientists may soon become a reality and unlimited power be placed at man's disposal. In POPULAR RADIO next month Dr. T. F. Wall of London will describe his own experiments that have attracted world-wide attention.

"Compare It— You'll Buy"

The HORN / with the "WHY"

When you first hear Radio through the Jewett Superspeaker, you marvel at the amazing accuracy and volume of the reproduction.

Yet there is no mystery in Superspeaker performance; it is based on laws you yourself can easily understand.

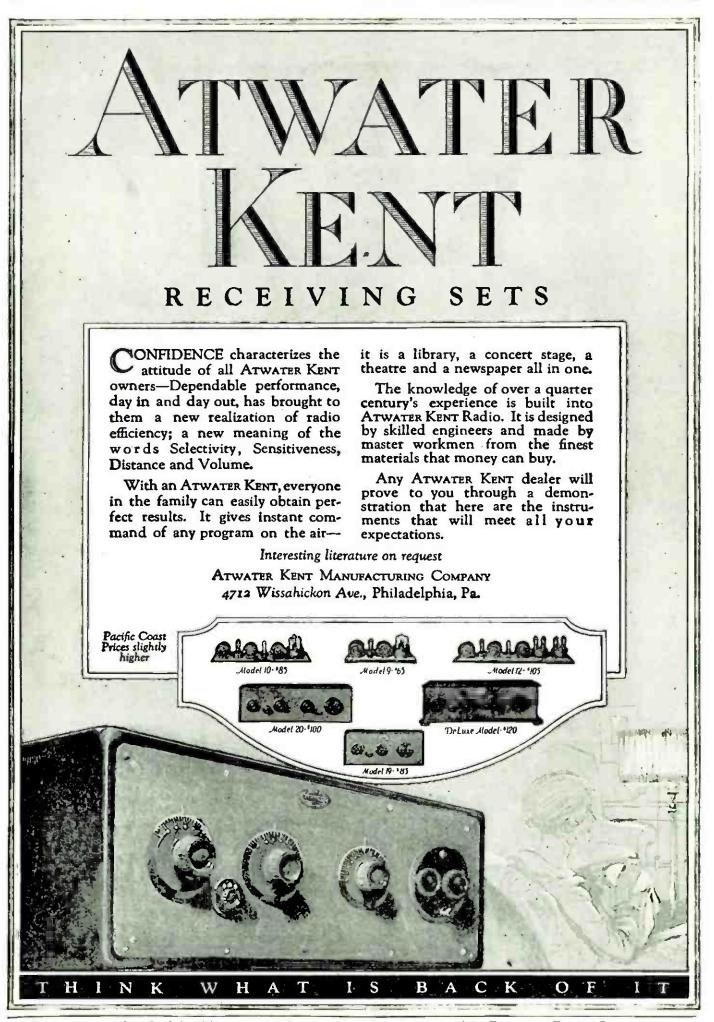
One could never jam the massed harmony of a full brass band through the eye of a needle. So the Superspeaker horn is ample in size for the work it must do.

Also sound, as you know, moves in a direct line. The Superspeaker throat is therefore straight as an organ pipe, avoiding the bugling effect due to the crooks or curves. And its inner surface is smooth and glossy, never tripping or confusing the waves of music or voice.

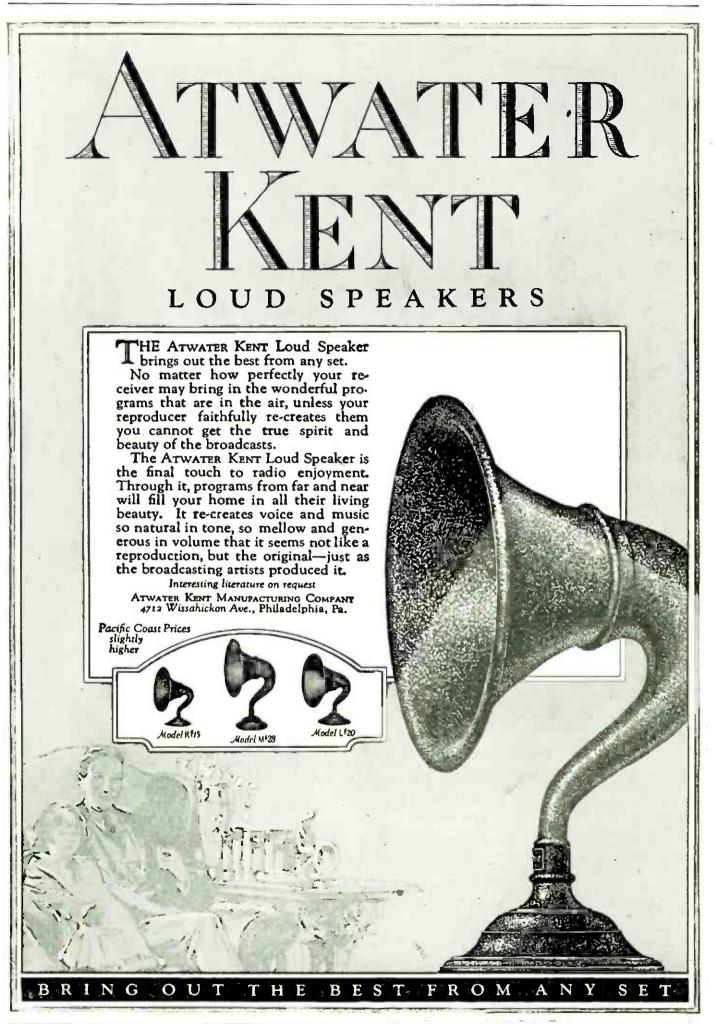
Just listen to The Superspeaker! Compare its performance with that of any other loud speaker in the world! The difference will amaze you.

> No extra batteries—Exclusive air-gap adjustment to modify results from nearby stations, and increase strength of those from far away—A true musical instrument, built and guaranteed by the million-dollar company whose name it bears. Sweep the ether with a Superspeaker!





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DEDICATED to the ideal of radio as an integral part of the modern home, each Somerset Receiver is a substantial and decorative piece of furniture. All cabinets have an exquisite two-toned panel effect with hand-rubbed finish, and are fully up to the standard of the finest phonographs. Each has compartments to hold and conceal the unsightly "A" and "B" batteries with their necessary wiring. The Somerset Models are as *beautiful* in appearance as they are efficient in performance, fully worthy of the finest homes. Every set is guaranteed to give complete satisfaction or money cheerfully refunded. The makers of these sets challenge comparison with all others as to correctness of engineering design, beauty of appearance, careful workmanship, high quality and suitability of parts and materials used, clarity of reception and faithfulness and purity of tone. These are values which can't be matched.

THE Somerset line consists of four models-Stratford Model 4A,4 tube set, 2 dials, \$65. Mars Model 5A, 5 tube set, 3 dials, \$75. Shelbourne Model 4B, 4 tube set, 1 dial, synchronized control, \$85. Standish Model 4C,4 tube set, 1 dial, synchronized control, and built-in loud speaker, \$150. All sets are tuned radio frequency.

TRUTH in RADIO

TRUTH in radio from now on will be the firm foundation on which the public will build its confidence.

Confused and disappointed by extravagant and misleading claims, by high sounding names and mysterious terms, the radio buyer has eagerly sought for an assurance of full value for his money and a definite idea of what he can expect for a definite expenditure.

The Somerset line has been developed to meet this unfilled want. It has been planned on the basis of providing a full dollar's worth of radio for the consumer's dollar, of highest quality for the least money, of conscientious workmanship and best materials, backed by finest engineering skill that money can command.

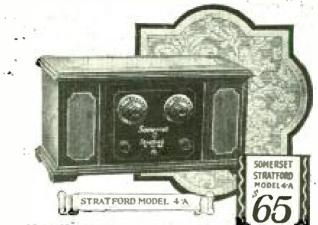
But extravagant claims and misleading descriptions will have no part in the sale of any Somerset Radio Receiver. This we pledge at the outset.

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THE SINGLE DIAL CONTROL

THE Shelbourne and Standish models employ the latest development in simplification the single control. By means of gears, the condensers are connected and operated by a single tuning knob. Of course this is made possible only by the most careful selection and matching of condensers and coils but the finished product is a revelation in easy tuning. There is also a midget condenser for fine adjustment if necessary, but it is not essential to the complete enjoyment of the set by even a most inexperienced person.

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SOMERSET STRATFORD Model 4A 4 Tubes' -Dual Control. A superior lour tube, tuned radio Irequency receiver-two dial control-operates on storage battery or dry cells. Automatic Blament control insurev long like of tubes. The finest 'low loss' condensets and the Ismous SOMERSET Colibrated Transformers are leatures. 'A' and 'B' buttally space is provided in the handsome two-tone mahogany finish cabuet. List \$65

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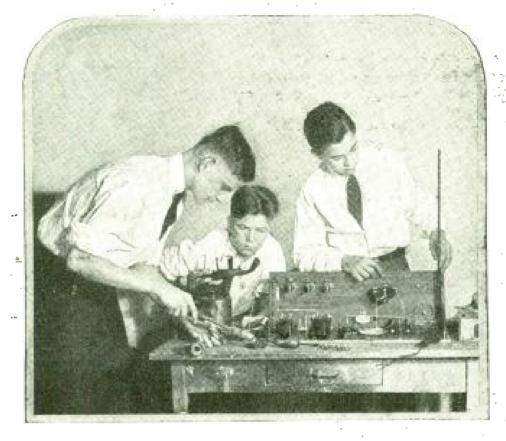
The Famous Somerset Guarantee – Satisfaction – or Money Back

YOU must be satisfied with this receiver or we do not want you to keep it. If for any reason you feel that it is not exactly as represented or that it is not the quality and value which you have a right to expect, we want you to return it for exchange or for refund, whichever you prefer. We will cheerfully and promptly make good any Somerset product which does not fully measure up to your expectations.

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Youth is the creative age in radio

Boys are the builders of radio. In them flames a creative urge that impels them to constant experimentconstant improvement. The fine, high-powered set that satisfies a man, is to the boy but the starting point for further testing and searching.

While older men marveled at the first primitive sets, youths still in their teens, like Armstrong, Cockaday, Reinartz and Tuska were developing the inventions that have made possible such unbelievable advances in this new science. Today millions of boys, actuated by the same irrepressible urge, are building their own sets, designing new-hook-ups, changing, revising, improving. And that's why the bulk of radio sales are made to boys, or to parents buying for boys. THE AMERICAN BOY is the radio guide of 500,000 up-to-theminute boys, averaging $15\frac{1}{2}$ to 16 years old. Radio takes a big part in its stories. Its articles deal with the latest developments in radio—written by radio authorities. And this great section of boydom naturally turns to its advertising columns for information on all that's newest and best in radio equipment.

Tell these boys about your product. They're the very cream of your market. Win their confidence in your goods, and their preference for them, by advertising in THE AMERICAN BOY.

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THE ULTRADYNE KIT THE ULTRADYNE KIT Consists of I Low Loss Tun-ing Coil, I Special Low Loss Coupler, I Type "A" Ultra-former, 3 Type "B" Ultra-formers, 4 Matched Fixed Condensers. To protect the public. Mr. Lacault's personal monogram seal (R. E. L.) is placedonaligenu-me Ultraformers. All Ultraformers are guaran-teed so long as this seal re-mains unbroken.



With the extreme acuteness of the bloodhound's scent, the Model L-2 Ultradyne detects the faintest broad-cast signals—signals that are "dead" to other receivers-regenerates and makes them audible on the loud speaker.

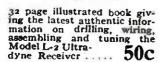
It's here, where the development of other super-radio receivers has halted; the Ultradyne forges ahead.

The unusual sensitivity of the Model L-2 Ultradyne is due to the successful application of regeneration, to the famous Modulation System of radio reception, recently perfected by R. E. Lacault, E.E., A.M.I.R.E., Chief Engineer of this Company and formerly Radio Research Engineer with the French Signal Corps Research Laboratories.

It's this development, an exclusive feature of the Model L-2 Ultradyne, that makes it possible to receive great distance on the loud speaker.

Everything that the Model L-2 Ultradyne means in actual results and genuine satisfaction, you will appreciate the first evening you operate it.

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With few exceptions every important radio manufacturer in the country used Formica-more than 125 in all.

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8 Formica is one of the most widely approved materials in radio.



Hear the Formica band every Wednesday evening from 9 to 10 Central Standard Time over WLW.

Make this test yourself



A SK your dealer to let you hear an Adler-Royal Radio Speaker side by side with any speaker in his store. Operate its magic modulator yourself and see how it adapts its tones to your mood. Notice how free it is from the noises you have formerly associated with loud speaker reception. Whether it is the strident measures of a jazz band or the plaintive notes of a world renowned violinist, put yourself under the spell of Adler-Royal tone quality.

Then Make the Hardest Test of All

TUNE in on a station that is broadcasting piano music, and observe how the Adler-Royal actually reproduces music that really sounds like a piano. The remarkable purity of tone in Adler-Royal is accomplished in two ways. The horn preserves pure tonal qualities. This coupled with the tone modulator, easily accessible, gives you perfect control over tone volume and quality.

Two Exclusive Features

YOU tune in your radio set for maximum amplification so that every delicate overtone is caught and amplified and then by this modulator, you blend and soften this tone to your own mood.

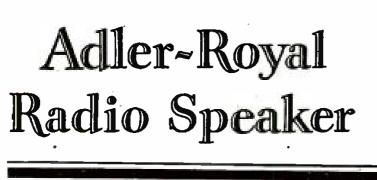
The cabinet design of Adler-Royal Radio Speakers provides a setting that will grace the finest living room.

Our experience of 25 years in producing fine pianos, organs and phonographs enables us to offer this speaker at the extremely reasonable price of \$30.00. In two finishes, either duo-tone walnut or mahogany."

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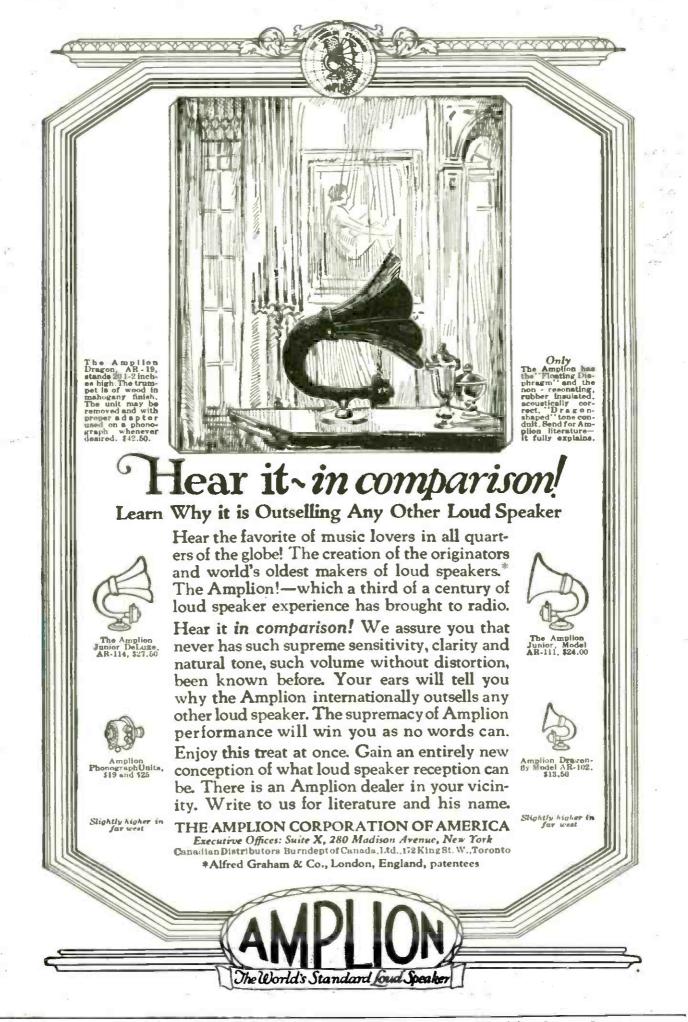
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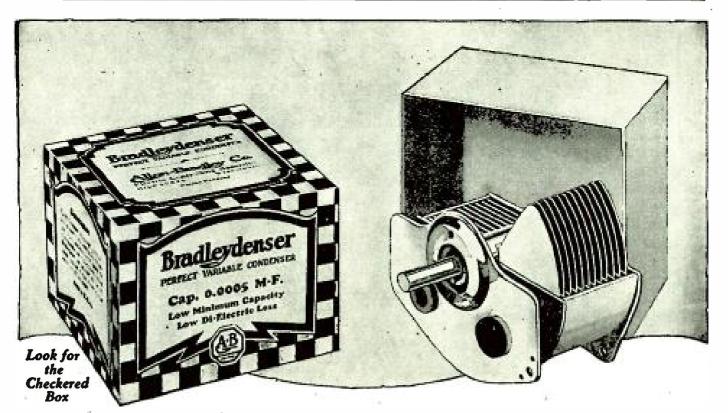


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The Secret of Adler-Royal natural tone





Brass Plates – Soldered Joints – Grounded Rotor Are Standard Features of the Bradleydenser

The Bradleydenser is a low-loss condenser with many distinctive features that insure long life and high efficiency. For instance, the brass stator and rotor plates are soldered at all joints. The plates cannot become loose, corrode at the joints or work out of alignment. The rotor is mounted on a long sleeve bearing that supports the rotor plates without the use of an outer end-plate. Therefore, the di-electric material is reduced to two small buttons. This means low loss and sharp tuning.

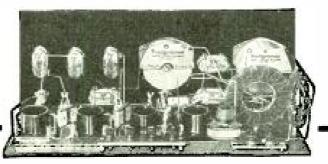
The stator plates are protected with a dust cap that can be detached without tools. The minimum capacity is extremely low, and body capacity effects are greatly reduced. The entire design makes for the highest efficiency in radio receivers.

Build for Efficiency

> This filter tuner with resistance coupled audio amplifier is equipped with Bradleydensers. The tuning is very sharp and selective.



Electric Controlling Apparatus 276 Greenfield Ave. Milwaukee, Wis.



Use the Bradleydenser

Send for the latest information on the Bradleydenser. It will pay you to know about this remarkable low-loss condenser before planning your next radio set.

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easily tune in John McCormack, Bori, Alda and the host of other Metropolitan Opera artists, now broadcasting every other Thursday evening, from W E A F and other stations.

> The Freshman Masterpiece assures true to life reproduction with real loud speaker volume. Brings out every single note distinctly, with matchless tonal qualities.

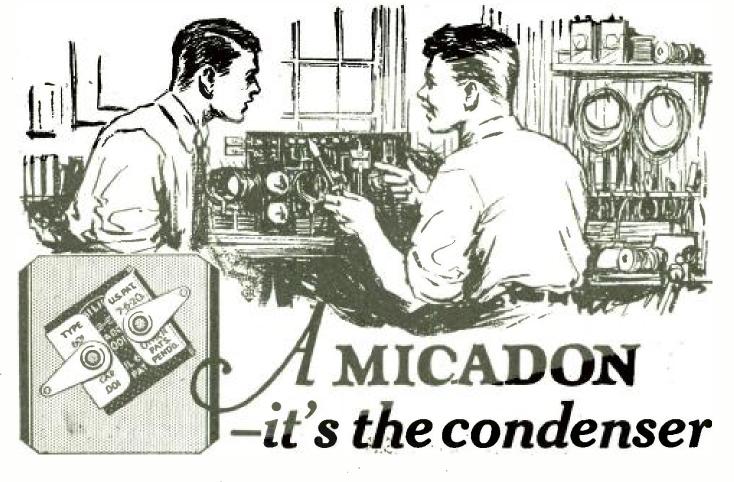
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The easiest of all sets to operate.

A five tube tuned radio frequency receiver made of the finest low loss materials and in a beautiful genuine solid mahogany cabinet, that is attractive enough for the most pretentious room, and at sixty dollars, economical enough for the most modest. Combining all points essential to the perfect receiver, it is the greatest value ever offered in a radio receiving set. Chas. Freshman O.Inc. Radio Receivers and Parts FRESHMAN BUILDING 240-248 WEST 40TH ST-NEW YORKNY.

These artists broadcasting through courtesy of Victor Talking Machine Co.

Every genuine Freshman Masterpiece has the serial number and trade mark riveted on the sub-panel. Sets are not guaranteed if number has been removed or tampered with. Beware of imitations. Insist upon the genuine.

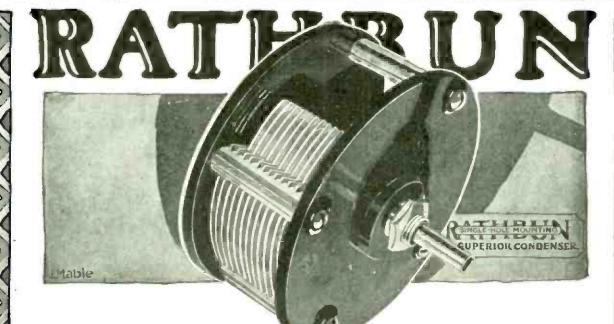


There is a Micadon for every possible requirement, price 35 to 75 cents. The Micadon is the standard fixed condenser of radio! Extremely accurate because only the very best materials are used and because Dubilier condenser craftsmen assemble and inspect them. Simple to install because equipped with extension tabs for soldering and eyelets for setscrew assembly. Different capacities for different requirements. More than 90% of all sets made—by manufacturers and amateurs—use Dubilier Micadons.

The preference of all these fans and experts has made Dubilier Micadons the standard.

Sold by all good Dealers





Don't be Fooled by "Low-Loss" Bunk!

RATHBUN CONDENSERS — with genuine Bakelite moulded end plates — will give results fully equal to any variable condenser on the market. None are more honestly made or more reasonably priced.

We are proud of our condenser — proud of the materials, the workmanship and the care put into it. It would be easy for us to make metal end plate condensers of the so-called "low-loss" type, but we are firmly convinced that our present methods of construction are right and that the radio public has been grossly misled as to the supposed advantages of the "low-loss" metal end plate types.

In order to prove our sincerity, and to justify our product—honestly made—in the face of much exaggeration and misleading propaganda, every Rathbun Condenser is sold with the following guarantee :

Rathbun Condensers are guaranteed satisfactory in electrical and mechanical construction — any proving otherwise will be replaced free of charge, or the purchase price refunded. If you can get longer distance, sharper tuning, better quality, or more volume with any other condenser on the market today — return ours and your money will be immediately refunded.

That's An Honest Guarantee For An Honest Product–And We Mean Every Word Of It!

We have prepared a little booklet giving in detail the story of so called "low-loss" condensers, including a tabulation of the losses, accurately measured, in over fifty standard condensers. You will find it interesting and instructive and it's free for the asking. An Entirely New System of Radio Reception Rathbun Single Hole Mounting Superior Condensers have been specified for use in the Hoyt System of Signal Augmentation, by the inventor Francis R. Hoyt. We have a limited number of Blue Printed copies of Mr. Hoyts original laboratory notes on this new system of radio reception, together with nine circuit aketches, which will be sent free to you upon receipt of this coupon and 4 cents for postage.

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An opportunity for radio fans to save money in buying Celoron Panels and Vulcawood Cabinets

WE are making this special introductory offer to make new friends for our products and for the dealers who sell them. Celoron is the standard insulating material among leading radio manufacturers and it is the choice of nearly a million radio fans. It is made by the oldest and largest manufacturer of vulcanized fibre and laminated technical materials in the world. In spite of these facts there are many fans who never have had an opportunity to see and use this popular insulating material.

For a limited time, we offer you the privilege of buying a Celoron panel and a Vulcawood cabinet direct from our factory-

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This offer expires on April 30, 1925.

Your money back if not satisfied

If your dealer does not stock these parts, you may select a cabinet, and the panel to fit it, at the special introductory prices quoted.

In return for this privilege we ask you to send us your dealer's name and the names of three of your friends who are radio fans.

We shall refund your money without a whimper if you are not entirely satisfied with the goods when received. No red tape-no delay-no questions asked.



The Vulcawood Cabinet is grained and colored to match beautiful hand rubbed mahogany. It comes packed flat and is easy to set up.

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CELORON RADIO PANELS universally endorsed by radio experts

Celoron will help you get better results from our radio hook-up. It will help you get greater

Celoron will help you get better results from your radio hook-up. It will help you get greater distance, greater volume. A Celoron Panel will not soften with heat or deteriorate with age as do rubber and com-position panels. It retains its beauty and its insulating properties indefinitely.

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If your dealer does not carry Celoron, order by mail

In ordering please follow these simple directions:

- 1.
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- Indicate on the coupon the size of the panel and the size of the cabinet you want. Print in your name and address carefully. Clip out the coupon and attach it to a plain sheet of white paper. Mark on the white sheet the name and address of your dealer and the paper.
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- Mail all papers to the Diamond State Fibre Co., Bridgeport, Penn.

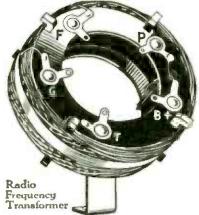
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with Kellogg Transformers



A Radio Frequency Transformer of the aperiodic type suitable for all sets with which tuned radio frequency is desired. Also used for one stage of radio frequency amplification ahead of regenerative sets to prevent re-radiation.

Consider these points of superiority: No dope to hold windings in place. Soldered connections. Mounting bracket holds coil at correct angle. Minimum rubber used in form. Lowest possible loss, with greatest transfer of energy. Works with any .0005 condenser. Secondary arranged with suitable taps for blasing features.

This transformer makes the construction of a radio frequency set an easy matter, assuring best possible reception with widely varying types of circuits, including reflex.

Built and guaranteed by Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Co.

No. 602 Radio Frequency Transformer at your dealers for \$2.35 each.

Kellogg Audio Frequency Transformers are the "stepping stones" of modern amplification. Clear, accurate reproduction assured over the

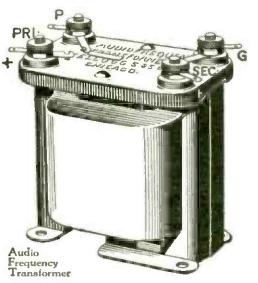
entire range of the musical scale.

Plainly marked, accessible terminals.

It is acclaimed by test to be the best.

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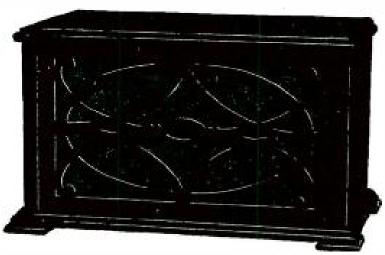
It Has The Full Sweet Resonance



THE new cabinet model has a seasoned wood horn which is "full floating"—the outer end, or bell, does not touch the cabinet. This, together with a long expansion chamber, gives it that same freedom of vibration which goes to make the Bristol horn type Loud Speaker such a resonant, sweet-toned instrument. It also has the same highgrade electromagnetic sound mechanism. It is not only a handsome piece of furniture, but a speaker worthy of the best radio set that money can buy.

Of Our Upright Horn

Both Horns are Free to Vibrate Like the Open Diapason of the Organ.



Audiophone \$25.00 Rubber horn 14½" in diameter Cast metal throat. Velvet mat finishofmottled bronze and gold.

Model S

There are five Bristol Loud Speakers, priced from \$12.50 to \$30.00. If not at your dealer's, write for Bulletin No. 3020-L.

Cabinet model \$30.00 Beautifully finished mahogany. Full floating wooden horn and cast metal throat. Musically, a companion to the finest set ever built; size $17 \times 10 \times 10 \frac{1}{4}$ "



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Why not buy your set or parts at Radio Headquarters? Only tested and approved radio equipment is sold. Every set sold by us is guaranteed to give satisfactory results.

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The best Radio Experts made this catalogue—men who devote their entire time to Radio who are up to the minute with everything new, who tell you the best hook-ups, who have selected for you the best tested parts, who have chosen the best sets—so simple that you yourself can easily install them —so reliable that we guarantee them to give satisfaction.

Write for your copy of this Catalogue. See for yourself the low prices. Buy your radio at Radio Headquarters.

Our 53 Year Old Guarantee Ward's has dealt with the American people for 53 years under a definite guarantee of "Money back if you are not satisfied." All our Radio sets are guaranteed to give satisfactory results and back of this guarantee is a proven reliability that for 53 years has not been questioned. Address our house nearest you. Dept. 38-R.





Balkite "B"—replaces "B" batteries and dry cells. Operates from light socket. Price \$55 In Canada \$75

A uniform, constant power supply for both "A" and "B" circuits

Here at last is a convenient and unfailing power supply for your radio set. Balkite Radio Power Units furnish constant uniform voltage to both circuits, and will give your radio set greater clarity, power and range. The Balkite Battery Charger keeps your "A" storage battery charged. Balkite "B" replaces "B" batteries entirely and supplies plate current from the light socket.

Based on the same principle, both the Balkite Battery Charger and Balkite "B" are entirely noiseless. They have no bulbs or moving parts, and nothing to break, adjust or get out of order. They have a very low current consumption, are simple and efficient in operation, and can be put in use at any time by merely connecting to a light socket. Both are guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Sold by leading radio dealers everywhere

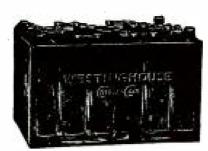


BALKITE BATTERY CHARGER - BALKITE "B" PLATE CURRENT SUPPLY

Manufactured by FANSTEEL PRODUCTS COMPANY, Inc., North Chicago, Illinois

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Type 24-RG2 7⁴/₁⁴³ x 5⁴/₁⁴³ x 4³/₄⁴ 3500 Milliampere hours

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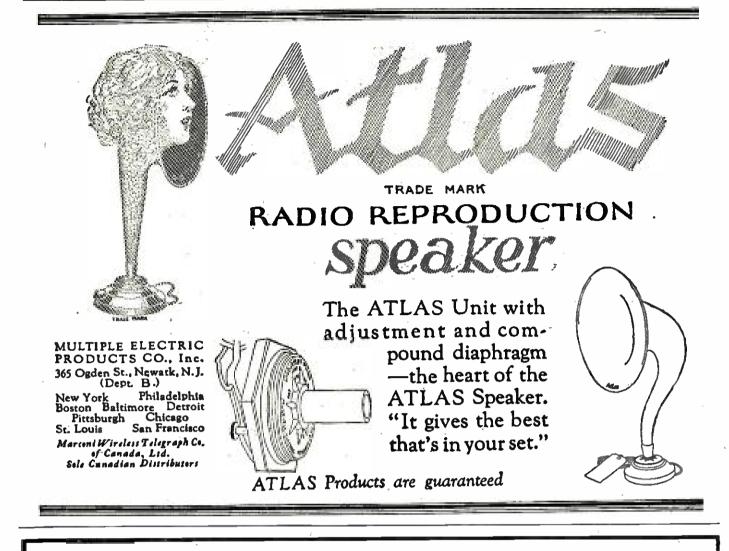
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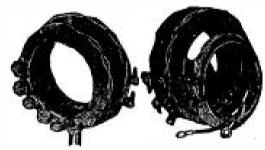
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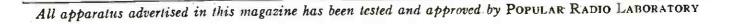
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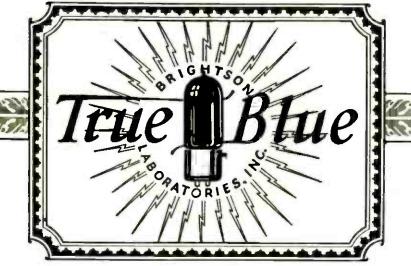
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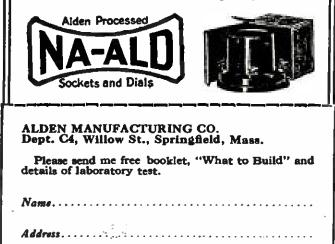
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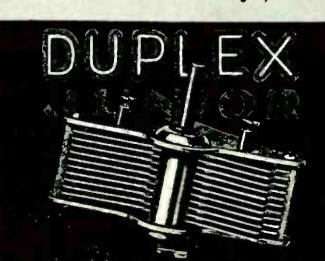
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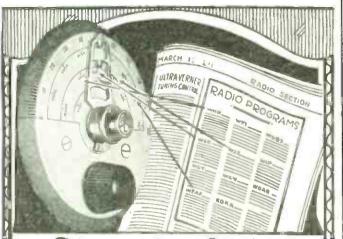
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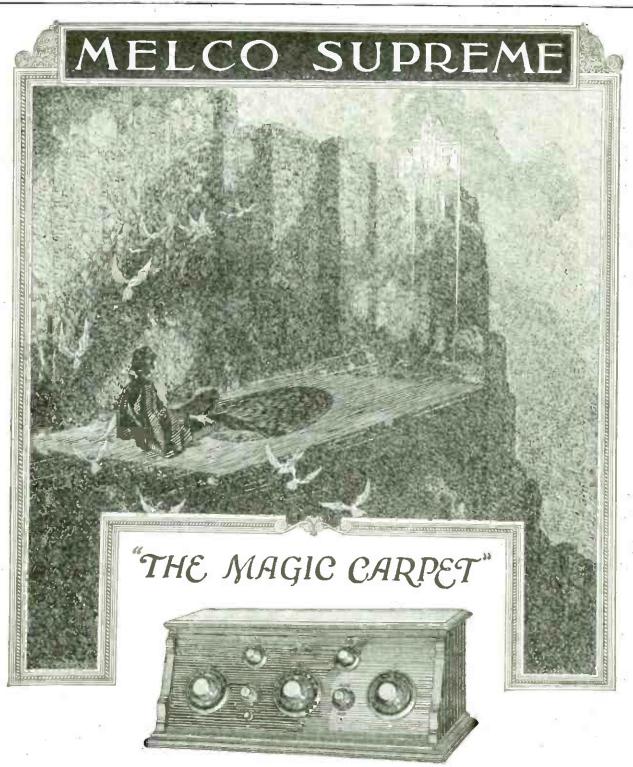
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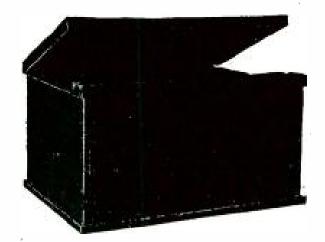
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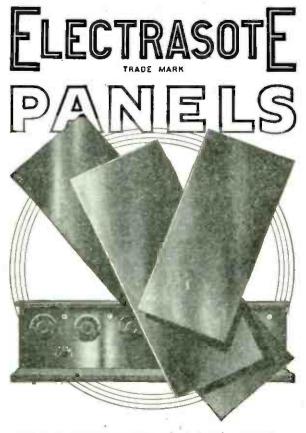






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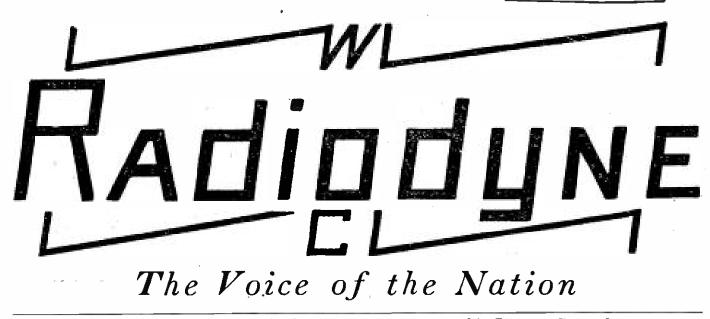
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Corroded Antenna Wire Causes Weak Signals

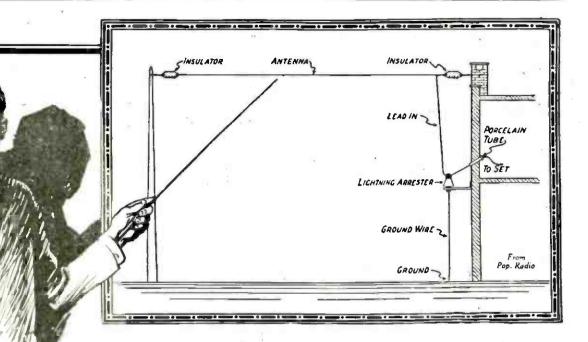
Cause: Weak Signals If your antenna has been up for a year or more the chances are that the surface of the antenna wire has become corroded due to the action of the weather. Radio frequency currents travel on the surface of the wire and often the weak-ening signals carried by them is due to this corrosion. This trouble is particu-larly prevalent in large cities where the atmosphere is contaminated with sulphur fumes and other chemicals from manu-

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The Secret of a Good Aerial Is the Protective Enamel Coating

RADIO AUTHORITIES agree that ordinary bare aerial wire deteriorates rapidly when exposed to atmospheric fumes and moisture. High-frequency currents in the aerial always flow along the surface of the wire, and when this surface becomes corroded, the aerial current encounters great difficulty in reaching the radio set. This means considerable loss of range and volume.

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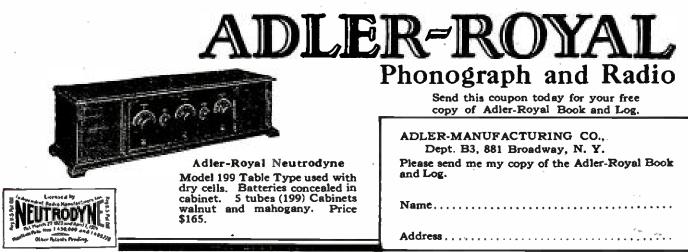
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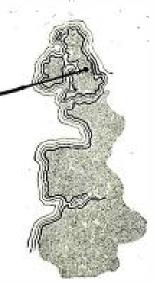
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What size batteries 69 WHR will work best in your set?

THE Prest-O-Lite Radio Chart makes it easy for you to select the right storage battery for best reception, and also arrange the time between chargings to suit your convenience. Illustrated above is a section of the master chart showing Prest-O-Lite "A" Batteries for 5-volt tube sets. If your set has these tubes, you will find, in this chart, the Prest-O-Lite "A" Battery that fits it exactly. Two sizes are recommended, but the larger capacity battery will be found more desirable unless facilities for frequent and easy charging are provided. (The days between chargings are based on an average use

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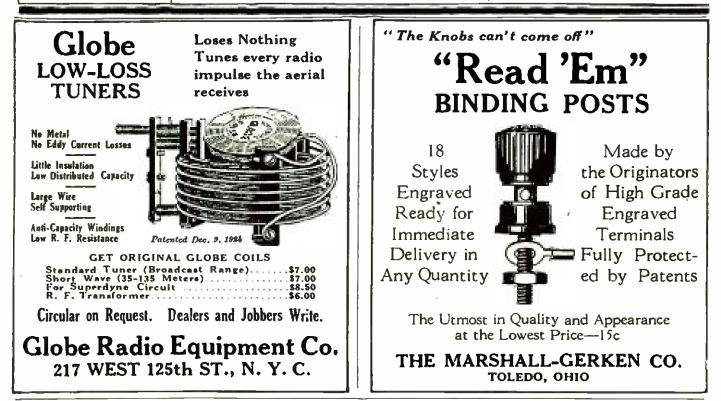
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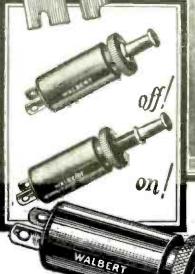
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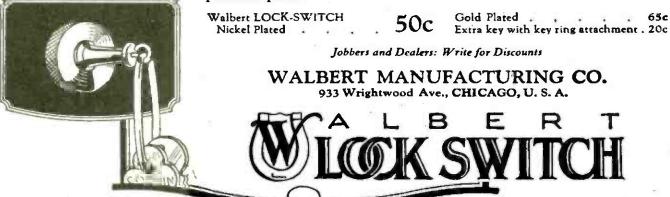
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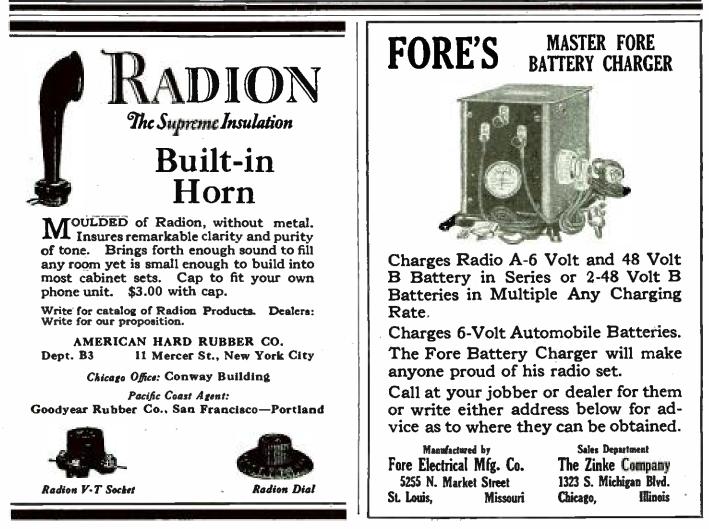


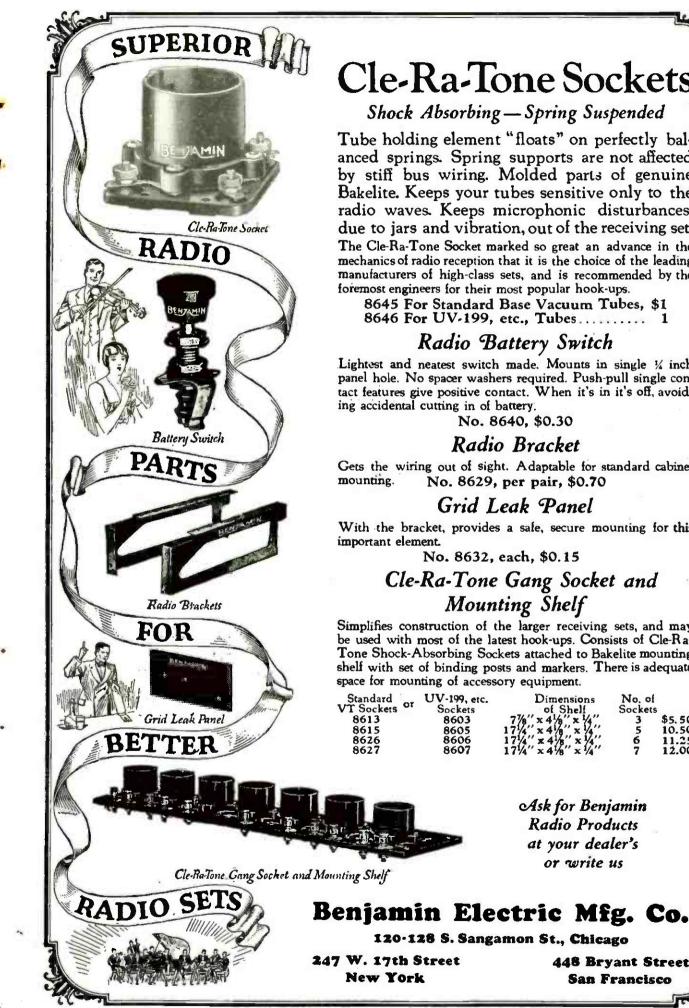
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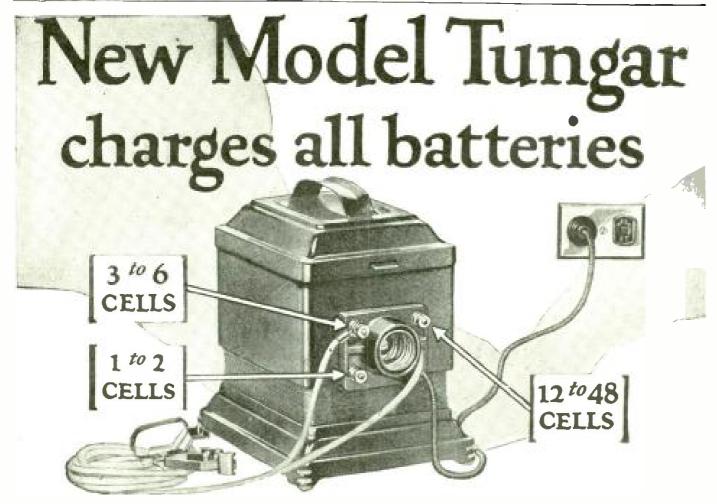
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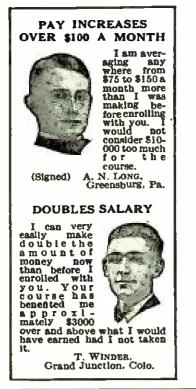
THE astounding growth of Radio has created thousands of big money opportunities. Millions of dollars were spent during the past year on Radio, and thousands of young men are needed right now to meet the ever increasing demand of work.

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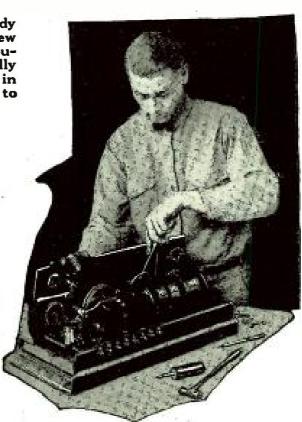
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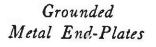
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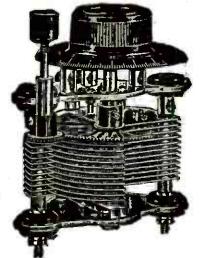


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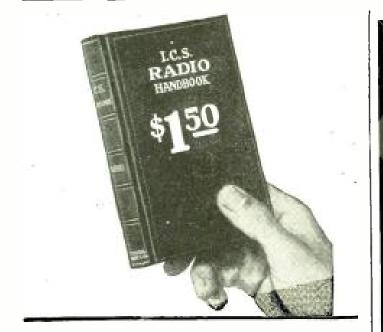
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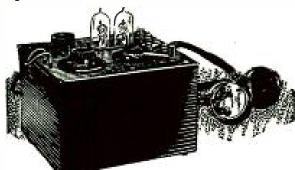
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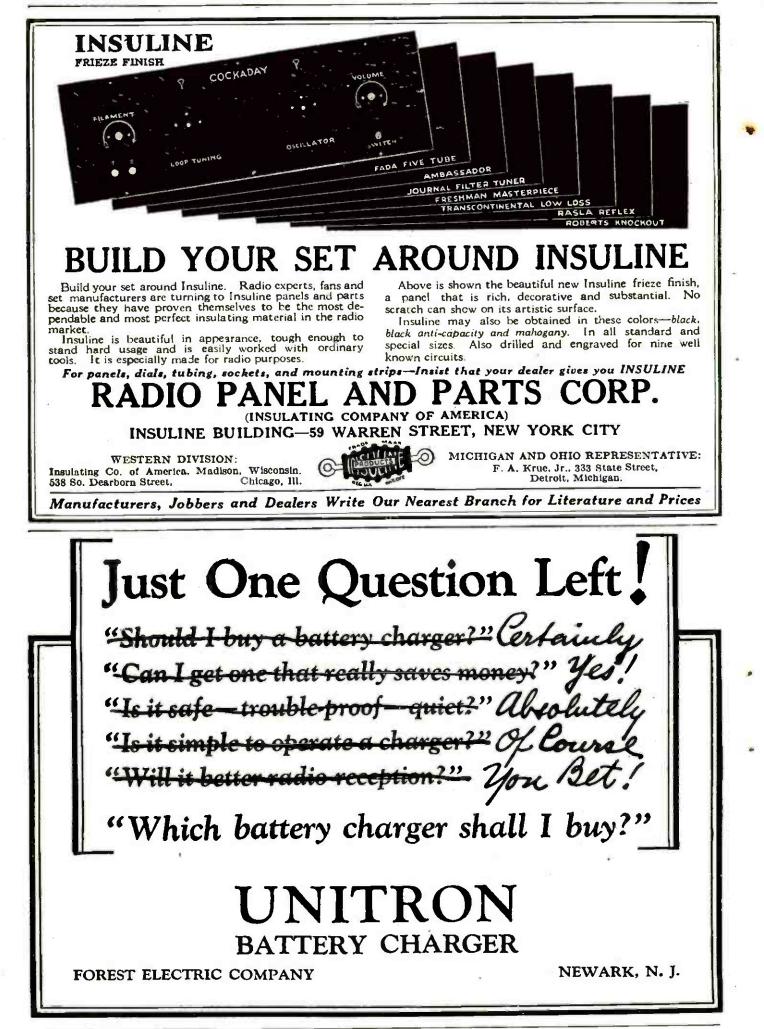
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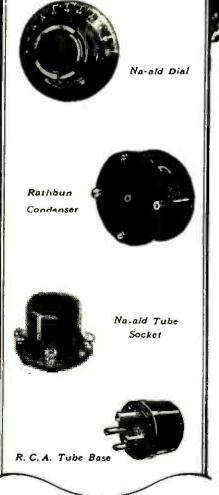
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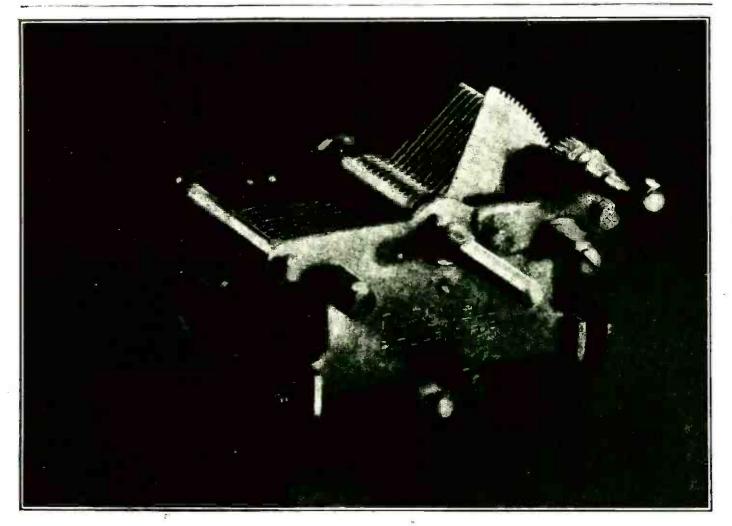
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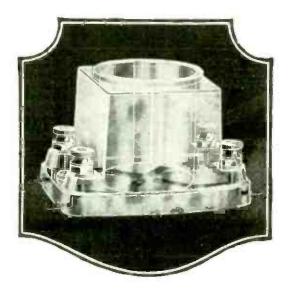
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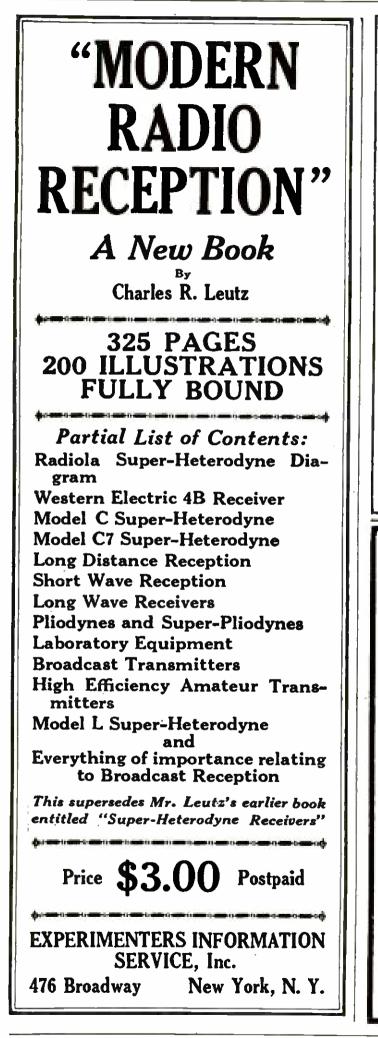
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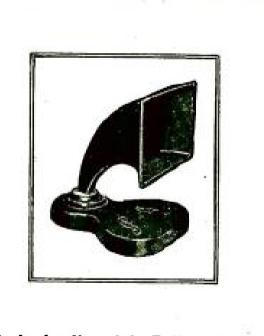
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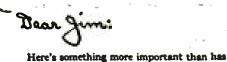
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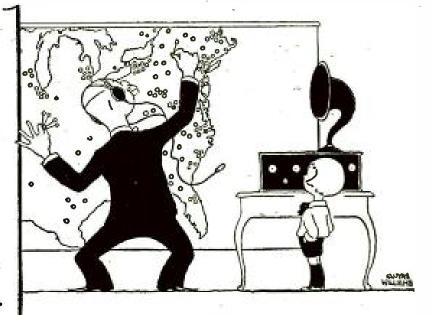
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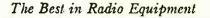


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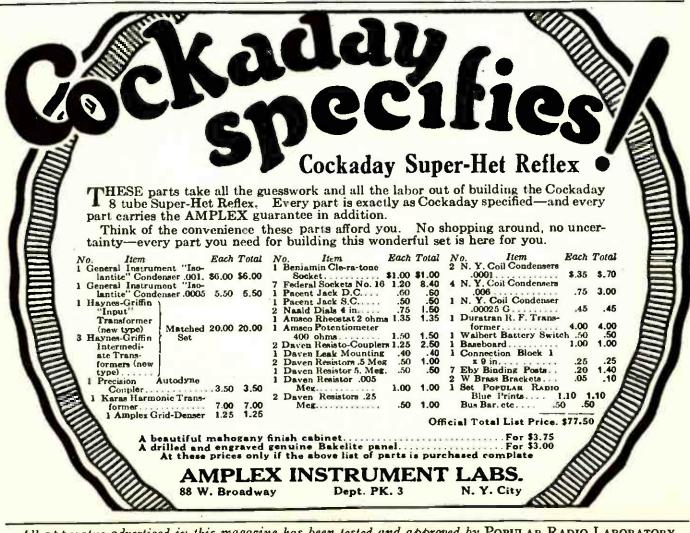
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Fact No. 2

Large Iron Core

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Fact No. 3

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sound. The Primary coils of Karas Har-moniks have more than sufficient number of thousands of turns to develop an impedance that fully accommodates impedance of preceding tubes at all frequencies. Thus Karss Harmoniks DELIVER great amplification of even the lowest frequencies.

Fact No. 4

Low Hysteresis Loss

LOW ITYSTEPESIS LOSS Hysteresis loss is the waste of energy consumed in overcoming the molecular re-sistance of inferior core laminations to the reversal of current at each frequency cycle. By reducing the amount of energy delivered to the secondary severe dropping off in amplification results. The special formula iron from which the laminations of Karas Harmoniks are made, has molecular construction that reduces hysteresis loss to a negli-gible minimum. All the energy is saved for amplification.

Fact No. 5 Controlled Air Gaps Usual uncontrolled air gaps in iron cores

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Fact No. 6

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Fact No. 7

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Fact No. 8

No Vital Parts Exposed

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Fact No. 9

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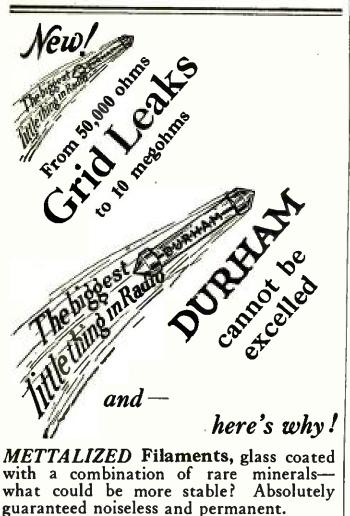
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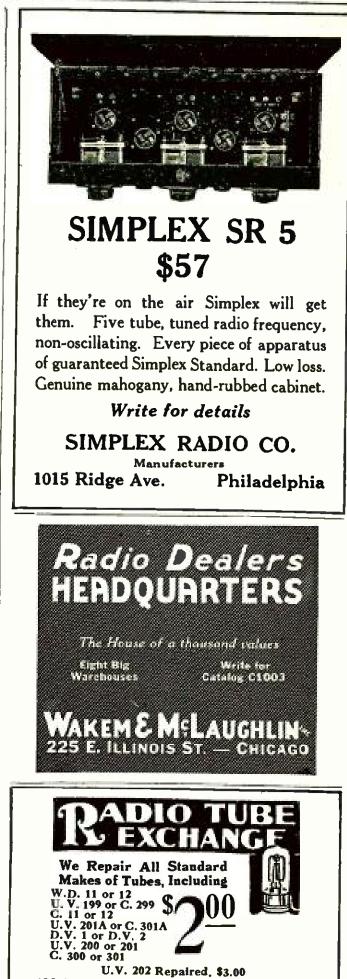
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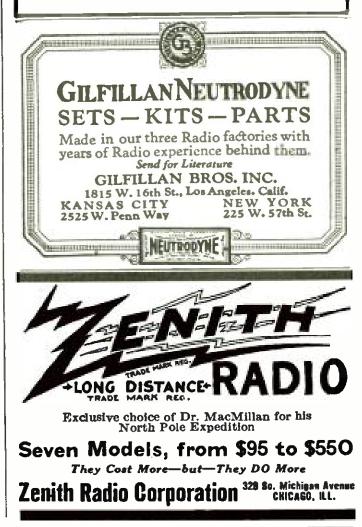
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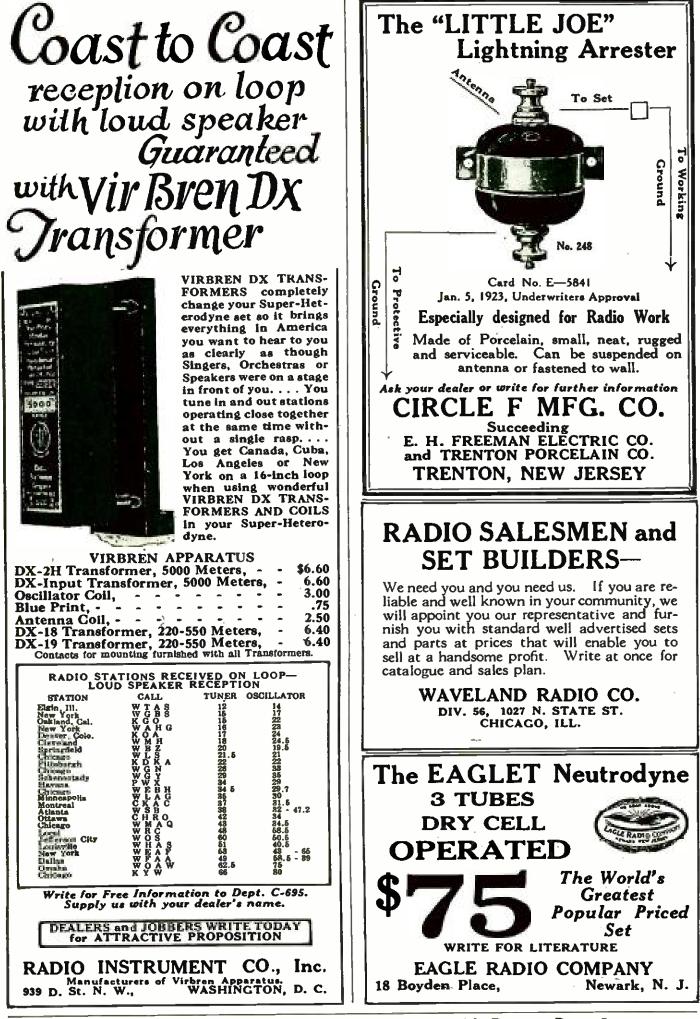
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The same qualities of low-loss insulation and attractive appearance characterize Radion dials (to match panel), binding post panels, insulators, knobs, etc.-also the new Radion builtin horn.

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A Vastly Better Reproduction With this New Radio Console!



"Our old horn speaker never gave tones like this! An artistic addition to the living room—everything in its place—it's a joy."

Dealers!

The sale of these consoles has already

soles has already reached extraordinary figures. They are selling in surprising quantitues in even smallest stores where there is one in the window or on the floor. It is a convenience and a value not to be duplicated.

not to be duplicated. Write us for discounts and particulars.

HERE is something that enables you to enjoy radio in the home without the clutter of unsightly apparatus that plays havoc in the decorative scheme of your living room! The horn speaker is out of date and out of place in radio for the home. This console, with its in-built loudspeaker, is scientific and sightly.

A Truly Wonderful Tone

It does a good job of reproducing, for it has a good unit and its sound-box is of resonant wood instead of metal, fibre, or composition.

The appearance of a Windsor loudspeaker console is a delight. Its convenience is a joy. A piece of real living room furniture of pleasing lines and finish—and it accommodates all the miscellany of equipment which hitherto had no place except on table tops, shelves or floor. Ample space on top for any set, with plenty of elbow room in front. Nothing in sight but the console and receiving set. Everything else goes inside—from behind—in spaces cleverly designed to hold the largest batteries and outfit for home use—besides the self-contained loud-

speaker—all unseen and protected from dust or disturbance.



You Need This Console Whatever Your Present Outfit Is

It makes no difference what kind of radio outfit you have—this console was designed for your use. The graceful exterior of this console gives no hint of its inner utility, for it is a simple and effective piece of furniture in every line. But a glance at the interior reveals a most ingenious arrangement of the in-built loudspeaker with space either side and in back. These spaces are ample for the largest A battery, and the largest wet

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INVESTIGATE!

Dealers everywhere are now showing the Windsor loudspeaker console, and have them for immediate delivery to your home. If you haven't already seen this

remarkable contribution to radio enjoyment and convenience, write us now for the name of a nearby store where you may view it. We will also send you complete information. Remember, this console gives you not alone a reproducing unit and sound-box, but an altogether new beauty and utility in the provision for your entire radio outfit. Mail coupon or postal.

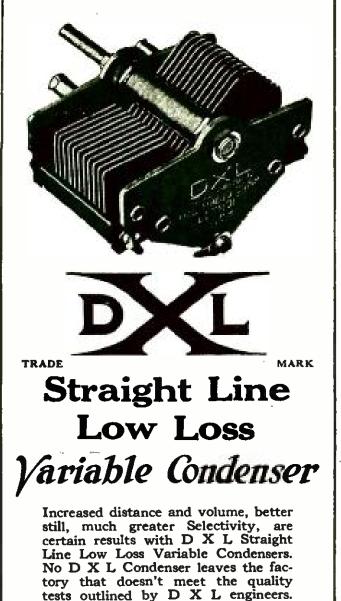
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All parts are spec. ially built for the kit. Not a collec. tion of open market parts.

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All bus wires are cut to proper length and bent to shape.

Highly polished Bakelite panel. All necessary holes drilled. Markings plainly engraved in white.

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Every step in the assembly of this "kit" is carefully described in instructions which accompany it, written in plain language. No need of having a technical knowledge of radio.

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The King Quality Radio Kit embodies the latest developments in neutrodyne reception combined with the practical experience of engineers who have devoted years to the study of radio apparatus. Uncertainty has been eliminated.

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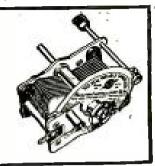


RED SEAL the Comfortable HEAD SET \$6

RED SEAL VARIABLE CONDENSER (25 plate) ^{\$}6

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Not just any iron, steel or wire, materials that will "get by" and produce signals—but only the best and most expensive are used in the Red Seal Headset. Compare it with the average headset. Magnets of Tungsten Steel; pole-pieces of silicon steel; light cases of genuine Bakelite; comfortable molded rubber headband and a coordination of design—these are the unique Red Seal features that give plus results. Yet the Red Seal costs but \$6. Your set is only as good as its mouthpiece and a good set deserves a Red Seal Headset.

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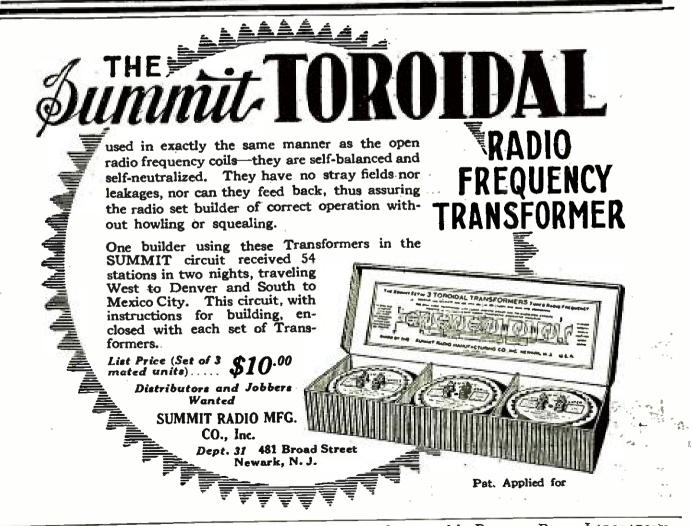
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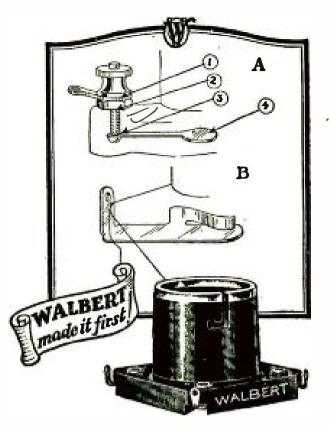
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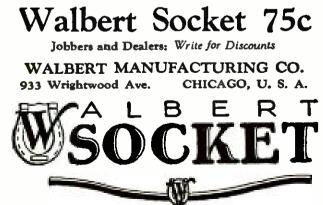
D o you know that on each contact spring of the average socket there are at least 4 "contact-losses" (see Fig. A. above) or 16 "losses" counting all four springs? On a 5-tube set there would be 80 possible "contact-losses." What a chance for increased volume if these "losses" could be eliminated. They can be! The WALBERT SOCKET does it. Post-tive contact with each tube prong is made possible by a unique side-wiping and bottom-pressure phosphor bronze spring. There are no other contacte-Roldering lug is part of the spring! (See Fig. B). Losses are elimin-nated_where they count the most.

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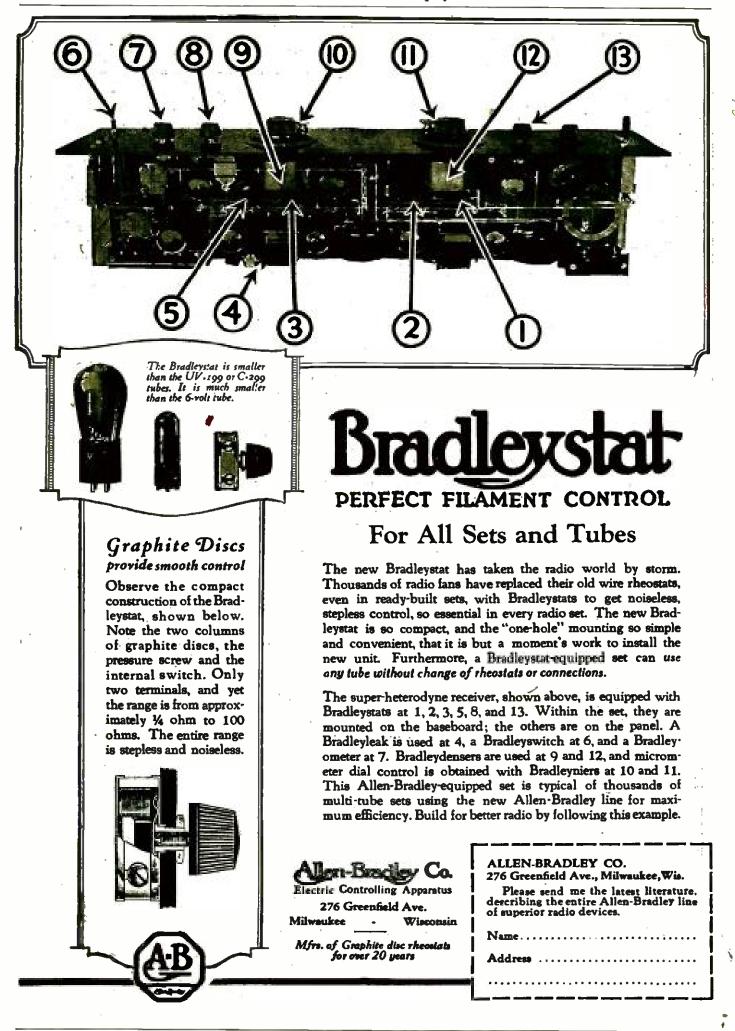
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The biggest selling high grade receiver on the market—the Crosley Trirdyn—reduced from \$65 to \$50.

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offered.

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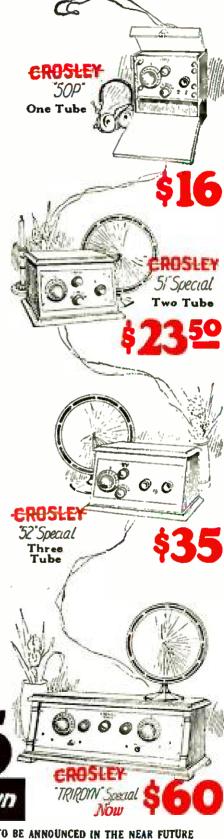
receiver similar to the Model 51, is housed in a cabinet large enough to hold the neces-sary batteries and has a sloping panel. Similar to the Crosley 52, but with sloping panel and cabinet to house the batteries is the new Crosley 52 Special. Most good dealers handle Crosley Radios. You Will Make No Mistake in Buying

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