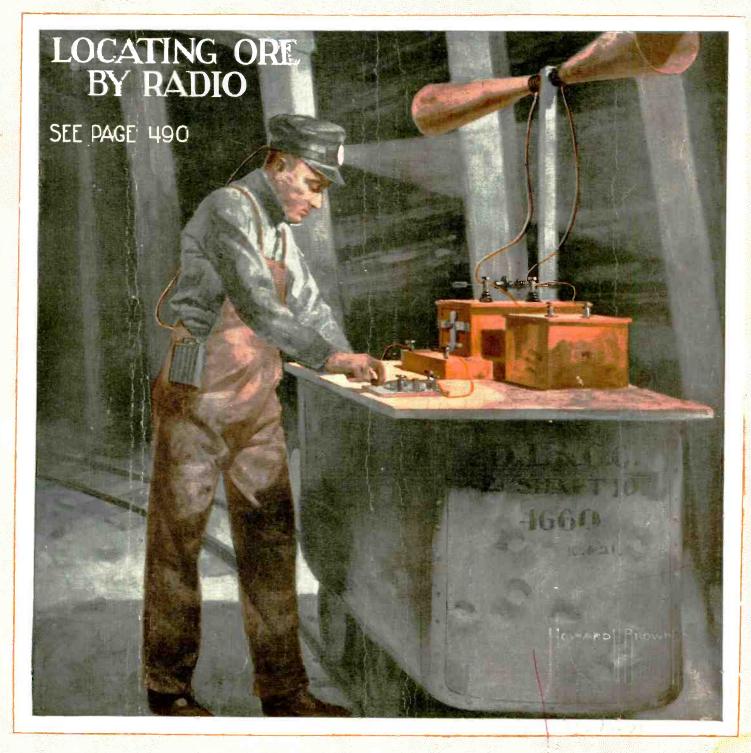
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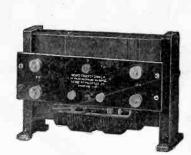
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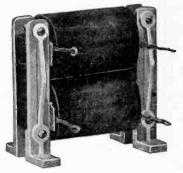
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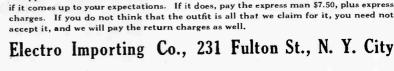
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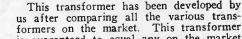


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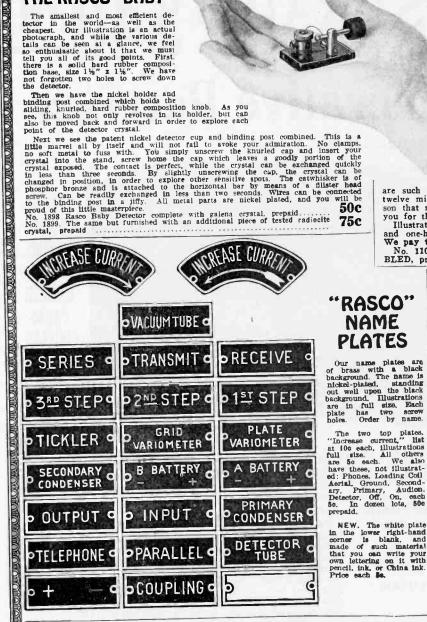
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THE RADIOTROLA

The the careful observer, during the past six months it has become apparent that we are finally headed in the right direction as far as popularizing radio is concerned. We may say that we are now right in the midst of a revolution, as far as radio and the great public are concerned. We see the weather marks everywhere. The newspapers are becoming enthusiastic about radio, and devote more and more space to it. The man in the street is beginning to take a lively interest in all things radio. The editor's desk is beginning to become flooded with letters, not from radio bugs alone, but from the layman, who does not know the difference between a detector and a telephone receiver—all of which is a healthy sign, and we may say that radio is entering into its last and final stage, as far as the public at large is concerned.

Most of this, of course, is due to the radio telephone. Take for instance, the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., with its broadcasting radio telephone stations at Pittsburgh, Pa.; Newark, N. J., and Springfield, Mass., as well as Chicago, Ill. (roof of the opera theatre), is doing the one thing that is needed to popularize radio. These stations operate from 10:00 A. M. to 10:00 P. M. each and every day. They broadcast not only radio telephone talk, but jazz music, singing by the best opera artists, violin and piano concerts, etc.

The progressive daily newspaper, the "Newark Call," now has a daily, as well as a Sunday section containing nothing but radio. All the various radio activities are truly reported in these pages and that is not all. This newspaper works in conjunction with the Westinghouse broadcasting station at Newark, and thus, for instance, they send twice a week at 7:00 P. M., a story for children, supposed to be told by "The man in the moon." This has been going on for some time, and has proven a huge success, and there are now countless children within a radius of several hundred miles listening in on these good-night stories, which are spoken by the authoress into the phone at the broadcasting station.

At the Westinghouse broadcasting station at Newark, lectures are also given. Thus, for instance, the writer, early last month, delivered a lecture on radio which was heard by thousands of amateurs who were within range.

Then recently in New York one of the progressive amateurs started to broadcast Sunday sermons by a well-known minister, and this service will be continued right along. No wonder that the man in the street is beginning to become interested in radio when the air is full of music, talk, jazz, and what not. Hence, the day of the "radiotrola" is approaching with ever-increasing speed. The writer coined the word radiotrola, from Victrola, for which he may be pardoned. If you turn to page 494, you will better understand what the radiotrola looks like. We are fast approaching the time when some enterprising company will manufacture precisely such an instrument. We all know that a layman does not want to be bothered with circuits, loops, tubes, and a lot of other—to him useless junk.

The telephone would never have become as popular as it is to-day if you had tried to sell each man an instrument that he had to connect himself, and in order to do so learn all the "how and why" of telephony. That may be all right for the telephone engineer and specialist, but not for the business man, who wishes to use the instrument.

We cannot expect the future wireless radio enthusiast to buy the parts of an outfit, and put it up himself. He will never do it. What he wants is a sort of radiotrola that is all connected up for him, and, with a few intelligible instructions, can be used as easily by the young hopeful as by grand-dad.

As our illustration shows, all we require is a nice cabinet which contains all the instruments readily put up. In front, there should be a knob that could be turned for any desired entertainment, such as jazz, lectures, good-night stories for children, grand opera, etc. To be sure it will be necessary to send out the different entertainments on different wavelengths, and we are coming to exactly this. Thus, for instance, in the future let us say, jazz will be sent out on 250 meters, grand opera on 350 meters, etc.

Then the radiotrola, at the bottom, will contain a few batteries that can be slid in just like flashlight batteries, without having to bother with wires and nuts. No adjustments should be necessary outside of turning the loop one way or another to intensify the sound coming in through the loud talker.

Perhaps you think all this is very fantastic. Indeed it is not, as the editors have built precisely this instrument. The loop in question measured only one foot across, and in the crowded downtown New York section, surrounded by steel buildings, and skyscrapers, we have been able to receive all the music and talk as sent out by the Newark broadcasting station, the sounds coming in strong enough to be heard all over a large floor.

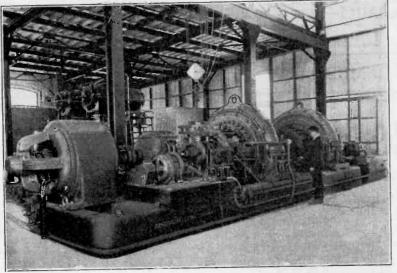
Only one adjustment was necessary, and that is a variometer. All the other adjustments, rheostats, etc., were fixed. This outfit will be described in an early issue.

We are indeed in the millenium of radio. As one of our manufacturers said to us the other day: "Radio is getting to be such a tremendous thing, that I am becoming afraid of it."

That is just the sentiment to-day, and it seems a healthy condition. H. GERNSBACK.

NOTICE-Do not miss the January issue of SCIENCE AND INVENTION containing the \$300.00 prize contest, "The Simplest Radio Outfit"! Here is a chance for every amateur to win a big prize. See January issue of SCIENCE AND INVENTION for full details.

President Harding Opens the World's Largest and Most **Powerful Radio Station** By PIERRE BOUCHERON



This photo-graph shows the two high frequency Alexanderson alternators, which are the heart the heart of the big sta-tion. They are driven by powerful powerful motors, one of which may be seen on the extreme left, and de-liver in the antenna 200 kilowatts each. each.

ACK in 1897, little did Marconi think that but twenty-four short years would pass when the world would be linked by radio from a central point. Indeed. this vision has been amplified a thousand fold, for when he was asked how far a dispatch could be sent, he replied, "Twenty miles." Twenty miles in 1897—World-wide

Wireless in 1921.

wireless in 1921. Seventy miles from New York, near Port Jefferson, L. I., is located Radio Central, the world's largest and nost powerful station, designed and built for international wireless telegraph communication by combined engineering skill.

With the opening of Radio Central, New York becomes the focal point of world-wide wireless communication. This means that existing radio and cable facilities to such leadcommercial nations as Great ing Britain, France, Norway and Ger-many are now supplemented by a direct radio telegraph service.

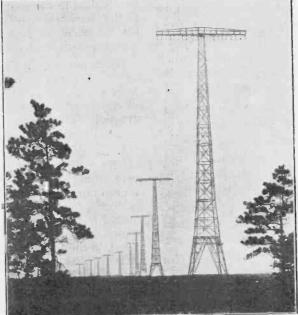
Commerce, as we know it today, depends upon complex and highly specialized factors for success. One of its most important agencies is or its most important agencies is communication, bringing as it does. the marts of the world within easy **The** reach of all. Indeed, without this vehicle, world trade would fail utterly. Thus, it has come to pass that the art of radio communication has slowly but surely taken its place as a processary supplement taken its place as a necessary supplement to present commercial circuits, and not only is Europe and the Orient covered by this American system, but the new station just opened has been designed to eventually provide an additional and direct circuit to South America, thereby linking all com-mercial nations together.

RADIO CENTRAL-ITS PURPOSE AND HOW IT FUNCTIONS

Unlike many industries, radio communication is essentially international in its operation and world-wide in its scope. For this reason, it has been the dream of com-For munication engineers for several years to erect a huge transmitting station at a centrally located point in such wise as to command a world-wide field of activity. Radio Central is the realization of this vision.

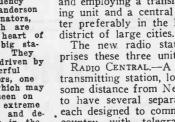
In the pioneer days of high power radio telegraphy, a station functioned alternately

as a transmitter, a receiver and a telegraph office. This involved much loss of time and



The Twelve 450-foot Towers of Radio Central at Port Jeffer-son, L. I., N. Y.

Here is the receiving sta-tion of Radio Central, installed 16 from the transmitter. Reception is effectuated on loop aerials with sensitive amplifiers and filter and filter circuits, eliminating interference and statics.



greatly reduced traffic facilities, for a station had to stop sending while it received, and vice versa. It, therefore, became ap-parent that the ideal radio station should comprise three separate but closely connected units operating by remote control and employing a transmitting unit, a receiv-ing unit and a central traffic office, the lat-ter preferably in the heart of the business

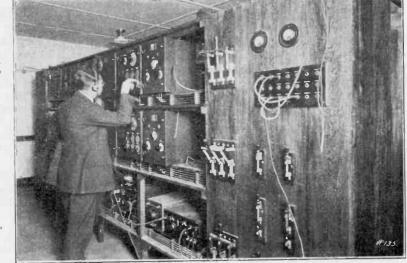
The new radio station, therefore, comprises these three units which are

RADIO CENTRAL.—A high power multiplex transmitting station, located on Long Island some distance from New York City, planned to have several separate antennae systems each designed to communicate with a given country with telegraphic control taking place at a remote distance suitable to the handling of traffic. RIVERHEAD, L. I.—A multiplex receiving station, also located some distance from New York, but separated by 16 miles from

the transmitter and so planned and arranged as to simultaneously receive all radiograms destined to the United States from as many foreign countries as take part in the worldwide wireless system.

CENTRAL TRAFFIC OFFICE, NEW YORK CITY.—The traffic center of the new system where all actual radio telegraph operating takes place. Here radiograms are gathered from various sources and directly radioed to foreign points through Radio Central and other high power stations. This direct transmission is accomplished through the use of a special remote control system whereby op-erators at New York City do all necessary transmitting work.

In a like manner, reception is ac-complished with similar direct advantages where the incoming signals are made audible at Riverhead, L. I., and automatically transferred over land-lines to the central traffic office located in the heart of New York's financial district. These signals are interpreted and recorded on typewrit-ers by skilled telegraph operators at high speed or are automatically re-ceived by ink-recorders. Final delivery is then effected through a special messenger service from the cen-tral traffic office or its supplementary branch offices located in New York, or dispatched by telegraph when the point of destination is other than New York City.



OUTSTANDING FACTS ABOUT RADIO CENTRAL

RADIO CENTRAL STATION is designed for World-wide Wireless communication which includes Europe, South America and the Far East.

THIS SUPER-STATION is situated at Rocky Point (seven miles east of Port Jefferson) on the northern shore of Long Island, 70 miles from New York City. The station site covers 6,400 acres or 10 square miles. THE CONSTRUCTION of Radio Central be-

gan July, 1920, and the first test signals were sent in October, 1921, or a little more than a year, a record in itself when one considers the great amount of work accomplished.

1,800 Tons of structural steel were used to erect the first 12 towers, each tower employing approximately 150 tons. EACH TOWER is 410 feet in overall height

and the cross arm, or bridge, supporting the antenna wires at the top, is 150 feet long. 8,200 Tons of concrete were employed

for the foundations of 12 towers, the base of each tower leg being sunk nine feet be-low the ground with a total base area of 360 square feet.

THE DISTANCE between two adjacent towers is 1,250 feet, or nearly three miles from the first to the twelfth tower.

EACH ANTENNA consists of 16 sili-con bronze cables 3%" in diameter stretched horizontally from tower to tower. In all, 50 miles of this cable has been used for the first two antenna systems.

THE GROUND SYSTEM for both antennae consists of 450 miles of cop-per wire buried in the ground of the entire antenna system in starfish and gridiron fashion.

THE FIRST POWER HOUSE SECTION covers a space of 130 feet by 60 feet and accommodates two 200 K.W. high frequency transmitting alterna-tors with auxiliaries and equipment.

A SENDING SPEED of 100 words per minute is at present possible with the use of each transmitting unit at Radio Central. This means a combined sending capacity of 200 words per minute for the two completed units. THE ERECTION of additional an-

tenna units forming the spokes of the huge wheel, and further improvements which are being made, will correspondingly increase the transmit-ting capacity of the big station. THE TRANSMITTING RANGE of Ra-

dio Central is practically world-wide, as demonstrated by preliminary tests when the station was heard in all

Placed just opposite the alternators is this main switchboard

on which are mounted all the neces-sary switches for the refor the re-mote control of the sta-tion. On the panel in the background may be seen the manipu-lation relays which are operated from the New York City office.

parts of Europe, as well as Australia, South America and Japan. THE COOLING POND for cooling the water

Front view of the power heuse of Radio Cen-Radio Cen-tral, showing the cooling pend for the water circu-lating in the liquid rheo-stat and other machines. The lead in of the aerial, composed of sixteen wires may be seen on the right and above the building.

after it has circulated through the high speed alternators covers a ground space of 64 feet by 42 feet and is 7 feet deep. The

64 feet by 42 feet and is 7 feet deep. The pond is equipped with four spray heads which, when operating, present a beautiful and ornamental appear-

ance. THE COMMUNITY House for the staff is a low one-story building closely resembling an exclusive country club. It contains 16 single rooms, an efficial suite, a large living room and dining room, as well as quarters for servants.

THE ENGINEER IN CHARGE with a staff of 15 assistants comprises the personnel necessary to maintain the huge station in operation at present. THE CONSTRUCTION FORCE has va-

THE CONSTRUCTION FORCE HAS VA-ried day to day from 100 to 250 men. THERE ARE NO RADIO OPERATORS at Radio Central, the actual trans-mission taking place by remote con-trol from the Central Traffic Office in New York City. in New York City.

THE RECEIVING STATION, working in conjunction with Radio Central, is away. No operators are located here, for the distant signals are first re-ceived by radio, automatically transferred to wire lines and received at Fre-the simultaneous from the time the sig-nals are transmitted abroad, picked up by the aerial, to the moment of actual tran-scribing by the receiving operators in New

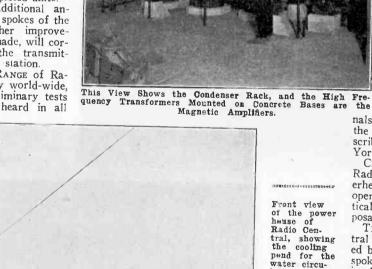
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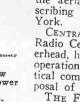
CENTRALIZED CONTROL, as accomplished at Radio Central and receiving station at Riv-erhead, has solved the problem of multiplex operation and has made possible this prac-tical communication service now at the dis-

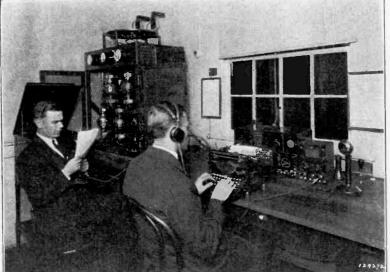
tical communication service now at the dis-posal of the American business man. THE FINAL INSTALLATION at Radio Cen-tral will comprise 12 antenna units support-ed by 72 towers, forming, so to speak, the spokes of a giant wheel nearly three miles in diameter. Ten high frequency alterna-tors will be employed, which in total will give a power output of 2,000 kilowatts or 2,700 horsepower. The electrical force thus brought into play at Radio Central permits the realization of the vision of communithe realization of the vision of communication engineers to transmit messages to all points of the world from a single centrally located source.

The call letters of the new station are WQK, and transmission is made on a wavelength of 16,400 meters. During the transmission of President

Harding's message on November 5, all the large stations of the world were listening in and received the message very QSA.







OR the past few months radio experimenters within a few hundred miles of New York hundred miles of New have been receiving nightly concerts, news reports, radio lectures and other special features from "WJZ," the radio telephone plant of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. at Newark, New Jersey. In fact, the radio waves from this new station have traveled to far greater distances, and letters expressing appreciation of the programs have been received from points as far away as Florida, Canada, Wisconsin, and six hundred miles out to sea. Never before has a radio telephone station sent out broadcast, on a regular schedule day after day, so complete and satisfactory a musical and bulletin service; as a result of this, literally thousands of new receivers are being put into operation every week, and a tremendous interest in radio telephony has been aroused.

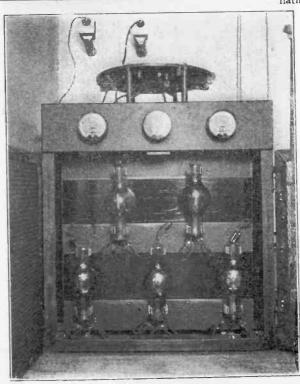
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The Newark station is located upon the roof of the Westinghouse factory building at Plane and Orange streets, near the Lackawanna Railroad station in Newark. The antenna and counterpoise are supported between a steel stack which extends 114 feet above the roof level and a special

60-foot mast mounted on top of the building about 150 feet from the stack. The aerial consists of four wires equally spaced on 20-foot spreaders; the counterpoise is iden-tical, but instead of swinging from the tops of the stack and the mast is mounted about 20 feet above the roof. Thus the effective separation of the two sections forming the radiating system is about 94 feet at one end and 40 feet at the other, giving a net ef-fective height of about 65 feet. Six-wire cage downleads run from both parts of the aerial to the radio station, which is in a special building on the roof, and are con-nected through double-throw grounding The natural wave-length of the switches. antenna-counterpoise structure is not far from 500 meters, so that for transmission on 360 meters (the normal operating wave-length for broadcasting) series condensers of 0.0005 microfarad are inserted in each These are clearly shown diconnection. rectly below the lead-in insulators in the illustration of the interior of the station

The radio telephone transmitter is shown

The photograph on the left shows the sending set installed in a special room of the Westinghouse building. The receiving set on the table is used to receive the news which is immediately broadcasted by phone; also, the Arlington time signals. Below is a view of the transmitting set entirely enclosed in a grounded cage.



This is the studio where the artists sing and play. It is installed on the first floor of the building and a remote control system, which may be seen on the wall, enables the operator to control the set from this room.



at the left of this same photograph. Two 250-watt three-electrode vacuum tubes are used as oscillators, and three somewhat similar but specially designed high-impedance tubes modulate the radio frequency currents generated by the other pair. The antenna, counterpoise, grid and plate leads are all connected in the splitcoil oscillation circuit to the flat spiral inductance illustrated on top of the radio set. This coil has 21 turns of $\frac{1}{32}$ " x $\frac{1}{2}$ " flat copper strip mounted on micarta spokes, and is grounded at the minimum potential point nearly midway between antenna and counterpoise.

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The oscillator and modulator tubes run on 2,000 volts direct current, which is produced by a single-commutator generator driven by a direct-connected 2-phase 60-cycle 5-h.p. motor. Special filter circuits are provided to suppress the commutator hum of this machine, with the result that outgoing speech and music is heard with very little extraneous noise from the dynamo. The filaments of the five large tubes are lighted by alter-

nating current at 10 volts, this being drawn from a divided-circuit transformer of small capacity; in this circuit again it has been found necessary to provide a grounded filter arrangement to eliminate the foreign noise of the 60 cycle alternating current used.

The three modulator tubes are connected on the plate-modulation plan, and are supplied with voice-frequency current from a speech amplifier containing two 50-watt three-element vacuum tubes. An ingenious arrangement compensates for the inherent distortion which is so often found when vacuum tube transmitters are operated at full power for radio telephony, and the clarity of the speech and music sent out from WJZ is limited only by the characteristics of the standard long-distance wire line microphones used to pick up the sound waves and transfer them in electrical form to the speech amplifier.

Since the antenna is normally operated at a wave-length (360 meters) on which it shows comparatively high radiation resistance, the usual antenna current is only 5.5 amperes. At a total antenna resistance of 16 ohms this represents an aerialcircuit power of nearly 500 watts, a large percentage of which is actually radiated.

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Radio on a New York Newspaper By ARTHUR H. LYNCH

NOM time to time we hear of various newspapers throughout the country using radio for one purpose or another, but if we watch the performance of the radio stations of

these papers for any little time, we find that most of them are abandoned, for one reason or another. Such stations are frequently given a great deal of publicity and photographs and long descriptions of what the station is to do and the changes it is to make in the newspaper field are given. After the first splurge, little is heard of the stations, and where it is possible to learn the fact it is greaterily found that the the facts, it is generally found that the installation of radio has been a great disappointment and a failure, even though some were merely installed for advertising purposes.

However, there are a few stations, in this country, which are run on a systematic basis, in conjunction with the varied and basis, in conjunction with the varied and complicated machinery of a modern news-paper. Distinctive among these stations is that controlled by the New York *Times*, which has been in continuous operation for a little more than two years. This station a little more than two years. This station is of interest to amateur and commercial operators alike, for it bears some of the distinguishing marks of both. We will con-sider some of this station's most important characteristics, some of which will be of interest to the man in the street who knows nothing of radio but /likes to know how newspapers get their news as rapidly as they do, while others will be of interest to every radio "fan."

TIME STATION WORKS UNDER DIFFICULTIES

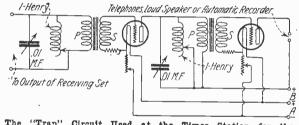
When the original installation was made, it was described in RADIO NEWS by the writer. The original station was in the tower of the Times Building, New York City, but this was so far from the editorial rooms of the paper, which are located two blocks from

the original station, that the station was shifted to the Times Annex, where the edi-torial staff and the presses are located. In making this change several difficulties were

corner of A corner of the receiving room at the "Times" radio station. On the right may be seen the automatic phonograph recorders for the recention recorders for the reception at high speed. On the tuner and on the extreme right may be seen the two cups won by Mr. Seutter in the code speed con-tests,



encountered, not the least of which is the fact that the antenna of the new station is in a part of the city which is practically surrounded by massive steel buildings. For



"Trap" Circuit Used at the Times Station for the Elimination of Statics and Interferences.

this reason a great deal of absorption and distortion of the electrical waves was noticed and this was found to be so bad that it has had to be combatted by a combination of special antenna and audio-frequency

amplifying circuits. Another very serious diffi-culty experienced by the sta-tion is its proximity to the station operated by a commercial radio company, which works between New York, Buffalo and Detroit. Forced by this sta-tion, and the interference which is caused by commercial vessels in New York, to re-sort to every form of inter-ference prevention, the "Times" station must necessarily be manned by operators of great skill. It not infrequently happens that reception from European stations must be carried on through static and the transmitting of a number of different stations, operating on almost the same wave length. This work calls for long re-ceiving experience and the utmost concentration.

STATION OF GREAT BENEFIT TO PAPER

The fact has been well es-tablished that trans-ocean re-ception is subject to varying intensity, in different sections of the country For instance, a receiving station, located in New York may have difficulty in receiving from POZ, Nauen,

Germany, while another receiving station, located in Maine may be able to make perfect copy, and vice versa. This is of great value to the newspaper editors, even though the paper's own station cannot copy

the paper's own station cannot copy the entire message. Let us suppose that the operator listening for "Times" dispatches, from some sta-tion in Europe is able to receive nothing more than the preamble of the message and that the head is then the message and that the body is then k n o w n to contain 200 words. Throughout the body of the message, it is generally possible for the op-erator to pick up a few words here and there, so as to let the editor

the and there, so as to let the editor know something of what the sub-ject matter is. The 200 words may be amplified, by men familiar with the mat-ter to which the message refers, to a half column or more. It is then possible for the editor to figure on the space he will allow for the item and hold the space open for the "story" to be written, after the message has been delivered to the paper through the regular channels. through the regular channels. The story is not written until the mes-

sage has been received, but the necessary space for it is reserved. If the message does not reach the newspaper office before it is the the newspaper office before it is time to go to press, it is then only necessary for the editor to authorize the publication of some other matter which will occupy the reserved space. In this way the paper is able to be certain of givwhy the paper is able to be certain of giv-ing its readers the pick of the news, upon which it has a double check, without going to a great deal of trouble in rearranging the edition, when an important message arrives at the last moment.

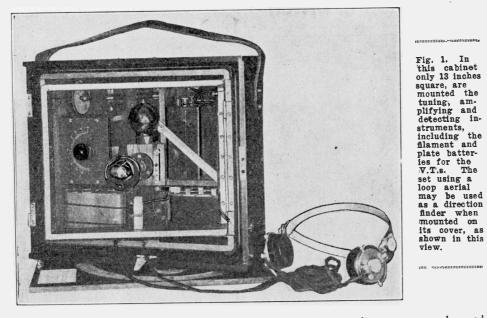
Of course this does not take into consid-eration the fact that a great many of the press messages sent from European stapress messages sent from European sta-tions to the paper are picked up directly by the paper's own station and find their way into print and on the newsstands, before delivery is made through the regular chan-nels. This form of receiving is the most important work a newspaper station has to

important work a newspaper station has to do, for it gives them a jump on the pa-pers which have to rely upon the regular sources of supply for their news. In addition to the value of radio, in keeping ahead of the news from the other side of the sea, a radio station offers an opportunity to be a jump ahead of its com-petitors in the matter of local news, espe-(Continued on page 526)



Four Operators of the Station: Messrs. Wm. (R. J. Iverson, B. G. Seutter and F. E. Meinholtz. The Wm. Collins.

A Complete Portable Receiver



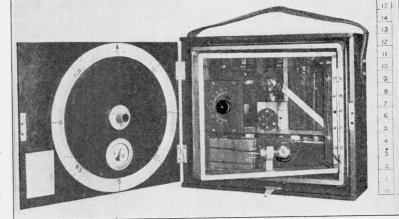
HANKS to radio frequency amplification, it has become possible to reduce greatly the size of the antennae and loop aerials which are used in direction-finding work and tlantic reception. The regenerative Transatlantic reception. The regenerative effect discovered by Major Armstrong, when combined with this method of amplification, further increases the sensibility of the receiving system.

the receiving system. We recently saw, in England, the com-plete receiver shown in the two photograph-illustrating this article. As may be seen in Fig. 1, the receiving and amplifying in-struments, as well as the necessary batteries for the charger and plate of the two variant for the filament and plate of the two vacuum tubes, are contained within the cabinet, in which are also mounted, two small loop aerials, one of them being connected in the plate circuit of a tube and acting as a reaction inductance.

The inner loop, wound on a wooden frame, is hinged to the larger one, so that the coupling between the two may be varied to adjust the regenerative effect in the circuit. A various condenser is connected across the main inductance and calibrated so that it is possible to know the wave length tuned in. Another feature of this unique portable received is that it may be used as a direction finder. The cover of the cabinet on which is painted a dial with the indication of the compass, and which is fitted with a small compass, may be used as a base upon which the cabinet containing the complete receiving instrument can pivot, allowing the operator to ascertain the direction from which the signals are coming.

This small, compact radio compass set, will prove very valuable to the operator aboard ship who cannot erect a loop an-tenna for direction-finding work, and to the amateur who wishes to carry with him a sensitive receiver for time signals, weather

Fig. 2. This photo-graph shows the set ready for transpor-tation, the base being removable and used as the cover of the cabinet. Note the two loop aerials; the inner one acts as plate inductance to obtain a re-generative effect. effect.



A New Tuner and Amplifier

• O short wave regenerative tuner is betteer than the inductances compris-ing it. The vario-couplers and varioing it. meters used in this instrument are specially designed to eliminate distributive capacity and excessive solid dielectric. With the latter factors minimized, the tuner transfers to



This Detector and Two-Stage Amplifier is Fitted With a Potentiometer and Other Interesting Features.

the detector maximum energy from each antenna impulse.

A Vernier control consisting of Vernier variometers constitutes a great improvement over mechanical devices a great improvement over mechanical devices or small variable condensers for obtaining precise tuning. The two Verniers in the grid and plate cir-cuits eliminate undesirable capacity and provide a very delicate adjustment, espe-cially valuable for tuning C. W. or tele-phone. The range of each Vernier is approximately equivalent to two divisions on either variometer dial.

The inductances are mounted between the front and rear panels, which are rigidly connected by an aluminum frame. With all binding posts mounted on the rear panel, the assembly functions entirely independent of the four sided mahogany cabinet, which serves merely as a case. The front panel measures 15 by 15 inches and is secured to the cabinet by nine thumb nuts;

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Normal wave-length range of this regen-erative tuner used with an average 60 foot antenna is 170 to 360 meters. Within this range the tuner operates at peak efficiency. Two pairs of binding posts in the antenna and grid circuits make provision for the reception of longer wavelengths. Where the tuner is used with a long antenna the pri-mary circuit wave-length may be reduced by (Continued on page 530)

reports, radiophone transmission, etc. With a pair of good telephone receivers, such as the Brown, having an adjustable diaphragm, this little set, 13 in. square, gives wonderful results, and may be used in conjunction with some other form of amplifiers, if in a station or other place where additional apparatus may be obtained.

The arrangement of the different parts is clearly shown in Fig. 1. On the left is the tuning condenser with, just above, the radio frequency transformer. In the center may be seen the two vacuum tubes, one of which is used as a detector, and on the right the storage battery, supplying the filament current. In the compartment below are the two high tension batteris and the telephone transformer. On the edge of the base of the cabinet and in the center, is the pointer showing the direction the signals are coming from.

In Fig. 2, the cover is shown mounted on the hinges. When it is desired to close the cabinet for transportation, and in order to save space the vacuum tube mounted in the center is removed from its socket and held by a clip fixed on the smaller loop, as shown.

The main advantage of this receiver is its simplicity of operation. The tuning is accomplished by means of a single variable condenser controlling the wave length of the circuit, and the regenerative effect adjusted by varying the coupling of the inside loop, which is connected in the circuit of the detector tube. There is no rheostat and the filament control consists merely of a small switch which is "on" or "off," fixed filament resistances being used.

Radio in Department Stores By VICTOR RAWLINGS

N the roof of a downtown department store in Los Angeles, California, is located one of the most up-to-date and modern radio stations found in the west. The station is a 5-watt installation, the cur-rent going into the antenna when the station is in operation is 1.6 amperes, with 500 volts applied on the plates of the 5-watt tube. The station has a sending day range of 100 miles and a night range of twice that distance. Its official call letters are 6XAK.

With the installation of this equipment on the roof of Hamburger's department store, commerce and science joined hands and met on a common ground. The station will be used for experimental purposes, and in its use the firm aims to aid in the popularizing of radio work in the southwest, and at the same time to carry on considerable worth-while publicity for the firm as well.

As yet only telephone equipment is in use, but telegraphy will be added later.

Every afternoon, from four to five the store gives a free radio concert to all sta-tions in Southern California who desire to tune to the Hamburger wave-length (310 meters) and listen in. These concerts are becoming more and more popular, and it is estimated that several thousand stations daily enjoy them by wireless. Classes in radio operation, code work,

theory of wireless, and so forth are being planned by the store, and since the first of November, 300 boys have been taking at least one lesson a week in the Hamburger

Call "9 B A" for

THE GLOBE, TORONTO, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1921

Anything You Want for Your Wireless Apparatus

Or, Better Still, Come in and Look Over the New Section Just Opened Up on the Sixth Flow of the Hawe Furnishings Building, Where There Has Been Installed a Complete Stock of

Radio Supplies for Ámateurs and Éxperimenters ng Specially Mignon Receiving Sets of Various Types and a Large Range of De Forest Equip

The Radio Section is in charge of a license operator who had wide and thrilling experience in merchant marine wireless during the war, and has since held the post of radio instructor in various schools. He is at your service for the supplying of information and for helping you with any problems relating to this very vital and fascinating development of telegraphy and telephony.

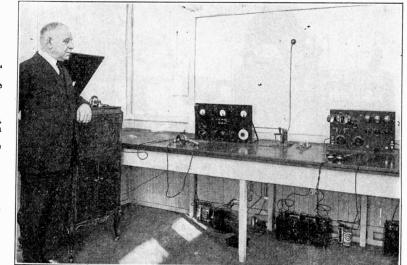
Listen for Eaton Concerts by Wireless, 4 to 4.30 p.m. daily, and 12 to 1 Saturday If you want to order radio supplies by wireless yos may do so at any time from 4.20 to 5 p.m. daily. The call signal is "9 R A"--wave lengths of 300 metres. Answered on combineous wave.

This Up-to-date Advertisement Was Published in a Canadian Paper Recently.

MOVEMENT has been started recently to popularize radio so that everybody may have a radio receiver in their homes as they have today a phon-ograph or a camera. This movement can only be efficient if the public can find some only be efficient if the public can find some form of apparatus, simple to operate, and which will bring in radiophone, news, mu-sic and time signals, as well as weather reports and other informations. At the present time, very few of these sets may be found and those of the simple type still look complicated to the man who knows look complicated to the man who knows nothing about radio. Besides, to sell some radio sets to the public, it is necessary to place the sets in other show windows than

those of the radio shops. Some manufacturer got wise to this idea and a complete receiving outfit may be seen in several places where one does not expect to see radio apparatus. We . recently

This complete This complete radiophone station was recently in-stalled in a large store in California. It is used to broadcast much cald music and news, and for advertising purposes.



station. A class room with a capacity of 40 boys is being fitted up, and it is planned to hold from eight to ten classes a week.

The day classes open, all boys who have registered will attend a Hamburger's "at home" on the roof, a special program for this day being worked out. Moving pictures of the event will be taken, these pictures to be later released by one of the moving pic-

ture weekly services. Colonel Hersey, head of the Los Angeles Weather Bureau, and during the war in charge of the Balloon school at Fort Omaha, will lecture to the boys on the need of wireless at war times. The boys will then be marched through the wireless rooms, given time to inspect the installation, and then assigned to class days.

So rapidly did the fame of the Hamburger wireless spread, that when the Scotti Grand Opera Co. was in Los Angeles, in October, four famous opera singers sought out the man-agement of the store, and ar-ranged to sing into the wire-less transmitter. Arrangements for this event had been made some time in advance and considerable publicity given it, with the result that thousands were listening in on in-

struments all over Southern California. Several ships at sea staged afternoon concerts and entertained their passengers with real grand opera coming from the store roof. The singers who participated in the concert that afternoon doubtless sang to the largest audience any singer ever had the

privilege of appearing before. Results of the world series, play by play, were broadcasted each day the players were waging their strife at the Polo Grounds, and many a station located in the moun-tains and deserts of California had news of the plays long before Baseball Fans on Manhattan Island.

The store operates the station as one of its services, no charge being made for the lessons to boys, or for any of the other features being handled out of the station.

Close co-operation has been established between the radio station on Hamburger's roof and the various physics classes of Southern California High Schools, and a number of professors who are teaching in the High Schools are coming to the store in order that they may view the operations of a radiophone station. At this time the store classes will deal with the fundamen-tals of radio, only, later, however, it is planned to put in a large commercial installation and then instruction will be given in advanced theory, and boys will be given work that will enable them to take the ex-amination for a commercial operator's license.

Radio for All

saw, in a department store, a complete outfit with necessary instructions for its op-eration so that even a boy may install this set in his house and receive all the inter-



This Complete Little Radio Outfit Will Help to Popularize Radio, for it is Simple to Operate and Can Tune Up to 2,600 Meters. Popularize

esting messages, and music which are constantly in the air. A little Radio manual explaining the principles of Radio commuexplaining the principles of Radio commu-nication is also furnished, so that the user may understand the functioning of the set and what "happens inside." The outfit is comprised of a single circuit tuner with which wave-lengths up to 2,500 meters can be tuned, so that with a sufficient length of wire, used as an aerial, time signals can be received. be received. The telephone receiver is a standard 1,000-

ohm unit and the set throughout looks to be

of very good construction. Undoubtedly, this outfit will help greatly to popularize radio, for, being of a reason-able price, it is the thing which will awaken the interest of uppy and a set of the the interest of many, and go into several homes, bringing in music and the latest news, showing to the average man that radio is not, after all, such a mystery.

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A Two K. W. Vacuum Tube Set for Panama

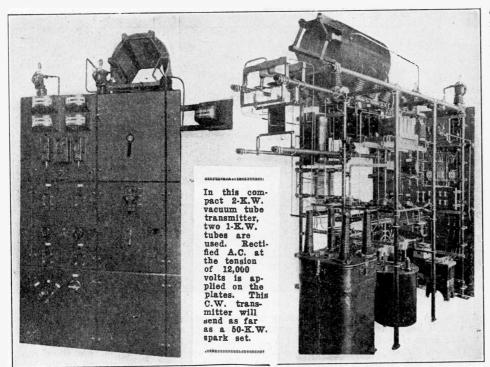


Photo by courtesy of the Radio Corporation of America.

TWO K.W. radio tube transmitter, now installed and in operation at Almirante, Panama, has recently been completed. Not only is this transmitter unusually powerful for a tube transmitter, but it was designed and built in record time, being finished, tested and ready for shipment three months after the receipt of the order. The set consists essentially of equipment

designed to supply direct current at 12,000

volts for the plate supply of the Radiotron tubes, and for converting this power into radio frequency. Power is supplied to the transmitter at 440 volts, single phase, 60 cycles, and stepped up to high voltage by means of a transformer, the output of which is fed into the rectifying system.

The rectifying system. 2-K.W. Kenetron tubes which supply 12,500 bolts D.C. to the plate circuits of the Ra-diotron generators. The ripple in the output

of the rectifying system is smoothed out by means of a suitable filter system. The radio frequency power is generated by a system consisting of two I-K.W. Radiotrons with the necessary grid and plate coils, together with an antenna loading coil. Provision is made for controlling the power by a power change switch which alters the voltage on the primary of the plate transformer. The filaments of all tubes, Kenetrons and Radiotrons are operated on A.C. through trans-formers which step the supply voltage down to the operating voltages of the filaments.

The set is equipped with a wave changing switch, which by a single operation, changes the transmitted wave to any one of three the transmitted wave to any one of three lengths—600, 1,000 and 3,000 meters. The switch automatically selects predetermined points on the loading, plate and grid coils. Provision is also made for transmitting on interrupted continuous (I.C.W.) as well as on continuous waves (C.W.). This is ac-complished by means of a motor-driven in-terrupter in the grid circuit of the Radio-tron tubes, which starts and stops oscilla-tions in the antenna at audio frequency, approximately 1000 interruptions per secapproximately 1,000 interruptions per second.

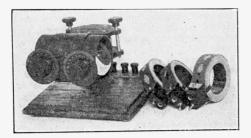
The rating of the transmitter is based on the power input of the antenna circuit, instead of on the output of the power equipment, as is usual with spark transmitters. The rating of the tube transmitter is the product of the antenna resistance, times the antenna current squared, equalling two kilowatts. While it cannot be predicted exactly what the range of this set will be, it is ex-pected that it will equal, if not exceed, the range of a 50-K.W. spark transmitter. As an example of its initial effectiveness, the set is now carrying on reliable and most satisfactory communication from Almirante, Panama, to New Orleans, La., not only at night, but during the daylight period as

A New Departure In Short Wave Reception By H. L. ARTHUR

H multi-layer coils, in an effort to receive satisfactory signals on short waves, there is still hope. For the fellow who has long been compelled to confine his activities to long waves because he has felt a short wave receiver of modern vintage a little beyond the limits of his purse, there is even more hope

Herbert B. Pearson, formerly Radio Sergeant, 302nd Field Signal Battalion, 77th Division and ex-Ensign Walter J. Roche, have developed a new receiving device which may be instantly inserted in any honeycomb coil mounting, for the reception of short waves.

This device is quite out of the ordinary in a number of very important respects. As may be seen from the illustration, there is a bracket in the rear of the unit which serves the dual purpose of holding it in



This View Shows Clearly How the New Short-Wave Regenerative Tuner is Substituted for the Coils on a Three Coil Mounting.

OR the amateur who has struggled with place and connecting the various circuits without necessitating the change of a single wire of the long-wave receiver. This entire device, which comprises three separate windings, is very compact, as may be seen by comparing it to the size of the set in which it is shown.

HOW THE UNIT IS MADE

In this little unit, which can not very well be classified as a receiving set or a tuner, we find that common sense has been the basis of its design, throughout. There are two windings which are identical, each wound on a ball, similar to those who find in common use as rotors for variometers and vario-couplers. These balls are mounted on metal shafts and are rotated by means of the dial-knobs on the front of the unit. The third winding is made around the longer of two composition tubes, spaced in such a manner as to have half of the wind-ing within the field of one rotor and half within the field of the other. This winding is covered with a second composition tube for protection.

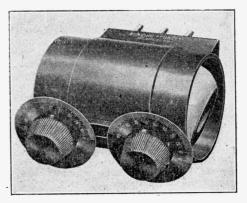
The dials are made of metal and the knobs are of molded bakelite, as are the brackets which may be seen in the front and rear of the unit.

THE CIRCUIT

Inasmuch as this unit has been developed for use with a honeycomb coil mounting, it is well to consider its circuits in conjunction with those which are generally in use for this form of long wave reception. The circuit is more or less standard and we will

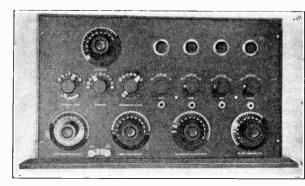
adhere to it, defining the difference between its connections and those which are found when the new unit is being used. The rotary coil at the left of the unit takes the place of the coil which is used for the primary; the stationary coil takes the place of what was considered the secondary in the honeycomb coil arrangement and the righthand rotor replaces the tickler coil in the plate circuit. That is about all there is to it and it takes much less time to make the change than it does to tell about it. IN OPERATION

When we desire to use this device for re-(Continued on page 526)



This Compact Unit Which May be Used In-stead of Honeycomb Coils for Short-Wave Re-ception Comprises Three Circuits and Allows Sharper Tuning.

A Highly Efficient Receiver for 180 to 3000 Meter Wave Lengths **By CHARLES M. SREBROFF**



REGENERATIVE receiver that has a wave-length range of 180 to 3,000 meters will be described in this article. This set will function efficiently on all the lower wave-

lengths without any losses in dead ends. The author's idea is to bring before the amateurs, several new features. These may be incorporated in various types of receivers, or else the reader may construct the one described.

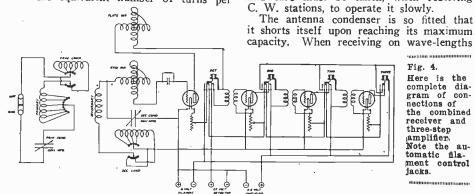
The wiring diagram in Fig. 4 shows that this outfit comprises the well-known regenerative receiver, that is, the grid and plate circuits are tuned by means of variometers. There also can be seen the primary and secondary loading coils with the dead end switch arrangement. The schematic wiring connections of this switch will tend to immediately show how it operates. In the construction of this dead end arrangement, the builder must possess a lathe, and must follow out the constructional ideas shown in Fig. 1; this is necessary, but the same dead-end eliminating effect can be secured by using two switches,' see

Fig. 2. Of course, the arrangement in Fig. 1 is neater and more flexible in operation. When receiving on 200 meters, the loading coils must be completely cut out of the circuit, or else the losses will greatly depreciate the efficiency. Fig. 1 shows sufficient de-tails for its construction.

The loading coils used in this set are the bank wound type, and the primary and secondary coils are iden-tical in all respects. Both have four banks of No. 22 D.C.C. wire wound 32 turns per inch on a cylindrical block of wood $3\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter. The total winding space covers 2 inches.

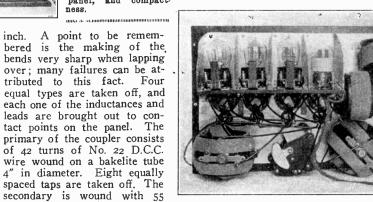
Wood is used for the winding form for three reasons: It can be easily obtained; it can be readily worked on a lathe; and

threads are very easily cut. To succeed in bank winding, either a thread must be chased on the form to be wound, or else a string can be wound on with the equivalent number of turns per



This complete and efficient receiver is well adapted for all-round work. It tunes all wave-lengths from all wave-lengths from 180 to 3,000 meters and gives powerful am-plification, thanks to the three-step ampli-fier incorporated in the set. On the left may be seen the complete apparatus and on the right, the back and top views of the in-side. Note the shielded panel, and compact-ness. ness.

inch.



turns of No. 26 wire on a tube $2\frac{1}{2}$ diameter. The primary is placed at 45° to the secondary as can be seen in the rear view of panel.

There are several well constructed variometers now available to the amateurs. It is better to purchase the variometers than to try to construct them; the moulded type now

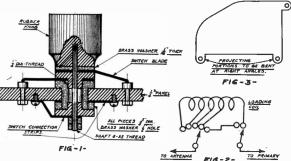


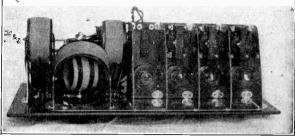
Fig. 1 Shows the Constructional Details of the Loading Coil Switch, While Fig. 3 Shows the Shape of the Metallic Flanges Mounted Between Each Step of Amplification.

on the market constitute a neat unit for any receiver.

The primary condenser has a capacity of .0011 mfd. and the secondary condenser .0011 mfd., although capacity of .0005 mfd. would not be so critical to operate. This secondary condenser tunes extremely sharp, and care must be taken, when receiving C. W. stations, to operate it slowly.

it shorts itself upon reaching its maximum When receiving on wave-lengths

> Fig. 4. Here is the complete dia-gram of con-nections of nections of the combined receiver and three-step amplifier. Note the au-Note the au-tomatic fila-ment control jacks.



over 1,500 meters this condenser must be

This device is extremely simple shorted. and can be plainly seen in the rear view of the set.

Filament control telephone jacks are used in this design, by means of which the flexibility of the set is increased.

The grid condenser may be seen in the detector tube compartment. It has a capacity of approximately .0005 mfd. After the set has been put in operation and a signal is tuned in, the grid leak is made. Between the two terminals of the grid condenser, lines of india ink are drawn until the incoming signal shows loudest audibilitv. Howling is often overcome by careful adjustment of the leak.

Shielding the set and the various tubes and radio frequency transformers, helps greatly to minimize howling and capacity effects caused by the operator's hand. Aluminum has a neat appearance and keeps its rigidness and No. 22 B. & S. gauge will be found suitable for this purpose. The various tubes may be shielded

from each other by cutting pieces of aluminum, as shown in Fig. 3. When com-pletely cut and drilled, the projecting portions are bent at right-angles, serving as means for fastening them, and at the same time can also be used to support the shelf holding the tubes and transformers.

The best way to proceed when building a set of this size is to first obtain all the various individual units. A full sized drawing is then made of the front panel and the different pieces are moved about on paper until a suitable position has been arrived at. By proceeding this way, all mistakes in assemblying can be eliminated. The drawing is then completed, showing all the holes that are required in their relative positions. It are required in their relative positions. It is then placed on the panel and used as a drilling templet. The panel and aluminum shield are drilled together and clamped at the same time; by so doing the holes in each piece will coincide. Next, the shield holes are either reamed or drilled out larger so as to allow the different shafts to pass (Continued on page 522)

Must We Abandon Dots and Dashes?

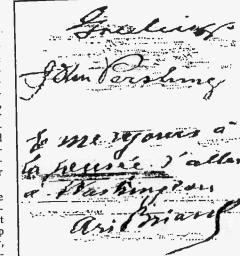
A Less Sensational But More Practical Phase of the Belin System of Image Transmission That May Revise Radio

By AUSTIN C. LESCARBOURA

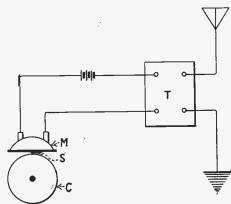
traffic with the present dot and dash system; it means the handling of Chinese messages, which, hitherto, have presented a grave problem, for this language cannot be handled over the telegraph code with any degree of success because it makes use of so many signs, each one of which represents a thought. Hitherto, Chinese has generally been transmitted over wires by being first translated into some other language, and then translated back into Chinese, with considerable errors, as might well be expected.

First of all, why not a brief description of the Belin system? This system is one that makes possible the transmission of images, such as photographs, paintings, drawings, manuscripts, typed matter, handwriting, typewritten matter, maps, charts, shorthand notes, and so on. The transmission and reception may be adjusted to handle either half-tone subjects, in which all gradations of black and white photography, from solid black to gray and then to white, are to be reproduced at the distant receiving station, or so-called line subjects, in which just black and white, without gradations of any kind, are to be handled. The line subjects, with which we are more particularly interested in this discussion, are the simplest to handle by radio.

The way in which M. Belin accomplishes his end is quite simple, and was described at length over a year ago on the occasion of his first experiments in this country, when he demonstrated the practicability of his system by transmitting photographs over telegraph wires between St. Louis and New York. In the transmission of half-tone subjects, the first step is the preparing of the transmitting record. The subject to be transmitted is photographed or printed on to a sheet of special photographic paper, which in turn is wrapped about a brass cylinder or mandrel which has been so treated that the image from the paper will be trans-ferred on to its face. The brass cylinder is then treated until the image is reproduced in relief; that is to say, some parts are more raised than others, so that the image appears as an engraving or even a shallow



Two Samples of Writing Sent by Radio with the Belin Apparatus. Note the Numerous Dots and Lines Produced by Atmospherics. If Received in Code These Message Would Have Been Unreadable, While They are Quite Plain with the Belin Apparatus.



Schematic Presentation of the Transmission Apparatus Employed in Image Transmission.

C, Cylinder with image in relief, on which rests the stylus S which is directly connected to the diaphragm of the microphone M. The modulated current is impressed on the continuous wave transmitter by means of a suitable modulator arrangement, which in turn sends out the radio waves.

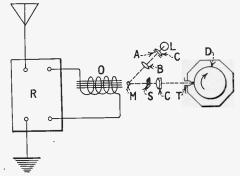
sculpture, so far as the effect is concerned. So much for the record.

The next step is to place this record in the transmitter, which resembles nothing so much as a phonograph of the old-style cylinder design. As the record is revolved, there travels along its face a fine point or stylus, which is fastened to a carbon microphone. Obviously, as the point or stylus rises and falls over the uneven surface of the cylinder, it varies the resistance of the current flowing through the microphone. Thus we obtain a modulated current, which is the basis of the transmitting end.

Now then, this modulated current can be sent over wires, in the case of wire or cable work, or by radio. At the receiving end this modulated current is picked up and passed through a Blondel oscillograph—a highly sensitive electrical instrument which has two thin vertical silver wires placed at right angles to the poles of a very powerful electromagnet. The wires are the carriers of a tiny mirror, and are placed in a tube containing oil, the action of said oil being to dampen the movement of the wires and the tiny mirror. As more or less current flows through the wires, they cause the mirror to deflect more or less from its normal plane.

Little more remains to be explained. A beam of light from a powerful illuminant is thrown on the tiny mirror. The mirror, in turn, reflects the light on to a graduated screen—that is, a screen that is opaque or impenetrable to light at one end, and absolutely transparent at the other, the section between being carefully graduated so as to have many values of transparency. Behind this graduated screen is a condenser, which causes the light rays passing through any part of the screen to be directed toward a narrow slot further on. Behind this slot is a sheet of photographic film or paper, placed on a cylinder or mandrel and in a light-proof container. The cylinder turns all the while, in absolute synchronism with the transmitting cylinder, the synchronism of synchronizing signals that are quite automatic. Obviously, as the transmitter stylus comes to a high spot representing a black section of the photograph, it transmits a strong current, which at the transmitting

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Schematic Presentation of the Reception Apparatus Employed in the Belin System of 1mage Transmission.

L-Special arc lamp for supplying beam of light which passes through lens C, aperture A, lens B, and falls on tiny mirror M, which is mounted on a pair of silver wires of the Blondel oscillograph. The wires of the oscillograph are warped by the varying strength of current coming to them from the radio receiving set. The mirror, in turn, is deflected, and consequently throws its reflected beam to one side or the other of the graduated screen S. The light rays passing through the screen S and directed by the lens C to the aperture tube T and fall on the sensitized surface of the cylinder D, contained in a light-proof case. O, Oscillograph. R, Radio receiving sets and amplier.

A FTER all, the dot and dash language of radio intercourse is crude. It is slow and awkward beside shorthand; it is not altogether accurate compared with longhand, es-

where the operator must strain his ears to catch the attenuated waves amid the roar of static and other parasitic disturbances, but we have always used the dot and dash language in radio and have never questioned its practicability, because nothing better had suggested itself.

Now, however, thanks to the most ingenious system devised by M. Edouard Belin, of Paris, France, it becomes quite feasible transmit photographs and images of all kinds by land wire and by radio, producing at the receiving end a faith-ful replica with all the wealth of detail of the original. At first blush this to system gives rise to a wealth of possibilities, such as the transmission of photographs from the United States to the capitals of Europe within an hour or two after they have been taken. And true enough, the Belin system can be applied to such pur-poses, although it is still somewhat premature to count on the transmission of photographs by radio over such long distances, for reasons that will be explained further along, but in the main, the major applica-tion of the Belin system today is toward the end of substituting facsimile transmission in place of the usual dot and dash language in the handling of radio traffic over short or long distances.

The importance of such a radical change in handing radio traffic cannot be appreciated without giving considerable thought to the subject. It means the speeding up of traffic; it means remarkable accuracy, for we are transmitting the actual facsimile matter and not a mere substitution of dots and dashes that must be translated back into the words of the original; it means the handling of traffic both positively and accurately even when static conditions are such as to preclude the handling of radio

Choke Coil Amplifiers By J. P. JESSUP

HE statement has been made to me that "what couldn't be heard on a detector, wouldn't be heard on a two-step." After listening to that per-son's two-step, I understood why. His two-step is made up of inefficient am-

plifying transformers, and although well built, gives poor results. It has very poor amplification, compared to a "choke coil" two-step. This same person has a wonder-ful cabinet with a three-step included. That three-step works almost as good as a choke coil two-step. My "choke coil" three-step works 500 per cent, better than his three-step of amplifying transformers. Where he had fairly loud signals, I would have been unable to bear the phones on my ears. Choke coils have been proven superior to amplifying transformers, time after time. This choke coil idea is by no means new.

This choke con idea is by no means new. Chokes were used in 1917, or possibly 1916, but never very successfully. During the war, the Army took hold of them and ex-perimented with them, and got very good re-sults. An ex-Army man, 2ACQ, brought the idea back with him to Ridgewood, N. J. He and 2AGF experimented and improved on the hook-ups. In a short time, many amateurs in town built choke coil amplifiers and very successful ones, too. I built a twostep and used it very successfully all winter. Meanwhile, 2AGF had built a four-step of chokes. The intensity of his signals was terrific. When the Carpentier-Demsey fight came, I put a three-step together. I wish the chap whom I mentioned before could have heard the tremendous amplification that I had, compared to his. Later I built a

character is a compared to his. Later I b choke coil three-step in panel form on a panel 7" x II". It certainly was compact. Just before I left, on my vacation, I finished a panel type four-step, of Myers tubes. The panel measured 7" x 18". I used it only two nights, but I nearly fractured both ear drums from the terrific circula: ear drums from the terrific signals; 2AGF also finished a five-step, and you can hardly stay in the same room with it.

In the matter of cost, chokes are by far the cheapest. An amplifying transformer "two-step" costs about

far the cheapest. An amplifying transformer "two-step" costs about \$18 without tubes, when home made. A choke coil two-step costs \$10 at the most without tubes and will give louder signals. My four-step cost me \$21 without tubes and \$35 with Myers tubes. You could not build an amplifying trans-former amplifier up to four stages for less than \$40 or \$50 without tubes. or \$65 with tubes, a net saving of about \$30 at least. The choke coil amplifier would give amplifi-cation many times better than the other. My one-step cost \$3.50, without the tube. You cannot beat chokes for cheapness or efficiency. An audion company has built a efficiency. An audion company has built a choke coil and plans to furnish amplifiers up to four steps. Mr. Myers showed me a six-

Owing to the tighter coup-ling of the circuits, circuits, greater amplification is obtained with this type of am-plifier provid-ed the coup-ling capaci-ties are of the correct value. This value. This diagram shows a d tector and de three-step choke coil, amplifier with auto-matic fila-ment control jacks.

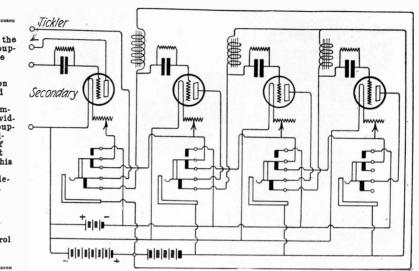
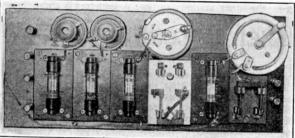


FIG.2

step, fitted up with chokes; it was the most compact and efficient set I ever saw. The accompanying sketches show the cir-

cuits of choke coil amplifiers with a differ-ent system of control to vary the number of stages of amplification used. Fig. 1 is the hook-up for a detector and three-step amplifier in which SPDT switches are used to take any desired number of steps of am-plification; this method of control is the simplest

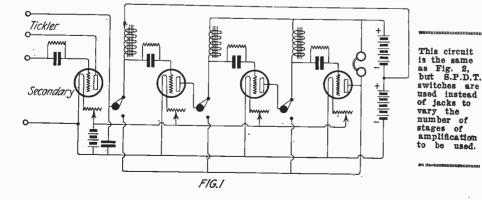
Another system consists of using auto-



Mr. Jessup's Experimental Amplifier. Using Myers V.T.'s.

matic filament control jacks with a plug attached to the telephone cord so that the filament circuit of the unused tubes is automatically cut out when plugging the phones

matically cut out when plugging the phones at any stage. A common "B" battery is used. This had better be variable, as different sized chokes require different plate voltages on different tubes. Flashlight batteries are best. The chokes are secondaries of spark coils, with a good iron core inside. The unused pri-mary may be removed or left in, just as you please. If removed, fill in space with core



wire. My chokes still have the unused primary inside and work very well. Ford coils make excellent chokes. Larger coils also work very well.

The grid condensers are very important. In my own set I merely take whatever condensers I have on hand and shift them around until I get the best results. I used a Murdock phone condenser on grid of the first step, and a larger phone condenser on grid of the second step. Each tube seems to require different condensers. Here are

capacities that 2AGF uses for Moorehead tubes: Det -- 0005 mfd

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I step— .005	mfd.	
2 step— .05	mfd.	
3 step— .5	mfd.	
4 step-4.	mfd.	
Here are capacities f	or Myers tubes.	
as advised by Mr. My	/ers:	
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		····	.00009	mra.
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	3	step-	.25	mfd.

4 step--2. mfd

5 step-4. mfd.

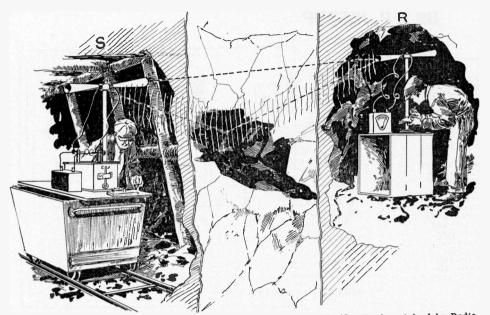
However, on my Myers four-step, I find that a 4-mfd. condenser works very well on the fourth step. The closer you come to those capacities, the better results you will get.

In hooking up a set of this kind, do not be discouraged if it does not work the first time. Try different condensers or rearrange the chokes. Always be sure the condensers the chokes. Always be sure the condensers and chokes are in working condition. Try different plate voltages. No matter what amplifier you are trying out, be sure the "A" and "B" batteries are in good condi-tion. No good work can be done with the best of amplifiers unless the "A" and "B" batteries are fully charged. If all the joints are soldered, you will get the best results. are soldered, you will get the best results. The grid circuits should be short and the chokes should be at right angles to each other. Moorehead and Myers tubes will work O.K. with chokes. Western Electric tubes are also O.K.

I have built seven amplifiers so far and they have all worked very well. About a year ago, I had an amplifying transformer in a one-step. I heard of the choke coil stunt and I merely shifted the primary leads stunt and 1 merely shifted the primary leads over on to the secondary and used the sec-ondary as a choke. It worked better than before. It is possible to use separate "B" batteries with chokes, but you seem to sacrifice some signal strength by so doing.

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Locating Ores By Radio



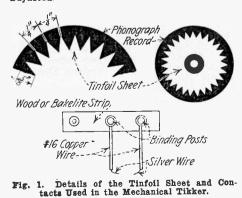
This Drawing Clearly Shows How the Position of an Ore or Coal Vein May Be Ascertained by Radio, The Phenomenon of Refraction of Electromagnetic Waves is Used in This Systm.

R ECENT systems using the refraction properties of electromagnetic waves have been developed in Europe for locating ore, coal or water bodies. This work was conducted with a view to ascertaining the position of the veins in the ground so that the boring could be effectuated in the proper places, saving a great deal of labor, expense and time.

One of the simplest methods uses two stations in line with each other as shown in the illustration, which are so arranged

T HE best system of reception of continuous waves consists in using the autodyne or heterodyne method, the former consisting in using a vacuum tube detector, which is made to oscillate to produce oscillations at such a frequency that they interfere with the incoming oscillations producing beats of audible frequency. The heterodyne method is, in fact, the same, except that an ordinary receiving circuit is used in conjunction with a separate oscillator.

This necessitates, of course, the use of vacuum tubes and is not always within the reach of the amateur still using a crystal detector, on account of the impossibility to charge the batteries, or for some other reason. The purpose of this article is to describe a method of reception of continuous waves with the tikker system, which, although not as flexible as a V.T. oscillator, may give fairly good results when properly adjusted.



that the waves will be reciprocally received, only coming in the direction of the arrows. If the waves can develop unhindered, which is the case in the mines when they go through a non-conducting block, then the sending station does not affect the other one. If the waves in any way confined in the interior of the earth, in a conducting place, which may be a vein of ore or a course of water or the moist stone, the waves then are refracted exactly as a ray of light is refracted by a prism, and thereby affects the other stations so that it registers a cur-

rent. The method has been so highly developed by its inventor in practical work for many years that today it is employed in very many ways: For example, in potash lines for determining if the country rocked between two shafts is free from water and from potash solution so that it can be safely penetrated; if the mining laws require a convincing proof to be shown for every operation, it is an absolute necessity; as they have to often go through wide stretches of en-tirely unknown rock, such an examination from the places on each side of the rock is of the greatest importance. Also, in the interior of potash mines, the method is used for seeking small distorted strata, for there are often old borings brought down by the weight of the earth above them, into which fresh water can penetrate. To get at which fresh water can penetrate. To get at such openings, which may bring water into the work, one has to leave a plentiful supply of heavy pillars standing, if he does not wish to put the whole place in danger. The wish to put the whole place in danger. The lay of the disturbing element is often only imperfectly known, because its direction, especially when the boring has been done **a** long time before, often differs greatly from the perpendicular. Therefore it is of the greatest importance that the behavior of the radio waves makes it possible to exactly as-certain their lay and behavior in under-ground stations without having to go near them. them.

Speaking in an impressive way, one can seek for a mass of non-conducting rock, for a straight scalloped mass of metallic mineral, if at some properly separated stations borings are sunk, into which the sending and receiving radio systems are suspended. By using proper combinations of pairs of holes, a map giving the distribution of the veins of ore can be outlined.

Tikker Reception of C.W.

The purpose of the tikker is to cut the continuous waves received in the antenna into trains, so that these wave trains may act upon the detector as those produced by a spark set would do, with the difference that the tone may be changed by adjusting the frequency of the make and break of the tikker. The tikker in this case acts as a chopper, the only difference being that it is installed in the receiving station, instead of the sending one.

While receiving spark signals, each wave train, which is damped and rectified by the detector, causes the diaphragm of the telephone to be attracteed at the same frequency as that of the wave trains, producing each time it comes back to ts normal postion, a sound which may be heard by the human ear. When receiving continuous waves, the diaphragm of the telephone remains attracted permanently during all the time the signal is being sent, producing only a small click at the beginning and the end of each signal, if they are sufficiently strong.

strong. It is, therefore, necessary to cut these signals into trains of audible frequency, so that the telephone diaphragm can vibrate and produce an audible sound. This is easily accomplished by means of a tikker which may be connected either in the primary or the secondary circuit; a good way to connect it, is between the crystal detector and the telephone receiver in the secondary circuit.

CONSTRUCTION OF A TIKKER

A simple form of mechanical tikker may be built using a phonograph as a source of power to run the make and break system which consists of a phonograph record, upon which is glued a piece of tinfoil or copperfoil, of the shape shown in Fig. I. The contact is made on this apparatus by two short lengths of silver wire soldered to pieces of heavy copper wire, which in turn are fixed to binding posts mounted on a bakelite strip. This piece of bakelite should be fixed to the arm supporting the tone arm of the phonograph, which is removed as in Fig. 2.

The length of the bakelite strip should be such that one of the silver wires is in permanent contact with the tinfoil disc, while the other one slides over its teeth producing a make and break between the two binding posts to which are connected the leads from the receiving set.

the leads from the receiving set. Using the speed control of the phonograph, it is possible to adjust the frequency of the make and break so that the tone of the received signals is made more readable and clear.

Using such a tikker, it becomes easy to receive short and long wave C.W. transmissions, adding much interest for the amateur who can only use a crystal detector.

Horn Mounting

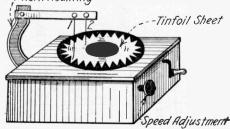


Fig. 2. With a Tikker Made of a Phonograph, it is Possible to Receive Continuous Waves With a Crystal Detector or a Non-Oscillating Circuit.

Modulation Systems for C.W. Which Will Give Satisfaction in Your Station

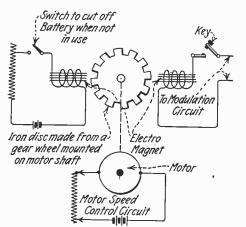


Fig. 2. This System of Modulation for C.W. Gives Better Results Than the Others, for Al-most Hundred Percent Modulation of the Out-put May be Obtained With it.

T makes but little difference what form of transmitting circuit you are using, so long as it is some form of tube set, it is necessary for you to have some system of modulation. There are three modulation systems which have come to the modulation systems which have been writer's attention, lately, which, though very mod are not in general use. Perhaps one of them would be of value to you. There is no need of adding more appara-

tus to your present equipment, nor is it necessary to make any very great change in the circuit you are now using, regardless of its character, for there is a scheme for any need. Of course, there are certain limits within which the various arrangements will work satisfactorily, determined by the conditions at the station, for instance, the third scheme to be described should not be attempted on transmitters of greater than twenty watts output unless the modulation device is placed on the grid circuit rather than in the antenna circuit, as shown in the diagram.

PHONOGRAPHIC MODULATION

Heretofore there has not appeared a system of phonographic modulation which was not subject to a great many imperfections. The phonograph in itself is subject to more or less sound distortion so that it is prac-tically impossible to have sound produced by it fad into a wireless talabase store. by it fed into a wireless telephone circuit without this distortion, which in most cases is considerably increased by improper acou-stic relations between the phonograph sound box and the microphone. Many schemes have been employed for sending out phono-graph music but the most common is to graph music, but the most common, is to place the microphone either in or directly in front of the phonograph horn. In stations, which have been built with the spe-cial purpose of broadcasting phonograph music, we find that the combination of sound-box, microphone and tone-arm has been made to form one unit, which may be applied to any talking machine of the disc type. Even in this advanced type of transmitter we can not look for entire satisfaction for the reason that there are certain records, which, when played with most sound-boxes will "blast." The blast is then carried to the microphone and sent into the air in an accentuated manner, for the tone arm or the phonograph horn, as the case may be, amplifies the blast before it reaches the microphone.

In order to reduce to a minimum any impure acoustic effect on the microphone actuated by a phonograph record, it is advisable to mount the microphone di-

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rectly on the metal piston which actuates the diaphragm of the phonograph-box. By mounting the microphone on some sort of clamp, which may be slid up or down the piston and held in any desired place, it is possible to regulate the vibrations which the microphone will be subject to and the amount of current variation in the circuit which the microphone controls. The same effect may be had by using needles designed to produce various tones from the same records. Where only one form of needle is available it is possible to alter the tone volume of the record and the character of the vibrations to which the microphone is subject by changing the length of the needle, which is done by merely placing it all the way in or withdrawing it partly from the needle receptacle and fastening it in the desired position by means of the binding

screw. The amount of vibration to which the diaphragm of the sound-box is subject is determined by the relation between the length of the piston which actuates it, measured from the center of the diaphragm to the axis at the basis of the sound-box the distance between the same axis and and the point of the phonograph needle. If it is found that the amount of vibration at any point along the piston is insufficient to properly actuate the microphone, a small rod, about one-half to three-quarters of an inch long and not less than one thirty-second inch in diameter, may be soldered to the top of the piston and the microphone then mounted on it.

In addition to obviating to a very marked degree the distortion, caused by imperfect acoustics, between the various elements which are introduced between the phonograph record and ultimate wave produced by the transmitter, there is a very marked reduction in the "scratch" which accom-panies all phonograph music. With a micro-phone button, such as illustrated in. Fig. 1, it is not reasonable to expect to use this form of transmission where the power of the set is more than the microphone will carry, but suitable circuits may be arranged, in which the circuit from the microphone circuit will actuate an electronic relay and operate satisfactorily with almost any power, especially where magnetic amplifiers are brought into service. For the lowpowered phone set, however, we find that the best results are obtained by running the

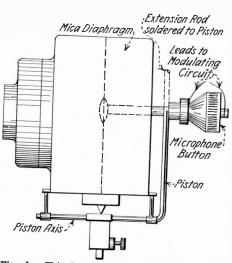


Fig. 1. This Method of Mounting the Micro-phone of a Badiophone Set. for the Transmis-sion of Phonograph Music, Greatly Reduces the Scratch and Provides Better Modulation.

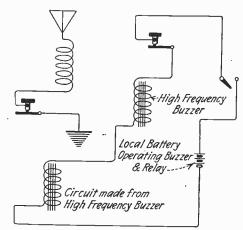


Fig. 3. For I. C.W. Transmission it is Best to Use Two Buzzers Having Their Windings in Serie, One Acts as Interrupter the Other One as Make and Break in the Aerial Circuit.

leads from the microphone to a modulation transformer, through the tone-arm of the phonograph, which is hollow. If it is to be made part of a permanent installation, or the phonograph is to be used repeatedly for wireless telephony, it will be well to mount two binding posts, on the side of the machine, below the tone arm, to which the wires leading from the microphone may be attached.

MOTOR-DRIVEN MODULATOR

Fig. 2 represents two electro-magnets, mounted diametrically opposite each other, on suitable supports, having a solid iron, toothed wheel rotating between them, so that the teeth of the wheel cut through the lines of force found at the end of the core of the magnets. These magnets may be taken from any telegraph sounder, relay in the drawing. The action of the device is not new, but it has not been generally ap-plied to modulated C.W.

The magnet is merely connected in series with a local battery, which may be of four volts. For fine regulation of the current which passes through this magnet, it may be advisable to put a rheostat in series with it, but this is not necessary, though an effort should be made to use no more current than is necessary to bring the magnet to a point of saturation.

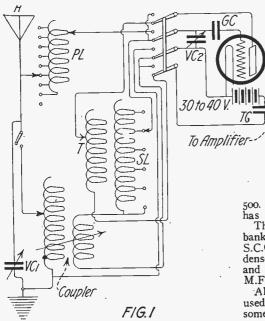
The terminals of the second magnet are connected to the key circuit, in the manner shown, and it makes no difference whether the key is in series with a modulation transformer or is directly connected in the grid circuit.

The iron, toothed wheel is mounted on a motor shaft and the speed of the motor is variable, made possible by having a rheo-stat in series with it. It will be found that the results obtained will vary materially as the speed of the disc is changed. When the device is operating at its best, which may be determined by watching the hot wire ammeter in the antenna circuit, it will be found that it is very much superior to any other form of modulating device. By reason of the fact that there are so many variable factors, it will be necessary for the experimenter to make a few comparisons which should be jotted down on paper for reference before the best results will be obtained.

The greatest advantage of this form of modulator is that it will enable modulation to be effected which is well above ninety per cent. of the entire output current of the

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Some Notes About My Station



By Means of a Four P.D.T. Switch it is Easy to Change From "Standby" to "Tune" Position.

PON request of many amateurs, who have asked me constructional details about my receiving station, I give the following data for the benefit of those interested.

Since the photo that was published in RADIO NEWS for August was taken, the set has been enlarged consider-ably. The short-wave set has been replaced by honeycomb coils of the endinemy panel type: a Telefunken ordinary panel type; a Telefunken (German) short-wave, intermediate circuit receiver has been added, and at present some experiments are carat present some experiments are car-ried out with a high frequency am-plifier with "double grid valves," which may be obtained here for ama-teur use. The long-wave set works best on waves above 2,000 meters and up to 25,000. It is mounted in an oak cabinet; outside dimensions are about $25'' \times 12'' \times 12''$. A complete diagram of the set is given in Fig. 1.

When the four-pole switch is thrown to the right, the set has a tuned secondary circuit and aperiodic

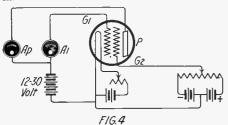
tickler (T). In the other position a direct coupled circuit is used, with tuned plate circuit.

For long waves (above 3,000) the last system gives much better results than the

inductively coupled system. The dimensions of the coils are as fol-lows: Primary loading coil (P.L.) is 16" long, 6" diameter, wound full with No. 30 enameled wire.

This coil has nine taps, taken at regular intervals.

The coupler primary has a diameter of about 6", and is also wound with No. 30 enameled wire. Its length is 4".





By J. L. LEISTRA

Coupler secondary: Diame-ter 4", length 31/2", wire No. 30_enameled.

The primary has 10 taps, the secondary has no taps.

The secondary loading coil consists of two parts, one honeycomb coil in which the tickler coil rotates, and an-other separated honeycomb coil. The first section has a diam-eter of 4", length 2", and con-sists of 500 turns, with taps at

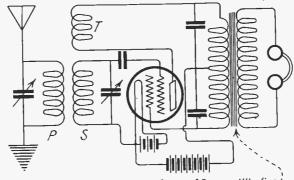
50, 100, 200, 350 and 500. The second part is an ordinary honeycomb coil of 1,500 turns with a tap taken at about

turns with a tap taken at about 500. Of course, the secondary loading coil has a dead end switch. The tickler, diameter 3" and length 1", is bankwound with three layers of No. 36 S.C.C. wire. V.C., is a Clapp-Eastham con-denser of .007 M.F. V.C., is home-made, and about .0005 M.F. G.C. is about .0003 M.F. and F.C. equals .001 M.F.

M.F. and F.C. equals .001 M.F. All coils are hand-wound, and the valve used is a Dutch "Philips" valve, which is somewhat similar to the well-known "Audiotron."

The second set, which is for intermediate waves (500 to 4,000 meters) has nothing unusual in it. It merely consists of a coil mounting panel, and two variable condensers. The valve used in this set is a Tele-funken RE16.

The short-wave set is a so-called "Tele-funken F Empfaenger;" a diagram, some-what simplified, is given in Fig. 2.



Phone Transformer with Tap in the Center of Primary Winding F/G.5

Hook-up of a Double Grid Tube Used as a Detector.

The intermediate circuit is exactly calibrated and can be excited by shunted burner. and therefore be used as a wavemeter, for waves from 120 to 800 meters. I have altered the connection insofar as at present it can be easily connected to the audion of the medium wave tuner, so that an oscil-

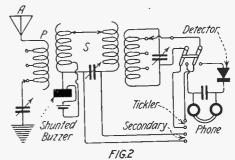


Diagram of Connection of the Telefunken Type F Receiver Used for Short-Wave Reception.

lating audion may be used instead of the crystal detector.

In this case the detector circuit is used as The reception with this set is a tickler. extremely fine, and the selectiveness is nearly incredible.

A diagram of the low frequency amplifier is given in Fig. 3. The first transformer has a primary wind-

ing with a resistance of 5,000 ohms, and a secondary of 80,000 ohms (ratio 1:16). The first valve is a Telefunken EVE171. The second transformer has the follow-

ing dimensions: Primary, 1,000 ohms; secondary, 6,000 ohms.

valve is a Telefunken The second EVE173.

The low frequency amplifier may be connected to each of the two tuners by means of the double-pole-double-throw switch. of The high frequency amplifier, however, em-bodies some entirely new features.

Recent measurements have proved that when a negative potential is im-pressed on the second grid (G_2 in Fig. 4) the plate current decreases (as in an ordinary valve). The milliammeter connected with the first grid indicates, however, an increase of current.

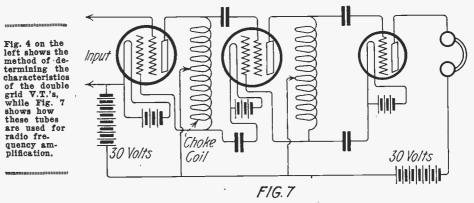
Although the current in the plate circuit is much less than the current indicated by ammeter A₁, the decrease of same is nearly equal to the in-crease of the other, with a given neg-ative grid potential. Therefore, when different negative potentials are impressed on the second grid, the total current delivered by the 20-volt battery will be constant.

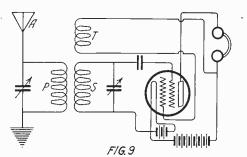
A very effective circuit for recep-tion of Radio signals is given in Fig. 5.

The decrease of the plate current, as well as the increase of the first grid current, is used to affect the secondary of the telephone transformer.

A diagram for multi-stage low frequency amplification is given in Fig. 6.

After the foregoing explanation, the high





frequency amplifier, of which a diagram is given in Fig. 7, may be readily understood. For very short waves Fig. 8 is recommended.

A very typical circuit is given in Fig. 9. The tickler coil is connected in this case to the first grid.

Even with a small tickler coil, this circuit oscillates very reliably with no plate battery at all (telephone and tickler connected to positive terminal of storage battery).

With a plate battery of 12-20 volts, a tickler coil L100 (honeycomb coil) is sufficient for waves up to 20,000 meters.

For all foregoing diagrams the tickler coil can be placed in series with the first grid as well as with the plate.

When a double grid valve is carefully adjusted, the signals can be stronger than with an ordinary valve, using one-step of low fre-quency amplification.

For portable stations it is very suitable as two or three flashlight batteries will give the necessary plate voltage.

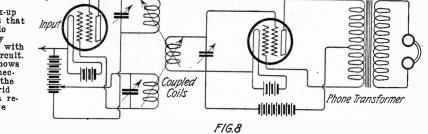
The explanation of the fact that when a negative potential is im-pressed on the second grid, the cur-rent in the first grid circuit in-creases, is very simple. When no negative

potential is impressed on the second grid, a part of the electrons omitted by the fila-ment will reach the first grid, the other part will fly through the first grid and reach

the plate. When now a slight negative potential is applied on the second grid, a good deal of the electrons will be kicked back to the first grid. Now the plate current decreases and the first grid current increases.

When a high negative potential is put on

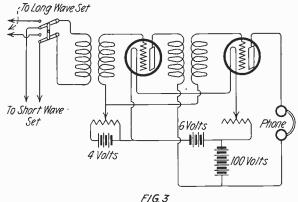
The hook-up Fig. 8 is that of a radio frequency amplifier with tuned circuit. Fig. 9 shows the connections of the double grid tube in a regenerative circuit.



the second grid, the electrons emitted by the filament will be kicked back before they have reached the first grid.

In that case the first grid current will be under its normal value.

Measurements have proved that there is a very sharp limit for each type of valve, under which the current increases when the negative potential increases, and above



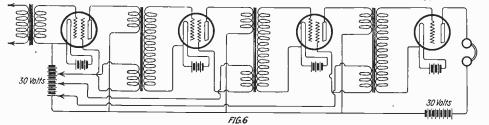
Hook-up of the Two-Stage Audio Frequency Amplifier Used in Conjunction With the Various Sets in Mr. Leistra's Station. Note the Potentiometer for Adjusting the Potential on Grids.

which the current decreases, when the negative potential increases. And it seems that this limit is of vital importance for the quality of the valve.

I believe that it depends also entirely upon this limit, if the valve will be especially for high frequency amplification or detection, etc.

I hope that this information may be of use to those who intend to start work with a double grid valve.

For charging my storage battery, I use a



Hook-up of a Four-Step Audio Frequency Amplifier Using Double Grid Tubes. Separate "A" Bat-teries Are Shown for Clearness, But Only One Should be Used.

valve rectifier with so-called cold cathode vacuum tubes about which an article appeared in one of the foregoing numbers of RADIO NEWS.

Shielding Your Panel By HOWARD S. PYLE

T is generally conceded by all modern radio experts, that a shielded panel is desirable in a number of respects, chief among which is the elimination of capac-ity effects from the operator's hands while manipulating the tuning controls.

It is thought to be an expensive, or at least a difficult mechanical job, to properly shield the rear of an amateur receiving set panel, and it is, without proper tools, when considering using a copper plate shield,

The writer recently overcame the high cost and difficulty of construction of such a shield by a remarkably simple process, and at a cost of 20 cents for a panel 12" d in 18", and the results are all that tion. can be expected, even from a standard Navy copper shield. The first step is to cover the rear of the panel with a thin coat of shel-

lac, thinned down with wood alcohol. A book of aluminum leaf, such as is used by sign painters, is then procured at a paint store, and while the shellac is very "taccy" or sticky, lay the leaf on the panel, sheet by sheet, in such a way as to completely cover the entire surface. It will surprise you to see what a perfect coating will re-sult, the aluminum leaf laying on the panel

like plating on metal. Allow the panel to set overnight and rub lightly the following day with a soft cloth, to remove all surplus aluminum. The holes are then drilled in the panel and where they come through the leaf, it is scraped away so as not to form contact with any part of the circuits. The coating is ground-ed to the earth post of the receiver. The interior of the receiving cabinet may also be coated in the same way, making a com-plete metal housing about the receiver. Should the very highest conductivity be de-sired, silver leaf may be used, but aluminum is very satisfactory.

Radial Inductances Eliminating QRM By FRED G. EHLERT

R OLLOWING the publication of my first article about the radial inductances in the September issue of RADIO NEWS, I received a great number of letters from every part of the country asking me for more detailed information about these new coils and where they could be obtained. I will endeavor in this second article to supply all the fellow amateurs with the information they want and give a little more "dope" about the new inductances.

The radial inductances were invented on account of the QRM experienced in the vicinity of New York City at one of the Government Radio Stations. All of you

professional operators, or amateurs know how the QRM gets on everybody's nerves sometimes while tuning in for a certain sta-tion. The QRM got, in the same way, on Mr. Bogdanoff's nerves while handling Gov-ernment traffic and he tried every possible

means to eliminate the terrific interference. After altering and trying to improve each element of the circuit he was using, he found that the remedy was in the inductance, and this led him to design several hundred coils of various sizes and shapes until finally he turned out the radial inductance, which is the most efficient type of winding to be used for the elimination of

interference. This was proved by experiments during very severe tests in a Government station.

The coils, which are patented, consist of a disk of bakelite or hard fiber 3" in diameter, upon which is wound one layer of Litz wire in a rather peculiar way. Two coils are mounted on the same shaft, one acting as the primary, the other as the secondary, the latter being wound with a different size of wire. If these coils have not the proper number of turns, they will not function properly and the tuning qualities will be lacking. When mounted on a shaft and (Continued on page 540)

Winning the Public to Radio By RAYMOND FRANCIS YATES

A Heart to Heart Talk With the Amateur, Dealer and Manufacturer, Telling How They Must Work Together to Popularize Radio

ERY little sober thought is needed to convince one that an era of great prosperity and expansion is directly ahead of the radio manufacturer and the radio dealer. Before this prosperity can be enjoyed to its fullest extent, there are certain things that must be done to win the public to radio. It is well at this time to prepare for a psychological battle that must be waged with the man on the street to convince him of the fun, entertainment and education that can be brought into his own home by the spirit voice of radio. The average man today looks upon radio as a thing utterly beyond him. It is a thing

that fills him with awe. To him radio is an alluring mystery, a black art understood only by highbrow college professors and curious youngsters who have grasped the fundamentals, and who, through infinite patience and care, have assembled a crude radio equipment with which they listen in on the world.

There is much to be done before the public will accept radio in the same whole-hearted spirit with which it has acphonograph instruments cepted the other and that have brought entertainment into the home. Contrary to general opinion, the public will not pounce upon radio like a thing that it has been waiting for. The public waiting for. The public must be educated, and that education is going to take time and much painstaking effort, not only on the part of the manufacturers but on the part of the radio dealers as well. Even the amateur must take an important part in this program.

It is true that even at the present time, radio as

a dealer's proposition is very profitable and attractive, but a lot of work must be done in the way of proper advertising and publicity before radio apparatus will become the fast-selling article that it deserves to be. Those of us who have spent a faw mo-

Those of us who have spent a few moments in the radio cabin on board ship have probably come to understand the attitude of the average man toward radio communication. He stops and peers into the radio room awe-inspired. To him this hurling of messages through infinite space is a thing quite apart from his daily affairs. He shows a great respect for the radio operator, looking upon him as a little god vested with almost supernatural powers. The ladies stop at the wireless cabin and say, "Oh, my! What a marvelous thing this radio must be!"

This frame of mind must be corrected. The subject of radio must be humanized and sugar-coated through carefully planned advertising of a national character and through well-engineered publicity.

The radio manufacturers must start at the very bottom of the matter. The instruments they have designed for the use of the seasoned amateur and the dyed-in-thewool enthusiast must be changed. That will be the first, and most important, step toward the popularization of radio communication. The wireless instruments of today look too scientific with their many adjusting knobs, their calibrated scales, their vacuum tubes, switches and jacks. The writer is free to admit that in the final analysis they are not as scientific as they appear to be, but the public is not easily convinced of this fact. The appearance of the radio receiving set at the present time is enough to scare the wits out of the ordinary man. To be sure, "this is only a condenser," "that is only an inductance" and "this is only a

when it fails to work, just as he takes his phonograph motor when he breaks a spring.

The radio manufacturer cannot go too far with the idea of reducing the operation of a radio receiving outfit to a "turn the knob" proposition. If the buyer of the outfit wants to go deeper into the study of radio he can do so, but nine out of ten men will prefer to let the mysteries of radio entertain those whom they may.

Every tradition of present day radio advertising must be violated in the copy that is going to win the public to radio. One need only pick up one of the radio magazines to understand why radio appeals only

to those who have a deep interest in it, and those who are of a studious turn of mind. From the standpoint of popularity the radio advertising of today is simply preposterous. It reads like Greek to the man who knows nothing of the science. He is confronted with such terms as microhenries, inductances, B-batteries, C.W. apparatus, amplifying coils, variometers, regenerative receivers, etc. His mind is set in a whirl with these mystifying terms. If he ever entertained any idea of installing a any idea of installing a radio receiver in his home, his enthusiasm certainly suffers no little amount of cooling off, upon being confronted with this termonology. It is, of course, just the kind of advertising that appeals to the man who knows, but we are not considering that individual now, we are consid-ering the man whose mind is a blank as far as radio knowledge is concerned.

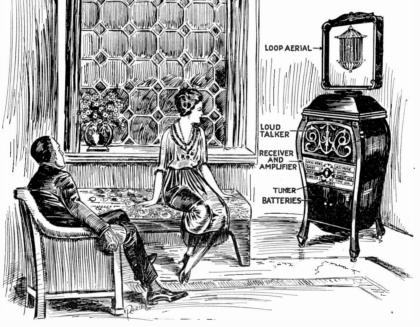
Radio manufacturers and dealers must devise a new code of advertising

rheostat," but what do these terms mean to him? Absolutely nothing. In fact, such explanations only complicate matters and cause him to regard the apparatus with even greater suspicion.

In designing the apparatus, the radio manufacturer must work on the basis of "the less seen the better." All of the mysterious looking instruments that go into the make-up of a receiving set must be hidden from view as much as possible, the writer would even advise taking the usual calibrations off the adjusting knobs. The simple "on and off" idea must be used as far as possible. The apparatus must be put up to resemble ar ordinary box as much as possible—a radio box—that is what it must be. If the driving mechanism of our phonographs was visible, the phonograph would not be as popular as it is today, because it would look too complicated. As long as there is simply a revolving disc and a handle in sight all is well and good. The prospective radio buyer must be told that he does not need to know the "ins and outs" of all the "junk" stored within the box. He must be told that he can take his radio box to his dealer and have it repaired with every word conveying the thrill of radio and every line chock full of human interest. The battle of winning the public to radio must not only be fought with words as ammunition, but pictures as well. The manufacturers and dealers must learn to speak in the language of the layman. Every picture used must be aglow with human interest and full of human appeal. The services of some of our best artists must be enlisted to picture this "home radio" idea the way it should be pictured. Every illustration can be made to speak volumes.

The literature provided to the dealers must emphasize the entertainment and education that is available in the air. The radio evenings that can be enjoyed at home must be described with the most careful choice of words. In every folder and pamphlet, radio must fight for its place beside the phonograph. The reader must be told that radio music can be brought in by simply "turning the knob." The idea of unsightly outside wires must also be overcome. There are "one hundred and one" things that must be mentioned in literature of this kind, (Continued on page 546)

Here is the "Radiotrola" Which Will Take the Place of the Phonograph in Our Homes Soon. It Could be So Designed That Only One Adjustment Would be Necessary to Tune in Music, News, etc., Which Could be Sent at the Same Time on Different Wave-Lengths.



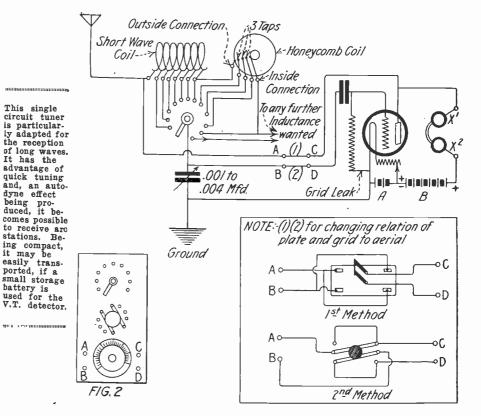
An Adaptation By C. L. WHITNEY

H ERE is a hook-up that works, for spark or C.W. reception on waves from 200 meters up as high as one cares to go. Although for efficiency it can be beat on 200 meters, it cannot be beat on waves higher than about 500 meters. At least, I have found it so. This method of receiving C.W. is not new to the amateur world, but in practically every case it is looked upon as an interesting method and nothing more.

To equip a station to receive waves from 200 to 25,000 meters by accepted practice means that at least a dozen honeycomb (or duo-lateral) coils have to be secured in addition to at least two .001 mfd. variable condensers, and a suitable mounting for the coils. This method requires a separate concoils. trol, for each of the following must be provided: I—Primary coupling; 2—Primary variable condenser; 3—Secondary variable condenser; 4—Tickler coupling. When so many controls are used, it requires *some* juggling to tune a station in, as anyone who has used this system knows, and to change from one wave to another (say from 600 to 14,000 meters) takes at least 30 to 40 seconds, if not more, even when the proper adjustments are know beforehand, such as a system of marked coupling and condenser settings, etc., are used.

To change "tune" from 600 to 14,000 meters on the tuner described below, takes practically two to three seconds, using one hand only. As regards the difference in price, well, think it over yourself.

As shown in the accompanying diagram, two separate inductances are used, one being the largest size of honeycomb (or duolateral) coil with three taps taken off; and the other being a cylindrical coil $4\frac{1}{2}$ " long and 4" in diameter, wound for 4" of its length with No. 28 or No. 30 S.C.C. magnet wire, with a tap taken off every half inch. This latter coil is used for waves up to 2,500 to 3,000 meters on an average aerial. Dead-end switches can be used if



wanted, and the two coils mounted at rightangles to each other, although in actual practice no decrease in signal strength was found without these accepted methods or ideas.

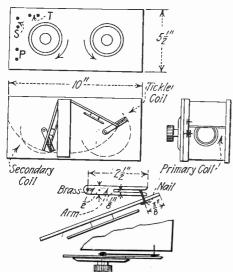
A double-pole, double-throw switch can be inserted at I and 2 to allow the grid to be connected to the aerial side of the inductances, if wanted. Some bulbs oscillate better with the plate to the aerial side,

and some with the grid to the aerial side. Amplifiers can be used with this circuit, just as with any other circuit, when the primary is connected in place of the phones, at X^1 X^2 .

For mounting, a panel may be used with the inductance switch mounted at the top and variable condenser knob at bottom with the D.P.D.T. switch in between, as shown in Fig. 2.

Panel Mounting for Spider-Web Coils A Compact Variable Con-By H. S. MORRIS

THEN it is desired to incorporate spider web inductances in a cabinet set, it is necessary to provide a system of control, for there is none installed



With This Arrangement Spider Web Coils May be Mounted in a Cabinet and the Coupling Con-trolled by Means of Dials.

on the spider web cabinet itself, the coils being moved by hand. In the construction of a receiver for short waves using these in the accompanying sketch, by means of which the primary and tickler coil couplings may be varied from the front of the panel by means of dials.

As may be seen in the illustration, the main part of the control system which is to be built, is a fork, dimensions for which are given in the sketch, mounted on the shaft supporting the dial and rotating with The motion radius of this fork is shown it. in the drawing, as well as the opening of the little doors upon which are mounted the coils in the spider web cabinet.

The secondary and tickler coils are moved apart from the primary by means of a nail driven into the door and sliding in the slot of the fork, when the latter is turned by means of the dial mounted outside of the panel. A top view of this arrangement is shown in the lower drawing of the illustration

With this method of mounting, the cabinet in which the coils are fixed may be used in a panel set.

The coupling, which should be closely adjusted for the reception of C.W. and Radiotelephony, is varied with dials, easy to equip with a vernier system of control.

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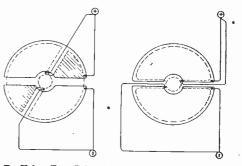
By D. H. WATKINSON

HE following is a description of a variable condenser which is useful in ef-fecting the economy of space so desirable in all radio installations.

The form is exactly similar to the usual type of interleaving condenser, the only difference being the use of two sets of fixed and moving plates, instead of only one.

The whole condenser is assembled in the usual manner, but the two sets of moving plates are mounted on each side of the spindle, interleaving with the two fixed sets.

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By Using Two Sets of Fixed and Movable Plates in a Variable Condenser, Greater Capacity May be Obtained Under a Smaller Volume.

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LONDON PHONE TO HOLLAND.

The establishment of regular wireless telephone connection between London and Holland requires only the approval of the Postoffice. The plan is to lay land wires to Southwold, Suffolk, and from Vandvoort to Rotterdam and Amsterdam. The North Sea is to be crossed by wireless. Tests already have proved successful.

"The great expense is the only obstacle to similar service between London and New York," said a Marconi official.

RADIO STOCK TICKERS FOR SHIPS.

The tired business man will no more get a respite from the ticker's noise by taking a trip abroad. They are going to install tickers on ocean liners and the voice of the ticker will mingle with what the wild waves are saying. The idea and its execution is due to the Bowman group of hotels, according to Robert J. Kennedy, the Biltmore representative. Mr. Kennedy says: "A powerful wireless equipment has been installed on the Commodore roof by direc-

"A powerful wireless equipment has been installed on the Commodore roof by direction of John McE. Bowman, President of the Bowman hotels. The wireless room has every facility and modern bit of apparatus for sending and receiving radio messages, with expert wireless operators in the charge of Marshall C. Wright, chief radio operator."

NEW RADIO CONCERTS.

The De Forest Radio Telephone & Telegraph Company is planning to re-establish its broadcasting station in New York City for the benefit of amateurs within a radius of 400 miles. Feeling that there is a demand for radio telephone news and music in that territory, three nightly concerts of one hour each, to be preceded by a general news program, is being planned. The wavelength, time, etc., will be announced later.

RADIO RESEARCH STATION IN CANADA.

La Prairie, a small town six miles from Montreal, is to be the site of one of the most complete wireless experimental research stations in the world, according to a statement made by A. R. Morse, managing director of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada.

BERLIN-COPENHAGEN RADIO-PHONE SERVICE.

A wireless telephone service between Berlin and Copenhagen has just been established, following successful experiments. Four kilowatt Poulson transmitters are used.

The inauguration of a general service marks progress in the experiments which have been carried on since December, 1920, when music was transmitted by wireless telephone from Berlin. Wireless telephone stations in England, at Sarajevo and at Moscow reported having heard it.

Experiments have proved successful with ships 900 miles out at sea.

RADIOPHONE INSTALLED IN FIRE CHIEF'S AUTO Chief McGill, of the Trenton Fire De-

Chief McGill, of the Trenton Fire Department, has had a wireless telephone set installed in his automobile and will hereafter be able to keep in communication with fire headquarters without having to leave the scene of fires. Tests have been made and the radio apparatus found to be efficient in every detail.

VENEZUELA BUILDS FOUR RADIO STATIONS.

Wireless stations are being erected in Caracas, La Guaira, Maracay, Valencia and the other principal cities of the country, according to an announcement of the Venezuelan Commercial Agency in New York City. The one at Caracas is to have exceptionally long range and is to be capable of communicating with similar stations in this country and in Europe. The other Venezuelan stations, a number of which are already in operation, are to be employed in transmitting official and private messages.

Importers and exporters have complained for some time of the inadequate cable facilities provided between the United States and Venezuela, and it is thought that the new wireless plant at Caracas will do much toward obviating these difficulties. At the same time the Government is planning the erection of a dozen or so lighthouses along the coast. Bids for these have been requested in this country, and the contract will probably go to an American firm.

9YY BROADCASTING STATION We are informed that the University of Nebraska, 9YY, is now broadcasting twice

Radio Articles Appearing in the December Issue of Science and Invention

- The World Series By Radiophone— With diagrams and descriptions showing the unique installation of a loud-speaker in the lobby of a large New York hotel, with grounded return circuit, the radio set being located on the 12th floor of the hotel. By Arthur H. Lynch.
- A Short Wave Regenerative Set— With drawings and full description of an efficient audion receiving set requiring but one bulb, and very simple tuning arrangements. By William H. Grace, Jr.
- Radio in a Nut-shell.
- Learn and Work While You Sleep-Impressing radiophone lessons on subconscious minds. By H. Gernsback, Member of the American Physical Society.

Invisible Ray Signaling—It rivals Radio. Question and Answer Column.

daily, at noon and at 7:30 P. M., radiophone music with the newly installed 200watt set. The station has a range of several hundred miles and being the only highpowered phone in this part of the country, its concerts will certainly be much appreciated by amateurs in this region.

RADIO FOR CAPTURING BANDITS.

'At a convention of the sheriffs' association of California at Sacramento, last summer, it was decided that a state association of state, county and municipal peace officers was imperative as a method of combating an unprecedented crime wave. A committee, headed by Captain of Detectives Matheson, of San Francisco, was appointed to carry out the plan. Last week the new organization. which

Last week the new organization. which has taken the name of the California Peace Officers' Association, announced its plans. One of these is to enlist the aid of amateur radio operators all over the state, to work in conjunction with the city and county authorities.

Because it has more than enough improved highways to form a belt around the world, officers said criminals find the state "easy picking." Hold-up men are plentiful along the highways, and even in the suburbs of the larger cities. With such a network of avenues of escape, the bandit can escape before the authorities can reach all of the nearby towns by telephone. It was pointed out that with a state-wide organization of amateur radio operators, descriptions could be flashed simultaneously to many nearby towns, and the work of the peace officers would be simplified.

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The plan of payment for the operators was that rewards were to be paid for the capture of criminals, of which the radio operators concerned were to receive a share.

GRAND OPERA TRANSMITTED BY RADIO TELEPHONE.

Grand Opera transmitted over an area of 750,000 square miles by radio telephone is the feature initiated by the Westinghouse Co. in establishing its fourth Radio Broadcasting Station on the Edison Building, Chicago, Illinois. This feature arranged by George Foster, of the Commonwealth Edison Company, with Mary Garden, General Director of the Chicago Opera Company, allows thousands of persons throughout the central part of the country to enjoy the benefits of the Opera. Small transmitters at the Auditorium Theater pick up the singing of the artists and music of the orchestra. These transmitters are connected through a telephone line to the Radio Station KYW, where the sound waves are sent broadcast, on a 360 meter wave-length, without relaying. The first regular Opera to be broadcasted was "Samson and Delilah," the wonderful solos and striking storm effects being reproduced perfectly. It is planned to broadcast Opera every night during the season of the Chicago Opera Company. In addition news service will be given from the Station similar to those broadcasted from the Westinghouse Stations WBZ at Springfield, Mass., WJZ at Newark, N. J., and Station KDKA at East Pittsburgh, Pa. With the Station spare to Chicago for

With the Station operating at Chicago for a few days only letters have been received from great distances regarding the Opera by Radio. Radio operators from Texas, North Carolina, Vermont, Canada, Minnesota, and many other places report that they are hearing the Opera distinctly.

are hearing the Opera distinctly. The schedule of station KYW at the present time is from 7:30 P. M. until 11:00 P. M. Central Time, operating on a 360 meter wave-length.

DUTCH EAST INDIES WIRELESS SERVICE.

It is announced from Washington that a commercial wireless service between the United States and the Dutch East Indies has been established.

ELECTIONEERING BY RADIO.

For the first time in the history of electioneering, candidates were able to talk to the public without the latter leaving their homes, when arrangements were made in Pittsburgh by the Westinghouse Co. to send broadcast by radio the speeches by the candidates. The nominations for Mayor proved a very bitter fight in Pittsburgh recently, and radio was called into play to get the messages of the candidates to the people. In this way thousands of persons were addressed at one time without the inconvenience of leaving their own radio sets. Each candidate for Mayor was sent to the broadcasting station, where he was allowed five minutes to tell the reasons why he should be elected to the office. This proved to be quite popular, and excited a great deal of interest in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

Who's Who in Radio JOHN HAYS HAMMOND, Jr.

No. 11

JOHN HAYS HAMMOND, JR., was born April 13, 1888, at San Francisco, Cal., son of John Hays Hammond, mining engineer, and Nathalie Harris Hammond. He was educated in the preparatory schools of England, France and the United States, graduating from the Yale-Sheffield Scientific School, 1910.

His work since that time has consisted of the development of the system of radio control for torpedoes and other moving bodies. He is the inventor of a type of torpedo for coast defense controlled by wireless energy from coast fortifications, which was recommended to Congress for exclusive purchase in the United States by the Board of Ordnance and Fortifications of the United States Army.

Mr. Hammond is also the inventor of an improved system of automobile torpedo firing, tested in the U. S. Navy, as well as aluminothermic incendiary projectiles, tested by the Army Ordnance Department. During bombing tests recently made by the U. S. Navy, Mr. Hammond's inventions were used on the ship "Iowa" which was entirely controlled by radio.

The system of disappearing masts for use on land, to control the movements of vessels or torpedoes at sea, and that of coastal patrol by airplanes, which has been adopted by most of the coast states, are also among Mr. Hammond's achievements, as well as the system of selective



Mr. John Hays Hammond, Jr., Inventor of Several Radio Devices Including Practical Systems of Radio Control.

radio telegraphy, testing approved by the U. S. Navy, the U. S. Signal Corps and the U. S. Army, and the system of aerial coast surveying, adopted by the Bartlett Expedition for Polar Exploration.

He is the author of a very complete treatise on the art of Teledynamics, comprising four volumes in which are described his inventions and details of the researches that led him to perfect the various radio control apparatus of which he is the inventor. The Hammond Radio Research

The Hammond Radio Research Laboratory, Gloucester, Mass., has produced, under Mr. Hammond's patents, a system of radio signalling which has passed all of the Government tests in regard to selectivity, non-interferableness and secrecy. These tests have been made by both the Army and Navy, and have been most stringent. This system was developed incidentally from the control of torpedoes, but it will doubtless find a wide field of utility in the general transmission of signals.

Mr. Hammond was delegate to the London International Radio Telegraphic Conference in 1912. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Science at the George Washington University in June, 1919. He is treasurer of the Institute of Radio Engineers and Manager and Chairman of the Committee on Admissions. He is also Associate Member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and of the Institute of Electrical Engineers.

The Story of Radio Telegraphy Prof. Branly's Account of the Great Invention By LEON LANSBERG

THE various claims and counter-claims which have been made concerning the invention of wireless telegraphy, have centered attention upon Professor Branly, the famous French savant, as the real discoverer. Recently, Messrs. Armand Givelet, vice-president, and Alexander Bergounioux, chief of the information service of the Radio Club of France, called upon him to hand him the last subscriptions received by them for his laboratory, and in particular the sum of 2,200 frances contributed by *Le Figaro*, and took this occasion to interview him on the question of the discovery of wireless telegraphy, the results of which are published in *Le Figaro*.

M. Branly saw at once to what their conversation might lead, and in order to put an end to certain injustices, to throw the greatest light on the still contested and perfidiously obscured origin of wireless telegraphy, the great savant for a whole hour gave his visitors an ample and magnificent expose of the whole question.

"Nothing is worse set forth," said he, "in the special books, in the technical publications, than the origin of wireless telegraphy. They abound in fastidious explanations, they are encumbered with calculations and figures. And then, do they render to everyone the justice due? I, myself, am going to publish, very soon, a work on wireless. I intend to pass lightly over the developments of a theoretical nature; I shall, above all, insist upon the historical side, which it is high time to establish. "Yes, I know that there is the German, Hertz; the Englishman, Lodge; the Italian, Marconi. These are physicists of the highest merit, and none better than I pays them just homage. Hertz has found that the electric waves have properties analogous to those of light waves. His works are quite remarkable. But has he thought of wireless telegraphy? Never. He could never make the presence of his waves felt for more than a dozen meters. As to Lodge, do you know that they went so far as to call the famous tube which I discorered, the Lodge tube? A professor of the Sorbonne in one of his courses, before 1900, called this tube the tube of the Englishman, Lodge. Henri Poincare, before the Academy of Sciences, called the same tube the Lodge and Branly tube. Upon my express demand, he has publicly retracted himself. Besides, to answer these discussions, in my files is a letter from Lodge himself in which he asks that justice should be rendered me.

be rendered me. "There is, finally, Marconi. What is his part? He has applied my discoveries. Everyone knows the famous telegram which he sent me from Dovre when he made his experiment between England and France. He attributed to my work a preponderous part in the results obtained. I have learned since that had he at that moment been on the French coast in Boulogne, he would never have dared to send me that telegram, because he knew that all French scientists were against me. "Recently, the Italian Ambassador came to see me and had a conversation with me on this subject. He gave me the most curious details, the least known on the debuts of Marconi.

Marconi had repeated my experiments at the Righi laboratory, in Boulogne, about 1895. He never thought of wireless telegraphy. It was an Italian admiral, a friend of his family, who decided his future, by advising his mother to have her son enter the Navy."

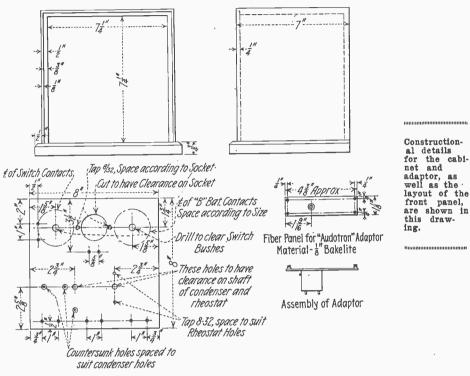
The master rises. Near a window on a small table are disposed his old apparatus. His gaze has fixed itself upon them. We step nearer. The great inventor then shows up his first experiments. They are like documentary proofs that reveal the successive stages of his prodigeous discovery. What museum will gather later these precious documents?

"Here you see what I have recently shown to the Minister of Public Instruction who honored me with his visit. They are the first elements of my researches. Here is first of all the glass plate covered with a translucent gold sheet presenting very slight intervals of continuity. The conductibility of the plate augments when a spark is emitted nearby. Here is an iron plate covered with fine porphyrized copper. The resistance is of several million ohms. When an electric spark is emitted in its proximity, its resistance falls to but a few ohms and can then let pass a current. Here, finally, (Continued on page 548)

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An Audion Control Cabinet for Amateur Use By PAUL G. WATSON



VERY satisfactory audion detector using either the old style tubular audions or the new style bulbs fit-ted with 'Shaw" four-pronged bases is described in this article and

in the drawings. A panel 8" square and 1/4" thick was used, giving a much firmer panel than the 3/16'' or $\frac{1}{8}''$ panels used by some amateurs. In this connection it can be pointed out that In this connection it can be pointed out that all commercial Naval apparatus is mounted on, thick panels, the U. S. Navy type "SE143" receiver being a good example of heavy panels. It is mounted on $\frac{1}{2}$ " bake-lite. This receiver is the U. S. Shipping Board standard and holds up under hard usage on shipboard.

It is recommended that a "General Radio" socket be used in this audion. Many amateurs like to try transmitting and other types of tubes in their sets and by using this socket, any type of American four-prong tube can be used. To use "Audotrons" in this audion an old "AP" or other tube fitted with a good grade of brass base was taken, the glass and cement broken out, and short

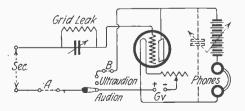


Diagram of the Connection of the Detector Con-trol. The Tickler Coll May be Connected Either at A or B, Forming, With the Secondary, a Variometer if Connected at A

leads spliced to the four wires inside the base. A wooden plug was fitted loosely inside the base and the top cut off flush with the top of the base. Four grooves should be cut in the sides of the plug to pass the four leads to the contacts. The wooden plug is fastened in place with seal-ing wax melted and run in the base around the plug. A piece of bakelite, the size shown in the drawings should have a small "Quad" type binding post mounted on each corner. In the absence of these binding posts, two binding nuts off screw top dry cells can be used on a five-eighths 8-32 machine screw, drawing one down tight on the bakelite and using the other to clamp the wire from the tube. To each of these four binding posts a lead from the base is brought, care being taken to see that none of the wires touch the brass base, ground-ing them. Four small grooves, filed in the top of the base will let these wires pass clear. In connecting the wires from the base to the binding posts, the plate lead should go to the bottom of the strip and the grid lead to the top, the other two being filament connections. By having the grid at the top, the vibration and resultant singing is reduced to a minimum. To fasten the bakelite strip to the base, a hole is drilled and countersunk, as shown in the drawing, and a 5%" brass wood screw (flat head) is used to screw the strip to the wood block, which is fastened inside the base. The fibre strip should be arranged so that the short end is the bottom, giving good clearance to the knobs on the panel.

To return to the construction of the audion proper: The gril condenser used in this case was the "DeForest" 90° air con-

denser with a maximum capacity of .0005 mfds. In mounting this condenser, the fixed or stationary element should be placed as shown by the screw holes in the panel to the left and bottom of the shaft hole. A spacer or collar 3/16" high should be placed on the screws holding the condenser, allowing the arm of the rheostat to move under the condenser without touching. There are several advantages in this con-denser, ruggedness of construction, ease of mounting and the compactness. A varied selection can be made for a

rheostat, several good ones being on the market. A rheostat with a minimum of fiber parts is desirable, since the fiber de-

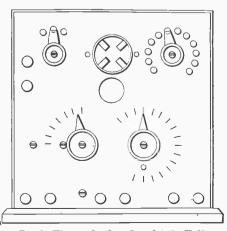
teriorates with the heat and falls away. The "B" battery switch has six "live" contacts and six "dead" ones, arranged in alternate order to avoid short circuiting the sections of the battery as the switch passes from point to point. The "B" battery used in the original was composed of ten flashlight batteries, taps being taken from the last five outside connectors and from each end. Some amateurs prefer the molded battery, giving closer and lower voltage, but in either case connect the taps to alter-

nate contacts. The "Audion Ultraudion" switch should be of the same type of construction as the "B" battery switch or a little smaller, if desired. A dead contact should be placed between the two contacts of this switch to avoid a short-circuit when changing from one contact to the other. The "Grid Leak" used was the "DeForest"

pencil-marked leak and has proved very sat-isfactory. A little experimenting to get the proper line, and then covering it up with shellac makes it permanent.

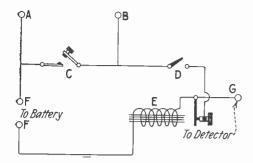
In mounting the socket and rheostat on the panel, 8-32 screws were used, the panel being tapped and the screws placed from the back and cut off flush with the panel front.

Eight bakelite binding posts are provided, two for the filament, two for phones, two These should be mounted in the holes pro-vided around the edge of the panel. (Continued on page 532)



Front View of the Completed Unit

A Triple Purpose Key By CHARLES BLOOM



 $R \, ^{\rm ECENTLY, \ I}$ was desirous of constructing a buzzer practice-set. Finding that I had but one key, which was attached to the transmitting set, I was per-plexed for a while, but soon "doped" out the idea contained herewith.

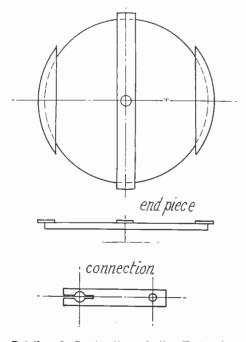
The hook-up shown here is the one used, and I believe it is original, having drawn it up to suit my own needs.

up to suit my own needs. It is self-explanatory, and is quite simple. However, to make certain of its being under-stood, I will enumerate the different items. "A" and "B" are two heavy binding posts connected to the key. "C" is the one and only key. "D" is a single pole, single throw switch. "E" is a Mesco buzzer. "F" are the binding posts to which are connected the battery to work the buzzer. "G" is a the battery to work the buzzer. "G" single wire lead to the crystal detector.

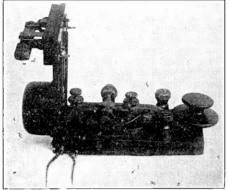
All that are necessary are the aforementioned articles and a strip of bakelite, very small, on which to mount the s.p.s.t. switch and the buzzer, as shown in accompanying photograph.

The key I have was already mounted on an oak base, so I soldered extra leads on the bottom, which were drawn through the wooden base. After mounting the buzzer and switch to the bakelite panel, I fastened

HE variometer shown in the drawing can be made out of the odds and ends which the average amateur has about his station. The coils E and F are wound



Details of Construction of the Variometer, Showing the Pieces Stopping the Winding.



The Three Photographs Show the Front and Back Views of a Combination Key, Which May be Used With a Spark Set, a C.W. Transmitter or as a Practice Set. On the Left is the Hook-up.

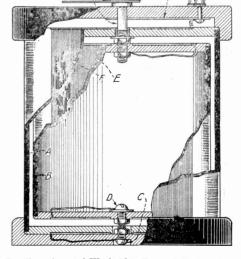


A Variometer Unit **By CHARLES E. McGUIRE**

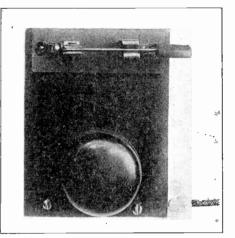
on cardboard tubes A and B at right-angles to the usual way. The end pieces must first be made and grooved to keep the wire from slipping. Make two, so that they will fit tightly, and fasten the stud G to the center of one and the machine screw D to the center of the other. The machine screw D must have a sharp point. Connect one end of the wire to the stud and start the winding at the small end. Wind one side and then fasten the end of a wire to the machine screw and start the other end. Be Now make the ends for the larger coil, drilling the center of each so as to allow the stud and machine screw to pass. The smaller coil must be put inside the larger before starting the winding. Wind the same as the smaller, and allow plenty of wire for connections. The strap H makes a connection between the stud and the bind-ing post. The bottom fits over the outside of the larger coil and has a machine screw with a countersunk end, so that the machine screw D will turn on it. If you wrap the coil in paper or thin cardboard and then fit it into the bottom and top, it will give the instrument a business-like appearance. have left out all dimensions because I know everyone will build it his own way.

This type of variometer gives very sharp tuning, for it is possible, by using card-board tubes fitting just inside of one an-other, to have the windings very close, thus giving maximum inductance and maximum variations. This variometer may be built in any size and large tubes may be used

for a variometer for long-wave reception, in conjunction with a loose coupler of the ordinary type, forming a long-wave regen-erative set, as sensitive and flexible as the types for short waves actually on the mar-ket. For this purpose, a variometer 6" long and about 5" in diameter, wound with 120 turns on both the stator and the rotor, would be quite suitable.



For Experimental Work This Type of Variometer is Well Adapted, as it May be Used as a Sep-arate Unit.



it to the base of the key, as shown in photograph.

All connections were then soldered, before which I had bared the wire and scraped the ends and covered it with "spaghetti" tubing.

The spring binding-posts shown in photograph herewith are easily made by winding a bit of No. 18 wire around an ordinary nail to the length desired; to make connection, a small plug arrangement is used.

By keeping the switch closed, as shown in the photographs, one may practice the code, tune a crystal set, and even transmit by buzzer if desired, by opening the cover of the buzzer and attaching aerial and ground leads. To transmit with your radio set, I mean your high-powered one, all that s necessary is to open the switch. When concluded the instrument, if neatly

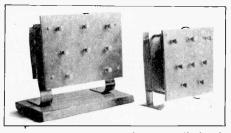
made, will present a commercial appearance, of which the amateur may be justly proud.

C.W. Transformers By FLORIAN J. FOX

arrangement. Audiotrons are not recommended.

The best way to find which post of the secondary is predominantly positive is by means of an electroscope, which can be made in a few minutes, or by experiment. Try a soft tube and burn the filament brightly and change the poles until you see a "blue glow" in the tube. That will indicate that the positive pole has been connected to the plate. Don't be discouraged if you do not get results at first for the tuning of a CW set is hard at first. One turn of wire on the inductance more or less may throw the set completely out of tune, so go at it very carefully. It may amuse the reader to know that it took me almost two weeks to "tune up" my first CW set, just because I thought it was like tuning a spark coil set.

Now for the benefit of my fellow "hams" who have "juice" I shall put down my experiences with transformers. My first transformer was made of stove pipe iron cut to size by hand, but because I got blisters I gave it up and assembled what iron was cut, making allowances for the cross section of the core when winding. However I overestimated the quality of the iron (assumed 60,000 lines) and also did not carefully insulate the laminations and the result was it got too hot and only supplied 5 watts instead of 50 or more. So if you intend to use stove pipe iron, be



Front View of C.W. Transformers Built by the Author.

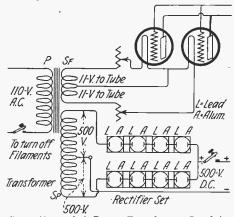
hiftieth turn and the secondaries are done. The wires above mentioned are tied around the outside of the coil and the ends of the form removed. Since the core is tapered it will come out easily by tapping it a little. Now tape the whole coil not latitudinally but longitudinally; that is, over the outside and through the center lengthwise. The tape will have to be cut into three or four foot lengths for this.

Some experimenters may have patience enough to wind the secondary in layers, in which case 4100 turns are wound with a tap at 2050. (The use of this tap will be taken up later). In this case the same form may be used. However the prospect did not appeal to me. I made a form half as long as required and as described for primary. Through the center I drilled a hole and on one corner of one of the

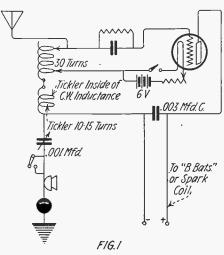
boards I drove a nail to use as a crank. A nail or rod was clamped horizontally in a vice and the form placed so that the rod was inside the hole in the form. A little rack was made for the spool of wire. The wire was guided by hand. I did not bother to wind the wire perfectly flat, and so in about ten minutes one coil was wound. It was removed and taped in the same manner as the primary and then the second one wound. It is well to wind a couple of

layers of empire cloth or fish paper over the wooden form before winding and tape it in with the rest of the coil. This serves to prevent "grounds" especially when assembling laminations. *Caution: Never use* enameled wire on the secondaries if wound at random! That lesson cost me a lot of labor and material.

If the laminations are of the four-piece type the coils may be put on two of the legs before assembly of the complete core. In my case the laminations were of the



Connections of A Power Transformer Supplying the Filament and Plate Current to the Oscillator Tubes. Note the Connections to the Electrolytic Rectifier.



▲ Simple C.W. Hook-up Which Gives Good Results.

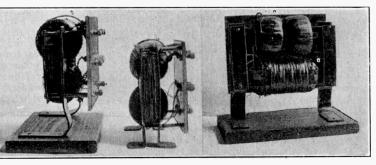
HERE are many amateurs in the country who would have C.W. sets if it were not for the high first-cost of their plate voltage, especially nowadays when we cannot spend money as freely as formerly.

as freely as formerly. For the man who has no city current (alternating) there are only two alternatives; "B" batteries and spark coils. Unless

a man has funds at his disposal, "B" batteries are out of the question. A phone operating on batteries is unquestionably the best, from the standpoint of "quality of modulation," but it is costly, especially if any distances are desired. High voltage storage batteries are also expensive in the long run, bulky, and mussy. The spark coil, although not suitable for "phones" makes a very good source of plate voltage. A one-quarter to

voltage. It one diates to These Photograp one-half inch coil is large enough and should be shunted by a fairly large condenser, depending on the size of the coil. I found that a condenser of .003 m.f.d. was large enough, although a larger one would have done more good perhaps. With this arrangement using a simple plate feed-back circuit (Fig. 1) I was able to radiate .3 of an ampere on one UV-202 tube. I worked IFQ Meriden, Conn. regularly (I8 miles) and he reported me three times as loud as when I used a one inch coil spark set, also radiating .3 amperes. He told me that he worked a station in New York City at times who was using the same kind of I.C.W. If the coil is equipped with a good vibrator, a very pleasing tone can be obtained. I experimented with different sizes of secondaries but found none more satisfactory than the regulation ¼" coil size. If you have a 1" coil you need not discard it, for it will work too, only the condenser will have to be larger. The condenser is very important for it serves both to reduce the potential and acts as a by-pass for the high frequency surges.

It is not absolutely necessary to have a power tube. It was found that two Marconi V.T. receiving tubes in parallel, using 6 volts on the filament also gave a radiation of .3 ampere. It is not advisable to run more than one *power* tube from this source because the spark coil cannot furnish power enough as a rule. One or two UV-201 tubes are also very good for this



A one-quarter to These Photographs Show Clearly How the Completed Transformers May be Mounted the second one wound. It

sure to varnish the laminations and have a core cross section of at least two square inches. The best thing to do is to procure some silicon steel for transformer core or take the laminations out of some old transformer. I shall not specify what size core to use as that will depend on what you can get. My present transformer is made of high grade laminations which I obtained from a local electrician, size (outside) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x 8"—cross section $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Winding data. Primary winding 450 turns No. 16 asbestos. Filament secondaries 50 turns (each) No. 14 asbestos. Secondaries (500 V. each) 2050 turns (each) No, 28 D.C.C. (or asbestos). (D.C.C. will serve just as well as asbestos insulation). This transformer is designed for about 200 watts output, delivers about 11 volts at the filament terminals and 500 volts at each secondary.

It is advisable in any case to wind the primary on a slightly tapered wooden form a little larger ($\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{6}-\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{4}$ " all around) than the core cross section and as long as the winding is to be. Screw square pieces of wood at either end and wind coil on the form. A couple of pieces of wire laid lengthwise along the core before winding will serve to hold the core together when being removed, if the ends of the wires are tied together before removing. The filament heating secondaries may be wound right over the primary. Wind on a hundred turns of wire taking a tap at the

"U" type and so I had to place the coils the right distance apart and then slip the laminations into place. The core assembly should offer no obstacles to building a transformer as it is comparatively simple. The transformer is easily mounted by cut-ting four pieces of iron about 1" wide x 1%" thick into lengths which will be long enough to clamp the side legs and then extend downwards so that they may serve as feet (See photographs and Fig. 6.) The builder may get some good ideas of transformer mounting if he looks through some catalogs. The clamps are held together by long threaded rods, brass bushings 21/2'''long are placed over these rods (the rods are all allowed to project from one side a distance of about 3") and a panel can now be mounted on the front of the transformer by drilling holes into which the rods will fit. Panel may be held in place by ordinary nuts, or if a nicer job is de-sired, by means of end nuts. Before as-sembling panel and soldering leads it is desirable to give the transformer a good coat of Asphaltum paint, or electricians'

For the benefit of those who may desire a transformer with different voltages from those of the described instrument, I shall state a simple relation which will enable the experimenter to change the secondary voltages to any value he may desire. do not advise anyone to change the number of primary turns if he uses good iron with ample cross section, if, however, the iron is of poor quality, or the cross section is altered (diminished) more wire must be added and wire added to the secondaries also.

Relation of turns to voltages:

2050 turns.

=voltage Epri Esec T=number of turns 110-volts 500 volts T_{pri} T_{sec} Example 450 turns

solving for x we have x = 2045 (approx.) Since transformers are never 100% effi-cient it is well to add a few turns for good Hence for 500 volts use about measure.

Some readers may have to change the number of primary turns because of different cross section area of core or poorer quality of iron. The number of turns necessary can be found from the relation:

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$$L = 4.44 - 10^8$$

where

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F = frequency60 cycles per sec. 25 cycles per sec. N = number of turns A = area of core in square inches B = Flux density of iron in lines per square inch (60,000)E = primary volts (110) (220)Solving for N we have E x 100.000.000 N =4.44 x F x A x B Example

lines Assume E = 110 V. B = 60,000in 2

 $F = 60 V. A = 2 in^{2}$ IIO x I00.000,000 N ---4.44 x 60 x 2 x 60,000

6875 = 344 turns under the 19.98 assumed conditions,

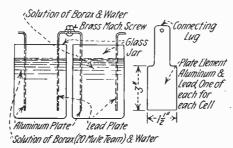
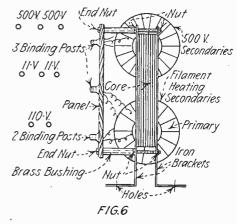


FIG.4

This Sketch Shows the Electrode Dimensions and Details of the Electrolytic Rectifier to be Used With the C.W. Transformers Described in This Article.



Detail of the Transformer Mounting and Ar-rangement of the Binding Posts Upon the Panel.

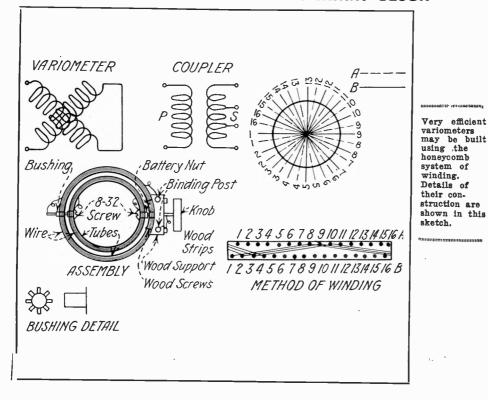
This was a rather generous core, however, it shows the method of attack. The wire size is determined by the power the transformer is meant to deliver and hence draw.

The best way to use the transformer is to build an electrolytic rectifier and rectify both halves of the cycle. Or else a self rectifying circuit may be employed.

The rectifier consists of sixteen to twenty small jars with plates of aluminum and lead cut so that they will fit into them: The plates need not be larger than $I''_{x} x 3''$, lugs being left for connections. Fig Since the transformer has two 500 volt secondaries we can obtain direct current at about 500 V. pressure. This arrange-ment rectifies both halves of the cycle and makes an ideal arrangement for both C.W. telegraphy and radiophone work. Although I have not had the set working long enough yet to have made any dis-tances, I radiate over one ampere, using the transformer described, home made in-ductance and one UV-202 tube with counterpoise antenna system.

I shall be pleased to furnish further in-formation if it is desired.

Type of Honeycomb Variometer By HARRY OLSON



N this article will be described the construction of a honeycomb variometer and coupler. If they are well made, they present a neat appearance and are

fairly strong mechanically. They are compact and take very little room in a cabinct. These have not been put to any ex-tensive test, but it will repay no experiment with them. They can be used with any short-wave regenerative hook-up using va-riometers. The coupler is, of course, for amateur waves, the variometers are also, but will work with higher wave-lengths.

THE VARIOMETERS

The maker must procure six winding forms of cardboard tubes. The two primaries and two secondaries for the variometer, and one primary, and one secondary for the variocoupler. All three primaries should each be 1" long, and 3^{+} s" inside diameter; all three secondaries should be 1" long and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " outside diameter. The tubes should be given a coat of shellac and al-lowed to dry. Now the holes for the shaft, which is 8-32 thread, should be bored. The holes must be exactly on the semi circumference or the tubes will probably rub. Now along the edge of each tube should be punched 16 evenly spaced holes just large enough to pass No. 20 B. & S. wire. The holes on opposite ends should not line up, but should be staggered, as shown in the (Continued on page 518)

"So This is the Wireless!" **By STANLEY EDGAR**

and an expression of extreme wonderment and admiration on his face, but essayed no remark or explanation of his presence.

After he had favored me with a silent scrutiny for almost ten minutes, I began to feel slightly uncomfortable and told him to 'go away.

He backed away one step, but continued to gaze at me from this new vantage. I began to think that perhaps the shiny

brass braid on my uniform coat was the attraction so I removed the coat. George followed my every move with his eyes, but

remained at his post. Then I decided that his brother must have pointed me out to him as the "funny gentleman" he had seen on the gang-plank and George was waiting patiently for me to begin. "What's your name, boy?" I asked him.

No answer. "Is your name George?"

He solemnly nodded his head in affirmation.

was making progress.

"What are you standing there for?" No reply. The child must be dumb. "Why don't you go away or say something?

Still George preserved a discreet silence.

started the motor to reply and George's eyes almost left their sockets in his silent admiring amazement. Evidently he and thought the show was now going to begin and this was the sort of music beforehand.

The general alarm was given and from all sides the passengers dashed madly to the wireless room to see me "send a message."

Luckily, the signals were strong, or I would never have been able to read them through the volley of questions which were being shot at me and the frantic and wild explanations of the young gentlemen in the assembled mob who "knew all about it --young brother used to have one at home, you know.

The message spelt itself out to a Miss Kitty Kirchner, and assured Kitty that the sender was missing her dreadfully, and sent her all his love and kisses.

Having acknowledged this important communication and made a mental note that I would see Kitty later to find out how she was standing up under the strain, I rang for the boy to deliver the radiogram and turned my attention to a few of the more persistent seekers after information who were assembled outside the door. "How does it work?"

"What do you hear?"

"Where do they come from?

"How far can you receive?

"What do those little lamps do?"

Why do they call it eless with all those wireless wires?"

"How long does it take to learn how to be a wire-less operator?"

These were only a few of the questions I was expected to answer and still retain my senses.

I looked them over, and wondering how much they would stand, I began:

"Wireless waves are propagated with equal facility through ether, chlo-roform or other insulating conductor and run in a general direction from the north to the south pole

with harmonics in the opposite direction. It is with these harmonics that we are chiefly concerned. If the operator at the trans-mitting station strikes the note of 'C' with his oscillating variometer, we tune our instruments, as the guide book tells you, to the Key of 'G.' The waves pass through the water until they meet an obstacle in their path which, in our case, is the ship.

"As we explained to this gentleman previously, the clock you see on that switch-board, being tuned to the harmonic of 'G' records the passage of waves of the Key of 'C' which are, by previous arrangement, the only waves we want to receive.

"Then, by means of these little electric lamps you see here, which, by the way, arc closely related to Marconi's own 'Thermo-jonic'' valve, we reduce the waves to an audible frequency, which enables them to work this little phonograph you see here, and so the messages are received. Listen!"

And I put the loud speaker into operation and let them hear the signals. They all nodded their approval and seemed to have completely and intelligently under-stood what I had told them, which was rather remarkable, although, for that mat-

ter, it was about as clear and truthful an (Continued on page 534)



"As I explained to This Gentleman Previously, the Clock You See on T board, Eeing Tuned to the Harmonic of "G" Records the Waves Sent on Are the Only Ones We Want to Recoive." That Switch-on "C" Which

describes our duties. I took the first watch and had just seated myself, fitted the headband of the receivers in the grooves they had worn in my skull and adjusted the phones in such a position that they would give the least annoyance to the corn on my left ear, when the door-way was darkened by the form of a beaming young gentleman with horn-rimmed glasses, who greeted me familiarly with: "Well, Sparks, any news?" "No, sir," I replied. "No news." He was joined by his companion who

the

E had just left New York and I

In my rush to get down to the ship in time I had missed my breakfast and cut my face with

When I suc-

was in a most amiable mood.

the razor. In the subway, somebody had stood on my foot from Seventy-second

Street to Times Square and on reaching the ship I had almost made the top of the gang-plank when I slipped and gracefully

slid down to the bottom. When I succeeded in at last reaching the deck, a small

child asked me if I wouldn't please do it

again-it was so funny and George hadn't

rived on the scene a few minutes later and wept bitter tears all over the shoulder of my new suit, as her hero departed on his

perilous voyage to Florida and back. This last act had been well rehearsed, however.

Each week we left New York, we went

through the same heart-rending process of departure; it had become almost a rite and

I had learned just the things to say and when to say them in order to create as little

We sailed and I repaired to the Wire-less Room, where I belong. The small child who had asked me to repeat my little per-

of a scene as possible.

formance on the gang-

plank for the especial ben-

efit of his brother dashed

madly between my legs as I was about to ascend

the companion way, pos-sibly in the hope that I

would provide him with some added entertainment

by further contortions on the stairs. His fond mother

stood by and smiled at the antics of her angel child. I patted his head and

commented to the mother

on his intelligent expres-sion. I had to say some-thing to overcome my in-

sane desire to use the small child as a football.

In the Wireless Room v partner was "tuning

my partner was "tuning up his instruments," as the

guide-book of the Line so

charmingly and vaguely

The only girl in all the world had ar-

inquired :

'Any news about the ball game?"

"Wireless has made wonderful progress during the last few years," I replied, se-verely, "but we have yet some considerable distance to travel before we will reach the stage where we are able to record events before they actually take place. The ball game commences in half an hour from now" now.

They departed, assuring me they would be "up to see me again," and their place was taken by the replica of the small child with whom I had become acquainted earlier. This, I decided, must be "George.'

But George displayed none of the ex-uberance of spirits of his brother. He stood in the doorway with his mouth wide open

We were interrupted in our decidedly one-sided conversation by the arrival of an old gentleman and his spouse who took their stand in the doorway, shutting out most of the light and air from the small operating room. "So this is the Wireless!" he said, beam-

ing benignly upon me. "Yes," I replied, we "Yes," I replied, wearily. "This is the wireless."

"And can you tell me when we will pass Hatteras?" he asked.

I referred to my list of "Answers to Foolish Questions," and informed him. "Do you think it will be rough?" in-quired his wife.

"It undoubtedly will," I answered. I always tell them that. It gives me a strange and malignant pleasure.

"How can you tell you are going to re-ceive messages?" was the next one.

"The hand on that clock up there jumps

up and down every time they want me, replied, pointing to the voltmeter, and pray-

ing for forgiveness. "Well, it certainly is a wonderful inven-tion,' they remarked and departed, leaving me alone once more with George.

Just then I heard one of the New York stations calling me with a message. I

seen it.

World's Record By CLYDE C. YOUNG

This was supplemented with particulars that pointed out the great opportunities in the field.

Aloysius lost no time. He sat down and despatched a letter, with three dollars en-closed, for the first lesson. He again called in the indispensable cook, Exonius Smith. Smith had the faculty of giving advice on the question propounded, by years of ex-

perience with an electric toaster. "Mistah Smif, dis book heah tells me dat I can do great things wid wyaluss. Theah-foah ah has written foah de fus' lesson. Now I may have to call upon yo' all foah a lil' help now and then, so what does yo' know 'bout 'lectricity?'

If there was anything that tickled Mr. Smith, it was to be placed in the position of adviser. He rubbed his hands together and bowed his head as though in deep thought. It was fully three minutes before he re-plied. Aloysius sat in respectful silence waiting for his elder to communicate. "Well, de fac' is son, ah'se had cunsid'ble

'sperience long dem lines. In fac', de 'ast 'sperience ah had was with elaborately over 200 volts. These ovah 200 volts did many strange things from which I learned several framed and placed in a conspicuous spot on the wall of his garage abode. He now felt that he was a promoter of science and did not hesitate to tell his many friends as much. They regarded him as a miracle. He had given several demonstrations in the way of concerts with his apparatus. He had also received the big fight and other fetes that were heretofore unknown in negrodom.

Up to the present time, Mr. King had not learned of his chauffeur's activities, but one night, some two weeks later, he was interrupted in a telephone conversation by thunderous handclapping, followed by cheers. He thought perhaps a parade might be going on and investigated. The racket, instead of coming from the street, came from the rear, near the garage, he thought. Then there came to him laughing and more handclapping. He rushed into the garage and beheld a ball room scene. Negroes were in attendance by the dozens, while in the center of the room stood a contraption ab-solutely foreign to him. This was nothing short of a disgrace in a community of exclusiveness. Already the neighbors must have heard the commotion.

He cleaned out the gath-

ering in short order. "What was that terrible racket?" asked Mrs. King of her husband, as he returned to the house.

"Niggers. More niggers than I ever saw. I wish you would tell that chauffeur to keep them away from here, or I will fire him."

him." "Well, of all the nerve," replied his wife, "I cer-tainly will." "And now, dear, I must leave for New York to-night on business," said her bushend where the said her husband, whereupon he departed. 12.2

Aloysius did not dismantle the outfit as ordered, but instead carried on his work in a more secretive fashion. He had been reading in the paper where a celebrity had been working on a very delicate machine with which he

hoped to communicate with spirits. If he, Aloysius, could invent such a contraption. Aloysius, could invent such a contraption. He dare not think of what might be the outcome, but he figured this person did not have anything on him. He had just passed the age of 21 and he was a man. Didn't he learn wireless? And that was

something no other nigger could do, and too, he soliloquized, maybe this celebrity was a wise man, but he bet he couldn't wind a loose coupler.

"Now Aloysius McFlatfoot, heah am de chanct of a lifetime. Get busy and invent a machine ten times as delicate as dis heah receivah, and den you' can talk wid de spiruts. Golly, if ah can only beat dis fellow at his own game, man, ah could drive a Packard of mah own. Dis heah King man don' scare me any."

He started working on a loose coupler of some 100,000 meters capacity and from day to day added other strange devices that were known only to himself. He spent days of tireless toil on his new idea.

Paul Andrew Peterson, employed as manager of an electric store, had noticed Aloysius purchasing different apparatus (Continued on page 556)

" AN, ah sho' am disgusted," ejaculated Aloysius McFlatfoot, in conversation with the family cook as they lounged in the garage quarters of the former. "Disgust which?"

"Disgust foahevahmoah. Disgust so dat I cain't beah to see dese cullud buzzuds perambulatin' up and down de main stem with nuthin' on theah brains but curls and ruby lips. I heahs also wheah dat coon Mistah Pollud is makin' reckuds foah de graphafoam people. Dat's a lie, dat is. De only reckud he evah made is in the

"De only recercit de court indee is in die police station." "Das a fac'," humored cookey. "Fac' is a meah mythe. It's not only a fac', but a ster'lized, mater'lized, unsofisti-catin' pro rata cinch. What ah says, ah knows, an dey futhuh gossipates dat niggah has doe. He ain't got no doe, I tell yo'. He am so flat bust, dat he had his

false teeth cut down to fit de boy." "Do tell. Hot patootie, an' what did de boy do?" enjoined the cook. "Do! Why, he did jess what I 'spected

him to do. He tol' de ole man he was old 'nuf to pick his own teeth." "Don't say."

"Ah do say an' ah knows. An' de ansuh am dis. Cleah out o' heah an' let me think. Ise gonna drive dat guy outa de papah so fah dat he couldn' get in again if he killed de King of Blooey-Blooey. Ahse mad. And when ahse mad, ahse bad.'

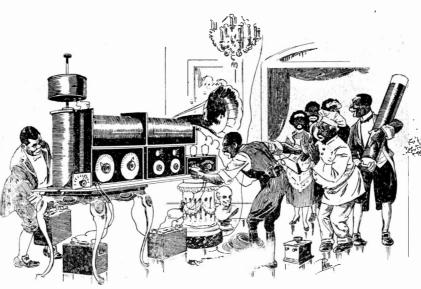
Aloysius McFlatfoot, probably so named on account of his huge understandings, was commonly known as the "peppiest nigger what ever had pep" in Chicago's negro section. Outside of taking a number 18 shoe, he had other accomplish-ments, namely: He was chauffeur of one of the most prominent families in the fashionable environs of Knob Hill, and when it came to handling an automobile, Aloysius had no peer. He was am-

bitious, sober, intellectual, partly educated and other qualifications, which, of course, were the outstanding features that decided Roger W. King, millionaire lumberman, to enlist his services as chauffeur. Mrs. King

was entirely satisfied with the man, and, therefore, he remained. Mr. and Mrs. King had long since dis-charged the Oriental help for negroes, and now had ten of the most "cultured pussons" from the "high brown" clientele, that money could secure.

It was in the late autumn and one of those evenings that make one feel he would rather remain by the fireside than venture out in a driving rainstorm. Aloysius Mc-Flatfoot, after the disappearance of his triend, sat pawing over an assortment of magazines. He stopped as he noticed the familiar cover of RADIO NEWS and began to examine it with growing interest, as he turned the pages. The following advertisement caurit his eye:

WANTED YOUNG MEN TO LEARN WIRELESS WE GUARANTEE COMPLETE SATISFACTION WE TEACH BY MAIL LET US HEAR FROM YOU AT ONCE.



It Was Saturday Night and the reasonable was All Set with Strange Devices. Aloysius Was Working Over the Apparatus With the Help of Mr. Smith, the Cook.

fundementals of the juicy currents."

"Meanin'?" "Hot dawg, boy, didn' yo' nevah get a shock.

"Sev'ral. De fus' one I got was when I saw my intended wife wid dat niggah John-son." "You kin forget dat shock, but a high

tenshum shock. . . Nevah. My advice is lay off of dat stuff what kin put moah life into yo' system in one forty-millionths of a twentieth part of a watch tick dan if a train whistled under yo' coat tail; but when yo' get hol' of a hot wyah like dis heah wayaluss puts out, den all I got to say is yo' break all reckuds fo' de broad jump. Dat is, of cose, if yo' can let loose, but if yo' can't let loose, may dey have mercy on wa' poek bida" yo' poah hide.'

Having departed this bit of information from his system, the good cook arose, yawned, bent both knees slowly up and down to see if they were in good work-ing order and left for his kitchen for a little "Afican crowkay wid de secon' cook."

Six months later Aloysius had qualified for a diploma in the Wireless Institute of This diploma was carefully America.



THIS Department is open to all readers. It matters not whether subscribers or not. All photos are judged for best arrangement and efficiency of the apparatus, neatness of connections and general appearance. In order to increase the interest in this department, we make it a rule not to publish photographs of stations unaccompanied by a picture of the owner. We prefer dark photos to light ones. The prize winning pictures must be on prints not smaller than 5 x 7". We cannot reproduce pictures smaller than 3½ x 3½". All pictures must bear name and address written in ink on the back. A letter of not less than 100 words giving full description of the station, aerial equipment, etc., must accompany the pictures. PRIZES: One first monthly prize of \$0.00 All other pictures published will be paid for at the rate of \$2.00.

F. H. Lester's Station, 9VK at Oak Park. III. This Month's Prize Winner



R ECEIVING equipment at my station 9VK consists of a short-wave regenerative set (of my own make), a longwave set using honeycomb coils, audiotron detector and two-step amplifier, using Radiotrons as amplifiers. The cabinet in which the tubes are mounted is also of my own make, using plug and jack system, which I find very convenient. I have a system of switches so that I can change from long to short waves, or vice-versa, at will. Mr. Lester has indeed a firstclass station and we extend to him our compliments for the neatness and appearanco of his apparatus. The transmitter is a 1-K.W. spark type and the receiver a homemade regenerative set.



I employ two variable condensers, as you can see. The Murdock, which is mounted on the wall, is used as grid condenser when the short-wave set is in operation, and when the long-wave set is in operation it is used to shunt the secondary coil., The Chelsea condenser, which is mounted on the desk, is used in the ground circuit of the long-wave set only. I am using Brandes Navy and Superior phones.

The transmitting equipment consists of

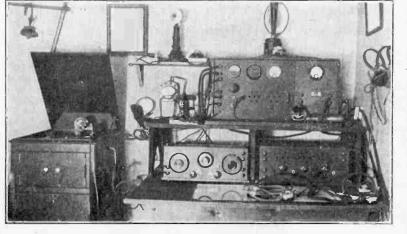
1 K.W. Acme transformer, Dubilier condenser, .007 Cap., Benwood Rotary quenched gap (which is located back of the O.T. and condenser) 16 teeth, coupled to a G.E. 1/8 H.P., 3,600 R.P.M. induction motor, O.T. is remodeled Thordarson. I have replaced the one-inch ribbon on the primary for a three-inch one. I use Boston Key and Clapp-Eastham antenna switch.

I have had a private power line installed, (Continued on page 520)

Thomas W. Scott's Station, 8BJU at Connellsville, Pa.

A S a constant reader of RADIO NEWS and with interest in the future of Amateur Radio I am enclosing a print of my station 8BJV, which I think may be of interest to others as theirs have been to me through the pages of your magazine.

I have a radio transmitting consisting of four 5watt Radiotron tubes hooked up as two oscillators and 2 modulators, on a modified Heising-Colpitt circuit; this set used voice, buzzer modulation and C. W. The power is furnished by an "Esco" 500 volt, 75 watt generator direct connected to a 110 volt motor. I use between 350 and 500 volts



This Home-made Station Comprises a Radiophone and C.W. Transmitter Using Four Five-Watt Tubes in a Heising-Colpitt Circuit. on plate, at about 180 milliamperes, which gives me radiation amounting to 1.85 amperes in the aerial; the aerial is 85 feet long with the free end 55 feet high. Aerial consists of four wires spaced 2' o" centers. I use a counterpoise of four wires fanned out to a spreaded 8 feet long spaced 2' 8" centers, and 10 feet above the ground.

My receiving set consists of assembled Radisco units for the short wave set and a detector, two-step amplifier using Radiotron tubes. I also have a long wave set (not shown) which I change for the short wave (Continued on page 530)

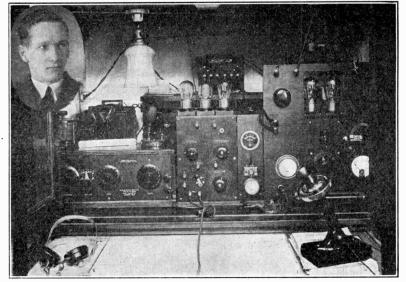
P.W.Lister's Station 811 at Detroit. Mich.

THE following is a description of my station which consists of a ZRF re generative set, used in conjunction with a home-made detector and two-stage amplifier. The transmitter is a home-made ra-diophone using two 5-watt tubes and radiat-ing from 134 to 2 amperes. The high ten-sion for this set is obtained through a 200watt transformer used with electrolytic rectifier.

The antenna consists of four wires 65' long and 55' high, with a spread of 9'. A regular ground is used in connection with a counterpoise giving very low resistance of the antenna circuit and high efficiency of the transmitter.

This station has, on different occasions, worked from 400 to 500 miles on the phone, and has been heard about 1,200 miles, when using straight C.W.

The radio. phone and amplifier of amplifier of this station are home-made, built by Mr. Lister, -the proud owner, who may be seen in the photo-graph. Pretty good work, isn't it?

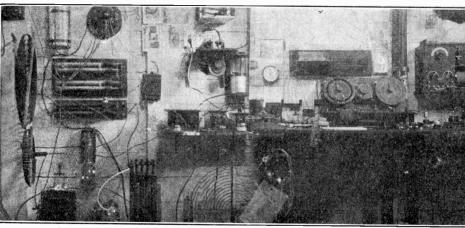


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E. Mateos Perez's Station at Santiago, Cuba

HE accompanying photograph shows experimental the radio station of the Perez Radio School in Santi-School in Santi-ago. Various apparatus are used to teach the students the functioning and operation of them. This sta-tion is also used for amateur work and corresponds r e g u l a r l y with other amateur sta-tions in Cuba. On the left may be seen the transmitting apparatus con-

sisting of helix coils of various sizes and Leyden jar condensers of various capacities which may be combined for transmission, with the inductances, so as to form different circuits which are found in commercial transmitters aboard ships. On the table are some spark coils which



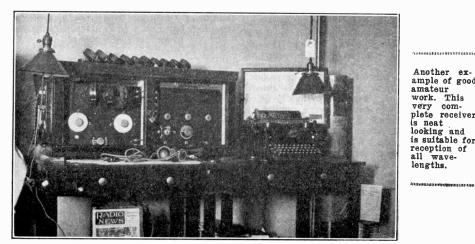
This Experimental Station is the One of a Radio School at Santiago, Cuba. It is Used Chiefly to Teach the Students the Role of Each Apparatus and Its Use.

may be taken out and used as different stations for practice, each operator having a complete station and sending messages in the same form as is done in commercial work. This method trains them to receive through interference and exactly as aboard ships. On the right of the photograph are

switched to any one of the tuners. station has made some good records with the spark transmitter, and is well known by all Cuban amateurs and others on the Coast.

Lacret Baja 8, Santiago, Cuba.

A. T. Hill's Receiving Station at Brooklyn, N. Y.



Another ex-ample of good amateur work. This very com-plete receiver s neat is neat looking and is suitable for reception of all wave-lengths.

N looking over my RADIO NEWS, I always find quite a number of receiving stations, and I am sending you a picture of mine, hoping it will appear in your Amateur Department.

This receiving set is entirely home made, and honeycomb coils are used for tuning any wave-length from 160 to 25,000 meters. As may be seen in the accompanying pic-ture, the set consists of two panels, one of them being the tuner, the other the detector and two-step amplifier, in which Western Electric VT-1 tubes are used.

To get maximum amplification, I use four 22-volt "B" batteries on the plate of the amplifying tubes and use a crystal detector instead of the tube for the reception of nearby stations, thus saving the batteries.

The antenna, which is 80 ft. long and consists of four wires about $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. apart, is erected on the top of a six-story building with the lead in coming through my window.

the receiving apparatus, part of them only being visible. The large tuner on the table is for the reception of long waves and consists of a coupler with intermediate circuit and the necessary condensers. The loose coupler just above is used for short-wave reception.

On the extreme right of the photograph is another tuner and just below, the vacuum tube detector and amplifier units, ampliner which may be This

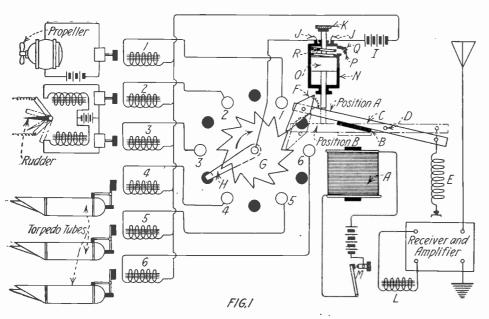
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Junior Radio Course Radio Control

PART II.



This Drawing Shows the Connections of a Radio Control System to Operate a Ship by Radio. The Detailed Sketch is That of the Selectors, Which Connects the Various Circuits Automatically at the Will of the Operator of the Transmitting Station.

N the last lesson was described the simplest radio control device, which was designed by Professor Branly, inventor of the coherer, and with which it was possible to control from a distance various apparatus connected to a radio receiver. In this lesson will be described another system, which, although not the best, is much more perfected and flexible in operation for the control from a distance of either an automobile, ship, torpedo, etc. The transmitting and receiving apparatus

The transmitting and receiving apparatus used in connection with this system, being of the ordinary type, we shall not describe them more fully, as they are well known by our readers. The transmitter may be either a spark coil or a powerful transmitter and the receiver may consist of either a single circuit tuner with amplifier, or a sensitive apparatus with several stages of radio and audio frequency amplification. For the best operation, and in order to prevent the radio controlled craft to be operated accidentally by interference, or atmospheric discharges, tuned circuits should be used in both receiver and transmitter and adjusted for a very sharp tuning.

The heart of the system, which is the selector, is shown in Fig. 1, with, connected to the various points of the automatic switch, the relays closing or opening each local circuit. Of course, any number of controls may be used by providing the automatic switch with the proper number of points, but for the sake of clearness, only a few are shown in the drawing. As may be seen in Fig. 1, the selector consists of an electromagnet A attracting an armature B, fixed on a movable arm C pivoting on the axle D, and supporting a finger F, which moves the ratchet wheel each time the armature B is attracted by the magnet. This motion of the ratchet wheel G moves the switch blade H from one point to the next, at each stroke of the finger F. The motion of the arm C is clearly shown by the dotted lines representing the arm in position B, attracted by the electromagnet.

the electromagnet. Between each of the points, which are numbered from 1 to 6, are shown dead points to which other relays may be connected. If this device alone was used, each circuit would be closed when the blade would touch the point to which it is connected and to prevent this, a special device is used, which closes the circuit only a certain time after the blade is on the point. It may be understood that if the armature C is attracted in rapid succession by the magnet A, the blade passes over all the points without closing the circuits, for, the time switch which is shown above the magnet, cannot close the circuit before a certain time, say one second.

This time switch may consist, as shown in the sketch, of a small cylinder, fitted with a valve P, in which a very small hole Q is drilled; inside of the cylinder moves up and down a piston O, to which is fixed an insulated contact K, closing the local circuit of the relays when in contact with the two blades J. This piston is pushed down by a spring R when the arm C, supporting the finger F, is attracted by the magnet, as in position B; for normally it is pushed up in the cylinder by the arm C pulled by the spring E, as in position A.

spring E, as in position A. When the armature is down, the piston O, pushed by the spring R, produces a suction effect in the cylinder, causing the valve P to be closed and allowing the air to fill the cylinder very slowly through the small hole Q, thus slowing down the motion of the piston supporting the blade K, which consequently cannot close the circuit between J and J immediately after the arm C is attracted by the magnet. Each time the arm C comes back to position A, it strikes up the piston which can be pushed up quickly, for the valve P opens under the inside pressure, which does not oppose any resistance to the upward motion of the piston O.

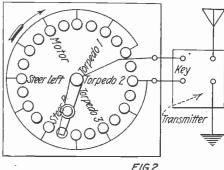
OPERATION

To make the operation of this control system clearer, we can give an example. Suppose the blade H is as shown in Fig. I: if a dot is transmitted, the sensitive relay L closes the circuit of the electromagnet at M, the armature B, attracted by the electromagnet A, pulls down the arm C and the finger F, pushing the ratchet wheel G the length of one tooth, moving the blade to point 3. If another dot is sent quickly after the first one, the same operation happens, moving the blade to the next point and so on, up to the point, preceding the proper one, controlling the apparatus which it is desired to operate. For instance, if the motor is to be started, the blade should be moved to the point between points I and 2; if, then, a dash is sent by the transmitter, the armature moves the blade to point I and stays in position B for a sufficient time to allow the piston O of the times device to come down and the blade K to close the circuit between J and J. The circuit of the local battery I being

The circuit of the local battery I being closed, the control relay No. 1 attracts its armature to which is fixed a switch of the same type as those described in the last lesson. Each of the other instruments is similarly operated, and the operation of the steering relays and of the torpedo tubes being already explained in the first part of this lesson, we shall not emphasize this part of the question.

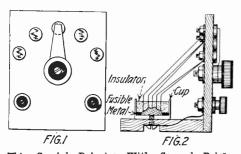
of the question. The advantage of this radio control system is that it is much more flexible than the one designed by Professor Branly. In the latter it was necessary to wait a certain length of time until the proper segment of the distributor was in contact with its cor-

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F/G.2This is the Controller of the Transmitting Stations, the Contact Blade of Which is Always in Synchronism With the One of the Selector at the Receiver.

Junior Constructor



This Crystal Detector With Several Points Which May be Connected by a Switch, is Very Practical and Steady in Operation.

PANEL TYPE CRYSTAL DETECTOR.

Many amateurs would like to mount the crystals on their panel. The following method will be found very good.

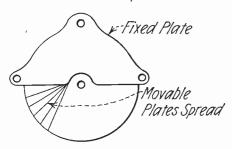
Any detector cup may be used, a fusible metal poured into the cup, some magnet wire is cut in short lengths and placed on different parts of the crystal and a good insulating material is poured in to fill the rest of the cup. Each wire is connected to a tap on the panel.

The drawing is self explanatory. Contributed by JOHN SHUTE.

IMPROVING THE VARIABLE CONDENSER.

When using a regenerative receiving set it was necessary to have a very accurate adjustment on my variable condenser and I happened to strike on the following idea which worked very well. I used the Perfection condenser, but al-

I used the Perfection condenser, but almost any condenser that can slightly loosen the rotary plates and be tightened can be used; the idea is to loosen the movable plates and spread them in fan form; in this way the capacity is varied as to the spread



A Clever Idea Which Allows Easier and Sharper Tuning With & Variable Condenser.

of the fan. I know the fellows need some condenser of this sort.

Contributed by

LAWRENCE F. PELLETIER.

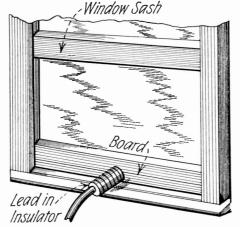
A SIMPLE LEAD-IN INSULATOR PANEL.

I have noticed that many amateurs think they have to bore holes through the walls of their houses for a lead-in. This takes time and expense and is not necessary.

Take a measurement of your window between the two slits on each side where the window slides up and down, and measure off about a quarter of an inch to allow for the putting in of the board when it is finished. Next secure a piece of board about four inches wide and three-quarters of an inch thick. Cut the board off to the measurement that you have taken of the window. Now bore a hole in the middle of the board and put your lead in insulator in and fasten it. Next, coat with paint. After the paint is dry put the board in the window so that when the window is lowered the bottom of it will rest on the top of the board. Little chips may be put in at the ends to keep the board from moving.

The diagram that accompanies this explains nearly everything. Contributed by JAMES EDDY.

Induced by JAMES EL



If You Cannot Drill a Hole for Your Lead in Insulator you May Mount it Like This.

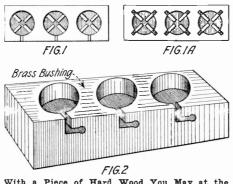
CONSTRUCTION OF A TRIPLE VACUUM-TUBE SOCKET.

I herewith present details of a triple vacuum bulb socket which cost me but 30 cents. The bill of materials consist of a block of wood, a dozen small wood screws, and several small pieces of thin brass.

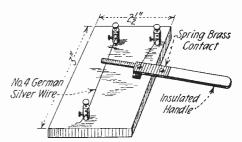
Three holes, all in a row, are bored in a piece of white pine (any dry wood will do), each hole being 13%'' in diameter and 2'' apart. The length of this wooden block and the separation between the holes can. of course, be varied to suit the design of any particular amplifier cabinet. There are two more operations after this. First, the cutting out of the bayonet joints; second, the mounting of the brass prongs on the base to make contact with the audion terminals.

base to make contact with the autom to minals. The bayonet joint is made by cutting through one side of each hole an upright L, at the end of each of which is bored a small hole (See Fig. 2). The prongs on the base of the block arc then mounted. A tube should be placed in the scoket so that the proper location of

The prongs on the base of the block arc then mounted. A tube should be placed in the socket, so that the proper location of each brass prong can be noted. Each prong is then fastened to the bottom by two small wood screws. Fahnstack binding posts may be fastened to the ends of the prongs, but they are not really necessary, as the connections can be soldered directly



With a Piece of Hard Wood You May at the Same Time, Cut Some V.T. Sockets and the H. C. of Radio Apparatus.



Here is a Simple Type of Vernier Rheostat for Fine Adjustment of the Filament Current of a V.T.

to the ends of the prongs. The socket-unit is now ready and it can be conveniently mounted on the back of the amplifier panel very easily, with several flat-headed screws. If these few directions are followed, your will have a very neat and serviceable triple socket unit minus the electrical defects of

socket unit minus the electrical defects of the manufactured electrical socket. Contributed by

SAMUEL W. ELLNER.

AN EASILY MADE VERNIER RHEOSTAT.

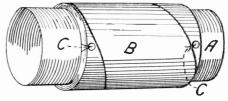
Being discontented with my rheostat because it did not give a fine enough filament adjustment on C.W., I set about to make a vernier rheostat. After experimenting with various kinds of sliders, I hit upon the idea shown in the drawing. With a long insulated handle I did away

With a long insulated handle I did away with body capacity effects.

I am sending this to you because I thought that it might interest other "hams." Contributed by C. M. ROBINSON.

HOW TO CONSTRUCT CARD-BOARD TUBES.

For the radio "bugs" who wish to construct their own cardboard tubes, I think this is a good idea. First procure a wooden dowell, $\frac{1}{2}$ smaller than the outside of the tube to be constructed. Wrap a strip of cardboard B, $\frac{1}{2}$ "thick and about 4" or 5" wide, the length depends on the size



When You Wish to Make a Coil of a Certain Diameter, it is Easy by This Methed to Make a Cardboard Tube of the Proper Size Yourself. In the Drawing is Shown the First Layer of Cardboard; A—Dowel; B—Tube; C—Thumb-Tacks.

of the tube, diagonally around so that the edges just meet, as shown in the diagram.

Fasten the edges with thumb tacks, Give the tube a heavy coat of shellac and wrap another layer of cardboard around the tube in the same manner but in the opposite direction and remove the thumb tacks and tie with string. Bake it in the oven for about a half hour. Then take out the tube and remove from the form and give a good coat of shellac and bake for another half hour. The result will be a very rigid cardboard tube, as good as the manufacturers can make and will not shrink if made according to directions. Ordinary cardboard tubes can be dipped in shellac and baked in an oven and will come out good looking, stiff cardboard tubes. Contributed by KENNETH NEBEL.

contributed by KENNETH NEBEL (Continued on page 542)

Correspondence From Readers

ABOUT THE AMERICAN EXAMI-NATION.

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Who is this Op. James E. Sellan, of Tampa, who in last month's issue attempted "bawl me out" in regards to my recent to article, "Should the Govt. Exams. Be More Severe?" Is he a ship operator? If so, then I presume he was afraid to tell the name of the vessel he is on, for fear that I may have heard him while at sea, testing, QRA'ing or CQ'ing. If he is a ship's radio man, I am surprised that he should make the remarks he did in his letter. If he is not a seagoing radio man—well—we can't expect anything different. He begged that I answer his letter and so-here goes.

For almost three months, I carefully went about preparing that article, which seems to have caused so much comment. You can rest assured that I was very careful not to say anything which I could not prove or could not give examples of. A great deal of the data was obtained from radio men of importance and of long sea and land experience. In regard to conditions I stated were to be found aboard many of our American ships, I am capable of explaining that personally and, if Mr. Sellan still demands that I answer his page of questions, I shall do so providing he communicate with me personally. My address appears on the page opposite his letter. It would require too much space to prove every statement through the columns of RADIO NEWS. Of course there are two sides to every story and we all have different points of view and ideas. Mr. Sellan did not have the same ideas as I. I never thought about asking him for his opinion regarding the Govt. exams. before it was published as I did not have the pleasure of knowing him.

I am very sorry that my article did not please him, but I am sure the Government inspectors will find a great deal of truth in it. More than once have I heard them voice their opinions of American operators. It was my idea to help the fellows who are It was my idea to help the fellows who are contemplating becoming commercial radio men, and to give them hints and pointers which would assist them in fulfilling the requirements of real good operators. As for the "Limies," I did not say they were the best operators. I told of the Govern-ment examinations they are compelled to pass. Often have I visited numerous Eng-lish vessels and the Marconi offices in Lon-don, just for the nurpose of obtaining indon, just for the purpose of obtaining in-formation about their tests. If Mr. Sellan likes, I will send him a list of their questions, but I guess he would have a terrible time answering them, seeing that i.e thinks the American examinations are so terribly difficult.

CHARLES A. REBERGER. Roselle Park, N. J.

SUPPOSE WE HAD TO PAY \$5.60 PER!

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Having been a regular subscriber to RADIO NEWS for a considerable time, 1 thought a line or two telling you what we amateurs in Australia think of your journal would not be out of place. Believe me, we look for the next RADIO NEWS like a new office boy does to his first pay. You seem to have the happy knack of

putting things so simply that the raw ama-teur can readily understand them, and I'm sure that is appreciated by all. I suppose you would like to hear a word

or two regarding the position of the Wireless Amateur in Australia. Well, compared to our American friends, we are very bad-ly off. Whereas the American amateur ap-pears to enjoy the support of the Government, we here in Australia are more or less discouraged. We are licensed for re-ceiving only, for which privilege we are compelled to pay the exorbitant sum of f_2 (\$5.60) per annum.

Before a license to use a valve is granted, it is necessary for the applicant to tender to the authorities a certificate to the effect that he is capable of operating at least 12 words per minute.

Some of us get what we consider very good results. Using a single audiotron, and honeycomb coils, and also "Burndept" (all coils home-made) we can copy most of the high power stations. Every morning we hear Lyons and Bordeaux very distinctly, such as well as some of your American stations, such as NSS, NPM, NPO, NPG, etc. I think this speaks volumes for the audio-

tron as a detector.

We have in Australia a Wireless Institute, with a section in each state. Meet-ings are held monthly, and we find that the lectures are of great assistance to use. The Institute has recently adopted a

standard design of pennant to be flown from the aerial mast, and it bears the letters W. I. A. It is of navy blue bunting, with the letters in white.

This serves to distinguish the members, and it no doubt widely advertises the Institute.

Our section (South Aus.) has just applied for a transmitting license, and we live in hopes of hearing our Secretary's rotary Australia cannot boast a high power sta-tion, but judging from present appearances it won't be long before our American friends will hear an Australian warbler in their Murdocks.

Wish RADIO NEWS and all American amateurs the best of luck.

KEN J. MARTIN. Adelaide, Australia.

DREAMLAND OF RADIO.

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Your editorials are wonderful! They and the cover of the RADIO NEWS were really the things that brought me into the "Dream-land of Radioland."

Yours is the magazine I like to see. You are straightforward and not afraid of criticisms from critics.

You publish the knocks (I do not see how anyone can find anything wrong with your magazine) and the boosts (there

ought to be plenty of them). I have followed up the "Junior Radio Course" and find it very interesting. PAUL GLEN.

New York City, N. Y.

A CRY FROM AUSTRALIA. Editor, RADIO NEWS:

From continuously reading your maga-zine while residing in Australia, I believe that you publish it, as you say, in the in-terests of all Radio amateurs. It is in the interests of the Australian amateur that I am now writing to you. Your very valu-able magazine is not unknown in that far distant country, and it does not seem im-possible to me, when I suggest that you may use it as a medium for bringing together many Australians and, indirectly, in-American Radio apparatus companies. I was unable to do any really good work out there because my pocket was small, and the charges large. Sydney, N. S. W., has but charges large. Sydney, N. S. W., has but one proper Radio store, and since he is the only one, he is able to charge as much as he pleases. \$6.00 valves go for \$12.00 and \$15.00, switch contacts are 18c and 20s, and other things range accordingly. What

can a boy or young man do under such circumstances?

He gets a poor opinion of wireless. The fellows at school used to laugh at me be-cause I was always "broke." Radio was the reason, so many took the opportunity to learn a lesson, and let radio alone.

I formed a club at school, but owing to the high cost of radio apparatus, the mem-bership fell from thirty in the first month to ten or twelve at the end of the year. I have since had word that the club has gone out of business.

Transmission is prohibited by law at present, but when there are enough amateurs to raise a kick, transmitting will be permitted and the price of a license will be reduced.

Australians look to RADIO NEWS for guidance, both in apparatus matters and in club possibilities. It was RADIO NEWS which started our club, and it was and still is RADIO NEWS which supplies all the useful

circuits and hints for receiver sets. Your editorial is always worth reading, and I would suggest that when you are hard up for some "dope" that you write one for Australians and others like them.

At the present rate of progress, it will not be long before transmission by amateurs will make transcontinental work look small, but Australia can only read and sigh. America has the brains of the world, and she is known the world over for generosity to those in need. Perhaps the American ama-teur will show his generosity by suggesting a way out for the Australian cousin.

LEONARD C. RENNIE. Late of Sydney, N. S. W.

HIS CRITICISM.

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Receiving your card, "What Do You Think of RADIO NEWS?" I would like to

make a few suggestions. I agree with Mr. Dreesner in July issue, that fiction is a mistake and harmful to your magazine. I think most of your read-ers, like myself, can find all the stories they desire in other papers which are published especially for fiction readers.

Instead of the stories, give us one or two more "How to Make It" articles, or some additional write-ups such as Mr. Jessup's (who, by the way, is a fine young man) in the April issue. Also you could answer more questions in the "I Want to Know" department.

Not wishing to be too hard on our good editor, I would allow him to exhaust his "laughing gas" by a comic cover illustration occasionally. I think RADIO NEWS is the best in its

class and that is why I get it. I make the above remarks with the object of improving your good paper to our mutual advantage.

D. C. KURTZ. R. 4, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

HE LIKES 'EM.

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Upon getting my copy of RADIO NEWS yesterday I turned at once to your editorial, the place I always look first.

I was very surprised to see that anyone would have the nerve to say that they thought your editorials were a waste of

paper. I am not a "Radio Bug" but I am interset in Radio and its development. It was your articles, both editorials and others, that first caught my attention. I have not missed very many since. I don't aim to miss as many in the future as I have in

the past. I think I am correct in saying that your editorials every month are of great impor-tance. They always tell something, or they (Continued on page 538)



THE RADIO CLUB OF LONG ISLAND The Radio Club of Long Island, with head-quarters at the laboratory of the Ship Owners' Radio Service, 80 Washington St., New York, begins the activities of the 1921-22 season with a membership of over 40 enthusiastic amateurs. President J. Bruce Ferguson and the other offi-cers announce that one of the first activities of the teriffic interference which is now the pest of those whose desire it is to enjoy the fruits of endeavors and to promote the better interests of the game.

endeavors and to promote the server the game. Indication that the Radio Club of Long Island is in earnest is the fact that Traffic Manager Browne (2BRS) has already begun to warn vio-lators of the laws regulating wave-lengths. In this he has the Executive Radio Council and the local radio inspector behind him. It might be well to remind those who are careless in this re-fender.

spect that calculation of neense awarts an of-fender. A cordial invitation is extended to all "citizen radio men" who live on the northern half of Long Island to join the club. The meetings are set for 8.15 p.m. every other Tuesday, beginning November 15. As an affiliated member of the Executive Radio Council, the club is planning to put into effect in its district rules and regulations laid down by that body for the hetterment of operating con-ditions. For the further education of its members, it is planned to have a lecturer at each of the meetings. An invitation is also extended to visi-tors

meetings. An invitation of the second second

W. Exner (2BNF). THE RADIO CLUB OF AMERICA At the last meeting of the Radio Club of Amer-ica, held at Columbia University, New York City, Mr. Eltz, manager of the Radio Department of the Manhattan Electric Supply Co., delivered a very interesting lecture on "Radio and Audio Frequency Amplification," giving most valuable "dope" for the construction of efficient amplifiers and describing the causes of howling and the remedy in both resistance and transformer coupled amplifiers. After this lecture Major E. H. Arm-strong talked a little about vacuum tubes and the poor sensibility and very small current of the de-tector tubes actually on the market. Mr. Paul Godley, designer of the well known to the Paragon family; that is, the small radiophone transmitter, with which he obtained wonderful results during the experiments he carried out with the set.

(Continued from previous issues) Tikker-Detector used in C.W. working. Consists of a rapid working contact

denser of receiving circuit to charge an-other condenser placed across phones. When "Tikker" is open main condenser

becomes momentarily charged by incom-ing oscillations; when tikker closes cir-cuit containing telephones, the other con-

denser becomes charged which upon re-opening of "tikker," discharge across

Torque—Tendency to turn anything about an axis. Also called Couple, and Angu-lar Force. Turning Moment Unit is Pound-foot (not foot-pound) and is that

Torque which is exerted by force of one

sent out from an aerial at each discharge

of the condenser, if the transmitter is ar-

ranged on the spark system. If a number of trains of oscillations are sent out at equidistant intervals, the number per

second is called the train frequency or group frequency, and this must be dis-

tinguished from the oscillation frequency.

pound at a radius of one foot. Train of Waves-A group of oscillations is

phones, producing audible ticks.

GALILEO RADIO CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

GALILEO RADIO CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO A new radio club has been formed and its name is Galileo, in honor of our school. We can now boast of 35 members, five of whom are girls. Mr. Bernard Euphraim is president, Mr. Edward Bill-ington, vice-president; Mr. Ziedler, treasurer, and Miss G. Meriwether secretary. We hope to have all our members commercially licensed very soon. Our present equipment is a Colin B. Kennedy receiving set, long and short range, consisting of one audion-detector and two amplifiers, coupled inductively with honeycomb coils. Our transmit-ting set includes a ½-K.W. transformer, a Du-biller condenser, a Boston key, a Murdock rotary spark gap and Murdock oscillation transformer The monthly dues of 35 cents per capita will be used in purchasing additional supplies, a loud speaker being our next investment. We will gladly answer all inquiries from any co-operative clubs. Address all communications to secretary, Miss G. Meriwether, care Galileo H. S.

BUSHWICK EVENING TRADE SCHOOL RADIO CLUB, BROOKLYN, N. Y. The Bushwick Radio Club wishes to announce that it is preparing to organize a special unit in code practice for those amateurs and radio men who are now receiving 15 words a minute, and are desirous of attaining greater speed in order that they may obtain commercial licenses, and also for those who wish to avoid becoming "rusty." The class will meet four evenings each week at the clubroom, Bushwick Evening Trade School, 400 Irving Ave., from 7.30 to 9.30 P.M. The young men desiring to take advantage of this opportunity will please state in detail their ability and experience. Applications will only be accepted through mail. Address all communica-tions to Miss Sonia Soberg, 400 Irving Ave., Room 351.

BUHL AGAIN IN THE LEAD Local radio fans have organized the Buhl Radio Club. What is believed to be the first radio club in the State of Idaho, was organized recently at the home of A. E. Dickey, in Buhl. The club will have a social as well as an edu-cational value, as it provides for weekly meet-ings of those interested, at which the various problems of the members will be generally dis-cussed and worked out. With the completion of the stations contemplated by the members, Buhl will take her place beside the most progressive cities of the East where the wireless telephone in particular has attained a degree of popularity that is amazing in so short a time.

a time. The Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. is broadcasting a pre-announced program of band concerts and musical entertainments every night that can be received, and with a very mod-erate priced equipment amplified sc that it can be heard as well as your phonograph.

Quite recently an amateur in one of the New England States sent the music from his phono-graph floating out on the ether by wireless and it was heard in Scotland. The big Government stations are now sending out crop, time, market and weather reports daily, of which a great many people are taking advantage. Those present at the recent meeting were Lau-rence Peck, George Harvey, Clarence Lane, Jack Warner, Edward Joyce, Claud Lane and A. E. Dickey.

Dickey. The following officers were elected for the first quarter: George Harvey, president; Edward Joyce, secretary; A. E. Dickey, treasurer. The club will meet every Friday night at 7.30 sharp.

THE PREP. RADIO CLUB-3XJ

THE PREP. RADIO CLUB-3XJ Unique among the high school clubs of Phila-delphia is the St. Joseph's Prep. Radio Club. It numbers about 50 members, some of wkom are licensed operators and maintain their own stations, while all are enthusiastic in radio and ambitious of becoming proficient amateurs. Membership is lim-ited to students of the high school department of St. Joseph's College and the more advanced in radio technique are allowed the privilege of work-ing in the college wireless room of St. Joseph's College, one of the best equipped in the city. Meetings are held weekly in the physics lecture hall of St. Joseph's College. The following off-cers were elected for the current year: Raymond A. Ryder, president; John J. Guinan, vice-presi-dent; Joseph B. Gadurgis, secretary. Correspond-ence is invited. Address Joseph B. Gadurgis, secretary, the Prep Radio Club, St. Joseph's Col-lege, Philadelphia, Pa. Radio call, 3XJ.

SOUTH DAKOTA RADIO CONVENTION

The first meeting of radio amateurs in South Dakota will be held in Sioux Falls, on December 28 and 29, 1921, under the name of "South Da-kota Radio Convention." The affair is being staged by our club, with the assistance of a few of the leading amateurs in other parts of the

State: A convention hall has already been engaged and some of the details of the meeting have been worked out We intend to have at least two speak-ers of some prominence in radio, and also to have display of apparatus. There will be the usual big banquet and stunts. We hope to draw amateurs from the neighboring States of Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska, as well as from all parts of this State, and we see no reason why it should not prove to be quite an event.

event.

It will please us greatly if you wil give us a little publicity about the convention in RADIO NEWS, which is read quite generally by amateurs in this part of the country.

Dictionary of Technical Terms Used in Radio

Tune-See Resonance.

Tuner-An instrument capable of various adjustments of inductance and capacity in the receiving circuit. See Multiple Tuner.

Tuning Lamp-A four-volt lamp in series an inductance coil shunted across with small portion of aerial.

- Turning Moment-See Torque.
- Twin Wire-Two separately insulated wires twisted together to form one wire.
- Two Circuit Windings-See Wave-Wound. Two-Phase Alternator-Really a double
- single-phase machine, having two pairs of slip rings which give off two distinct al-ternating E.M.F.'s of equal amplitudes but with a phase difference of a quarter of a period.
- Ultraudion-Explained in Reaction Circuit. See Audion.
- Ultra Magnifier-See Reaction Circuit.
- Ultra Violet Rays-See Light. Umbrella Aerial-One whose component wires radiate from a central pole or mast like the ribs of an umbrella. Undamped—A train of oscillations of con-stant amplitude. Having no damping.

Unidirectional-Flowing in one direction only as Direct Current.

- Unilateral-One direction only taken into consideration.
- Unit B.O.T.-1,000 Watt-hours. Unit of Acceleration-F.P.S. One foot per second. C.G.S. One centimeter per second.
- Unit of Capacity-Farad. Conductor has capacity of one farad when a charge of one coulomb raises its potential one volt. Practical unit is micro-farad.
- Unit of Conductance—Mho, which is the reciprocal of the Ohm.
- Unit of Current-Ampere. Current that when passed through a particular solution of Silver Nitrate in water deposits 0.001,118 gramme of Silver per second. Flow of one Coulomb per second. Cur-rent passing through a resistance of one Ohm when a uniform pressure of one Volt is applied.
- *Unit of Force*—F.P.S. is Poundal, and is that force which acting on a mass of one pound gives it a velocity of one foot per second. C.G.S. is Dyne, and is that force which acting on a mass of one gramme gives it a velocity.



HIS Department is conducted for the benefit of our Radio Experimenter. We shall be glad to answer here questions for the benefit of all, but we can only publish such matter of sufficient interest to all.
This Department cannot answer more than three questions for each correspondent.
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TUNING CONDENSERS

12001 TUNING CONDENSERS (289) Duane Menough, of Pittsburgh, Pa., asks whether it makes any difference if two .001 mf. variable condensers are used instead of one .001 and one .0015 mf., in a receiving circuit using honeycomb inductances. A. No, .001 mf. variable condensers may be used in both primary and secondary circuits, with very good results.

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TRANSMITTING VT'S (290) Arthur Kemp, of Three Rivers, Que., Canada, wants to know: Q. 1. What kind of vacuum tube should be used in connection with the C.W. transmitter, using a 6-volt storage battery, published in the November, 1920, issue of RADIO NEWS. A. 1 Any type of transmitting tube may be used; either Radiotron UV 202, or Moorhead oscillator Q. 2. Could the set men-tioned above be used for radio

tioned above be used for failed A. 2. No, this set cannot be used for telephone transmission as the high tension supplied by the spark coil is not direct cur-

SHORT RANGE RADIOPHONE

SHORT RANGE RADIOPHONE (291) Henry Seaman, of Ocean Side, L. I., N. Y., asks the following: Q. 1. Please publish a circuit of a short range radiophone using "B" batteries as high ten-sion source

using "B" batteries as high ten-sion source A 1. You will find on page 707, April, 1921, RADIO NEWS, a kook-up of such a transmitter, in which it is only necessary to short circuit the key and con-nect the microphone between the grid of the V.T. and the aerial. At least 80 volts should be used on the plate.

 be used on the plate.
 "B' BATTERY POTENTIO-METER
 (292) William Baker, of Brooklyn, N. Y., wants to know: O. 1. Does it make much difference whether potentiometer is connected across the "B" battery, or in series with it? A. 1. A "B" battery po-teniometer should be connected across the battery to be effective, as it would be practically use-less if connected in series with it. as less it.

(Q. 301). This Diagram Shows the Connections of a Complete Short-Wave Set With Detector and Ore-Step Amplifier, in Which the Amplifier Tube is Used as Oscillator When Transmitting. This Set May be Used for Telephony or C.W., and All Connections are Changed Automatically by Means of a 4 P.D.T. Switch.

LOOP AERIAL Oscillator When (298) Leroy A. Mather, of Philadelphia, Pa., asks: Q. 1. What size wire and what kind of insul-ation should be used on a 4-foot loop? A. 1. No. 20 BS wire, either bare or S.C.C., is suitable for winding on a loop aerial.

LOOP AERIAL WAVE-LENGTHS
 (294) J. Brown, of Bayonne, N. J., sends in
 the following questions:
 Q. 1. What is the natural wave-length of a
 loop 3 feet square wound with 21 turns?
 A. 1. The natural wave-length of such a loop
 when shunted by a .001 variable condenser, is
 about 1.100 to 1.800 meters.
 Q. 2. Please publish a radiophone hook-up,
 sending about three miles.
 A. 2. See answer 291, on this page.

RADIOPHONE RECEPTION WITH CRYSTAL DETECTOR

(295) Yale Schellenger, of Waukegan, Ill., would like to know: Q. 1. Can a loop aerial be used with a crystal receiving set? A. 1. A crystal detector may be used with a loop aerial, but does not give very good results, owing to the poor sensibility of this kind of detec-tor compared with a V.T. Unless the loop is of large size, it is not advisable to use a crystal receiver in conjunction with it.

Q. 2. Can radiophone messages be received with a crystal set? A. 2. Yes, radiophone may be received with a crystal set, but will be very faintly heard for the reason explained above. However, if the receiving station is in the neighborhood of the transmitter, the voice may be quite clear and un-derstandable. Q. 3. Which vacuum tube is best as a detec-

Q. 3. tor?

A. 8. The V.T. detectors actually on the mar-ket are almost all of the same sensibility, if prop-erly adjusted and controlled with suitable instruments.

RECEIVING AERIAL (296) Louis R. Huber, of Tipton, Iowa, wishes to know:

Q. 3. Which make of amplifying transformer would work best with A.P. tubes. A. 8. The Federal, or Clapp-Eastham ampli-fying transformers would give you good results with these tubes with these tubes.

LIGHTNING SWITCH M. Belais, of West End, N. J., inquires (298)

Q. 1. Is it necessary to install a 100 amp. light-ning switch with an aerial used for receiving only? A. 1. Yes, a lightning switch must be installed with any type of aerial, when erected outside of the house

A. 2. Must the ground wire be No. 6 rubber covered, with the above mentioned aerial? A. 2. It is not absolutely necessary to have rubber covered wire for the ground connection, and either C.C. or bare wire may be used. Q. 3. Must the lead in be rubber covered? A. 3. Yes, the lead in should be well insulated where it enters the house. If a lead in insulator is used, the lead in from the antenna to this insula-tor may be of bare wire COMBINATION LONG AND

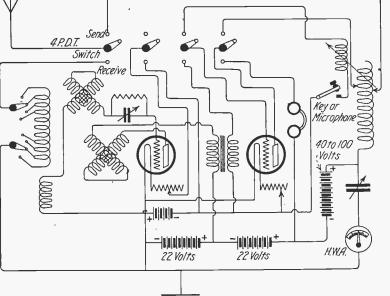
tor may be of bare wire COMBINATION LONG AND SHORT WAVE RECEIVER (299) A. B. Cromwell, of Norfolk, Va., would like to know if it is possible to change from a honeycomb receiver to a re-generative set, using variometers, by means of only one switch. A. The hook-up of such a combination of long and short-wave receiving set was published on page 621 of the March, 1921, issue of RADIO NEWS.

COMBINED TRANSMITTER AND RECEIVER

COMBINED TRANSMITTER AND RECEIVER (801) B. Starton, of Chicago, III., asks us: Q. 1. Could I use, by means of a switch, the hard tube of my one-stage amplifier for transmit-ting, and use it as well for amplification, when re-ceiving? Please give a hook-up. A. 1. The hook-up requested, appears on this page. All the connections from transmission to reception are made by means of the four-pole double throw switch, so that the amplifier tube, which is a hard one, is used as an oscillator when transmitting, while the detector tube is cut off.

RADIOPONE RECEPTION (302) William Mays, of Alderson, W. Va., asks us the answers to the following questions: Q. 1. What size of aerial should I use for re-ception of short-wave length from 150 to 600 meters?

meters? A. 1. An aerial for short waves may consist of a flat top of four wires, three to four feet apart, and 50 to 60 feet long erected 50 to 60 feet from the ground. (Continued on page 538)



Q. 1. Which is the most essential for a re-ceiving antenna, the height, number of wires, or A. 1. The most efficient is the highest one, especially for short waves, but for long-wave re-ception, a long antenna erected about 20 to 40 feet above the ground gives very good results, if used with the proper receiving set. Q. 2. Is a Fleming valve made of an auto-mobile bulb using an external grid, as good or bet-ter than a crystal detector? A. 2. From our personal experience, we may say that a good crystal detector will give better and steadier results than such a valve, which should be considered only as an experimental in-strument.

(297) Richard H. Phillips, of Cazenovia, N. Y., wants to know:
Q. I. Would A.P. amplifying tubes work all right in connection with an audiotron detector?
A. 1. Yes, this combination will give you good results, provided the proper voltage is applied on each of the tubes.
Q. 2. Please give a diagram of a two-stage amplifier with the above mentioned detector.
A 2. This hook-up is given on page 897, November, 1921, RADIO NEWS.

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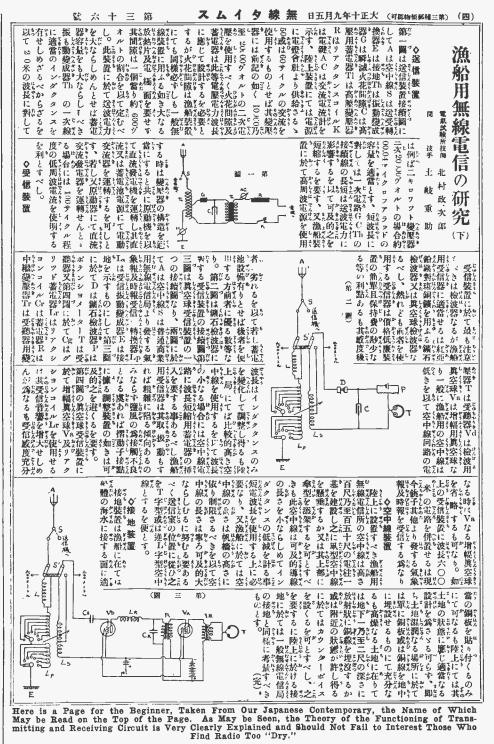
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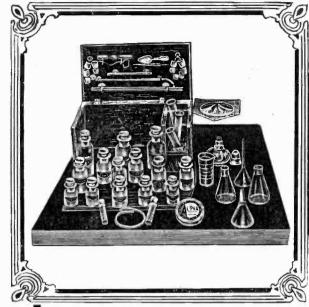
Must We Abandon the Dots and Dashes (Continued from page 488)

end causes the beam of reflected light to fall on the opaque section so that little or no light passes through to the sensitized film or paper, thus producing a negative effect from which prints can be made. If desired, the graduated screen can be reversed, so that a positive effect will be obtained on the sensitized paper or film. So much for half-tone transmission and

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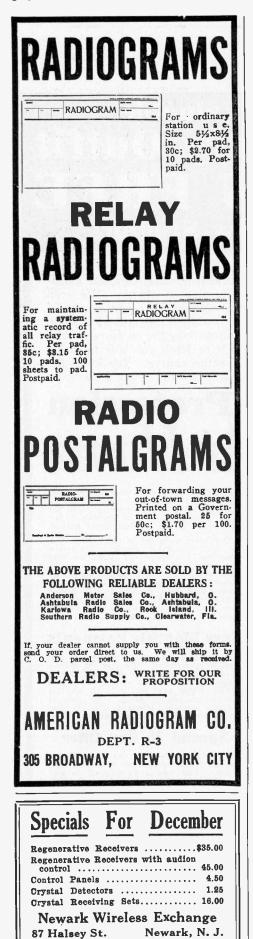
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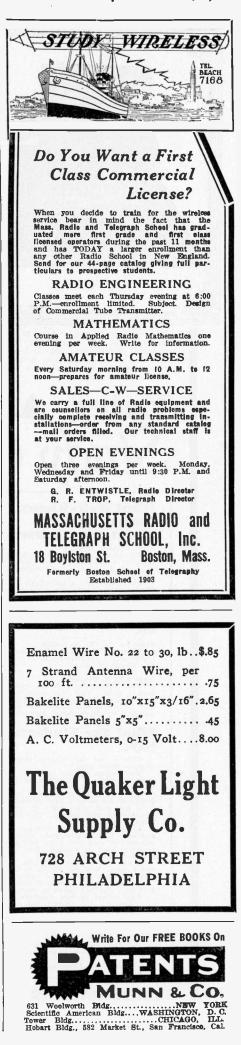
It was altogether natural that this same Parisian newspaper should have taken a keen interest in the Dempsey-Carpentier boxing match. Who wouldn't? Hence the editor asked M. Belin if he could send the photographs of the little scrap across the ocean without waste of time, so that this newspaper could score the scoop of the century. It was impossible to do so by cable, for many business and technical reasons, but there was some chance of doing it by radio, although as yet radio, in this connection, was still a doubtful quantity. However, M. Belin dispatched two of his engineers to the States, seemingly with several days to spare before the match so as to make the necessary arrangements.

As luck would have it-radio luck, which is the hardest kind—these engineers were held up three days by fog. They arrived practically on the eve of the great fight. Half-tone transmission was out of the question, so they decided on line transmission. Permission was secured to utilize at odd moments between traffic peaks the Annapolis Naval station, which has a powerful arc generator. On the evening following the fight, when all the world knew the results, these two engineers endeavored to transmit a drawing showing the French challenger measuring his length on the canvas, while the champion stood over him with fists ready the champion stood over nim with INSIS reary for further action, and with the referee near by taking the count. The drawing was re-ceived at Malmaison, near Paris, on a loop antenna. However, the results, due to in-sufficient preparation, were not sufficiently clear and complete to permit of using the drawing in the newspaper; but let it not be forgotten that if the French lost the great ring fight, they scored the credit of having transmitted the first image across the Atlantic by radio.

The experiments were continued, with the Annapolis station as the transmitter. The great difficulty in all these experiments was to obtain the rapid modulation of the transmitter. The Annapolis station has something like sixty relays to modulate the transmitted energy, and it must be patent to anyone familiar with relays that there must be considerable lag. It is unavoidable. Even with the speed greatly reduced, the French engineers found the line signals piling up on many occasions, so rapid did the make-and-break impulses follow each other.

Then came the second phase of the experiments. M. Belin, wishing to push the results still further, decided to come to the States and try his luck in the opposite direction; that is to say, sending the images from France to this country. For this purpose he made use of the American-built radio station at Bordeaux, known as the Lafayette station to us Yankees. Preliminary to these tests, M. Belin, in France, had transmitted images by land wire to the Bordeaux station, where they were automatically sent out by radio and intercepted by a loop antenna at, Malmaison, only some ten miles or so away from the transmitter at Paris which was sending the images. Then by telephone the experimenters could check up on the result.

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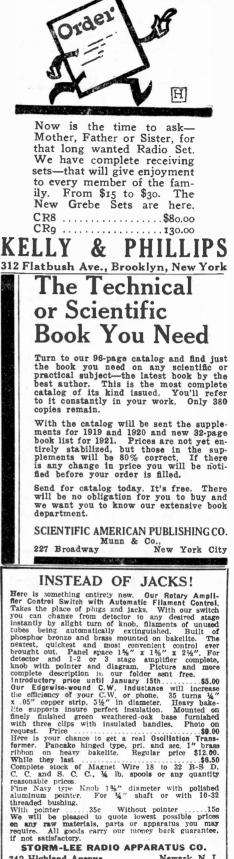
M. Belin, with one of his engineers, went to the Naval receiving station at Otter Cliffs, near Bar Harbor, Me. He obtained good results. Autographed messages of General Pershing and Premier Briand were received in good shape, despite the most annoying static disturbances. Just one item to strengthen this bald state-ment: M. Belin, requiring storage bat-tery current for the driving motor of his receiving apparatus, so as to obtain abso-lutely constant speed which is so necessary to good results, was unable to find any at the station. It was either a case of obtaining storage batteries or giving up the at-With characteristic French initiatempt. tive, he succeeded in gathering a fair collection of nondescript batteries from automobiles.

But after all, the transmission of handwriting, drawings, and even the more difficult photographs, is secondary in the commercial sense. The experiments have proved one point beyond a doubt, and that is the certainty and accuracy with which messages may be sent through even when the Transatlantic stations are absolutely blocked be-cause of atmospheric conditions. The transmission of dispatches by this system of facsimile reproduction is not broken up by static, for the reason that it depends on an image made up of a large number of impulses and not on an arrangement of dots and dashes and spaces the varying of any of which changes the whole sense of a dispatch. Thus when static breaks up telegraph signals so badly that they cannot be read, the same disturbance merely causes tiny breaks in the outlines of M. Belin's dispatches.

What does this mean? Well, it requires no great stretch of imagination. It is generally known that commercial stations are tied up at times because of static, and com-mercial messages are piled up until conditions again permit the resumption of traffic. M. Belin has proved to the satisfaction of all those who have looked into his work that he can transmit under practically all conditions with positive results. His facsimile messages can be read no matter how much they may be broken up by static and other parasitic disturbances, for he depends on large and bold outlines rather than the delicate arrangement of dot and dash and space, which can be so easily misinterpreted, whether received by the audible or photo-graphic tape recorder method.

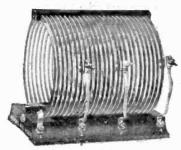
Obviously, the Belin dispatches do not have to be sent by longhand, for that would require too much surface on the transmitting record. Instead, the dispatches can be typewritten and then transferred on to a transmitting record, or they can even be written in perfect shorthand. Imagine expert shorthand operators at both ends of a Transatlantic radio system, writing one thousand or even two thousand words on a small piece of paper which could be readily treated and then transferred on to the transmitting record, for transmission in four minutes' time or less. The speed, let alone the accuracy, surpasses anything we now have in the way of automatic operation. And then there are so many languages that could be handled by this facsimile system. Turkish, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese, Arabic, Greek-all these languages could be handled without change or improvision of any kind. From a legal aspect, the application of the image system should be of interest.

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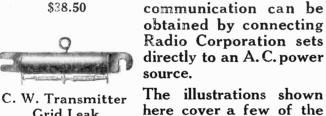
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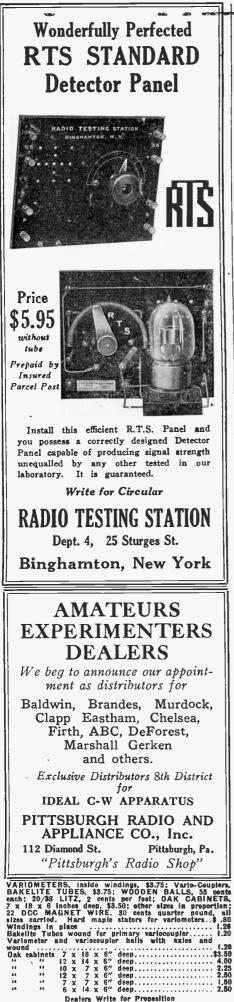
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A Type of Honeycomb Variometer

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diagram. Now 96 iron wires, 4" long, and No. 20 B. & S. gauge should be procured, and inserted as shown in the diagram. Now the 8-32 screws are put in place on the secondary, and the battery nuts put on. The purpose of these nuts is twofold, namely, to tighten the screws on, and to keep the wire from abrasion on the shaft.

No. 26 B. & S. gauge D.C.C. wire is used for winding. Beginning by numbering the pegs or wires as shown in the diagram, the wire is started on I B, and goes to 8 A, from there to 2 B, then to 9 A and so on, until 16 turns have been wound. Now the winding is given a coat of shellac, and allowed to dry. Then, doing the same thing again, another 16 is wound over the preceding, and shellacked, and allowed to dry. This should be continued until 80 turns have been wound on each of the two variometer secondaries. When the shellac has dried, the iron wires may be removed, and the winding is complete. The shellac is sufficient to hold the windings in place if care is taken in removing the pins.

Now the two primaries of the variometers are wound, the pins being in place. The bushings which are six pieces of tubing large enough to just slip over the shaft, and split, and bent, as shown in the diagram. Now these bushings are glued in place with split edges against the tube. The bushings are the bearings, and also prevent the shaft from rubbing against the wire. Now the tubes are wound, and shellacked, just like the secondaries. No. 26 wire is used and 64 turns put on, and when dry, the iron pins are removed.

The secondary of the coupler is made like the secondary of the variometer, except that 64 turns of No. 26 B. & S. D.C. wire is used.

The primary of the coupler is tapped. The coupler is wound and constructed just like the primary of the variometer, but at the second turn a tap is taken off, then off the fourth, the sixth, the eighth, the 10th and the 12th; this is the fine adjustment. Then on the 25th turn, a tap is taken, then the 36th, then the 48th, then the 60th, then the 72nd, then the 84th, and the winding is complete.

Very much shellac should be used that the winding of the coupler primary may stay in place. The fine adjustments of the coupler should be brought out on one side and the coarse on the other, also the taps should be tagged so that one knows which is which, when connecting up.

The supports are made of a block of wood $2'' \ge 1'' \ge \frac{34''}{2}$. It has $\frac{1}{4}''$ hole through the center, as shown. The block is carved down to fit the primary, as shown in assembly. Three supports are required.

The supports hold two binding posts each, which should be small, and placed as shown.

The support is fastened to the primary by four small wood screws which pass through the tube and between the honeycombs in the wire and then into the support. It might be well to put a washer under the head, so it will not tear the tube.

The shaft screws are then partly removed, and the secondary put in place as shown in assembly. The two secondary wires are connected to these screws, and flexible leads are connected to the shaft, as shown in the diagram. The hook-up shows how the variometers are connected up, and the taps of the coupler go to switch points.





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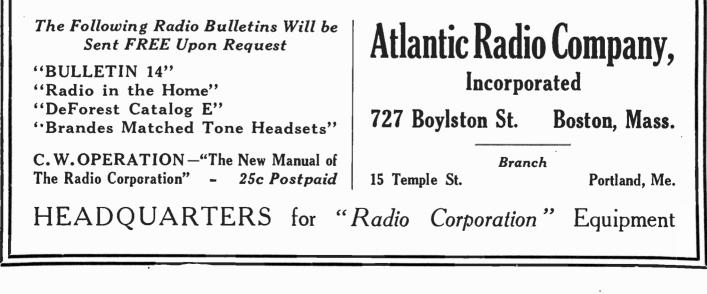
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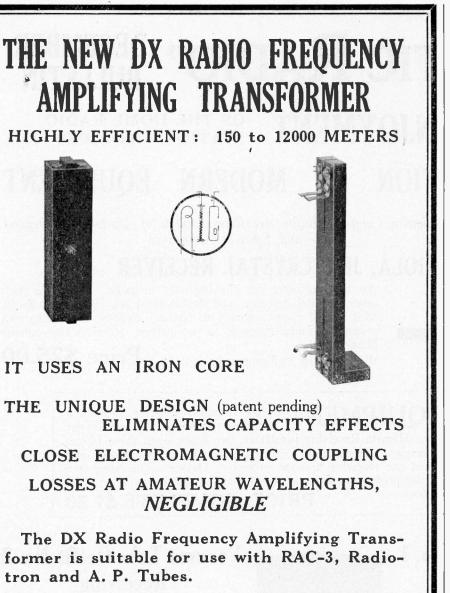
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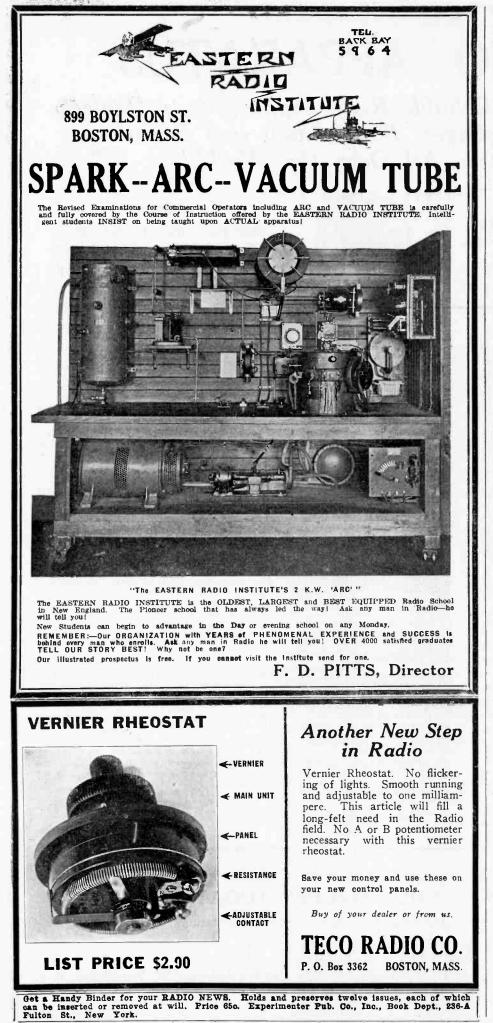
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connected directly in the antenna circuit or put in the grid circuit, either directly or through some form of transformer. In either case we find that, even when the battery current which actuates the buzzer is on by reason of the vibrating and stationary contacts touching each other, a certain portion of the antenna current passes through the windings of the buzzer magnets. Even though the amount of this current would seem inconsequential, it is very important when we consider that we are dealing with a form of transmission, which at best can not amount to more than a few watts. I am speaking of the ordinary amateur transmitting station, where small power tubes are employed.

However, if we resort to the method shown in Fig. 3, it is possible for us to make an absolute break in the current and an absolutely direct path for the current in the antenna circuit, which has no external elements as components. We may also make any alterations of the buzzer, such as adding the condenser across the points to prevent excessive sparking without in any way changing the wave length of or the energy in the antenna circuit, for the second buzzer, will be acting as a relay, controlled by the vibrating current in the line, as determined by the period of vibration of the first buzzer.

Both the buzzer and the relay should be capable of delicate adjustment as regards distance between contact points and the spring tension on the vibrating lever. The most suitable form of relay may be made by altering the connections on practically any well made high frequency buzzer to conform to the circuit shown in the illustration and it is then only necessary to adjust both the buzzer and the relay, so that they will operate in synchronism, in order to have the best modulation which may be expected from a buzzer.

A Highly Efficient Receiver

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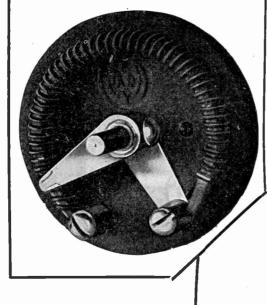
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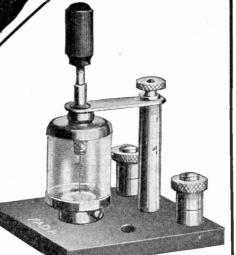
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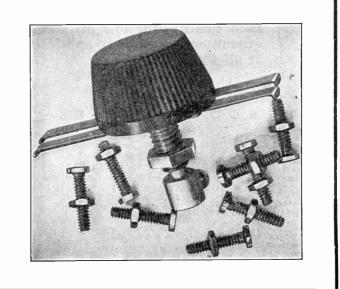
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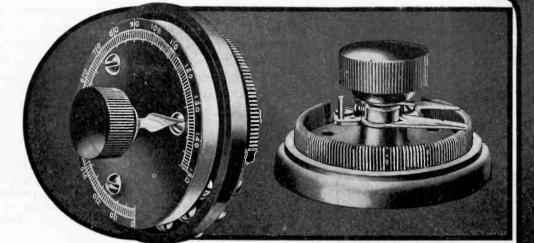
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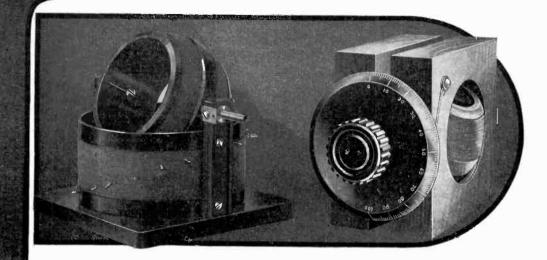
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approximately 150 meters. Regulation of the regeneration circuit is made possible by altering the position of the right-hand rotor. When an oscillating con-dition has been set up in the plate circuit, it is very seldom necessary for the operator to make any further adjustments in that circuit, tuning being carried on as though there was nothing more delicate than a loose-coupled receiver where it is merely nccessary to bring the primary and secondary circuits to resonance with the incoming waves. In operation, it has been found that C.W. stations can be tuned in or out, with the coupling at nearly zero.

One of the greatest points of interest in connection with this little unit is that it requires no shielding, for it is not subject to any body capacity effects; in fact, the hands may be placed right on the windings without causing any noticeable effect on the incoming signals.

With a single detector tube and no am-plification, stations of the First, Second and Third Districts have been copied on both spark and C.W., stations in the Fourth and Fifth have been copied on C.W., and many in the Eighth and Ninth have been copied on both spark and C.W. In Brooklyn, N. Y., 4 G L, Savannah, Georgia, operating a ten-watt tube transmitter has been heard frequently, as well as 8 D E, Akron, Ohio, both coming in Q S A.

Radio on a N.Y. Newspaper (Continued from page 483)

cially news of a maritime nature. For this purpose a short-wave receiving set is being used by the "Times" station and the operators listen in on it when there is nothing of importance coming in from abroad.

The following may be considered as typical of the "scoops" which this shortwave set has brought to the "Times." The New York Police Department used

to transmit a list of automobiles, including their names, numbers and motor numbers, which were stolen in New York. This list was copied by the paper and published in the first morning edition. This list started with a few cars, but eventually ran up to about 35. This increase in the number of stolen cars caused quite a little comment and the Police Department has discontinued the broadcasting.

On the fifteenth of last March, a "Times" operator managed to get in on an SOS from the S.S. "Madawaska," which was rammed in a collision off the Jersey Coast. The next morning the first edition carried a story of the accident which could have been little better had the operator been

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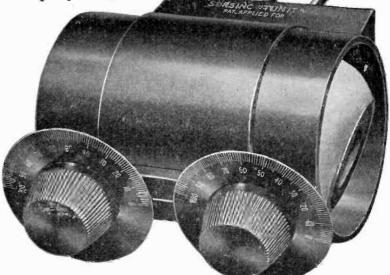
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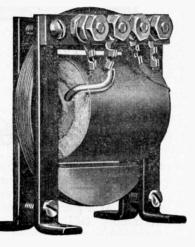
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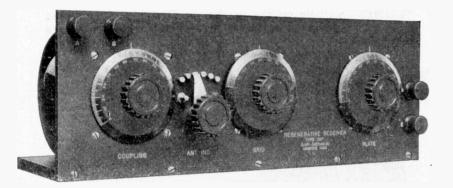
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Special receivers are fitted into the tubes which are ordinarily connected to the speech tube on these recorders and the entire outfit is operated by a single electric motor. When one of the recording cylinders has been filled, the receiving is automatically transferred to the other, although certain portions of the records are duplicated, near the end of one and the beginning of the other, in order to insure continuity of the matter they contain. The records are rotated at a comparatively high, speed and, when filled, are put on a transcribing machine and run at a much lower speed, which makes it possible for the operator to untangle the otherwise unfathomable dots and dashes. The loud speaker is only used for stand-by purposes and serves to let the operators know when any desired station begins transmission.

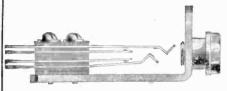
able dots and dashes. The loud speaker is only used for stand-by purposes and serves to let the operators know when any desired station begins transmission. The station is under the direction of Mr. F. E. Meinholtz, and the operators, from left to right in the photograph, are Wm. Collins, B. G. Seutter and R. J. Iverson. The two loving cups have been won by Mr. Seutter, in open competitive receiving tests, in which he attained the highest speed.

A WORD TO OTHER NEWSPAPERS

From time to time an effort has been made in various sections of the country to show newspapers the value of using radio equipment, for obtaining news "off-the-bat," but many of them have worked out in a very unsuccessful manner. There are a number of such instances which have come to the writer's attention and the failure is generally found to be caused by the same error. In some instances, radio dealers

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Radio News for December, 1921

have tried to take advantage of the papers and have sold them a great deal of appara-tus, which for newspaper use was practically worthless. The papers involved will not look very favorably upon the efforts of some other dealer, who is really in a position to do them some good. Mr. Newspaper Man will be found to be of an open mind, generally, but he hates to be taken in. Even if the apparatus is capable of doing what is claimed for it, it should be oper-ated by none but the best of operators. One station of this character was opened for a paper by a man who was well versed in radio technique, but who did not know how to copy more than a few words per minute. He expected to carry on his watch by listening to trans-ocean stations and dif-ferentiating between them by locating their wave lengths, and then using some form of automatic recorder, from which another operator would copy the news, when he came on duty, in addition to getting whatever came through, while carrying on his own work. The plan has proven to be impracticable.

Mr. Radio Dealer, if you want to get the support of the dailies (which is just about as good support as we may expect) try to live down the temptation of unloading a lot of apparatus, even if it is good appa-ratus, on the paper. If you can help a paper to become modern, it is up to you to do so, but do not give radio a "black eye" do so, but do not give radio a "black eye" by failing to take into consideration that your business does not end with the installation of the apparatus. It is up to you to be certain that it performs in exactly the manner you paint to the paper's business manager.

Thomas W. Scott's Station. 8BJU

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set when desired.

All of my set was assembled and wired by me and is giving excellent results. I send out concerts several times a week and use a Magnavox tone arm which gives maximum results.

My set has been reported from points 120 miles distant QSA and as yet I have not tried for distance on C. W., but will do so soon, and I shall be glad to arrange a schedule with anyone desiring to work.

The secret of a radiophone set using Radiotron 5 watt tubes lies in the voltage used on the filaments and at 7.5 volts I am able to get 1.85 amperes radiation. With a Heising-Colpitts circuit the use of a counterpoise is essential to prevent draining tubes, as is the case with a ground. I used Brandes phones throughout and Western Electric microphone Type 282W on 6 volts of batterv

One of the best results obtained with my transmitting set came after I rewired it throughout with No. 8 copper wire to cut down resistance. I use a filter circuit of two $1\frac{1}{2}$ henry Acme choke coils, 500 milli-ampere capacity, with three I-microfarad condensers on each side of it; this gives good results in reducing commutator ripple. THOMAS W. SCOTT,

Radio 8BJV.

A New Tuner and Amplifier (Continued from page 484)

inserting a .0005 mfd. or .0001 mfd. fixed condenser. This eliminates the necessity of using a series variable condenser to permit reception of short wave-lengths with a long antenna.

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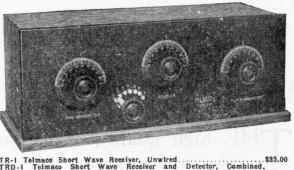
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minimizes the capacity effects of the hand when making critical adjustments. For a like reason each dial is insulated from each shaft upon which it is mounted

The detector two-stage amplifier is the complement of the regenerative tuner and especially designed to work with it. Panel and cabinet dimensions are identical, and the same characteristic exterior features prevail. Rheostats and potentiome-ter are mounted on the panel interior di-rectly behind each dial. Amplifying trans-formers, tube sockets, grid leak, grid condenser, and fixed by-pass condenser are securely mounted in an aluminum frame which makes front and rear panels integral

The two amplifier tubes are controlled by one rheostat of ample current carrying capacity. A three position cam switch con-nects the telephones to the detector only, and to the combined stages of amplification and in the "off" position opens the A battery circuit extinguishing all filaments.

An Audion Control Cabinet for Amateur Use (Continued from page 498)

The connections to the various pieces of apparatus should be made with heavy wire, at least No. 18 B. & S. gauge, and soldered at all possible points to avoid loose and noisy connections. Wires to binding posts should be soldered to brass washers and these placed under the screw rather than placing the wire itself, which, in time. will work loose.

The circuit used is shown in an accom-panying diagram. This circuit was used in connection with the "Honeycomb Coil Timer" described in the May issue of this magazine. This circuit, using the tickler in either place, "A" or "B," works very well on all ranges of wave-length. A "Regen-erative" effect can be had on short wave by proper use of the tickler coil giving many of the advantages of the regular regenerative receiver, using variometers.

To graduate scales for the rheostat and grid condenser, a fine pointed instrument, similar to a divider point, should be used, going over the mark several time, very lightly, getting a fine smooth groove which has sharp edges and if cut hurriedly and heavily a ragged edge will result, looking

very bad when filled with white lead. In addition to the holes shown in the panel drawing, holes should be provided for fastening the panel in the case, four being sufficient and spaced according to personal taste.

The case for this audion was constructed to match the case of the "Honeycomb" tuner and is made of oak, sizes of which are in the drawings.

In case of scratching the panel while drilling and cutting, it can be repolished by smoothing off with emery cloth and then polishing with crocus cloth and oil.

In using this audion, in connection with the tuner already described, and a two-step amplifier, signals from many amateur, commercial and naval stations, including arc and alternators have been received. Particularly fine results were secured using a pre-war "Audotron" in the adapter described herewith.

Choke Coil Amplifier (Continued from page 489)

My reasons for using chokes are: First, the marked superiority of signal strength: second, the cheapness in price; and third. the compactness that is possible. Using an indoor aerial, honeycomb coils

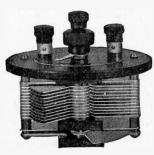




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and two steps, I heard 1,000 amateurs from and two steps, I heard 1,000 amateurs from October, 1920, to August, 1921. That in-cludes 110 "nines," 260 "eights," etc. The 14 stations farthest away were in North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Texas and New Mexico. Also, I heard many DX stations in August. On August 28, I heard NPW, a 600-meter station at Euraka California on my four-step am-Eureka, California, on my four-step amplifier.

"So This is the Wireless!" (Continued from page 502)

explanation as the average newspaper reporter gives the gullible public.

Most of my audience were satisfied and left.

Several said:

"Well, it certainly is a wonderful inven-tion," in a slightly original and authoritative manner.

Others limited themselves to: "Wonderful, isn't it?" in a dreamy, floating voice. The remainder chimed:

"It certainly is. But a few had not quite finished with me.

One young lady wanted to know if they call the left side of the ship the port side because it goes up against the dock.

I assured her that, although her explana-tion of the origin of the term seemed a trifle strained, I had no doubt it was the true one.

She also wanted to know how far we were off shore, which side the shore was on, how long it took to go to Jacksonville, exactly when we would arrive there and whether it was always rough at Cape Hatteras, all in one breath.

These were fairly simple to answer.

Having satisfied her strange thirst for knowledge, she departed, followed by a few others who had remained to the end. All except George.

George remained true to his self-appointed duty and was evidently rather pleased that he again had an unobstructed view of my shining countenance. His mouth was still open and he still elected to remain silent. "George," I told him, "you are overdoing

You are going to the opposite extreme. You refuse to speak to me at all and ask

"But you do not appear to be deaf. You can hear me, can't you?"

George showed some signs of intelligence and I almost thought he was going to say something, but he merely nodded his head. "You are a remarkable child, George," I said. "If only all the other passengers were

like you, my life would be an easy one.

His gaze left me for a few moments, to

"Yes, George," I said, "that's the wire-less. Now why don't you tell me it cer-tainly is a wonderful invention? Every-body else does, you know."

But George refused to be enveigled into conversation.

"Thank you, George," I said. "Thank you for your most comforting silence. You are the most interesting person I have con-

versed with for many a trip." Out of the corner of my eye I could see an old lady coming down the deck, all sheets to the wind and heading in the gen-

eral direction of the wireless room. When she saw the sign over the door she gave evidence of considerable excitement and swooped down on the entrance cackling: "So this is the Wireless!"

I stood up. This was too much for one

day. Evidently she had much more to say and

many questions to ask, but, Lord, she was ugly and she was at least eighty. "Yes, madam," I replied. "This is the wireless, to use your own quaint phraseology, which also seems to find favor with

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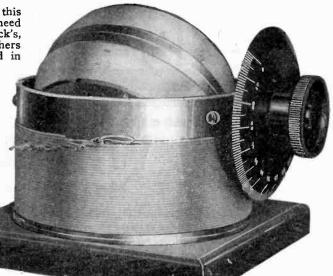
The entire radio catalog of the Radio Corporation, with a wealth of scien-tific and technical data on C. W. transmitting sets, and all the diagrams for the assembling of these sets; the complete Remler catalog, which embraces 25 pages, the Westinghouse, Firth, Murdock, Federal, DeForest, Clapp-Eastham, Brandes, Connecticut Company, Thordarson, Turney, Magnavox Company catalogs, the best products of Adams-Morgan, Signal and countless other manufacturers, including our own complete line of radio apparatus, and many individual items and parts used in radio work today.

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A Characteristic Testimonial The Wm. B. Duck Co., Toledo, Ohio,-Middletown, O. Sept. 27, 1921.

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She retired in confusion, evidently convinced that I was quite mad.

Again taking advantage of the remarkable listening abilities of my young friend George, I addressed him: "Then tell

"They tell me, George, that wireless op-erators have nothing to do. That isn't true. But their duties do not necessarily pertain to wireless. No, not by any means. "To be an efficient wireless operator, one

must possess a general knowledge of everything under the sun, have a brain like an encyclopedia and be prepared to answer the most astonishing questions on the most astounding subjects.

"You have heard a few of these this afternoon.

This afternoon's performance will be repeated with slight variations this evening, tomorrow, and the next day, if the weather holds good, until we arrive in Jacksonville. It will then commence all over again with an entirely new set of passengers, on our return to New York, who will all do the same things, say the same things and-Ye Gods-they will all ask the same questions!

"We will remain in New York two days and begin the same performance with our arture. And so on, ad infinitum. "One day, George, I shall go Berserker; departure.

meantime I am going to my dinner to entertain a number of sword-swallowers who are about to partake of the first real meal they will appear to have enjoyed in a number of years. They will devour their food with many strange noises and sit glowering at one another until I start some idiotic conversation. And throughout, I shall appear to be thoroughly enjoying myself and later suffer violent indigestion as a result.

"And so, George, I bid you au revoir. suggest you go to your dinner now, but I have no doubt you will return to your post later and we shall have some mre interest-

ing conversations together. "And, George. May I give you this part-ing admonition? If you ever learn to speak —never ask foolish questions."

I Want to Know

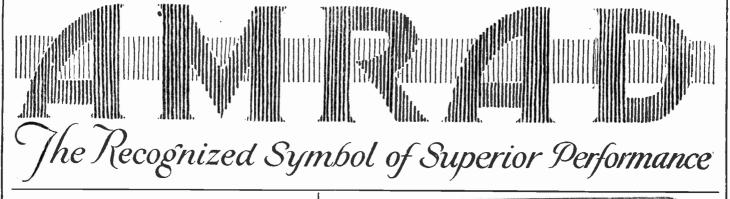
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Q. 2. Can I receive the KDKA radiophone with a 2,500-meter loose coupler and a vacuum tube detector, using a two-wire aerial 100 feet long, 40 feet high with 100 feet lead in? A. 2 This aerial seems to be a little too long for the reception of the KDKA concerts, but may give good results with a primary condenser of about .001 mf. capacity, connected in series in the aerial circuit. Q. 3. Can I use some dry batteries to supply the filament of my V.T.? A. 3. Dry batteries can be used instead of a storage battery for the filament of a detector tube, but unless several of them are used in series paral-lel they will polarize in a short time and prevent continuous reception for any length of time. Can I receive the KDKA radiophone with Q. 2. Can 2,500-meter

V.T.'S FOR THE SUPERAUTODYNE CIRCUIT

V.T.'s FOR THE SUPERAUTODYNE CIRCUIT (308) Lewis Ernst, of St Johns, Mich., wants to know: Q. 1. What type of radiotron tubes should be used in each of the several stages of an Arm-strong superautodyne circuit described in the February, 1921, issue of RADIO NEWS. A. 1. A U.V. 200 tube should be used for the detector and U.V. 201 tubes may be used for the oscillator and various stages of amplifica-tion.

tion. Q. 2. May the U.V. 202 be used instead of the U.V. 201 if the plate voltage is obtainable? A. 2. Yes, they may be used instead of U.V. 201 tubes, but it is not necessary, as the high tension required in this circuit is only 40 to 80 volts.



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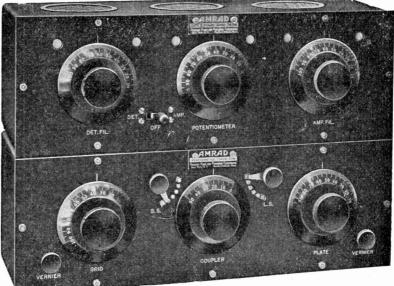
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Vario-coupler, for Panel Mounting, Basket Weave	0	6.90
Vernier Variometer, for Panel Mounting	N	1.50
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to know: Q. 1. Which circuit gives the best results when receiving radiophone or undamped messages, the ultraudion or the tickler? A. 1. Both of them may be used with equally good reults, but the latter is more flexible for tun-ing and gives better results for radiophone re-ception. Q. 2. Please give me an idea of how to mount a tuning coil on a loose coupler. A. 2. We refer you to page 388 of the Novem-ter, 1921, issue of RADIO NEWS, on which you will find good suggestions for the use of a loose coupler as a receiver of undamped waves.

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OIL IMMERSED TRANSFORMER (305) Gordon McSwain, of Arcadia, Fla., wants to know: Q. 1. Which transformer should I use for a spark set, considering that the air is rather damp? A. 1. We suggest the use of an oil immersed transformer which will be protected in a better way against leakage.

RADIOPHONE TRANSMITTER (806) John Cameron, of Dearborn, Mich., would like to know: Q. 1. What is the wave-length of an aerial composed of four wires 85 feet long 50 feet above the ground? A. 1. It is difficult to give you an accurate answer, as you do not mention the spacing of the wire, nor the detailed length of the lead in and ground connections. Roughly, it is about 200 meters.

which, how the detailed length of the lead of all 200 meters. Q. 2. Using a radiophone in which one tube is used as modulator, one as amplifier and two as os-cillators, would it be possible to obtain a range of 50 miles under good conditions, with a plate of 550 and the above aerial? A. 2. Yes, this is quite possible, but we would advise you to use only one tube as modulator and two as amplifiers, and modulate the output of the amplifier. Q. 3. What is a good make of variometer for a short-wave regenerative set? A. 2. It is difficult to mention any particular make of variometer, as several types actually on the market, give very good results. We would advise you to select a variometer in which the windings are close together and composed of heavy wire. Among several good ones we may mention the Amrad and the Clapp-Eastham.

Correspondence From Readers

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suggest something of great value. As long as your articles continue to contain as much of value in them as they now do, please don't worry about wasting the space they occupy. For my part the more you give us the more I will learn. In other words, your magazine is all that

could be asked for, from front to back. H. SNOW.

Jenks, Okla.

UNUSUAL TRANSATLANTIC WORK.

Editor, RADIO NEWS: Thinking it might possibly be of some in-terest to yourself and the readers of RADIO NEWS I will relate an occurrence which is, to say the least, extraordinary. POZ comes in quite regularly at my sta-

POZ comes in quite regularly at my sta-tion, in fact almost every day. In the early afternoon a few days ago I was exploring the ether and all of a sudden POZ shot out with such a report that, with the phones on, it was deafening; this was with a two-step amplifier. With the amplifier off the signals could be easily read all over the station, which is a room fifteen by fifteen feet. This was accomplished with the use of an anteenna 55 feet high and 100 feet long, four wire, honeycomb coils, an L1,000 for primary, an L1,500 for the secondary and an L500 for tickler.

It is probably ordinary for a thing of this kind to occur on the Atlantic coast, but I have never heard of it being done in this locality. Two radio enthusiasts were here at the time and will corroborate my statement (their names on request). I would be glad to answer any correspondence concern-ing my long distance as I receive several European stations.

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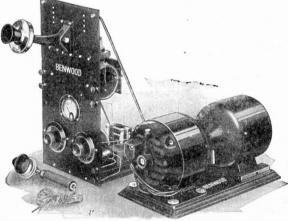
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JOHN HUSTON (6UK).

Phoenix, Ariz.

THE POLITE JAPS.

Editor, RADIO NEWS:

Having read Mr. Prescott Smith's criticism in the August issue, I have a few words that must be let out in regard to the Japanese. If Mr. Smith could have the pleasure of sitting around for three or four hours with from fifteen to twenty messages on the hook, and absolutely no chance of getting them off, while a couple of Japanese ship operators exchange their posi-tions, life's history and the Lord only knows what else, he would be absolutely convinced that they have a code of their own and use it to good advantage.

I have often heard Japanese ships working when I was sailing in the Gulf so cannot understand how he has failed to hear them.

As an example, we can get a "Thanks" off our chest by TKS, TNX, etc., whereas nine dashes and thirteen dots are used by the Japanese, ----

- —; others seem to be about

as long. They just about rule the air out this way, and absolutely refuse to QRX except by a request in their own code. I hope this will enlighten Mr. Smith in

the inatter and that he has the pleasure of hearing some "J" stuff.

C. Morenus, S. S. Maui.

A Compact Variable Condenser

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The two sources of energy are each conwith the plates, as shown in the illustration. With the plates in the position shown, it is obvious that there will be no capacity effect, as the adjacent plates all have the same sign.

If, however, the moving plates be rotated through 180°, the opposing plates have op-posite signs and the condenser has maximum capacity, while intermediate positions give variable capacity values. It will be seen that a condenser of a given

capacity made in this form, need only occupy half the space necessary when the usual type is employed.

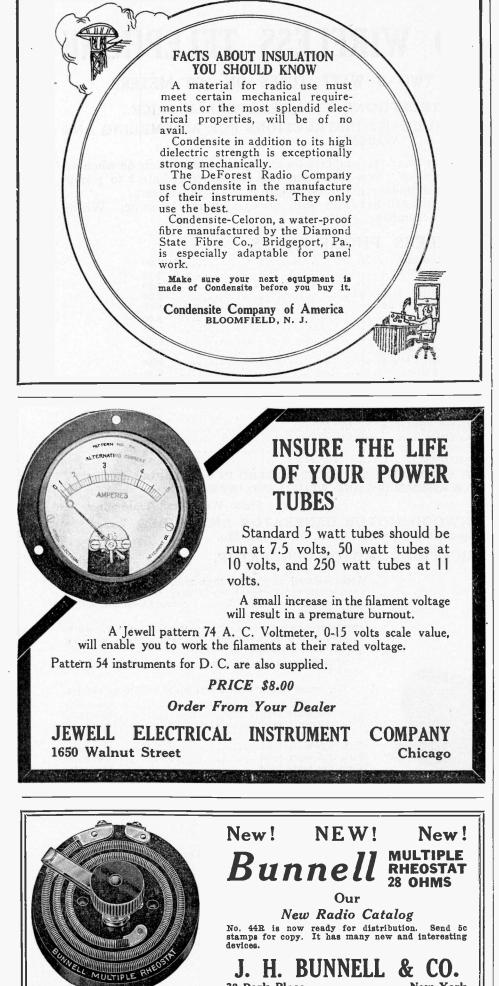
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placed close together, the two coils form a variocoupler having 180 deg. coupling variation. If we take one coil and study it, we find that we have a concentrated magnetic field lying in the coil, just as a bar horseshoe magnet, which proves that there is in each coil a north and south pole which are very close to each other.

There are no taps available, the tuning being made entirely with variable condens-ers. There is no magnetic leakage, as the field is a concentrated one, and there is also less distributed capacity than in any other type of coil known. If the two wind-ings are connected in series, the two coils form the best type of variometer that can be made, and using one of these variometers in the grid circuit and another one in the



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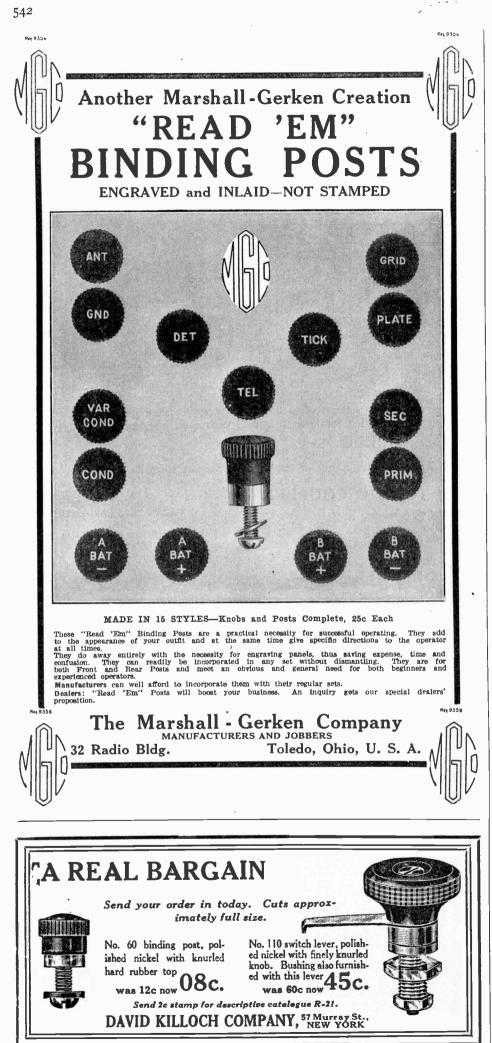


plate circuit of a short-wave set, extremely sharp tuning may be obtained, which, in conjunction with the elimination of interference, makes the set, thus constructed, the most efficient that can be had.

The smallest set of coils has a wavelength range of 180 to 450 meters, while other coils are designed for a range of 450 to 2,500 meters, with some others for very long wave reception.

While listening to a radio concert in the vicinity of New York City, it was possible, using the coils for short waves, to eliminate a high power Navy station which caused much interference. This, in itself, is a proof of the efficiency of the radial inductance. If any additional information is desired, the writer, whose address is Queens Village, Long Island, N. Y., will be glad to supply it, with circuit and other data.

Junior Constructor

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AN EASILY MADE VARIABLE CONDENSER. By John D. Adams.

A very satisfactory variable condenser may be made from two pieces of tin and a small piece of board. Compared with the usual condenser in the cylindrical glass container, it occupies much less space, but its capacity is much greater than would ap-

pear at first glance, by reason of the fact that the space between the plates may be greatly reduced. For long-distance receiving, where a fine adjustment is desired, it will not replace the standard form of condenser, but for avefage amateur purposes it will be found to render good service. Procure two pieces of heavy sheet tin about five inches square that are as flat as

Procure two pieces of heavy sheet tin about five inches square that are as flat as possible, and then round the corners and edges with a file. Next select a piece of half-inch wood at least an inch wider and longer than the plates. Boil it in paraffin, and then cover the upper side with a piece of paraffined paper. Slightly warm one of the plates and press it down on top of the paper. Coat the plate with shellac, and cover with another piece of paper large enough to project one-quarter of an inch on three sides and about an inch on the fourth. Press until thoroughly dry, and then coat the upper side with shellac. The projecting end of the paper may then be brought shellac to serve as a hinge. Connect each sheet of tin to a suitable binding post.

The adjustment may be made in several ways. A screw and nut arrangement may be adopted and if the condenser is to be used on a panel, only the screw need show in front. A strip of brass is soldered edgewise to the upper plate, so that it will be held at any point where it may be set merely by friction between it and the two vertical strips screwed to the base board.

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In constructing a condenser, whether for use in the sending or receiving hook-ups, the amateur usually is up against something that makes him lose sleep at nights. The fixed variable is another nightmare, and the switching is usually accomplished by the use of a fan type of switch.

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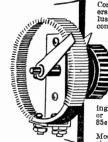
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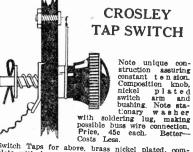
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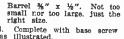
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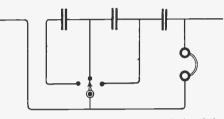
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If is taken from above fish. d is average thickness of dielectric in cms. If the experimenter has on hand a small telephone condenser of about 1 mf., he can easily make a small condenser that will reach from .000007 to .003 mfs. capacity. A condenser is first made that has a capacity equal to the maximum wanted, another is made like it. If connected in series these will have a total capacity of only one-half that of each one separately. If, for instance, you wanted a condenser of .02 mfs. maximum, you would take 1/50 of the 1 mf. condenser and make it into small units. Now another of the same size is constructed, and one using only 1/100 of the area of the 1 mf. condenser. These have the following capacities when

connected in series: a-.02 mfs. a and b in series -.01 mfs. b-.02 mfs. a, b and c in series -.005 mfs. c-.01 mfs. b and c in series -.0066 mfs. etc.

Of course, the experimenter will want capacities, and so I give only general details.





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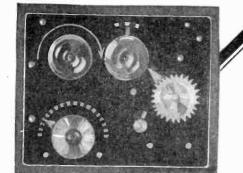
constructed properly. Bugs, load your variable and get increased range out of your honeycombs. Contributed by RALPH F. LIPPI.

NEW USES FOR BROKEN GRAMO-PHONE RECORDS

Unused or broken records can be heated with a blow lamp, rolled up and worked into all shapes while hot. They can then be pressed into moulds, and screw-heads can be heated and pressed into the surface. The moulded material can be turned at slow speed in a lathe, using paraffine oil on the tool and a finish can be put on with a fine emery cloth and oil, finishing with a dry cloth. It can be rolled out into thin plates, if placed between hot metal plates and passed through the mangle. Its uses are innumerable for switch handles, etc.

When cutting slots in disc records for coils, clamp the disc between two flat pieces of wood and saw through the three. This leaves a nice clean cut and prevents breaking the disc. The thickness of slots can be varied by using fine hack-saws and placing one, two, three or four together in the frame to get the proper thickness of slot.

to get the proper thickness of slot. To make a very hard and tenacious cement for all purposes, and one that is easily applied, procure some old broken flat gramaphone discs and powder them up with a hammer; put the powder into a small tin and add the same amount of methylated spirits, or alcohol; place the tin in a water bath the same as glue is melted, and stir constantly. The resultant paint or mixture makes a splendid cement for electrical purposes, and sticks to anything. If made thick, it can be used for holding in loose nipples, etc.



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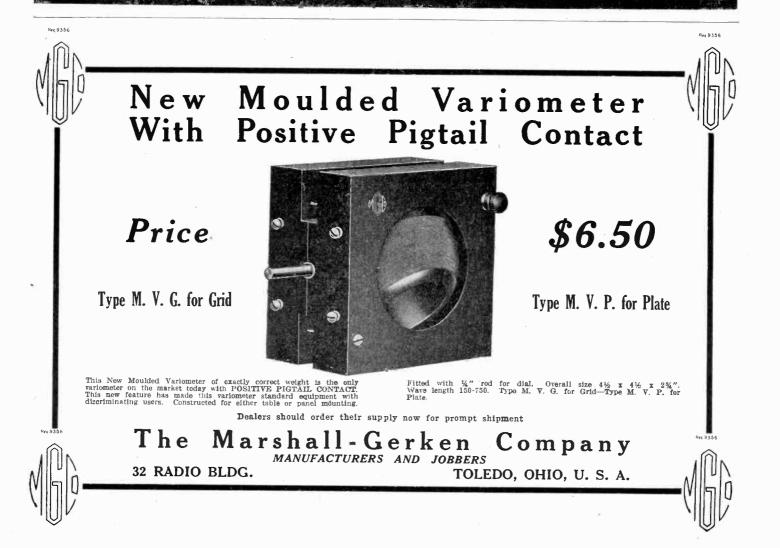
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Winning the Public to Radio (Continued from page 494)

which the writer cannot go into in the short space of this article.

The following paragraphs are taken from a piece of copy that the writer prepared some time ago for a radio manufacturer; it was prepared for newspaper work.

JUST TURN THE KNOB AND LISTEN TO THE WIRELESS MUSIC

Wireless is not a black art! There is no mystery about it. It is as simple as A, B, C. Operating a small radio receiver is just like focusing a camera or playing the phonograph. There are no accurate or painstaking adjustments to be made, no fuss, no bother. "Turn the knob and listen," that is all there is to it. No wires to string outside, no expensive installing to do. The thrill that radio brings can be experienced by anyone any place.

"PLUG" YOUR HOME IN ON THE "RADIO LINE"

There is always wireless music in the air. You can listen to it. You don't have to bother with connections. You put your "radio box" on the table and turn the knob. Wireless "jazz" will pour in. You will hear speeches, vaudeville sketches, operas and sporting news. Lots of fun for these cold winter nights. Think of pulling music out of the silent, gray wintry sky! Fun for everybody!

AS EASY AS LISTENING ON THE TELE-PHONE

"Listening in" on the "sky jazz" is as easy as listening over the telephone—no more trouble and just as positive. Wireless should be in every home. It means oodles of fun, education and entertainment for all. Concerts every day and night and you get the news by radio before you read it in the newspapers. Outfits inexpensive. Cost nothing to operate. Surprise your friends and visitors with a modern wireless concert. Farmers use wireless. Why not city folks?

A slogan must be adopted that will tend to put the desire for the radio receiver in the heart of everyone. This slogan must be flung far and wide and used on every piece of copy that is prepared. It must become as famous as "The Voice With The Smile Wins," or the many other slogans that have been used for various purposes. Then the manufacturers must choose between the word radio and wireless once and for all. Today people think there is a difference between radio and wireless. In fact, the writer heard of one very learned person who thought that radio had something to do with radium. One word or the other must be brought into universal use by mutual agreement. The use of two words is confusing and will tend to harm the popularization of communication without wires.

The writer looks forward to the day when we will see notices like the following in our daily papers:

HOFFMAN RADIO CONCERT TONIGHT.

Turn the knob of your selector to position 8 and listen in at seven o'clock sharp. Mr. Hoffman will play Valse Brilliante, The Jugglers, The Hunting Sons and Selections from Rigoletto.

A more suitable plan of co-operation between dealers and manufacturers must be worked out. The dealer is in a position to offer a great deal of assistance in the popularization of radio. He can interest every person who comes into his store. With

MONTREAL

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H IS SHIP slowly sinks-37 lives depend on him-for 32 hours operator Powell feverishly stuck to his post, while his hand grew numb at the key. At last his heroism was rewarded, and thru the Brown Phones that had become a vital part of his experience, came the strained-for answer to his S.O.S.

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The Story of Radio Telegraphy

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a cup which I filled with iron filings. These filings were pressed by a vertical piston that was more or less charged. After having made my fundamental discovery, I experimented on the action of light on the conductibility of certain bodies. The luminous scurce was electrical. I noticed that its action made itself felt even when the light did not reach the body in question. It had then to be admitted that this action was due to something else. The "other thing" was the disturbance of the ether, produced by the spark."

by the spark." "It is then undeniable," observed M. Givelet, "that you are the first scientist to have found the means of making the Hertzian waves felt to an appreciable distance."

M. Branly, then checked himself. And always standing, supported at the table, he went on to explain to us, little by little, fragmentarily by these rapid confidences, with an extreme precision of details, the pathetic story of his prodigious life of struggles, persecuted independence and indefatigable researches. He tells us of his debuts as pupil in the normal school, his first functions as chief of works at the Sorbonne, his souvenirs of the war of 1870-'71, when with the physicist Fernel, he served in the army of Ducrot during the siege of Paris, his collaboration at the secrctariate of the Academy of Sciences, his election at the Institute. The school—that means the Normal School—was the first to disown him. The Sorbonne bestirred itself to render homage to foreign scientists and encourage their works. A certain French scientist aided with all his power Marconi's claims. Another treated Branly's researches as "pure rubbish." And



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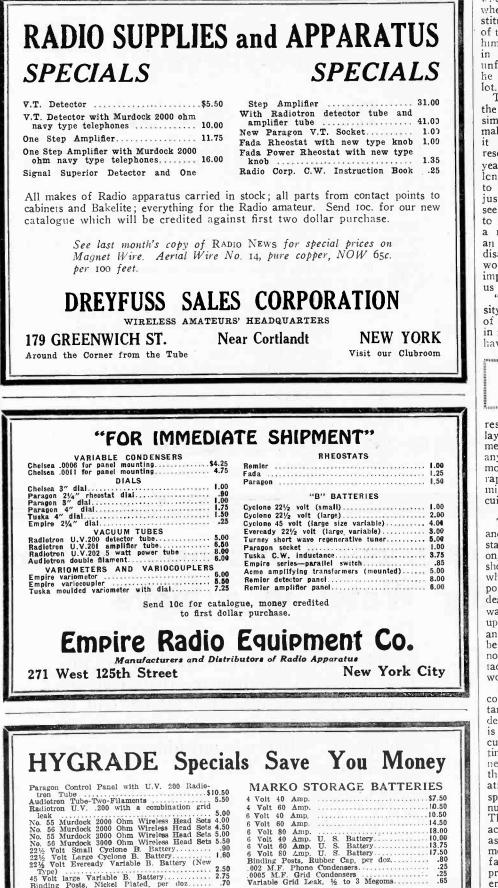


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when the tardy hour of justice arrived, when Branly presented himself at the Institute, another Academician, and not one of the least, n t satisfied with voting against him even went as far as to importune even in his bed a dying colleague, and as the unfortunate had not the strength to write, he himself wrote for him the negative bal-

There is no grudge, no acrimony in the words of the illustrious scientist. He simply recalls these facts in order to make the story complete. One still feels it in that feebled yet implacable and resolute body. Old age advances. The years augment. Has he not the right, as long as it is yet time, to defend his work, to estimate himself its extent, to fix the just and far limits? Another sentiment we see appear in his attitude. It is not envy to formulate a terrible accusation, to arm a redoubtable repartee. It is rather like an undefinable regret, a noble and grave disappointment. Therefore, weighing his words and thus indirectly their enduring import the genial inventor, while showing

us out, concluded: "Had my colleagues of the Univer-sity and the Institute, had the scientists of all those courses, consented to assist me in my researches, wireless telegraphy would have been exclusively French."

Junior Radio Course

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responding blade to operate any of the relays closing the local circuits of the instru-ments. In the one described in this lesson any control may be operated at any time by moving the blade to the proper point, by a rapid succession of dots sent by the transmitter and then by a dash to close the circuit.

THE CONTROLLER

To simplify the operation of this system and to allow the operator at a transmitting station to know which point the blade H is on, a sort of controller is used, which is shown in Fig. 2. It consists of a panel upon which is mounted the double number of points as in the selector, half of them being dead ones, with a switch handle moving always in the same direction making contact upon them. The connections of these points and the handle to the transmitting set may be seen in Fig. 2, this arrangement being nothing more than a make and break con-tact closing the primary circuit, as a key would do.

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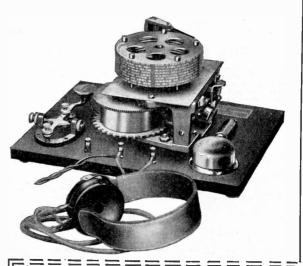
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pedo, and left on this point a sufficient time to allow the time device to close the local circuit, as explained previously; after this it is pushed on the next dead point.

As may be understood, the blade H in the selector moves always in the same direction, as well as the handle of the controller, making it possible to have both controls in synchronism at any time. In Fig. 2, the con-nected points of the controller, intermediated between the dead points and bearing no indication of control, correspond to the unused point in the switch of the selector, this being only for the sake of clearness in the diagrams.





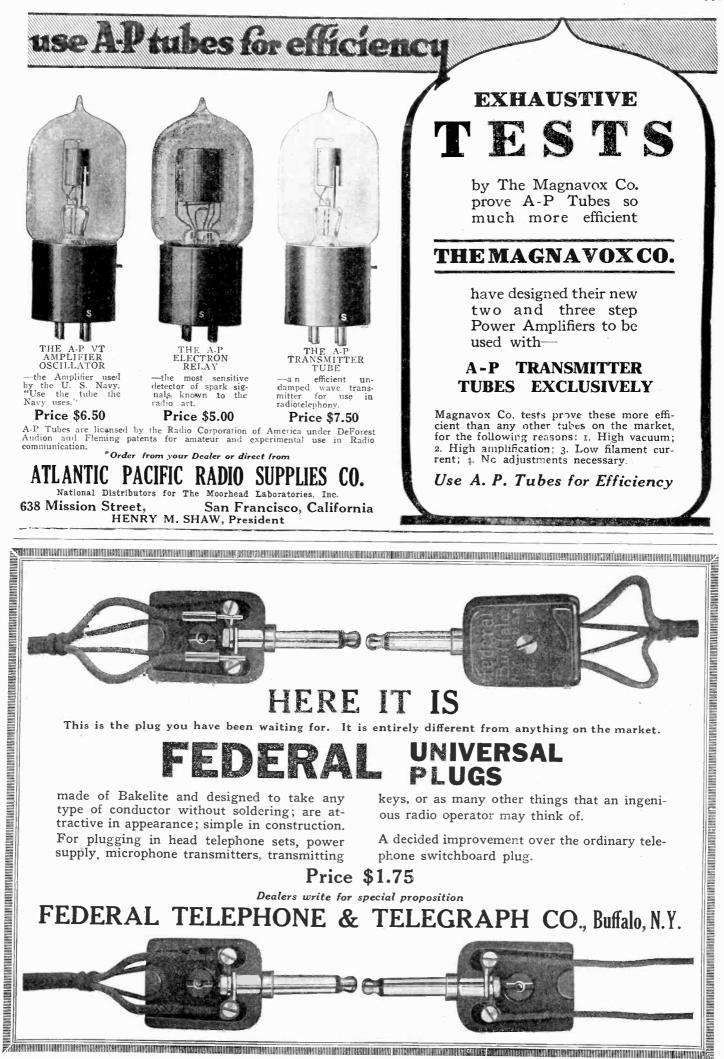


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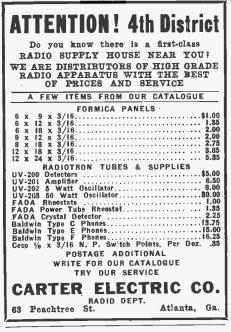
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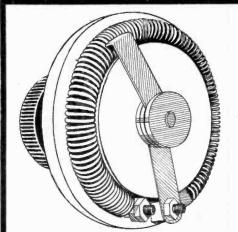
there. Mr. Peterson, being a man of busi-ness, paid attention to his own affairs. However, a Negro purchasing radio mate-rial is apt to create something more than passing interest, and so it was that Mr. Peterson came to inquire of a clerk, one Arnold Fassett.

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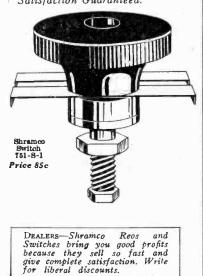
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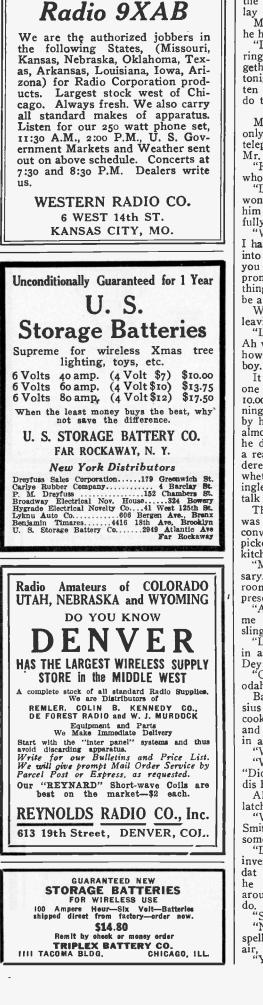
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he was going into the business of making loose couplers for the market.

"Oh, no," replied Fassett, "simply a nut who talks of holding communications with the spirits. When they get that way, I lay off of them." Mr. Peterson indulged in a widening grin;

he had a plan.

"Listen Fassett," he said, "get Jimmy Ber-ringer, Bessie Lambert and the bunch together and we will run this coon ragged tonight. Don't fail. Be at my station at ten o'clock sharp tonight with them, I'll do the rest."

Mr. Peterson, by some means known only to those of his profession, obtained the telephone number of the garage wherein

"Hello," he said, "is this the young man who is interested in radio advancement?" "Dat's me, Bruthuh," replied Aloysius, wondering who on earth it could be calling him on something he had guarded so care-

fully. "Well, I am interested in the same line. I have done much research work and delved into spiritualism also. I wish to inform you that if you will listen in on your set promptly at 10.00 P.M., you will hear some-thing of much interest to you and it may be a stimulus to your endeavors.'

With this, the strange person rang off,

"Lan' sakes, dat pusson sho' was polite. Ah wondah if he was spoofin' wid me. Any-how I'll be on han' wid dis loose couplah boy. So do."

It was just 9.00 o'clock and Aloysius had one hour before the time aforementioned-10.00 P.M. He had been thinking all evening as to whether he would make the test by himself or have company. At times he almost decided to let no one in, when again he did not know just how he would act if a real "spook" said hello to him. He wondered if they would talk just naturally or whether they would speak in jerky, meaningless sentences, or whether they would talk at all.

The wind was blowing outside, and it was a creaking noise in the room below that convinced him he needed company. He picked up the house phone and rang the kitchen :

"Mistah Smif, yo' presence am sho' neces-sary. May I hold conflab wid yo' in mah room heah in less than two minutes from present"?

"Ah yo' gwine to fool aroun' and give me a shock"? wailed the cautious hash slinger.

"Lawd, no. Ise gonna need yo' 'sistance in a 'lil 'sperimental capacity. No shocks. Dey is barred outright. Hones'." "Oakay, brothuh, Ise be out deah in shoht odah."

Bang, came a knock at the door as Aloysius was listening in and waiting for the cook. Aloysius jumped clean off the chair and landed on the table. His nerves were

"Who come what"? should the cook. "Didn' yo' tell me come, let me in outa dis heah downpoh."

Aloysius felt ashamed of himself and unlatched the door. "What's all dis regaliah?" inquired Mr.

Smith, sizing up the immense coupler of some 10 feet in length.

"Dat's de biggest invention what evah invented. I intend to tlk wid de spiruts wid dat animal," remarked the manipulator, as he stretched out his chest and strutted around the room like learned persons really do. "Spirits?"

"Spirits?" "No, not spirits, but s-p-i-r-u-t-s," he spelled, "dem things what fly aroun' in de air, but what yo' don't see." "Yo' can't see them?"



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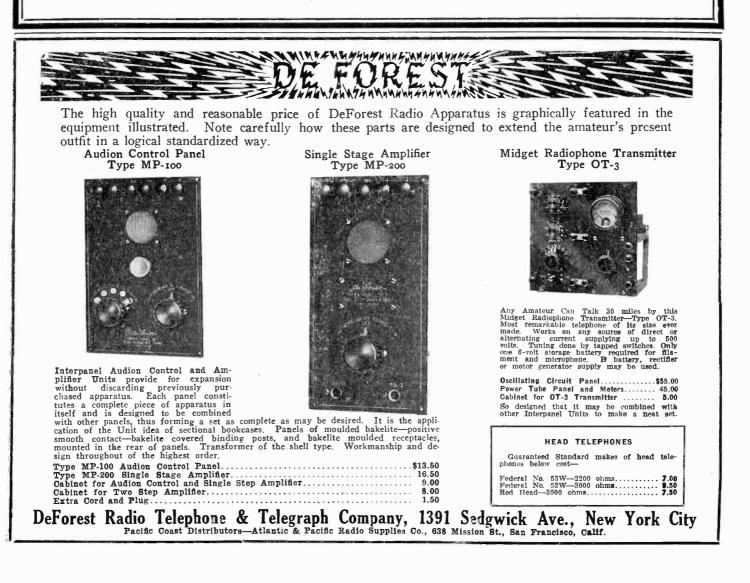
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"Absocertainly, dat's what ah said." "Well, den why?"

"Why, what"? "Why does yo' know dey is dere"? Now here was a technical question. Aloy-sius scratched his head and took on a new

pose, only not quite so reassuring. "Dhat is one of dem questions, mistah Smif, what ansults foah demselves. I will inawgrate a practical demonstrashum at 10.00 P.M. sharp. Stick 'roun' an' see de fire wucks." "But ah deman' an ansuh to mah ques-

"An' ah say dat question will be ansuhed, tion,"

Jess hol' yo' shirt by de sleeves." He wasn't exactly sure whether it would

or not, but at any rate it was too late to turn back now. The clock said 9.55. Aloysius tickled around with the detector,

first starting on 200 meters and working up to about 75,000 on his strange device. After taking in all the fourth dimension and then some, he dropped back down to 390. Both

negroes now had on the phones. "Mistah Smif did yo' heah somethin'?" "I wasn't sho, but if I hadn' been drinkin' so much gin last night I would say some-thin' moah definite. I thot as how I heard

yo' name through dese phoams." They both listened attentively. There was not a sound but the beating of the rain on the roof and the wind whistling around the corners of the garage.

"Hello, Mr. McFlatfoot. Hello Mr. Mc-Flatfoot,' rang out a voice cold and clear

Fiatioot, rang out a voice cold and clear through the apparatus. "Foah de lan' sakes,' moaned Aloysius, "go 'way, go 'way, run 'long 'lil spirut I nevah done nothin' wrong in mah whole life."

The goose pimples were dancing merrily on his flesh. His circulation failed to do proper duty and hence his body became very cold. His mouth opened to dangerous proportion, while his perspiration found an

outlet by way of his chin. Mr. Smith made a leap high and wide toward the door, but Aloysius was too fast for him. He was not to be left alone in this' predicament.

"Come back heah yo' dawgone cowahd. Come back heah and stay wid a whole he-man what has whiskus on his gizzud. Lissen wese gonna have ouah name in de papahs fo' all dis." "Yo' bet," whined Mr. Smith, "in de fun'ral notices."

tun'ral notices." Mr. Smith could not leave. While talking, Aloysius had pocketed the key. He was going to see this thing through even though he was to lose weight in the attempt. After much persuasion he induced the cook to again don the headgear. "Mr. McFlatfoot," the voice went on in a high musical tone, "I am the soul of an Indian princess and at your service. I ad-mire your progressiveness, your intelligence

mire your progressiveness, your intelligence Mr. McFlatfoot, I salute you. Goodbye until you listen in again. The chorus will now chant for you."

"Great glory to de debil," roared out the cook in a thunderous tone that was heard in the house. "I won't nevah play no moah craps with loaded bones and I promise mah wife dat I will nevah steal her wash money. Don' take me 'way down Mistah Spirit, ah want to remain on dis heah earth long as pos'ble." At the end of this talk, he rolled around

on the floor moaning with such gusto that Aloysius was awakened from a faint into

Aloystus was awakened from a faint into which he had fallen. "Get up yo' crazy nigger, yo' will have de police on us." "De police am de mos' welcome individual I evah knew," moaned Smith, "may dey cum and cum quick to save a life. Man ah sho' a sick right heah," and he rubbed his stom-ach with care and precision. His question was answered there was something he was answered, there was something he

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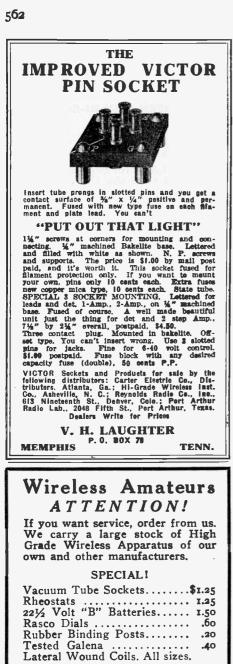
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couldn't see, but could head. He would tell the pop-eye world as much.

Peterson and the "gang" might just as well have eliminated the music, as the two negroes did not stop to hear it. A few days later Aloysius was interrupted

in his work by a call from the house to the effect that Mrs. King wished to go for a ride. He immediately put on his uniform and in less than five minutes was in front of the house with the car. As Mrs. King came out, he was quick to notice that she was in trouble. He, being a servant, must keep his place and did not like to inquire as to the cause of her perturbation. He drove along the boulevard slowly as per her instructions and when opposite the lake she was sobbing bitterly. This was too much for the soft-hearted negro. "Mrs. King am yo' awful sick??' he in-

quired timidly.

There was no reply and he stopped the machine.

"Drive on," she said, "there is nothing you can do. I received a telegram this morning that Mr. King was killed in an automobile accident."

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He worked on his set all that evening trying to get in touch with the Indian princess. About midnight he heard voices, but they were indistinct and far away, but they were there nevertheless and sounded very much like spirits talking among themselves.

He could see the headlines in the papers when they would hear about his great in-vention. He could see his pictures on the front pages and in the great art galleries of the world. What could be a greater reward than to be placed beside great men, gone long since? And above all he could please his employer. He could let her talk with her husband each night as long as the battery held out. Then perhaps she would buy him a more elaborate outfit and also a rectifier to charge his waning currents. All of these things ran through his mind as he fell asleep and dreamed of talking to great men, men of the American history.

Two weeks later Aloysius made up his mind to broach the subject to Mrs. King. He asked permission to talk with her in private. Mrs. King, wondering what could be his object, granted the request and met

be his object, granted the request and met him in the reception room. He took a seat to which she motioned and nervously launched into his subject. "Mrs. King, ah s'pose yo' all know dat ah am spermentin' wid wyaluss telefoamy. Dat which am de fourth dimension con-tectotoith' accilitions fundamentals micrasteetootin' accilations, fundamentals, micraferris and oder contraptions, known only, to me and very few othah men of prominent electrical inducements. Now dat word in-ducements may need some explanation. What ah mean to say is dis, to induce a magnet of fluctuisms to concentrate and magnetate spirits. In shoht, Mrs. King, I am heah to say ah can speak to yo' husband in de land of de great beyond."

Mrs. King was taken by surprise and could not speak for a full minute. She was undecided whether to call the police or public health department. She scrutinized Aloysius carefully, but he did not seem to take on any of the characteristics of the maniac. All to the contrary. He was perfectly calm and collected now.

"Don't quite understand you, Mr. Mc-Flatfoot. Do you mean to say you have arrived at a point whereby you can get in



touch with a dead person by actual voice?" "Dat's jess it. Dat's jess it," he said ex-citedly, and was glad that she grasped the situation so quickly. "Ah not only mean to say ah can do it, but ah has done it. Now if yo' all will permit I will do so right heah in dis room next Sat'd'y night as de clock strikes de bewitchin' houh ob midnight, but ah must have assistants in midnight, but ah must have assistants in de form of de house servants to help me wid connections and other things that go with such an undertaking. Dere is to be in this room only yo-se'f and de servants."

She thought for some time without an-vering. These negroes had been very good to her since the death of her hus-hand and why not humor them just once? At any rate it could do no harm. The reply was given in the affirmative and Aloysius went at once to his room to prepare for the great debut of his young life.

It was Saturday night and the parlor was

all set with strange devices. Aloysius was working over the apparatus with the help of Mr. Smith, the cook. "Heah, Mistah Smif, drag yo'sef ovah heah and help me collect dese connections togethuh. Take dat loose end to de secon-dary." "Secondarv"?

Secondary"?

"Secondary"? "Yes, secondary, meaning de secon' paht ob de fust." "Ah don' see no secon' paht. Dey is many parts. Fum which does de fust staht?" "De fust stahts wheah ah says it stahts. Now ah will explain dis fundamentahl only

Now ah will explain dis fundamentahl only once and den yo' get it, understand? Now we hook up."

"Hoah. Stop right dere. Hook up? Does ah perceive dat to mean ah is to be hooked foah a shock?"

Yo' perceive dat to mean dat very shohtly ah will hit yo' so hahd dat it will take a shock to bring yo' back to life. Don' spoke befo' yo' is spoken. Don' be so ner-vous. Dey ain't no spooks in dis set. Ah am gwine to talk to de spooks, dat's all. Now find de primary and han' it to me foah de common side ob de "B" battery, which focuses on de "A" battery. Bein' a cook, you' would better to stay as a cook wheah yo' roun' worl' am an onion; and den ah s'pose yo' would want it sliced, peeled an' de tears removed." The servants looked on in bewilderment

while this weird cadenza emanated from under the loose coupler where Aloysius was busy hooking up and belching forth a rapid fire of select English that was as "clear as mud" to them. Mr. Smith was grabbing wires left and right at the bidding of the inventor. His

respect for Aloysius was now imminent. Mrs. King, assiduously knitting near the fireplace, paid little attention to their chatter.

As the clock struck twelve, everything was in readiness. The lights were turned out and Aloysius started the bulbs. Mr. Smith's heart began doing strange things. fearing a repetition of the garage incident. "What the devil is this," a voice roared

out from the direction of the doorway. It was Mr. King's, without a doubt. The lights were turned on and there he stood

in the doorway. A real live spook. Niggers were leaving in all directions. Some by the doors and others by the win-dows. There was no special care taken as to direction.

Aloysius stood still for a full two minutes, let out a shrill cry and did an Annette Kel-lerman through the window. Practically at the same moment, a mes-

senger boy rang the bell and handed the confused Mr. King a telegram. It read: "Mrs. R. W. Kink, 242 Alameda Drive,

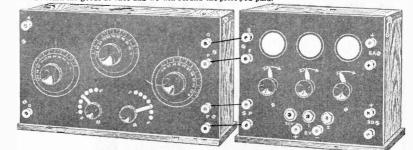
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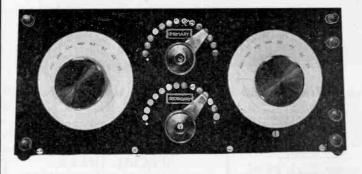
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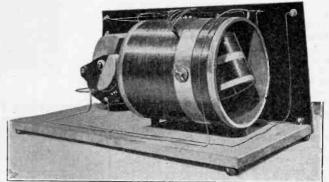


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The American Radio Operator **By EDWARD T. BICAK***

Recent discussions in RADIO NEWS and in one of New York's leading newspapers, concerning the professional radio operator lead one to conclude that there actually must be something wrong with the American radio operator if he can arouse so many comments of an unfavorable nature. Let it not be assumed that the articles appearing against him were the products of minds be-reft of reason. On the other hand, it should be recalled that the commercial should be recalled that the commercial radio-operator in the American Marine Service has notably distinguished himself on more than one occasion. Hence any at-tempt to place him on trial should be made with careful consideration of his good, as well as his bad qualities and then only with perfect attention to all details in the case.

There is no reason why the American radio operator cannot command the respect of his fellow officers aboard ship, of the radio fraternity throughout the world, and of the American public in general, if he so Two-thirds of the necessary rewishes. quirements are directly under the operator's control. The question is, *does he or does he not* desire to make himself the outstanding figure that a man in his position should rightfully be? Does he not wish to fortify his position so as to discourage harmful comment? Does he not desire to make himself worthy of more remuneration? In general, has he not the ambition to acquire an irreproachable character and unquestion-able fitness for his task?

It is, of course, true that not all com-mercial radio men, operating stations on mercial radio men, operating stations on ships of American registry, strictly observe Article VI of the International Service Regulations or No. 200 of the U. S. Regu-lations. These regulations prohibit the transmission of superfluous signals by any ship or coastal station. Trials and prac-tices are forbidden except under such cir-cumstances as to proclude the beneficility of cumstances as to preclude the possibility of interference with other stations. This has, to a greater extent than probably any other wrong, been responsible for the recent un-favorable criticism of American operators. It also brings to mind a recent experience when the writer was invited aboard a large British vessel docked at New York, to inspect one of the new British C.W. sets. There were three radio operators assigned to the vessel and each seemed to bear a grudge against "Yankee" operators. When When asked why it was that they spoke unfavorably of American operators, they all voiced the same reply, that is, American operators were entirely too eager to "play" with the key while the transfer switch was in the "send" position. Nothing the writer said could influence them to think otherwise and it was rather discouraging to leave with the thought that our American operators the thought that our American operators failed to command the respect of their foreign cousins.

That the U. S. Shipping Board has spent rather large sums of money for the repair and maintenance of the radio equipment aboard its ships is also well known. The exposé of the "Shipping Board" by one of New York's newspapers brought out some interesting facts. This again makes the fitness of the commercial radio operator to carry out his duties questionable. It gives rise to the questions, "Are the requirements for a commercial radio operator's license really sufficient?" and "Why have several organizations that hire the operators adopted the policy of examining each man before employing him, in spite of the fact that their licenses attest to the knowledge and skill of the operators?" That the U. S. Shipping Board has spent

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The cultivation of a fancy or eccentric style of sending is another factor in bringing harmful publicity upon the operator. Quite frequently an American operator is found who actually believes himself clever in having been able to develop a more or less original style of sending that causes the receiving operator to make more effort to copy him than is ordinarily required. He introduces a jerk in his "H's," "P's," "C's," "3's," "4's," "5's," "Y's" and "Q's," and makes one of the dashes of "J," "1" and such letters a trifle longer than the other When such an operator transmits dashes to a foreign operator, it is only natural that he should become the subject of a grudge and that his dignity in the eyes of the other man should be lowered. Sometimes it is the schools that are to blame for permitting an operator to develop a tricky swing when sending, but in the majority of cases the operator makes an earnest effort to master the "funny" stroke after he has had some experience at sea.

Then there is the personal appearance of the commercial radio operator which has provoked comment. One making a tour of inspection finds, on boarding one American vessel, a radio operator neatly attired in a uniform giving every indication that its wearer is a gentleman and worthy of being respected. As he stands near the rail another well groomed young man approaches and it is readily discernible by the slight variation in a mark common on the uniforms of both men that one man is the chief radio operator while the other is the second operator. On boarding a second American ship it is surprising to be told that the man with the overalls on who leisurely stands outside the radio cabin is the radio operator. The other radio operator is then pointed out as the man in his shirt sleeves who is chatting with the cook. The American radio operators of a third vessel are observed to be wearing an entirely different type of uniform than those first observed and the second operator gives every indication by a stripe on his sleeve, and otherwise, that he is the chief operator; whereas the chief operator who has no stripe on his subordinate, makes one doubt who he actually is.

There are other factors which have had a tendency to encourage those who are ever anxious to slight the American radio operator. The reader should understand, however, that it is in no way the purpose of this article to add to the unfavorable criticism previously advanced. Rather, it is intended to set forth the deficiencies of the commercial radio operators on American vessels only as an introduction to a discussion of how the commercial radio operators can become more prominent figures in shipping circles; what course they must pursue to gain the respect of others in the radio field and of the public in general; in brief, what must be done to elevate the status of the American operator.

No one will doubt the sincerity of the commercial operator to render service efficiently; to stand by his station in times of distress; and to even perform deeds which are not ordinarily expected of him. The writer recalls the wreck of the S. S. Yukom in the Bering Sea some years ago. To be exact, it was on June 11th, 1913. After help had been summoned and all passengers and practically the entire crew had taken to the lifeboats, the radio operators sent a final radiogram when the rescuing vessel was but a short distance away and then dismantled the entire station. Piece by piece the parts comprising a one K.W. "United Wireless" transmitter and type "D" tuner were lowered into a spare lifeboat. Everything was included, from the light protective devices to the heavy Robbins & Meyers motor-generator and the bulky transformer. Even the antenna was rescued and with the other material, was brought to Seattle. This

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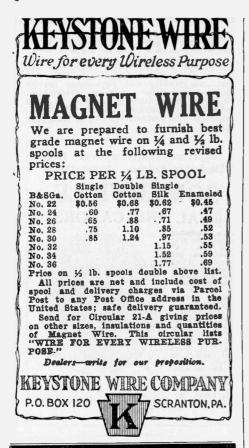
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This is a period of reconstruction. Every commercial radio operator sailing under the United States flag can, if he so chooses, make a determined effort to stamp out the evils which are undermining radio operat-ing as a fruitful occupation. To do this will require that every American radio operator learn to make intelligent use of the that his procedure in dispatching traffic be carefully planned, giving as much attention to brevity as to clarity. If he will be busi-ness-like, he must be *brief, concise, to the point.* His service messages -must be con-densed into the least number of words are point. His service messages must be con-densed into the least number of words nec-essary to convey his thoughts clearly. Oh, what a golden opportunity this one phase of his work affords for improvement. No nation in the world can really boast of 100 per cent. efficient operators, or in fact, can any nation lay claim to an organization of radio operators that cannot be improved considerably. Hence the American radio op-erator has everything in his favor to rise head and shoulders above the crowd; to be the subject of praise wherever foreign op erators and radiomen in general meet. Ĥe "Silence is Golden" and practice it within limits. That is, he should avoid using his transmitter unless it means revenue for his station, or unless he is required to help someone in danger.

Practically every operator has observed the engineer force at work aboard ship. The oilers have been seen to make periodic trips around the engine, dropping a little oil here and there where lubrication is constantly required and where no automatic oil feeding arrangement is attached. The operator has noted that the brass surfaces about the engine room are highly polished, and is aware that such surfaces do not become polished of their own accord. He probably has watched the engineer on duty and noted the serious manner in which the latter goes about his work and the attention the engineer gives to details. Has the operator ever compared the engine room to his radio station? Commercial radio apparatus and auxiliary equipment is expensive. They require that a regular program be followed to maintain the station equipment in its most efficient condition. Where lead-acid cells are employed as an auxiliary source of power it is particularly necessary that such a program be faithfully followed. If the radio operator has any opportunity at all to make a good impression upon the traveling public, it is surely by keeping his apparatus in such a clean and efficient con-dition that it will be a source of pleasure to anyone to be given the privilege to see his apparatus.

When an operator has occasion to transmit he would do well among other things, to keep the man at the receiving on in mind. If he desires to dispatch his busi-ness quickly it is most important that he consider the other operator, since any fail-ure on the part of the latter to make a perfect copy of the first transmission only means delay. If the sending operator forms his telegraphic characters carefully and sends at a moderate speed he will have less need for repetition. Any style of sending which makes it unnecessarily difficult for the average operator to copy is detrimental to the sending operator's best interests and should be avoided.

When a radio operator from any British passenger or cargo vessel steps ashore in uniform he is immediately recognized by most people as a radio officer in the British merchant marine service. Why? That is merchant marine service. Why? That is a very easy question to answer. The radio



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The writing of this article and the suggestions included therein were inspired by the many criticisms recently publisheed and voiced by those who have occasion to come in contact with the radio operator. Upward of two thousand operators have re-ceived their training at the hands of the writer and he has, therefore, felt that their interests were to a certain extent his own. It would obviously mark the opening of a new and better era in commercial radio communication if the operators, as a body, would decide on a definite program which would elevate their status, and by bringing it to the attention of the proper officials, make it known that the American radio operator stands ready to prove himself beyond doubt the most efficient in the world.

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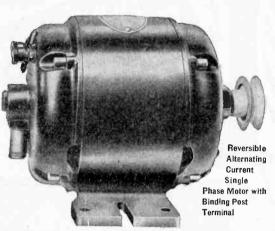
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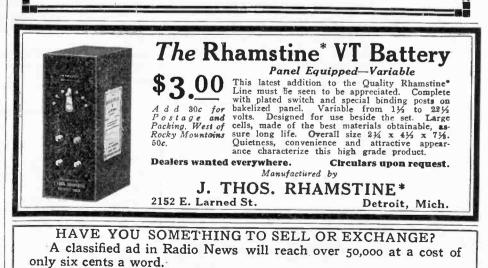
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In view of the many attempts on the part of the Navy Department and Commercial Companies to put the amateur out of business by passing restrictive laws, due in a large part to unnecessary interference and QRM on wave-lengths usually about 250 to 300 meters, would it not be a good thing for the Radio magazines to advocate and encourage the various Radio Associations throughout the country to use the big stick, by installing observation stations in each community, equipped with reliable wave meters and decremeters Much of the trouble comes from the fellow who is ambitious to have a good sending set, spends all he can earn, begs, borrows or steals to get a good set, then has no means to pur-chase the instruments to properly tune his set. Result-Ignorance of true decrement and wave-length and almost always high wave-length, broad, but not always ineffi-cient as one can readily attest by listening in on any clear night. A word to the wise is usually sufficient, and a card from the observer to the offender, giving wave-length and decrement would in most cases be appreciated, particularly if the offender is invited therein to reduce his wave-length and decrement and to ask for a second observation and report.

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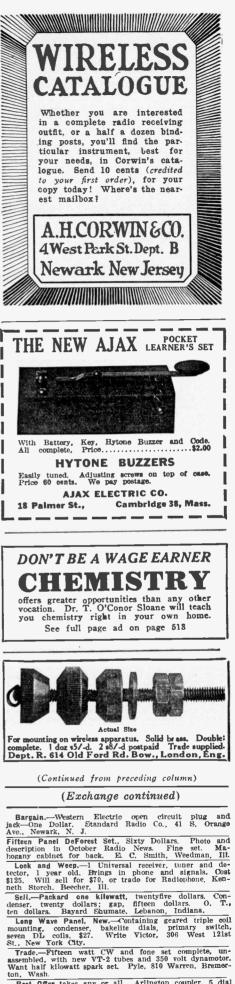
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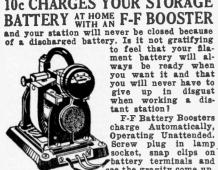
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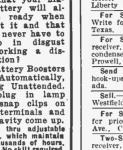
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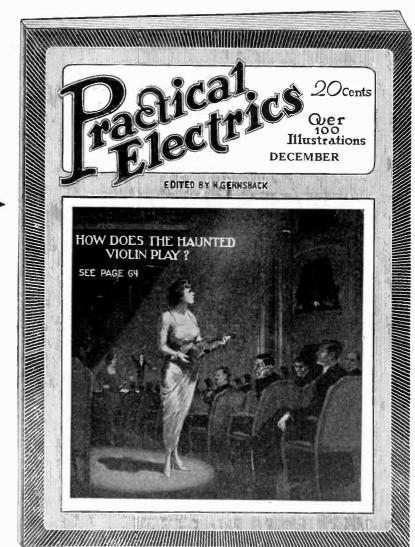
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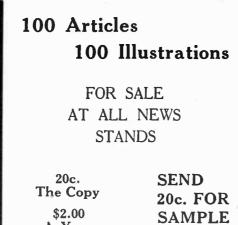
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