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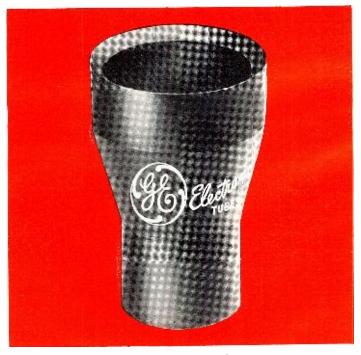


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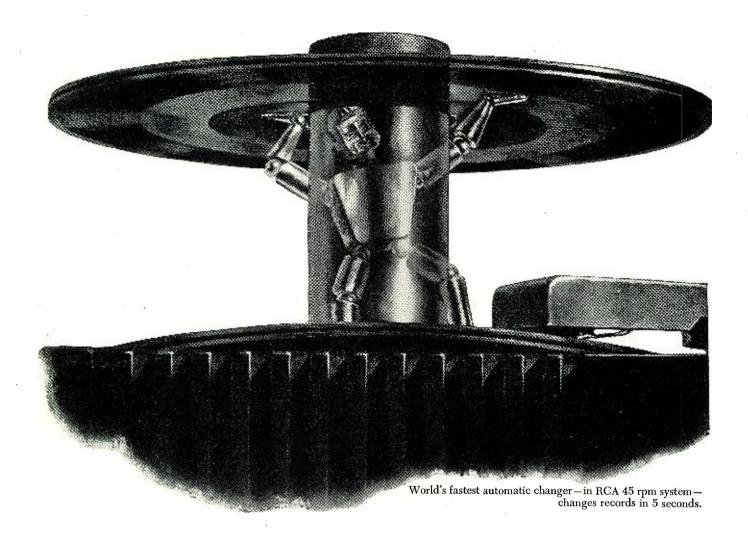
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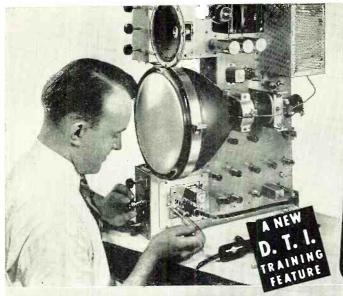
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The student in sound may be one trying for only a limited amount of knowledge so he may go ahead and do experimental work with the construction of amplifiers and recording systems, or he may be aiming for a degree in audio engineering. We find, therefore, that there is no segment of radio, television, or electronics that has greater widespread interest than has audio and sound. Accordingly, and in reply to the many requests for up-tothe-minute material on all phases of this specialized subject, we are devoting the editorial contents of this month's issue to a discussion of the many facets of sound.

Special articles were assigned to our top writers, including John Goodell of Minnesota Electronics, who is considered one of the foremost authors on speaker systems in the country. Mr. Goodell gives an analysis of speaker enclosures, based on actual work done in conjunction with custom installations. Mr. Glen Southworth, who has been writing for RADIO & TELEVISION News for many years, tells how to evaluate distortion in audio amplifiers. Hams will be especially interested in the c.w. filter described by Commander Countryman, W3HH, which is designed to reject interfering signals.

We have received many requests for a simple test analyzer that would be capable of checking distortion in amplifiers when used in conjunction with an audio oscillator and an oscilloscope. Michael Wolfe, in his article on Page 44, tells how this is done.

If you are looking for a good-quality amplifier with a full-range tone control and simplified dynamic noise suppressor, don't miss reading Charles Mayeda's "Wide-Range Phono Amplifier" on Page 46. Intercoms seem to be high on the list of requested articles. R. G. Finkbeiner, W8AQK, gives answer to these requests in his article describing the construction of an intercom for the home or office. No matter what a reader's interest may be in audio and sound, the chances are that he will find something of definite interest in these or in many of the other articles appearing in this special November issue.

We commissioned Dave Fidelman, one of our top writers, to examine the audio field and to prepare a complete analysis of test instruments. Here for the first time is a complete, concise presentation of equipment suitable for various tests, including frequency response, noise level, voltage current or power, harmonic distortion, intermodulation distortion, transient response, phase response, and wow and flutter. Mr. Fidelman breaks his charts into specific categories, such as signal generating instruments, instruments for measurement and observation of electrical signals, instruments for measurement of sound, instruments for characteristics of audio signals, multiple instruments, and accessory units. The preparation of so extensive an assignment as this is was not an easy task. Mr. Fidelman certainly came through with flying colors, and we are sure you will agree.

In this issue, we had planned to bring you a similar breakdown of disc, wire, and tape recorders, together with complete specifications; however, the inclusion of this material would have necessitated the elimination of the analysis on audio test instruments. Accordingly, it will be prepared for a future issue devoted largely to recording and playback systems.

Even our front cover this month was chosen especially to illustrate the subject of sound. You will enjoy reading the article on Page 61, which describes a unique application of sound employed by Station WMOR in the Chicago area. Conceived and operated by some ex-GIs, the story of WMOR is indeed a story of success. This station has a reputation for maintaining a high degree of audio fidelity.

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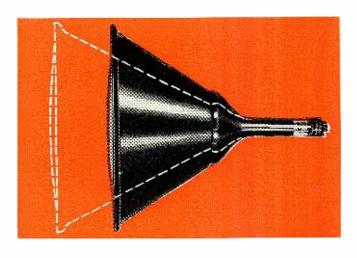
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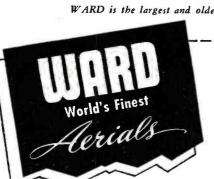
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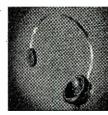




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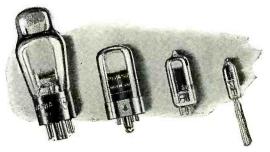
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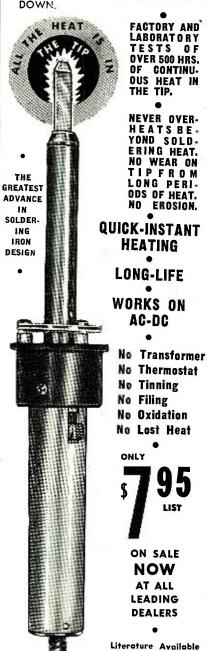
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AN HISTORIC PATTERN of TV's future began to unfold in Washington during the early fall days, when the much-heralded allocation hearings were finally called to order in the Commission's session hall in the Department of Commerce building. Striking testimony on the possibilities of video in monochrome and in color, on the present bands and in the ultrahighs, offered by rounds of specialists during the initial days of the meeting, which, incidentally, was expected to last for many weeks and possibly months, disclosed that significant strides had been made in the laboratories of the country.

The accent appeared to be on color, with RMA, JTAC (Joint Technical Advisory Committee), CBS, and RCA the

featured performers.

Preceded by an intriguing bit of correspondence with Senator Edward C. Johnson, chairman of the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and FCC Commissioners Robert F. Jones and Paul A. Walker, the CBS story teemed with drama. The letter writing was sparked by Senator Johnson, who, after attending a demonstration of color television staged by Smith, Kline, and French at the Armory in Washington, notified CBS that the test was . . . "a magnificent and utterly convincing proof that color TV is here now, and that all that is necessary for it to sweep the nation is for the FCC to remove the roadblock and promulgate standards for its operation. . . . However, the reluctance to show the FCC the facts by those who know most about color and who can most effectively demonstrate its development disturbs me." Within a day, Frank Stanton, CBS prexy, replied to the Senator, stating that CBS is doing . . . "everything we reasonably can to make color television generally available at the earliest possible time."

Several days later, FCC Commissioner Jones fired a critical letter to CBS stating that . . . "Your zeal appears to have diminished in connection with the hearings merely because it has been instituted on the Commission's motion." The Commissioner went on to explain that CBS had failed to provide other than handmade equipment for tests. Said the FCC official: "Your action in the matter might well lead one to the conclusion

that, while your company is anxious to transmit color TV, it is reluctant to permit others to operate color video receivers to appraise what you have transmitted. We must know whether laymen can operate the sets and can derive this only from experience of laymen operating the sets under as many diverse conditions as are common in black and white."

A seething reply from CBS Prexy Stanton in the form of an eight-page letter reported that . . . "No manufacturer would go into large-scale production of color converters and receivers unless a green light had first been given by the Commission. (By production was meant, of course, production in the accepted sense) . . . The production of quantities (25 to 100 or 100 to 1000) can be accomplished as a practical matter only through what amounts to hand fabrication with extremely high unit costs. . . . Thus, while the \$75 figure per converter (cited in earlier conversations with the Commissioner) approximates the cost on a mass-production basis, the unit cost of handmade models wouldbe many times that figure. . . . The complex process of translating a laboratory model into a production design, from which production in quantity is possible, is not something that can be done overnight."

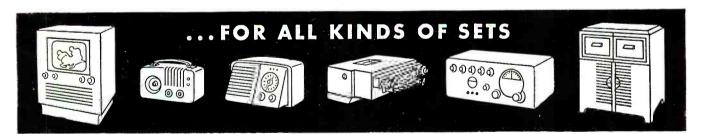
Then, referring to the Senator Johnson letter which implied that CBS was not cooperative. Stanton offered a review of what the broadcasting system had done with color since the summer of last year when they developed a 6 mc. color system. In the fall of '48, the system was demonstrated before the Commission in New York, with converted receivers used to pick up both color and black and white transmissions. And, according to Stanton, between December and May of this year, CBS had designed and constructed color TV equipment for demonstration of surgical and medical procedures under a contract with Smith, Kline, and French Laboratories. Shortly after, a color installation was made at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Stanton revealed, and on August 2, daily 6 mc. color transmissions were begun over WCBS-TV.

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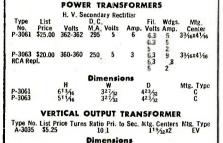
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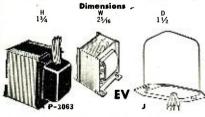


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In the letter to Commissioner Walker, Stanton declared that medical and surgical TV demonstrations are now being conducted and will continue until June of 1950. The reply also disclosed that arrangements had been completed with WOIC in Washington for the transmission of color signals as soon as the hearings began, for pickup over thirty receivers. Twentyfive were wired to pick up color signals in color, color signals in black and white, and black and white signals in monochrome, while the remaining five were used only for color pickup.

In a pre-hearing commentary on the factors to be judged in considering any color system, CBS said that electrical and economic compatibility with black and white methods were prime items.

Although no heated exchange of letters preceded the RCA appearance, their report for the record was quite exciting, too, disclosing a new all-electronic, wideband, simultaneous method of transmission of color, featuring the use of the present 6 mc. band, 525 lines, sixty fields-per-second, fifteen color pictures per second, and timemultiplex transmission. This system has been identified as a dot-sequential method with line and picture-dot interlace.

Describing the system, E. W. Engstrom, vice president in charge of research of the RCA lab division, said that the studio equipment provides three signals, one for each of the primary colors (green, red, and blue). Each color signal is sampled for a very short time, 3.8×10^6 times per second for each color. The three color signals from the camera are combined in an electronic adder and are then passed through a bandpass filter. The output of this filter contains frequencies between two and four megacycles, with contributions from each of the three color channels. The signal resulting from the addition of these three signals, identified as the sampler output, mixed high, and synchronizing pulses, are fed to a low-pass filter which cuts off at four megacycles. The signal from this filter is then applied to the modulator of a conventional transmit-

Analyzing the electronic sampler, Engstrom said that the green is sampled every .263 microsecond (.263 = 1/3.8). At a time .0877 microsecond after a green sample, a sample is taken of the red signal. This time delay is one-third of the time between successive green samples. Red samples continue to be taken .263 micro-

second apart. Blue samples are taken at the same rate and follow the red samples by a time of .0877 microsecond. The composite output of the sampler consists of a superposition of the green, red, and blue trains of pulses or samples.

Commenting on the scanning sequence used by RCA, Engstrom declared that the odd lines are scanned during the first field, but dots of the same primary color are separated by spaces. The even lines are scanned during the second field, again with spaces between like color dots. During the third field, the odd lines are again scanned, but with the color dots displaced so that the spaces are filled. The even lines are scanned during the fourth field, with the color dots displaced to fill in the spaces left during the second field scanning. Four scanning fields are required to completely cover the picture area, with all spaces filled with, say, green dots. Simultaneously, the area is being covered with red and blue dots. Since there are sixty fields per second, it may be said that there are fifteen complete color pictures per second. The effective field rate for the large-area flicker is sixty per second, the same as for current black and white receivers. Engstrom said that at viewing distances such that the picture-line structure is not resolved, the effect of small-area flicker due to line interlace and picture-dot interlace is not visible.

A regular schedule of color transmissions over WNBW was also set up by RCA, with six receivers in operation. Explaining the tests in a letter to FCC Commissioner Walker, Dr. C. B. Jolliffe, executive vice-president in charge of the RCA labs, said that ... "receivers will be placed in typical locations and used under home conditions."

Both CBS and RCA scheduled special color demonstrations of their systems for the FCC, inviting members of the industry, and will present standards and operational data based on these and subsequent tests for the record during the hearings.

Color systems using other types of scanning were also proposed at the Washington hearings. One method, developed by Color Television of San Francisco, called a line-sequential approach, featured successively-traced image lines that appear on the screen in different colors. According to George E. Sleeper, chief engineer of the coast company, a raster is traced in each of three colors (red, green, blue) on the picture tube in a selected sequence.

Leon Ruberstein of New York City offered still another type of color system, wherein a special type of screen was used to provide color. The screen was described as consisting of microscopic prisms which separate the reds, greens, and blues from the light.

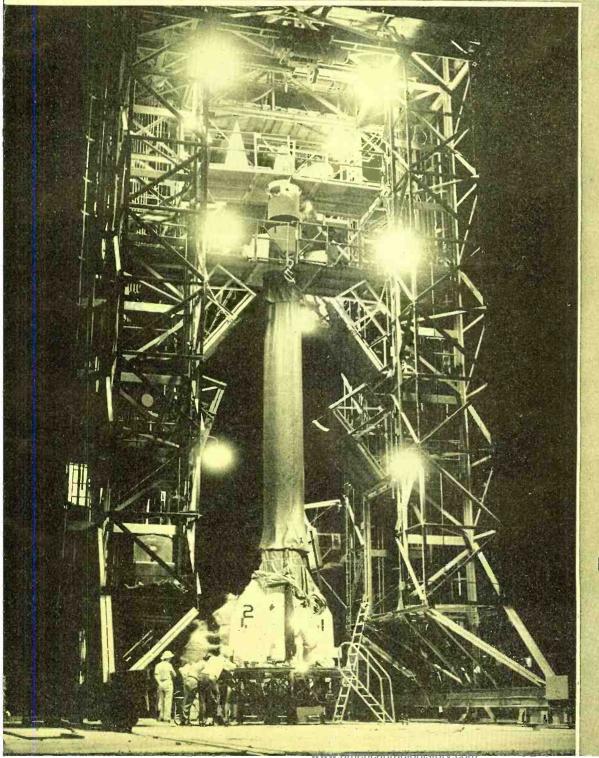
Although the period for official witness-stand comments on the proposals was, at this writing, weeks away, there were volumes of off-the-record opin-

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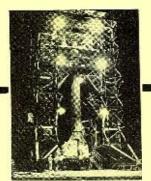
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Preparations are under way to fire the Navy's giant Viking rocket at White Sands Proving Ground, N. M. A protective sleeve covers a portion of the target. The rocket contains a great deal of electronic telemetering equipment for reporting data back to the earth during flight.

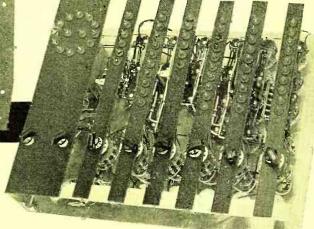


By A. E. WOLFE, Jr. and F. G. STEELE

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Interior view of the precision clock.



Front panel view of the clock and intervalometer.

ONSIDERABLE interest has been shown lately in "Atomic" or electronic clocks. Engineers at Northrop Aircraft needed an extremely accurate clock, one which would start or stop at a previously determined time and which would record accurately to 1/100 second an interval between two operations. Their answer to the problem is the Northrop intervalometer.

The intervalometer is used in conjunction with a frequency standard consisting of a temperature controlled 102.4 kc. quartz crystal oscillator and several frequency dividers. The reason 102.4 kc. was selected is that this is an even power of two and therefore simple scale of two dividing circuits could be used. It was believed that these scale of two dividing circuits would be more reliable than other types of circuits. The frequency divider consists of 10 double triode tubes and provides the input pulse rate to the clock of 100 pulses per second.

As shown in the picture, the "face" of the clock consists of six vertical rows of neon bulbs reading from right to left 1/100 sec., 1/10 sec., sec., 10 sec., min. and 10 min., and also a circular display of twelve neon bulbs corresponding to the hours. In the center of this circle are two neon tubes indicating AM and PM. Reading from the right, each of the first three rows of 10 bulbs is connected to a 10-position scaler unit. Each 10-position unit consists of four double triodes connected in a special feedback circuit (Fig. 3), the output of each scaler unit being fed to the suc-

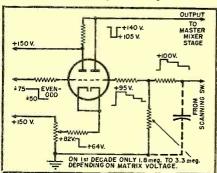
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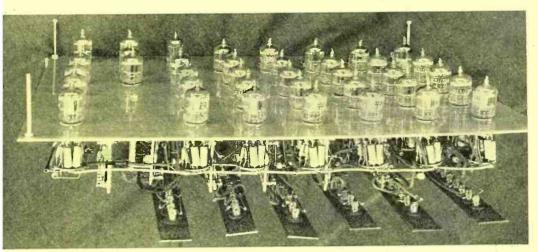
ceeding unit. The output of the third scaler unit, which represents seconds, is fed to a six-position counter consisting of three double triodes. This scaler unit represents tens of seconds and feeds the minute unit. This is another scaler unit feeding a second six-position counter representing tens of minutes. This counter in turn feeds the hour counter which feeds the AM-PM indicator, a single flip-flop. Below each of the above mentioned scaler units is a multi-position switch which scans each unit and detects the number it contains. The outputs of all the switches are mixed, and the output of the mixer detects the total number contained in the clock. Depending on how the clock is used, this number could represent either a time interval or some absolute time. The unit below the face of the clock proper consists of a power supply and a built-in 100 cycle pulse source which can be substituted for the frequency standard if accuracy desired is not greater than variations in line fre-

quency. All the preceding description refers to Fig. 2, sections (1) and (3). Section (2) consists of the reset circuits, the input gate and associated flip-flop controlling the gate, and the start-plus line amplifier.

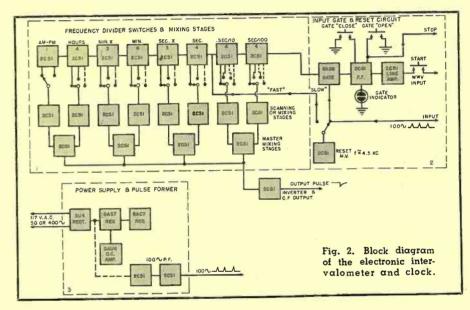
Referring to Fig. 3, the typical binary "10" scaler unit consists of modified Eccles-Jordan circuits with a normal capacity of 16 pulses before recycling, which, however, is held to a capacity of

Fig. 1. Scanning or mixing tube.



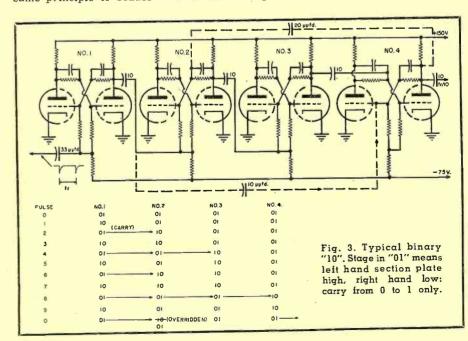


Interior view of the precision clock and intervalometer.



10 by utilizing two feedback paths. The other types of scaler units utilize the same principle to reduce their normal

capacity of eight pulses to a capacity of six pulses. Referring to the block diagram, it will be seen that four units



with a capacity of 10 are used, i.e., sec./100, sec./10, sec. and min. Two scaler units with a capacity of six, i.e., sec. x 10 and min. x 10, are used, as well as one unit with a capacity for the hours. This latter unit is made up of a counter of six preceded by a flip-flop. The development of a matrix to scan the four tubes (Fig. 3) through their 10 positions is as follows: First, if a stage be in the 01 condition, let that = 0, and if a stage be in the 10 condition, let this = 1 in the following table (Fig. 4).

The actual connections of the matrix appear at the right-hand side of the table. In the section immediately below the counting stages, junctions indicate 510,000 ohm resistors. Junctions below that indicate NE-2 bulbs. Referring to Fig. 4, the table shows five combinations of the last three stages which, when combined with the even-odd configuration of the first stage, gives us 10 possible outputs.

A short description of the operation of the matrix follows. Referring to Fig. 4B, the NE-2 bulb will only light when side b is high and side a is low. Side b is high only when all flip-flop plates connected to it are high.

Considering the counter with 0 pulses (10 configuration using the abbreviated sequence), each stage is therefore in the 0 condition, which means that all left-hand plates are high. As previously explained, an NE-2 bulb will only light when one side is high and the other side is low. Therefore, since the left-hand plates in all stages are high, we must use the right-hand plate in stage 1 and left-hand plates in stages 2, 3, and 4 to light the (0) bulb. If we feed one pulse into the counter, the first stage is the only one to be affected going from the 0 to the 1 condition, i.e., the left-hand plate is now low. Therefore, now to light the (1) bulb, we use the same "high" connection, but for the "low" side of (1) we use the left-hand plate of stage 1. Consider now the counter when we feed another pulse into it. From the table we see that both the first and second stages are affected, the first stage going back to the 0 condition and the second stage going to the 1 condition. The even branch from stage 1 now becomes low. In a similar manner, all subsequent positions up to 9 are carried out and the 10th pulse returns the system to zero.

It has been shown that the neon bulbs indicate the number of pulses fed into the counter. Associated with each scaler unit is a 2 deck wafer switch (see Fig. 8) connected as shown to the NE-2 bulbs. The rotors of these switches, therefore, will be able to detect when a given number appears in the counter. These rotors are con-

nected to the scanning or mixing stages.

Briefly, a mixing stage consists of a double triode d.c. amplifier connected as shown in Fig. 1. An input is applied to each grid of the double triode and coincidence is detected in the plate circuit. The wave shapes are as shown in Fig. 1, and the 100,000 ohm pot in the cathode circuit is used to detect only the most positive part of the wave on grid 2. Eight of these scanning or mixing stages are used, i.e., one to each scaler unit. Coincidence of all the outputs of all the scanning or mixing stages is detected in the master mixing stages. These consist of four double triode tubes with a common plate load resistance and separate inputs on each of the eight grids which are derived from the eight outputs of the eight scanning or mixing stages. There is an output from the master mixing stages when and only when inputs to all eight grids are present (Fig. 5).

The output from the master mixing stages is fed into the inverter and cathode follower output stage (Fig. 6). This consists of a 2C51 double triode. The input to the inverter stage is a rectangular wave of about 100 v. amplitude and .01 seconds (10,000 μ s.) width. This wave is differentiated in the input circuit to the inverter, and only the leading edge is used. The output of the inverter is a negative going pulse approximately 50 µs. wide and approximately 100 v. in height. This is fed into the cathode follower and this negative going pulse appears on the output jack.

Input Gate and Reset Circuits

The input gate is a 6AS6 tube controlled by a flip-flop (Fig. 7). The 100 cycle timing pulses are applied to G1 and the controlled voltage for the gate which is derived from the flip-flop is applied to G3. The gated output appears in the plate circuit. The clock was designed to be started by WWV time pulses and therefore a pulse shaping amplifier was included. This pulse shaping amplifier merely develops a series of five sharp pulses from the five 1000 cycle sine waves which make up a WWV one-second pulse. In addition to the electronic means of controlling the gate, two push buttons are associated with the flip-flop allowing manual operation of the gate if desired. An NE-2 bulb connected to the proper plate of the flip-flop serves as a gate indicator showing either open or closed condition,

To set the clock at any given time, the reset circuits as shown in section (2) of the block diagram are used. These consist merely of a two-position switch and a free running multivibrator running at approximately 4.5 kc. In the "fast" position, the differentiated output of the multivibrator is fed directly

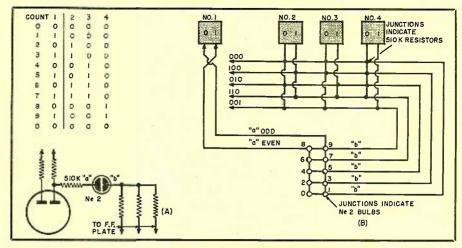


Fig. 4. (A) Matrix development for typical binary "10". A given bulb will light when even-odd bus is low on one side of bulb and high on other side. (B) Detail of (A). Bulb lights only when all F.F. plates on side "6" are high and "a" is low.

to the one-second scaler unit bypassing the input gate and the first two scaler units, i.e., the sec./100 and the sec./10 units. This is done to quickly cycle the last three scaler units to their approximate final position. When this has been accomplished, the reset multivibrator is set to slow, the output from the inverter and cathode follower unit is connected to the stop jack, and the 6AS6 gate is manually set open. As soon as the required number, as determined by the positions of the various switches, is present in the clock, a pulse appears at the output of the cathode follower which triggers the flip-flop controlling the input gate, thus closing the gate. The reset multivibrator is now turned off, the 100 cycle input is connected, and the clock is now set. The entire reset operation takes on the average 30 to 45 seconds.

In operation over an extended period, the only maintenance required has been the replacing of two type 2C51 tubes and the readjustment of one of the scanning or mixing tube cathode biases.

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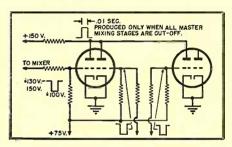


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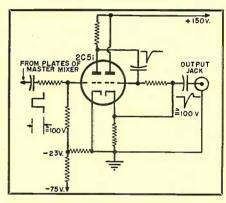
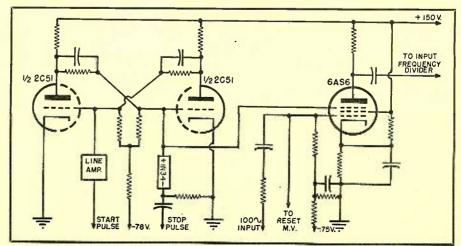


Fig. 6. Inverter and cathode follower for output pulse.

Fig. 7. Input gate driven from flip-flop.



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A cathode follower may be used to provide an adjustable stabilized d.c. voltage with small bleeder current.

ANY electronic circuits require a variable current from a source of good voltage regulation. Often, the voltage required is lower than the power supply output voltage and is derived from a conventional voltage divider. It can easily be shown by means of Thevenin's Theorem that the voltage regulation of this type of circuit is inversely proportional to the bleeder current. When good regulation must be provided and the load current varies over a wide range, the necessary bleeder current may be an unduly large percentage of the total current load on the supply. Such a design is inefficient, both in first cost and in operation.

In cases of this kind, the cathode follower may often be used to advantage as a voltage dropping and stabilizing device requiring negligible bleeder current. In addition, the circuit may provide a considerable amount of filtering of a.c. ripple voltage which may be present on the output of the power supply, and a low impedance to signal components of load current.

Circuit Analysis

The circuit of the cathode follower employed as a voltage stabilizer is indicated in Fig. 2. The purpose of the capacitor C is twofold: to prevent any a.c. ripple present on the power supply voltage, E_{bb} , from appearing on the

reference voltage E, and to maintain the grid at the a.c. potential of the low side of the load. The operation of the tube is then such as to provide considerable filtering of a.c. ripple and a low output impedance to a.c. components of load current. The d.c. output voltage E_b will be the difference between the drop across R_2 and the bias required by the tube at the value of load current and plate voltage $(E_{bb} - E_b)$ which obtains

 $E_b = E - E_c$ (1) Since it is generally desirable to operate the tube without grid current, the required grid bias, E_c , will be a negative quantity and the load voltage will be greater than E.

Assuming that the supply voltage E_{bb} does not vary, the regulation of the load voltage will be determined by the variation in grid voltage required by the stabilizer with varying load current.

Regulation (%) =
$$\frac{\Delta E_c}{E_b} \times 100$$
. (2)

 ΔE_c is the variation in required grid voltage and E_b is the full load output voltage.

The degree of power supply ripple filtering provided by the stabilizer may be obtained by reference to the equivalent circuit of Fig. 3A. From this circuit, it follows that

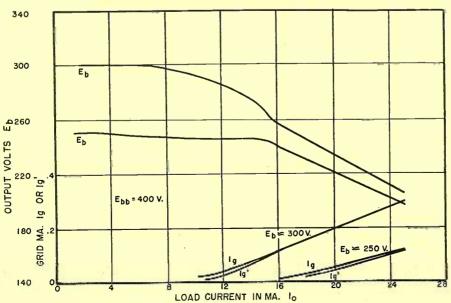
$$e_r = (e_{rr} - \mu e_r) \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_p}$$
 . . . (3)

Solving explicitly for e_r and dividing by e_{rr} to obtain the ripple attenuation ratio:

$$\frac{e_r}{e_{rr}} = \frac{1}{(\mu + 1) + \frac{R_p}{R_L}} (4)$$

The stabilizer impedance to a.c. components of load current may be derived from the equivalent circuit of Fig. 3B in which the load has been replaced by a constant current generator driving i_L through the parallel resistors R_p and R_L . The tube has been replaced in the usual manner by a

Fig. 1. Voltage regulation characteristic of the circuit of Fig. 2. showing the abrupt increase in regulation as grid current begins.



constant current generator driving the current $-e_s g_m$ through the paralleled resistors. The signal frequency voltage appearing across the load is then:

$$e_s = (i_L - e_s g_m) \frac{R_L R_p}{R_L + R_p} (5)$$

from which the output impedance of the stabilizer is:

$$R_0 = \frac{e_s}{i_L} = \frac{R_p R_L}{(1+\mu) (R_p + R_L)}. \quad . \quad (6)$$

or, when $\mu >> 1$:

$$R_0 = \frac{1}{g_m} \times \frac{R_L}{R_p + R_L} \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad (6a)$$

Eqts. (6) and (6a) will be recognized as the usual ones for the output impedance of the cathode follower. In many applications, the fact that the output impedance is independent of frequency may be an added advantage of the circuit.

Since in the usual case the stabilizer will operate without grid current, the reference voltage divider may be of high resistance, requiring but one milliampere or less of bleeder current. The capacitor C should be chosen so that its reactance at the power supply ripple frequency, or at the lowest frequency of the signal load current, will be small compared with the magnitude of R₁ (or, more accurately, small compared with $(R_1R_2)/(R_1+R_2)$).

Practical Circuit Operation

The results of measurements performed upon a laboratory circuit employing a type 6J5 tube are indicated in Figs. 1, 4 and 5.

It will be observed that in both cases of Fig. 1 the output voltage drops slowly until grid current begins to flow, then falls sharply. In each case, the variation in the output voltage up to the point at which grid current begins agrees well with the value of grid voltage at plate current cutoff for the plate voltage $(E_{bb} - E_b)$ applied to the cathode follower. These curves indicate that for good voltage regulation the cathode follower should be operated between the limits of E_c = cutoff and $E_c = \text{zero as the load current varies}$ from zero to its maximum value. Over this range, the output voltage will vary by the difference in grid voltage, and no grid current will flow.

The grid current curve I_g was obtained with no ripple voltage applied to the circuit, while I_g was obtained with a ripple of 10 volts r.m.s. superimposed upon the 400 volt supply (3.54% ripple). As should be expected, the grid current curves indicate that the presence of ripple voltage upon the power supply output reduces the maximum d.c. load current which may be supplied without grid current.

Fig. 4 shows the variation in output ripple voltage with d.c. load current. At 300 volts output, the ripple attenuation ratio was of the order of 0.07, or about 22 db. to the grid current point, while for the 250 volts case, corresponding values were 0.06 and 24 db.

It must be observed that the a.c. output impedance curves of Fig. 5 are somewhat sketchy due to the limited capacity of the a.c. load current generator employed. They are included here, however, to indicate certain limitations in operation of the circuit. It will be observed that the output impedance is lowest at moderate values of direct current and small values of alternating current. The increase in impedance at low values of direct current is in agreement with Eqt. (6) since the transconductance of the tube falls off at low values of plate current. The increase in output impedance with a.c. load current is due to either of two factors:

- (1) With increasing a.c. load current the path of operation of the tube extends over a greater portion of the characteristic curve. Since the plate current-transconductance characteristic of the tube is not linear, the transconductance averaged over the path of operation is less than that at the d.c. operating point.
- (2) When the sum of the d.c. and the peak a.c. currents is greater than the value for which E_c of the stabilizer must be zero, the grid draws current, thus reducing the load voltage on the signal peaks. Again, the average value of the output impedance over the signal cycle is effectively increased.

The above discussion indicates that

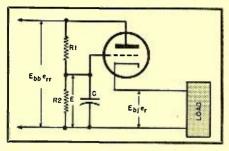


Fig. 2. Circuit diagram of the cathode follower voltage stabilizer.

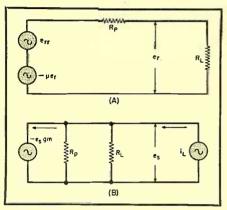
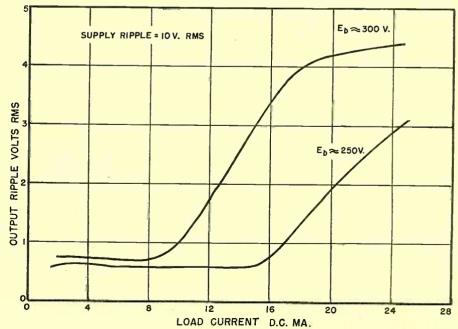


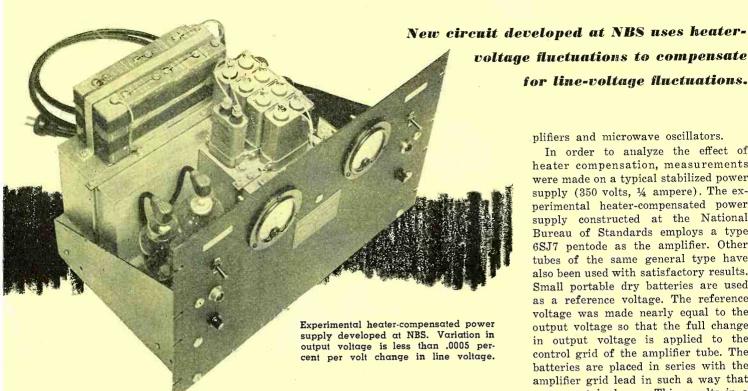
Fig. 3. (A) Circuit equivalent of Fig. 2 for ripple frequency components of power supply voltage. err. (B) Circuit equivalent of Fig. 2 for a.c. components of load current.

the maximum a.c. load current may be supplied when the d.c. load current is equal to one-half of the maximum d.c. current which the circuit can supply without grid current, in the absence of an a.c. load current. The maximum value of the peak load current is then equal to the d.c. load current, but the output impedance to the alternating

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Fig. 4. Power supply ripple filtering characteristic of the stabilizer.

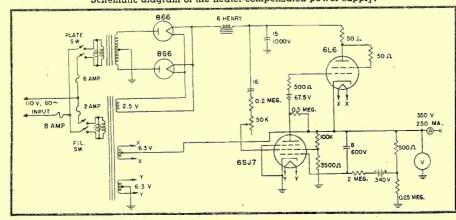




Heater-Compensated POWER SUPPLY

NEW method of compensating for line-voltage changes in stabilized direct-current power supplies has been developed by Robert C. Ellenwood and Howard E. Sorrows at the National Bureau of Standards. In the new circuit arrangement, heatervoltage fluctuations are used to compensate for the line-voltage fluctuations. This compensation thereby increases the stability of the output voltage. This method can be applied to power supplies employing degenerative voltage stabilizers in which d.c. amplifiers compare the output voltage against a fixed reference voltage. When the output voltage changes, the resulting voltage difference between the output and the reference potential is amplified by the amplifier so that the resistance of a control tube is altered in such a way as to restore the output voltage to its original value. The stability of such power supplies without heater compensation is adequate for many purposes, but for very precise measurements where greater stability is required, the new heater-compensated power supply fills a definite need. Heater compensation can be used to good advantage in power supplies for such constantcurrent devices as direct-current am-

Schematic diagram of the heater-compensated power supply.



plifiers and microwave oscillators.

In order to analyze the effect of heater compensation, measurements were made on a typical stabilized power supply (350 volts, ¼ ampere). The experimental heater-compensated power supply constructed at the National Bureau of Standards employs a type 6SJ7 pentode as the amplifier. Other tubes of the same general type have also been used with satisfactory results. Small portable dry batteries are used as a reference voltage. The reference voltage was made nearly equal to the output voltage so that the full change in output voltage is applied to the control grid of the amplifier tube. The batteries are placed in series with the amplifier grid lead in such a way that no current is drawn. This results in a very stable reference voltage and lengthens the service life of the batteries. The control function is performed by several 6L6's connected in parallel. Six tubes can carry a load current of 250 milliamperes and present an internal impedance of only 2 ohms. The output voltage was found to be influenced by small changes in the heater voltage of the amplifier tube, but independent of the heater voltage of the control tube(s). A change in temperature of the amplifier cathode produces a corresponding change in the velocity of the emitted electrons and consequently in the magnitude of the amplifier plate current. The amount of compensation from heater voltage action is a function of the amplifier screen-grid voltage, and the degree of control by the cathode over the plate current is greatest at low screen potentials. The correct screen voltage for maximum stability must be determined experimentally.

When a change occurs in the heater voltage, the change in the amplifier plate current produces a proportional change in the voltage across the grid resistor of the control tube. This effect produces an additional compensation for line-voltage changes. For a constant heater voltage, an increase in line voltage of ten volts results in an increase in output voltage of about 0.1 volt. With the line voltage to the stabilizer held constant and the potential of the screen grid of the stabilizer set at 12.5 volts, an increase of ten volts in the primary voltage of the heater transformer results in a 0.1 volt decrease in output voltage. With the high-voltage and heater transformers connected

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Adjustment of QUADRATURE NETWORKS

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Design of a precision 90° phase shifting network which may be built from noncritical components.

ANY occasions arise in the electronics laboratory when it is necessary to set up a phase-splitter circuit to give a 90 degree phase shift of one of the input voltages.

Normally this is accomplished either by attempting to install precision circuit values in the apparatus or else by using non-precision parts and adjusting the components of the network until a circle is obtained on an oscilloscope. The first method is costly and not justified in low-cost equipment while the second method is too inaccurate since it is not possible to say with certainty that the achieved pattern is perfectly circular.

This article points out how an oscilloscope may become a useful device for precision checking of quadrature networks. The concept depends on the fact that a zero or 180 degree shift between vertical and horizontal plates may be recognized with good accuracy because the pattern closes to a straight line. With a good scope, phase deviations of the order of ½ degree may be detected in the deviation of the straight line display.

If we were to introduce a precise 90 degree phase shift between the circuit to be adjusted to quadrature conditions and the scope, the resulting pattern would be an inclined straight line when the adjustment is correct. Fig. 1A shows a typical application of this technique. The requirement which is difficult to fulfill is the accurate 90 degree fixed phase shifter particularly because of the common ground found in most circuits.

Many circuits have been proposed to give a 90 degree phase shift but unfortunately many are four terminal devices and require a transformer when a common ground is desired. Figs.

1B and C show well known 90 degree phase shifters.

The simplest and usually most desirable configuration for a phase shifter is the RC arrangement of Figs. 1D and 1E. The highest usable phase shift obtainable from either of these circuits depends upon the amplitude attenuation which may be tolerated, being .707 at 45 degrees and approaching zero output at 90 degrees.

Ordinarily it is undesirable to simply cascade such circuits to obtain greater phase shift than is possible with one because of the loading effect of successive circuits on the previous ones. For example, two 60 degree networks in cascade give an over-all shift which is considerably less than 120 degrees.

A special case arises when two 45 degree networks are cascaded, when the loading effect of the second circuit on the first vanishes. A simple analytical proof is given here to substantiate this statement.

Referring to Fig. 1F:

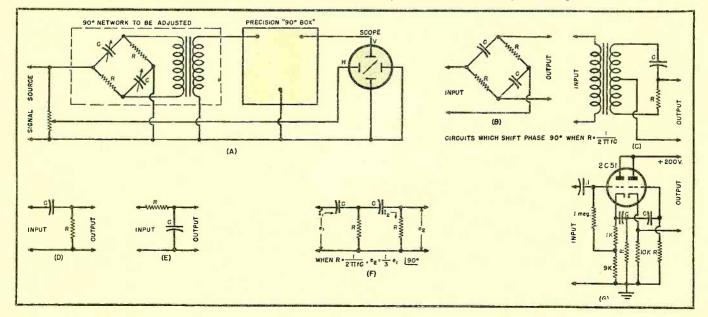
$$e_1 = I_1 (R - jX) - I_2R \dots (1)$$

$$o = -I_1R + I_2 (2R - jX)$$
 . (2)

Let
$$X = R$$
 and substitute (3) in (1):

$$e_1 = I_1R (1 - j) - e_2 \dots (4)$$
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Fig. 1. (A) Typical quadrature network adjustment. C or R is varied until pattern is a straight line. (B) and (C) Circuits for shifting phase 90°. (D) and (E) Simplest R-C phase shifting arrangements. (F) 90° network. (G) A precision 90° box. $R=1/2\pi fC$ for 90° between input and output.





Rear view of car with trunk cover removed, showing how the antenna is mounted.

NIELD intensity contours of an FM broadcast station are to be determined in accordance with the methods prescribed in the "Standards Of Good Engineering Practice Concerning FM Broadcast Stations" of the Federal Communications Commission. These Standards state that FM broadcast stations shall determine the extent of their 1 millivolt per meter and 50 microvolt per meter contours. It is further stated that although some service is provided by tropospheric wave, the service area is considered to be only that served by the ground wave. The extent of the service is determined by the point at which the ground wave is no longer of sufficient intensity to provide satisfactory broadcast service.

The field intensity considered necessary for service in city business or factory areas is 1 millivolt per meter median field intensity and in rural areas 50 microvolt per meter median field intensity. A median field intensity of 3 to 5 millivolts per meter should be placed over the principal city to be served and for class B stations, a median field intensity of 1 millivolt per meter should be placed over the business district of cities of 10,000 or greater within the metropolitan district served. A field intensity of 5 millivolts per meter should be provided over the main service area of a class B station.

This paper presents a discussion of

FIELD INTENSITY -SURVEYof an FM Station

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One method of making a field intensity survey of an FM station to meet the FCC requirements.

the procedure employed in conducting a field intensity survey, in accordance with the FCC Standards, of a class B FM station with effective radiated power of 20 kilowatts. The transmitter power output was 8.4 kilowatts. Transmission line efficiency was 79%. The antenna had a power gain of 3 with a height of 410 feet above average terrain.

Measurements to determine the service area of an FM broadcast station must be made with mobile equipment of a field intensity meter of proper frequency range and calibrated against recognized standards, a source of power for this instrument, an antenna designed for the frequency of the signal to be measured, a graphic instrument more popularly known as a recorder, a mobile recording assembly for driving the recorder from the speedometer shaft of the field survey car, and miscellaneous accessories for both the measuring apparatus and the recorder. This collection of equipment when properly installed and operated provides for the required continuous mobile recording of the field intensity of the FM transmitter in accordance with the FCC regulations.

Several installation problems were encountered in the process of setting up this equipment, foremost of which was in the mounting of the antenna on the car. The most convenient vehicle would be a light truck, or preferably a station wagon because of its all wooden body construction. These means of transportation were unavailable to the writer at the time this field survey was undertaken. It was therefore necessary to employ a passenger vehicle which in this case was a 1941 Chevrolet business coupe.

The FCC Standards specify that the

receiving antenna be of a non-directional type and of the same polarization as the transmitting antenna. It was found that a completely satisfactory non-directional type of antenna for this work was unavailable. Experimental antennas have been constructed for this purpose and several were found to be fairly successful but none to the writer's knowledge proved to be entirely satisfactory. The greatest handicap of the non-directional antenna in the conducting of these tests is the weak signal pickup it provides as the end of any given transmitter radial is approached. Permission to employ a dipole antenna was obtained from the Federal Communications Commission. This, of course, had to be continuously properly oriented with respect to the transmitter as the field car moved outward from the transmitter site in order to insure maximum signal pickup at all times in the receiving antenna. This rotational provision further complicated matters, considering that it was necessary to make the installation on a privately owned car with as little mutilation as possible.

At first the logical support appeared to be the front or rear bumper of the car, However, it was decided the single support at the bottom of the antenna mast was not sufficient for the 10 foot pole and further the coupling drive for orientation could not be easily effected. Either side of the vehicle where the car radio whip antenna is usually mounted did not seem to offer any greater possibilities and presented a further disadvantage by allowing one half of the dipole to protrude outward from the car body with the hazard of striking high trucks, busses, trees, and other obstacles encountered in travel.

Cutting a hole through the roof of the car was out of the question.

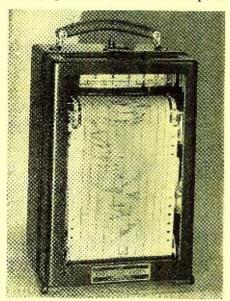
The trunk in the rear proved to be the answer. The lid of the trunk was easily and quickly removed, being held by 4 screws in the hinges and 4 screws in the arms that hold the lid open. This particular car contained a substantial shelf in the trunk compartment upon which a gear box with a 20 to 1 ratio, purchased for a few dollars from a war surplus distributor, was mounted. A short length of 11/4 inch pipe was screwed into a coupling which was welded to the gear box, and a further support for this pipe was attached to the under side of the top of the trunk compartment.

The dipole antenna which is supplied with the field strength meter includes 2 poles with a tee coupling to obtain either horizontal or vertical polarization. Using these 2 poles and coupling resulted in a height above ground of slightly less than the 10 feet the writer wished to achieve, so a longer pole was purchased from a local hardware store and substituted for the lower section. This 2 section mast could then be slipped into the short section of 1½ inch pipe on the gear box. A 1½ inch long machine screw was inserted

through the pipe and pole and a nut attached. This screw protruded far enough through the pipe to attach thereto a direction indicator which was made from a piece of copper tubing with a nut soldered to one end and the other end flattened to form a pointer which was painted white so it could be clearly seen through the rear window. The antenna must necessarily be easily and quickly removed because of low hanging tree branches and wires which may be encountered. In this case it was only necessary to loosen the thumb screw on the tee coupling and drop the upper half of the mast. The antenna arrangement may be seen in the photographs. The gear box is in the wooden housing on the trunk shelf.

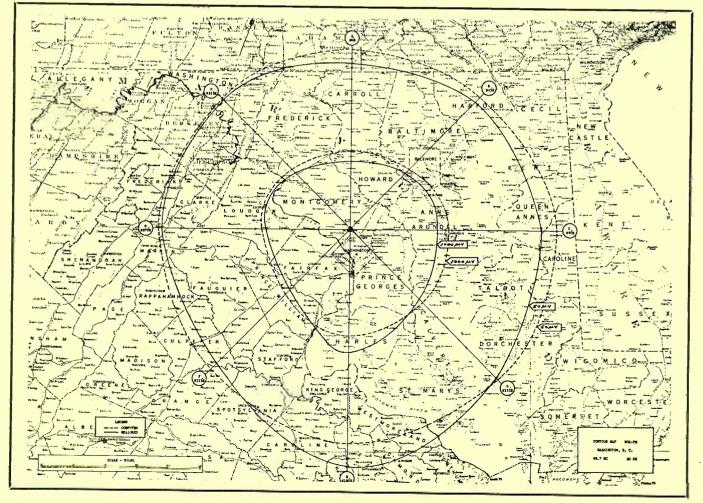
A flexible shaft such as used for sanding discs, grinding wheels, etc. was connected to the gear box by means of the chuck on this shaft. The motor end of the shaft was fastened inside the car and a pulley was attached to which was bolted a handle for turning the antenna. The coaxial cable for the antenna goes through a hole, along with the flexible shaft, at the front part of the trunk compartment to the field meter inside the car. This arrangement resulted in a smoothly operating setup

and the gear box held the antenna steady in any direction. It is necessary, of course, to adjust the length of the dipole for the frequency of the station. This may be calculated, or it may be ascertained from a curve supplied with the equipment. Also one of the poles



Esterline-Angus recorder of the type used to record field intensity along the various radials.

Contour map of Washington, D. C. and vicinity showing measured and computed field intensities for Station WOL-FM.



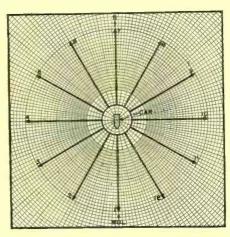


Fig. 1. Radials which were followed in making field intensity measurements.

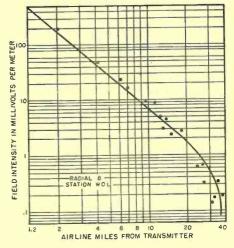


Fig. 2. Field intensity along radial B (Fig. 1) from Station WOL.

furnished has a scale engraved on it which is directly calibrated in megacycles.

Complete installation or removal of all equipment could be effected by the two engineers making the survey in just 15 minutes, including the removal or replacement of the trunk lid and license plate which was attached by two bolts with winged nuts to two small angle brackets placed on the car gravel plate.

The field intensity meter employed for these measurements was an RCA type WX-1A model made by the Clarke Instrument Corp. This equipment is furnished complete with two adjustable dipole antennas, a two section antenna mast with tee coupling for horizontal or vertical polarization, an adjustable tripod, coaxial antenna cable, and battery cable. Each half of the dipole may be folded parallel with the mast for easy adjustment and for transportation when not in use. The instrument contains a built-in vibrator power supply, permitting the use of a 6-volt storage battery as the power source. Output jacks are provided for direct connection to a standard 5 milliampere or 1 milliampere type graphic recorder. It also contains a built-in loudspeaker and audio amplifier for monitoring either AM or FM signals while measurements are being made. The frequency range of the meter is from 50 to 220 megacycles.

An Esterline-Angus graphic recording instrument was employed to continuously record the intensity of the transmitter output signal as the field car traveled away from the station. This instrument was a model A.W. d.c. milliammeter which is a 0-1 milliampere recorder. It contains a spring powered chart drive; however, for this work it is more satisfactory to operate the recorder from the speedometer drive shaft of the car. A photograph of the recorder with a section of the chart of Radial A of this survey on the instrument is presented through the courtesy of the Esterline-Angus Co. A model 110 mobile recording assembly, manufactured by the Clarke Instrument Corp. and distributed by RCA was used to drive the recorder. This assembly consists of a recorder drive, tee coupling box, and the required drive shafts.

To install this assembly the drive shaft is removed from the speedometer of the car and attached to the tee coupling box which was mounted on the fire wall of the car under the dash board. One of the drive shafts supplied connects from the tee box to the speedometer and the other one goes from the tee to the recorder drive which is mounted on the case of the graphic instrument. When this apparatus is properly installed it provides the necessary drive for the recorder chart and the chart speed with this assembly is 4 inches per mile. The recorder drive can be disengaged from the recorder by turning a knob on the side of the case. This is convenient when it is found necessary to back track on a radial run or when backing the car.

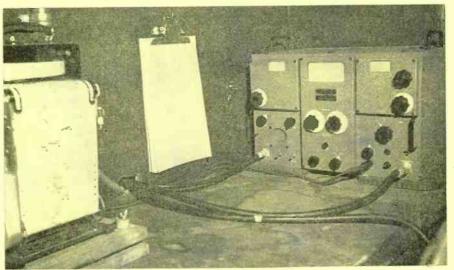
Sponge rubber pads were used in mounting the field meter and recorder between the car seats and wall of the trunk compartment. The flexible shaft for orienting the antenna was fastened to this wall. Winged nuts were used to secure all equipment for rapid installation and removal. There was enough room for an engineer to sit on an automobile cushion and operate the equipment and keep the log. This installation in the car interior is shown in the photographs, which together with the pictures of the antenna installation were taken by the author.

After all equipment was satisfactorily assembled in the car and several test runs made, it was necessary to correct the calibration of the field intensity meter due to the presence of the car body. The simplest procedure in determining the correction factor is to modify the antenna constant (K) given in the data sheets supplied by the manufacturer and which must be applied to the field intensity as read directly from the meter.

This instrument is supplied with frequency factor curves for each attenuator setting of the field meter. The result is based on the antenna being in free space as far as the dipole radiation resistance is concerned, and this K factor corrects for transmission line loss, r.f. attenuator setting, and frequency characteristic of the calibrating oscillator voltmeter.

To find the modified K constant required the field car was driven to a farm about 10 miles from the transmitter site. There on a level open field, over 500 feet from the nearest overhead wires, trees, buildings, and other obstructions, a compass rose was laid out by driving twelve wooden stakes into the ground in a circle, the stakes being 30 degrees apart. The car was then

Installations in the rear of the car include receiver and recorder.

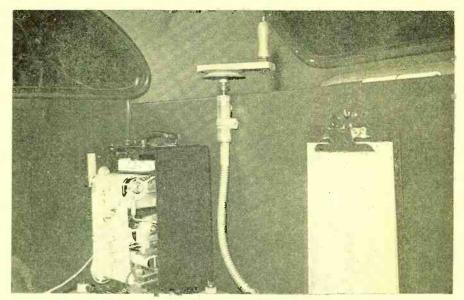


placed in the center of this circle and successively faced toward each stake and the field intensity reading for each of these positions carefully recorded. The dipole was in each instance properly oriented with respect to the transmitter while the car was rotated through the 360 degrees of the rose. It was carefully observed that each reading was taken under the same conditions except for the position of the vehicle. The car doors were closed and the engineers making the tests were inside the car when each reading was taken.

All apparatus was then removed from the car and set up on the ground with the antenna mounted on its tripod, 10 feet above ground and positioned in the center of the compass rose. The car was moved over 500 feet distant from the measuring location to prevent inaccurate measurement due to the car body. With the dipole oriented toward the transmitter the true field intensity reading was recorded.

The true field reading was found from the expression, $F = S \times K$, where F is the field intensity, S the scale reading of the meter, and K is the calibration constant for any given attenuator setting. This true field intensity was indicated as Ft. The field intensity reading for each position of the car in the compass rose was recorded as the apparent reading or Sa. Then K', the modified antenna constant, was obtained from the equation: K' = Ft/Sa. This ratio must be solved for each position of the car in the compass rose. The average of the K' values thus obtained is the correction factor to be applied. However, during this survey all measurements were made while following a radial in an outward direction from the transmitter site; therefore, the modified antenna constant used was the average of the K' values of positions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. See Fig. 1.

Two men were required to make the



Installation in rear of car showing hand crank for rotating antenna.

survey. One was assigned to drive the car, follow the plotted course, watch for low hanging tree branches and wires and assist with checking speedometer mileage readings. The other man operated the equipment and kept a detailed log.

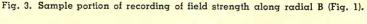
Before starting each radial run the route to be traveled was carefully planned. The FCC Standards state that measurements are to be made along roads which are as close and similar as possible to the radials which were submitted with the application for construction permit. These radials which were spaced 45 degrees apart around the transmitter site were drawn on road maps. Maps obtained from the American Automobile Association for the local area were found helpful in choosing streets and roads for the first half of the trip. Onion skin paper was placed over these maps and the radials and nearest roads thereto were traced on this paper. Street names, route numbers, and towns were shown. One copy

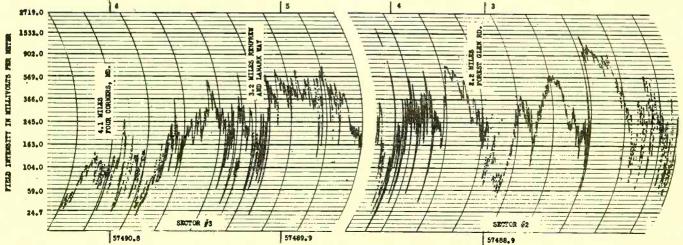
was made for the driver and one for the operator of the antenna and field equipment. In accordance with FCC Standards measurements were made to a point on each radial well beyond the contour under investigation.

Accuracy of calibration of the field meter is maintained by a self-contained calibrating system. Calibration was checked at the start and several times during each radial run. The storage battery was in a fully charged condition at the beginning of each trip and the transmitter power output was held as constant as possible. The contents of the log included field intensities at frequent locations, identifying landmarks, car mileage, time of day, and comments.

After all runs were completed the recording charts for each radial were divided into 15 or more sections as specified in the FCC Standards. Each section was numbered and analyzed to ascertain the median field intensity of the individual sectors. A section of the

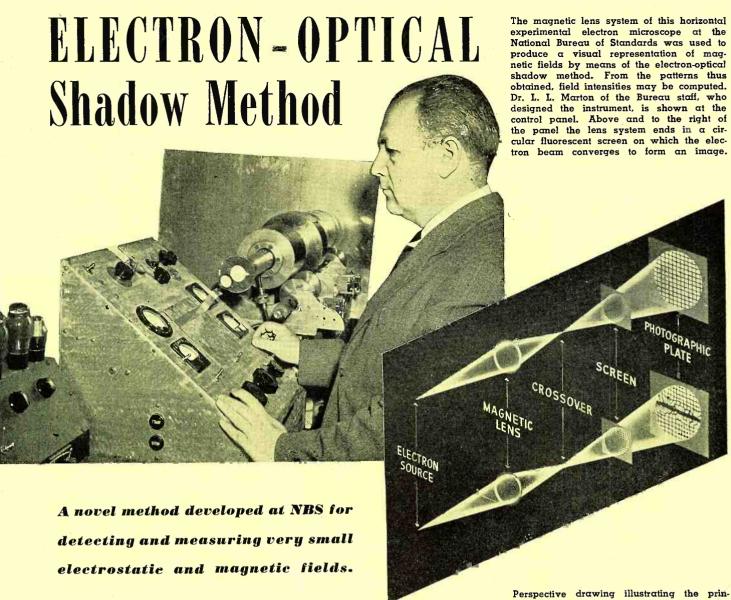
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S THE RESULT of a series of electron-microscope experiments at the National Bureau of Standards, Dr. L. L. Marton of the Bureau's electron physics laboratory has developed an electron-optical shadow technique which provides a valuable tool for the quantitative study of electrostatic and magnetic fields of extremely small dimensions. The new method makes use of an electron lens system to produce a shadow image of a fine wire mesh placed in the path of the electron beam. From the distortion in the shadow network caused by deflection of the electrons as they pass through the field under study, accurate values of field strength are computed. Thus it is possible to investigate quantitatively fields that have not been susceptible to other methods of investigation, for example, the fringe fields from the small domains of spontaneous magnetization in ferromagnetic materials.

The new development, which is based on extensive theoretical analysis, should

provide a powerful means for broadening present knowledge concerning space-charge fields, fields produced by contact potentials, patch fields in thermionic emission, charge distribution in a gaseous plasma, waveguide problems, and the basic magnetic properties of metals. Though similar in some respects to the electron-optical Schlieren method² previously developed at the Bureau, the shadow method is much

Perspective drawing illustrating the principle of the electron-optical shadow method for the quantitative study of electrostatic and magnetic fields of extremely small dimensions. In this example, the new technique is used to explore the field of a ferromagnetic recording wire magnetized in evenly spaced short pulses. Above: conventional magnetic lens system. Below: the magnetic recording wire has been introduced between the electron source and the magnetic lens. From measurements of the distortion of the image, accurate values of the magnetic field intensity can be computed.

better adapted to precise determinations of field intensity.

The principle of the shadow method was discovered in the course of a study of a recording wire magnetized in evenly spaced short pulses by means of a conventional magnetic recording head. In practice, the recording wire—or other object to be studied—is placed between an electron source and a system of electron lenses. The lens system focuses the electron beam to form an image of the wire on a fluorescent screen. By placing a wire mesh of known gage just beyond the back focus of the

^{1.} For more complete details see, "Electron Optical Observation of Magnetic Fields," by L. Marton and S. H. Lachenbruch, scheduled for publication in J. Research NBS 43, Oct. (1949) RP2038. See also, "Electron Optical Mapping of Electromagnetic Fields," by L. Marton and S. H. Lachenbruch, scheduled for publication in J. Ap. Phys. 20, Nov. 1949.

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2. In the Schlieren method, a magnetic lens forms an image of a source of electrons on a small copper stop which intercepts all direct rays. If in the space between the electron source and the lens there is a variation of the index of refraction for electrons—in other words, a variation in electric or magnetic field intensity—an image of that inhomogeneity will then be produced by means of the same lens in a conjugate plane beyond the stop. Thus a dark-field image of the magnetic relectric field is obtained on a fluorescent screen or on a photographic plate. See "Electron-optical Schlieren effect," NBS Technical News Bulletin 32, 82 (1948).

lens system, a shadow image of the mesh is superposed on the image of the wire. This shadow image is formed by projection from the virtual source provided by the reduced image of the source of electrons. The portions of the shadow network adjacent on the screen to magnetized regions of the recording wire are then found to show considerable distortion.

A complete theoretical analysis of this effect has shown that the distortion of the shadow image is due to the deflection of the electron beam by the field of the recording wire at each magnetized region. The result is a corresponding displacement of the reduced image of the electron source. This displaced image, acting as a virtual source, forms a shadow image, likewise displaced, of the network. Deflection of the beam may also change the distance of the virtual source from the wire, in which case the magnification of the displaced image is affected. Obviously, the displacement and change in size of the shadow image at any point depend on the strength of the field of the magnetized wire at a corresponding point.

Formulas have been derived by S. H. Lachenbruch of the Bureau staff which permit the calculation of consistent absolute values of field strength in magnetic or electric fields of various geometrics from experimental measurements of the position of the wire mesh, the displacement and magnification of its shadow image, and the known constants of the apparatus. The patterns

The magnetic field about a small horseshoe magnet, photographed by means of
the new electron-optical shadow technique.
Here the screen of an electron microscope
shows the electron shadow of a fine wire
mesh distorted by the deflection of the
electrons as they pass through the field
of the magnet. Total width of the magnet is about one-fourth inch.

obtained also provide a qualitative visual representation of minute electrostatic and magnetic fields. Although it is possible to compute field intensity from the intensity distribution of the pattern obtained by the Schlieren method, the shadow method is of far greater utility for quantitative work since the image displacement and magnification can be measured much more accurately than can the intensity distribution across the Schlieren pattern on a photographic plate.

Perhaps the greatest value of the electron-optical shadow method lies in its utility for exploring complex electric and magnetic fields of extremely small dimensions or in which a probe of size greater than the electron would disturb the field under study. In the past, calculations of the field intensity at a point have been limited to those special cases in which the geometry of the field exhibits a high degree of symmetry. The shadow technique now provides data for accurate calculation of the absolute value of the intensity in the neighborhood of a specimen of any size or shape without altering or disturbing the field.

The method is thus well adapted to investigation of the fundamental nature of ferromagnetism. Experiments now under way at the National Bureau of Standards include a study of the behavior of the fringe fields of the ferromagnetic domains; in this work a single crystal of cobalt having very large magnetic domains is being used. An extension to ferroelectric materials is also contemplated for the purpose of checking the domain theory of these substances; of particular interest will be a study of the polarization of barium titanate and other high-dielectric materials which are now being widely used in the production of small-sized

capacitors for radio, radar, and television.

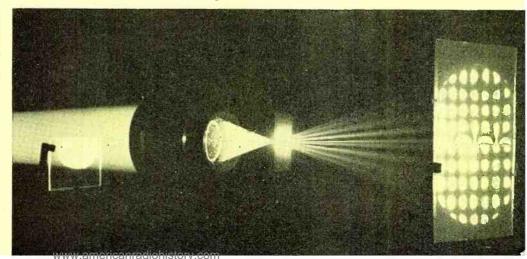
In another application of the shadow method at the Bureau, space-charge fields in several types of apparatus employing electron beams are being investigated. In this connection, use of the method with a pulsed electron source for the stroboscopic study of fields that vary with time is under study.

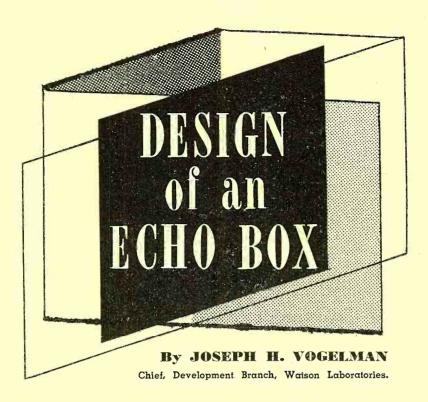
It has been suggested that the electron-optical shadow method may also be of value for the calculation of field intensities within a waveguide. Use of waveguides as conductors and circuit elements in ultra-high-frequency radar and communication often leads to arrangements whose geometry is too complicated for expression in any system of mathematical coordinates. Thus the electronics engineer, having in many cases only an intuitive picture of the field distribution at junctions and elbows of the guide, must rely on empirical methods in designing waveguide techniques and equipment. By the use of suitable auxiliary techniques, it is hoped that the shadow method may be adapted to the calculation of field intensities in regions of a guide that are not at present susceptible to analytical treatment.

The Bureau is also applying the principle of the shadow technique to the study of spherical aberration in electron lenses. When a fine wire mesh is placed in the focal region of a lens having spherical aberration, the shadow image of the network is enlarged either centrally or at the periphery, depending on the position of the mesh and the nature of the lens error. The resultant pattern may thus be interpreted to give information of value in correcting the lens.

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The electron-optical shadow method is illustrated by means of an analogous experiment in light optics. Mounted lens system converges light from a distant source to form a reduced image of the source at a point just to the left of a wire screen. A magnified shadow image of the wire screen is formed on the ground-glass screen by projection from the reduced image. Here the lower half of the light beam is intercepted by a piece of plastic deformed along its edge in such a way as to deflect some of the light rays before they pass through the lens. The result is a distortion of the corresponding part of the shadow network. In the NBS method, the glass lens system is replaced by a magnetic lens, and the plastic is replaced by the magnetic or electrostatic field to be studied.





A highly accurate and adjustable echo box is essential in testing radar units. This box is tunable over the range 130-154 mc.

N ECHO box was required which would be tunable over the frequency band 130 to 154 megacycles per second, and capable of providing the operator of the radar system with a simple means of daily checking of performance of the system, without any interruption of its tactical operation. The quarter-wavelength coaxial echo box described herein was designed as the most feasible solution to the problem. The operation of the echo box and its application to the measurement of radar performance have been adequately covered in the literature and will not be repeated.

The basic requirements for the echo box as set by the radar system for which it is intended are as follows:

Tuning Range—130 to 154 mc.

Decay Rate—Less than 1 db. per microsecond

Bandwidth of cavity-10 kc.

Level Difference between peak pulse power and receiver sensitivity at the echo box input-100 db.

To meet the decay rate requirement, the order of magnitude of the Q required is determined from the relation:

$$Q = \frac{27.3 f}{d}$$
 (1)

where f is in mc. and d is in db./ μ s. For 130 mc. this gives a Q of 3549, and for 154 mc., a Q of 4204.

To meet the bandpass requirement of

10 kc. the loaded Q required is determined from the relationship:

$$Q_L = \frac{f}{\Delta f} \quad . \quad (2)$$

where f and Δf are in the same units. For 130 mc., Q_L is 13,000 and for 154 mc., Q_L is 15,400.

Since the Q requirement to meet the bandpass requirement is the greater, this value governs the design of echo box. Previous experience has shown that the loaded Q due to input and output coupling will have a ratio to unloaded Q of the order of 0.9. Further decreases in Q will result from the suppression of undesired modes and other compensation networks. To account for these losses, the unloaded Q for which the echo box will be designed is taken as 20,000.

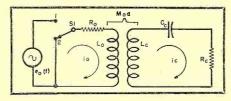
For the purpose of this section the following symbols and dimensional units will be used:

a = inner conductor radius in cm.

b = outer conductor radius in cm.

f =frequency in mc.

Fig. 1. Equivalent circuit of echo box.



L = length of inner conductor in cm.

 $\lambda =$ free space wavelength in cm.

A =attenuation in db. per cm.

d =length of waveguide beyond cutoff attenuator in cm.

For a coaxial echo box, maximum Q is obtained when b/a = 3.6. Adding 25 per-cent to the Q to take care of short losses, the dimensions can be determined from the following relationship:

$$Q = \frac{302 \, b f^{\frac{1}{2}} \ln b/a}{1 + b/a} \, . \qquad (3)$$

$$b = \frac{.0093 \ Q}{f^{1/2}} = 25.4 \text{ cm.}$$
 (4)

Then a = 7.055 cm.

For a satisfactory echo box it is necessary that modes other than the TEM be sufficiently below cut-off to prevent extraneous resonances or holes due to partial cancellations between TEM and a higher mode. To an accuracy of 7 percent the cut-off frequency for higher modes than TEM is found from the relationship:

which corresponds to a frequency of 293 mc. The frequency range 130 to 154 mc. is far enough below this value to insure that no higher modes will

Where a = 7.055 cm. and b = 25.4 cm., the Q is 24,400 at 130 mc. and 26,500 for 154 mc.

These values of Q are calculated to include only the conductor loss but do not consider the short losses. For this preliminary calculation, the length of the center conductor for resonance will be taken as a quarter wavelength. The Q can be corrected for short loss by the relationship:2

$$Q' = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{2b}\right)LQ}{\left(\frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{2b}\right)L + \ln\frac{b}{a}} \quad . \tag{6}$$

In making corrections for short loss, the shortening of the center conductor of the resonant line, due to the discontinuity capacity caused by termination of the inner conductor while the outer conductor is allowed to continue, is neglected for the present, to simplify the preliminary calculations. Under the above limitations the corrected Q's become 19,500 and 20,500 respectively for 130 mc. and 154 mc.

To determine the over-all length of the quarter-wavelength echo box, it is necessary to investigate the length of outer conductor required to give negligible reflection from the far end. The outer conductor beyond the termination of the center conductor acts as a waveguide beyond cut-off attenuator. If the length is such that a one-way attenuation of at least 30 db. is obtained, the reflection from a short at the far end of the attenuator will be -60 db. or 0.1 per-cent in voltage. This value is sufficiently small to be neglected.

For the lowest mode TE 1,1 the attenuation of a cut-off attenuator is obtained from the relationship:1

$$A = \frac{16.0}{b} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3.42b}{\lambda}\right)^2} \quad . \quad . \quad (7)$$

For 130 mc. A = .586 db. per cm., and for 154 mc. A = .565 db. per cm.

The length required for 30 db. attenuation is obtained from the relationship d = 30/A. For 130 mc, this gives d =51.2 cm. = 20.2 inches, and for 154 mc.d = 53.0 cm. = 20.9 inches. The total length required for the cavity = $\lambda/4$ + d = 22.7 + 20.2 = 42.9 inches.

The quarter-wavelength echo box would have an over-all length of 42.9 inches, a diameter of 20 inches and require a plunger movement of approximately 3.5 inches.

Tuning Mechanism

Whinnery, Jamieson and Robbins3 have shown that for a coaxial line, where the outer conductor is below cutoff for all cylindrical waveguide modes and is of infinite length, the termination of the inner conductor results in a discontinuity capacity whose magnitude is a function of the inner and outer conductor diameters. For a coaxial line of b/a = 3.6 and b = 25.4 cm., the discontinuity capacity, $C_d = 3.57 \mu \mu fd.$ is determined from the plot by Whinnery, Jamieson and Robbins of $C_4/2\pi b$ against b/a.

For a capacity loaded quarter-wavelength resonant line, the line length required for resonance is determined from the relationship:

$$\frac{L}{\lambda} = \frac{\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1.59 \times 10^{\circ}}{f \, c \, Z_{\circ}}\right)}{2\pi} \quad . \tag{8}$$

where f =frequency in mc.

 $c = \text{capacity in } \mu\mu\text{fd.} = 3.57$

 $Z_0 = 138 \log_{10} b/a = 76.77 \text{ ohms}$

L = length of inner conductor in cm.

λ = free space wavelength = 29979/f

For
$$b/a = 3.6$$
:
$$\frac{L}{\lambda} = \frac{\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{580.08}{f}\right)}{360}.$$
(9)

From (9) the length required for every megacycle has been calculated and will be found in Table III. The total center conductor displacement for the frequency band is 3.516 inches. If linear motion is assumed, displacement per megacycle is 0.146 inches. This may be

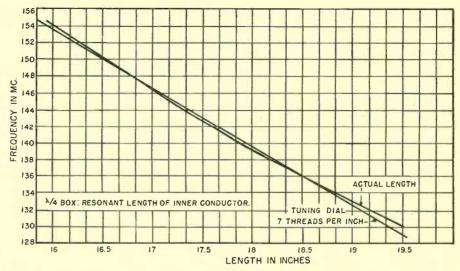


Fig. 2. Resonant length of inner conductor for quarter-wavelength box.

closely approximated by a screw of seven threads per inch. If the plunger is adjusted to be correct at 136 mc. and the frequency indicating dial designed to read 1 megacycle per revolution with 100 division vernier, then the dial reading can be found from the relationship: Dial Reading =

$$136 + 7(18.516 - I)$$
 . . (10)

The dial readings have been calculated and tabulated in Table III together with the error resulting from the use of a linear tuning dial. The actual frequency and the dial readings are plotted against plunger length in Fig. 2, and the frequency error against dial reading is plotted in Fig. 3. The tuning correction is engraved on the tuning dial every 0.1 mc. of correction to permit frequency accuracies of better than 0.1 megacycle per second. The tuning corrections are tabulated in Table II together with the frequency to which they correspond.

Compensation of Q

The resistance of a coaxial cavity having constant inner and outer conductor radii varies as the square root of the wavelength, and since the product ωL remains constant, the Q varies inversely as the square root of the wavelength or directly with the square root of the frequency as can be seen from Eqt. (3).

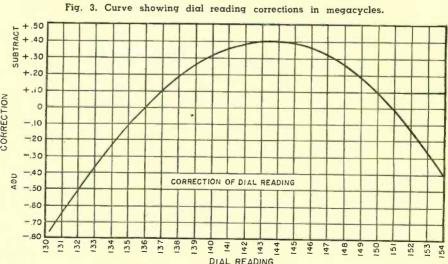
To achieve constant ringtime the Q must vary directly with frequency as can be seen from the ringtime equation.2

A loop placed in the vicinity of the end of the center post in the outer conductor should provide frequency sensitive loading which varies qualitatively in the proper manner to compensate the ringtime. The current in such a loop cannot be accurately solved with convenience, but it may be closely approximated as follows:

For the region up to the end of the center conductor the current is assumed to be distributed as in an ideal coaxial resonator, i.e.,

$$I = k I_0 \cos \frac{360 d}{\lambda} \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad (11)$$

where d is distance from short, varying from 0 to L.



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Freq	R_{o}		R_{σ}	R_L	Relative	Reduction	
In	Inherent	Desired	Compensa-	Compen-	Ringtime	In	
Mc.	Resistance	Resistance	tion Avail-	sated	In Per-cent	Ringtime	
	In Per-cent	In Per-cent	able in	Resistance	R	In	
	Normalized	Normalized	Per-cent	In Per-cent	$\frac{R}{R_L}$	Per-cent	
	To 142 Mc.	To 142 Mc.	Normalized	$R_{\circ} + 0.08R_{\circ}$		$1-R_o$	
			To 142 Mc.	1.08		$R_o+0.08R_c$	
130	104.51	109.23	167.220	109.15	100.07	11.34	
135	102.55	105.19	137.512	105.14	100.05	9.69	
140	100.71	101.43	110.243	101.41	100.02	8.05	
142	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	7.41	
145	98.96	97.93	85.616	97.97	99.96	6.47	
150	97.29	94.67	63.807	94.81	99.85	4.99	
154	96.02	92.21	51.763	92.91	99.25	4.31	

Table I. Ringtime compensation-loop at 41.5 cm. from short, K=8.0%.

Corre	Reading esponding for rection	Frequency Correction In mc.		
To C	30.00 30.65 31.30 32.00 32.70 33.40 34.20 35.05 36.00 37.00 38.10 39.70 43.40 47.40 48.90	In mc. +0.80 +0.70 +0.60 +0.50 +0.40 +0.30 +0.10 -0.10 -0.20 -0.30 -0.40 -0.30 -0.20		
1 1 1	51.00 51.80 52.60 53.30	$0.00 \\ +0.10 \\ +0.20 \\ +0.30$		
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	38.10 39.70 43.40 47.40 48.90 50.00 51.00 51.80 52.60	$\begin{array}{c} -0.10 \\ -0.20 \\ -0.30 \\ -0.40 \\ -0.30 \\ -0.20 \\ -0.10 \\ 0.00 \\ +0.10 \\ +0.20 \\ \end{array}$		

Table II. Dial reading corrections.

L = length of inner conductor

 λ = wavelength in free space

 $I_0 = \text{current at } d = 0 \text{ is constant for }$ compensated echo box

k =coupling coefficient

For the region beyond the end of the center conductor, the current is aswaveguide below cutoff, excited in the TMo, mode (the mode excited by an end probe in a cylindrical guide).

$$I = k I_{\bullet} \cos\left(\frac{360 L}{\lambda}\right) e^{-\frac{2\pi d'}{\lambda_c}} . (12)$$

$$d' = d - L$$

 $b = 25.4$ cm.

$$I = k I_0 \cos\left(\frac{360 L}{\lambda}\right) 10^{-\frac{(d-L)}{25.4}}$$
 (13)

The introduction of the loop into the cavity introduces resistance so that the problem can best be treated by dealing with resistances normalized to the cavity shunt resistance at 142 mc. The equivalent resistance introduced by the loop is proportional to the square of the current as given by Eqts. (11) and (13). The resistance loading at the loop will be taken as equal to the cavity shunt resistance at 142 mc. and the coupling varied to give the proper compensation.

of the loop and the optimum coupling

sumed to fall off with distance as in a

$$I = k I_{\circ} \cos\left(\frac{360 L}{\lambda}\right) e^{-\frac{2\pi d'}{\lambda_{c}}} . (12)$$

where λ_c for TM_{0,1} mode = $\frac{2.405}{2\pi b}$

$$d' = d - L$$

$$h = 25.4 \text{ cm}$$

$$b = 25.4 \text{ cm.}$$

$$I = k I_0 \cos\left(\frac{360 L}{\lambda}\right) 10^{-\frac{(d-L)}{25.4}}$$
 (13)

By trial and error the best position

Table III. Resonant length of inner conductor, dial reading, and error.

١	Freq	λ	L	L	L	Dial Read-	Error
	in	in	λ	in	in	ing in	in
1	mc.	Centimeters		Centimeters	Inches	mc.	mc.
	130	230.61	.21491	49.560	19.511	129.03	-0.97
	131	228.85	.21465	49.122	19.339	130.24	-0.76
	132	227.12	.21439	48.692	19.170	131.42	-0.58
Ì	133	225.41	.21413	48.267	19.003	132.59	-0.41
	134	223.73	.21388	47.851	18.839	133.74	-0.26
	135	222.07	.21361	47.436	18.675	134.89	-0.11
	136	220.44	.21335	47.031	18.516	136.00	0.00
	137	218.83	.21309	46.630	18.358	137.11	+0.11
	138	217.24	.21280	46.229	18.200	138.21	+0.21
	139	215.68	.21257	45.847	18.050	139.26	+0.26
	140	214.14	.21231	45.464	17.899	140.32	+0.32
	141	212.62	.21205	45.086	17.750	141.36	+0.36
	142	211.12	.21179	44.713	17.604	142.38	+0.38
	143	209.65	.21153	44.347	17.459	143.40	+0.40
	144	208.19	.21128	43.986	17.317	144.39	+0.39
	145	206.76	.21101	43.628	17.177	145.37	+0.37
	146	205.34	.21076	43.277	17.038	146.35	+0.35
	147	203.94	.21050	42.929	16.901	147.31	+0.31
	148	202.56	.21024	42.586	16.766	148.25	+0.25
	149	201.21	.20998	42.250	16.634	149.17	+0.17
	150	199.86	.20973	41.917	16.503	150.09	+0.09
	151	198.54	.20947	41.588	16.373	151.00	0.00
	152	197.23	.20921	41.262	16.245	151.90	-0.10
	153	195.95	.20896	40.946	16.120	152.77	-0.23
	154	194.67	.20870	40.628	15.995	153.65	-0.35
'							

was determined to be as follows:

- a. Loop at 41.5 cm. from short
- b. Coupling k = 8.0%

Table III is a compilation of the data showing the inherent resistance, desired resistance, compensation available, compensated resistance, relative ringtime, and reduction in ringtime as a result of compensation, all normalized to 142 mc. as determined from Eqts. (13) and (15) and the corresponding values of λ and L from Table III. By means of loop compensation it has been possible to reduce the variation of ringtime with frequency to less than 1 per-cent. Knowing the reduction in ringtime due to compensation, the loop coupling can simply be adjusted experimentally by inserting it to such a depth as to cause the echo box under test to produce a ringtime less by the specified reduction percentage than the ringtime without the compensating loop. This adjustment at 142 mc. and a recheck at another frequency is all that would be required in production testing.

It has been found desirable to adjust all echo boxes of a single type to have ringtimes within 1 per-cent under identical conditions, so that measurements made with one echo box could be duplicated with another echo box. The simplest method found to accomplish this is to insert a frequency insensitive loop close to the short in the outer wall of the cavity. In the first production run a box of average ringtime is selected as the standard and the loop in it is adjusted to decrease the ringtime 2 to 3 per-cent. Thereafter all other echo boxes are compared to the standard and the insertion of their standardizing loops are experimentally adjusted to give the same ringtime as the standard. A loop identical to the input loop but with variable insertion has been found satisfactory for this application.

Ringtime

To determine the ringtime obtainable from the echo box it is necessary to know the theoretical unloaded Q, identified as Q'. This can be found from:2

$$Q' = \frac{386.84 \, f^{1/2}}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \left(\frac{2.575}{L + (\lambda/15.57) \sin{(720L/\lambda)}}\right)}$$

For a = 7.055 cm., b = 50.8 cm., and values of f, L, and L/λ from Table III, Q' can be calculated.

For 130 mc.
$$Q' = 19,600$$

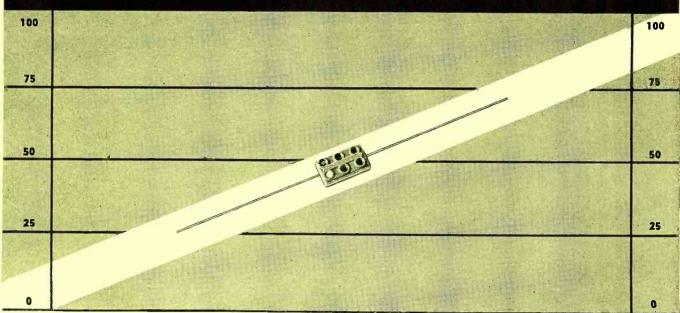
" 142 mc. $Q' = 20,000$

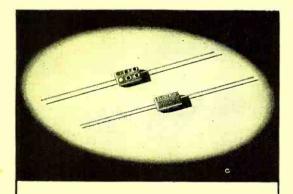
" 154 mc.
$$Q' = 20,480$$

The ringtime without compensation can be found from the following equation:

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SCIENTISTS DISCUSS POWDER METALLURGY

The physics of powdered metals was the subject of a Symposium arranged by Walter E. Kingston of the Metallurgical Laboratories of *Sylvania Elec*tric Products Inc., Bayside, New York recently.

Among the outstanding authorities who participated and are shown below, left to right, were Dr. Morris Cohen of



the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Dr. G. F. Huettig of the University of Graz, Austria; Walter E. Kingston, chairman of the Symposium and manager of *Sylvania*'s Metallurgical Laboratories; Dr. Adolf Smekal of the University of Darmstadt, Germany; and Dr. A. J. Shaler of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

More than 125 attended the three day sessions which were held in the Post Theatre, Fort Totten at Bayside.

OSBORNE TO HEAD USNC

Dr. H. S. Osborne, Chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, has been elected by the United States National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission to serve as its chairman for the coming year.

Other officers elected were Vice-Presidents: P. H. Chase, chief engineer, Philadelphia Electric Co.; Frank Thornton, Jr., engineering manager, association activities, Westinghouse Electric Corp.; Treasurer, G. F. Hussey, Jr., (Vice-Admiral, USN, Ret.), secretary American Standards Association.

Through the USNC, the electrical groups in the United States take part in international work on standards in

the electrical field, working with the national committees of 26 other countries that are members of the International Electrotechnical Commission.

NEW QUARTERS FOR V&V

Voice and Vision, Inc., Chicago, designers and installers of built-in television and radio equipment for the home, have moved into their new quarters at 314 North Michigan Avenue.

According to Dr. R. E. Samuelson, President, the expanded facilities will enable the firm to better handle the increasing demand for integrating sight and sound with modern architecture and interior decoration.

WESTINGHOUSE FORMS SPECIAL PRODUCTS DIVISION

A Special Products Development Division that will bring new products from the research to the commercial production stage and will handle special military developments has been formed by Westinghouse Electric Corporation,

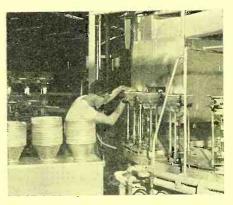


Pittsburgh, Pa. The Division will be managed by Frank W. Godsey, Jr., who formerly directed the New Products Department, now absorbed by the new division.

In addition to conducting market surveys and recommending action on new product lines, the Division will carry on "pilot plant" work on new products. Such special military projects now under way include work on guided missiles, aircraft armament systems, and new weapons for Navy ships.

GE TV TUBE PRODUCTION

Production of 8½-inch metal television picture tubes has been started by the *General Electric Company* at its Electronics Park plant at Syracuse,



N. Y. The new size tube gives 50 percent more picture area than the seveninch tube now used in low-priced receivers.

To house the new Syracuse tube facilities which will be in addition to its picture tube operation at Buffalo, N. Y., the company is converting and adding to an existing building. When completed later this year, the building will have 15,000 square feet of manufacturing space in addition to engineering and office areas.

NATIONAL MOLDITE EXPANDS

Expanded facilities now available for the production of molded iron cores has been announced with the erection of National Moldite Company's new plant at 1410 Chestnut Avenue, Hillside, N. J.

The announcement came from Sales Manager Sidney Lowenberg who states that newly developed, modern machinery in the powder and mixing rooms will increase the efficiency of production operations. A new division completely equipped for the production of molded coil forms has been installed.

TWO SCIENTISTS RECEIVE AWARDS

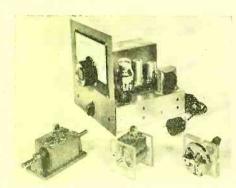
Dr. John W. Mauchly, physicist, and J. Presper Eckert, Jr., electronic engineer, of Philadelphia who have developed UNIVAC, the electronic computing machine used by the U. S. Census Bureau in compiling 1950 census information, have received the coveted Howard N. Potts Medals.

Awarded by the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, the medals were presented to the two scientists for their work in the design and construction of the world's first large-scale, general purpose, digital electronic computing machine which is known as ENIAC. These partners also developed and built BINAC, and formulated the basic plans and suggested the general design for EDVAC, the electronic computer developed by the University of Pennsylvania.

CONVERTER FOR UHF TV

A program of development of u.h.f. television converter units has recently been carried out by Stanford Research Institute's Department of Electrical Engineering under the sponsorship of John H. Poole of Long Beach, California.

The project has consisted of two parts, the first being the development of an inexpensive fixed-tuned converter which adapts existing sets to receive experimental u.h.f. broad-



casts from Mr. Poole's station, KMZXAZ, which is now under construction.

The second phase of the program has consisted of investigating circuits and techniques by means of which partial or entire coverage of the 475-890 mega-

cycle band may be attained.

COLOR TELEVISION COMMITTEE

The National Bureau of Standards has organized a Color Television Committee, at the request of Senator Edwin Johnson of Colorado, for the purpose of surveying the present status and future prospects of color television. The Committee will confine its attention to the scientific and technical phases of the problem and will present a report to Senator Johnson in his capacity as chairman of the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

The membership of the NBS Color Television Committee is as follows: E. U. Condon, Dir. NBS, Chairman; Newbern Smith, Chief, Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, NBS, Vice-Chairman; Stuart L. Bailey, Consulting Engineer of Washington, D.C. and President of IRE; W. L. Everitt, Dean, College of Engineering, University of Illinois; and Donald G. Fink, Editor, Electronics.

FREQUENCY MONITORING SYSTEM

A frequency monitoring system has been devised by R. E. Gould and H. A. Bowman of the National Bureau of Standards by which any Bureau laboratory may obtain the proper correction to be applied to a commercial interval

> timer driven by the city power line.

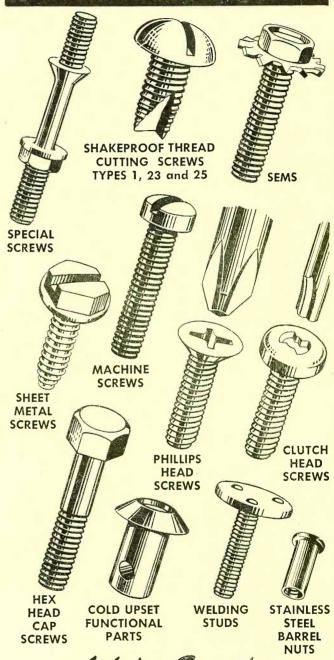


The system, which depends on a frequency error indicator, also designed at the Bureau, is simple and straight-forward in application. The cumulative error, arising from varia-

tions in the frequency of a commercial electric power supply used to drive the interval timer, is obtained over the period of observation by comparing the speeds of the two small black

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TELEVISION TUBE

Raytheon Manufacturing Company's new Cathode Ray Tube Division at Newton, Mass., is now producing an 8½" television picture tube which is interchangeable with their standard 7JP4.

The new Raytheon 8BP4 at the right alongside their type 7JP4 (left) is said to offer an increase in useful screen area of approximately 50%.

Sales to set manufacturers in the East are being handled by E. Kohler



with headquarters at 50 Broadway, New York City, while sales to Mid-Western manufacturers are being handled by C. R. Hammond at 445 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

SYLVANIA TUBES

Noise Diode

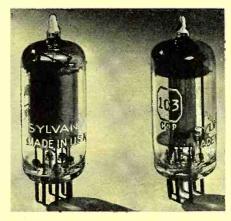
A noise generating diode suitable for measurements at frequencies up to 500 megacycles has been announced by Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., 500 Fifth Ave., New York City. The new T 5½ tube, type 5722, is designed for



standard laboratory measurement and is operated with 150 volts on plate and at filament voltages ranging between 2 and 5.5 volts depending on desired plate current or noise output.

Miniature Electron Tubes

A T 5½ pentode power amplifier type 1W4 and a T 5½ triode amplifier or oscillator type 1C3 have also been announced. Both tubes are designed for



battery operation and have 1.4 volt d.c. filaments requiring only 50 milliamperes. Rated power output of the 1W4 pentode is 35 milliwatts with 45 volts on the plate and 200 milliwatts with 90 volts. The 1C3 general purpose triode is designed for 90 volts operation. This tube has an amplification factor of 14.5.

Miniature Crystal Mixer

Sylvania, Inc., is also showing the increasing possibilities of miniaturization in radio circuits.



Shown are mixer tubes of the standard and subminiature types together with a laboratory model of a four-terminal germanium crystal mixer.

CATHODE RAY TUBE

A multiple-intensifier-type cathode ray tube featuring a highly sensitive vertical-deflection system is announced by Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., 1000 Main Ave., Clifton, N. J. Potentials of the Type 5XP- as low as 24 to 36 volts peak-to-peak are sufficient for one inch vertical deflection on the screen.

Of the many features of this 5XP- is the satisfactory operation at high ratios of E_{b3} to E_{b2} voltages and this ratio may go as high as 10:1. A shield placed

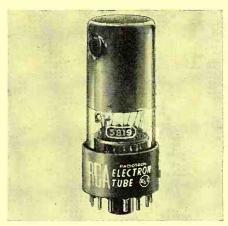
between deflection-plate pairs D_1 - D_2 and D_3 - D_4 prevents interaction between plate pairs. At present the Type 5XP- is available with a choice of phosphors including P1, P2, P4, P5, P7, P11, screens

The Instrument Division will furnish additional information upon request.

RCA TUBES

Multiplier Phototube

The RCA head-on, multiplier phototube 5819 is intended for use in scintillation counters for the detection and measurement of nuclear particle radiation, and in other applications involving low-level, large-area light sources. It



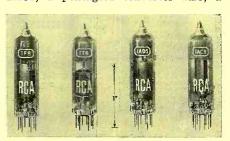
has high sensitivity to blue-rich light and negligible sensitivity to infrared radiation.

An outstanding feature of the 5819 is its semi-transparent photocathode which has a diameter of 1½ inches and an area of 1.8 square inches. This relatively large cathode area permits efficient collection of light from large-area light sources, such as are encountered in scintillation counters.

Subminiature Line

A line of subminiature tubes consisting of four types is being offered to equipment designers by the Tube Department at Harrison, N. J.

The four types are: a power pentode 1AC5, a pentagrid converter 1E8, a



sharp-cutoff pentode 1AD5, and a diodepentode 1T6. These tubes have a seated length of 1½" and a diameter only slightly greater than %" and are con(Continued on page 28)

"ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION OF POWER AND SIGNALS", by E. W. Kimbark. Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Avenue. New York 16, N. Y. 461 pages. \$6.00.

This first textbook to apply transmission-line theory to all three fields of power, telephone, and ultrahighfrequency transmission, is rigorous and authoritative in its presentation. The theory is given in three main parts: transmission-line parameters, steady-state phenomena, and transient phenomena.

Transmission-line (hyperbolic function) charts; and tables and graphs of the characteristics of power-line conductors, power transmission and distribution lines, telephone lines and cables, submarine telegraph cables. and radio-frequency lines are included.

An extremely useful reference book for professional engineers, its greatest value will be found in electrical transmission courses, particularly those on general theory with a range from direct current to microwaves.

"ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS", Third Edition, by Stephen S. Atwood. Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. 475 pages. \$5.50.

Written to provide a smooth transition from the study of mathematics. mechanics, and physics to advanced professional-level electrical engineering. this book offers fundamental field theory in simple mathematical terms.

In this third edition the author has divided the book into four parts: the electric field, the magnetic field, the ferromagnetic field, and the fourth part treats, in an elementary manner, the interactions between electric and magnetic fields.

Practice in expressing simple physical ideas in simple mathematical language is presented as is practice in the methods of "field mapping". A large number of drawings give the correct shapes to the lines of flux and the equipotential surfaces. Formulas throughout have been recast in the rationalized M. K. S. system.

"TRANSFORMATION CALCU-LUS AND ELECTRICAL TRAN-SIENTS", by Dr. Stanford Goldman. Published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York. 439 pages. \$8.35.

Dr. Stanford Goldman, currently professor of electrical engineering at Syracuse University and consulting physicist to the United States Air Force, has written this thorough, modern and practical discussion of transients.

Included among the many features of this book are simple solutions to many problems previously considered complicated, such as the Nyquist criterion for stability, and the relation between amplitude and phase characteristics. The Laplace Transformation and the method of contour integration in the solution of transient problems is given thorough treatment. Asymptotic solutions of electrical problems is handled systematically, and all mathematics beyond calculus is developed in detail in the book.

Dr. Goldman's principal aim in presenting this volume is to develop the methods of the Laplace transformation and its inverse for the solution of problems in electrical circuit transients.

[®]MICRO-WAVES AND WAVE GUIDES", by H. M. Barlow. Published by Dover Publication, Inc., 1780 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. 122 pages. \$1.95.

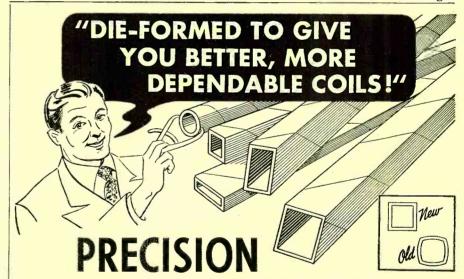
To meet the need of a large group of engineers and physicists for a complete exposition of the subject of microwave techniques, Professor Barlow of the Electrical Engineering Department of University College, London, has included in his book all the essentials for an advanced understanding.

A physical picture of wave-guide modes, synthesized from constituent plane waves in association with ordinary transmission line elements, is presented in this helpful volume. The mathematical analysis is comparatively straightforward, lending itself to profitable comparison in some respects with ordinary transmission line theory. The coaxial cable, representing as it does the common meeting ground of waveguide modes and the simple transverse electromagnetic wave, is thoroughly discussed.

The measurements and applications of microwaves are given to furnish the reader with an appreciation and knowledge of the methods adopted in actual

A co-ordinate system has been chosen to define the components of the electric and magnetic fields. The M. K. S. system of units has been used throughout and as far as possible the symbols employed are those generally accepted for the purpose. The usual convention has been employed in the graphical presentation of the electromagnetic field as lines of force.

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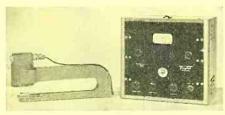
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NEW PRODUCTS

BETA GAUGE

The second of a series of industrial measuring and control instruments using radioactive isotopes currently under development at *Tracerlab*, *Inc.*, 130 High St., Boston, Massachusetts is the SM-3 Beta Gauge.

The essential components of the gauge are a source of beta radiation from Strontium-90 and a radiation detector. One of the outstanding advan-

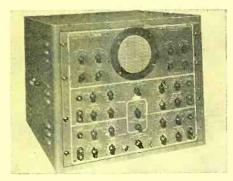


tages of the instrument is the fact that no physical contact is made with the material being measured. The sheet material to be measured is interposed between the source and the detector and a part of the radiation is absorbed by the sheet material in proportion to its weight per unit area.

A few typical uses of the *Tracerlab* Beta Gauge are measuring cellophane and other thin plastic films, plastic and rubber sheets up to 3/16" thick, paper ranging from heavy board to extremely thin condenser paper less than .0002" thick and sheet metal including steel and brass up to .040" thick.

CATHODE-RAY INDICATOR

The Special Products Section of Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., 1000 Main Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey has



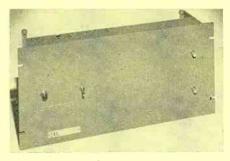
developed a new Four-Beam Cathoderay Indicator which is capable of displaying simultaneously four related or unrelated, independent phenomena on a single cathode-ray tube screen.

The indicator is similar externally to the *DuMont* Type 279 Dual-Beam Cathode-ray Oscillograph, but is equipped with the specially designed *DuMont* Type K1027P11 Cathode-ray Tube, which contains four independent electron guns, rather than the Type 5SP-Dual-Beam Cathode-ray Tube used in the *DuMont* Type 279.

Details concerning the facilities of the Special Products Section may be obtained by writing the Instrument Division.

WIDE BAND CHAIN AMPLIFIER

Spencer-Kennedy Laboratories, Inc., 186 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge 39, Massachusetts has added to its line of traveling wave amplifiers the Model 204 Wide-Band Chain Amplifier for use



in the general laboratory measurements field as well as in nuclear physics and television testing.

The instrument has a bandwidth of 200 megacycles and a gain of 40 db. With an impedance of only 200 ohms, and a nominal transmission characteristic of \pm 1.5 db. from 100 kc. to 200 mc., the amplifier has a substantially linear phase shift.

Further information may be obtained by writing to Department RT.

MOBILE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

A highly-selective two-way mobile communication system for operation in the 3-50 megacycle portion of the frequency spectrum has been announced by the Communications Section of the *RCA* Engineering Products Dept., Camden, N. J.

The Fleetfone, a companion system to the recently announced Carfone mobile equipment, is available in three models to meet individual needs. For

operation from a 6-volt battery, the Fleetfone is available with either 30 or 60-watt output. In addition, there is a 30-watt model which operates from a 12-volt battery.

This unit is completely contained in a single metal-shielded unit which permits mounting the equipment in practically any position, on either a horizontal or a vertical surface. The controls and loudspeaker are combined in a single compact unit for attachment under the dashboard. This unit is now available from either the Communications Section of RCA, or from local field representatives.

TUNING FORK RESONATORS

Temperature-compensated tuning fork resonators are available in frequencies from 1000 to 3000 c.p.s. and in



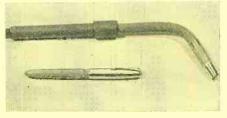
accuracies from 1 part in 3000 to 1 part in 100,000 from *Philamon Laboratories*, 5717 Third Avenue, Brooklyn 20, N. Y.

These tuning forks are provided complete with their drive and pickup coils mounted in solder-sealed evacuated steel cans and are thoroughly aged for maximum stability of operation. They are available as individual components, as a part of sub-assemblies, or in completed equipment.

MINIATURE INERT-ARC ELECTRODE HOLDER

General Electric's Welding Division, Schenectady, N. Y., has announced a miniature Inert-Arc electrode holder which features a flexible front-end assembly made of malleable copper tubing surrounded by a sheath of silicone rubber so that it can be bent in any direction to reach hard-to-get-places.

Specifically designed for the fluxless welding of non-ferrous metals in the



thinner gages, the holder is available in two models: one for 0.010- and 0.020-in. tungsten electrodes and the

other for 0.040- and 1/16-in. tungsten electrodes.

Small, light, and extremely adaptable, the new welding tool will find application in the manufacture and repair of surgical instruments, cutlery, business machines, control and measurement equipment, capillary tubing, electronic tubes, duct work, wire fittings, small sheet metal enclosures, metal novelties,

ELECTRONIC CELL

An Electronic Standard Cell available for any specified d.c. output voltage from 0 to 100 and for any load up to 30 ma. is announced by Hastings Instrument Company, Inc., Box 1275, Hampton, Virginia.

This electronic cell is not subject to freezing and is not damaged by momen-

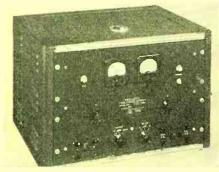


tary short circuits. It can be used either as a reference voltage in bridge or potentiometer circuits or for supplying current continuously as an instrument power supply.

Precise output voltages such as 0.10, 1.00 or 100.00 volts d.c., or the usual standard cell voltage of 1.018 can be supplied. Electronic Standard Cells designed on the same circuit principles for output voltages above 100 volts d.c. for operation on other input voltages, higher current drains, or with non-standard chassis construction are available on special order.

TWIN POWER SUPPLY

Model 1210 electronically regulated twin power supply featuring a unique



switching arrangement has been announced by Furst Electronics, 12 S.

Jefferson Street, Chicago 6, Illinois.

The output voltages of the Twin Power Supply can be adjusted over wide ranges by the operation of two control-knobs on the front panel. A selector-switch, also located on the front panel, allows two ways of operation: two independent outputs which can be used independently of each other; and one single output capable of supplying twice this current, obtained by connecting both regular circuits in

In addition, a "stand-by" position on the selector-switch is provided for use when the voltage should be removed from the high-voltage terminals.

UHF MEGALYZER

Kay Electric Company, Pine Brook. N. J. has incorporated a coaxial type wide band mixer in its VHF Megalyzer to obtain improvement in performance and sensitivity.

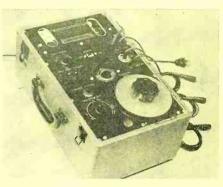
The frequency band of the UHF Megalyzer is now 30 to 500 mc. The sensitivity has been increased to the point that signals down to 100 microvolts may be easily seen on the included oscilloscope.

Equivalent input noise is approximately 20 microvolts and the frequency response is within 4 db. Signals may

be studied within a 30 mc. range on the oscilloscope at one time.

ELECTRONIC RESISTOHMETER

The Crown Industrial Products Co., 1336 W. 69th St., Chicago, Illinois announces a new Electronic Resistohmeter. This unit is a Wheatstone



bridge designed for measuring resistance and insulation resistance in both low and extremely high ranges.

The indicator used with the bridge is a 6E5 electron ray tube. The Resistohmeter is guarded internally so that leakage across the bridge components due to high humidity does not enter into, or affect the operation or accuracy of the bridge.

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Personals



HENDLEY BLACKMON, managing editor of Electrical World since 1947, has been appointed Assistant Manager of Engineering Association Activities for Westinghouse Electric Corporation. He will be headquartered at the East Pittsburgh Works and will assist Frank Thornton, Jr., Manager of the Activities. Mr. Blackmon will work with Westinghouse engineers in the preparation of papers to be presented before Engineering Associations.



WILLIAM WARREN DAVIS, formerly on the staff of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory at White Oak, Maryland, has been appointed to do research on the high speed electrostatic memory of the electronic digital computing machines at the Electronics Division of the National Bureau of Standards. Mr. Davis received his degree of bachelor of science in engineering physics from Ohio State University and did graduate work at the University of Maryland.



H. B. FANCHER has been appointed Section Engineer of Broadcast Studio Equipment for *General Electric Company* in Schenectady, New York. Mr. Fancher joined the Transmitter Division in 1940 and during the war was active in the development of microwave relay equipment and radar countermeasures. He was named assistant section engineer in charge of television equipment in February 1948 and served in that capacity until his present appointment.



ALFRED H. MASSALLEK has been appointed Executive Design Engineer of Shure Brothers, Inc., Chicago, where he will supervise new designs and act as consultant to other departments concerning design problems. Associated with the radio industry for the past fifteen years, Mr. Massallek was Chief Mechanical Engineer of the Majestic Radio and Television Corp., Chief Draftsman of the Zenith Radio Corp., and Design Engineer for the Stewart-Warner Corp.



DR. OLIVER D. SLEDGE has joined the staff of the National Bureau of Standards to do research in the Microwave Standards Section of the Bureau's Central Radio Propagation Laboratories. Formerly a professor of electrical engineering at the Georgia School of Technology, Dr. Sledge has done extensive work in the fields of electronic and radio engineering. He is an associate member of Sigma Xi, and is a senior member of the IRE.



DR. CHEN TO TAI of Soochow, China, has been appointed senior research physicist in the department of electrical engineering at Stanford Research Institute, Palo Alto, California. Dr. Tai, who received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1947 at Harvard University, will be in charge of the theoretical section of the Institute's Aircraft Radio Systems Laboratory. He is an associate member of the IRE, and a member of the APS and Sigma Xi.

Field Intensity

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chart for Radial B is shown in Fig. 3. The small numbers along one margin are log reference numbers and were marked on the chart each time pertinent data was recorded in the log. The numbers on the opposite margin are the field car speedometer readings. It should be mentioned that the median value is not obtained by averaging the signal intensities recorded on each section of these charts but is found by determining the field intensity received 50 per cent of the distance throughout each sector. These field intensity values must then be corrected for a receiving antenna elevation of 30 feet and for any effects due to the field car body as determined by the method given previously in this paper. The data for each sector of each radial thus obtained was then plotted on log-log coordinate paper with distance as the abscissa and field intensity as the ordinate. A smooth curve was drawn through these median field points for all sectors and this curve determines the distance to the desired contour. This is illustrated in the graph of Fig. 2 for Radial B. These distances were then plotted on the map of predicted coverage to determine the service area of the 1000 microvolt per meter contour. The 50 microvolt per meter contour was then found by employing Fig. 1 of the FCC Standards for FM Broadcast Stations which gives instructions for this procedure, and this contour also plotted on the map. This map shown on page 11 gives the predicted contours in dashed lines and the measured contours in solid lines. The map was assembled from 4 state maps obtained from the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

A technical statement giving a description of the procedures and methods employed, type of equipment, method of installation, and operation and calibration was prepared to accompany the collected data. All must be submitted in triplicate, except that only the original or one photostatic copy of the recording charts need be submitted.

Needless to say, considerable time is required to make a survey of this kind and properly prepare the data for presentation to the Commission and much of the work is of a tedious nature. The author wishes to acknowledge the splendid assistance and cooperation rendered by Arthur H. Hallam, WOL engineer, in making the field intensity measurements in which approximately 900 miles of driving the field survey car was required.



Stabilized Element

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signal current will vary with the amplitude of the a.c. component.

Example of Application

One application in which the cathode follower voltage stabilizer has been employed is the regulation of the screen grid voltage supply for beam power amplifier tubes operated in class AB.

As an example, the case of push-pull class AB, operation of type 6L6 tubes will be considered in some detail: From the published data for these tubes, the following operating conditions will be assumed:

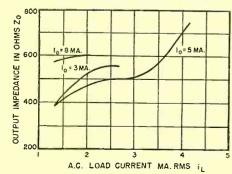
Plate voltage, E_{bb} 360 volts. Screen grid voltage, E_{b} 270 volts. Screen grid current zero signal 5 ma. maximum signal 17 ma. Cathode resistor 250 ohms.

The plate voltage at which the stabilizer will operate is:

$$E_p = E_{bb} - E_b = 360 - 270 = 90 \text{ v. (7)}$$

The tube selected must be capable of supplying the maximum current required by the load with zero bias, or preferably, with some negative bias, at this plate to cathode voltage. From published curves for the type 6J5 tube, with 90 volts applied to the plate and zero grid bias, the plate current would be approximately nine milliamperes, thus this tube would not be suitable. However, the type 6SN7 with the two triodes connected in parallel should pass 18 ma. under the required conditions. Cutoff grid voltage at 90 volts plate potential is approximately 6 volts, and over the range of 0-17 ma, the variation in grid voltage is about 5.5 volts. By Eqt. (2), the direct current regulation will thus be 2.04%; or the effective supply resistance over this range is:

Fig. 5. Plot of a.c. load current vs. output impedance in ohms. These curves are somewhat sketchy due to the limited capacity of the a.c. load current generator employed, but serve to indicate certain limitations in the circuit.



$$R_{dc} = \frac{5.5}{17} 10^3 = 458 \text{ ohms} . . . (8)$$

By Eqt. (6), taking an average d.c. operating current of ten milliamperes, the effective supply impedance to small components of signal frequency current is 160 ohms.¹

The attenuation ratio to power supply ripple components by Eqt. (4) is 0.048. This is equivalent to 26.4 db. attenuation.

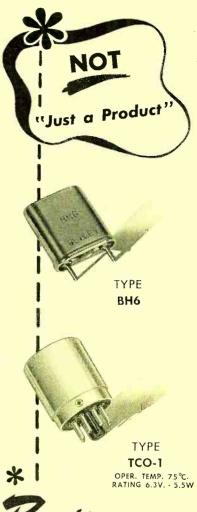
It should be noted that, in this example, the direct current requirements of the screen grid circuit would load the tube selected for the stabilizer to its maximum capacity. For this reason, the stabilizer should not be required to handle the a.c. signal components of the screen current, or to provide appreciable filtering of ripple from the power supply. These functions of the stabilizer may be prevented by providing a suitable bypass or filter capacitor across its output terminals. Should the filtering and bypassing actions of the stabilizer be considered desirable, a larger tube should be employed, or two tubes of the type indicated should be operated in parallel. The latter arrangement would result in the same direct current supply resistance, a reduction of fifty per-cent in the small current alternating current supply impedance, and but slightly increased filter attenuation ratio.

The power required by the heater of the stabilizer tube is 3.78 watts. For comparison, a voltage divider dissipating this amount of power in a bleeder resistor would require 14 milliamperes of bleeder current while the equivalent direct current supply resistance would be 3800 ohms. The equivalent supply impedance to alternating current and the ripple attenuation ratio would be largely a function of the bypass capacitor employed. With such a voltage divider, the screen voltage would fall some 45 volts at maximum signal level, indicating a regulation of almost 17%. This is sufficient to limit seriously the power output of the amplifier.

It can be shown that a voltage divider capable of providing the same regulation in this application as the cathode follower stabilizer would require a bleeder current of about 190 milliamperes. The power dissipated in the bleeder would be approximately 52 watts.

^{1.} In the calculation of the effective supply impedance, R_0 , and the ripple attenuation ratio, it was assumed that the a.c. impedance of the screen grid circuit was one-half of the d.c. resistance at 10 ma. current. A large error in this value will have but little effect on the results obtained, as may be seen by Eqts. (4) and (6) when $R_p = 3350$ ohms and $R_L = 31,500$ ohms.





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Timer and Clock

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If more accurate time intervals were required, and assuming that an accurate frequency standard be available, the input pulse repetition rate could be raised to 1000 cycles, 10,000 cycles,

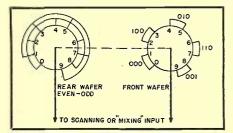


Fig. 8. Two deck wafer switch.

100,000 cycles, etc., and the necessary scaler units added. If this higher speed were contemplated, the scanning matrix of resistors would probably be replaced by an identical matrix of crystal diodes and use of these diodes would also make it possible to eliminate some of the vacuum tube mixing circuits.

The intervalometer was developed in connection with a research project headed by F. C. Bell, Project Engineer, and under the supervision of Dr. Erik Ackerlind.

New Tubes

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structed with a very small glass-button 8-pin base sealed to the glass bulb.

Power Triode

The 811-A power triode is an improved version of the popular 811 which utilizes a modified construction



featuring a zirconium-coated plate having radiating fins to give greater dissipation capability, and grid and plate leads to have low r.f. loss.

A pair of 811-A's in class B a.f. service with a plate input of 470 watts (ICAS) is said to require a driving power of only 4.4 watts and can modulate 100 per-cent an r.f. amplifier having

an input of 680 watts. Operation with maximum ratings is permissible up to 30 megacycles, and with reduced ratings to 100 megacycles.

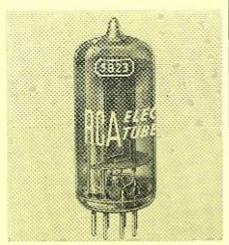
Image Orthicon

The new television camera tube 5820 is designed for outdoor-pickup use but it is also suited for studio cameras.

It features exceptionally high sensitivity, a spectral response approaching that of the eye, stability of performance at all incident light levels on the subject ranging from bright sunlight to a deep shadow, and a resolution capability of better than 500 lines at the center of the picture.

Glow-Discharge Triode

The Tube Department of the Radio Corporation of America, has also announced a miniature, glow-discharge triode 5823 designed to be used as a



relay tube for the "on-off" control of low-current electrical circuits.

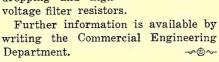
Utilizing a cold cathode, the 5823 requires no warm-up time and consumes no stand-by power. When operated on 60-cycle a.c. supply and triggered every cycle, it has an average life expectancy of about 45 million starts.

TV MINIATURE RECTIFIER

Hytron Radio & Electronics Corp., Salem, Mass., has announced the

Hytron 1X2, another in its line of special tubes for low-cost television receivers.

The 1X2 is a compact, T 6½, 9-pin miniature of a filamentary-type, halfwave, high-voltage rectifier. It has maximum ratings of 15,-000 volts inverse peak and one milliampere d.c. load current. A special feature is the inclusion of two unconnected base pins offering tie points for filament dropping and high





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synchronous motors (shown in the closeup on page 21, just right of center), one driven by the power line, the other by a standard crystal-controlled frequency.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTS ON ITS ELECTRONICS ACTIVITIES

Tesla National Corporation, Prague, Czechoslovakia, has published the first issue of "Tesla Technical Reports" to acquaint the technical circles throughout the world with the activities, problems and results achieved in its research and development laboratories as well as with the work done in the production department.

The first issue contains a brief summary of the electronics industry in Czechoslovakia and several papers covering television in their country, underground loudspeakers, etc.

Readers who are interested may obtain a copy of this report by writing Kovo Ltd., Enterprise III, Publicity Department, Hybernska 32, Praha II, Czechoslovak.

NEW LITERATURE

Report on Engine-pressure Instruments

A new type of electrical enginepressure-indicating system for research and testing is proposed in a report now available to the American public. The report, prepared at the David Taylor Model Basin of the Navy Department, provides a review of engine-pressure instruments.

The report includes an as-yet untested plan for a high-frequency ("H-F") transducer, or pickup element, in which indications are derived from circuit resonance.

Orders for PB 96928, An Electrical Engine-pressure-indication Device, should be addressed to the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publication Board Project, Washington 25 D. C. The report sells for \$2.00 in microfilm, \$3.75 in photostat.

Brochure on Research Laboratory

A 42-page illustrated brochure describing the research services, personnel and facilities of Cook Research Laboratories which are available at Government agencies and private industry on a contract basis has been issued. Photographic views of the physical facilities of the Laboratory are shown along with illustrations of newly developed electronic instrumentation equipment, including magnetic tape data recorders.

Requests for this brochure, No. B-2, should be made on business letterhead to Cook Research Laboratories, 1457 Diversey Parkway, Chicago 14, Ill.



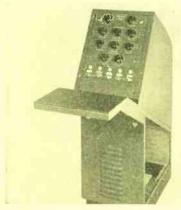
New Products

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The Resistohmeter has a range from 1000 ohms to 100,000 megohms. Three test voltages are used: 10, 100 and 500 volts d.c. The unit operates on 115 volts 60 cycle, a.c. current.

TV STUDIO EQUIPMENT

Television broadcasting studio remote control panels designed for mounting in the upper compartment of the RCA MI-26266 studio control console



housing is now available from the RCA Engineering Products Department, Camden, N. J.

The panels, 11" x 2%", are shown mounted in the studio control console housing. Up to six of the new panels can be installed and if less than six control panels are used, blank panels can be obtained to fill the remaining space in the compartment.

This versatile new equipment can be used to provide remote control of various rack-mounted television units or a central control position for units mounted in separate rooms, or it can be incorporated as a desk section in multiple-unit control consoles.

TRANSFORMER CORES

The Electronic Components Division, Stackpole Carbon Company, St. Marys, Penna. is now offering their new Stackpole Ceremag flyback transformer cores for television.

The new cores are much smaller, have higher resistance, and operate cooler due to lack of eddy current losses. According to the manufacturer, they offer permeability on the order of 10 to 1 by comparison with previous *Stackpole* types for similar applications.

Complete details will be sent upon request.

COUNTING RATE METER

A Beta-Gamma Counting Rate Meter which has a Geiger-Mueller tube in a probe as the detector element has been announced by the Instruments Division of *The Kelley-Koett Mfg. Company*, F-222, W. Fourth St., Covington, Ky.

Used by prospectors, health physicists, technicians and others concerned with detecting and measuring Beta-Gamma radiation, the Model K-800 can measure three ranges of Gamma activity. A scale selector switch permits choice of 0.2, 2.0 and 20.0 mr./hr. The scale is also calibrated in 360, 3600 and 36,000 counts per minute. An earphone is provided for aural monitoring.

Further details including description of this unit and other Keleket electronic instruments for the detection and measurement of radioactivity are available on request.

ADJUSTABLE SPEED DRIVE

Westinghouse Electric Corp., Box 868, Pittsburgh 30, Pa., has announced Mot-O-Trol packaged adjustable speed drive, employing electronic precision to provide a wide, stepless range of speed control for d.c. motors from a.c. sources.

This unit starts motors, brings them up to a pre-set speed smoothly and rapidly, permits change of speed at any time, applies dynamic braking for stopping, and reverses motors. A special feature of the Mot-O-Trol drive is the sub-assembly construction which can be removed for easy maintenance. A single dial gives finger-tip control.

Further information on this unit will be supplied upon request.

FIELD STRENGTH METER

Designed particularly for the communications and industrial heating fields, a field strength meter operating



in the range of 200 kc. to 560 kc. has been announced by *Clarke Instrument Corporation*, 910 King Street, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Entirely self-contained and weighing only 12½ pounds, this field strength meter is a low-frequency version of a similar instrument widely used by broadcast stations. Field strengths between 10 microvolts per meter and 10 volts per meter are read directly with-



OCTOBER

31, Nov. 1-2—RMA-IRE Fall Meeting will be held at the Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y., rather than Rochester, as in the past. This meeting will feature the latest developments in radio and television engineering and manufacturing. Papers will be presented on such subjects as TV receivers, quality control, and audio frequencies. Kenneth W. Jarvis will speak on "The Engineering Aspects of Sin" at the stag dinner on Nov. 1.

Technical papers include the following:

Monday, Oct. 31: "Measurement of Transient Response of TV Receivers," "TV Transient Response Measurement," "Underwriters' Requirements for TV Receivers," "Quality Control from the Producer and Consumer Viewpoints," and "Quality Control Gets a Job in Television Manufacturing."

Tues. Nov. 1: "Intercarrier Sound System for TV Receiver using 6BN6," "Simplification of TV Receivers," "Universal Application—CR Sweep Transformer with Ceramic Iron Core," and "Characteristics of High-Efficiency Deflection and High-Voltage Supply Systems for Kinescopes."

Wed. Nov. 2: "Pickup Tracking,"
"New Audio Amplifier Circuit," "The
Safety-Vox," "New Type of Dual Cone
Loudspeaker," "New Miniature HF
Transmitting Pentode," "A VHF Remotely Tunable Receiver," and "Advantages of Toroidal Transformers in
Communication."

31, Nov. 1-2—Nucleonics Symposium, including the second annual Conference on Electronic Instrumentation in Nucleonics and Medicine, Hotel Commodore, N. Y. Included this year will be manufacturers' exhibits of equipment in this field.

31, Nov. 1-2—Fall Meeting of URSI and IRE, National Academy of Arts and Sciences and State Dept. Bldg., Washington, D. C.

NOVEMBER

14-18—NEMA Annual Meeting, Haddon Hall Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

DECEMBER

9-10 — Second annual Southwestern IRE Conference, Dallas Texas.



out recourse to charts, curves, or computations of any kind.

TIMING MARK GENERATOR

A 1000 cycle pulse generator for exposing 1/1000 second timing marks on the film in the high speed Fastax cameras is now available from Potter Instrument Company, Inc., 136-56 Roosevelt Avenue, Flushing, N.Y.

According to reports, the output pulse power is adequate for supplying timing



marks to as many as 14 cameras simultaneously or 14 one quarter watt argon glow lamps. A 100,000 cycle per second crystal oscillator included in the instrument precisely controls the timing marks.

The unit is completely self-contained and can be used for either laboratory or airborne work as the power supply will operate from 50, 60 and 400 cycle supplies at 110 volts.

TELELINK EQUIPMENT

General Electric's Transmitter Division at Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y., has announced that its Telelink equipment for three types of television microwave relay systems is now available commercially.

The new equipment, all of which operates in the 1900-2110 mc. band, includes transmitters, receivers and antennas for intercity, studio-to-transmitter, and semi-portable relays. Transmitter output for all three ranges from 5 to 10 watts. The frequency response of the system is flat to plus or minus 1 db. out to 5 mc., with modulation and demodulation linear within plus or minus 5 per-cent.

Further information about this TV relaying equipment can be obtained by writing GE Transmitter Division.

ASBESTOS TUBES

Originally designed as a heat resisting base for electric coils and bobbins, the asbestos tube manufactured by Precision Paper Tube Co., 2045 W. Charleston St., Chicago 47, Ill., can also be used for insulation in such units as electric heaters, thermal heating devices, for insulating rods, etc., for both heat and as a dielectric.

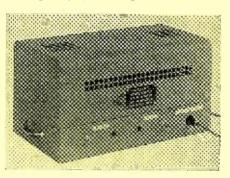
These tubes can be made in any length, with wall thicknesses from .010 up. They are made by spirally winding specially prepared asbestos tape to predetermined sizes around a mandrel, then di-forming into either square, rectangular or oval cross sections.

The company has invited users of electric coils and manufacturers who have a problem which they believe this tube may solve to send for a sample made to their specifications.

POWER SUPPLY

A regulated power supply, Model A, designed to provide a stable source of d.c. for experimental setups has been announced by The Howard Co., 934 Argyle Rd., Drexel Hill, Pa.

According to the manufacturer, the unit is light, compact and inexpensive, and can be supplied in the cabinet shown or panel mounted for rack installations. All component parts are of high quality (filter capacitors are oil-



filled paper) and each unit is guaranteed against defective workmanship and materials, except tubes, for one year.

Specification information may be obtained by writing the company.

SAMPLING DEVICE

A high speed subminiature mechanical sampling device having two poles, each of which contains sixty contacts, has been announced by The Applied Science Corporation of Princeton, Princeton, N.J. These poles may be synchronized in any phase desired.

Driven by a 12 or 28 volt d.c. motor and having a power consumption of only a few watts, the sampling rate of this device is nominally 300 r.p.m. Over-all dimensions are 3\%" x 2\%" x

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These switches facilitate investigation of a large number of separate quantities or of a single quantity under a number of various conditions.

In addition to telemetering applications, they may be used for the display



of characteristic curves and multichannel voltage comparison.



Heater-Compensated

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to a common line voltage and the screen grid voltage of the amplifier tube set at its proper value, the heatercompensated power supply shows a maximum deviation of 0.01 volt from the nominal 350-volt output for a tenvolt change in the input. This is a variation of less than 0.0005 per-cent in output voltage for a one per-cent change in the line. The extremes in line voltage were taken as 100 and 120 volts.

The compensating voltage exhibits a time lag dependent on the time necessary for the cathode temperature to come to equilibrium. The effect of this time lag can be reduced by connecting a series resistance-capacitance circuit between the input terminal and the screen grid of the amplifier. When a sudden change of line voltage occurs, this RC circuit applies the proper voltage to the screen grid of the amplifier to compensate for the thermal time lag of the cathode temperature. The time constant of the RC network was chosen to equal that of the cathode temperature change.

Heater compensation gives much better operation in most power supplies using degenerative voltage stabilizers, without sacrifice of design simplicity. The principles of heater compensation can also be applied to good advantage in both a.c. and d.c. amplifiers.

NOTE:

For further tehnical details on this work, see "Cathode Heater Compensation as applied to Degenerative Voltage Stabilized D-C Power Supplies" by Robert C. Ellenwood and Howard E. Sorrows, J. Research NBS 43, 3 (September 1949) RP 2027.



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Quadrature Networks

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$$\frac{-e_1}{e_2} = \frac{I_1 R (1-j)}{e_2} - 1 \quad . \quad . \quad (5)$$

$$I_1R = I_2R (2-j) = e_2 (2-j)$$
 . (6)
Substitute (6) in (5):

$$\frac{e_1}{e_2} = (2-j) \ (1-j) - 1 = -3j \ (7)$$

$$\frac{e_2}{e_1} = -\frac{1}{3} j \dots \dots (8)$$

This shows that the output voltage lags the input by exactly 90 degrees and has an amplitude of 1/3 the input. The essential requirements of this special case are that this source impedance be very low and that the loading on the network be extremely light.

These conditions are easily met by feeding the circuit from a cathode follower. See Fig. 1G.

When two precision resistors and two precision capacitors are calculated and assembled into the circuit shown, an accuracy of plus or minus 1/2 per-cent may be realized.

Design of An Echo Box

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$$t_{r} = \frac{0.7333 \ Q'}{f(1+\beta_{a})} \left\{ \log \beta_{a} \ (1 - \frac{3.14f \ \tau(1-\beta_{a})}{Q'} + \frac{\Delta}{20} \right\} . \quad (15)$$

Where $t_r = \text{ringtime in microseconds}$

f =frequency in mc.

 $\tau = \text{pulse width in seconds}$

 $\Delta =$ level difference between peak pulse power and receiver sensitivity at the echo box input in decibels.

$$\beta_a = Q'/Q_L - 1$$

For the application for which this echo box is required $\Delta = 100$ and $\tau =$ 5 x 10⁻⁵ seconds. It has been found experimentally that the maximum ringtime is obtained, while still permitting sufficient loading for crystal current output measurements, if β_a has a value in the vicinity of 0.1. This value depends on the degree of output coupling required to give adequate crystal current for the particular repetition rate and pulse width of the system under test and must be determined experimentally in conjunction with the system with which it is to be used. For the present consideration $\beta_a = 0.1$ is sufficiently accurate to permit determining the relative order of magnitude of the ringtime.

d. From Eqt. (15) the ringtime at 142 mc. is found to be 363 x 10-6 seconds. From Table I the reduction in ringtime due to compensation at 142 mc. is 7.41 per-cent so that the resultant ringtime is about 336 microseconds.

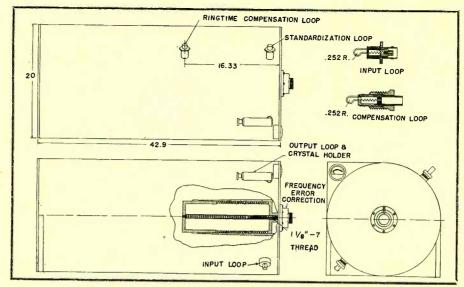


Fig. 4. Drawing showing construction of 130-154 mc. coaxial echo box.

Since β_a is $Q'/Q_L - 1$, then for $\beta_a = 0.1$ at 142 mc., $Q_L = 18500$.

From the definition of $Q_L = f/\Delta f$ the bandwidth of the coaxial cavity for 142 mc. is found to be approximately 7.7 kilocycles.

The loop dimensions can be closely approximated from the relationship:

$$A_L = .005048 \sqrt{\frac{R_0 b^3}{\sqrt{f}}} , . . . (16)$$

where $A_L = \text{loop}$ area in square cm.

 $R_0 = \text{input transmission line im-}$ pedance

b = inner radius of outer conductor in cm.

f =frequency in mc.

Though the value of A_L is only an approximation it has been found sufficiently accurate to provide a good starting point for the final experimental determination of the loop dimensions. For the mid-band frequency of 142 mc. the loop area A_L is found to be 1.29 square centimeters, corresponding to a loop diameter of 0.641 centimeters or 0.252 inches.

Conclusions

A quarter-wavelength coaxial echo box has been designed having the following electrical and mechanical parameters:

- a. Diameter-20 inches outer conductor, 5.555 inches inner conductor
- b. Length-42.9 inches over-all
- c. Plunger Variation-3.516 inches
- d. Tuning-Direct reading frequency dial with 100-division vernier dial
- e. Tuning accuracy with dial correction = 0.1 mc.
- f. Average unloaded Q = 20,000
- g. Average Loaded Q = 18,000
- h. Average Cavity Bandwidth-7.7 kilocycles
- i. Average Ringtime-336 µsec.
- j. Ringtime Variation with Compen-

sation is equal to 1.0 per-cent k. Loop Radius-0.252 inches

The resulting echo box design meets the requirements of the system with a good margin of safety. An over-all construction diagram (Fig. 4) shows the outline of the physical layout of the echo box. The input and compensating loops have 50-ohm resistors built in so as to provide matching for the transmission line and the loops.

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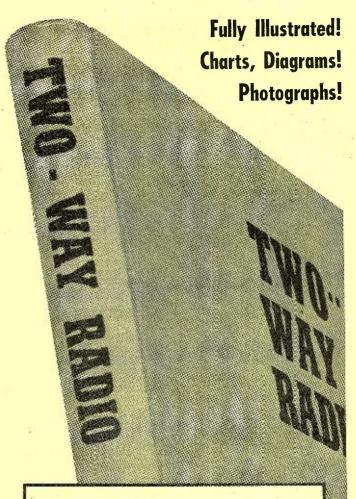
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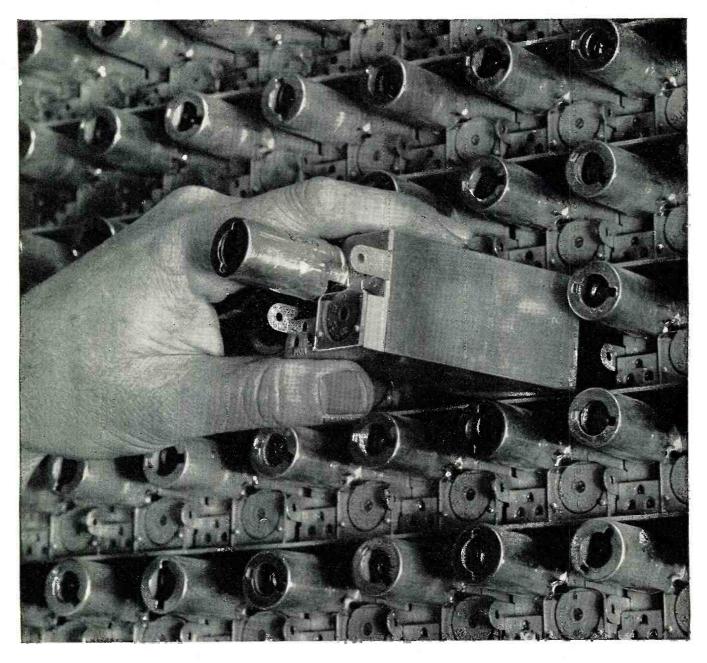
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In the picture a new voice frequency amplifier is being slipped into position. Featuring a Western Electric miniature vacuum tube,

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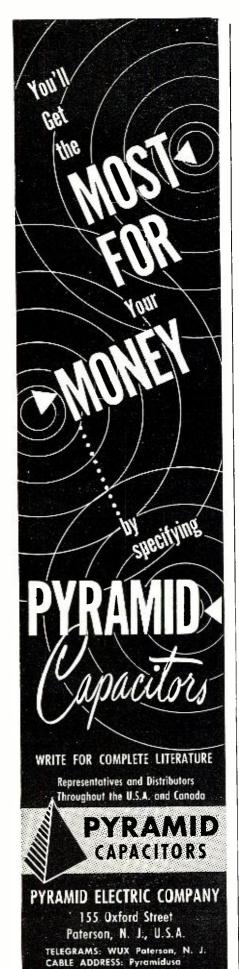
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DR. RALPH L. POWER, well known in advertising and publicity, will handle the press liaison work for the Los Angeles Chapter of "The Representatives" of Radio Parts Manufacturers, Inc., although George Davis will continue with the group in his capacity of chairman of the publicity committee.

Having just recently returned to his own business from his retirement, Dr. Power, who has had many years of active experience in his field, will continue operations from his offices at 767 Castelar St., Los Angeles 12, Calif.

GERTSCH PRODUCTS, INC., of 11846-48 Mississippi Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif., one of the most recent companies to enter the electronic and engineering manufacturing field, is currently in production of a Navy department order. The firm was organized following the purchase of the assets of the Kappler Engineering and Manufacturing Corp.

Head of the organization is E. P. Gertsch, who was works manager for the *Hoffman Radio Corp*. for four years before taking on his present duties. The factory is completely equipped for custom engineering and manufacturing on electro-mechanical lines. M. O. Kappler will remain with the corporation as chief engineer.

R. J. CACCAVELLI has been named manager of the Chicago sales force of



the Superior Electric Company, Bristol, Connecticut, and until permanent quarters are established, will carry on operations through Post Office Box 48, Oak Park, Ill.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Caccavelli was in the engineering, sales, and service departments, having been employed by the firm for seven years.

UNIVERSAL MOULDED PRODUCTS CORPORATION will enter the electronic field with the introduction of a new type of tape recorder and other products that are the developments of *International Electronics Company*, 808 N. Broad St., Phila., Pa.

Chester C. Pond, president of *International Electronics*, will be the manager of this new division of *Universal Moulded Products Corporation*.

THE PLANET MANUFACTURING COR-PORATION, a company newly organized for the manufacture of dry electrolytic condensers, will occupy a modern fire-resistant building located at

225 Belleville Ave., Bloomfield. New Jersey.

Corporation officers include Philip Greenspan, president; George F. Jephson, vice-president in charge of sales; Irving A. Greenfield, treasurer; and Joseph Unger, secretary.

At present the firm is producing tubular and can-type electrolytics and plans to include paper tubular condensers and noise suppression filters in its line.

MYRON F. EDDY, Lieut., USN Ret., will have charge of the writing and pro-



duction of all of the home study lesson text and work books of the Cleveland Institute of Radio Electronics, in his new capacity of director of training.

In addition to these duties, Lieut.

Eddy proposes to develop and expand the TV course written for this Cleveland, Ohio, school by Professor Paul H. Nelson, streamlining the engineering portions so as to better fit it to the needs of present-day service technicians.

After specializing in electrical engineering in college, Lieut. Eddy served as a radio operator and communications officer in the Naval Reserve and regular Navy for fifteen years. He is the author of "Aircraft Radio," one of the first textbooks of its kind. After retiring from the Navy, he entered the teaching field and published three other books and many articles on the subject of radio-electronics.

ALLEN B. DuMONT LABORATORIES, INC., made the announcement that $R.\ H.\ Macy\ \&\ Co.$ has been re-enfranchised as an authorized DuMont television dealer, continuing the business connection that was begun last July 5 and later withdrawn as a result of a misunderstanding concerning promotion of the DuMont receivers.

In the statement issued a short time ago, DuMont and Macy representatives said that all misunderstandings have been straightened out, and the New York store will continue to carry a full line of DuMont TV sets.

SHELDON ELECTRIC CO., Irvington, New Jersey, a division of *Allied Electric Products, Inc.*, proposes to enter the television field with a line of flatface, all-glass picture tubes, according to a recent announcement, producing 10, 12½, and 16 inch sizes.

President of the firm, Nathan Chirelstin, is one of the pioneers in the radio tube field, and when *Sonatron Tube*

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Co., which he organized, became part of the National Union Radio Corp., he served as president and director, later resigning to organize Allied Electric Products, Inc., Sheldon, and an affiliated corporation, into their present merger.

Sheldon's production of picture tubes exceeds 500 a day, and plans are under way to step up the production to 1,000 in the next few months. Other items manufactured by Allied Electric Products, Inc., include spring-action plugs, fluorescent starters, fluorescent lampholders, reflectors, extension cord sets, and rectifier bulbs.

M. G. STATON, formerly communications systems engineer, has been ap-



pointed sales man-ager of microwave relay and channeling equipment for the RCA Engineering Products Department at Camden, New Jersey. In his first position with RCA, Mr. Sta-

ton worked on the field installation work on the New York-Philadelphia microwave radio relay circuit designed for the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Prior to joining the company in 1946, Mr. Staton supervised the conversion of telephone exchanges to automatic operation in the field of telephone plant engineering. He received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Oregon State College and served during the war as an officer in the Army Signal Corps, receiving the Legion of Merit award for his work in communications.

LE-HI ELECTRICAL COMPANY has removed its general offices and plant to 412 Halsey St., Newark 2, New Jersey. ... A building and store at 3235 Prospect Ave., Cleveland 15, Ohio, is the new headquarters of the RADIO AND ELECTRONIC PARTS CORP., distributors of radio and electronic equipment. . . . ALLEN B. DuMONT LABORA-TORIES, INC., recently dedicated and opened its new television receiver assembly plant, which is located along the Passaic River in East Paterson, New Jersey. The plant covers 480,000 square feet, and the property comprises about 58 acres. . . . New home of the JEWEL RADIO CORPORATION plant facilities is located at 10-40 45th Ave., Long Island City, N. Y., covering more than 20,000 square feet.

THE DIAL CORPORATION, a newly formed company for the manufacture of instrument dials in luminescent materials has decided on 2323 W. Devon Ave., Chicago, Ill., as the location of its general offices, to be under the direction of Mr. Russ Diethert as general manager.

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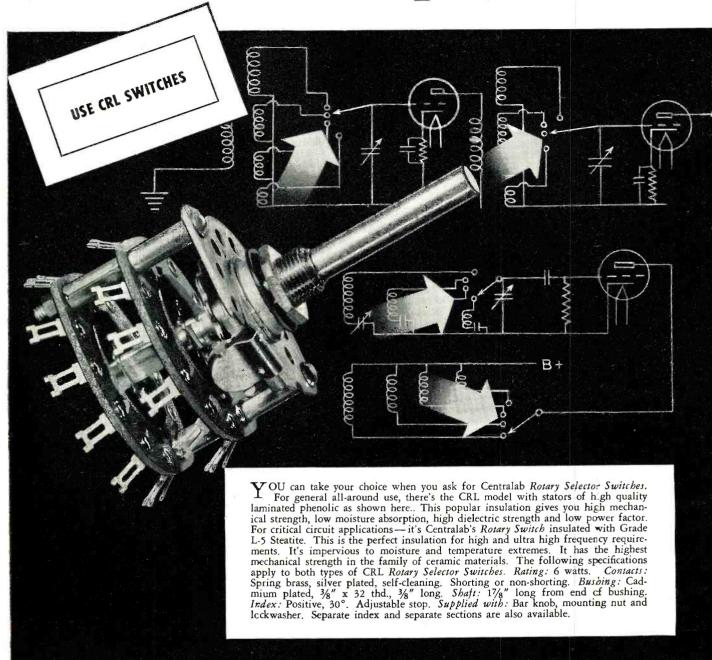
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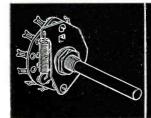
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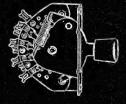
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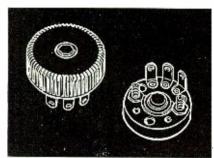
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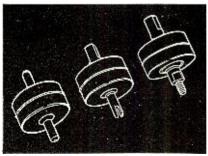
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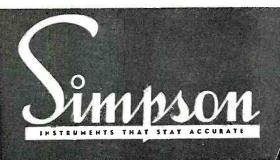
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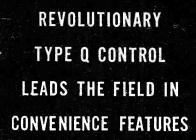
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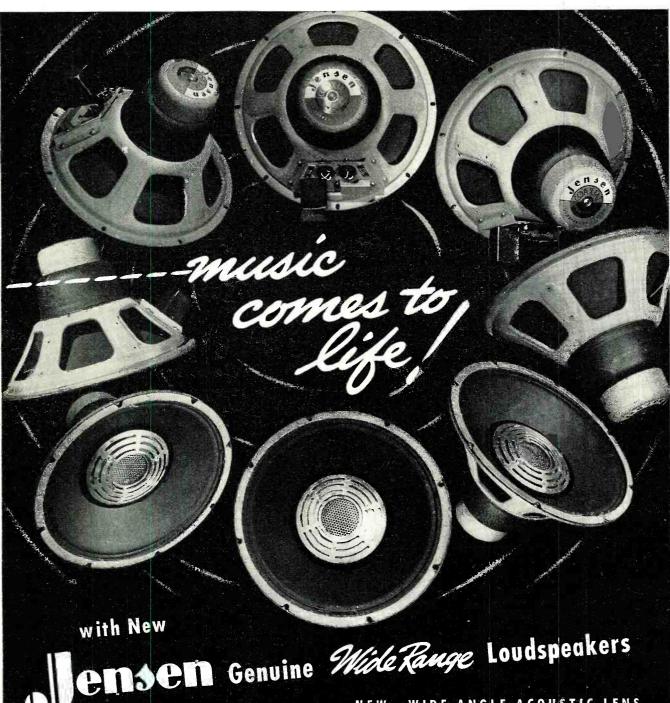
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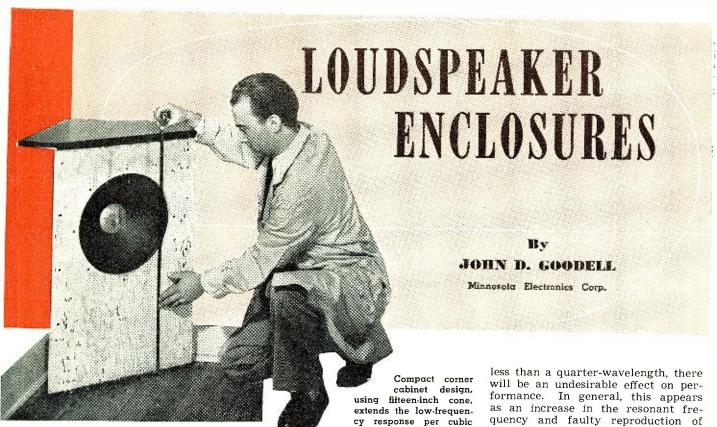




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A review of the principles involved in selecting loudspeaker enclosures for various applications.

TUCH of the data given are presented in practical "rule - of thumb" form rather than as rigorous theoretical exposition. There are several basic types of enclosures and innumerable variations of them.

Flat Baffles

This is the simplest mounting for a cone type, direct radiator loudspeaker. The baffle functions to separate the front and back waveforms and to prevent cancellation effects between them. The success with which this is accomplished depends largely upon the size of the baffle, which, ideally, would be infinite. This is approximated where the loudspeaker is mounted in a wall between two relatively large rooms. The advantages of a flat baffle are that it is a simple structure physically, it does not tend to introduce undesirable cavity resonances, such as are obtained with many cabinet designs, and, where it consists of a wall, no floor space is taken up by the loudspeaker.

The principal disadvantages are that there is poor loading of the loud-speaker cone at low frequencies, and the low-frequency energy is transmitted to the air with poor efficiency. Another disadvantage is that the directional effects of the very-high frequencies are not compensated for by

a flat baffle, and the high frequency distribution is unsatisfactory. With flat baffles, as with all loudspeaker housings, it is important that the material used be sufficiently heavy and well damped to prevent vibration of the baffle. This means that plywood baffles must be at least ¾" thick and, if large, should be braced by heavy cross pieces or deadened with pads of acoustic material. The characteristics of flat baffles are desirable only when it is unnecessary or unimportant to reproduce the extremes of the audio spectrum. However, it is undoubtedly better to use a flat baffle, particularly a wall, than to mount the loudspeaker in the cabinet with other components, where the acoustic design is almost invariably unsatisfactory and tends to introduce hang-over effects and peaks in the response

foot of enclosure volume.

When the loudspeaker is mounted in a wall with a relatively large room on each side, it is practical to consider the structure in terms of a flat baffle. When the room at the rear is small, approaching the dimensions of a standard type of cabinet, other problems are involved. The effects begin to have importance when the speaker is mounted in the door of a relatively small closet.

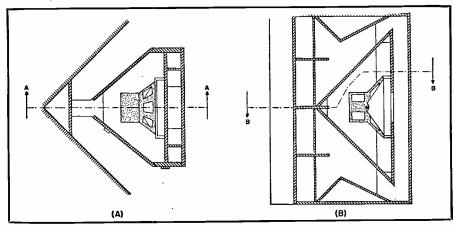
At any frequency where the maximum dimension of the enclosure is

less than a quarter-wavelength, there will be an undesirable effect on performance. In general, this appears as an increase in the resonant frequency and faulty reproduction of low frequencies. If this approach is the only practical method for a particular installation, it is worthwhile to line the enclosure with absorptive material. In general, such installations should be avoided, and if a closet is used, the spaces should be modified in accordance with the design of furniture-type cabinets. In other words, a suitable cabinet may be built into a closet, but simple mounting of the speaker in the door of a closet is far from ideal.

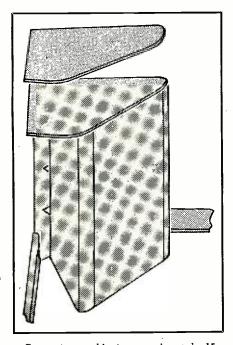
Vented Cabinets

The "bass reflex" type of cabinet is probably the most popular and widelyused basic design. Although this structure has many advantages when properly designed, it is not as simple in principle as is generally believed. It is quite easy for the amateur to produce very undesirable results with a bass reflex enclosure that is not coordinated properly with the characteristics of the loudspeaker unit used. Within certain limits, it is possible to obtain better low-frequency response from a bass reflex cabinet of minimum dimensions than from any other type. This is used to advantage where cabinets must be built with very small cubic content, but the size has often been carried to extremes that are misleading to the average observer. Many people have condemned this type of design on the basis of observing the results obtained with a very small cabinet. It must be recognized that there is no known method of generating satisfactory low frequencies from very small cabinets, and that a bass reflex design may help but can never compensate completely for such limitations.

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The Klipschorn corner cabinet with 15" motor reproduces frequencies down to 30 c.p.s.. yet occupies only 15 cubic ft. Comparable theater systems require 60 cubic ft. or more.

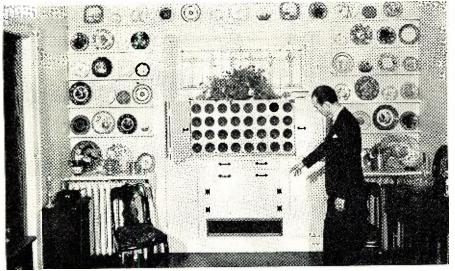


Corner type cabinet, occupying only 15 cubic ft., with frequency range from 30 to 500 c.p.s. Space above the cabinet is a mounting space for high-frequency horn.

Well-designed bass reflex cabinets are capable of excellent results. Many manufacturers provide such cabinets to accommodate their loudspeakers, and others make drawings available. It is usually more desirable to use the dimensions given by the loudspeaker manufacturer rather than to attempt to design such a cabinet without adequate facilities for measurement of the results. However, it should be mentioned that the manufacturer also sometimes makes compromises between optimum performance and space requirements because as 50 cycles, and designs that are improper have a tendency toward resonant hang-over effects at low frequencies. It is almost never satisfac-

he knows that the average customer will not tolerate a cabinet as large as is necessary for the best possible results. Bass reflex cabinets, when properly designed, are capable of increasing the low-frequency response with a given cabinet dimension, decreasing the cone excursion required for a given low-frequency intensity, and thus lowering the distortion from excessive cone motion. They rarely provide satisfactory radiation as low

Custom home installation using 32 special small speakers, producing exceptionally wide-range response with low distortion and desirable spatial distribution of source. Note particularly the wide labyrinth port near baseboard.



tory to place a loudspeaker made by one manufacturer in a cabinet designed by another.

For the experimenter who wishes to investigate such cabinets on a cutand-try basis, the following suggestions are given. It is well to start with a design that at least approximates the recommendations of the manufacturer. It is possible to adjust the characteristics considerably by changing the placement and size of the damping pads used inside the enclosure. The basic purpose of the damping pads is to absorb the middle and higher frequencies where destructive interference will result from radiation through the port. The port should be placed close to the loudspeaker opening so as to take advantage of the mutual radiation impedance (in-phase simultaneous compression of the air between the two openings tends to reinforce the transfer of energy to the air). The characteristics may also be changed by adjusting the size of the port. The port should initially be made larger than the expected optimum and then tuned with sliding panels. This means that the initial size of the port should be greater in area than the area of the cone used.

One method of adjusting the size of the port is to apply a signal from a dry-cell flashlight battery to the speaker terminals periodically. When the signal is applied, there will be a distinct click as the d.c. impulse displaces the speaker cone. When the signal is removed, the speaker cone will return to its normal position and will generate another sound. If the sound generated when the speaker returns to its rest position is also a relatively sharp click, the enclosure may be considered as providing satisfactory damping of the cone, and lowfrequency hang-over effects will be minimized. If the damping is poor, the speaker cone will oscillate before returning to rest and generate a sound that hangs on slightly, ringing with a "rain barrel" effect. Adjusting the port will aid in obtaining the desirable double click.

Another method of adjusting the port is to apply a signal from an oscillator and adjust the port for maximum output at the lowest frequency it is possible to generate with reasonable intensity. One danger in this system is that it is often difficult to differentiate, when listening, between the true fundamental and the second harmonic, although with practice this can be learned.

Since the characteristics of the room greatly affect the low-frequency response, it is often worthwhile to make adjustments of this kind even in cabinets that are assumed to be properly designed by the manufacturer. Surprisingly, it is sometimes desirable simply to remove the back from such a cabinet and close up the port; success of the experiment will depend on the specific room in which the cabinet is used and the location of the cabinet therein. This does happen often enough

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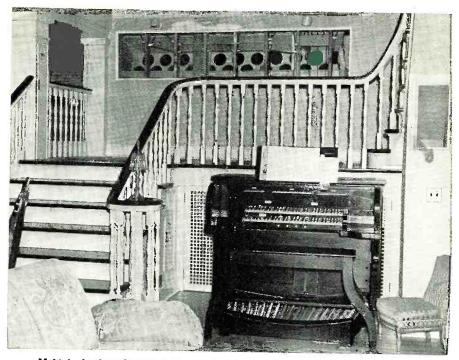
to make it worthwhile trying in most locations. In any event, it is an interesting opportunity to observe the characteristics of the bass reflex enclosure as opposed to the simple, open-back cabinet in various room locations.

The only method for obtaining optimum results is to listen to a wide variety of signals with the cabinet in various positions and with all possible adjustments varied periodically. However, it takes a great deal of listening to a great many different types of signals on various systems to develop the ability to make such judgments with accuracy. It is very, very easy to be fooled by the signal source, the characteristics of your own hearing at any given time, and dozens of other variables. The same observations should be made while listening in various parts of the room. A system may be adjusted for excellent reproduction from one listening position and yet turn out to be most unsatisfactory for other locations. Hours may be spent in making adjustments while listening in one location, and how disappointing it is to find that the results are far from optimum for the general spaces in the room.

Corner Cabinets

A distinct line cannot be drawn between wall mounting of loudspeakers that should be considered strictly flat baffle arrangements and those that partake of horn characteristics. In general, it is desirable to mount a loudspeaker, whether it be in a cabinet or in a wall, as close as possible to 2 or more wall junctions. The simplest explanation for this is that the walls then function roughly as the sides of a horn and aid in projecting the energy into the room. Obviously a corner placement is ideal from this standpoint. The principal reinforcement obtained with corner locations is at the low frequency end of the spectrum. However, since the high frequencies tend to beam, it is clearly desirable to locate the loudspeaker in a position where the angle between the center beam of the loudspeaker and the listener is minimized. In a corner location the maximum angle that will appear in any listening position between the focus line of the loudspeaker and the listener is 45 degrees. This same principle dictates the placement of a cabinet at the end of a rectangular room rather than along the side wall.

In many corner cabinets the rear radiation is guided back along the walls of the room to reinforce the low-frequency response from the loud-speaker. The corner cabinet designed by Paul Klipsch constitutes a folded horn that radiates frequencies as low as 30 cycles with remarkable efficiency. In this design the radiation from only one side of the loudspeaker is used. The walls of such an enclosure absorb the majority of the energy above approximately 1500 cycles, and it is necessary to use a separate



Multiple loudspeakers in custom radio-phonograph-pipeless organ installation.

unit for high-frequency reproduction.

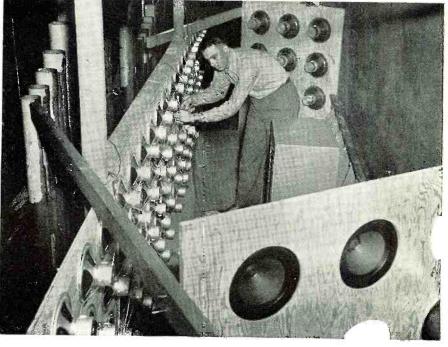
It is entirely possible to combine the bass reflex principle with corner cabinet design. However, with corner cabinets it is usually practical to achieve equal or superior results with the rear radiation guided along the walls, and there is less danger of cabinet resonance. On the other hand, the bass reflex design is attractive because of its ability to minimize cone excursions for a given low-frequency radiation. Where adequate space is available it is probably better not to combine the two designs, but where

maximum low-frequency radiation is desired with a minimum of space, the bass reflex corner cabinet is definitely indicated.

One other feature of the corner arrangement that is now becoming important is the fact that combining a television screen with a corner speaker cabinet results in the most efficient use of the room area for visual observations at minimum angles.

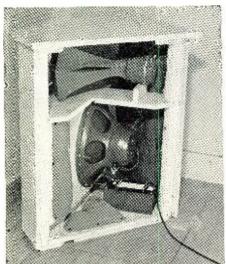
In motion picture theater installations, one of the important considerations is the matter of preserving the

An experimental installation of one hundred special 8-inch loudspeakers and twenty-four 10-inch units on the catwalk above the organ chamber. Provides diffuse high-frequency sound source and good radiation as low as 32 cycles-per-sec.



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Front view of a corner cabinet designed for a dual-channel speaker system.

illusion that the sound comes from the performer on the screen. In working with these problems, it has been determined that the ratio of sound coming directly from the loudspeaker system and the sound coming from reflecting surfaces is extremely important. In these installations the engineer strives to keep the ratio high, with the majority of the sound reaching the listener directly from the loudspeaker units. In music reproducing installations, particularly in the home, the opposite effect is often desired. Live music rarely emanates from a point source as restricted in size as a loudspeaker cabinet.

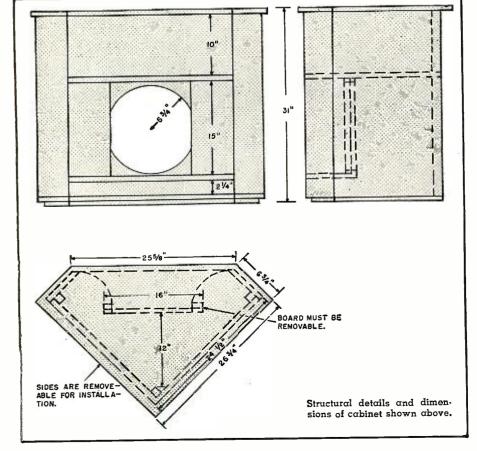
Auditory perspective is an important part of the illusion, and it may be approximated by deliberately introducing a condition where a large portion of the sound reaches the observer from reflecting surfaces rather than directly from the loudspeaker. It is partially because of the important contribution to realism made by this effect that many people have found it desirable to place loudspeakers in rooms adjacent to the listening location. Other experimenters have found that placing loudspeaker units so that they face the wall away from the listening location at angles to

Interior of above installation with side removed. Cut-away section of top shelf allows upper section to form a second port for low-frequency reinforcement. produce reflections via the side walls increases the illusion of auditory perspective. In most installations it is worthwhile to experiment with effects of this kind, and often the results obtained will be startlingly successful.

There is one disadvantage in using the reflecting walls exclusively to distribute the sound energy. This is the fact that the very high frequencies tend to become absorbed under these conditions, and brilliance is sacrificed. The extent to which this will be observed depends partly on the reflecting characteristics of the walls. Obviously, very hard plaster walls will tend to reflect a large percentage of the energy. Draperies, wood, and absorptive materials of all kinds will reduce the high-frequency response observed from such a system. It is well to bear in mind that almost all materials tend to absorb high frequencies to a greater degree than they do the middle and low frequencies. In spite of this consideration, there is often sufficient contribution to the realism of reproduction to compensate for some loss of brilliance. The audio engineer has a tendency to lose sight of the over-all effectiveness of a music reproduction system in the effort to retain the widest possible frequency response. With many commercial signal sources, some losses at the extreme high end are not only tolerable but desirable since the majority of the content is noise rather than music.

Another method of achieving a "spread" source of sound, together with other desirable results, is to use a large number of small coned speakers. Thirty or more properly designed five- or six-inch loudspeakers mounted in a bank at one end of a long living room are capable of remarkably realistic reproduction. In such installations each speaker unit is required to handle so small a portion of the energy that distortion is reduced to a minimum, the lightness of the small cones makes good highfrequency reproduction possible, and the mutual radiation impedance of large clusters provides efficient lowfrequency radiation. At very low frequencies, the cones function as a single unit to move a wall of air. At high frequencies they act individually to provide wide-angle distribution of the energy.

Since relatively inexpensive units may be used, it is often possible to make such an installation at a cost equal to or lower than a conventional system. It is usually desirable to mount the speakers very close together with a slight arc across the surface of the baffle to effect optimum distribution and reduce any tendency to focus. In large rooms as many as a hundred units in a bank have been used successfully. This sounds as though it would require a great deal of space, but a little consideration will reveal that the space factor is not serious. A bank of five-



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High-Quality AMPLIFIER DESIGN

By GLEN SOUTHWORTH

THE audio amplifier appears to rank high in popularity with the - constructor and experimenter. Several reasons might be advanced for this; however, an advanced appreciation of good reproduction, brought about by high-quality FM broadcasts and new recording developments, is undoubtedly a very important consideration. As a result, a desire for good equipment at moderate cost has encouraged many technically-minded listeners to assemble their own equipment from component parts, often with considerable savings over readymade assemblies

Unfortunately, home constructors and experimenters are many times faced with the serious handicap of unfamiliarity with new circuits, combined with a lack of adequate testing facilities. As a result, equipment on which considerable time and money has been spent may fall far short of the desired performance. A knowledge of simple testing techniques and likely sources of distortion is therefore very desirable.

In judging audio amplifiers, a number of factors are usually considered, including power output, frequency response, harmonic distortion, and, in recent years, intermodulation distortion and the several other forms of not uncommon distortion. The relative importance of these various factors is subject to controversy and, of course, will be influenced by the particular application to which the amplifier is put and the associated equipment used.

Considering power output, an amplifier may be rated as follows: At maximum power output on a single frequency, at output at a certain percentage of harmonic distortion on a single frequency, or, more rigorously, at output over the entire usable frequency range at a given percentage of distortion. In recent years, ratings at percentages of intermodulation distortion are often given. Needless to say, the power rating of a particular amplifier will vary greatly, depending upon the standards used.

An important consideration in power requirements for sound reproduction is loudspeaker efficiency. Some high-quality loudspeakers may have efficiencies approaching fifty per-cent, while it is generally considered that



Simple testing techniques used to evaluate various forms of distortion prevalent in audio amplifiers.

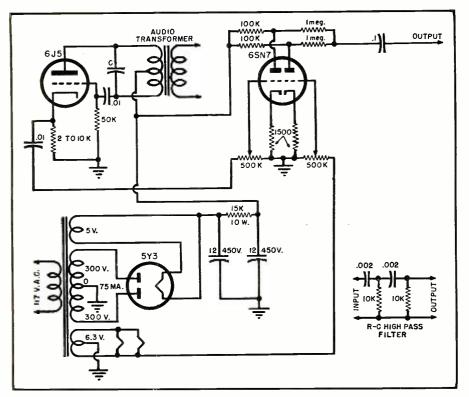
less expensive, conventional speakers have efficiencies on the order of ten per-cent. As a result, it may require a 50 watt amplifier used with low-efficiency speakers to achieve the same sound intensity produced by a 10 watt amplifier driving high-efficiency speakers.

Another important problem relating to power output requirements is the fact that in reproducing speech and music, an amplifier is almost always handling complex waves which may impose a severe limitation on the amount of undistorted power output. The reason for this is that conventional amplifiers are essentially twodimensional devices; therefore, when two or more frequencies are being handled at the same time, the higher frequencies will be superimposed upon the lower. As a result, the undistorted output available will decrease as the complexity of the waveform handled increases. In high-quality reproduction, this may mean a power reduction of 10 to 20 db. compared to the single frequency sine wave capabilities of the amplifier.

An interesting method of increasing amplifier efficiency is through the use of multiple-channel amplification. The simplification of complex waveforms through frequency division in a two channel system may give efficiencies approximately double that of a conventional system, although this will depend to a degree on the crossover frequency used and the frequency range of the input signal.

Because it more closely approximates actual operating conditions, intermodulation distortion measurement has been the subject of considerable interest in recent years. Intermodulation distortion may result from several factors, one of which is the fact that the low-frequency component of a complex wave acts as a continually-varying grid bias. Due to this condition, the high-frequency component is amplified under ideal conditions, e.g., the center portion of the straight part of the tube curve, for only small portions of the lowfrequency cycle. On peaks of the lowfrequency cycle, the high frequency may be biased to a point near plate saturation or cut-off with resulting severe harmonic distortion and reduction in output.

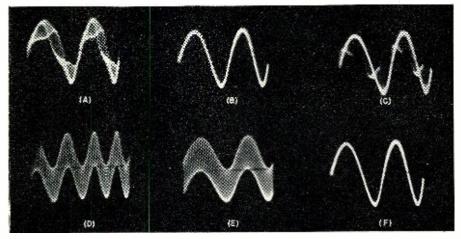
Push-pull output transformers may represent a serious cause of distortion if their efficiency is dependent upon having low values of unbalanced direct current in the primary wind-



Schematic of two-frequency audio signal generator. The two-section RC highpass filter (lower right) is for use with low-impedance circuits; an additional element may be added if greater low-frequency attenuation is desired.

ings. Under actual operating conditions, low-frequency components will cause considerable dynamic unbalance in the output transformer with consequent distortion and lowered output in a poorly-designed unit. One test of output transformer quality is to remove one of the push-pull output tubes, if this can be done without seriously upsetting the circuit, and operate the amplifier with singleended output. With a good transformer, frequency response and power output capabilities should be fairly constant from about 100 cycles, on up. In the case of a poor transformer the frequency response may drop off badly below 1000 cycles, and the undistorted power output at both high and low frequencies may be greatly diminished. In units of similar nature, the frequency response is often a function of the load impedance, and low frequency efficiency usually increases as the load resistance increases. This means that at speaker resonance, where the speaker impedance may rise to a fairly high value, the low frequency efficiency of the amplifier may increase materially, thereby contributing to speaker hangover.

Oscilloscope traces illustrating various patterns encountered in intermodulation analysis: (A) Excessive modulation of high-frequency component produced by self-biased, push-pull 6L6 amplifier at 10 watts. (B) Same amplifier using fixed bias and at 20 watts output. (C) Same amplifier overdriven with harmonic distortion of the high-frequency component resulting. (D) The 60 and 3000 cycles mixed one to one with sweep set to show 60 cycle component. (E) Same frequencies with sweep set to show 3000 cycle component. (F) Output of high-pass filter.



Inverse feedback may be used to reduce this effect and is often of decided benefit with low-grade output transformers, although the amount of feedback obtainable with these units is often not very great. Similar results may be obtained through the use of low impedance output tubes such as triodes; however, it is worthwhile to note that excellent frequency characteristics have been observed with high-quality transformers operating under conditions of excessive mismatch in circuits using beam power tubes without feedback.

Several factors should be mentioned in connection with intermodulation distortion. One is the fact that modulation is usually negative, with the result that an actual reduction in intensity of modulated frequency occurs. In some cases, a phenomenon known as "masking" may result from the suppression of low-level components in this manner. Low frequencies may suffer likewise in a nonlinear system due to the tendency of a high-intensity high frequency to "average" the tube characteristics, with a resultant decrease in gain of the low-frequency component. A similar effect is brought about by the use of high-frequency bias in magnetic recordings; an actual reduction in distortion may occur.

Although considerable emphasis has been placed on the fact that nonharmonic sum and difference frequencies of an objectionable nature may be produced by intermodulation distortion, it should be realized that in many cases true modulation does not occur; rather, the high-frequency component undergoes severe harmonic distortion. Fig. A of the oscilloscope photographs illustrates this.

The modulated portions of the wave show decided departure from sine-wave shapes. True modulation would be indicated by a thickening of the peaks of the wave without any departure from the sine-wave form. The resultant strong harmonic distortion may prove to be more objectionable than the sum and difference frequencies generated. Fig. C in the same group of photos shows highorder harmonic distortion being produced with very little intermodulation distortion.

Intermodulation measurements are generally recognized as a sensitive measurement of nonlinearity and may be made with slight difficulty through the use of an oscilloscope and simple associated equipment. A schematic is shown illustrating one setup used by the author. Sixty cycle frequency is obtained from the tube filament supply for the low-frequency component, and a simple audio oscillator using an old audio transformer is used to obtain a frequency of about 3000 c.p.s. for the high-frequency component. A vacuum tube mixer is used, although it is not necessary, and the output is applied to the input of the equipment under test. The output of the amplifier is then applied to the

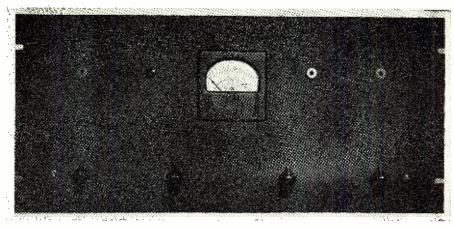
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scope input through a simple resistance-capacitance high-pass filter which removes the low-frequency component. The scope sweep frequency is then adjusted until one or two cycles of the high-frequency component appear.

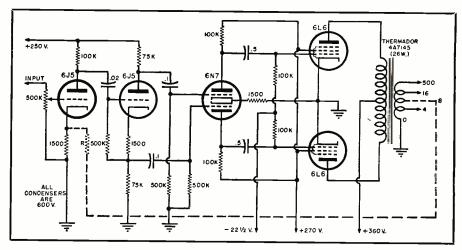
As all of the high-frequency cycles are thus superimposed, any modulation or distortion occurring during portions of the low-frequency cycle is easily detected, as shown in the accompanying photographs. Modulation percentage may be determined quickly by measuring the thickness of the trace at the peaks of the cycle and comparing the sum to the total height of the trace. If suitable precautions are taken, such as prevention of hum pickup, oscilloseope defocusing, and good suppression of the low frequency component, as low as one per-cent modulation may be observed on a five-inch scope. This corresponds, roughly, to one-fourth to one-third of one percent harmonic distortion, a sensitivity usually obtainable only by expensive commercial instruments. In addition, the visual method of observation is advantageous in that it permits quick recognition of distortion components and faults, such as improper bias, which may be characterized by excessive modulation appearing on only one-half of the cycle.

An example of the advantage of the use of this technique may be given by referring to the audio amplifier design included in this article. Conventional cathode bias was used on the original design and measurements made of the output at optimum load conditions. Although the amplifier was capable of delivering 25 watts output, the output level at five percent intermodulation distortion was of the order of two watts. Fixed bias was then substituted with the result that 20 watts was obtainable at the same distortion percentage and under optimum load conditions. Load resistances other than optimum were then used with a resultant increase in distortion percentage. Inverse feedback was then applied with the result that amplifier tolerance to changing load impedances was greatly increased, although the reduction in distortion under perfect load conditions was unimportant. As a result, variable impedance loads, such as loudspeakers, make the use of inverse feedback advisable where maximum output is desired.

Power supplies are an important design consideration in equipment where appreciable output is desired. Poor voltage regulation and insufficient decoupling appear to be two of the most important factors. Poor regulation means not only a reduction in sine-wave power output but also the introduction of a form of actual volume compression at the higher output levels. This form of distortion may be aggravated by the complex and intermittent waveforms found in speech and music and in one observed instance led to a seventy-



A front view, showing how the 60- and 3000-cycle source is mounted on a 19-inch rack panel, along with a simple v.t.v.m. used for making output measurements.



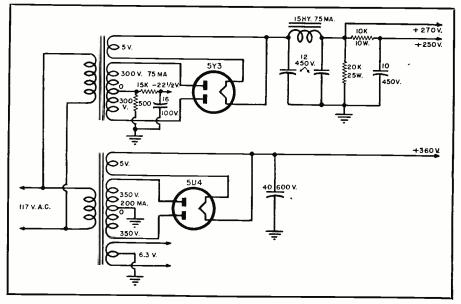
Schematic of high-quality amplifier using push-pull 6L6's and rated at 20 watts with low distortion. A separate power supply is used to provide screen and driver voltages as well as fixed bias for the output stage. Broken lines show optional inverse feedback system. Amount of feedback is determined by value of resistor R.

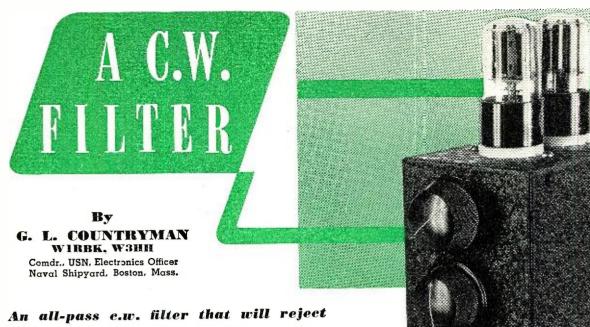
five per-cent reduction in output under conditions of dynamic drive.

In some instances the poorly regulated element of the power supply may have a fairly long time constant with a resultant tendency to sup-

press transient waveforms of high intensity. Resistance-capacitance filters are one of the worst sources of poor voltage regulation and may be commonly used in the screen-grid circuits (Continued on page 153)

Diagram of dual power supply used in conjunction with audio amplifier described.





An all-pass c.w. filter that will reject an interfering signal or amplify a desired one, without any receiver retuning. Bring that hard-to-get DX out into the open.

WENTY-FIVE years ago the new superheterodyne circuit solved most of the amateur's problems as far as receivers were concerned. Since that time, the available bands have been narrowed, and the number of amateurs using them has increased several hundred percent. The transmitting end of our business has made steady progress. Sharpness and stability undreamed of a decade ago are easily attained in even the simplest rig for the beginning ham.

What has happened in the receiver field? Few basic improvements have been forthcoming since the superheterodyne circuit. One was the crystal filter with improvements in design from time to time. Stability has been improved through the use of voltage regulators and temperature compensation, and more recently the "Q-5er" and other double conversion ideas have been presented. This double conversion has been a boon to the phone man but not of much practical help to the c.w. ham.

The idea, abandoned years ago, of using peaked audio circuits made its reappearance a couple of years ago. Initially the scheme was to sharply peak a desired signal using specially constructed chokes available on the surplus market at attractive prices. A twin-T bridge arrangement to peak the signal did away with the need for special chokes and was of about the same effectiveness. These ideas are good as far as they go, but a sharply peaked note devoid of harmonics is monotonous and very tiring to copy. The author presented a "QRM eliminator" that has found fairly wide acceptance. This device may be used for peaking at an established frequency, and then eliminating an interfering signal, and for short-circuiting an interfering signal that is louder than the signal you want to copy. It is flexible, making possible several combinations of circuits by the throw of a switch.

Current IRE proceedings papers have been noted, and a recent article discussing a new phase-inverter connection with an all-pass RC filter has been studied with interest. The c.w. filter to be described adapts these newest developments to ham requirements.

The all-pass filter is used as a selective amplifier for either accepting or rejecting any particular frequency, and the frequency that you can accept or reject is determined by turning a single knob. No longer do you have to carefully tune the receiver to bring an unwanted signal up to a pitch of 1020 c.p.s. in order to reject it; just turn the knob and at the proper point the interfering signal will fade away. Conversely if your particular head-set has a high response peak at say 800 c.p.s., a turn of a knob will bring the desired signal up to a high peak at the frequency you wish.

The filter is compact. The power requirements are so low that the average receiver power supply will furnish them, and, in addition, the circuit has the advantage of being practically fool-proof. It possesses many advantages over the conventional bridge circuits; it has a very sharp rejection slot, sharper than many receiver crys-

tal circuits, and both null and oscillation occur at the same frequency for any given setting of the control. It can be used alone plugged into the output of the receiver with or without the crystal filter of the receiver. It can be utilized in conjunction with the surplus FL8 type of audio filter which most hams have acquired, and if desired it may be used as an audio signal source continuously variable from about 300 to about 9000 c.p.s.

A metal box, 3" x 4" x 5",

mounts all components.

Referring to the photographs, the bottom knob is the frequency control and is a dual 500,000 ohm potentiometer (R_4 and R_7 on the wiring diagram). The top knob is the selectivity control. The switch (S_1) is a double-pole, double-throw toggle switch, one position providing selective amplification at the frequency desired. In the other position, frequency rejection is accomplished at the same frequency, as determined by the bottom knob. As the selectivity control is advanced from the "broad" position, the unit will oscillate at about the point shown by the knob pointer in the photograph. Up to the audible oscillation point the selectivity becomes progressively greater, until just before oscillation it is so sharp as to be impractical to use. The important point is that it is adjustable continuously with smooth control.

All you phone men can stop reading now. The unit can be used on phone, yes, but only to eliminate heterodyne whistles. As indicated by the title, it is primarily a c.w. man's filter to re-

^{1. &}quot;CQ" June 1949 2. "Tunable A.F. Amplifier," Villard. "ELEC-TRONICS," July 1949

ject an interfering signal or amplify a desired signal more than the others with minimum effort and, what is important, without any receiver retuning which might lose that choice DX you are trying to bring out into the open.

Now let's scan the wiring diagram. It looks simple enough, and it is, if you build it on a fairly large chassis. No special wiring precautions are necessary. The author wanted the filter to fit into the smallest practicable space, so it was constructed in a 3"x metal box. A surgeon experienced in tying sutures in a small incision should be able to wire it up without difficulty. The practical way is to first wire up the sockets, including necessary leads, to the other socket and to components (and the 6.3 volt tie point) and then put the sockets in place. Internal wiring will be easier if the front socket is placed in position first and all possible interior wiring completed before mounting the rear socket. Even with this procedure the soldering is a bit tricky using the substantial iron usually found in the average ham shack. Of course, both sides of the metal box are removed, and in any event a couple of evenings are enough to do the job. Check the socket wiring carefully before installing them and connect wire resistors and ground connections to soldering lugs so that you can slip the lugs on the screws when you fasten down the sockets.

The wiring diagram is easy to follow, and no further comments are necessary. As to components, there are four items that are "fussy." The entire success of the operation will depend on how well the plate resistor and the cathode resistor in each section of the first 6SL7 are matched. Although 1000 ohm resistors are available, you can't just buy two "silver band" 1000 ohm resistors and put them in. These two resistors must have exactly the same value, which may be slightly over or slightly under 1000 ohms, but they must be matched and hence must be measured on an accurate bridge. Ohmmeter measurements are not of sufficient accuracy in this application. For long time stability, precision resistors should be used although in the model shown the regular 10 per-cent tolerance is used. It was necessary to check fifteen or twenty individual resistors before two were found that were exact pairs. Bear in mind that the resistance of a carbon unit will vary with the current passed through it.

The same procedure is necessary for the 2000 ohm resistors in the second plate and cathode section of the first 6SL7. Values usually available are 1800 ohms or 2200 ohms. Any value between these limits will be satisfactory, but it is mandatory that both resistors be of exactly the same value.

Standard audio tapers are satisfactory on both potentiometers. With the dual 500,000 ohm unit, it is necessary that both pots track at the same resistance reading. On several "run-of-

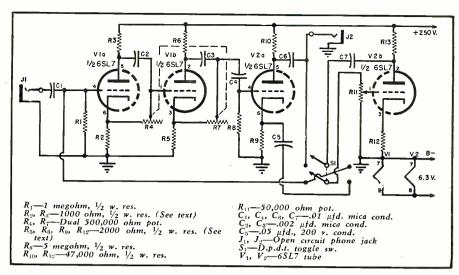


Diagram of c.w. filter. A separate power supply (250 v., 8 ma.) is required.

the-mill" pots that were measured the tracking was adequate so no difficulty should be experienced.

Many modern receivers have a "utility" outlet from which 6.3 volts a.c. and approximately 250 volts d.c. are available. The two 6SL7's draw only .6 amps at 6.3 volts, and at 240 volts the total plate current drain is only about 8 mils. Practically every receiver can supply this without the power supply overheating or without a voltage drop. If your receiver does not have a utility outlet it is easy to bring out the necessary leads. A small power supply can be built if desired; one consisting of a 6.3 volt transformer with two selenium rectifiers in a voltage doubling circuit will do the trick. A conventional, small transformer type power supply may be used without worrying about which side of the a.c. line is grounded.

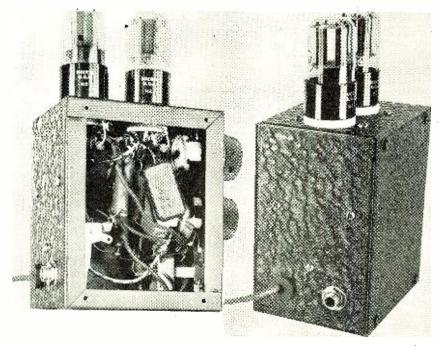
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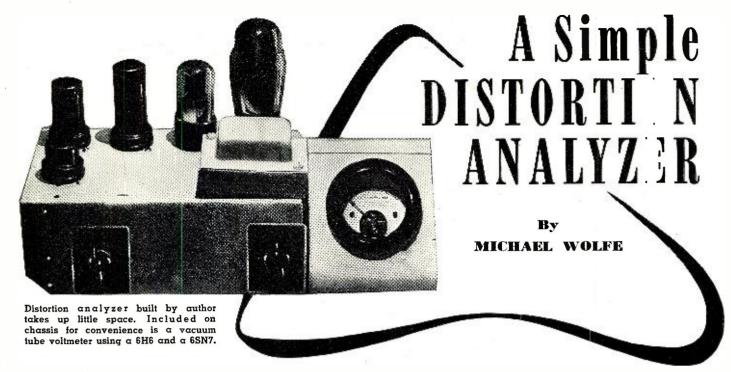
been noted. Some 6SL7s that tested as satisfactory in a tube tester did not give the same results as other tubes. Plate voltage is not critical within wide limits. From 200 to 250 volts will be satisfactory.

Again referring to the photographs, the jack at the back of the unit receives a patch panel cord, the other end of which plugs into the phone jack on the receiver. The headset plugs into the jack on the front of the filter. That's all there is to it; get the voltages to the unit, insert it between your receiver and your headset, and start turning knobs. Select a signal, peak it up sharply, and then throw the switch and hear it disappear. The filter is simple and effective for either peaking and amplifying or for rejecting a signal without having to adjust the pitch of the signal with the receiver.

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Side panel is removed to show details of internal wiring and assembly.





Distortion in any amplifier can be checked with this test analyzer. An audio oscillator and an oscilloscope make up the balance of equipment.

NYONE interested in constructfind a distortion analyzer a · ing high-quality amplifiers will very useful piece of equipment. It is a fairly well-known fact that the hearing tastes of individuals differ widely. The average enthusiast builds an amplifier and judges it on whether it sounds all right or not. This is all very well and good if he is going to use it for his own enjoyment, but if he is building it for someone else, there must be more rigid criteria of performance, the usual technical standards being frequency response, percentage of harmonic distortion, and, more recently, the percentage of intermodulation distortion.

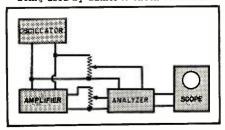
An audio-frequency signal generator and an a.c. voltmeter will suffice for the first measurement, but to measure distortion it will be necessary to employ either a wave analyzer or a distortion analyzer. Commercial wave analyzers are complex devices costing in the neighborhood of several hundred dollars, while a simple distortion analyzer may be constructed with little expense and, in conjunction with an oscilloscope, will prove to be a very versatile instrument.

The theory of operation of the distortion analyzer is quite simple. A reference signal from an audio oscillator is fed into the input of the amplifier being tested. The output of the amplifier is shifted to 180 degrees out-of-phase with the original signal and then electronically mixed with a portion of the reference signal. The two signals 180 degrees out-of-phase will cancel each other out if they are of

the same amplitude, and if the amplifier under test has not introduced any distortion. Any distortion caused by the amplifier will remain, however, when the fundamental is cancelled out. These distortion products may then be easily seen on the screen of a cathode-ray oscilloscope and classified as to harmonic distortion, improper bias, or over-excitation.

The unit built by the author consists of a 6N7 electronic mixer with cathode follower output (Fig. 2) to minimize distortion in the mixer stage, and a 6J5 distortion products amplifier. A block diagram of a typical test setup is shown in Fig. 1. The audio oscillator may be one of the Wien bridge type such as was described in the November, 1946, Radio News. It is highly desirable to use an oscilloscope to observe the output of the distortion analyzer, as this will increase its usefulness by indicating the kind as well as percentage of distortion in the output. If a scope is not available, however, an a.c. voltmeter may be placed across the output. To determine distortion percent-

Fig. 1. Block diagram shows test setup being used by author to check distortion.



age, the amplifier input is disconnected, and the reference signal input is adjusted to give 100 per-cent deflection on the output meter or scope. The amplifier input is then connected and the potentiometer adjusted to give minimum deflection. The meter or scope may then be read directly in terms of distortion percentage.

The reference signal type of distortion analyzer is somewhat more flexible than the bridged-T type of distortion meter, as it permits the testing of various frequencies throughout the audio range. It is, however, sensitive to phase shift in the equipment under test, and corrective networks may be needed to give accurate results. If the reference signal and the signal being tested are in phase, an increase in meter reading will take place when an attempt is made to balance the circuit. If 90 degrees phase shift is present, no change in meter reading will be noticed until one of the signals becomes greater than the other. Phase shift of a few degrees will cause erroneous distortion readings.

Phase shift is held to low proportions in the analyzer unit due to the use of twin triodes and cathode follower output; however, it is desirable to provide some means of compensating for phase changes in the equipment under test. Fig. 4 illustrates several simple circuits. Push-pull output on the audio signal generator provides an easy means of changing the phase of the reference signal 180 degrees for use with amplifiers whose output may be in phase with the input. B and C are phase shifting networks, similar to ordinary tone controls, that may be used to obtain exact 180 degree phase relations. These networks should preferably be used in connection with the reference signal as the tone control effect may tend to suppress or accentuate distor-

tion components from the amplifier under test.

Phase distortion may easily be determined through use of an oscilloscope. The reference signal is applied to one set of deflection plates, and the output of the amplifier under test to the other set. Phase shift other than the desired 180 degrees will produce an oval pattern on the screen. The phase shifting network may then be adjusted until a slanted line results. If harmonic distortion is present in the amplifier, irregularities in the line may be observed, and this can be used as a simple means of locating distortion in an amplifier. Once the phase adjustment is made for a particular frequency, the distortion analyzer may be balanced for minimum meter reading and the harmonic distortion percentage read directly. If a scope is unavailable, an alternate procedure is to set the amplifier output to a low value where, presumably, distortion products are not very great and then adjust the phasing control for minimum reading. As the phasing and amplitude controls are somewhat interdependent, this will usually require a series of adjustments.

In most instances amplifier phase shift will be most pronounced at very high and very low frequencies. In the former case, shunt capacities are usually the cause, while at low frequencies insufficiently large coupling condensers will cause phase shift. Similarly, poor output transformers and tone controls are common locations of phase distortion. As effective use of inverse feedback usually depends upon exact phase relations, it is usually a good policy to explore amplifier phase characteristics at various frequencies. In this manner it is sometimes possible to insert phase compensation in the feedback loop and secure higher feedback ratios than are otherwise obtainable. Likewise, although for many years phase distortion has been considered of little importance, recent studies indicate that it may have a definite effect upon the quality of reproduction.

Although the ability of the distortion analyzer to compare the output of an amplifier directly to the input means that a perfect sine wave signal source is not necessary, it is undesirable to use a signal source with a high harmonic content, as a non-linear frequency response in the amplifier under test may give incorrect readings. An example of this is shown in Fig. 3.

In making distortion checks, it is a common practice to measure distortion at various power levels and at various points throughout the audio range. Distortion due to noise or hum may be relatively high at very low power levels, decrease at moderate power levels, and increase again as the maximum power output is approached. Distortion checks at various frequencies may show a considerable variation in power output at a constant percentage of distortion.

A seldom mentioned characteristic is sometimes found in amplifiers where hum reduction is achieved by use of a push-pull circuit. In this case, the circuit tends to act somewhat like a balanced modulator and superimpose hum modulation upon a reproduced signal. This may result in unpleasant quality and apparent high distortion percentages in the low frequency response. The solution is, of course, better filtering rather than a new output transformer. A simple test is to observe the hum level with one of the output tubes removed. If hum is very noticeable, additional filtering may be required. In a like manner it is sometimes desirable to check the distortion characteristics of a push-pull amplifier with one of the output tubes removed, as this gives a rough approximation of intermodulation tests used to determine the complex wave characteristics of a unit. In a poor amplifier, power output may fall off greatly. accompanied by considerable distortion in the high and low frequencies. Similarily, the frequency response may be greatly altered.

The unit diagrammed in Fig. 2 was designed primarily for simplicity of construction for those who may have only occasional use for distortion measurements. The experimenter or custom builder who has constant use for a device of this kind would be advised to build a more elaborate unit including a built-in vacuum tube voltmeter and incorporating the phasing networks shown in Fig. 4. For convenience in securing accurate adjustments, two potentiometers may be used at the reference signal input to the distortion analyzer, with the output of one control being fed to the input of the other. This allows one control to be used for coarse balancing and the other for fine balancing adjustments. A similar arrangement may be used in connection with the phasing controls, and this type of operation is usually found in commercial distortion meters of this kind.

A vacuum tube voltmeter is to be preferred in reading the output of the analyzer but if unavailable, an oscilloscope with a calibrated screen may be used. It should be noted that although the circuit diagram in Fig. 2 shows direct coupling between the cathode of the 6N7 and the grid of the 6J5 it is important that the cathode voltage of the 6J5 be at least two

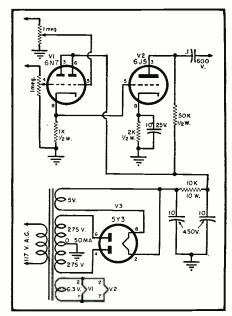


Fig. 2. Diagram of distortion analyzer.

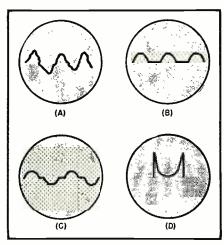
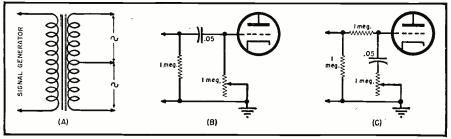


Fig. 3. Various types of distortion as viewed on a scope. (A) Harmonic distortion: (B) improper bias: (C) over-excitation: and (D) result of passing a square wave through an amplifier with limited frequency response.

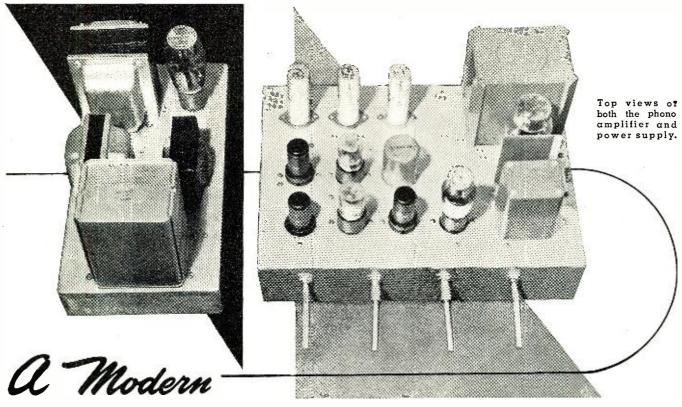
volts higher than that of the 6N7 in order to produce proper bias.

In measuring small amounts of distortion, considerable care should be taken in the construction of the analyzer. A good way to check the accuracy of the analyzer is to invert the reference signal 180 degrees and feed it into the other input of the analyzer; if you can then obtain a zero reading, (Continued on page 173)

Fig. 4. (A) Means of obtaining two voltages 180 degrees out-of-phase from your signal generator. (B and C) Method for correcting for either leading or lagging phase shift. Values shown will allow a considerable amount of phase variation over a range of from 50 to 500 cycles, which may be extended by using different values of R and C.



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Wide-Range PHONO AMPLIFIER

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A well-designed audio amplifier, featuring a simplified dynamic noise suppressor and Thordarson bass and treble tone control circuits

HE amplifier and power supply unit to be described here was designed to fit the requirements of a custom-built cabinet, the power output being sufficient for home living room use. It possesses a flat response from 20 to beyond 15,000 cycles, as well as flexibility in altering this response characteristic in the form of bass and treble tone controls. Some form of scratch suppression for phono use was also judged desirable.

For average home living room use, 10 watts of output power was considered more than sufficient. This allows for the use of triodes without resorting to parallel operation or the need for inverse feedback of beam power tubes. The many advantages of the 6ASTG dual triode have been well covered in previous issues, so this article will limit the discussion to design consideration for this particular ampli-

fier. It was decided to operate the tube at approximately 200 volts plateto-cathode, increasing the bias 10 volts over published data to 100 volts, reducing plate dissipation to below rating. With these voltages, grid-to-grid voltage swing requirements are approximately 200 volts peak, to drive the tube to rated output. The drive requirements are rather large in comparison with other output tubes; however, these can be met without going into special circuits or other devices. While a push-pull amplifier would be ideal to secure the required grid voltage swing, the grids of this stage would necessarily be also driven in push-pull relationship, which would require an additional expensive transformer or the necessity of resorting to some form of phase inversion.

Looking over data for voltage amplifiers, the 76 type tube is rated

among the low mu triodes as having the greatest output voltage capabilities; with a 300 volt plate supply, rated output varies from around 70 to over 100 volts peak output, depending on load conditions. With an input transformer turns ratio of 2.5 to 1 over-all, this tube is capable of supplying the required driving voltage. To allow for some reserve, it was decided to increase the plate supply voltage to 350 volts. Plate supply may be further increased without exceeding plate voltage rating. The 76 tube, while an older version of the low mu triode, serves excellently the requirements of this amplifier.

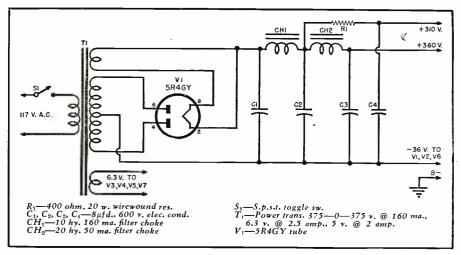
The 76 voltage amplifier is preceded by a 6J5 used for tone control purposes, and Thordarson units are used. Briefly the operation is as follows. The cathode resistor is of high value and unbypassed, causing degeneration of all frequencies. Introducing the choke into the cathode circuit results in a low impedance path for the lower frequencies. This same choke is introduced into the grid circuit of the following tube, resulting in shunting of the lower frequencies. A low value condenser introduced into the cathode circuit by the tone control results in a low impedance path for the higher frequencies, thereby causing treble boost. The same condenser is shunted across the grid of the following tube on the other extreme of the tone control, resulting in treble attenuation.

In order to reduce hum output to an absolute minimum, it was decided to run the heaters of the low level stages on d.c. This consideration dictated the choice of a 150 milliampere heater, a low mu triode, and a 12AH7GT for the equalizer amplifier,

as well as for the tuner amplifier. The plates are tied together, and the grids are separated, one for the tuner and the other for phono use where the volume control is introduced. This stage provides about 20 db. gain. Approximately one volt tuner output is more than sufficient to drive the amplifier to full output.

The phono equalizer uses a 12SC7, this circuit having appeared in previous publications. Resistor and condenser values are such as to provide a cross-over point around 500 cycles with the 6 db. de-emphasis occurring around 1500 cycles. The choice of condenser C_{12} will determine where bass boosting will begin. A larger value will result in a lower frequency cross-over point. Condenser C_{13} determines the point where de-emphasis occurs.

To offer something better than a standard *RC* filter shunted across the pickup for scratch suppression, the simplified dynamic noise suppressor designed by C. G. McProud, and which appeared in the August, 1948, "Audio Engineering," was incorporated in this amplifier. The 6SL7GT serves as a side amplifier, and the 12SG7 is the capacity reactance tube shunting the pickup. Briefly, operation of the cir-



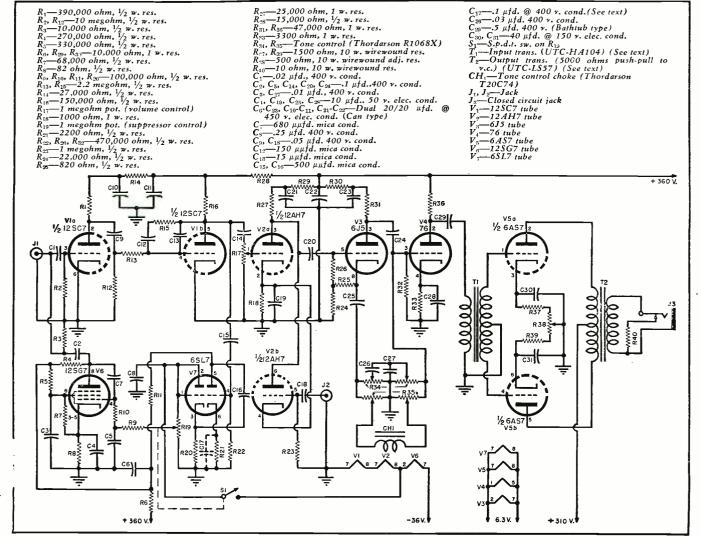
Wiring diagram of power supply. Unit is built on separate chassis.

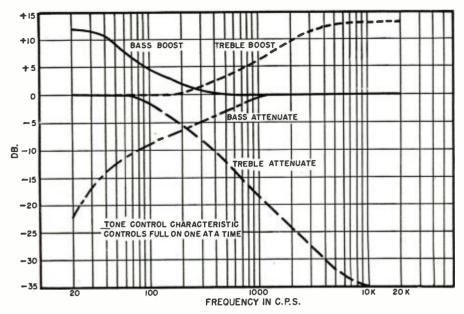
cuit is as follows. The circuit components are of such value that maximum gain results on frequencies above 500 cycles. The rectified components of the signal are introduced into the grid of the reactance tube through the adjustable suppression control; on signals having higher frequencies the grid is driven negative, thereby re-

ducing the gain of the reactance tube, which in effect reduces the capacitance shunting the pickup. As mentioned in McProud's article, the circuit is effective only with a magnetic cartridge offering relatively sharp cut-off above a certain frequency.

In an amplifier of this type, where the output level is constant even down

Complete schematic diagram of the wide-range phono amplifier. Both phono and radio inputs are provided.





Tone control characteristics with controls full on, one at a time.

to a few cycles, and where the combined bass boost of the tone control and the equalizer stages are included, the sensitivity at the phono input terminals will run as high as a few microvolts at a.c. line frequency. Care must be exercised to avoid hum pickup. The high gain at low frequencies will also easily lead to motorboating. In this amplifier, large decoupling condensers with decoupling resistors are used in each plate supply lead. In the low level stages, miniature components are used together with as short exposed leads as possible to reduce electrostatic surface to minimum. Excessive shielding must be avoided to prevent attenuation of the higher frequencies. Chassis ground is made at one point only. Decoupling condenser cans should be insulated from the chassis, though they are at ground potential, to avoid ground loops. A separate chassis for the power supply simplifies hum reduction.

As the photographs will show, the

tube sockets were mounted primarily for the shortest possible leads, which also resulted in a relatively neat layout. Beginning from the left front row is the 12SC7 equalizer followed by the 12AH7GT; next is the 6J5 tone control stage feeding the 76 voltage amplifier to the input transformer and to the 6AS7G output tube. In the second row on the left is the 12SG7 reactance tube followed by the 6SL7GT side amplifier. Tube sockets were positioned to favor short leads for the grid and plate. The 12SC7 input tube is mounted on a 2 by 3 inch plate, together with all the associated components. This plate in turn is mounted to the chassis spaced by rubber grommets, effectively protected from mechanical shocks or vibration. The controls are as follows: Beginning from the left is the phono volume control followed by the bass and treble tone controls; the last control is for suppression, controlling d.c. voltage only. The actual wiring of the various controls is not critical. Position leads for best appearance.

Grid and plate coupling condensers were mounted by wrapping them with a thin aluminum sheet, forming brackets. Placement of the tone control choke was not critical due to the fact that the power transformer was separated from the chassis. The leads were, however, shielded. All a.c. filament leads are also shielded. The output transformer provides for two impedances (3000 and 5000 ohm) with a variety of low impedance voice coil outputs. The 5000 to 10 ohm connections were utilized. With an 8 ohm voice coil connected to the 10 ohm tap, the reflected impedance is reduced to 4000 ohms which is about the recommended value as published by the tube manufacturers for this particular set of plate and bias voltages.

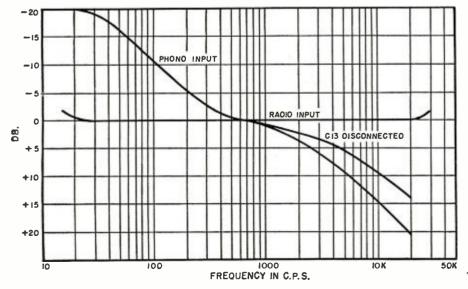
The amplifier is mounted vertically in the cabinet. Input and output connections are on the side. Short leads dictate the position of the input jacks. The metal plate visible in the photograph between the output tube and the input transformer is added for heat baffling when the amplifier is mounted in a vertical position to avoid heating the input transformer.

The power supply needs little comment. The four 8 \(\mu fd., \) 600 volt oilfilled condenser blocks were available from surplus. Any combination resulting in equal capacity and voltage rating will do. The voltage for the heaters is adequately filtered by returning all of the filter condensers to the center tap of the transformer. Bypassing on the other side of the heater string is effected by the six 20 μfd. decoupling condensers of the amplifier. Voltage is taken from the first choke and dropped through the resistor to the proper value for the output tube. This is sufficient filtering for the output tube and avoids the necessity of a second high-current choke. Power-switching arrangement is not shown on the diagram as this will depend on the builder's choice. For this unit, two sockets were mounted on the power supply: one feeds power and allows for the "On-Off" switch on the turn-table proper; the other goes to the FM tuner, the volume control being mounted on the tuner.

Tests and Results

The final value for plate voltage using the particular components for the power supply is 360 volts for the voltage amplifier. This same voltage feeds all the other tubes except the 6AS7G output. This is a bit higher than standard but does not exceed any of the tube ratings. The voltage to ground at the center tap of the output transformer is 310 volts; on each cathode of the 6AS7G it is 100 volts. With these voltage combinations, the total current drain is very close to the 150 milliamperes required for the series heaters. Actual measured drop was 35 volts. If any slight variation does occur, a bleeder can be added (Continued on page 131)

Response curve with tone control in mid-position and suppressor off.



An INTER COM For The Home



This system provides master stations on each floor and any number of substations with a single amplifier.

'NTERCOMMUNICATION systems have long proven their value in - industry and business. Why haven't their time and labor saving merits been extended to home use? First, the cost of a flexible commercial installation would be excessively high owing to the use of separate amplifiers at each master station. Second, the value of a system in the home has not yet been realized because intercoms intended for such use, with reasonable flexibility, are not available. A flexible, low-cost intercommunication system for the home was the objective in mind when this unit was designed.

The installation to be described has three master stations, two substations, and one amplifier, arranged as shown in the block diagram. The amplifier input and output leads are run to each of the master stations, and, with proper switching, a flexible system is possible at low cost. Twoway conversations can be originated from any master station to any master or sub-station. Provisions are also included for listening to radio programs, picked up by the family receiver, on the master stations.

The amplifier is a three-stage, highgain unit constructed on a 12''x7''x3'' chassis. It has a maximum output of about three watts, which is more than adequate. The input and output impedances are both four ohms, the former being provided by a voice coil to grid transformer. A quick-heating circuit puts the amplifier into operation in about three seconds. During standby the control relay, RL_1 , is open, and three volts are applied to

the tube heaters. In operation the relay is closed and the normal six volts are applied.

In an experimental version of this amplifier, two relays were used which gave a heating cycle of three volts standby, eight volts accelerated heating for about ten seconds, and six volts operating. The accelerated heating feature made no appreciable reduction in heating time and, therefore, was not included in the final version.

The relay used is a sealed plug-in unit with a coil resistance of 1800 ohms. Any s.p.d.t. plate circuit relay with a coil resistance of from 1500 to 2500 ohms can be used. D.c. is used on the relay to keep hum down and allows use of the ground leads from the master stations as relay returns, thus saving one cable conductor.

Of the several relay supplies tried, the selenium rectifier circuit shown is the most dependable. It provides an average relay current with the R_{10} , R_{11} voltage divider shown. The a.c. circuit to the selenium rectifier is completed through the actual ground lead; therefore, the line plug must be inserted correctly for the relay supply to function.

Selenium rectifiers are not used in the amplifier power supply because the d.c. voltage across the filter condensers would rise to a very high value during standby, thus shortening their life. With a tube rectifier, about 70 volts appears across the condensers during standby, and rises to the normal 250 volts during operation.

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Inverse feedback has been added to reduce distortion and improve frequency response. The signal appearing across the output transformer secondary is fed back to the 6SF5 cathode through $R_{\rm s}$. The cathode resistor, $R_{\rm s}$, must not be by-passed. It may be necessary to reverse the leads to the output transformer secondary for proper phasing of the feedback signal, which is indicated by a drop in amplification.

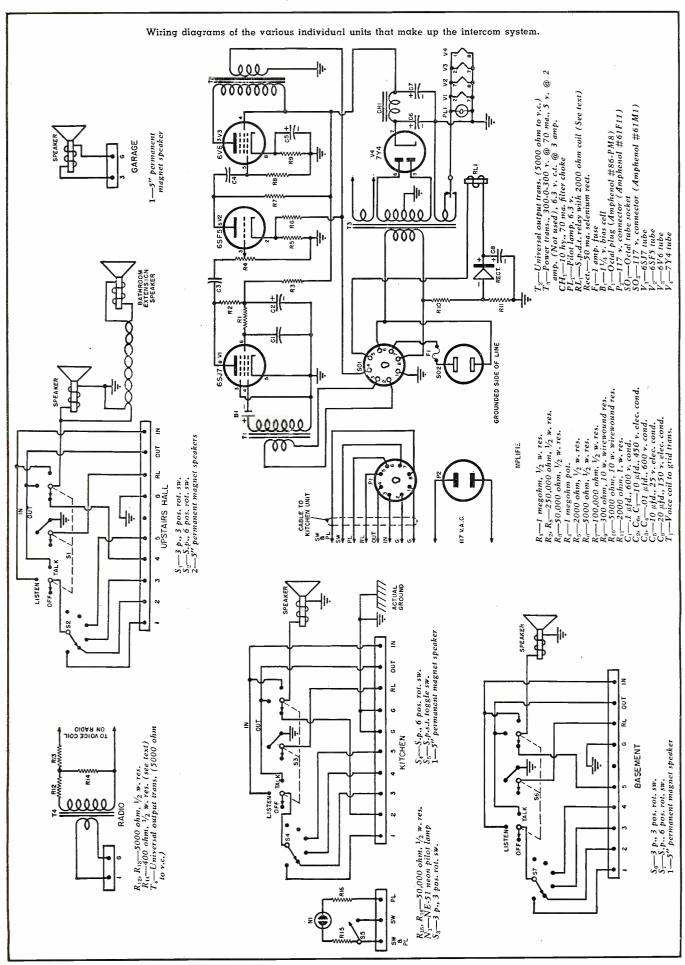
Front and rear views of the second-floor

hall master station.

 $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ piece of 2" pipe, flattened slightly by a few sledge hammer blows, is used to shield T_1 , the voice coil to grid transformer. Two 6-32x1" screws, with the heads sawed off, are soldered to the pipe and used to secure it to the chassis. The transformer is soldered inside the shield by its mounting feet. Its position on the chassis is determined by listening for minimum hum while rotating the transformer in its shield.

To prevent hum from eddy currents induced in the chassis by the power transformer and choke, an insulated lead should be used to connect all of the ground points together. The lead is then connected to the chassis at only one point, the No. 1 pin on the octal inter-connecting socket. Note that the primary of the input transformer is left floating at the amplifier, but that one side is grounded at the kitchen box. This provides separate ground returns for the amplifier input and output circuits and prevents oscillation.

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For convenience in servicing, connectors are used to plug the speaker system and a.c. line into the amplifier. Also, the volume control is recessed and screwdriver adjusted to prevent tampering. When finished, the amplifier is fitted with a dust cover and mounted on a shelf in the cellarway near the kitchen master.

The kitchen master station is the junction box for the leads from the amplifier and remaining stations, as is shown in the block diagram. The ground leads, "G," from all stations and the amplifier must connect at the common ground point in the kitchen unit. Otherwise the amplifier input and output ground returns will appear on a single conductor causing oscillation. The remaining leads may be run in any convenient manner, which in most cases will be to the kitchen master, as shown.

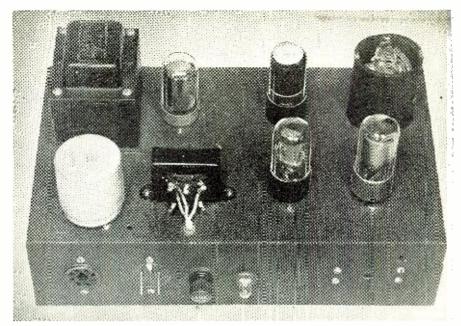
The master stations are built around 6"x9"x5" metal boxes. A box with removable sides is preferred for the kitchen master because of the large number of connections that must be made to the terminal strips in this box. The speaker, switches, and pilot light are mounted on the front, and the 10-lug terminal strip is on the inside bottom of the box. The 3-lug strip, used for line switch and pilot light connections, is placed on the back panel. Boxes with removable fronts are used for the upstairs and basement stations, and all parts are on these front panels. The dial plates are made from white cardboard stock and are protected with celluloid. The plates are lettered with india ink.

The selector switch $(S_2, S_4, \text{ or } S_7)$ connects the speaker of the station to be called to the common connection on the left-hand section of the "Talk-Listen" switch, S1, S3, or S6. This lefthand section then connects the selected station speaker to the amplifier input when listening, and to the output when talking. The right-hand section simultaneously connects the speaker of the station originating the call to the amplifier output when listening, and to the input when talking. The center section completes the relay circuit and puts the amplifier into operation.

The garage sub-station is a speaker mounted in a *Crisco* can, which makes a very efficient baffle. It is mounted inside the garage and covers the clothesline area back of the garage.

Radio programs may be heard over the master stations when the radio sub-station is connected to the voice-coil terminals of a radio. A bridging pad, consisting of R_{12} , R_{13} , and R_{14} , reduces the voice coil signal level of the radio to that of the amplifier input. Transformer T_4 is used for isolation of ground returns and impedance matching.

After the amplifier gain has been set, the radio is set at normal listening level, and then R_{14} is adjusted for the desired volume on the master stations. The 400 ohm value shown gives



Top view showing relative placement of above-chassis components.

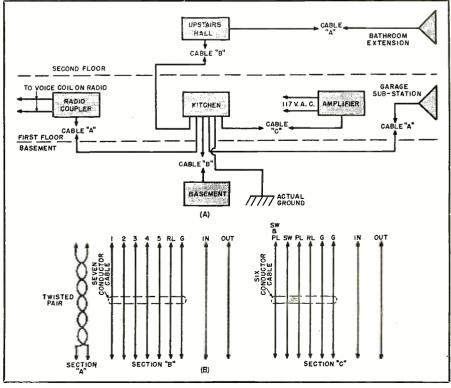
normal volume with a radio which has a voice coil impedance of eight ohms. Slight deviations from this value may be necessary in some cases. The pad does not affect the normal performance of the radio. To prevent hum pickup, the matching transformer should be mounted away from any transformer fields. It may be placed anywhere between the radio and kitchen box, preferably near the radio.

A second radio sub-station may be added, if desired, but only one radio can be heard at a time. It's strictly a one-channel affair. If a station listen-

ing to the radio is called, the call will come in with the program, but the answer will not be heard by the calling station. The called station must be turned "Off" first.

In installing the cable, the leads marked "In" and "Out" must be separated from each other and from the remaining leads, which may be cabled together, as shown on the cable diagram. Oscillation will take place if excessive capacitance exists between the input and output circuits of the amplifier. Physical separation of about an inch between cables running (Continued on page 128)

Block diagram shows cable connections between the various units.





Sidestepping academic subjects, this university specializes in a sound and audio course, leading to a bachelor's degree.

Audio engineering student mixing a studio program at one of the modern instruments in the control room.

NE of the most unique and unusual educational institutions of our time, the University of Hollywood was built around the theme of "sound and audio engineering." It is located in Hollywood, California, heart of the sound and audio industries, and surrounded by great motion picture studios, radio broadcasting stations and television telecasting stations.

Students receive their training in modern, well-equipped studios and laboratories. They work with the same types of equipment they will find on the job in motion picture, television, broadcasting, and recording studios.

In the recording studios of the school, which are as nearly acoustically perfect as a studio can be, the student spends many hours monitoring and mixing programs, and working with the live talent engaged in recording transcribed shows that will subsequently be broadcast over local AM and FM broadcasting stations.

Training is given in a completely-equipped audio transmission laboratory, where the student learns the purpose, use, and operation of such equipment as the gain set, the wave analyzer, the intermodulation analyzer, the distor-

tion set, the square wave generator, and the oscilloscope, to name only a few of the instruments, as well as all of the techniques required of the audio engineer in lining up recording channels, making gain runs, and allied transmission measurements.

In the shop, he learns not only how to make a properly soldered connection, but also the correct method of laying out an installation job and the techniques which go to make up a workmanlike job of constructing and installing various pieces of equipment, from a jack strip to a complete mixer console.

The radio and television laboratories of the university provide him with a basic theoretical and practical knowledge of radio and TV circuits so that he can handle any and all types of work in these allied fields of audio engineering.

The film laboratory provides training in the methods of recording sound on film or on magnetic tape; the operation, care, adjustment, and repair of magnetic recorders and optical systems; the use and operation of film dummies used for re-recording and dubbing of film; the prin-

Student performers and technicians study recording techniques in one of the university's several acoustically-treated studios.



In this completely equipped sound laboratory, students learn the professional techniques in studying disc recording mechanisms.



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ciples of operation, care and, adjustment of film recorders; and the correct techniques of operation of various types of projection equipment, such as the student may be called upon to use until in a motion picture or television studio.

Future plans for the university call for designing and building one of the most modern sound stages in the world, where every type of recording project, large or small—from one-hundred-piece symphony orchestras to soloists and small dramatic groups—may be handled. These plans also call for the installation of a 12-position mixer panel, one of the largest types in existence, for which a minimum of three operators is required. This is similar to the type of mixing equipment which was specially designed and built for the recording of Walt Disney's "Fantasia," a production in which Dr. Tremaine (one of the co-founders), played a very important role as sound engineer in the design and installation of both the recording and reproducing equipment.

In conjunction with the radio broadcasting course, the university is planning to operate its own broadcasting station which will be staffed by advanced and graduate students of the broadcasting course. A television department with cameras and property and set construction classes is also to be added. This will provide training, in conjunction with the writing and drama departments, in all phases of telecasting productions, ranging from two-minute commercials to full major productions.

Dr. Klekner and Dr. Tremaine have appointed Dr. George K. Teffeau as Dean of the University of Hollywood. He comes well qualified for the past many years of experience in the educational and commercial world.

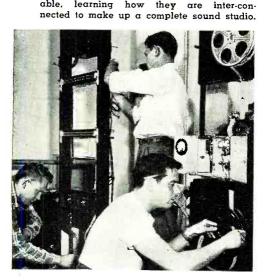
Optical (film) and magnetic recording classes are given thorough training. Student is shown checking the density of the audio portion on a 35mm film recording.



Showing part of a maintenance lab where modern shop practices are taught all of the students.



Fine points are not forgotten; observing ratio of land-to-groove on records. Disc recording is a major part of curriculum.



No "mockups" are used at this new Holly-

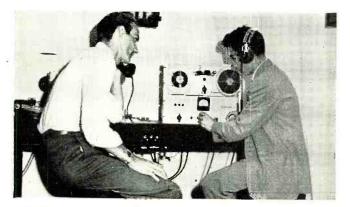
wood University. All students are taught

on the finest projectors and audio units avail-



Television sets are studied and analyzed by all engineering students.





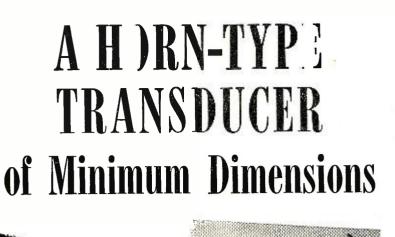
Students learn magnetic tape recordings on professional gear like this PT6 Magnecord. All forms of recorders, i.e., wire, tape, film, and disc types, are studied by all of the students.

Dr. Teffeau holds degrees in law, business administration, the arts, and literature, and for the past 17 years he has been actively engaged in the educational field as an instructor in both universities and trade schools. In addition to announcing many radio programs which have been released over the major stations and networks, Dr. Teffeau has also had a hand in production and writing.

The idea of the University of Hollywood did not grow overnight. It involved years of searching and endless experimentation. It took the courage and the pioneer spirit of trail blazers for Drs. Klekner and Tremaine to formulate their plans and then see them through to fruition. Because of the strength of their convictions both of these men jointly endowed the university with a sum in excess of \$50,000.00.

All academic and non-technical subjects which do not contribute and are not applicable to the chosen engineering or professional career are being omitted. Because of the omission of these non-essential, time-wasting subjects, the University of Hollywood's streamlined education requires only eighteen months of training to qualify for a degree, a B.S.,—Bachelor of Science in Audio Engineering.

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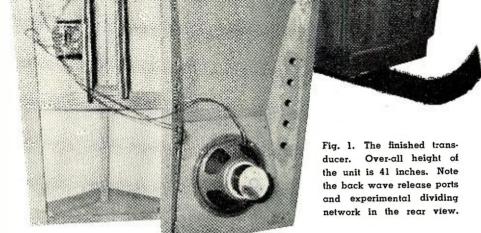
Audio Research Labs.*

'T IS a generally conceded fact that the relative efficiency of the - direct radiator loudspeaker is .ow. All things being equal, the factor contributing most to this state of affairs is that the efficiency of such a speaker is relative to the area of its cone. This is especially true in the low-frequency region where the entire cone tends to act as a piston. The greater the area of the cone, the better the match between the driver mechanism and the air. This means that when more air is moved by the cone, the efficiency of the driver is greater, hence the emphasis on cone

For technical and practical reasons, direct radiator speakers are limited from attaining the ideal, i.e., from being able to move an air mass equal in square inches to one-quarter the wavelength of the lowest frequency to be reproduced.

A direct radiator loudspeaker, in order to reach optimum efficiency when reproducing a thirty-two c.p.s. signal, would require a cone diameter of approximately eight feet. It is obvious that the mass of such a cone precludes any practicality in its design. However, when the diaphragm of a driver unit is attached to an exponential horn, this ideal is easily met. For the horn is a mechanical-acoustical coupling device which transforms a low-velocity, high-pressure, acoustic energy at the entrance of the horn's narrow throat to a lowpressure, high-velocity energy at the termination of the horn's mouth, which is proportionately large in relation to the throat.1

There is available a considerable amount of literature regarding the theory of exponential horns, and it would serve no purpose to discuss further the technical nature of the



Constructional details for an integral space transducer for home or studio sound installation.

subject here, except to say that by such a device air mass is substituted for cone mass. Since air is fluid and light, the great mouth areas of exponential horns offer no problem of mass, as would be the case in proportionately large cones.

Yet exponential horns have their disadvantages. In the first place, if they are to go down to the region of really low frequency response, they reach alarming dimensions, and their elephantine size limits their use to conditions where space is of little or no concern.

Secondly, they are somewhat directional in the middle frequencies and extremely so in the higher range. Lastly, they must be carefully designed in order that they will not have a discriminating effect against

the frequency response in certain given regions. This last problem is seldom met in horns of straight design, but it becomes of real consequence in folded or re-entrant type horns.

We have seen, therefore, that the horn-type speaker possesses many inherent advantages lacking in the direct radiator. Our problem then resolves itself around the development of a small portable speaker, using the principle of the exponential horn. At first this would seem to be virtually impossible, since (as we have seen) the horn depends for its effectiveness upon its cumbersome length and large mouth area. Shortening the horn will ordinarily generate standing waves and cancel out some of the very frequencies we are called upon to reproduce, giving rise to a most unsatisfactory over-all response.

Nevertheless, we will take an aver-(Continued on page 56)

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^{1 &}quot;Loudspeaker and Transformer Principles." Utah Radio Products Pamphlet—Page 5.

DIRECTIONS FOR BUILDING AN INTEGRAL SPACE TRANSDUCER

THESE instructions are for a simplified horn having straight sides, but retaining all the characteristics of the tapered model shown in the accompanying photographs. The reasons for simplification are obvious when one considers that the tapered model has in its construction no piece which is not in some way beveled or biased to fit its adjoining member. The difficulty in constructing the tapered model without complete workshop equipment would be a formidable and time-consuming task. The straightsided model will not tax the skill of the hobbyist nor the equipment of the home workshop, and the results will warrant the effort as well spent.

1—On a suitable piece of ¾" plywood stock, lay out the dimension given in Fig. A-1. This is basically a 45 degree isosceles triangle with 16" sides and another isosceles triangle of 30 degrees with the base of 23½ inches. The measurements shown in Fig. A-1 have been computed after cutouts for the side stretch Fig. C-3 have been made.

2—On ¾" clawwood lay out the dimensions is a few first the side stretch.

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2—On 34" plywood, lay out the dimensions given for Fig. C-3, the over-all width being 9" and the height 37". On the short base of this rectangle measure 8" from the long side left and drive a nail. Now find the midway point of the long side marked M in Fig. C-3. This is 18½"up from the short base. At this point measure from the long-side 7½" and drive a second nail. At the very edge of the long-side left, adjoining the short-side top, drive a third nail with a spline, i.e., a thin, elastic strip of wood or metal, 40 inches or more in length; place this behind the first nail in front of the second nail, and behind the third nail there is now produced a curve. Mark this curve with a pencil and withdraw the nail. This will be the inside of the curve for Fig. C-3. The curve should be sawed at a 45 degree angle, found by drawing a line from the hottom of this curve line to a point 9 inches on the bottom side, short base, far edge. The straight side of Fig. C-3 should have an included angle of 30 degrees to match the front side of Fig. A-1.

3—At a point ½" up from the short base of Fig. C-3 draw a diagonal line 16" long, intersecting with the curved edge; along this, line cut of a ½" slot ½" deep, using a sharp small chiscl or, if available, a circle saw equipped with ½" dado head. When this piece, Fig. C-3, is finished, reverse all the angles and make another piece. This will give you the required two opposite struts.

4—On ½" presdwood lay out the dimensions in Fig. B-2 and saw out, being sure that you keep the smooth side of the work facing you. Next reverse the measurements and lay out a like trapezoid. This will give you the two side pieces, one of which is shown as Fig. B-2. The smooth sides should be faced inward toward each other as they would be subject to view in the completed structure.

5—With the aid of ½" wood screws and a liberal coverium of clue attach the pieces C-3 to the smooth side of

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S—With the aid of ½" wood screws and a liberal covering of glue attach the pieces C-3 to the smooth side of pieces B-2. The long 37" side of B-2 is the front side, and it is evident that C-3 will be fastened so that its

The long 37" side of B-2 is the front side, lent that C-3 will be fastened so that its straight edge corresponds to this length. The slot in C-3 will face outward.

6—From your lumber yard secure a 32" piece of inside corner moulding (manufactured by the American Plywood Company). This must be able to accommodate ¼" stock. See Fig. D-4. Bore on 4" centers through the flanges on both sides of this moulding ¾6" holes. When this is completed slip the pieces B-2 into the recess channel, mark the holes with a pencil, and bore with a ½" drill. When you have finished, extract pieces B-2 and coat the edges which engage the moulding channel with liquid rubber. Reinsert the pieces B-2 into the channels and secure with ½" flat-head stove bolts, placing the head on the outside of the channel. Cut off excess thread with a good wire clip. 7—With 1" wood screws and a liberal application of glue, attach the assembly of the two pieces C-3, the two pieces B-2.

and piece D-4 to the base A-1. This should fit accurately and should be fastened as firmly as possible.

8—On ½" presdwood stock lay out the dimensions for Fig E-5. The height, width of the base, and width of top are given. For the center measurement midway between base and top, measure at a like point the diagonal across the assembly as it stands in Step seven. This distance should be 14½". Again drive nails, place the spline, draw the curve, and complete by sawing out. The circular hole located 4" on center from the top and mid center with the top of Fig. E-5 is for the University tweeter, mounting holes measured from the tweeter.

9—Take a piece of ¾" stock lumber 11½" long and 2" wide. Plane a beveled edge on the ¾" side to an angle of 40 degrees, and fasten with wood screws to Fig. E-5. 9½" above the mid base. This is shown in Fig. F-6. The flat 2" side to face inward against Fig. E-5 and the 40 degree bevel to face upward and away from the base. 10—Place Fig. E-5 and Fig. F-6 assembly into the triangular structure obtained at the completion of step seven. Fasten E-5 to the curved beveled edges of the side struts C-3 with ½" wood screws, after having first coated the beveled edges of the side struts C-3 with liquid rubber.

rubber.

11—On 34" plywood stock lay out the dimensions given for the top, Fig. J-9. Fit the long side of the triangle of J-9 to the face of E-5, using glue and 1" wood screws. Assembly as it has thus far been completed should resemble the drawing in Plate Number 1, on which the figure numbers have been listed for each component, enabling the reader to better visualize the placement of the various parts.

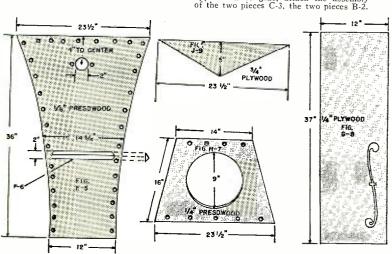
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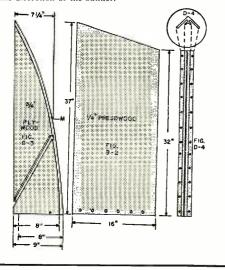
12—On ¼" presdwood stock lay out the dimensions for Fig. H-7, and saw out. The speaker cut-out will depend on the size of the speaker being used, 9" being arbitrary: all speaker mounting holes are to be taken from the speaker itself. Place on the base A-1 a piece of wrinkled aluminum foil cut to fit. This should be glued to a felt base of the same dimensions, and in its turn glued to the base A-1. (Object: to break up reflected sound in the throat of the horn). Next slip speaker mounting baffle into the slot in side strut C-3. With ½" wood screws fasten the 14" top of H-7 to the beveled edge of Fig. F-6.

13—Mount speaker, the large cone bass driver on H-7, and the tweeter in front of the 2" hole in Fig. E-5. Assemble the high-pass filter as supplied by the manufacturer of the tweeter and bring the speaker feed cable through a hole in the base A-1 located under the bass speaker close to-the front, the exact location being arbitrary.

14—On ¼" plywood with a mahogany or other suitable veneer on the finished side lay out the dimensions as shown for Fig. G-8. Cut two pieces to these specifications and angle the long sides that butt together in order to make a close-fitting joint. Fasten with oval-headed screws and finishing washers to the base A-1 and top J-9. Struts to reinforce the front panels G-8 are not shown, but it is evident what can be done to reinforce these pieces. F slots are also shown in Fig. G-8 to relieve back pressure for the hass speaker, but any configuration can be employed here as long as the area of the opening is equivalent to 8/10ths of the number of square inches in the speaker opening of Fig. H-7.

In conclusion, let us remind the prospective builder that the dimensions contained herein limit this corner baffle to a maximum speaker diameter of 12". Success depends upon careful workmanship, attention to details,







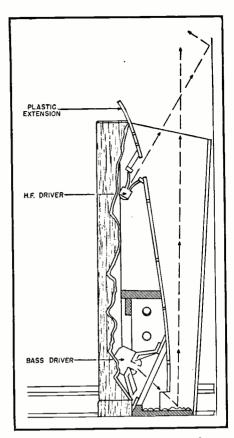


Fig. 2. Side view showing basic horn design.

age room and see what can be done to improvise a horn-type speaker that will not be of prohibitive size. Assuming that we want the best possible dispersion of sound and wish to take advantage of the greatest natural efficiency common to enclosed chambers, the best location for the transducer is unquestionably in the corner of our given room.

Let us then wall off a portion of this corner and bend the wall so that the enclosed space takes on the characteristic of an exponential expansion. If our horn is to have a low-frequency cut-off of about 48 cycles, the triangular area should double itself in cross section every 18 inches. So far so good, but how are we to introduce the mouth of the horn into the room? The best solution would be to design a coupling so that the air column would emerge tangent to the ceiling and to both walls. If we sketch this idea (Fig. 3) it becomes readily apparent that we have brought the whole room into play as a part of the loudspeaker system. In other words, we have produced an integral space coupling of the speaker to the given room. Experimental models have confirmed the assumed improvement in reproduction. If a properly designed coupling chamber is used between the speaker driver and the throat of the horn, the characteristics of this unit are positively amazing!

As good as this design is, it still leaves much to be desired, for it is far too unwieldly to be considered a practical piece of furniture in the average living room. Is there any way

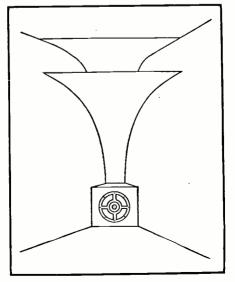
that we can retain the integral space coupling and still reduce the over-all size of the unit? Attacking the problem from a different angle, we know that the main energy of a horn is expended along its axis.

In the case of the vertical corner horn, this effect is further heightened by the solid angle formed by the intersection of the two walls. Consequently, it should be possible to reduce the height of the horn considerably and still utilize the entire room as an extension of the horn.

The horn we have designed and which we call the "integral space transducer" is essentially a horn of the straight type. Its size is no larger than the conventional box-type baffles now available. Despite this reduction in size, we were able to retain the essential efficiency of a fullsize exponential horn. The intersection of the walls acts as an extension of the horn length, and the exponent is governed by a basic three-foot, 48cycle curve which imparts the initial directivity to the sound. As the wavefront advances and meets the ceiling, it is further allowed to expand horizontally along the walls of the room in the confined area made naturally by the intersection of walls and ceiling. The ultilization of a vertical directivity of sound in the basic horn, combined with the horizontal direction imparted by adjoining walls and ceiling, give this unit a characteristic closely approaching that of an infinite horn.

Its small size was made possible by careful attention to the degree of effectiveness with which a basic length of horn can govern the expanding wavefront when the exponential restriction is no longer wholly present. For a detailed discussion of this point, see Paul W. Klipsch's article in the journal of the "Acoustical Society of America" for October, 1941. In our research it was found that a basic length of slightly over three feet would suffice to give adequate results

Fig. 3. Fundamental integral space coupling between loudspeaker system and the room.



for the integral space transducer. Another factor which contributed to the small size was a device known as the "sound diffusion reflex coupling chamber." This unique coupling method utilizes a reflective panel made of aluminum, finished in a specially-designed irregular surface which distributes the audio energy equally throughout the throat area. This eliminates the need for complex phase correction plugs. While this method would not be especially desirable for treble frequencies, it is nevertheless remarkably adaptable to the bass range because of its simplicity and rigidity (see Fig. 2).

The basic horn reproduces only the frequencies below 4000 c.p.s. or thereabouts. For the higher frequencies, there is a separate compression-type tweeter with its own integral horn mounted near the mouth of the basic horn (see Fig. 2).

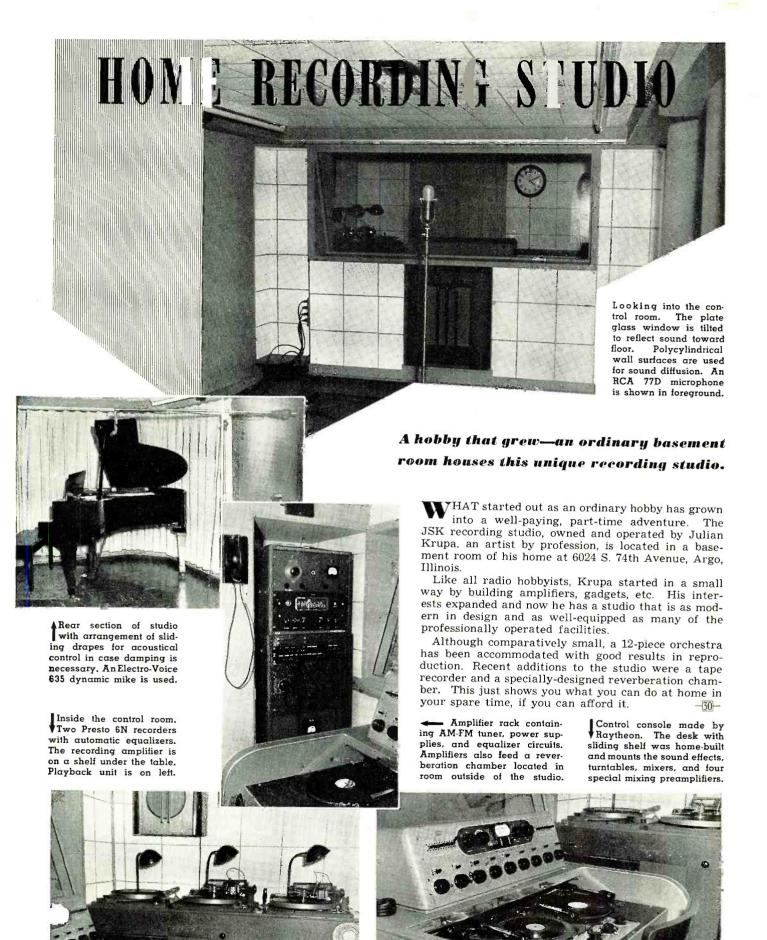
The angle of this tweeter is so arranged that the axial flow of sound will reflect from the corner at a point substantially below the intersection of walls and ceiling. This gives dispersion to the high notes and integrates them into the general sound pattern far more effectively than if the tweeter were allowed to radiate directly into the open room.

The tweeter and bass driver are controlled by a two-channel dividing network having its crossover at 3500 cycles and an outside bandpass with an attenuation of ten to twelve db. per octave.² It would have been entirely possible to lower this crossover frequency, but the basic horn would then have been lost on the lower mid-frequency band and would negate the advantages which are so apparent when these frequencies are allowed to emanate from the basic horn.

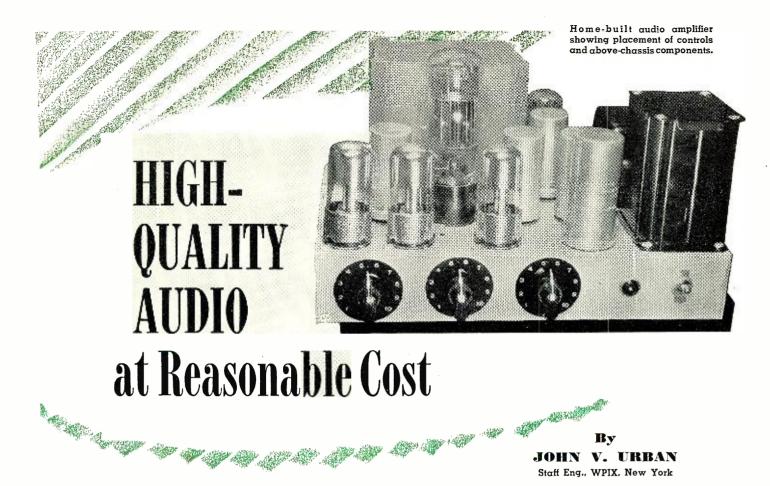
The actual construction of the integral space transducer lends itself admirably to materials that are easily obtainable. As is evidenced by the illustrations, this unit is of triangular structure which allows for a unique type of fabrication giving license to the use of light, durable materials. The base of the unit is a simple right-triangle of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch plywood, faced with the metal foil necessary for the sound diffusion reflex coupling chamber.

To this triangle are affixed the two side panels made from 3/16 inch tempered Masonite. These two pieces are so tapered as to allow adequate clearance for existing baseboards and mouldings. Upon each of these panels is mounted a curved strut which forms the foundation for the exponential flare, which is a piece of 1/8 inch Masonite laid out as a pie-shaped exponential curve. This is fitted to the curved struts, and the resulting enclosure is the basic triangular horn. The two short members are fastened to the curved struts to form a foundation for the trapezoidal speaker mounting board. The ensuing closed

² Jensen. Model A40-1. (Continued on page 130)



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Construction details for an audio amplifier designed primarily for use with FM-AM tuners, TV, and record players.

▼ELEVISION is providing an ever increasing number of enjoyable - looking and listening hours to a rapidly growing number of people. The author has spent many pleasant hours viewing the antics of a favorite comedian or some other type of preferred program. This apparent realization of the listener's dream come true prompted us to dispose of all of our high-quality audio equipment some months ago.

Much to our sorrow, however, one of the greatest deterrents to the realization of perfection in home entertainment has been the apparent disregard for the audio portion of the program, largely at the receiving end. This, of course, has come about due to the demand by the public for lower priced television receivers to which the manufacturers have responded by incorporating audio systems roughly equivalent in response to that of the cheaper a.c.-d.c. midget radio variety.

Transmission of the audio portion of the televised program is accomplished through a frequency modulated signal and generally adheres to high standards. The only exception to this rule is the case where the advantageous studio acoustics of the larger network radio stations are not adaptable for use on television programs and remote sports and television broadcasts. Of course, the latter generally do not include any wide frequency range transmission, but are generally limited to the voice frequency range of the announcer or master of ceremonies.

The amplifier described herein was constructed in order to enjoy the full audio range of some of the telecasts. It was connected to the audio input stage of a table model television receiver. The results were so gratifying that we are now using the same audio system with an FM tuner, an AM tuner, and a record changer, using a variable reluctance pickup cartridge.

The input of the amplifier requires 1 volt for an output of 8 watts and is wired to a shielded junction box containing a four-position rotary switch for selection of the audio driving source. At an output of 2 watts, which is sufficient for most home installations, the output contains less than 1% total harmonic distortion for any frequency from 100 to 5000 cycles. This is the highest frequency at which measurements were taken, since the fourth and higher order harmonics of this frequency fall outside the useful audio range. The frequency response curves shown in Fig. 1 were made with the aid of a Hewlett-Packard audio frequency generator, model 205 AG, and a Hewlett-Packard harmonic wave analyzer, Model 300A. The characteristic curves and distortion measurements were taken on the amplifier which was constructed with "run of the mill" unselected components. The statistics could be greatly improved by more careful balancing in the driver stage and selection of tubes and components, but it was felt that the average constructor would not have the equipment available to do this and would, therefore, be more interested in the results tabulated on a unit made with parts that did not require pretesting and selection.

The relatively good performance characteristics of the amplifier are due in part to the use of a good output transformer. The constructed unit utilized one of the linear standard series, which is highly recommended. The cheaper series equivalent may be used, though with some sacrifice in performance, noticeable especially in distortion at the higher output levels and frequency response at both the low and high end of the range. Since the speaker voice coil was directly driven, and no other use for the amplifier was contemplated, a 500-ohm output winding on the transformer was not deemed necessary, resulting in a substantial saving in the cost of the

The output stage of the amplifier utilizes the low mu twin triode, 6AS7G. This tube is of the heater cathode type primarily designed for voltage regulator service. It will conduct a relatively high plate current due to its low plate resistance, and this is a dis-

tinct advantage, since in audio service it serves to dampen the loudspeaker very effectively. Damping is achieved by the use of inverse feedback when tubes having high plate resistances, such as pentodes or beam tetrodes, are used as output amplifiers. In many cases, however, feedback loops introduce regeneration and phase distortion at certain frequencies. This is especially true when the feedback loop includes resistance-capacitance networks to boost or attenuate a particular range of frequencies. It is also true that feedback lowers the gain of an amplifier, so that the advantage of the sensitivity of the multi-grid output tube is somewhat offset by its need for feedback.

Each section of the 6AS7G receives its bias through a separate resistor. This provides a self regulatory action, since if one section is inclined to draw more plate current it will increase its bias and hence tend to maintain a balance with the other section. A total of four tubes was tried, and each operated within acceptable limits. If the unbalance between sections should exceed 5 ma., the cathode bias resistors should be decreased to 2000 ohms

each, and a 1000 ohm balancing potentiometer (wirewound 4 watt rating) inserted in series with the end of each cathode resistor and the arm of the potentiometer grounded. (See schematic diagram Fig. 2.)

The use of the 6AS7G as an audio amplifier output stage has been hampered by its relatively low amplification factor of approximately 2. It is easily driven to the better than 8 watts output by the use of a push-pull 6SN7GT driver stage. Distortion in the driver is minimized by the push-pull circuit and the use of unbypassed cathode resistors which provide degeneration. A driver transformer was not used since a good one is an expensive item and would raise the over-all cost considerably.

The driver stage is preceded by half of a 6SN7GT, which functions as the familiar split load type phase inverter, chosen for its simplicity and balance, and which will supply output voltages of opposite phase sufficiently equal without the need for careful balancing. Since the driver stage is not followed by high amplification, the danger of hum disturbances due to heater cathode leakage is minimized. This

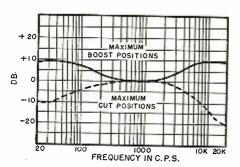
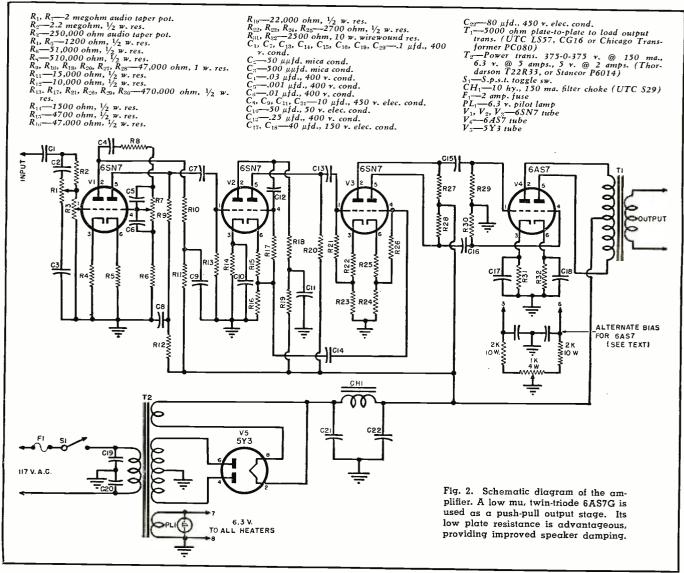


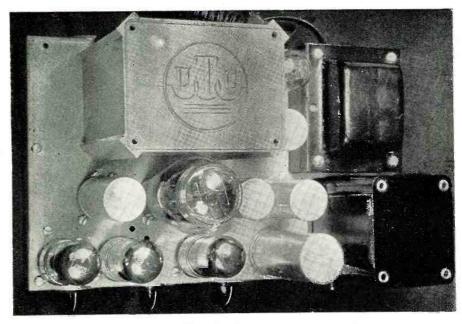
Fig. 1. Over-all frequency response curves of the home-built audio amplifier.

type of hum sometimes prohibits the use of this means of phase inversion when it is followed by high amplification.

The other half of the 6SN7GT is used as a voltage amplifier. With the possible exception of the large bypassing and coupling condensers, this stage is conventional in every respect. These are essential for minimum hum as they bypass hum voltage originating between the heater and the cathode, and are also necessary for good low-frequency response. The audio frequency voltage developed across the



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Top view of the audio amplifier, showing relative placement of components.

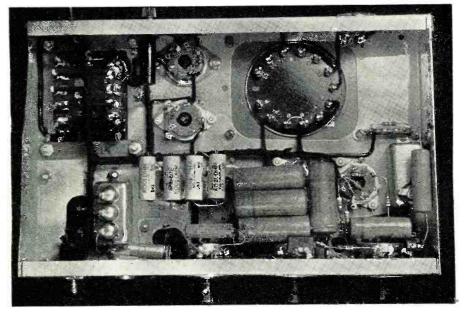
cathode circuit impedance is equal to the total voltage developed in the plate circuit, multiplied by the ratio of cathode circuit impedance to the plate circuit impedance. This voltage across the cathode impedance will act in a degenerative manner reducing the low-frequency response if the bypassing condenser is not sufficiently large.

The tube complement of the amplifier is completed with the use of a third 6SN7GT, which functions as a separate high and low frequency amplifier control stage. There is no interaction between the stages or controls. The circuit values are chosen so that there is the least effect upon the frequencies from approximately 600 to 800 cycles. The low frequency control will boost 9 db. at 40 cycles and attenuate 10 db. at 40 cycles when set in extreme positions. The boost is gradual to about 150 cycles, and it

then rises sharply to a peak at 40 cycles. This is a desirable characteristic inasmuch as it tends to decrease the annoying bass boominess of a human voice when excessive boost is present at 200 to 300 cycles, and it also provides the boost necessary below 100 cycles to bring out to advantage the lows of the drum and bass string instruments.

The high frequency control will boost the response 10 db. at 20,000 cycles and attenuate it 20 db. at the same frequency. Both of the tone control potentiometers are of the audio taper type (in which the 10 percent resistance point occurs at 50 percent rotation), and these will provide substantially linear response when set at 50 percent rotation. With the amount of control available, one naturally feels there must be some disadvantage, and this is revealed as an in-

Under-chassis view. Note, particularly, neatness of wiring and parts assembly.



sertion loss of 20 db. at 800 cycles. On the other hand, if the selective feedback method of tone control had been used, it would have necessitated a corresponding loss in gain and might have resulted in some regeneration and transient distortion.

Except for the relatively high capacitance output filter condenser and large bypass and decoupling networks, the power supply is entirely conventional in every respect. It was found necessary to use at least an 80 μ fd. output filter condenser to prevent low frequency motorboating and instability due to the low frequency boost stage

A very desirable feature in most equipment is reasonable compactness, and this entire amplifier and power supply were assembled on a 7" x 9" x 2" chassis. Good construction practice will call for a good grounding technique for the tone control stages. No separate ground bus was found necessary after the unit was completed. Grounding for the tone control stages should be made to one point on the chassis. One side of the heaters is grounded, but in no case should this point be used for grounding any other circuit components. The heaters are wired in parallel and grounded at the transformer negative return point. The heater of the 6AS7G is rated at 6.3 volts a.c. 2.5 amperes, and at least #20 wire should be used for this wiring, especially if a larger chassis is used and a longer filament run is necessitated.

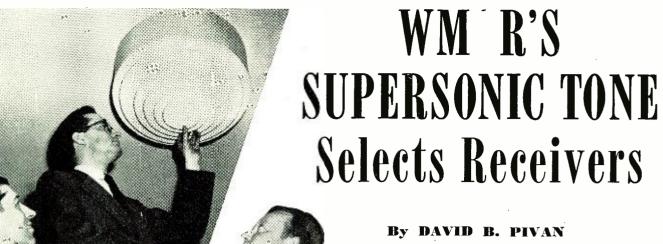
The input of the amplifier was wired to the shielded junction box, using low capacity, low loss shielded wire, but a single contact microphone connector and chassis receptacle may be substituted if desired. Output of the unit is wired to an octal socket on the rear apron of the chassis and is used with an octal male connector and twisted pair speaker cable.

Many excellent preamplifiers giving the proper compensation have been described in this and other magazines.

The type of equalizer and amplifier which allows the characteristics to be varied to suit various pickups will probably be the most satisfactory for the majority of users.

For full realization of the capabilities of the amplifier, the input source must be a good one. Live music broadcast over the local frequency modulation stations has proved excellent. If one of the variable reluctance pickup cartridges is used for phonograph reproduction, the tone control stages do not obviate the need for a properly equalized input preamplifier.

The speaker system includes the speaker and its proper baffle. A separate low and high-frequency, or coaxial type, reproducer is recommended. During the amplifier tests, a 10-watt rated speaker made by a reputable manufacturer was destructively damaged by the output of the amplifier at the lower frequencies. With this in mind, it is recommended that a speaker system capable of handling 20 watts be used with this unit.



Chief Engineer, WMOR

Special shopping tips to in Chicago's many National and Jewel stores bring added revenue to station.

R. J. Wood, Jr., manager of station WMOR, points out first Jewel Food Store loud-

speaker installation to Roy Martin (left), store manager. and a representative of Consumers Aid, Inc. (right).

ARGEST independent FM broadcaster in the Midwest, Station WMOR is located in the heart of Chicago, its antenna mounted atop one of the tall "Loop" skyscrapers. An effective radiated power of 40,000 watts provides it with a service area comprising a radius of 75 miles. Any receiver using a good FM antenna will consistently pick up the programs at distances of more than a hundred miles. This coverage does not vary from day to night, nor is it disturbed by heterodynes or static noise, and it possesses a measure of fidelity that amazes "dyed in the wool" AM listen-

Staff members of WMOR believe they have found the key to successful FM broadcasting by airing shows that cannot be obtained to any extent on AM or other FM stations, i.e., programming special events and featuring personalities. During the daytime hours, instrumental music is transmitted and may be heard in the nearly two hundred supermarkets of Chicago's two major food chains. Shoppers in these stores are diverted by pleasant background music, plus an occasional shopping tip.

Receivers in the stores are equipped with selective filters actuated by a supersonic tone that is superimposed upon the commercial announcement. The output of the filters can be used silence the announcement or to

boost it, whichever is desired. The manner in which it is accomplished is shown in the block diagram. Although only two selective filters are indicated, additional ones may be added to perform such functions as automatically turning the remote receivers on and off.

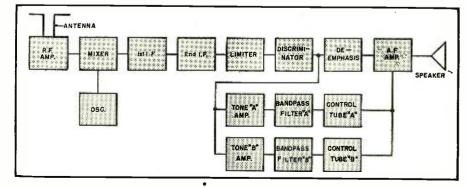
Two main studios are provided at WMOR for the origin of live shows, both of which are treated acoustically to give a somewhat longer reverberation time than is commonly attained. The resulting programs have a "liveness" that further increases the realism of the high-fidelity broadcast. High fidelity has come to mean many different things in the past few years, but at WMOR it refers to "true fidelity." Whether or not the public as a

group actually desires true fidelity is not certain. One-time listener tests have not indicated conclusively that there is a preference one way or the other, but tests conducted over a period of time show a decided trend toward as exact a reproduction of the original sound as is possible. All of the audio equipment in the studios is designed with that purpose in mind and has a flat response from 20 to 20,-000 cycles within 1½ db.

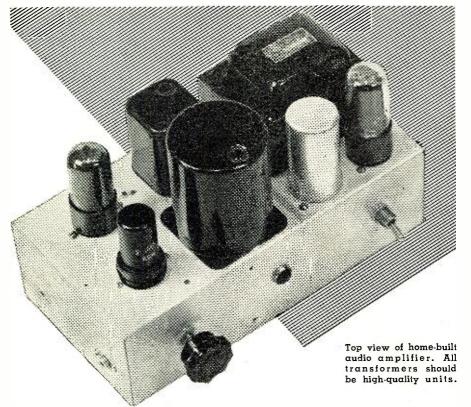
Two transcription libraries are maintained at WMOR, Capitol and World, the latter being a vertical service. Transcriptions with low surface noise are played "wide open," that is, equalized to correspond to the recording characteristic. These transcriptions have a high-frequency response to 10,-000 c.p.s., with some going considerably higher. Shellac pressings, with the exception of a few foreign labels, seldom have high-frequency response above 7000 c.p.s. Consequently, when these records are played it is necessary to employ a high-frequency rolloff to improve the signal-to-noise ra-

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Fig. 1. Block diagram of a supersonic tone controlled receiver.



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A Direct-Coupled AMPLIFIER With Cathode Follower

Two novel circuits in a single audio amplifier provide wide frequency response with a minimum of distortion.

■HE construction of the amplifier to be described in this article was - actually initiated a little over two years ago, at which time I became an enthusiastic audio ham. During the recent war I was associated with radar in a practical way and so became acquainted with the cathodefollower which was used extensively in radar as an inexpensive medium for matching a high impedance to a low impedance in voltage amplifier stages. At that time, it appeared to me that the cathode-follower might be ideally suited for audio output stages where the problem of getting a good impedance match is generally difficult and usually expensive. With this in the back of my mind, I began experimenting with all types of audio amplifiers, searching for a circuit that would provide a lot of performance for a minimum of parts. Previous issues of Radio & Television News, I discovered, had described both cathode-follower and direct-coupled amplifiers as separate circuits. I could not find any articles that described an audio amplifier with both direct coupling between stages and cathode-follower output. So, using old issues of Radio & Television News as source material, I proceeded to construct this amplifier.

As can be seen in the schematic diagram, the circuitry is extremely simple.

There are two features that give this amplifier its superior performance. One is direct coupling between the plate of the 6SJ7 and the grid of the 6V6. The other is the cathode-follower output from the 6V6.

In addition to its simplicity, direct coupling eliminates the undesirable

characteristics that are inherent in ordinary resistance-capacitance coupling, such as short circuiting of weak signals and grid blocking of strong signals.

The cathode-follower output, in addition to its simplicity, provides both improved high and low frequency response, damping out of all the peaks in both the output transformer and speaker, less distortion, and 100 percent degenerative feedback.

In order to determine the circuit values in the schematic, free use was made of the tube manuals and Kirchoff's and Ohm's laws. Commencing with the output stage in the conventional manner, the tube manuals indicate that for a single-stage output, a 6L6, 6V6, 6F6, or 6K6 are likely output tubes. The 6V6 was selected because of its ready availability and relatively lower percentage harmonic distortion rating. The 6SJ7 was chosen mainly because of its high gain and low percent distortion.

In order to keep power requirements down, I chose a 350 v., center-tapped, 120 ma. (53 ma. only required) power transformer which is readily available at moderate cost. Allowing for a 15 volt drop in the filter choke and a 250 volt drop from the plate to the cathode of the $6\overline{V}6$, 85 volts is available at the cathode of the 6V6. Since in a direct coupled circuit the grid bias, 12.5 volts in this case, is obtained by the voltage differential between the cathode and grid, approximately 73 volts is required at the grid of the 6V6 (and at the plate of the 6SJ7, inasmuch as these two tube elements are connected directly together). With 73 volts at the plate and 55 volts at the screen of the 6SJ7, a voltage amplification of 115 can be obtained at only .8 per-cent distortion. This means that a .1 volt signal at the grid of the 6SJ7 will provide a 11.5 volt signal at the grid of the 6V6 which is considered adequate.

In accordance with Kirchoff's law, the voltage and current distribution around the circuit is indicated in the schematic. Note that there is a 12.5 volt drop through the d.c. resistance of the primary of the output transformer which was measured to be approximately 250 ohms. The cathodefollower output is obtained simply by connecting the transformer to the cathode of the 6V6 and tying the plate and screen of the 6V6 together to the "B plus" supply, as shown.

The output of the amplifier is approximately 4.5 watts. While this figure may seem low to those accustomed to dealing with amplifiers having an output of 20 or more watts, it is entirely adequate for home use when an efficient speaker system is used.

Tests made by various organizations have shown that for listening in the average home living room, an output

of less than one watt is generally used. The only reason for providing more power than this is to allow for the peak passages that occur in some classical compositions.

The input sensitivity is such that even the high-quality, low-output crystal pickups will provide sufficient drive.

No provision has been made for the use of variable reluctance pickups, although there is no reason why such units could not be used if a preamplifier stage were added. There have been many satisfactory preamplifiers described in various issues of this magazine.

In the event a preamplifier is used for the magnetic pickups, great care should be exercised in the shielding and placement of parts to avoid hum pickup. The careful selection of the tube used in the preamplifier will aid materially in the reduction of hum.

There is sufficient reserve capacity in the power supply to take care of almost any type of preamplifier without any trouble.

No provision for tone controls has been made, although they could be added with little difficulty. There is a great deal of controversy as to the best type of tone control, and it was felt that they could be added at a later date when the most satisfactory type had been determined by experiment.

It is essential that the primary of the output transformer, T_1 , have a resistance of approximately 250 ohms, as the resistance of this winding determines the grid bias for the 6V6. A check of the various types of transformers on the dealers' shelves by means of an ohmmeter will be sufficient. The primary impedance of this transformer should be from 5000 to 6000 ohms, with the higher value giving slightly less distortion.

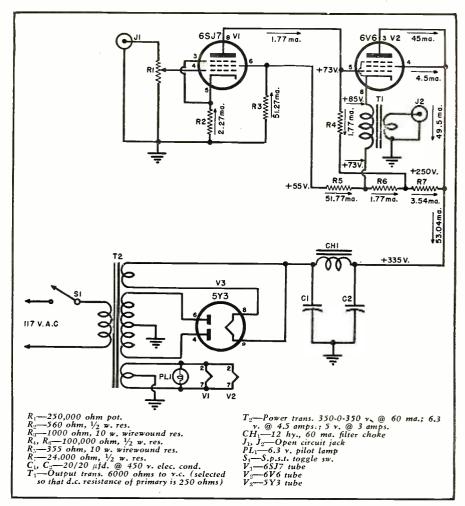
The voice coil winding should be selected to match the speaker in use. Most of the better speakers have an impedance in the vicinity of 8 ohms, and for that reason this value is specified.

It is not essential that this transformer be of the sealed type, but it should be of good quality so that the full benefit of the amplifier may be realized. Poor transformers are usually deficient in frequency response at the upper and lower frequencies.

The power supply, being conventional, needs no explanation.

As can be seen in the photographs, the construction of the amplifier is simple and straightforward, with point to point wiring being used throughout. All the parts used are of good quality, all chokes and transformers being shielded and/or hermetically sealed. The total cost is slightly less than ten dollars. By observing the usual precautions, twisting filament leads, etc. hum is inaudible at full gain.

When used with a good-quality tuner or record reproducer and a well baffled extended range speaker, the performance of this amplifier is superior for average living-room listening. The author used a *Pilotuner* for FM pro-



Complete schematic diagram of direct-coupled cathode-follower amplifier.

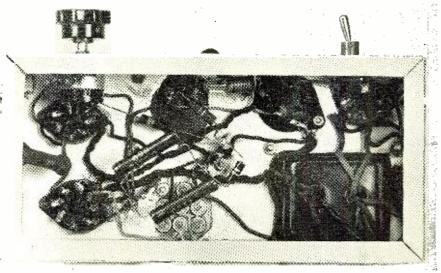
grams, a Webster dual speed record player for reproducing the conventional 78 r.p.m. and Columbia 33% r.p.m. records, an RCA player for the new 45 r.p.m. records, and a Jensen bass reflex reproducer.

Lacking laboratory test equipment, the author could not conduct the usual harmonic and intermodulation distortion tests on this amplifier. However, judging from extensive living-room listening tests, using recordings ranging from the RCA Victor Red Seal version of "Night on Bald Mountain" to the Capital Stan Kenton rendition of "Peanut Vendor," this amplifier leaves little to be desired.

If you've never listened to a direct-coupled cathode-follower amplifier, then you have a pleasure to look forward to while constructing this one.

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Under-chassis view shows relative placement of miscellaneous components.



Equalizing CRYSI

 $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$ CHARLES P. BOEGLI

Cincinnati Research Co.*

New equalizers provide crystal pickup performance comparable to that of high-quality magnetic units.

▼HE RELATIVELY recent development of a series of magnetic pickups typified by the $C\overline{l}arks$ tan RV, General Electric variable reluctance, Pickering, and a number of others, has set new standards of phonograph record reproduction. These units operate well with low stylus pressures, and the playback is characterized by remarkable "cleanness" and freedom from needle talk and record scratch. Not to be outdone, manufacturers of crystal pickups have concentrated on evolving improved units, and some recent products track satisfactorily with even lower stylus pressures than the magnetic pickups.

Crystal pickups capable of providing wide-range response are not new; until recently, however, their cost has been high. It is customary to feed the signal from these pickups directly into a high-impedance grid circuit, often employing a series equalizer, and under these conditions, as contrasted with late magnetic units, the crystal pickups generally have the advantages of higher voltage output and a lack of susceptibility to hum pickup. On the other hand, for a given frequency range, the reproduction with crystal pickups has the disadvantage of greater record scratch.

This is not primarily attributable, as has popularly been supposed, to the greater relative response of the crys-

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tal pickups to vertical stylus movement (the common belief being that "The noise is on the bottom of the record groove while the music is on the sides"), but rather to the superior inherent damping of the magnetic cartridge arising both from its low internal impedance and the low loading resistance that is as a result permitted without detrimental effect on the frequency response1, 2. The low impedance circuit effectively prevents resonant oscillations of the stylus when a particle of grit or dust is encountered and in this manner reduces the scratch level. Thus, the scratch level is somewhat akin to the "hangover" effect encountered in power output stages when pentodes are used without feedback. The same factors, of course, influence the "cleanness" of reproduction. Consequently, it may be assumed that when all other factors (like mechanical stylus damping) are equal, the lower-impedance pickup circuit will result in less noise and cleaner reproduction.

It has been found that with proper equalization, the impedance of the crystal pickup input circuit can be greatly reduced, and results attained comparable to those to be had with magnetic pickups. The manner in which this is accomplished is the sub-

ject of this paper.

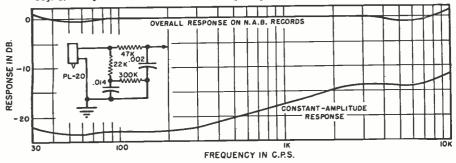
The internal impedance of a crystal pickup is almost purely capacitive. If such a pickup is loaded in the cus-

tomary manner with a resistance, the constant-amplitude bass response will drop off 6 db. per octave below the frequency at which the internal impedance of the pickup equals the load resistance. To extend the response down to a reasonably low frequency requires an extremely large load resistance; for example, a pickup having .001 µfd. internal capacitance requires a load resistance of 5.3 megohms for flat response to 30 c.p.s., assuming no low-frequency peak arising from arm resonance. With some pickups a low-frequency peak exists and this reduces the required load resistance by a small amount. Under any circumstances, this is practically equivalent to open-circuit conditions, and scratch occurring at higher frequencies is quite pronounced. The general practice with crystal pickups is to use a load resistance of the order of .5 megohm and accept the resulting low-frequency loss.

As the load resistance is decreased, the frequency at which bass attenuation begins becomes higher, but the damping of the circuit becomes better. If the load resistance is made equal to the internal impedance of the crystal at, say, 15 kc., the constant-amplitude response will drop 6 db. per octave below 15 kc. over the entire audible range. This means that the pickup is now velocity-responsive over the audible range and is, in respect to response, behaving like a magnetic pickup. In addition, under these circumstances, the low value of load resistance provides very good damping, reducing the needle scratch and markedly improving cleanness of reproduction. The output voltage of the pickup is considerably reduced at low frequencies and is of the order of some of the high-output magnetic devices.

A brief calculation will show that with these conditions the impedance of the entire input circut at high frequencies is of the same magnitude as that attained with customarily loaded magnetic cartridges. The "hangover" effect is most objectionable at these frequencies, and here the crystal cartridge gives performance comparable to the magnetic unit. At low frequencies, however, the crystal cartridge circuit impedance is high, and much more "hangover" occurs than in the case of the magnetic unit. Although not very objectionable, the resonance is noticeable, and it consti-

Fig. 1. Response curves of Brush PL-20 pickup equalized for N.A.B. pressings.



tutes the principal remaining disadvantage of the crystal unit.

Most commercial crystal pickups display a high-frequency peak due to needle resonance, and the optimum value of load resistance is equal to the crystal impedance at the frequency where open-circuit, high-frequency response is up 3 db. because of needle resonance. Under these circumstances, the resonant peak is minimized and high-frequency response drops off sharply above the peak.

With such a circuit, the low-frequency turnover of commercial pressings is easily compensated for by inserting, in series with the load resistor, a condenser whose reactance equals the load resistance at the turnover frequency. The load circuit and the capacitance of the pickup then form a capacity voltage divider below the turnover frequency, and the system is amplitude-responsive in this range. Furthermore, the parallel impedance of the pickup and equalizer is very low, so that even with a .5 megohm shunt, as is encountered in the input of a great many amplifiers, the bass response extends to very low frequencies indeed, of the order of 10 to 20 c.p.s.

Almost all modern commercial pressings have some form of high-frequency pre-emphasis, for which it is also desirable to equalize. This can easily be done by means of a simple losser circuit inserted after the lowfrequency equalizer. This additional section must have a sufficiently high impedance not to affect the performance of the first network but not so high as to be affected by the input shunt resistor or stray capacities.

The primary requirement for successful equalization in this manner is that the response of the crystal cartridge be substantially uniform over the desired range. A peak at high frequencies due to needle resonance is permissible, but it must be remembered that high-frequency response will not extend above this peak. The same situation exists with respect to the low frequencies; a peak does no damage but response cannot be expected to extend below the peak.

Furthermore, if the peaks are inordinately high (evidence of poor design) they will not be completely removed by the equalizer.

Examples of Equalizer Design

For standard records the Brush PL-20 crystal pickup, for example, has all of the many desired characteristics. The open-circuit response for the PL-20 cartridge, as published by the Brush Development Company, is shown in Fig. 3. It will be noted that the response is up 3 db. at about 7300 c.p.s., and since the internal capacitance is .001 $\mu fd.$,3 the proper load resistor is 22,000 ohms. The response of the cartridge loaded with this resistance is shown in Fig. 1. The lowfrequency peak causes a rise of 3 db. at 36 c.p.s.

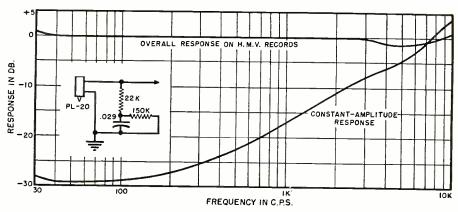


Fig. 2. Response curves of Brush PL-20 pickup equalized for H.M.V. pressings.

British H.M.V. and some other foreign records follow a very simple characteristic, with a turnover at 250 c.p.s. and no treble emphasis.4 Compensation for this turnover frequency is easily made by inserting, in series with the load resistor, a condenser whose impedance equals the load resistance at 250 c.p.s.; that is, a .029 μ fd. condenser. The last step is to remove the low-frequency peak by shunting this condenser with another resistor equal in size to the impedance of the condenser at 36 c.p.s.; this turns out to be 150,000 ohms. The completed equalizer and the calculated frequency response are shown in Fig. 2.

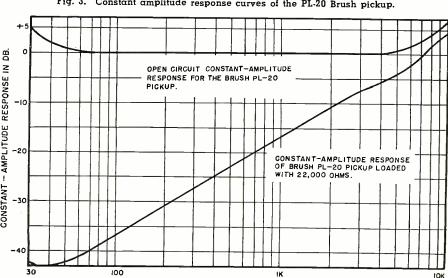
The N.A.B. recording characteristic (used in Artist, Capitol, M.G.M., and other pressings) requires a second equalizer section to compensate for the treble pre-emphasis. The first section is computed in a manner similar to that just described and found to consist of a 22,000 ohm resistor in series with a .014 μfd . condenser, which is, in turn, shunted by a 300,-000 ohm resistor. The second section can consist of a 47,000 ohm series resistor and a .002 µfd. shunt condenser; the complete equalizer and the calculated response are shown in Fig. 1.

It is of interest to note that this

particular recording characteristic could also have been compensated by loading the cartridge with a 100,000 ohm resistor in series with a .0032 μfd. condenser. In this case, the change of crystal capacitance with temperature will upset the high-frequency equalization. In the previous case the load resistor was selected with no other purpose than the elimination of the high-frequency peak and a change in crystal capacitance is not likely to have any noticeable effect.

The same procedure can be carried out with long-playing records for any pickup displaying the previously described characteristics. Columbia Microgroove records follow the N.A.B. characteristic except for additional bass boost amounting to 3 db. at 100 c.p.s. Correction for this boost can be made in the same manner as was shown for a bass rise due to the pickup arm, but it is evident that any residual rise because of arm resonance then remains uncompensated. If desired, this resonant rise can be removed by an additional equalizer section, but this expedient is likely to be difficult, and the best procedure is probably to leave the arm resonance uncompensated.

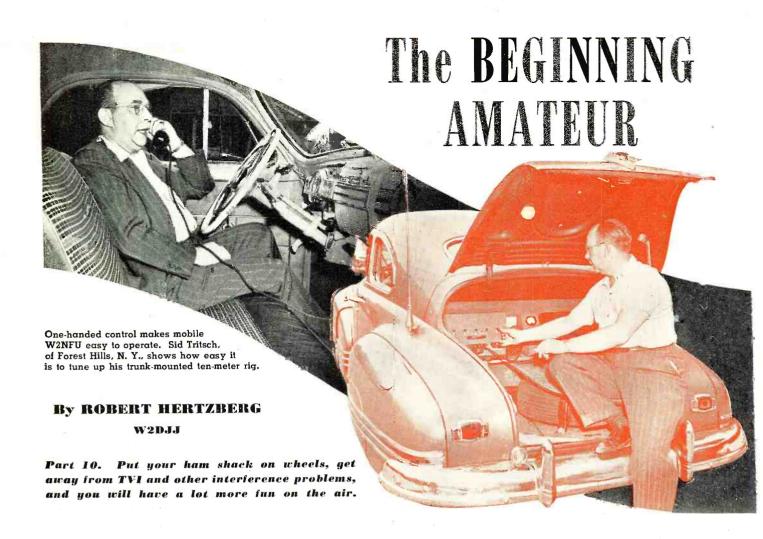
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Fig. 3. Constant amplitude response curves of the PL-20 Brush pickup.

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HERE'S nothing like it!" That's the enthusiastic comment you get from any ham who has put a rig in his car, and for good reason, too. Mobile operation is in a large way the answer to TVI and many other problems that beset ordinary fixed stations. With a converter on the dashboard and a transmitter in the trunk compartment, you can pick your own location and enjoy extremely interesting local and DX contacts. In some parts of the country, particularly the crowded East, mobile has saved ham radio from virtual extinction, and clubs whose members work mobile only are springing up overnight. Putting your radio

A husky, 5-tube job, rated at about 28 watts, is the Stancor Model ST-203-A. This is intended for trunk compartment mounting, and has a frequency coverage of 27 to 32 mc. "shack" on wheels gets you out into the open air and helps you to reestablish friendly relations with your friends and family.

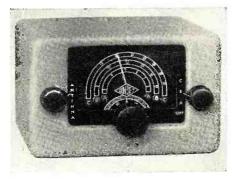
"Mobile" doesn't mean only "auto"mobile. You can operate from boats and airplanes and, for that matter, from bicycles and motorcycles, if you have three or four hands!

There is some confusion as to the difference between "mobile" and "portable." The first term applies to operation in a vehicle while the latter is moving or stationary. The second describes a temporary displacement to a fixed location other than that indicated on the station license; for example: You move from your regular

The Gonset three-band converter, giving continuous coverage from 3 to 30 megacycles over three bands. It uses four tubes and the dimensions are $5\frac{1}{4}$ by $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. house to a summer camp, cottage, bungalow, etc., where you will remain for a couple of months. If you want to set up a small station there, you have only to write a brief letter informing the office of the FCC having jurisdiction over that particular area. You will use your regular call letters, followed by the number of the call district. On phone, you sign off by saying, "This is W2XYX portable two," if you're still in the second district; or "This is W2XYZ portable one," if you happen to be somewhere along the Connecticut shore, in the first district. The FCC must be notified every month: you're allowed three renewals, or a total of four months of "portable" status. Beyond that, you have, in effect, moved to a permanent location, and you must apply for a modification of your ticket.

For mobile operation, you should notify the FCC only if you expect to be gone from your home-base more than 48 hours; you don't have to bother with paper work if you're out for a short week-end drive. For more than two days of mobile service, you are required to write to the FCC and to renotify them monthly. There is no time limit, as with portable operation. If you decide to make a grand tour of the United States, you can work mobile all along the way if you remember only to send the FCC a notice ev-

ery thirty days.



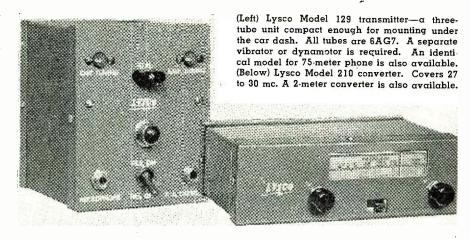
Although mobile operation is now permitted on any or all of the ham frequencies, from the practical standpoint only the frequencies above 27 megacycles are worth considering. The problem is the antenna, and it is a mechanical rather than an electrical one. On 20 meters, for instance, a quarter-wave "whip" antenna has to be about 16 feet long. Such a rod, sticking up from a fender or bumper, would last about five miles before it became entangled with low-hanging trees, trolley wires, lamp posts, etc. For 10 meters, however, an 8-foot whip is just right; in fact, an ordinary car-radio antenna serves the purpose quite well. The 10 meter is normally a daylight band anyway, and as most driving is done at this time, about 95% of current mobile hamming is on that band. The higher frequency bands permit the use of smaller antennas. some in the form of high efficiency beams, and a lot of interesting experiments can be made with them.

Some extraordinary DX can be achieved with mobile rigs feeding inconspicuous whips. Sid Tritsch, W2NFU, whose "shack on wheels" is shown in the accompanying pictures, once worked another mobile station in California while he was driving through a forest of apartment houses in New York City. He has also worked a D4 in Germany. Although he has thirty states to his credit, he doesn't think his success is anything unusual.

From the technical standpoint, mobile is a challenging game because you are more or less limited to low transmitting power. This restriction can be traced back to the storage battery of the car, which does not have the inexhaustible source of power of your 110-volt a.c. outlet at home. The heaters of the tubes draw a few amperes, and the plate voltage unit (dynamotor or vibrator) draws more; the total load of even a modest rig can readily run to 30 or so amperes. This means that the car engine must be running at a pretty good rate, not just idling, when the station is in use.

Many hams install larger-than-usual batteries and adjust the third brush on the charging generator for maximum output, so that they can operate for short periods at least with the engine turned off. Every now and then an operator will get so engrossed in a particularly good QSO from some hill-top that he will find himself with a dead battery, and a stalled car, after an hour or so of working his rig. To call this annoying is putting it mildly!

It is highly advantageous to park in high, clear spots, but at the same time it is not advisable to race the engine of a stationary car. Many hams for this reason are buying separate gasoline-engine driven d.c. charging generators, which can be carried in the trunk compartment, hauled out and set up at the chosen location, and connected either to the car battery or an extra one. The battery more or less "floats" across the generator and remains up to snuff. A typical 40-ampere generator can run most of an



afternoon on a gallon of fuel, saving a lot of wear and tear on the car engine. Such a machine will pay for itself over a period of a year or so of active hamming.

For mobile reception, it is almost universal practice to use a converter working into the regular broadcast receiver already in the car. This draws heater current from the car's battery and plate voltage from the existing vibrator "B" supply. The unit is very small and is easily mounted on the steering column or under the dashboard, within easy reach of the driver. Of course, there is nothing to prevent you from making and installing a separate high-gain receiver, but this will certainly require more space than the converter, and you'll have trouble finding a place for it. Don't make the mistake of crowding a lot of equipment under the dashboard.

Space requirements of even small transmitters makes their placement in the trunk compartment almost mandatory. In some cars, the shelf behind the rear seat is a good spot, although the equipment then becomes rather conspicuous. Some hams manage to squeeze transmitters into the glove compartment in the front, but they still have to find power supply space.



For temporary operation of a mobile rig at a fixed location, the Onan 40-amp., 6 v. charging generator shown here in trunk compartment of a station wagon offers reliability with economy. It weighs 77 pounds and is easily handled by two men. Tublike container on the left is gasoline can. Radio equipment on back shelf is a Motorola police job which is adapted for ten meters.

Advantages of mounting the unit in the front of the car include shortness of leads, especially the battery wires, and convenience in tuning. Disadvantages are the limited space and inaccessibility of interior parts. The large, wide-open trunk compartment offers enough space for experimental breadboard layouts, test equipment, etc., (Continued on page 122)

There's no mistaking this "ham shack on wheels." Sid Tritsch, of Forest Hills, N. Y., carries his call letters above his license plate. The latter, incidentally, contains his initials as well as his street number. The antenna is an 8-foot whip.



November, 1949



T WAS a sleepy day. A slow November drizzle had been falling since early morning, and there was something about the warm and cosy interior of Mac's Radio Service Shop that made a fellow's eyelids heavy; still, when Barney caught his boss nodding, this unusual sight shocked him wide awake. Snapping his fingers loudly he exclaimed:

"Hey, Mac, no sleeping on the job—as you tell me! What's the matter? Out kicking the gong around last night?"

"Not exactly," Mac said as he rubbed both hands across his sleepy eyes. "I was out on an amplifier job until one this morning, and those hours are kind of hard on a decrepit old man like me. Now, of course, if I were good-looking, red-headed, and only starting my twenties—"

"Never mind the heavy sarcasm," Barney interrupted. "You know that I'm never out late unless I'm sitting up with a slick friend; but how about this amplifier business sideline? You never told me anything about that. How did you get started in it? Does it pay well? Do you think it is a good deal for a service technician?"

Mac walked over to the lavatory and sloshed some cold water on his face before answering.

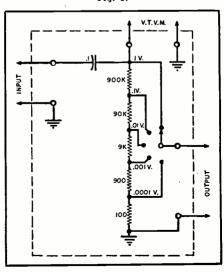
"You might say," he finally replied, "that I got into the business through the back door. Customers kept bringing me amplifiers to service, and I decided that I could do a better job of servicing if I had a little experience in the use of the equipment. On top of that, unless I could provide a 'loaner,' I had to work on an amplifier immediately; so I bought a couple units just to keep the customers from

standing over me and breathing on the back of my neck while I worked on their equipment. It was an easy and natural step from that to renting out amplifiers and to selling them."

"How about the filthy old folding stuff?" Barney wanted to know. "Does the sideline bring in enough money to make it worth while?"

"If it didn't, I'd have dropped it long ago," Mac said dryly. "You are the only liability that is permitted to keep on hanging around here. Seriously, both the renting of the equipment and the sale of new amplifiers and accessories have paid off surprisingly well. What is more, the advertising that I get out of these amplifier jobs is a very real asset to my service business. You will notice that every bit of my amplifier equipment

Fig. 1.



carries the shop name on it in not-too-modest-sized letters."

"Doesn't this interfere with your service work?"

"No, simply because I do not let it. I never forget that service is my main business, and I only sit in on the amplifier game in a small way. I do not go out after big jobs, for they take special equipment and organization that a small service shop does not have. You have to be careful in handling this sideline, or the first thing you know the tail will be wagging the dog. In my case, I try to get those jobs that I can handle in my off hours. This means jobs that I can do in the evenings or on Sundays. A surprising demand for p.a. equipment, however, does come at these times."

"Do you always set up the equipment and operate it?"

"I always install the equipment, and I usually furnish an operator except in the most simple and low-powered setups. An operator who does not know what he is doing can ruin some pretty expensive equipment for you in a hurry; but what is still more important, he can make your installation sound very, very sad if he does not know how to control the gain, handle the mike, arrange the speakers, etc. Allowing some dub to run the amplifier is a good way to get the kind of advertising you do not want."

"How much equipment do you need to be in the amplifier business in 'a small way'?"

"That will depend largely on the kind of jobs you handle. In my case, I have an eight-watt job that can be used either as a low-power indoor amplifier, or a pre-amplifier to drive a high-power booster. Then I have two complete twenty-watt amplifiers. All three are equipped with pickups and turntables built right on top of them. Finally, I have a fifty-watt booster that I can use for a pretty husky installation.

"In addition, of course, I have several crystal microphones of various types, out-door, trumpet-type speakers, and reflex consoles—"

"Just a minute," Barney interrupted; "why do you use only crystal mikes?"

"Because it has been my experience that they are the best all-around mikes for this kind of work. They are very rugged, comparatively inexpensive, and use a simple single-conductor cable. Their output is high, and their fidelity is more than adequate for p.a. installations.

"But as I was saying," Mac went on, "all of my equipment is arranged for maximum versatility. Every bit of auxiliary equipment is arranged so that it can be instantly used with any of the amplifiers."

"How do you get jobs? Just wait until people call you?"

"That is a good way to be independent—and starve to death," Mac said reprovingly. "I get jobs by going after them. Every time I read in the (Continued on page 157)



International SHORT-WAVE

Compiled by KENNETH R. BOORD

T IS a pleasure this month to dedicate the ISW Department to Radio Tahiti (FZP8) in Papeete, Tahiti. I have just received an airmail letter-verification from G. Carisey, Le Chef du Service de l'Information. Papeete, Tahiti, in French, giving details on this new s.w. broadcaster. Mc-Pheeters, New York, received a similar letter on the same date and below I am reproducing a "composite" free translation of the two letters. Said Mr. Carisey:

"I have the honor of acknowledging receipt of your letter and am pleased to confirm that it was indeed Radio Tahiti that you heard.

"We began our transmissions on the 4th of July of this year with a daily transmission at 0415-0500 GMT on 12.080. This transmission, directed primarily to French Oceania, includes chiefly: 15 minutes of news in French; 15 to 20 minutes of recorded music, generally local music; and 10 to 15 minutes of news in Tahitian.

"For the time being, it is only a period of tests which we have undertaken while transforming the telegraph transmitters which we have at our disposal in Papeete. At present, important work is in progress, and we hope to have at the beginning of next year a powerful radio station which will allow us longer and more frequent transmissions on various wavelengths. These same installations will permit radiotelephony from Papeete to France, the United States, New Zealand, and Australia.

"I am particularly satisfied to know that you receive our transmissions correctly, and I would be happy if you would send me eventually your opinion of our programs and your suggestions for improving the quality of your reception.

"You may, of course, select information from this letter for use in your radio magazine.

"At this time I do not have a photograph of our installations, which are still crude, but I think I can send you in the next mail some views of the buildings under construction on the grounds of our future radio station.

'It is useless to send me an IRC and I am returning the one which you at-

(Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all time is expressed in American EST; add 5 hours for GCT. "News" refers to newscasts in the English language. In order to avoid confusion, the 24 hour clock has been used in designating the times of broadcasts. The hours from midnight until noon are shown as 0000 to 1200 while from 1 p.m. to midnight are shown as 1300 to 2400.)

tached to your letter and which I cannot use.

"I beg you to accept, sir, with my thanks, the expression of my distinguished consideration.'

A penciled note enclosed (written in English) listed this data: $Call\ Signal$ — Radio Tahiti (F.Z.P.8). Location-Papeete, Tahiti. Frequency-12.080. Power Output-600 watts. Antenna-Rhombic (finding direction, Paris). Schedule—On the air daily 0415-0500 GMT (2315-2400 EST).

From reports received by this department, Radio Tahiti continues to be heard fair to excellent daily throughout the United States. The station comes on the air with Hawaiian-type music. Plays various kinds of recordings-including some in English, such as cowboy ballads and some American dance tunes.

(An official of Radio Tahiti informed Fellers, Japan, that F08AA, "Radio Club de Tahiti," 6.980, was a privatelyowned station which ceased operation at the end of June. I understand (via Dilg, Calif.) that, at least "back in the old days," F08AA was battery-operated and was officially listed with 200 watts. Formerly was on the air only on Tuesdays and Fridays around 2300-2345 and has not been reported lately as heard.)

Our congratulations go to Radio

Tahiti and its staff, looking forward to expansion of its services.

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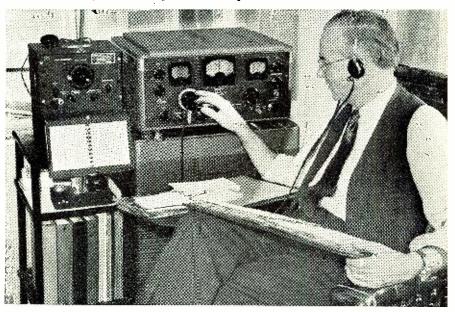
From Oliver P. Ferrell, project Supervisor, Radio Amateur Scientific Observations, 121 South Broad Street, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania, comes this data:

"The work now being undertaken by this office is supported in part by Contract No. AP19 (122)-72 of the U.S. Air Force, through the sponsorship of the Geophysical Research Directorate, Air Material Command. We are currently collecting observations in the frequency band 50-54 mc. By observation we mean an instance of reception of a signal beyond the range of 400 miles. Since most of the DX heard beyond this range is due to sporadic-E, we are calling this program a sporadic-E observing project.

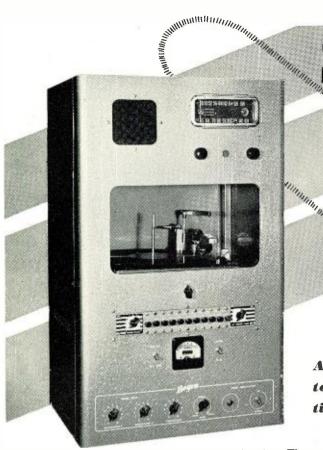
"Quite a few SWL's after reading about this project in CQ, volunteered their services in recording DX in this band. It struck me at that time that there must be many more SWL's who might be interested in working on this project. We are now drawing plans wherein the SWL's would be constituted as a separate section of this program."

Mr. Ferrell is interested in contact-(Continued on page 142)

Valuable contributor to the ISW Department is Grady C. Ferguson, Charlotte, N. C., shown at the listening post he has operated for 17 years. He has veries from 100 countries.



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Servicing **Public Address** Systems

By JOHN B. LEDBETTER

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A review of the many preliminary tests which can be made to save both time and money for you and your customer.

This Bogen SB-50 sound broadcaster has a peak output of 90 watts. It is designed for use as a centralized sound system in hospitals, factories, schools, industrial plants, resorts, large stores, etc.

ANY service technicians have not investigated the possibilities offered by p.a. servicing, either because they feel insufficiently trained for this work, or because they are unable to afford a costly outlay of shop equipment. In reality, p.a. servicing requires no extensive research or specialized study; neither does it call for elaborate, expensive test instruments. The service technician who has already established himself adequately in radio receiver repair has the necessary technical knowledge, at least fundamentally, and all or most of the test equipment required to service the majority of public address systems. A few minutes spent each day in studying circuit diagrams, service manuals, and trade magazines will do much to familiarize him with the more complex circuit arrangements.

Test Instruments Required

Test equipment should include at least a tubetester, volt-ohm-milliammeter, output meter, and audio oscillator. (Many volt-ohm-milliammeters include an output meter range as well as a db. scale).

An oscilloscope, signal tracer, and vacuum-tube voltmeter are invaluable for tracing hum, distortion, leakage, and intermittent troubles, as well as critical voltages in a.v.c., compressor, expander, limiter, and inverter circuits. These instruments are available in the low and medium-price ranges and should be added to the shop equipment as soon as possible.

A condenser checker and vibrator tester also are handy to have around the shop.

Preliminary Testing

Much time and trouble can be saved by adopting these rules: (1) Take nothing for granted, and (2) look for the simple things first. Although both rules should be obvious, it is surprising how often they are overlooked. Many hours have been spent checking tubes, condensers, and voltages when the trouble lay in a rosin joint or faulty connection. Not to be over-looked are those "self-serviced" amplifiers which come into the shop with connections changed, wrong replacement parts used, and tubes changed around.

Rule 1 applies equally as well to tube testing. Certain multi-element tubes, especially pentagrid converters, duo-diode triodes, and beam power output tubes are notorious for giving a satisfactory reading (particularly on emission-type testers), only to be inefficient or become totally inoperative when the normal load is applied. Trouble of this sort can show up in almost any type of tube, so play safe -double-check a suspected tube with one known to be good.

Before actual testing is begun, the apparent source of trouble should be determined as closely as possible. Once the trouble is localized or confined to a particular stage, much of the usual routine work can be eliminated.

First, inspect the line cord briefly but carefully for breaks, worn spots, poor insulation, loose connections, and for shorted strands or corroded contacts at the plug. Inspect the fuse holder for corrosion or loose blades. If the fuse is blown, check it for proper current-carrying capacity and check the transformer for evidence of overheating. A blown fuse (if its rating was correct) should not be replaced until the line cord and power transformer have been checked for internal and external shorts and grounds. If these appear to be in good condition, the amplifier should then be turned on, making sure the speaker or normal load is connected.

Next, inspect the rectifier tube for open or burned-out filament, and for red-hot plates which indicates a shorted input filter condenser. A shorted output filter is often indicated by a purple glow on the inside of each plate, surrounding the filament. Hot rectifier plates, accompanied by an overheated filter choke, could point to a shorted output filter condenser, a possible short to ground at the output side of the choke, or a shorted bypass condenser at this point. In either case, turn the amplifier off immediately to prevent further damage.

While the rest of the tubes are heating, inspect the microphone cable for apparent breaks or frayed shield and the plug for loose or defective connections. The microphone itself can be checked later. When the tubes have reached normal operating temperature, check for burned-out heaters or filaments by touching metal tubes gently, or by observing heater glow in

glass tubes. A cold tube is an almost certain indication of a burned-out filament. It is not absoute in every case, however, since loose tube prongs, a rosin joint, or broken filament supply lead at the tube socket could be responsible.

During these tests, set the gain controls approximately half-open and connect the microphone. If the amplifier is in operating condition, feedback should be experienced. The microphone cable can be checked for intermittent breaks and faulty connections by twisting and moving the cable. Broken leads usually will be found within six inches of either end, since most of the bending and strain during use takes place within this distance. If no output can be obtained from the amplifier, but normal hiss or tube noise can be heard, check the condition of the microphone and cable by substitution. If no substitutes are immediately available, a quick check can be made by inserting an opencircuit plug into the microphone input. A loud hum or pop indicates that the system from that point to the speaker is at least operative.

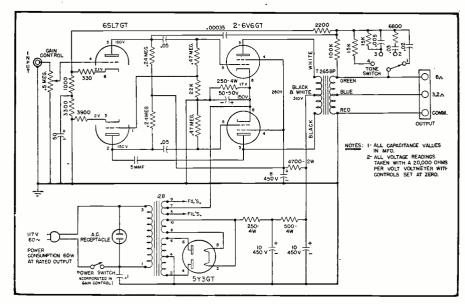
Assuming the amplifier to be inoperative at this point, proceed as follows: Start at the speaker and work back, stage by stage, toward the microphone. First, listen for hum in the speaker. A normal amount proves the field coil to be in good condition. Absence of hum could mean an open or shorted field coil or filter choke, or a shorted filter condenser. It could also be due to a lack of "B" voltage which, in turn, could be caused by a defective rectifier tube, faulty socket contacts, or an open circuit in the high-voltage secondary winding of the power transformer. Excessive hum usually means one or more open filter condensers or a shorted bias choke or resistor.

Double-check the field coil by holding a screwdriver in front of the core and noting the "pull." Use care to avoid damaging the speaker cone.

The output stage is next in line. Remove the output tubes, one by one, from their sockets. Absence of an accompanying pop denotes an open output transformer or voice coil, a shorted bypass condenser, or no "B" voltage. One of the tubes in a pushpull stage should not be removed for any length of time unless the other is also removed. The remaining tube is forced to carry twice its normal load and may become soft or gassy.

The tube in the preceding stage (usually the driver or inverter) is next removed and replaced. Absence of noise indicates no plate voltage due to an open dropping resistor or shorted bypass condenser, open or shorted coupling condensers, excessive cathode bias in the output stage (biasing these tubes past cut-off), or defective output tubes.

Each preceding stage is checked in the same manner, with a lack of noise accompanying tube removal or replacement indicating trouble in the



Service, sales, and rentals of small systems makes up a large part of the service technician's income. This is a schematic of the Bogen PH-10 (10 watts output).

plate circuit of that immediate stage, or in the grid circuit (or tube) of the following stage. A simple approximation of the loss or gain of each stage can be obtained in these tests by noting the increase in circuit "pop" as each tube is removed and re-inserted. Tubes with control grid caps can be given the same test by touching the caps with the finger or with a screwdriver.

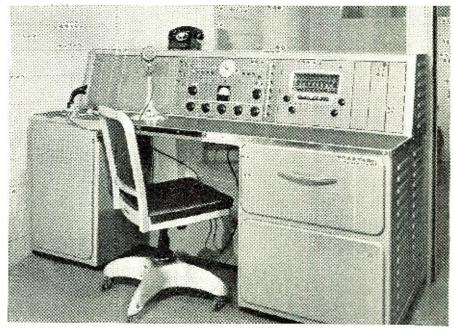
If the trouble has been located during this preliminary checking (which usually takes less than two minutes), much time is saved in subsequent routine testing. If the trouble has not been found, the tests have by no means been wasted. The regular routine tests are simply taken up at this point.

Tubes should be tested first. In these tests the amplifier should be left on

so that the tubes will remain at normal operating temperatures. way leakages, intermittent shorts, and noise are more readily indicated. Both output tubes are removed and tested first; the other tubes are tested in any order, the rectifier being last. A two-fold purpose is served by this method: removing the output tubes first eliminates unnecessary noise, and the surge in "B" supply voltage as each tube is removed often will reveal leaky or intermittently - shorting condensers. The amount of overload, unless abnormal conditions exist, will not be sufficient to damage condensers in good condition.

Individual tests should be made for low emission, noise, shorts, leakage, and intermittents. Tubes testing ten (Continued on page 188)

Deluxe control position at the camera works of the Eastman Kodak Co.





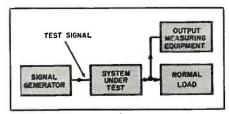
NE of the most important factors to be considered in any type of audio engineering, construction, or operation is the selection of proper instruments and equipment to test the operation and quality of the system. With good test instruments, properly used, it is possible to obtain a reliable and accurate measurement of all the factors which are important in obtaining good reproduction of sound. The purpose of this article is to present as complete a listing as possible of all the audio test equipment available in the countrytogether with characteristics, specifications, prices, and information on where they can be obtained-in order to aid the audio engineer and technician in the intelligent selection of the instruments best suited to his needs.

Any type of measurement consists essentially of causing the system under test to perform its function under controlled conditions, and to measure the success with which it performs this function. The accuracy of the measurement is determined by the degree to which the input test signal represents or simulates the true operating condition, and by the accuracy with which the operation of the system and the relevant factors can be measured. Sound and audio signals

of speech and music are usually extremely complex, and therefore several different types of measurements are required to give the desired information. To obtain complete and accurate information about the quality of reproduction which can be expected from any given system, the following factors should be measured: (a) Frequency response, (b) noise level, (c) maximum output (voltage, current or power), (d) harmonic distortion at different output levels, (e) intermodulation distortion at different output levels, (f) transient response, (g) phase response, and (h) wow and flutter (in disc, film, or magnetic reproduction). All of the commercial equipment currently available for the measurement of these various factors are listed in this article.

A basic setup for any type of measurement is shown in Fig. 1. A known input signal of the proper form is applied through a signal generator of the desired impedance to the input of the system, and the resulting output is measured across the desired load impedance. Of course, measurements of the different factors listed above will

Fig. 1. Basic setup for any type of measurement consists of applying a standard test signal to the input of the system under test and measuring the resulting response on a normal operating load.



require different types of input signals and output measuring instruments. A summary of the type of input and output signals required for measuring each of the above factors, and of the specific test instruments which must be used for the measurement, is given on page 73. (The accepted limits for good reproduction are also included in this table for convenient reference when performing these measurements.) The information represents a complete summary of all the measurements of audio reproduction and the various factors which determine the quality of reproduction. The specific commercial units which may be used in these measurements are also listed in the tables.

Referring to Fig. 1, it may be seen that all audio test instruments fall into certain logical categories as follows:

- I Signal generating instruments
- (a) Sine-wave oscillators and signal generators
- (b) Square-wave generators
- (c) Sine/square-wave generators
- (d) Fixed single-frequency generators
- (e) Sweep-frequency generators
- (f) Generators of complex signals II Instruments for measurement and observation of electrical signals
 - (a) Vacuum-tube voltmeters
 - 1. For low-level signals
 - 2. For intermediate and high-level signals
- 3. V.t.v.m.'s included in multimeters
- (b) Oscilloscopes
- (c) Signal tracers and test speakers
- III Instruments for measurement of sound
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AUDIO TEST EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS LISTED IN FOLLOWING TABLES

Alfred W. Barber Laboratories 34-04 Francis Lewis Blvd.

Flushing, N. Y.

Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc. Clippard Instrument Laboratory Clifton, New Jersey

Altec-Lansing Corp. 1161 North Vine St. Hollywood 38, Calif.

Amplifier Corp. of America 396 Broodway New York 13, N. Y.

Audio Instrument Co. 1947 Broadway New York 23, N. Y.

Ballantine Laboratories, Inc. Boonton, New Jersey Barker & Williamson, Inc.

235 Fairfield Ave. Upper Darby, Pa.

Beta Electronics Co. 1762 Third Ave. New York 29, N. Y.

Boonton Radio Corp. Boonton, New Jersey

Brown Electro-Measurement Corp. 4635 S. E. Hawthorne Blvd. Portland 15, Oregon

Brush Development Co. 3405 Perkins Ave. Cleveland 14, Ohio

Central Scientific Co. (Cenco) 1700 Irving Park Road Chicago 13, III.

Cinema Engineering Co. 1510 W. Verdugo Ave. Burbank, Calif.

Clarkstan Corp. 11927 W. Pico Blvd. Los Angeles 34, Colif.

1125 Bank St. Cincinnati 14, Ohio

Clough Brengle Co. 6014 Broadway Chicago, III.

Coastwise Electronics Co. (Ferret)

130 N. Beaudry Ave. Los Angeles 12, Calif. Daven Company 191 Central Ave. Newark 4, New Jersey

Doolittle Radio, Inc. 7421 S. Loomis Blvd. Chicago 36, III.

Electrodyne Co. 899 Boylston St. Boston 15, Mass.

Electronic Designs, Inc. Irvington, N. Y.

Electronic Instrument Co. Inc. 276 Newport St. Brocklyn 12, N. Y.

Electronic Tube Corp. 1200 E. Mermaid Lane Philadelphio 18, Pa.

Feiler Engineering Co. 945 W. George St. Chicago 14, III.

Furst Electronics 12 S. Jefferson St. Chicago 6, III. Furzehill Laboratories Ltd. Boreham Wood, Herts England

General Electric Co. (G-E) Electronics Dept. Thompson Road, Syracuse, N. Y.

General Radio Co. Cambridge, Mass.

Heath Company Benton Harbor, Mich. Hewlett-Packard Co. 395 Page Mill Road Palo Alto, Calif.

Hickok Electrical Instrument Co. 10514 Dupont Ave. Cleveland 8, Ohio

Instrument Electronics 45-17 Glenwood St. Little Neck, N. Y.

Jackson Electrical Instrument Co. 497 Union Ave. 18 S. Patterson Blvd. Brooklyn 11, N. Y. 18 S. Patterson Blvd. Dayton 1, Ohio

James Millen Mfg. Co. 150 Exchange St. Malden 48, Mass.

John Fluke Engineering Co. Pox 755Y Springdale, Conn.

Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc. (Kay-Lab) 1076 Morena Blvd. San Diego 10, Calif.

Kay Electric Co. Chicago 14, III.

14 Maple Ave.
Ferret (See Coastwise Electronics) Pine Brook, New Jersey

Keithley Instruments 1507 Warrensville Center Road Cleveland 21, Ohio Lavoie Laboratories Matawan-Freehold Road Morganville, New Jersey

McMurdo Silver Co., Inc. 1240 Main St. Hartford 3, Conn.

Measurements Corp. Boonton, New Jersey

Panoramic Radio Products, Inc. 10 S. Second Ave. Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Pickering & Co., Inc. 309 Woods Ave. Oceanside, N. Y.

Precision Apparatus Co. 92-27 Horace Harding Blvd. Elmhurst, N. Y.

Progressive Electronics Co.

Radio City Products Co. 152 W. 25th St. New York 1, N. Y.

Radio Corp. of America (RCA) RCA Victor Division Harrison, New Jersey

Radio Supply & Engineering Co.

Reiner Electronics Co. 152 W. 25th St. New York 1, N. Y.

Scott, Inc. 385 Putnam Ave Cambridge 39, Mass.

Shallcross Mfg. Co. Collingdale, Pa.

Simpson Electric Co. 5200 W. Kinzie St. Chicago 44, III.

Southwestern Industrial Electronic

P. O. Box 13058 Houston 19, Texas

Superior Instruments Co. 277 Fultan St. New Yark 7, N. Y.

Supreme, Incorporated Greenwood, Miss.

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. Emporium, Pa.

Technology Instrument Corp. 1058 Main St. Waltham, Mass.

Times Facsimile Corp.

229 W. 43rd St. New York 18, N. Y. Tektronix, Inc.

712 S.E. Hawtharne Blvd. Portland 14, Oregon

Triplett Electrical Instrument Co. Bluffton, Ohio

Waterman Products Co. 2445 Emerald St. Philodelphio 25, Pa.

Weinschel Engineering Co. 123 William St. New York 7, N. Y.

Western Electric Co. 195 Broadway New York 7, N. Y.

SUMMARY OF METHODS AND EQUIPMENT USED IN MEASURING THE VARIOUS FACTORS WHICH DETERMINE THE QUALITY OF AUDIO REPRODUCTION

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Response or	Input	signal	Outp	out signal	Accepto	ble limits
distortion being measured	Type of signal	Type of signal generator	Type of signal	Type of measuring equipment	Good reproduction	Acceptable reproduction
Frequency response	Sine wave	Sine wave generator	Sine wave	V.T.V.M. or oscilloscope	20-14,000 c.p.s.	40-10,000 c.p.s.
Maximum output -	Sine wave	Sine wave generator	Sine wave	V.T.V.M.	Depends up	oon size of
Noise level	Zero	-	Random noise & hum	V.T.V.M.	—60 db.	—50 db. (below full output
Harmonic distortion	Sine wave	Sine wave generator	Fundamental plus harmonics	Distortion analyzer	2% total harmonics	2-5% total harmonics
Intermodulation distortion	Sum of high fre- quency and low frequency sine waves	Intermodulation composite signal generator	Amplitude modulated sine wave	Intermodulation analyzer	5%	10%
Transient response	Square wave	Square wave generator	Square wave	Oscilloscope	No set st	andards
Phase response	Sine wave	Oscilloscope (Horizontal amplifier)	Sine wave	Oscilloscope (Vertical amplifier)	No set st	andards
Wow & flutter	Steady sine wave	Sine wave generator	Frequency-modu- lated sine wave	Wow & flutter meter	0.1%	1.0%

			"WOW"	METERS			
Manufacturer	Type number	Test frequency	WOW range (full scale deft.)	Response rate	Required input voits	Input impedance	Price
Amplifier Corp.		3000 c.p.s.	0.3% to 3%	0-200 c.p.s.	1 mv. 100 v.	500,000 Ω	\$660
Brush	BE-904	Any in range 500-1250 c.p.s.	0.1% to 5%	0.5-200 c.p.s.	6 milliwatts	250/750/1500 Ω	\$1617.64
Furst	115-R	1000 c.p.s.	0.5% to 2%	0.5-120 c.p.s.	0.1-250 v.	1.0 meg.	\$685

Type of unit	Manufacturer	Type number	. Characteristics	Price
Condenser	Western Electric	640-AA	Cylindrical shape, 1" diam. x 1" long Capacity 50-60 μμfd. Calibrated frequency response curve—smooth; response from 50 to 15,000 c.p.s.	
microphones (sound standard)	, Altec-Lansing	21-B	Cylindrical, 0.6" diameter Frequency response flat ± 1 db. Capacity 20 $\mu\mu{\rm fd}$.	\$190
Sound level meters	General Radio	759-B	Calibrated from 24 db140 db. above standard ASA ref. level of 0.0002 dynes/cm². Freq. char.—all three standard ASA curves: 40 db., 70 db., and flat Two meter speeds: slow and fast Calibration accuracy ±1 db.	\$320
	H. H. Scott	410-A	Calibrated from 34 db140 db. above standard 0.0002 dynes/cm². Freq. char.—all three standard ASA curves: 40 db., 70 db., and flat Two meter speeds: slow and fast Calibration accuracy ±1 db.	\$249
Artificial ear	Ballantine	505	For measuring freq. response and efficiency of telephone receivers. To be used with V.T.V.M.	

		UNIV	ERSAL IMPED	ANCE BRIDGE	S		
	Туре	Frequency	Ro	nge of Measureme	ent		
Manufacturer	Number	(Internal gen.)	R	L	С	Accuracy	Price
General Radio	650-A	1000 c.p.s.	0.001 Ω-1 meg.	1 μhy100 hy.	1 μμfd100 μfd.	1%, 2%	\$240
Brown	250-A	1000 c.p.s.	0.001 Ω -1 meg.	1 μhy100 hy.	1 μμfd100 μfd.	0.5%-2%	\$240
	275-B	1000 c.p.s.	0.001 Ω-1 meg.	1 μhy100 hy.	1 μμfd100 μfd.	0.1%-1%	\$495
Construction kit: Heath		1000 c.p.s.	0.01 Ω -10 meg.	10 μhy100 hy.	10 μμfd100 μfd.		\$69.50

	AUDIO SIG	NAL TRACERS	
Manufacturer	Model Number	Type of Unit	Price .
	721	Test speaker	\$29.95
Ferret	730	Signal tracer and voltohmmeter	\$99.95
	910	Test speaker	\$22.70
McMurdo Silver	905-A	Signal tracer and test speaker	\$44.50
Philco	7030	Signal tracer	\$52.50
	201	Signal tracer	\$34.50
Precision Electronics	251	Signal tracer and meter	\$49.75
Radio City Prod.	777	Signal tracer and meter	\$41.50
Superior	CA-12	Signal tracer and meter	\$29.95 Also in kit form: \$21.95
Supreme	688	Signal tracer and voltohmmeter	\$149.50
Electronic Instr. Co.	113-A	Signal tracer and voltohmmeter	\$69.95
construction kits:			
Heath	-	Signaı tracer and test speaker	\$19.50
Electronic Instr. Co.	145	Signal tracer	\$18.95
	TS-3	Signal tracer	\$27.20
	TS-2	Signal tracer	\$23.80
Feiler	TS-5	Signal tracer	\$24.15
	TS-1	Signal tracer	\$7.65

		SQUARE-	WAVE GENE	RATORS	AND ELEC	TRONIC SY	VITCHES		
Manufacturer	Type Number	Repetition Freq. Range c.p.s.	Signal Amplifier Freq. Range	input imp.	Output Voltage	Output Impedance	Ampl. Gain (electr. sw.)	Rise Time	Price
Reiner	4 530(3)	10-100,000	_		20 P-P max.	0-2000 Ω		0.3 μsec.	\$ 90
General Electric (see Note 1)	YGL-1(3)	5-125,000		_	75 P-P max.	20 ohms/volt		0.3 μsec.	\$225
Tektronix	104(3)	Four fixed: 50, 1000, 100,000, 1 mc.	_		50 P-P max. 5 P-P max.	0-20,000 Ω 0-93 Ω	_	3 μsec. 0.015 μsec.	\$195
Measurements	71(3)	6-100,000	_		75 P-P max.	20 ohms/volt		0.2 μsec.	\$310
lavoie	LA-583-A(3)	20-100,000	_		60 P-P max .	1000 Ω bal.		0.3 μsec.	\$250
Hewlett-Packard	210-A ² , ³)	20-10,000	_		50 P-P max.	1000 Ω bal.		1 μsec.	\$150
DuMont	185-A(4)	10-2000	0-25,000 c.p.s.	100,000 Ω	Sine Sq. W. 30	50,000 Ω	10 max.	25 μsec.	\$105
Cenco	80600(4)	500-3000	_	100,000 Ω	_	22,000 Ω	14		\$ 85

Notes: (1) Pulse characteristic: rectangular wave 75% positive, 25% negative pulse. (2) Requires 2 volts sine wave input driving signal. (3) Square wave generator. (4) Electronic switch.

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Manufacturer	Туре No.	Class	Frequency range	Matched load	Open- circuit volts		Distortion	Accuracy of calibration	Frequency drift	Output variation	Hum and naise level	Pric
General Radio	913-C	Beat- frequency	20-20,000 c.p.s.	0.3 watt	25	600 Ω bal./unbal.	0.25%	±(1%+0.5 c.p.s.)	7 c.p.s. 1st hour	±0.25 db.	—60 db.	\$450
	1301-A(2)	R-C Push- button	20-15,000 (27 fixed freq.)	18 mw. 100 mw.	6.6	600 Ω bal./unbal. 5000 Ω unbal.	0.1%	±(1.5%+0.1 c.p.s.)		±1 db.		\$395
	1302-A	R-C	10-100,000 c.p.s.	40 mw. 20 mw. 80 mw.	10 5 20	600 Ω bal. 300 Ω unbal. 5000 Ω unbal.	1%	±(1.5% +0.2 c.p.s.)	1% 1st 10 min. 0.2% after	±1 db.	60 db.(1)	\$365
Hewlett-	200-A	R-C	35-35,000 c.p.s.	1 w.	25	500 Ω unbal.			Greater of:			-
Packard	200-B	R-C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	l w.	25	500 Ω unbal.	1%		2% or 0.2 c.p.s.	±1 db.	-60 db.(1)	\$120
	200-C	R-C	20-200,000 c.p.s	100 mw.	-	1000 Ω unbal.	1%	-	2% or 0.2 c.p.s.	±1 db.	40 11 (11)	61.50
	200-D	R-C	7-70,000 c.p.s.	100 mw.	-	1000 Ω unbal.	1%		2% or 0.2 c.p.s.	±1 db.	60 db.(1)	-
	200-1	R-C	6-6000 c.p.s.	100 mw.	-	1000 Ω unbal.	1%	1%	2% or 0.2 c.p.s.	±1 db.	-60 db.(1)	-
	201-B	R-C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	3 w/1 w.	50	600 Ω	1%/0.5%		2%, 1%	±1 db.	60 db.(1)	\$225 \$250
	204-A	R-C	2-20,000 c.p.s.	5 v.	-	10,000 Ω	1%	_	- 70, 170	±1 00.	—60 db.	\$175
	202-D	R-C	2-70,000 c.p.s.	100 mw.	_	1000 Ω unbal.	1%		2% or 0.2 c.p.s.	±1 db.		-
	205-A(3) 205-AG(4)	R-C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	5 w.	-	50 Ω, 200 Ω, 600 Ω, 5000 Ω bol./unbal.	1%		2%, 1%	±1 db.	-60 db.(1) -60 db.	\$275 \$390 \$425
	206-A	R-C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	+15 dbm.	10	50 Ω, 150 Ω, 600 Ω bal./unbal.	0.1%	_	1%		—70 db. to	\$550
RCA	WA-54A	Beat- frequency	20-17,000 c.p.s.	125 mw.	40 2.5	{250 Ω, 500 Ω\ 5000 Ω bal.∫	5% 3%	_		±2 db.	-60 db.(1)	\$152.5
	68-B	BFO	20-17,000 c.p.s.	125 mw.	-	250/500/5k Ω bal.	0.3%	±1% or 1 c.p.s.		±1 db.	—70 db.(¹).	\$718.7
Sylvonia	145	R-C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	1 w.		8 Ω, 15 Ω, 500 Ω unbal.	2%	±2% or ±1 c.p.s.	_	±2 db.	—60 db(1).	\$129.5
Furzehill		Beat- requency	20-20,000 c.p.s.	10 v.r.m.s.	_	600 12 unbal.	0.5%	±1% ±2 c.p.s.	5 c.p.s. per day ofter ½- hr.	±1 db.	— 50 db.(1)	_
Weinschel	150-AO		0.3-100,000 c.p.s. decade push- buttans	_	-		0.5%	0.5% +0.2 c.p.s.	0.02% per hr. after ½ hr.			\$950
Sauthwestern Industrial Electronic Co.	м	R-C	T-120,000 c.p.s.	400 mw.	20		0.2%	1.5% +0.1 cps.	0.5%	±0.5 db.	—75 db.	\$387.5
Barker & Wil- liamson	200	R-C	30-30,000 c.p.s.	250 mw.	12.5	500 12	1%	±2.5%	1%	±1 db.		\$115
lough- Brengle -	179-A	BFO	25-15,000 c.p.s.	100 mw.	35	600 Ω unbal.	5%	2% or 5 c.p.s.		±1 db.	54 db.	\$ 95
	280-A	BFO	25-32,000 c.p.s.	100 mw.		600 Ω bal. 4000 Ω unbal.	0.5%	2% or 5 c.p.s.				\$275
ockson	655	R-C	20-200,000 c.p.s.	500 mw.		10 Ω, 250 Ω 500 Ω, 5k Ω	5%	3% or 1 c.p.s	_	(30-15k	60 db.(1)	\$135
upreme	680	BFO	15-15,000 c.p.s.	500 mw.	65	250/500/5k Ω bal.	5%			c.p.s.)		

complete gain measurements. (4) Kange can be extended to 2 C.P.S. (3) Contains vacuum-tube voltmeter to read output voltage. (4) Contains two vacuum-tube voltmeters for

	DECADE AMI	PLIFIERS	AND HIGH INPU	JT IMPEDANC	E TRANSFOR	MERS	
Type of Unit	Manufacturer	Type Number	Input Impedance	Output Impedance	Voltage Gain	Frequency Range	Price
Impedance transformer and decade ampl.	Keithley	102	200 meg., 6.2 μμfd.	300 Ω	1/10/100	5 c.p.s150 kc.	\$175
Impedance transformer	Audio Instr. Co.	100	100 meg., 6 μμfd.	200 Ω	1	over 10 kc.	\$72.50
	Ballantine	220	1 meg.	1500-3000 Ω	10/100	10 c.p.s100 kc.	\$90
Decade amplifier	Hewlett-Packard	450-A	1 meg., 15 μμfd.	150 Ω	10/100	10 c.p.s1 mc.	\$140
ecade amplifier	Kay-lab.	102-A	3 meg., 10 μμfd.	10 Ω	100/lk/10k	10 c.p.s100 kc.	\$175
	Reiner	101	_	_	100	10-5000 c.p.s.	\$45

		FREQ	UENCY METERS			
Manufacturer	Type number	Principle of operation	Frequency range	Input impedanc e	Accuracy	Price
Hewlett-Packard	500-A	Electronic measurement	5-50,000 c.p.s.	50,000 Ω	2%	\$210
Barker & Williamson	300	Electronic , measurement	20-30,000 c.p.s.	_	2%	\$105
General Radio	1141-A	Tuned R-C bridge	20-20,000 c.p.s.	3000-10.000 Ω	0.5%	\$215
Kay-lab	601-A	Heterodyne	500 c.p.s50 mc.	_	_	\$125
Daven	838-A	Electronic measurement	20-100,000 c.p.s.	High	2%	\$300

			SINE	AND SG	UARE-V	VAVE GENE	RATORS			
				Out	put	0	(Sine-wave)	Accuracy of	Output	
Manufacturer	Type No.	Class	Frequency Range c.p.s.	Open-cir- cuit Volts	Matched Load	Output Impedance	Distortion	Calibration	Variation	Price
McMurdo Silver	913	R-C	20-25,000	60	1 w.	6/125/500/5kΩ 500 Ω bal.	1%	$\pm 1\%$ or ± 1 c.p.s.	_	\$68.50
Ferret	701	R-C	20-24,000	15		_		2%		\$89.95
Radio City Prod.	711	R-C	10-100,000	15			_			\$87.50
Cenco	80592	R-C	20-20,000	25	60 mw.	500 Ω unbal.		±3% or 3 c.p.s.	±2 db.	\$100
Construction Kit: Heath		R-C	20-20,000		_		1%		±1 db.	\$34.50

		C <i>A</i>	LIBRATED A	ILENUATORS			1
Manufacturer	Type Number	Input Impedance	Load Impedance	Attenuation Range	Minimum Atten. Step	Attenuation Accuracy	Price
	546-C(1)	600 Ω	100k Ω	0-146 db.	Continuous	$\pm (0.3\% + 0.5 \mu v.)$	\$110
General Radio	654-A	10k Ω	l meg.	0.001-1.0	0.001	±0.2%	\$100
	1450	600 Ω	600 Ω	0-110 db.	1 db.	±1%	
——————————————————————————————————————	350 A/B	500/600 Ω	500/600 Ω	0-110 db.	1 db.	_	\$50
Furzehill	1358	00 Ω	ω 000	0-110 db.	1 db.	0.1 db.	
	690 Series	500/600 Ω	500/600 Ω	0-110 db.	1 db.	_	\$80 and \$100
	692	500 Ω	500 Ω				
Daven	693	Ω 000	600 Ω	0-111 db.	0.1 db.	_	\$110 an \$130
•	694	135 Ω	135 Ω				
Shallcross	355	600 Ω	600 Ω	0-35 db.	5 db.	_	\$35
Keithley	101	11k Ω	30k Ω	0.0001-1.0	Decade	2%-4%	\$10.50

	OSCILLOSCOPES WITH GREATER THAN I MC. BANDWIDTH									
Size of	Manufacturer	Туре	Signal	Defl. sens. (R.M.S. v/in.)		- Sweep	Input	T .		
C-R Tube	- Widnesder	Number	Freq. Range	Vertical	Horizontal	Frequencies	Impedance	Price		
	DuMont	241	20 c.p.s 4 mc.	0.07	0.7	15-30,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 40 μμfd.	\$ 458		
		248-A	20 c.p.s 5 mc.	0.1	2.75	15-150,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 40 μμfd.	\$1870		
	 RCA	WO-58A	5 c.p.s 2 mc.	0.2	0.7	10-100,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$ 431.2		
5"		715-B	5 c.p.s11 mc.	0.06	0.3	5-100,000 c.p.s.	l meg., 40 μμfd.	\$3000		
	Reiner	556	10 c.p.s 2 mc.	0.05	0.05	to 1 mc.	10 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$ 455		
	Supreme	660	5 c.p.s 5 mc.	0.1	0.14	7-100,000 c.p.s.	5 meg., 5 μμfd.	\$ 276.80		
	Tektronix	511-A	5 c.p.s10 mc.	0.65	_		l meg., 40 μμfd.	\$ 795		
		512	d.c2 mc.	0.375	_	-	1 meg., 40 μμfd.	\$ 950		
	lavoie	LA-239A	10 c p.s 5 mc.	0.06		_	0.3 meg., 30 μμfd.	\$1950		
3"	Reiner	524	20 c.p.s 2 mc.	0.1	0.7	15-30,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 30 μμfd.	\$ 275		
-	DuMont	224-A	20 c.p.s 2 mc	0.1	0.7	15-30,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 30 $\mu\mu$ fd.	\$ 290		
	Furzehill	1684 D/2	d.c3 mc.	0.015-0.045	0.03-0.09	2-150,000 c.p.s.		\$ 895		
	RCA	WO-79A	10 c.p.s 5 mc.	0.17	0.43	20-250,000 c.p.s.	1 meg. 30 μμfd.	! \$ 687.50		

		_	MULTIPLE	BEAM OS	CILLOSCOP	ES		
Manufacturer	Туре	Number	Signal	Defl. sens.	(R.M.S. v/in.)	Sweep	Input	
·	Number of Beams	Freq. Range	Vertical	Horizontal	Frequencies	Impedance	Price	
DuMont	279	2	d.c200,000 c.p.s.	0.35	0.35	2-30,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 60 μμfd.	\$1300
Electronic Tube Corp.	H-21 H-43	<u>2</u> 4	d.c200,000 c.p.s. d.c200,000 c.p.s.	0.035 0.35	0.26	2-50,000 c.p.s.		\$1285 \$1995

Type of unit	Manufacturer	Type number	Characteristics	Price
Noise generator	H. H. Scott	810-A	Random noise source—equal power in equal frequency bands 20-20,000 c.p.s. (and to over 200,000 c.p.s.) Output 0-0.2 volts	\$42.50 (or \$70)
Complex wave generator	Barber	57	Fundamental and harmonics of variable phase Fund: 50-3000 c.p.s. Harmonics: 2nd-5th; 0-100%; 0 to ±180° phase Output: 1 volt fundamental	\$495
Linear to logarithmic	Kay-lab	510	Output proportional to logarithm of input voltage from 0.04 v15 v. Impedance 10,000 Ω	\$49
amplitude char. converter	Audio Instr. Co.	121	Combines a linear-to-logarithmic converter with a V T V.M Freq. range: 25-20,000 c.p.s. Meter range: 50 db. Input: 100,000 Ω unbalanced 0.1 volts for full-scale defl.	
Impedance meter	Electrodyne	Impedometer	Used with oscillator and V.T.V.M. to measure impedance on scale of V.T.V.M. Range: 0.1-100,000 ohms	\$34.50
Angle meter	Tecnnology Instrument	310-A	Freq. range: 30-20,000 c.p.s. Range: R—0.5 to 100k ohms L—5 μhy. to 500 hy. C—0.0012 to 10,000 μfd. Phase angles: 0° to ±90° Self-contained V.T.V.M.	
Phase meter		320-A	Freq. range: 20 c.p.s100 kc. Voltage range: 1-170 v. peak Phase angle ranges: 0-36°, 90°, 180° 360° Accuracy: larger of 2-3% or 3-5 c.p.s.	\$475
Vacuum-tube olts-amperes-watts meter	Fluke Eng. Co.	101 VAW meter	Inserted into output circuit. Freq. range: 20-200,000 c.p.s. Voltage range: 0.1-300 v. Current range: 1.0 ma300 amps. Power: reads VA cosφ Accuracy: ±3%	\$695

Size of		Туре	Signal	Defl. \$ (R.M.S.	Sens.	3 DB. AT 1 M	Input	
C-R Tube	Manufacturer	Number	Freq. Rang e	Vertical	Horizontal	Frequencies	Impedance	Frice
rojection (12"x16")	Beta Electronics	701	7 c.p.s125 kc.	0.06	0.065	7-7000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$645-\$693
7"	Sylvania	132	10 c.p.s 70 kc.	0.21	0.25	15- 30,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 26 μμfd.	\$144.50
	AL	274(1)	20 c.p.s 50 kc.	0.65	0.65	8- 30,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 40 μμfd.	\$136.50
	DuMont	208-B	2-100,000 c.p.s.	0.01	0.5	2- 50,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 30 μμfd.	\$285
		250	0-200,000 c.p.s.	0.015	0.7	1-150,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 40 $\mu\mu$ fd.	\$635
		WO-60-C(1)	2-100,000 c.p.s.	0.020	0.024	3- 30,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 22 μμfd.	\$431.25
	RCA	WO-27-A(1)	0-100,000 c.p.s.	0.03	0.035	0-100,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg.	\$1437.5
		550-A	5-500,000 c.p.s.	0.03	_	4- 22,000 c.p.s.	70k Ω , 38 $\mu\mu$ fd.	\$187.50
	Reiner	508	2-100,000 c.p.s.	0.01	0.5	2- 50,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 30 μμfd.	\$265
5"	G-E	ST-2A	0-500,000 c.p.s.	0.015	0.35	10-100,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 36 μμfd.	\$279.50
	Cenco	71552	10-300,000 c.p.s.	1.0	1.0	10- 60,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 20 $\mu\mu$ fd.	\$135
		505-A	30 c.p.s1 mc.	0.03	0.2	10- 25,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$298.33
	Hickok	195-B	30 c.p.s1 mc.	0.03	0.15	_	1 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$260
	Millen	90905	15-125,000 c.p.s.			15- 40,000 c.p.s.		-
	Precision	ES-500	10 c.p.s1 mc.	0.02	0.5	10- 30,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 22 μμfd.	\$149.50
	Supreme	655	20-100,000 c.p.s.	0.3	0.3	20- 30,000 c.p.s.	_	\$126.50
	Triplett	3440	20 c.p.s1 mc.	0.02	0.2	10- 60,000 c.p.s.	2 meg., 25 μμfd.	
	DuMont	164-E(1)	5-100,000 c.p.s.	0.8	0.65	15- 30,000 c.p.s.	ī meg., 40 μμfd.	\$127.20
	RCA	WO-55-A(1)	7- 70,000 c.p.s.	1.33	1.5	15- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 55 μμfd.	\$129.50
	G-E	YNA-4(1)	0- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.18	0.21	10- 20,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 10 meg., and open grid	\$189.50
	Sylvania	131(1)	10-100,000 c.p.s.	0.5	0.5	15- 40,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 30 μμfd.	\$ 89.50
	Cenco	71551	10-300,000 c.p.s.	1.0	1.0	10- 60,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 20 μμfd.	\$ 95.7
	Millen	90903	15-125,000 c.p.s.		_	15- 40,000 c.p.s.		
	Supreme	650	20-100,000 c.p.s.	0.5	0.5	20- 30,000 c.p.s.	_	\$ 99.9
3″	Radio City Prod.	90	5-200,000 c.p.s.	0.285	0.320	10- 45,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 20 μμfd.	\$127.5
	Radio Supply & Eng.	AR-3	to 1 mc.	_	_	_	_	\$ 49.9
	Furzehill	1936-A	1-20,000 c.p.s.	0.02	0.375	5- 10,000 c.p.s.	I meg., 40 μμfd.	\$360
		1684-N	0- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.0025	0.1	5- 10,000 c.p.s.	2.2 meg., 25 μμfd.	
		1684-K (¹)	0-300,000 c.p.s.	0.001	0.002	0.3- 60,000 c.p.s.	2 meg.	
		S-11-A(1)	0-200,000 c.p.s.	0.1	0.1	3- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 35 μμfd.	
	Waterman	S-12-A(1)	0-200,000 c.p.s.	0.05	0.05	0.5- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 35 μμfd.	
	Philco .	7019	20-100,000 c.p.s.	1.0	1.0	10- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 36 μμfd.	\$ 66
		90952	10 c.p.s1 mc.	0.35	<u> </u>	16- 22,000 c.p.s.		_
2″	Millen	90902	15-125,000 c.p.s.	_		15- 40,000 c.p.s.	_	
2		S-10-A	20-100,000 c.p.s.	1.0	1.0	10- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 36 μμfd.	
	Waterman	S-10-B(I)	20-150,000 c.p.s.	1.0	1.0	10- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.5 meg., 36 μμfd.	
CONSTR	UCTION KITS:	400	50- 50,000 c.p.s.	0.65	0.65	15- 30,000 c.p.s.	_	\$ 39.5
-"	Electronic Instr. Co.	TS-7	20-350,000 c.p.s.	0.5	0.5	10- 32,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 50 μμfd.	\$ 75.
5"	Feiler Heath	(1)	20-330,000 c.p.s.	0.06	0.06	15- 70,000 c.p.s.	1 meg., 50 μμfd.	\$ 39.5

Manufacturer	Type No.	Frequency	Accuracy	Maximum Output	Output Impedance	Price	Class
General Radio	723	3 models: 400, 440, or 1000 c.p.s.	±0.05%	50 mw.	50/500/5k Ω	\$115 to \$150	Tuning-fork
	813-A	1000 c.p. s .	0.5%	30 mw.	50/500/5k Ω	\$70	Tuning-fork
Hewlett-Packard	100-A	100/1000/ 10k/100k c.p.s.	3 c.p.s. per mc. per deg. C.	5 v.	1000 Ω	\$450	Crystal osc.
	100-B	100/1000/ 10k/100: c.p.s.	±0.001%	5 v.	1000 Ω	\$500	Crystal osc.
Furzehill	1100	10 kc/100 kc/ 1 mc.	±0.005%	_		_	Crystal osc.
	1744	1 kc/10 kc/ 100 kc/1 mc.	±0.005%	<u> </u>	100 Ω	_	Crystal osc.
	FK-2	1800 c.p.s.	0.001%	0.5 v.	Ω 000	\$275	Tuning fork
Times Facsimile	FKP, FKC	1800 c.p.s.	0.001%	0.5 v.		\$350	Tuning-fork
	FK-4	1800 c.p.s.	0.001%	10 v.	1 meg. Ω	\$225	Tuning-fork
General Radio	572-B	1000 c.p.s.	±10%	_	10/300 Ω	\$12.50	Tuned reed
Shallcross	691-A	1000 c.p.s.				\$45	Vacuum-tube osc

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RCA (Volt-Ohmyst)	195-A	V-O	5-1000	30-100,000		200k. Ω, 170 μμfd.	\$79.50
Hewlett-Packard	410-A	· V-O	1-300	20 c.p.s700 mc.	3%	10 meg., 1.3 μμfd.	\$245
Ferret	730(1)	V-O	1-3000	to 300 mc.	3%	10 meg.	\$99.95
Clippard	406	V-O	1-1000	30 c.p.s100 mc.	2%-5%	7 meg., 7 μμfd.	\$89.50
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Hickok -	209-A	V-O-maC	3-1200	to 200 mc.	- 1	12 meg., 6 μμfd.	\$199
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Electronic Designs	100	V-O	3-50	60 c.p.s100 mc.	±3%	1 meg., 3 μμfd.	\$59.50
Simpson	266	V-O-ma.	1-5000	AF-RF	- 1	10 meg., 4 μμfd.	\$114
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FIXEI BIAS FOR AUDIO OUTPUT STAGES

An analysis of various circuits used to obtain fixed bias for triode or pentode output stages.

By JOSEPH R. BOOKEE

THEN an amplifier builder decides that it is time to create a masterpiece, he comes to the necessity for a decision between beam power and triodes. He must choose from available types a tube or set of tubes which will both deliver the amount of output power he needs and satisfy his requirements as to fidelity and economy. The controversy between the proponents of triode output stages and those favoring beam power tetrodes with large amounts of inverse feedback will not affect the point of discussion here one whit. The purpose of this article is to enumerate the engineering and performance characteristics of stages employing fixed bias and show the advantages offered by the use of fixed bias to either of the two types of audio amplifier design.

A good point to begin with, perhaps, is that more power output can be achieved with the same tubes, using fixed bias, than can be obtained using self bias. Furthermore, this will be at no cost of increased harmonic distortion, and the tubes will run at the same or lower zero-signal plate current ("plate dissipation"). This means that greater power efficiency will result. Here are some examples of the improvement, as shown for two popular tube types.

Type 6V6 beam power pentode. Operating conditions as a push-pull "Class AB₁" power output stage are given in Table 1; all values are for two tubes.

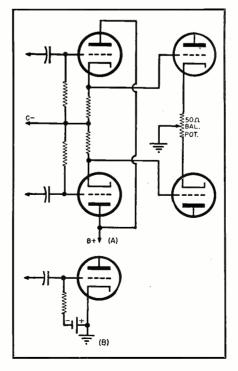
It is well to remember certain facts about this fixed bias operation. Although the operating conditions given are nominally for fixed bias in "Class AB," the facts that define the operation as "Class AB," are that no appreciable grid current flows during any portion of a signal cycle and that plate current flows for more than half of the signal cycle. Since these tubes are being biased not far from cut-off, as far as plate current flow is concerned

the operation is more like "Class B" than "Class A." Although the harmonic distortion does not seem to increase, it is entirely possible for intermodulation effects to increase, especially if power supply regulation is not good enough. The customary inverse feedback will remedy this.

Types 2A3, 6A3, 6B4, and 6A5 are low mu triodes in widespread applications. Operating conditions for two tubes in push-pull "Class AB₁" operation are shown in Table 2.

Because of the smaller plate load in fixed bias, the peak plate current is increased greatly. Also, because of the decreased plate load resistance, the power output would tend to be decreased slightly while the harmonic

Fig. 1. (A) Schematic of a cathode follower driver stage. (B) Application of a bias cell.



distortion dropped sharply. Due to the increase (25%, or 62 volts) in effective plate-to-cathode voltage, the power output is increased by 50% anyway, while the greatly desirable 50% decrease in harmonic distortion remains.

Now we come to the argument having the most subtle persuasiveness of all. The tube operating under fixed bias will tend to have less transient distortion because of the elimination of a main source of incremental plate resistance. Since there is no cathode resistor, as such, there is no tendency toward inverse feedback of the type termed "current feedback," which tends to raise the plate resistance and, hence, the internal generator impedance of the amplifier circuit.

Transient and pulse behavior are dependent on the phase and amplitude response of the system at the extreme high and low ends of the frequency response spectrum, just as well as at the intermediate frequencies. A bypass condenser of any finite size, connected in parallel with any given cathode bias resistor, will introduce a phase shift which increases as frequency decreases. By choosing a large enough value of capacitance, this effect can be minimized for as low a frequency as is desired, say 20 or 30 cycles, or less. (It is necessary to bypass a common cathode resistor even in push-pull amplifiers, or all harmonics will be reintroduced to both grids in-phase; this will increase the total distortion very greatly.)

The designer of an amplifier incorporating more than about 20 db. of inverse feedback soon finds that he is going to total phase shift in the feedback loop at less than 180° at frequencies of one or two cycles or less, if he is to avoid low-frequency parasitic oscillations, to say nothing of the peak in amplitude and general instability of response which take place if the phase shift is not sufficiently less than the criterion of 180°. Thus, the point remains that the low-frequency phase shift causes pulse and transient instabilities of various orders when bypassed self-bias resistors are employed; that these types of distortions are extremely undesirable in highquality audio equipment; and that by the use of fixed bias, these difficulties can be solved more economically and without the use of extraordinarily large condensers. How this is done will be shown shortly.

It cannot be denied that the use of fixed bias has its drawbacks. The first point to be considered is that some means must be provided to balance inequalities in plate current between the two sides of the push-pull amplifier. The reason for this is that modern output transformers, which have cores of very large permeability, are susceptible to core saturation if there is current unbalance in the split primary windings. If this unbalance is less than about 10%, the effect will be a loss of low-frequency response; if it is more, serious distortion will result.

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by any one of several simple and inexpensive methods. A resistor of suitable value, or even better, a potentiometer used at the cathode of the overconducting tube, connecting it to ground, will remedy the situation. A very common way to adjust for this is to connect each leg of a small wirewound pot to each cathode and ground the tap. This is excusable because a tube which has too low a d.c. current resistance will usually have, in addition, a low plate resistance. The small amounts of current feedback introduced by these cathode balancing resistors will tend to raise the offending tube's plate resistance and lower its transconductance until it is in balance with the other tube. This is desirable when full use of the distortioncancelling effect of push-pull operation is wanted.

Another method is to provide separate bias-supply bleeders for each of the tubes, which may then be balanced empirically by adjusting the grid bias values separately. These adjustments are necessary at all times, even in self bias operation where one employs tubes of high transconductance, such as the 6A5G or 6AS7G. It is also well to remark that as tubes age, these adjustments must be corrected from time to time. This is the reason for the permanent plate current metering and screwdriver adjusting pots found in professional high-quality equipment.

Another point is that the maximum permissible value of input grid resistor is appreciably smaller under fixed bias than under self bias. In the case of the 6V6 and 6L6, 0.1 megohm may be used at most, as against .5 megohm in self bias. For members of the 2A3 family of triodes, .05 megohm is permissible, as against .5 megohm in self bias. The reason for this is that there seems to be a small amount of grid current that must be allowed to flow, because of the connection between grid current and the larger plate current excursions which take place under the fixed bias conditions. There may be less potential difference between the plate and the cathode than there is between the cathode and the grid, in which case one obtains a little more grid rectification than occurs in the self-bias condition where plate current excursions are not so great.

Since a given RC constant must be upheld in order to preserve a given bass response and phase shift characteristic, the conclusion is reached that some large values of coupling capacitance are needed if conventional \mathcal{RC} coupling circuits are to be employed and extremely good response is desired. For example, a good combination to use in feedback loops is an .1 $\mu fd.$ condenser coupled to a grid resistor of .5 megohms resistance. To get the same quality of response when .05 megohms is the largest permissible grid resistance, one would have to use an 1 μ fd. coupling condenser. This is not too good, because the con-

-	BUAS	FIXED	BIAS			
Plate voltage	250	250	v.d.c.			
Screen voltage	250	250	v.d.c.			
Plate current—						
Zero signal	70	40	ma.			
Peak signal	79	79	ma.			
Screen current						
Zero signal	5	3	ma.			
Peak signal	13	13	ma.			
Load resistance, c.t	000	10,000	ohms			
Grid bias	—1 5	25	v.			
Power output	10	16	watts			
Total Harmonic distortion	5%	5%				
Operating conditions are for 2 tubes in push-pull "Class AB ₁ "						

Table 1. Operating conditions of the 6V6 as a push-pull "Class AB₁" power output stage.

denser becomes rather bulky and therefore difficult to wire in. As a consequence it tends to have a rather high capacitance to ground and too high a leakage current with all the associated dangers. Any ordinary condenser will probably also have too high a power factor because the leakage resistance is too low. In high-impedance circuits, the power factor consideration is negligible, but the leakage current may upset the bias of the grid by making it a few volts more positive with respect to ground. This is not a desirable condition, even though it is easily compensated for, because the leakage resistance of the coupling condenser is likely to decrease further as the part ages in operation.

It is for these reasons that transformer and impedance coupling methods are advisable, especially when not too much, if any, inverse feedback is to be applied around this circuit element. The d.c. resistance of the wire windings of the coupling inductance from the grid terminal to ground is never more than a few thousand ohms and is much less than that if the part is of any quality. At the same time, of course, the impedance to the audio signal can be as large as desired, just so long as enough inductance is provided. This method, however, is expensive; the parts are bulky, and there is always some trouble with hum pickup. Furthermore, though frequency response can be made very good, it will be found that there is too much phase shift at the near extremes of the response band for any significant amount of inverse feedback to be employed. This can be compensated for by the use of complicated RC networks linking, say, the primary and secondary of an interstage transformer, and near ideal results are possible. One can see an example of this type of engineering in the schematic of a very well respected amplifier which features the use of a triode output stage.

The author believes that cathode followers do the job better. Fig. 1A shows a system for direct coupling push-pull cathode follower drivers to the grids of the output tubes. It must be remembered that the bias of the output tubes must be increased because of the zero signal IR drop in the cathode follower load resistors. One should also remember that the negative voltage swing of the signal delivered by a cathode follower is limited to the amount of bias under which the tube operates, although there is no limit to the positive swings but the available plate supply voltage. This is nothing to worry about. The combined signal of the two cathode followers will be distortionless; so if the output tubes are now put under heavy negative bias, they can still operate linearly for all input signals, peaks on the more negative (the more nonlinear) side of the operating point already being reduced by the cathode followers. A power tube operating heavily biased does not draw much zero-signal plate current at all. It is easy to see therefore that this system can give a pretty high order of efficiency while it sacrifices nothing to distortion.

The cathode followers have many desirable properties. The grid circuit of the output tubes will have very low impedance and resistance to ground. This will satisfy the requirement that

Table 2. Operating characteristics of the 2A3. 6A3, 6B4, and 6A5 low mu triodes.

Plate voltage		BIAS 300	FIXED 300	BIAS v.d.c.
Zero signal		80	80	ma.
Peak signal		100	147	mα.
Grid bias	. –	–62	62	v.
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Load resistance		000	3000	ohms
Power output		10	15	watts
Harmonic distortion		5%	2.5%	
Operating conditions are for 2 tubes in p		- , -	2.0 / 0	

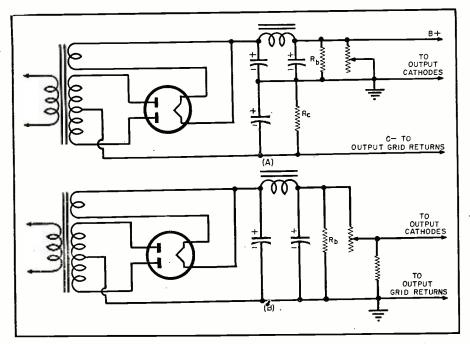


Fig. 2. How bias is obtained from main power supply: (A) Back bias and (B) self bias.

the grid leak be small. The low impedance to ground prevents high-frequency losses due to capacitance to ground leakage as does the coupling property of the cathode follower itself. The low impedance of the input circuit makes it quite possible to drive the output tubes very hard, without any of the usual positive peak flattening and clipping when the input signal approaches the value of the fixed bias and the grids approach within less than a volt of cathode potential. Not too much distortion will result if the grids are driven slightly above cathode potential, provided the drivers are capable of delivering power.

The cathode followers introduce no phase shift in themselves; there is not the customary 180° shift due to the presence of a tube stage, and due to the extremely high input impedance there will be far less high-frequency attenuation at the input to the cathode follower stages than there would be at the input to any other type of grid-driven stage, such as the output stage.

The slight attenuation of signal voltage characteristic of cathode followers is very easily compensated for by providing a little more gain in the previous stages.

Now let us discuss some of the means for obtaining fixed bias. None of them offers the simplicity, economy, or compactness of the self-bias method, but this is no more than an engineering detail to the perfectionist. There are some ideas incorporated into the circuits given here which may prove helpful in other design problems.

The first, and most obvious, method is to use a battery. Fig. 1B shows the correct connection. This is the same circuit connection as was used with the specially-designed "C" batteries or "bias cells" in the days before the "all-electric" a.c. or a.c.-d.c. power

supply. Bias cells are still used in some high-gain microphone stages, where self or grid-leak bias will create hum problems. This system is rare nowadays in power output stages because the batteries do not last long enough in such service. They dry out, are bulky, expensive, and have too poor a regulation due to the high internal resistance necessary to good shelf life.

Figs. 2A and 2B show how bias is obtainable from the main power supply bleeder; Fig. 2A is sometimes termed "back bias." Fig. 2B shows the self-bias method by comparison. Back bias approaches self bias in operation as less and less current flows through the main bleeder and the constantcurrent portion of the power-supply load. If the bleeder current is of large enough magnitude, the voltage across the bias determining resistor becomes as nearly constant as desired. The bypass capacitance will help in further smoothing the bias voltage.

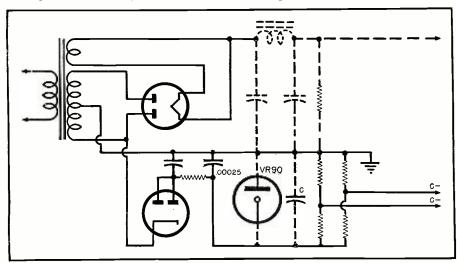
This method can be quite inexpensive to install, because the additional cost of a heavier power transformer and filter system and the heavier bleeders will not be as much as that of a completely separate bias supply. The main power supply will also benefit by improved regulation and dependability. The main defect of this system is that effective plate supply voltage is lost, just as in self bias. When one has to supply a good 60 volts bias, as with 2A3's, this is undesirable.

In Fig. 3 is shown a widespread and popular circuit known as the "side rectifier." It works by rectifying the negative phase of the supply cycle, instead of the positive phase, as in the usual positive supply. Although it would be desirable to employ a fullwave rectification circuit, this is not possible if one is to use any of the common cathode-type rectifiers, unless one wishes to employ two tubes. The type 6H6 or 6AL5 will not allow enough current to flow for good regulation, although the separate cathode pins for each diode section make the use of a full-wave circuit possible.

Some power transformers are supplied with a bias tap about 60 to 70 volts up from one side of the high voltage winding center tap. This sort of tap will usually deliver the right amount of bias for a pair of 2A3's from the proper rectifier and filter. Adjusting resistance values and tap bleeders to get any required smaller bias voltage is a simple matter indeed. This circuit requires a rectifier tube which will usually draw a fairly heavy filament current. Type 6X5, for example, will draw 0.6 amperes at 6.3 volts.

The circuit of Fig. 4A affords two advantages over previous ones. The first advantage is the elimination of. a rectifier tube and the saving of its filament current. The midget selenium rectifier will run more coolly than the tube and will have better reg-(Continued on page 120)

Fig. 3. Schematic diagram of a popular circuit usually referred to as the side rectifier.



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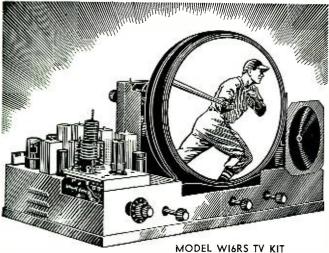
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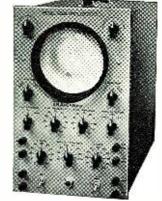
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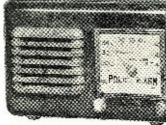
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cast until the hurricane emergency was declared terminated.

No damage was sustained by A4USA as a direct result of the hurricane. However, many MARS members in the central and lower Florida report their antennas were literally "gone with the wind" as cyclones up to 150 miles an hour struck their homes.

CANADIAN MICROWAVE **RELAYS FOR TV**

SIMILAR to relays for television that have been installed in the United States, Philco microwave equipment was used to present television programs to 2,000,000 visitors who attended the Canadian National Exhibit in Toronto recently. This is believed to be the first use of such relays in Canada.

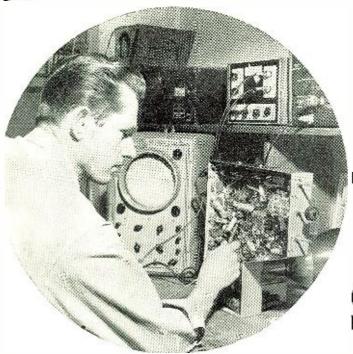
Particularly timely since the Canadian Broadcasting Company is just developing television broadcast networks in the Dominion, the telecasts included television shows from WBEN-TV (Channel 4) from Buffalo, N. Y., and still pictures and recordings from the experimental station VE9KE at the Phileo factory in Toronto to the site of the fair.

Signals from the Buffalo television station were picked up by a special high-gain antenna, fed to the input of the relay transmitter, beamed by microwave to the relay receiver at the fairgrounds, and then displayed on typical home television sets.

TV SET SHIPMENTS BY AREAS

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Albany, N. Y.	9,801	22,580
Albuquerque, N. M.	71	317
Atlanta, Ga.	3,184	8,015
Baltimore, Md.	21,158	49,259
Birmingham, Ala.	2,199	2,222
Boston, Mass.	49,286	88,233
Buffalo, N. Y.	12,092	21,196
Chambette N C	1,718	1,949
Charlotte, N. C.	77,278	156,694
Chicago, Ill.	19,196	33,283
Cincinnati, O.	31,406	52,714
Cleveland, O.		8,303
Dallas, Texas	2,016	
Davenport, Iowa	473	921
Detroit, Mich.	36,535	62,871
Erie, Pa.	690	993
Greensboro, N. C.	562	562
Houston, Texas	2,106	4,365
Huntington, W. Va.	30	30
Indianapolia Ind	5,704	6,276
Indianapolis, Ind. Jacksonville, Fla.	95	95
jacksonville, Ila.	4,549	5,098
Kansas City, Mo. Los Angeles, Calif.	60,407	137,332
Los Angeles, Call.		5,161
Louisville, Ky. Memphis, Tenn.	2,042	5,072
Memphis, Tenn.	1,970	
Miami, Fla.	2,800	3,643
Milwaukee, Wisc.	10,439	23,378
Minneapolis, Minn.	4,711	10,947
Nashville, Tenn.	58	113
Newark, N. J.	59,978	163,504
New Haven, Conn.	10,733	27,805
New Orleans, La.	1,691	5,674
New Orleans, La. New York City	152,619	425,648
Oklahoma City, Okla.	2,810	2,838
Omaha, Nebr.	1,109	1,146
Philadelphia, Pa.	75,222	204,461
	22	22
Phoenix, Ariz.	15,185	21,323
Pittsburgh, Pa.		559
Portland, Ore.	425	6,100
Richmond, Va.	2,879	
St. Louis, Mo.	12,944	29,196
St. Petersburg, Fla.	51	95
I Salt Lake City, Utah	861	1,862
San Antonio, Texas San Francisco, Calif.	87	87
San Francisco, Calif.	7,897	20,194
Seattle, Wash.	2,591	7,160
Syracuse, N. Y.	2,196	4,599
Toledo, O.	7,378	13,008
Tulsa, Okla.	203	203
Washington, D. C.	22,709	53,305
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Miscellaneous		
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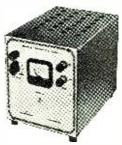
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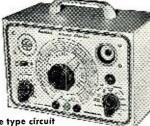
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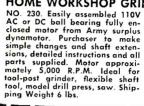
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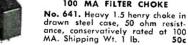
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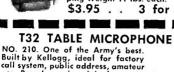


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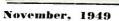


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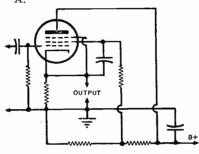
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113. What are the characteristics of a cathode follower circuit?

A. A cathode follower circuit has no gain, inherent inverse feedback, or low output impedance, and one end of its output is at ground potential, making it very adaptable to coaxial cable circuits.

114. Draw a simple schematic of a cathode follower circuit.



115. How may noise factors be kept low in amplifier designs?

A. Thermal noise and shot effect is kept at a minimum by using low values of coupling resistors and lowcurrent tubes, especially in the first stage, or whenever the signal is less than ten millivolts.

116. What is the purpose of deliberately using non-linear or distorting amplifiers?

A. Distorting amplifiers are used to introduce changes to the over-all gamma of a picture and is done by varying the bias voltage to operate a different portion of the Ip-Eg

117. What are the three important considerations of coaxial cable?

A. Coaxial cable considerations are: (1) Surge impedance; (2) attenuation-amplitude-frequency response, and (3) time delay-phasefrequency response.

118. What is the bandwidth of a television channel?

A. Six mc. includes the video and audio signals and their respective carriers and guard bands.

119. What is the purpose of a single sideband transmission.

A. With a normal double sideband transmission symmetrically disposed about the carrier, a frequency deviation of only 2.5 mc. on each side of the carrier would be practical with a 6 mc. channel width. By moving the carrier to within 1.25 mc. of the lower limit of the channel and shaving the lower sideband off, a frequency swing of 4.5 mc. is possible, thereby providing greater picture detail.

120. What is meant by quasi-single or vestigial sideband transmission?

A. A band elimination filter hav $ing\ too\ sharp\ cut-off\ characteristics$ would induce bad phase shifts. Therefore, the cut-off characteristic is tapered so that about 1.25 mc. of the lower sideband is left. This is called "quasi-single" or "vestigial" sideband transmission.

121. How far may a television signal be transmitted?

A. The effective range of a television signal is usually taken as the "line-of-sight" distance that can be seen from a transmitter antenna to receiver antenna. This is not a hard and fast rule, however, just a practical one.

122. What is meant by carrier polarization?

A. Polarization is the direction of the electric field relative to the earth's surface. Vertical antennas produce vertically polarized waves; horizontal antennas produce horizontally polarized waves.

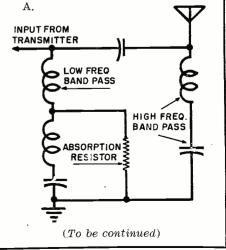
123. What is the effect on the impedance of an open circuit on a quarter-wave section of coaxial cable?

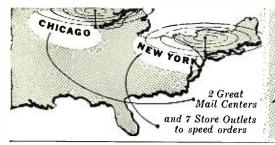
A. If a quarter-wave section of coaxial cable is open circuited at the far end, it has very low impedance at the near end.

124. What is the effect on the impedance of a short circuit on a quarter-wave section of coaxial cable?

A. If a quarter-wave section of coaxial cable is short-circuited at the far end, the near end impedance is very high.

125. Draw a simple schematic diagram of a vestigial sideband filter.







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Ohio, has entered the television field with the production of a television booster utilizing four tubes.

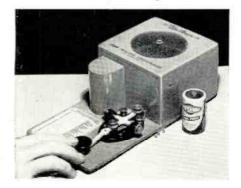
With high gain the principal feature of this Model AT-1 booster, coverage of all 12 television channels is attained without peaking or drop-off. Dual tuning controls that permit separate adjustment without sacrifice of signal quality are also said to minimize, or eliminate, interference by means of the added selectivity. Another aspect of the booster is the variable gain control preventing picture distortion when signal input is in excess of the amount required.

A self-contained power supply operates from 115 volt, 60 cycle a.c. power lines. The cabinet is in mahogany, with a furniture finish.

CODE PRACTICE SET

Intended for use by radio hobbyists, amateurs, and even professionals, a new type of telegraphic code practice set produced by the *Martin Manufacturing Company* uses only one 1½ volt flashlight cell.

Called the "Duplex Practicode," this set has a 4-inch PM speaker and is



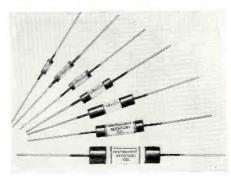
complete with a professional telegraph key and flashlight cell. It is portable and external terminals are included for long distance operation, so that as many as six sets may operate on one line.

Although it is priced at \$8.95, it is not a toy and is absolutely safe for anyone to use. It generates an "easy-to-copy" tone, and its high volume is said to be comparable to the d.c. note obtainable from professional sets. Write the company at 194 Gelston Avenue, Brooklyn 9, N. Y., for information.

MIDGET RESISTORS

Special features of the *Instrument Resistors Company* midget size wirewound resistors are the enameled wire used, the special Bakelite form that eliminates shrinking, swelling and temperature effects, and the moisture and fungus proof coating.

The company, located at 1036 Commerce Avenue, Union, New Jersey, announced that its new resistors meet all requirements where precision resistance values and exceptionally



small size must be utilized at lowest cost. Although they are no larger than molded resistors, these Type IR units are wirewound to a standard tolerance of plus-minus 1 per-cent, and maintain this accuracy indefinitely.

Complete details on the IR types (inductive) and the IRN types (non-inductive) can be obtained from the company.

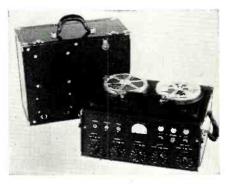
COMMERCIAL TAPE RECORDINGS

Musical concerts, professionally recorded on magnetic tape, are now being produced by the *Amplifier Corporation of America*, 398-2 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

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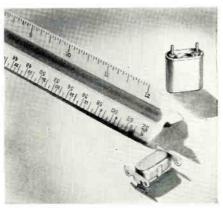
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STEVENS THERMOSTATS

A positive operating thermostat, designed for precise control of low-wattage electrical circuits, is being produced by the Stevens Manufacturing Company, Inc., Mansfield, Ohio.

Adapted for communications and electronic equipment and appliances, this unit may be utilized alone or in conjunction with disc type thermostats. A wide variety of terminal arrangements is in production, in many operating ranges up to a maximum of 600 degrees F. Temperatures as low as minus 60 degrees C. do not impair normal operation.

In the *Stevens* line, two styles are available: the standard, which is semi-sealed, and the type that is hermetically sealed in a metal enclosure.



All of the thermostats are pre-calibrated in pots, simulating actual service conditions before shipment.

MAGNASCREEN ENLARGER

A strong and light-weight plastic is the material used in the MAGNA-screen made by the Plastics Division of Willson Camera Co., Philadelphia, Pa. This marks a new approach to the production of large-size images from television screens of nominal dimensions.

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cluding frame and mounting brackets. To illustrate the principle, mounting the screen in front of a 10-inch screen, the image can be enlarged to the size of a 16-inch tube.

NEW TV TUBES

Recently the receiving tube division of Raytheon Manufacturing Company, 55 Chapel St., Newton 58, Mass., announced production of two tube types, the 1X2, a filament-type rectifier, and the 6BQ6GT, a beam pentode, for use in television receivers.

As a high-voltage rectifier in TV tubes or in r.f., fly-back, and power line frequency types of rectifier circuits, the 1X2, of miniature construction, can be utilized to advantage.

The 6BQ6GT is designed for use as a horizontal deflection amplifier. By employing a T-9 bulb and a standard octal base, space may be saved by use of the 6BQ6GT. The plate connection through a top cap allows for better isolation of the high plate voltage.

SEQUENCE SELECTOR

In line with the recent FCC u.h.f. allocations, the Radio Craftsmen, Inc., 1617 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., have designed a "Sequence Selector" which will permit the service technician to align a TV set to any of the new frequencies, as well as in any sequence or combination of u.h.f. or v.h.f.

The device is one of the features of the Craftsmen RC-100 receiver now being produced as a solution to "fringe problems. This new model is suitable for custom installation in cabinets, or in wall panels.

When setting the converter, all the service technician need do is arrange a number of cartridges in the sequence desired by the set owner, without regard to the channel number of the station.

TRAVELING WAVE AMPLIFIER

A valuable tool to use in the field of nuclear physics and as an amplifier for wideband oscilloscopes is the Model 202P amplifier manufactured by the Spencer-Kennedy Laboratories, Inc.,

186 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass. The regulated power supply has a gain of 20 db. with a bandwidth of 200 mc. and insures constant gain within 1 per-cent, plus or minus, for line voltage variations of plus or minus 10 per-cent.

The combination of a linear phase shift and rise time of .003 microseconds makes this chain amplifier ideal for radar, oscillography, and high speed pulse amplification. The stabilized gain and four volts output make it well adapted for use as a preamplifier for signal, sweep and pulse generators,



vacuum tube voltmeters, TV testing, and general laboratory measurements.

Chassis of the Model 202P is of lightweight aluminum, size 3½ by 19 by 11 inches, and it can be either rack or table mounted.

"PROSPECTOR" DETECTOR

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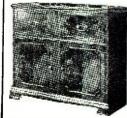
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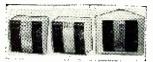
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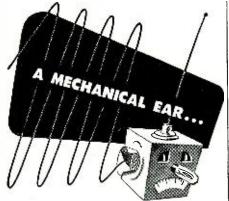
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The need for a reliable, metered indicator for use around ham and experimental gear has brought about the creation of an r.f. indicator, called the Double Checker. A unit like this is simple to build.

For constructing a checker of this type, all that is needed is a sensitive meter, a pair of 1N34 germanium crystal rectifiers, a few feet of wire, and some sheet bakelite. The meter used should be a two-inch 0-1 milliampere of the type that has been offered on the surplus markets, or these may be found among the "spare parts," with other meters. The one chosen for this unit was a radar manual range indicator, made by *G-E*, their Model AXE 221. Another type that should serve with equal success is the *Weston* two-inch 0-1 ma.

The completed circuit is shown in Fig. 3A. A variation can be made as shown in Fig. 3B, using a capacity "hat" rather than the inductance version. The latter *L-C* type is more sensitive and is just as easy to make.

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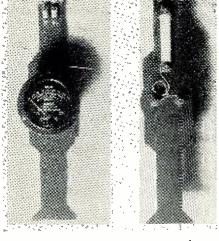


Fig. 1. Front and rear views of the completed versatile checker.

Fig. 2. Note that the holding notch is made so that the operator's hand is well away from the meter and the other parts of the circuit. Further guards may be added as extra precaution, but if care is exercised, no burns or shocks should be suffered.

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Fig. 2. Detailed dimensional sketches of the bakelite handle (left) and the form for the r.f. choke illustrated at right.

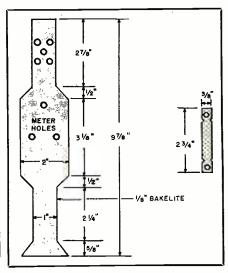
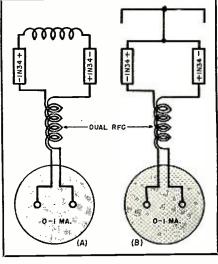


Fig. 3. (A) Circuit of the checker using inductive pickup loop. (B) Suggested circuit using a "capacity hat" pickup.



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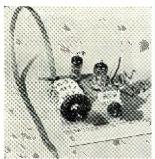


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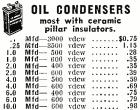
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When both of the doped coils have properly dried and are no longer tacky, you are ready to assemble the unit. Bolt the dual-wound r.f. choke in place, solder the two 1N34 rectifiers, being sure that polarity is as indicated, and mount the meter using the terminal bolts for connections as well as mounting.

It is a good idea to check the polarity by bringing the pickup end near an oscillator so that the meter reads the proper direction. The leads at the meter may have to be reversed, and the finished Double Checker should look like Fig. 1.

This unit is excellent for neutralizing or checking r.f. strays, and even as a standing-wave ratio indicator. For this purpose, it is usually necessary to tape a small piece of bakelite or stick so that the pickup is just near enough to give a center of scale reading. By comparing the maximum to minimum, there is a good indication of standing-wave ratio.

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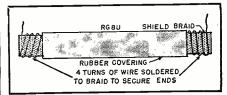


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Fig. 1





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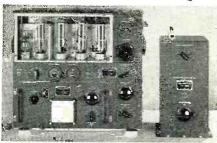


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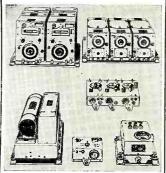
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Instrument Electronics	248	20-20,000 c.p.s.	2-20 per sec.	2 w.	600 Ω	Flat	1%	\$550	al can also be used as single- frequency B.F.O.     b) contains logarithmic amp. for db. measurements.
	182-A	25-15,000 c.p.s.	5-6 per sec. 1 per 5-8 sec.	100 mw.	600 Ω 20k Ω	Flat	5%	\$165	Can also be used as manual single-frequency, B.F.O.'s.
Clough-Brengle	282-A	Any 0-10 kc. band between 25-32,000 c.p.s.	2-10 per sec.	100 mw.	600 $\Omega$ bal. 4000 $\Omega$ unbal.	Flat	0.5%	\$425	single-nequency, b.r.O. s.
Clarkstan	125	40-10,000 c.p.s.	20 per sec.	50 mw.	500 Ω	Flat	_	\$165	Uses photoelectric scanning o rotating disc.

	Type number		Frequency	Output		Output	Distor-		Frequency	Output	Hum and	
Manufacturer r		Class	Range	Matched load	Open-circuit Volts	Impedance	tion	Calibration	Drift	variation	noise level	Price
General Radio	700-A	B.F.O.	50 c.p.s 5 mc.	150 mw.	10-15	1500 Ω unbal.	3%	$\pm (2\% + 5 \text{ c.p.s.})$	_	(Note 1)	1%	\$700
Hewlett-Packard	650-A	R-C	10 c.p.s10 mc.	15 mw.	6	600 Ω	1%	_	=2%	(Note 1)	0.5%	\$475
Boonton	140-A	B.F.O.	20 c.p.s5 mc.	1 watt	32	20-1000 Ω	2%	± (2%+2c.p.s.)	2%+5 c.p.s.	(Note 1)	1%	\$1050
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		LOW	LEVEL VAC	UUM-TUBE	VOLTMETERS	1	1	
Туре	Manufacturer	Model Number	Voltage Range IFull-scale)	Scale Calibration	Frequency Range	Accuracy	Input Impedance	Price
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	Ballantine	304(1,3)	0.01-1.0	logarithmic	30 c.p.s5.5 mc.	3% to 5%	1 meg., 9 μμfd.	\$225
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R.M.S. or Average Value		400-C(1)	0.001-300	linear	20 c.p.s2 mc.	3%	10 meg.	\$200
		404-A(2)	0.003-300	linear	2-50,000 c.p.s.	3%	10 meg.	\$185
Meters	RCA	WV-73-A	0,01-1000	logarithmic	20-20,000 c.p.s.	5%	1 meg., 25 μμfd.	\$149.50
		45(1)	0.005-500	logarithmic	5 c.p.s1.6 mc.	3%	2 meg., 15 μμfd.	\$210
		45-B(1)	0.005-500	Logarithmic	5-250,000 c.p.s	3%	2 meg., 15 μμfd.	\$200
	Instrument Electronics	47 (1)	0.0005-500	Logarithmic	15-20,000 c.p.s.	2%	1 meg., 18 μμfd.	\$220
į		47-B(1)	0.0005-500	Logarithmic	15-20,000 c.p.s.		50 meg.	\$235
!	General Radio	727-A(2)	0.3-300	linear	20 c.p.s100 mc.	3%	3-5 meg., 16 μμfd.	\$180
!	Furzehill	378-B/2(1)	0.01-100	Logarithmic	10-500,000 c.p.s.	5%	2 meg.	\$522
Peak-reading Maters	Ballantine	305(1)	Peak-to-peak 0.01-1000	Logarithmic	10-100,000 c.p.s.	2%	2.2 meg., 15 μμfd.	\$280
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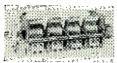
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Rating: 0-10 V.
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Manufacturer	Type number	Frequency range	Input level range	Range of distortion meas. (full-scale)	V.T.V.M. range	Noise measure- ment	Input impedance	Accuracy	Price
General Radio	1932-A	50-15,000 c.p.s.	0.8-30 v.	0.3%-30%		-80 db.	100k $\Omega$ unbal. 600 $\Omega$ bridging	±5%	\$575
	320-A	400 c.p.s.; 5 kc.	70 db. attenuator	as low as 0.3%	no v.t.v.m.		20k Ω unbal.		\$75
Handatt Dashard	320-B	50; 100; 400 c.p.s. 1; 5; 7.5 kc.	70 db. attenuator	as low as 0.3%	no v.t.v.m.		20k Ω unbal.	_	\$150
Hewlett-Packard	325-B .	30; 50; 100; 400; 1000 c.p.s. 5; 7.5; 10; 15 kc.	_	as low as 0.3%	0.03-300 v.	-80 db.	20k Ω, 40 μμfd.	±3%	\$350
	330B, 330C	20-20,000 c.p.s.	_	as low as 0.3%	0.03-300 v.	-80 db.	20k Ω, 40 μμfd.	±3%_	\$425
General Electric	YDA-1	50-15,000 c.p.s.	0.8-30 v.	1%-100%	1 mv1.0 v.	-80 db.	100k Ω unbal. 600 Ω bal.	5%	\$495
Barker & Williamson	400	50-15,000 c.p.s.	over 0.3 v.		3 mv0.3 v.	_	_	±10%	\$140
Doolittle	CHX-2	150-15,000 c.p.s.	over 1.0 v.	10%-100%			500k Ω unbal.	5%	\$250
	69-C	30-15,000 c.p.s.	0.12-80 v.	0.3%-100%	<u> </u>	85 db.	20k Ω/200 k Ω	_	\$593.7

		Туре	Frequency	Ger	nerator/attenu	uator section	Load and measu	Price	
Type of unit	Manufacturer	number	range	Output levels	Attenuation range	Output impedance	Input impedance	Level ranges	Price
Attenuator and measurement set	Daven	10-A	30-17,000 c.p.s.	_	111 db.	30/150/250/600 ohms	4/8/16/150/ 250/600 ohms	+ 4 to +42 dbm.	\$550
		11-A	20-20,000 c.p.s.	-	114 db.	30/150/250/600 ohms	4/8/16/150/ 250/600 ohms	+ 4 to +42 dbm.	\$325
	RCA	89C		_	75 db.	600 ohms	30/250/600 ohms	0 to + 22 dbm.	\$312.6
	Cinema Eng.	63,43	20-20,000 c.p.s.		100 db.	5/30/150/250/ 500/600 ohms	15/30/150/250/ 600 ohms	+ 4 to +42 dbm.	\$550
Signal genera- tor and measurement	Hewlett-Packard	205-AG	20-20,000 c.p.s.	up to 5 watts	110 db.	50/200/600/ 5000 ohms	_	— 5 to +48 db.	\$425
	RCA	170-A	20-10,000 c.p.s.	up to 1 watt	_	10/250/500 · ohms	250 ohms and high	5 v1000 v.	_
set	Shallcross	692-A	1000 c.p.s.		53 db.	600 ohms	600 ohms	0 to +40 db.	\$125

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Type of unit	Manufacturer	Type number	Frequency range	Input range (full-scale defl.)	Selectivity	Input impedance	Voltage accuracy	Price
	General Radio	736-A	20-16,000 c.p.s.	300 μv300 v.	4 cycle bandwidth	$100$ k $\Omega/1$ meg.	±5%	\$920
		760-A	25- 7500 c.p.s.	1 mv10 v.	1% of tuned freq.	20,000 Ω		\$400
Wave analyzer	Hewlett-Packard	300-A	30-16,000 c.p.s.	1 mv500 v.	Adjustable 30 c.p.s145 c.p.s.	200,000 Ω	±5%	\$625
	Western Electric	3-A	2-15,000 c.p.s.	_	Interchangeable 2 c.p.s200 c.p.s.	30 $\Omega$ and higher	_	_
	Electrodyne	4801	Speech freq.		12 simultaneous freqs. from 200- 3500 c.p.s. 150 c.p.s. half-band	High impedance	_	<u> </u>
Automatic	Panoramic	AP-1	40-20,000 c.p.s.	500 μν500 ν.	Variable	250,000 Ω	±10%	\$150
spectrum analyzers		Sona-graph	85- 8000 c.p.s.	_		_	_	\$179
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Manufacturer	Model Number	Voltage Range (Full-scale)	Scale Calibration	Frequency Range	Accuracy	Input Impedance	Price
Measurements Corp.	62	1.0-100	linear	30 c.p.s150 mc.	2%	2 meg., <b>7 μμ</b> fd.	\$135
General Radio	1800-A	0.5-150	linear	20 c.p.s500 mc.	2%	25 meg., 3.1 μμfd.	\$345
Furzehill	281	1.5-150	linear	50 c.p.s250 mc.	2%	4 meg., 9 μμfd.	\$360
	VM-27	1.0-100	linear	50 c.p.s 50 mc.	2%	4 meg., 5 μμfd.	\$150
Barber	LKV-300	3-300	linear	20 c.p.s300 mc.	3%	3.5 meg., 4 μμfd.	\$60

INTERMODULATION ANALYZERS										
·			Signal gene	erator section			Anal	yzer section		
Manufacturer	Type number	low freq.	High freq.	Output level	Output impedance	Input impedance	Required input volts	Ranges (full-scale defl.)	Accuracy	Price
Pickering	502	100 c.p.s.	4000 c.p.s.	- 10 vu.	30/210/600 Ω	1.2 meg.	1.0 volt	5%; 15%; 50%		\$550
Western Electric	RA-1257 RA-1258	40; 60; 100; or 150 c.p.s.	1k; 2k; 7k; or 12k c.p.s.	+23 to -105 dbm.	600 Ω	600 $\Omega$ or 1 meg.	-30 to +30 dbm.	5%; 15%; 50%; 100%	±5%	<del></del>
Altec-lansing	_	40; 60; or 100 c.p.s.	2k; 7k; or 12k c.p.s.	_	600 Ω	600 Ω	−70 to +40 dbm.	0.3%; 1%; 3%; 10%; 30%; 100%	_	_

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- (a) Condenser microphones as sound standards
- (b) Sound-level meters
- IV Instruments for measurement of characteristics of audio signals
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- V Multiple instruments (Signal source/meter in one unit)
  - (a) Transmission measurement sets and audio chanalysts
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VII Miscellaneous measuring and accessory instruments

This classification has been followed in all the listings of test equipment in the various tables in this article, and a complete index indicating where each table may be located is included at the bottom of this page.

The tables themselves are complete and self-explanatory. Each table represents a complete listing of the commercial units which are available for performing the particular function. It also includes the basic specifications, characteristics, and prices of the instruments listed, to aid in their selection to fit specific needs. Wherever certain information is not included in the table, it is because the information is not available or is not listed in the specifications.

There have also been included in this listing certain units which are not strictly considered audio test equipment, but which are useful accessories in performing tests on audio systems. Signal tracers and auxiliary instrument amplifiers might be considered in this category. In these listings a certain amount of judgment has been exercised in deciding what should be considered test equipment and what should be omitted. (For example, commercial broadcast and other audio amplifiers have not been included in the auxiliary amplifier listing, even though some of them may have characteristics superior to those listed.)

The first table lists the names and addresses of all of the manufacturers represented in the various tables, in the event further information about any of the instruments is desired. In many cases, local distributors can also furnish considerable additional information.

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Transformer Corporation, Elston, Kedzie, and Addison Sts., Chicago, Ill.

A native of Chicago, Mr. Delighter joined the firm three years ago and was employed in the accounting and cost

accounting departments. He attended Northwestern University and Carleton College and is a veteran of the Army Air Corps.

"THE REPRESENTATIVES" of Radio Parts Manufacturers, Inc., Los Angeles Chapter, elected three sales representatives to the group, bringing the total membership to 47 and making it one of the largest regional chapters within the national organization.

Elected to senior membership were Robert M. Hardie and Richard E. Osborne, both of 1127 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 14, California. Frederick Ireland, 1000 No. Seward Ave., Hollywood 88, California, was made an associate member.

GEORGE G. EDLEN, a recent addition to the sales organization of M. J. Shapp and Co., 121 N. Broad St., Phila., Pa., will make his headquarters in Baltimore and will contact manufacturers and government agencies in the Baltimore-Washington area. A graduate physicist, Mr. Edlen has done radar research at M.I.T., and prior to joining the Shapp Co. was research engineer at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. . .

KEN STARKEY is the new general manager of the Pilgrim Distributing Company, 910 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago. Ill., which handles Sylvania, Radiart, Amphenol, Centralab, Jerrold, Webster, Quam Nichols, Astatic, and Merit products, besides those of companies in other fields. Mr. Starkey brings a wide experience in the radio parts industry to his new post. . . . SAM M. HARPER, former sales executive for John Meck Industries, Inc., of Plymouth, Indiana, has been given the post of director of the company's special products division. Mr. Harper will carry on his duties at the Plymouth location and will supervise development and sales of contract and private label TV items. ... The new advertising and sales promotion manager of the Trans-Vue Corporation will be FIL MANDL, who was previously associated with the Harry J. Lazarus Advertising Agency in Chicago.

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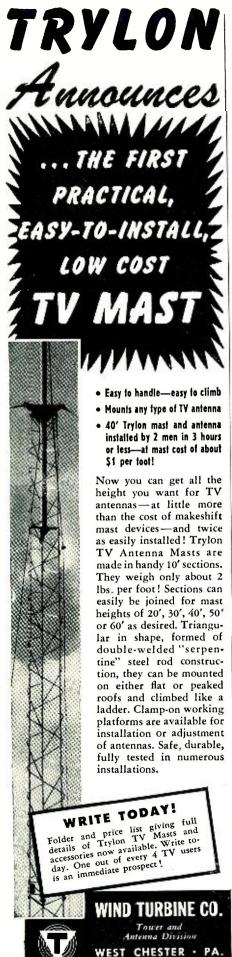
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The "Audio Comparator" was designed not only for the convenience of customers in choosing equipment, but also for the use of *The Radio Shack* engineering department as a guide to purchasing and for debunking false or misleading claims. Suggestions to manufacturers, made after exhaustive "Audio Comparator" aural and visual tests, have often resulted in the improvement of new equipment for the

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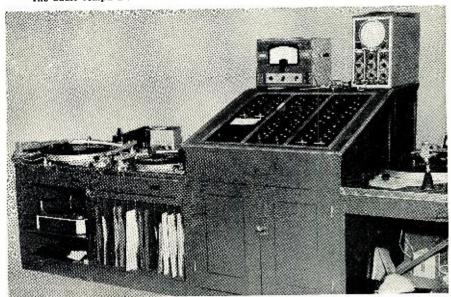
Many comparisons result in answers unobtainable by other methods. For example, take this typical microphone test. Mikes are grouped together, the amplifier is selected, disc or tape recorder is selected, sound source (voice or music) is selected, and then the mikes are switched. The result is a recording from which the listener may actually determine sensitivity, directivity, and quality. Equally important, he hears the mikes as reproduced by a speaker without the accompaniment of the originating sound source—as in the case of feeding the amplifier into a speaker instead of a recorder while the mikes are being compared.

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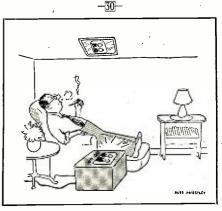
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The transmitter proper consists of a G-E ten kw. final amplifier using 5518's . in a grounded-grid circuit. Two 7D21's provide 3 kw. of drive to the final. This may seem excessive at first, but a great deal of the IPA power goes "right on through," thus effectively increasing the apparent efficiency of the final. The antenna consists of a foursection RCA pylon, which is an evolution from a folded dipole.

Station WMOR is owned and operated by a group of ex-GI's, each of whom had the desire to own his own business. Pooling resources and capital, they formed a corporation, enlisting the cooperation of a few interested businessmen. Each was a specialist in his own field, and all felt that there was a market for what they had to offer, namely, good radio for the Chicago area.

A sample of true fidelity in the symphonic vein was given the Midwest this past summer when WMOR broadcast the entire series of open-air concerts at Grant Park. The line to the station was equalized to well beyond 15,000 c.p.s., and great care was taken over the strategic placement of microphones. Only one mike was used in the focus of the bandshell to pick up the entire seventy-five-piece orchestra. A noticeable improvement was discernible not only on receivers with wide-band amplifiers and coaxial speaker systems, but even in table model sets with small speakers. The programs were picked up off the air by other stations in outlying areas and rebroadcast to further increase the area served.



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#### SPECIALS * **ELECTROLYTIC** CONDENSERS

D.Y. TYPE LUG TERM.

Toc eu.	 FOI	φ.
MFD.	vo	LT
3.0		50
40	3	00
2×20		20
20+10	1	50
30+30 40+40		25 25
40+40	4	66
50	2	00
2×10 2×20	1	50
30+15		25 50
40+40	1	50
40+20		50
20 10		50 00
10	2	ÓÓ.
.8		50
40 40		50 50
40/20	1	50
25/40	25/	200
2×40	1	50

29c ea.	10 For \$2.50
2x10 225 20/20 20/30 2x30 30+20 30/20 10/50/100 15-15/40 25-25/10 20-20/10	300 15 350/25 250 150 150 350/25 450/100/50 350/25 150/25 25/350 50/400
2×20 20/20 10—20/20 10—15/20 15—15/20 10—10/20 3×10 3×8 12 15 10 20 80	150 400 /25 350 /25 350 /25 250 /25 350 /20 150 525 450 525 525
40+20+20 40/20 40/25 40/30 10/50/100 10/10-10	150 150/25 200/25 150

10 20 80 40+20+20 40/20 40/25 40/30 10/50/10 10/10—10 16 20	150/25 200/25 150	0/50 0—150
4x20 2x30—15/2	450 450/25 450/25 450/25 450 475/400/3 450/400/3	69. 79. 98. 89.
3x10/10 3x10/20	450 /25 400 /25	.69 .69
80/40/150 2x80/60 150—50—2	250	.98 .65 .49
20-10/50	450/50	.49
2x20/20 40-20/20	400/25 400/25	.59 .59
40-40/25	400/25	.59
40-10/80 40-40-10	450/150	.69
40-40-10	450 450	.69
3x15-30	300	.69
2x30/20x1	0 450	.98

MIN	ICAPS PI	STAIL
MFD	VOLT	PRICE
30	450	\$.49
30	300	.45
30	350	.48
40 40	450 525	.45 .60
16	350	.35
16	525	.45
16	450	.40
16	100	.24
20	25	.20
20	80	.25
24	450 350	.40
-8	400	.30
š	150	.15
10	150	.20
10	50	.15
4	.50	.10
4	150	.14

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MFD.	VOLT	PRICE
2×10	450	\$.45
3x40	150	.45
20-20	150	.34
22-20	250	.45
3X40 20—20 22—20 30—30 32—32 30—50 40—20 32—32 40—40 32—16	150	.40
22 22	250	.49
32-32	350	.49
30-50	150	.42
40-20	150	.42
32-32	250	.49
40-40	150	.42
32-16	150 250 150 450	.55
3x40/10	150	.70
80-40-30/1		
8-8/25	450/2	3 1.23
B-8/23	450/7	5 1.10
30-20/20	450/2	5 1.10
20-16/10	200/2	5 .50
50-30	350	
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7	Png.	Steatite	. 17/8"	
	C.toC			39c
5	Png.	Wafer	Socket	
	Mica	Filled		17c
S	ocket	for 7	05.715	
	5D21	Steat	ite w	
	Lock			69c

Preci	sion Re	sistors
ohms	ohms	ohms
1.01	250	10000
3 5 5.05	430	12000
5	468	17000
10.1	800	17300
18	920 1100	20000
43.5	1450	25000 30000
50.3	1900	33000
75	2230	35000
82	4300	40000
120	5000	50000

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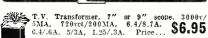
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2x110V	.010	6.3V/2.5, 2x2.5V/7	3.45
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Tapped (a) 400V	1	}	6.95
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IS HY 100 MA		1.39;	Cual / HY /5 MA,	
.2 HY 600 MA		1.95;	11 HY 60 MA 5 HY 225 MA	1.39
Swing 1.0/3.0 HY	.225/.02	Amp, 1.7	5 HY 225 MA	. 2.25
.22 HY 600 MA .4	HY 400	) MA		1.75
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Swing 9-20 HY .52	5/.075 N	1A		. 14.95
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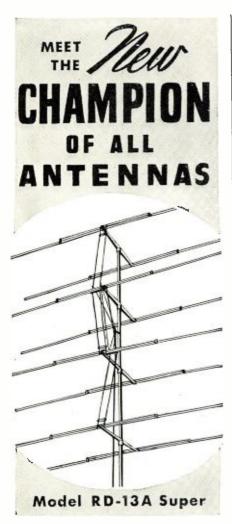
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#### **Loudspeaker Enclosures**

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inch loudspeakers consisting of four rows of eight speakers occupies approximately only two feet by three and one-half feet of rectangular area. Wall space is often more available than floor space.

A common fallacy is the belief that loudspeaker efficiency at low frequencies requires a large cone. The size of the cone is principally related to power handling capacity. With 32speakers driven by an average power of three watts, only a fraction of a watt is handled by each unit. A peak power of fifteen watts involves less than a half watt per speaker. Thirtytwo is a convenient number for series parallel connection to obtain conventional impedances. The loudspeakers should all be connected in phase.

The phasing of speakers may be checked by applying a low voltage battery to each voice coil in turn and watching the movement of the cone. Each cone should move in the same direction for the same battery polar-

#### **General Considerations and** Recapitulation

Reproducing middle frequencies is comparatively simple. A fair-sized flat baffle and a 12-inch loudspeaker will produce reasonably satisfactory results. The extreme low frequencies are limited by two factors. The one most commonly understood is the cancellation effect that takes place if the front and rear waveforms from the loudspeaker are not properly isolated. The other problem is the matter of matching the impedance of the loudspeaker to the air, creating an air load that is capable of accepting and transmitting the energy. Where space and cost are of no consequence, this is

most effectively accomplished with a large exponential horn such as is commonly used in theater installations. The Klipsch corner cabinet is another solution that does not require as much space. Corner cabinets of simpler design, bass reflex cabinets, or a combination are the most satisfactory compromises. Large banks of small speaker units may also be used effectively.

High frequencies are limited by the ability of the cone to respond suitably, which is affected by the mass of the cone structure and other factors. For very wide range systems, it is necessary to use at least two speaker units, one specialized in low-frequency radiation, the other, in high-frequency distribution. High frequencies are also limited by the tendency to beam and by the fact that most wall surfaces absorb the high frequencies and reflect the middle and low frequencies.

There is one other limitation on high-frequency response that is not generally recognized as having importance. This is the fact that high frequencies are absorbed by the air to a greater extent than are sounds in the middle and low range. Under some conditions of humidity and tem-perature the absorption of high frequencies by the air may be as much as three decibels in fifteen feet. This means, percentage-wise, that the energy will be reduced by half at a distance fifteen feet from the loudspeaker in the region of ten thousand cycles.

Maximum power output from an individual loudspeaker unit is limited not only by the excursion of the cone and the non-linear suspensions and power handling capacity of the voice coil, but also by inherent distortion characteristics of the air. For very high-level operation in quite large or absorptive rooms, it is essential to use more than one radiating unit for optimum results.

Wall mounted loudspeaker with frame and grill cloth to match wall.



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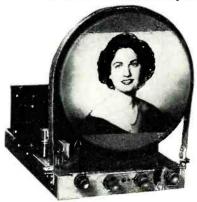
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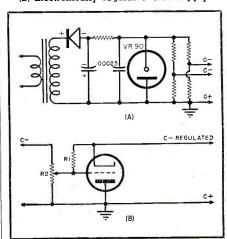
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ulation and lower internal drop in voltage. If the power transformer has the bias tap mentioned previously, the filament transformer connected backward to step up filament voltage to 117 volts will be unnecessary. The bias tap is just as good a source of voltage, although the current rating of the power transformer must not be ex-

The second advantage offered by this circuit design is that of tube protection. The usual situation that occurs when a bias rectifier tube is used is that the main power rectifier warms up first and delivers full plate voltage to the output tubes before the cathode-type bias rectifier can deliver bias voltage. The resultant surge of plate current can badly damage tubes and transformers. The usual method for coping with this problem has been to provide a separate switch for the bias supply, so that it may be turned on first, or to provide a time-delay relay so that the main power supply will be able to supply no current until the bias supply is ready. Since a selenium rectifier will go into operation immediately, while any conceivable power rectifier must take a few moments to warm up, these precautions are entirely unnecessary.

It must be remembered, however, that a midget selenium rectifier of the type now used cannot be operated at more than about 130 volts peak back voltage. Therefore, it cannot be used similarly to the 6X5 in the illustrated "side rectifier circuit," which is connected across a high side of the high voltage winding to ground, or it will be destroyed. This circuit features the use of a gaseous voltage regulator tube to give practically ideal stability, filtering, and regulation to the bias voltage. A filter condenser may be substituted for the voltage regulator tube if such good regulation is not needed; this is perfectly permissible

Fig. 4. (A) Diagram of a selenium rectifier bias supply. The VR-90 tube can be replaced with a filter condenser if desired. (B) Electronically regulated bias supply.



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in the bias supply for an amplifier which never draws appreciable grid current. This circuit is the property of the *Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation*.

Fig. 4B shows a familiar type of electronically regulated power supply adapted to the purpose of bias supply. Any tube of high transconductance, high perveance, and sufficiently low plate resistance is suitable. Tubes of the 2A3 family are good; the 6AS7 and 815 are capable of excellent control of large amounts of current. This circuit is not really necessary on any but high-power rigs, although it is flexible enough for any service of this type. Variations in output voltage are easily accomplished by adjusting R2 which changes the grid bias on the control tube



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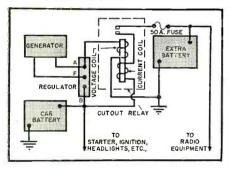


Fig. 1

cian, Police Dept., Sacramento, Calif.

With the system described, the extra battery operates the radio equipment, leaving the regular battery for starting the ear, operating the lights, and carrying on its other regular functions. Thus it is possible to operate to your heart's content, subject to the capacity of the extra battery and still have a fully charged battery for starting the car. This feature will be readily appreciated, especially in winter time.

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and its only disadvantage is the need for a very heavy lead to the battery to carry the high-ampere load of the rig. It isn't as bad as it sounds, because it is a simple matter to parallel several lengths of No. 18 or 14 flexible lamp cord to handle even maximum loads with every little voltage drop. Additional wires for the microphone control, and aerial circuits can be installed at the same time. In most cars, these wires must be run under the car and brought up through holes in the trunk and driver's compartments. They must be very well protected because they will take a terrific beating from gravel, rain, mud, ice, and so on. The flexible armored cable commonly used for house wiring ("BX") is cheap and very good for this purpose.

One-handed push-to-talk operation is a "must" for mobile work. You can't juggle switches and a mike and expect to keep the car on the road at the same time.

Plate supply for the transmitter is much more of a problem than the transmitter itself. The r.f. and modulator elements of a mobile rig are no different from those of a fixed transmitter. The trick is to change six volts to several hundred volts. For transmitters of more than a couple of watts, there is no choice but a dynamotor, a rotating machine with two armature windings and one field winding.

Current from the car's battery, led into one winding through brushes and a commutator and also to the fixed field winding, makes the machine run as a motor. The other winding, being twirled past the magnetic field of the fixed winding, develops voltage of its own; this is led out from another set of brushes and a commutator at the other end of the shaft. Dynamotors are noted for their dependability and long life. They are far superior to vibrator power supplies for the relatively heavy current demands of transmitters. Some fine ones for mobile rigs are available as military surplus at very low prices.

Factory-made converters and transmitters for mobile operation are rather limited in number at the present time, but with the growth of interest in this activity, manufacturers are beginning to become aware of the possibilities of these units.

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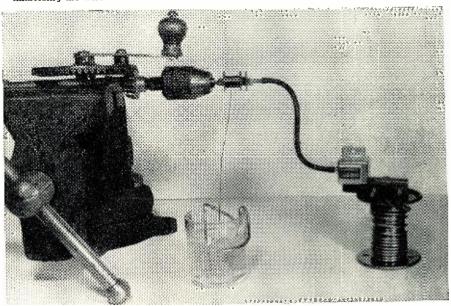
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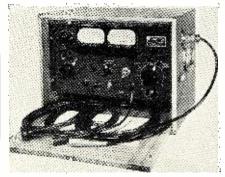
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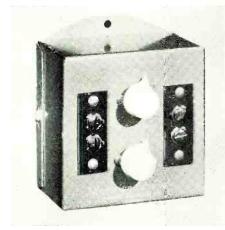
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Precision Electronics, Inc., 643 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 22, Ill., has recently announced that they are producing a TV Clarifier to eliminate her-

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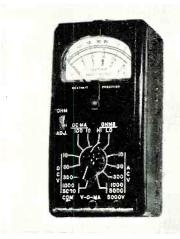
Clarifier is effective when installed between a.c. outlets and receivers as a trap for interference.

The device consists of two variable condensers in parallel with fixed inductance and is inserted between the antenna and receiver.

#### **VOLTOHMMETER KIT**

One of the newer products developed by the *Heath Company*, of Benton Harbor, Michigan, is a "Handitester Kit" with a 3-inch built-in meter that operates on a.c. or d.c., having ranges of 10, 30, 300, 1000, and 5000 volts. Ohm ranges are 0 to 3000 and 300,000, while the milliampere ranges cover 10 ma. and 100 ma.

Parts are housed in a pocket-size



bakelite case, in which the 400 microampere meter movement is already mounted.

#### PRECISION POTS

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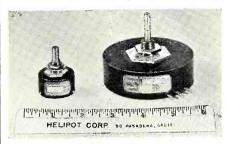


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This unit, called the Mini-Amp, is less than 2 by 2 by 1 inch thick and has an opening in the center through which pass the current-carrying lines. Accuracy is held within 5% and does not depend on the kind of insulation, line voltage, or manner in which wire turns are made through the center.

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#### Intercom For The Home

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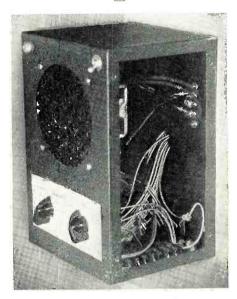
in the open was used in this setup, which has a 30-foot cable run from the basement master to the upstairs master.

Reversing the input transformer primary leads and changing the placement of the amplifier input and output ground returns in the kitchen box should clear up any difficulties. Shielded "In" and "Out" leads may be utilized, if desired, and should be used for longer cable runs. In such a case the shields can be used for the ground lead. "G."

The cellarway is the most logical place to run the cables; therefore, the locations of the amplifier and kitchen box should be chosen with this in mind. The cable run from the kitchen box to the upstairs hall box presents the real problem. In this installation, the cable goes from the kitchen box up through the cellarway ceiling. It comes through on the second-floor stairway landing, which is one step below second-floor level. Then it goes behind the floor shoes for six feet and comes up between the wall separating the hall and bathroom.

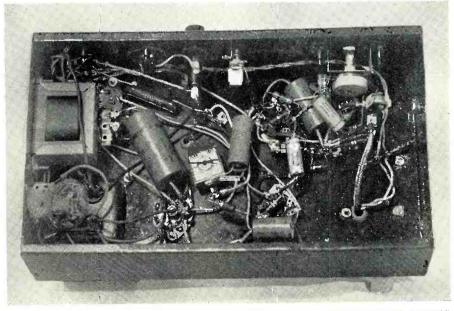
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Kitchen master unit with the side panel removed to show terminal strip mounting.

Under-chassis view of amplifier showing parts arrangement and wiring.



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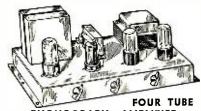
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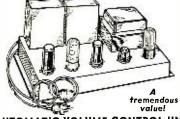
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#### Horn-Type Transducer

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space forms a coupling chamber of constantly diminishing cross section.

Fig. 1 shows the method of introducing the tweeter horn into the basic unit and facing the low-frequency driver into the sound chamber. The enclosed back space is ample to allow for back wave release ports which reinforce the low and middle range, thus eliminating dead spots near floor level. Note how the back wave emerges from the space between the sloping sides of the transducer and the wall. This back wave reflex principle is encountered in the Jensen "bass reflex" baffles now available.

A photograph of the completed unit is shown in Fig. 1. It does not show a recently-designed plastic extension of the exponential flare.

This extension increases the efficiency of the integral space transducer without adding to its apparent height. It is also possible to lengthen this plastic extension under conditions where greater control may prove de-

It is now evident that the tri-rigid construction of this horn has resulted in a unit of light weight, yet immense strength. The over-all appearance is neat, compact, and of pleasing modern form. This is a long cry from the past, when instruments resembling gigantic cow horns protruded into the apartments of sound enthusiasts who wanted the best, but who found it necessary to sacrifice appearance and comfort for their personal idiosyncrasies.

Upon hearing one of these horns, a person becomes keenly aware of the amazing possibilities in sound reproduction. Even the elusive transient sounds are present in true perspective, with little of the distortion so common to direct radiator loudspeakers mounted in conventional baffles.

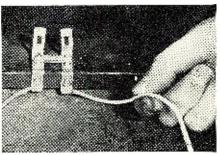
#### **GLASS FUSE HOLDER**

T IS often desirable to insert a small glass type fuse in a circuit used for experimental purposes.

Battery clips from discarded "B"

batteries may be bent and arranged so that the inside sections of the clips will hold the fuse as illustrated.

The opposite ends of the clips may be drilled and fastened to a wood base with screws. . . .



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#### Wide-Range Amplifier

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across the high voltage, or the plate voltage of the output tube may be dropped slightly. At any rate, if the circuit components are followed closely, the current should be very nearly 150 milliamperes.

Although they are not shown on the diagram, one megohm resistors are shunted from each grid to ground on the 6AS7G. These resistors may or may not be needed. In this amplifier there was a tendency to oscillate at some supersonic frequency, and adding the resistors eliminated this trouble, their value being primarily that they have no effect on the frequency response. A low-voltage meter should be connected across the plates of the tube and the slider on  $R_{\text{IN}}$  adjusted for zero reading, balancing the plate current. This will take care of the adjustments for this stage.

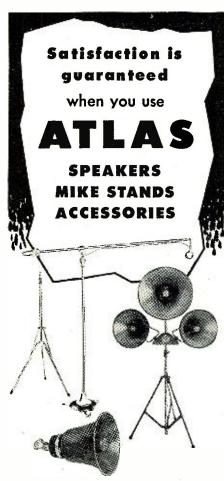
The test curves were taken with a standard audio oscillator, using an oscilloscope and an output meter. Maximum output without visible distortion was just less than 10 watts. With the tone controls disconnected, output was flat to a fraction of a decibel from the limits of 20 to 20,000 cycles of the audio oscillator. The tone control curves were taken with a .04 µfd. condenser at  $C_{\mbox{\tiny 26}}$  as recommended by the control manufacturers. This later was changed to .03  $\mu$ fd. to increase the frequency point where treble boost begins as well as the treble cut. This reduced somewhat the noticeable increase in loudness with treble boost.

Output response through the phono input was also taken. The variations are for constant output with varying input. Incidentally, all the curves were made with the output running around 5 watts. The curve as shown through the phono input follows quite closely the desired response. To this must be added a slight droop of the pickup cartridge caused by the 10,000 ohm resistor across the input. Disconnecting  $C_{13}$  resulted in the second curve. The relatively high grid impedance, plus the high mu triode, causes an attenuation to occur through capacity effects. The second curve may be preferable to some; however, the 6 db. per-octave deemphasis is satisfactory for most records. The tone controls provide sufficient variations so that most records can be made to sound right.

The operation of the dynamic noise suppressor is rather interesting. The circuit is a slight modification of the original circuit described by C. G. Mc-Proud. With the control turned to maximum suppression position, screen and plate voltages are 32 and 18 volts respectively, measured by a vacuum tube voltmeter having an input resistance of 15 megohms. With the control turned to the other extreme, the contact potential developed by the 6SL7GT offers bias, decreasing the



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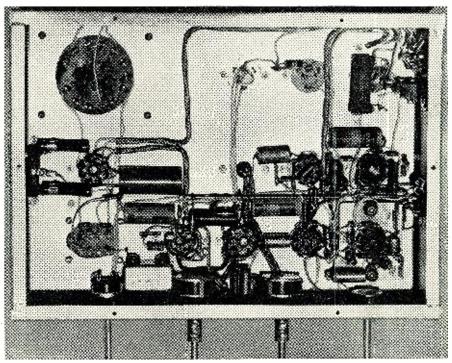
plate current; the voltage rises to 50 which consequently raises the cut-off frequency. A section of a single pole, double throw switch is utilized so that further turning the control switches in negative bias taken from the heater string. This, in effect, switches the reactance tube out of the circuit, which was found desirable at times. This final circuit was found satisfactory with a Pickering cartridge; suppressor action was sufficient on various records. Tests on a Universal frequency record showed a droop beginning at around 3000 cycles and down about 6 db. at 4000 with suppression full on. Turning the control, allowing the rectified voltage to act on the reactance tube grid, raises the cut-off frequency somewhat and at the same time allows dynamic action to take place.

With a constant level signal of varying frequency, the rectified voltage measured at the plate of the 6SL7GT (at the high end of the suppression control) reached a maximum at 4000 cycles, with the reactance tube disconnected. This is the desired response for the side amplifier. The highest possible fundamental tone of any musical instrument runs close to this value, allowing the harmonics of this fundamental to pass through. Highfrequency signals above this frequency as well as frequencies below this 4000 cycle point do not have nearly the same effect on the reactance tube. This provides for the reactance tube's staying "closed" on hiss and other high-frequency noise, as well as during the periods when there are no high-frequency notes to mask the hiss. The action of the suppressor can be observed by connecting a vacuum tube voltmeter to the plate of the 12SG7. The plate voltage will swing up to the plate supply voltage on high-frequency passages, depending on the actual setting of the suppressor control.

Due to the lower output of the G-E cartridge with circuit values as shown, the side amplifier did not give enough amplification for sufficient range of dynamic action. On low level records with the control turned up for maximum action, it was felt the action was insufficient. Adding  $C_{17}$ , shown as dotted lines on the diagram, increased the gain somewhat without altering its response characteristics. Further, the 12SG7 is replaced by a 12SH7, the latter having a higher grid sensitivity than the former. The relatively high value of  $R_5$  in the screen lead allows for some variable mu characteristic introduced to the 12SH7 so that abrupt cut-off does not occur. The values as shown for the resistors are satisfactory for the 12SH7. Measured voltages were 36 for the screen and 18 for the plate. With the control turned for maximum sensitivity, the contact potential raised the plate voltage to 100, due to the higher grid sensitivity of this tube. On subjective testing of scratchy records on both 12SH7 and 12SG7, the greatest apparent reduction of scratch seemed to occur with plate voltage varying from 150 to full-supply voltage. Variations that occurred below this value did not have as much effect.

The screen voltage on both tube types has considerable effect on the plate voltage. Reducing screen voltage increases the measured plate voltage as well as the grid sensitivity of the tube. Raising the screen voltage lowers the plate voltage, and there is also a point where further increasing the screen voltage and dropping the plate results in an increased cut-off frequency which brings about the re-

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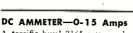
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verse effect. The values of plate and screen voltage are satisfactory. It was found best not to drop the plate voltage much below 20. The value of  $C_{7}$  was satisfactory for both G-E and Pickering cartridges on listening test, though there is some difference between the inductance of the two.

Relative simplicity and the few parts required make the suppressor well worth incorporating. For some that do not desire dynamic effect, the side amplifier may be omitted and a d.c. bias applied to the control, which will result in a variable cut-off control that can be located remotely from the input terminals.

Subjective tests on the amplifier as a whole were very satisfactory. The 6AS7G tube, with its low plate resistance, contributes greatly to this test. While excellent results may be obtained with beam power tubes with

large inverse feedback, the simplicity of using low impedance triodes for home construction use is an advantage

It should be mentioned here that a wide-range amplifier requires associated components of equal quality to realize the full benefits on high fi-Turntable rumble that was scarcely noticeable on a previous amplifier became quite apparent, and this can become quite serious with bass boosting. The magnitude at a few cycles may be sufficient to overload the amplifier while having little audible effect other than the intermodulation of the desired frequencies. With a high-quality magnetic pickup this amplifier is capable of reproducing with full justice the full range of recorded frequencies. Full appreciation may be realized on high quality FM -30broadcasting.

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To enlarge the picture height and width without introducing a great deal of distortion, the vertical and horizontal oscillator sweep amplitudes must be changed accordingly. This can best be understood by considering a circuit of a typical multivibrator horizontal sweep oscillator of a small

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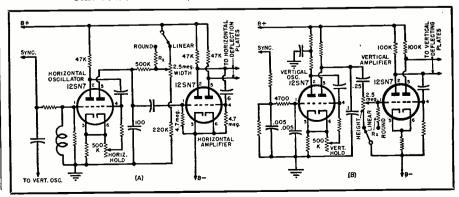
A 12SN7GT is used as the oscillator and discharge, followed by another 12SN7 as the horizontal amplifier. The 2.5 meg. width control functions as a voltage divider supplying one plate of the 12SN7 discharge section, and it controls the amplitude of the sawtooth output.

In the vertical sweep oscillator circuit, a second pair of 12SN7's is used similarly, only the 2.5 meg. height control is connected as a gain control in the grid of the vertical amplifier.

There are several methods that can be employed to obtain this effect, but only the simplest will be given here. Use a double pole, double throw switch and two resistors. Since the amplitude of the horizontal oscillator output depends upon the value of the width control, we can arrange to switch a resistor in here of the proper value, which is found by turning on the receiver, letting it warm up thoroughly, then turning the width and height controls until the picture completely covers the kinescope tube. Now turn the set off, and with an ohmmeter measure the amount of resistance left in the "B+" end of the width control. This is the value that will be switched in here in place of one-half of the control.

In the vertical oscillator section, measure the amount of resistance left in the low or ground end of the height control and the grid of the 12SN7 vertical amplifier. This is also the resistance value to be used here. The exact amount of resistance used varies in different makes of sets. If enough vertical sweep amplitude cannot be obtained with the control turned all the way, it may be necessary to switch this resistor in series with the ground end of the control. These changes will not affect the regular functions of the controls, because when the regular linear picture is used the added resistors are switched out of the circuit.

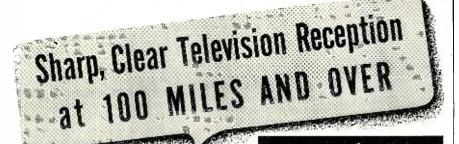
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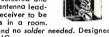
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Proceeding on the theory that the average beginning student tries to understand the techniques of writing for broadcasting before he is quite sure of himself as a writer, the author has included a few chapters of writing hints before entering into the technical aspects of sound effects, transitions, continuity, and dialogue.

Some choice radio drama scripts have been included as examples of good radio continuity. These show how, with the aid of sound effects, music transitions, and other technical tricks, the realistic effects heard every day are produced. The last chapter is devoted to some hints on marketing radio scripts, bracing words of advice and encouragement on free-lance work.

Providing with his own work an excellent example of the soundness of his theories, Mr. Cowgill writes most interestingly and presents his material in understandable form without "talking down" to the reader. After studying this book, with the aid of the exercises given at the end of every chapter, no student could fail to consider that he has received all the help it is possible to communicate by means of such a text.

"COMMUNICATION CIRCUITS," Third Edition. By Lawrence A. Ware and Henry R. Reed. Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York 16, New York. 403 pages. Price \$5.00.

In line with recent communications developments, the authors of this third edition have applied each problem at hand, whenever possible, to the highfrequency range and present a good deal of information on microwave transmission by means of rectangular and cylindrical wave guides and coaxial cable.

For some portions of the text, a rather advanced knowledge of mathematics is required, and for these problems, special material has been provided in the back of the book for assignment according to need. For the book itself as a whole, however, a knowledge of calculus and the elements of a.c. theory is essential.

A considerable amount of material has been added to this revised text, Chapter 1 having been almost completely rewritten. A change has also been made in certain treatments to conform with procedures growing out of World War II. Portions on impedance matching have been extended, and many new problems have been devised. An Appendix comprising fifty pages presents much helpful practice work including a study of Maxwell's

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Equations in relation to wave guides and coaxial cable.

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"TV PICTURE PROJECTION AND ENLARGEMENT," by Allan Lytel. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., New York 13, N. Y. 192 pages. Price \$3.30.

In this up-to-date publication the author offers some valuable material that is quite different from that usually prepared on television subjects. The book undertakes to instruct on only one aspect of TV receivers, the optical systems employed, with special emphasis on the projection types. No circuits are included, but the thorough treatment given to the basic principles and theory of operation of lenses and optics should prove very helpful to the serious student.

For example, the first chapters concentrate on the properties of light, reflection, and mirrors and the rules and principles of refraction and lenses as a preliminary to the study of television pictures and projection systems. Following chapters on the television picture discuss the many ways of viewing the picture, providing descriptions of magnifiers used with the directview types of receivers. Subsequently, direct-view systems are contrasted with projection TV, and a long chapter describes commercial applications of the modified Schmidt projection system. This is followed by a study of refractive projection.

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**Executive Committee Meeting** 

AFCA President Fred R. Lack of Western Electric presided at the Executive Committee meeting at national headquarters on September 14th. Col. Rex. B. Corput of the Office of the Chief Signal Officer and Col. T. J. Tully of Fort Monmouth were also present to participate in the discussion of general plans for the 1950 annual meeting of the association in New York City and Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Honor Roll

The Council voted in June to follow the lead of several professional societies and establish an honor roll for the purpose of perpetuating the names of distinguished pioneers and members now deceased of the association. Not more than one name may be added each year to this list. Elected by the Council were:

Maj. Gen. C. M. Saltzman, former Chief Signal Officer, who, with Brig. Gen. J. J. Carty, also named, founded the American Signal Corps Association after World War I; Brig. Gen. J. J. Carty, distinguished industrialist, with the AT&T Co. and reserve officer; and Maj. Gen. George S. Gibbs, former Chief Signal Officer, later president of Postal Telegraph Co., and charter life member of the association.

Membership

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Naval Communications Chief Rear Admiral John R. Redman, new

Chief of Naval Communications, has been made an honorary life member of the association. This is in accordance with the policy established by the board of directors last spring of extending honorary life memberships to each of the three Chiefs of Communications upon appointment.

## AFCA CHAPTER NOTES

**Baltimore** 

The first fall meeting was held on September 14th at Fort George G. Meade, Md. After the business meeting and dinner at the Battalion Mess, 51st Signal Operation Battalion, visits were made to the Communication Center, Military Amateur Radio Station and Photographic Laboratory and Library. A display of tactical equipment of the 51st Signal Operation Battalion, including the modern AN/MSC-1, Mobile Signal Communication Center, rounded out the evening's activities.

Pittsburgh

The annual election of officers took place at the September 13th meeting held in the *Bell Telephone* auditorium. The program included a round-table discussion of the types of meetings desired during the year and the objectives to be accomplished.

The new officers of the chapter are: President—Edward J. Staubitz, Blaw-Knox Co.; 1st vice-president—Donald L. Chaffee, Copperweld Steel Co.; 2nd vice-president—Eugene C. Stern, Bell Telephone Co.; treasurer—Charles A. McKenney, Jr., Peoples First National Bank & Trust Co.; asst. treasurer—Hobart H. Drake, Jr., Rust Engineering Corp.; secretary—Sylvester C. Stoehr, Jr. Bell Telephone Co.

Southern Chapters

Mr. W. H. Mansfield of the Southern Bell T & T Co., AFCA's area representative for the southeastern area, arranged a series of demonstration-lectures on "Micro-Radio Waves in Civil and Military Communication" by Dr. J. O. Perrine, assistant vice-president of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Dr. Perrine appeared before the following chapters: South Carolina on August 31st; Augusta-Camp Gordon on September 1st; Atlanta on September 6th; and Louisiana on September 8th.

Following a simple theme of "waves," Dr. Perrine, a *Bell System* research physicist for more than a quarter of a century, in a series of dramatic demonstrations built up a visual conception of radio waves and their application in communication, television and radar. Ultra-high frequency radio waves illuminated lights

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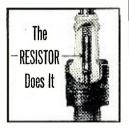


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Some 250 members and guests attended the August 31st meeting at the Columbia Hotel, Columbia, which featured Dr. J. O. Perrine's lecture on "Micro-Radio Waves in Civil and Military Communications." The audience included a large delegation from the Charleston Navy Yard, as well as Army personnel from Fort Jackson and representatives of the industry.

Officers elected to lead the chapter during its first year are: President—Fred M. Fister, South Carolina, Chief Engineer, Southern Bell T & T Co.; 1st vice-president—Capt. Joseph B. Berkley, USN, Charleston Naval Shipyard; 2nd vice-president—Maj. Theodore A. Brunner, Post Signal Officer, Fort Jackson; secretary—John A. Norman, Division Construction Supervisor, Southern Bell T & T Co.; treasurer—Albert L. Ragsdale, Professor of Physics, University of South Carolina.

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#### DISC JOCKEYING AT THE PLAZA

A N engineer's dream come true is the A radio room of the Terrace Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio, which keeps in operation throughout the day six radios, plus a seventh emergency hookup. From 8:30 a. m. until 12:30 a. m., these six radios supply programs from Stations WLW, WSAI, WKRC, WCPO, WCKY, and the hotel's own recorded show, all of which may be tuned in by the guests by means of the six pushbuttons provided in each room.

What makes the three men who staff the radio room very proud is the fact that the Terrace Plaza's own recorded in the fact that the Terrace Plaza's own recorded in One of the reasons for the popularity of the hotel's program can be summed up in the words "Extension 385." Guests who want a certain song broadcast at a definite time of the day, say as a "happy birthday" greeting in honor of a friend or "mood music" timed for romance, may dial 385, and the request is granted cheerfully.

Specially selected programs of music are used as a background for the many activities occurring there. Bright and airy music is selected for the breakfast hours, while more subdued selections and light opera herald lunch and dinner time. Vocals are seldom used, and bebop, swing, and hill billy numbers are out. George Gershwin's "Rhapsedy in Blue" and "Concerto in F" are popular request numbers. Frequently a guest will call up to learn the name of

a song being played and ask that it be repeated.

Three turntables are used to keep the recorded program going. Two are radio station types and one is a big automatic changer holding 100 records, that will play for 14 hours. There is no end to the variations possible with this arrangement. One turntable can be used for skating music outside, from early fall through spring, the second for the regular program, and the third for a special transcription to any location desired.

The seventh radio in this extensively equipped studio is used for emergency messages, and when it is broadcasting, every speaker in the hotel picks it up, even those that may be turned off at the time; the special message also cuts into any programs that may be on.

As impressive as the radio system may be, the plans for television facilities seem even more so. All the 19th floor rooms are wired for television, though guests now must supply their own sets. Later the hotel will have some available for rent. Plans are under way so that the Terrace Plaza will be able to present television shows on a channel received only in the hotel, emanating from the Crosley TV studio located on the seventh floor. When television can be controlled from a central station, the remaining rooms will be wired for it.

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Herman Knott (right), head of the radio room staff at the Terrace Plaza, with an assistant, Everet Frady, prepares one of the hotel's recorded musical programs.



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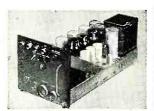
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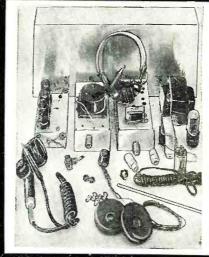
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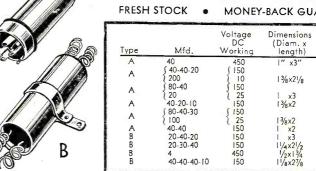
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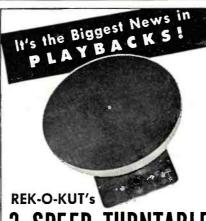
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#### This Month's Schedules

Algeria-Radio Algerie noted on 9.57 to 1800 closedown; should be using winter channel of 11.835 soon? (Slutter. Pa.)

Andorra-Radio Andorra, 5.980, heard in Australia 1700 with French news and musical program. (Sanderson)

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan—"Omdurman Calling" heard on 9.750 on Fridays beginning with "Colonel Bogey March" at 1230 followed by call, "Good evening, everybody. This is the Sudan broadcasting from Omdurman on 30.5 and 49 meters short-wave and on a medium-wavelength of 524 meters." News in English, then musical program to 1300. Pearce, England, who reports this transmission, says: "I cannot hear anything of the 49-m. channel; letter states the station broadcasts on 6.122 and 9.770 s.w. and on-572.5 kc. m.w.; is reported heard in England on 5.940, but I cannot confirm."

The daily 2315-2345 Arabic transmission on about 9.750 is again being heard in the United States. (Bellington, N. Y., Stark, Texas, and others)

Angola-CR6RL, 9.47, Luanda, logged in New York 1545-1600 sign-off; played classical and tango music; off with "A Portugesa"; signal only fair with some CWQRM; all-Portuguese. (Bellington)

Radio Clube de Benguela, CR6RB, 9.165, R6 with classical orchestral music 1330 on a recent Friday; has classical music at this time one day a week; off 1400 with "A Portugesa." (Pearce, England) Sent verification and listed schedule of 0615-0700, 1230-1400 on 9.165 and 7.041; card is a pretty one with picture of elephant. (Fellers, Japan)

CR6RG. "Radio Diamang," 8.242, Dundo, heard weak a few times 1330-1430, through severe CWQRM; best during last half hour of transmission; programs are nice, consisting of music with many well-known melodies; verifies both by QSL card and letter; on Sundays has a broadcast 0300-0400 and not at 1330-1430. (Albinsson, Sweden)

"Radio Clube de Bie," 7.550, Silva Porta, heard to 1500. (Nattugglan, Sweden)

Argentina-LRS, 11.88, noted with excellent level, little QRM, at 1835 ending news bulletin; continued in English with SRI (International) programs. Mesquita e Sousa, Portugal, notes that this one verified from Radio Splendide, Ayacucho 1556, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

LRS, 11.88, and LRY, 9.451, are both heard in Sweden around 1900-2100; sometimes fade badly. (Gimby)

Australia-VLA4, 11.85, is a great improvement over VLA8, 11.76, which it replaced for the 1643-1815 beam to

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Eastern North America; only interference is a slight heterodyne from Chile underneath VLA4. (Bellington, Osterman, N. Y., and others) This one is heard fair in Britain. (Pearce)

Austria-KZCA, Salzburg (U. S. Zone), heard on 9.535 around 0740-0800 when this call is given—"Blue Danube Network, Station KZCA, Salzburg. Radio Vararlbera (Dornbirn?) in the French Zone, 6.005, often is heard in Britain around 1600-1700 with invariable heterodyne; this station transmits the American-recorded religious program, "Bringing Christ to the Nations," in English, each Wednesday 1700. (Short-Wave News, London)

Rot-Weiss-Rot, 9.565, Salzburg, heard 0030 with "early morning music"; details and schedules 0056, followed by news in German 0100; more music 0115. Radio Wien, 11.785, Vienna, R6-7 signing on 0040 daily with church bells and recording of Handel's "Largo." (Pearce, England)

Balearic Islands-Radio Menorca, Mahon, heard 1330-1530, much QRM and CWQRM; frequency now appears 7.495-7.500, is well on the low side of EAJ43. Tenerife, Canary Islands. (Pearce, England) QRA is ERM, Delegacion Insular del Frente de Juventudes, Mahon, Islas Baleares, Espana (Spain). (DX Radio, Sweden)

Bechuanaland-Via airmail, Ridgeway, South Africa, writes-"As far as I know, Bechuanaland has but one station, ZNB, Mafeking, 5.90. Schedule is now 1200-1430; ZNB is a postoffice transmitter; formerly had a mid-day session but this has not been heard Relays news from SABC. Johannesburg, at 1200 and then plays recordings to closedown."

Belgium—Ruyselede, 17.845, heard a recent Sunday 1115 to sign-off 1225. relaying soccer scores to Leopoldville in French; no announcement at signoff, but from time to time said, "Allo, Leopoldville." (McPheeters, N. Y.)

Brazil—ZYS8, Manaos, now on 4.805 where is free of interference; heard in Australia opening 0500. (Simpson via Radio Australia)

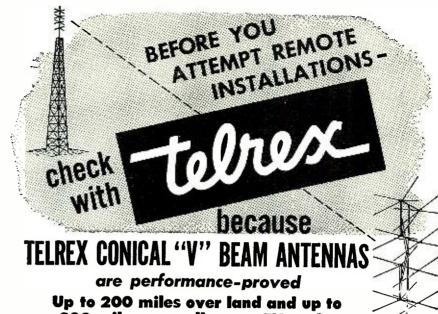
Radio Nacional, Rio de Janeiro, was to have a new outlet on 6.155 shortly, may be on by now? (Osterman, N. Y.)

British Guiana-ZFY, about 5.985, Georgetown, is fair level evenings. (Slutter, Pa.)

British New Guinea-Officials of VLT7, 9.52, say program 0230-0300 is in Pidgin English (at times also uses Motu), and that bagpipes are used on VLT7 because the natives like the bagpipe tunes; asks for further reports. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Bulgaria—Radio Sofia, 7.671, news is radiated 1520, 1645; announces, "This is Radio Sofia, calling in the Anglo-American Service of the Bulgarian Broadcasting System." After the news, requests reports from listeners which says will be acknowledged over the air and QSL'd by card also. (Patrick, England) Heard with poor signal in Pa. around 2315 with setting-up exercises, still going 2345. (Hankins) Saturday sign-on is 2325, other days 2255.

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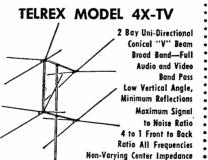
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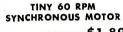
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Burma—Rangoon, 6.035, has news vet 1000, good signal. (Fellers, Japan.)

Canada—Cushen, N. Z., says VED, 8.265, Edmonton, Alberta, beamed to Yukon and Northwest Territories, is now scheduled 0900-0200 Monday-Saturday and 1000-0200 Sunday. (RadioAustralia.)

CENX, 5.970, St. John's, Newfoundland, heard with news 0530, then music, fair signal. (Osterman, McPheeters, N. Y.)

CJCX, 6.010, Sydney, Nova Scotia, good signal in New York 1700. (Leinbach) CHNX, 6.130, is asking for reports to P.O. Box 400, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. (Slutter, Pa.) Heard in Puerto Rico signing off 2315. (Novomestky)

CBLX, 15.090, Montreal, is located at Vercheres and operates daily 0700-2400; power 7.5 kw. CBRX, 6.160, Vancouver, British Columbia, lists power as 150 watts. (Hubbard, N. C.)

Canary Islands-EAJ43, Radio Club de Tenerife, 7.518, strong 1600-1700 (will be 1700-1800 soon when goes on winter schedule). (Pearce, England.) Is heard best in Sweden during the last half hour, (Albinsson.) Albinsson lists frequency as 7.540-7.550.

Ceylon-Radio Ceylon, 15.12, excellent in East 0600 with BBC news; also good 0700 when relays BBC's "Half-Hour in English for People in the Far East."

The 21.62 channel heard 0500 in Australia with news, then dance program. (Sanderson)

Verified by letter signed by J. F. Mudie; now using 21.62 directed to Malaya and Netherlands East Indies with 7.5 kw., and 15.12 beamed to North China-Japan with 100 kw.; schedule appears 0325-1205 on both; this is "basic schedule," so there may be other (unlisted) items. (Osterman, N. Y.)

Chile—CE1180, 12.003, Santiago, heard in Sweden 1800-2100, usually through heavy CWQRM. (Gimby)

China—At the time this was being compiled, Chungking, 11.913, was audible but weak in West Virginia 0800 with news; appeared to be jammed by unmodulated carrier in addition to suffering usual severe CWQRM. The 15.17 channel—which should have news vet 0600-has not been audible here lately. The 11.913 channel has been heard in California by Raith at 1000 on a Sunday with news and then music dedicated to listeners.

Recently, a new station has been heard on 9.74 from 0520 sign-on to sign-off around 1005; all-native as far as heard; starts with march similar to that used by BEA8 (Nanking, 9.73, Communist-controlled outlet), followed by three chimes, then woman talks most of the time; location unknown; signal averages fair. (Balbi, Calif.) Also reported by Dilg, Calif., who says this definitely is not BEA8 which is heard just below the new one, but it may be Hankow (moved from approximately 11.495?).

BCAF verified from Major C. Y. Chen, Director BCAF, Taipei, Formosa; stated the 8.990 channel has been suspended and the station is back on 11.680; transmitter is a Wilcox 960 obtained from U.S. war surplus, output is about 3.5 kw.; schedule is 1700-1800, 2155-2400, 0330-0930 on 910 kc. and 11.680. (Cushen, N. Z., and Sanderson, Australia.) Heard 0515 with Western music, news in Chinese. (Sanderson)

BEF8, 15.17, Chungking, heard 0500 with "Back to the Bible" session, news, and music. North China, 7.50, heard 0530 with Chinese news (slow speed), then music. Nanking, 9.73, heard 2005 with Chinese news and music (this may have been transposed, if so meant 0505). (Sanderson, Australia)

Communist-controlled stations continue to carry English news 0830 on announced 10.26 (Peiping), 9.73 (Nanking relay), 9.04, 7.50, 7.10, 5.98 (Nanking relay), and BCB 680 kc., all heard well in Tokyo. (Fellers, Japan)

A station heard mornings on about 11.685 to 11.700 (old Shanghai frequency) is believed to be Shanghai; does not take the Peiping (English) news 0830; heard to after 1000. (Dilg, Calif.)

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Colombia—HJCX, 6.027, Bogota, "La Voz de Colombia," good signal from 2200; all-Spanish. (Osterman, N. Y.) HJEX, 6.054, Cali, heard identifying 2100; all-Spanish. (Leinbach, N. Y.) HJDE, 6.145, "La Voz de Antioquia," Medellin, has schedule of 0900-2200; heard 1930 to sign-off; no English noted. (Novomestky, Puerto Rico)

Radio Nacional de Colombia seems to have taken over Radio Manizales, 6.225; goes to at least 2200 (this is not

HJCF, 6.240, Bogota). (Stark, Texas.) Kane, Pa., comments—"HJKD, Emisora Nuevo Mundo," is one of the stations in the QRM crazy-quilt on 6.000, but is in clear late evenings.

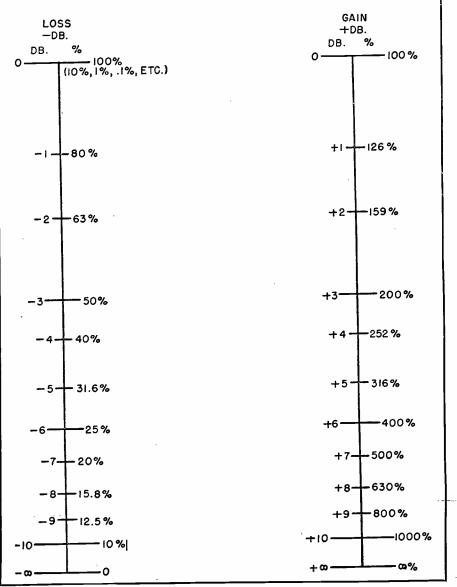
Cuba-COBZ, 9.035, Havana, noted with Spanish-English lesson Saturdays 1800. (Bellington, N. Y.)

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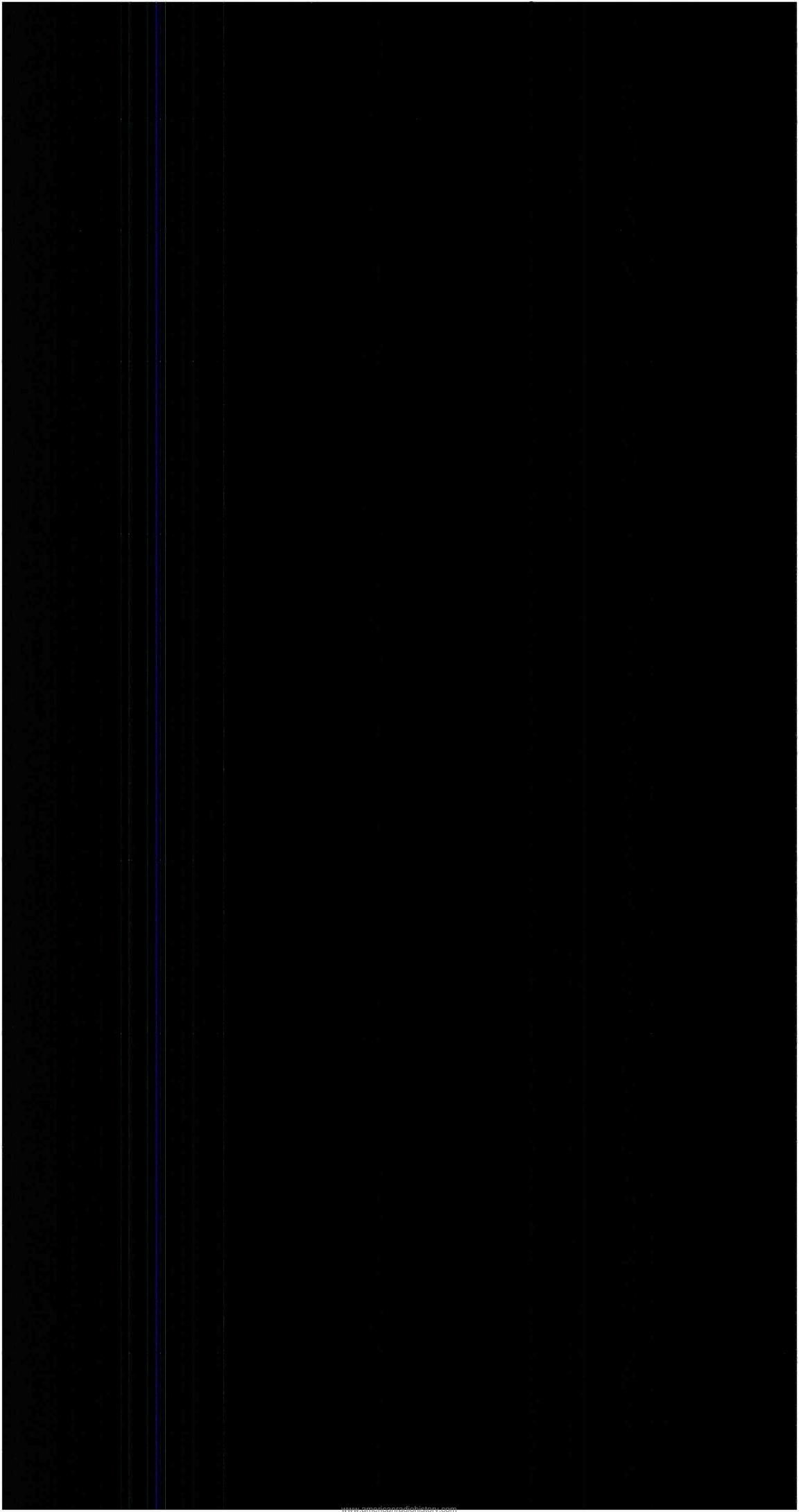
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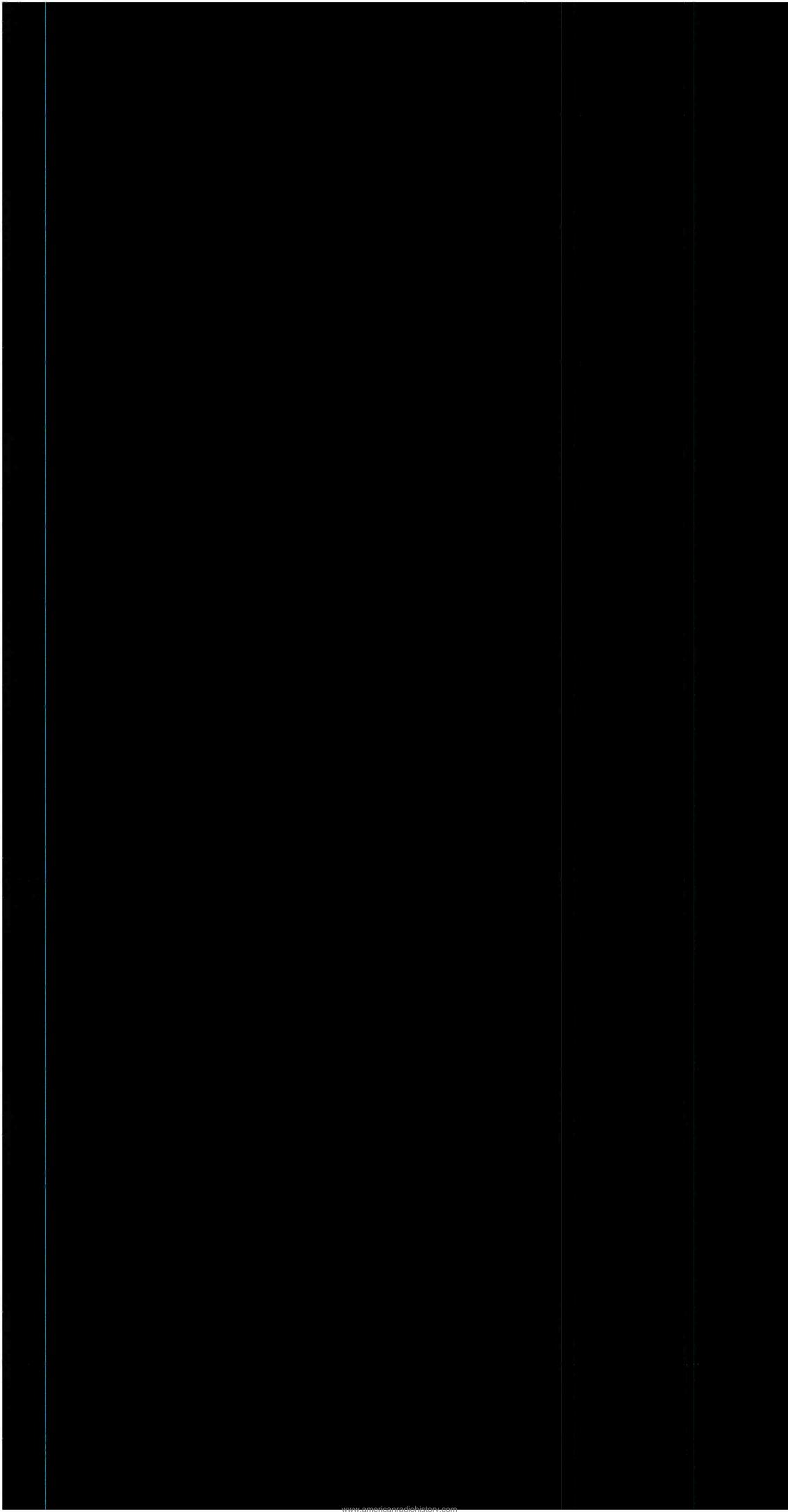
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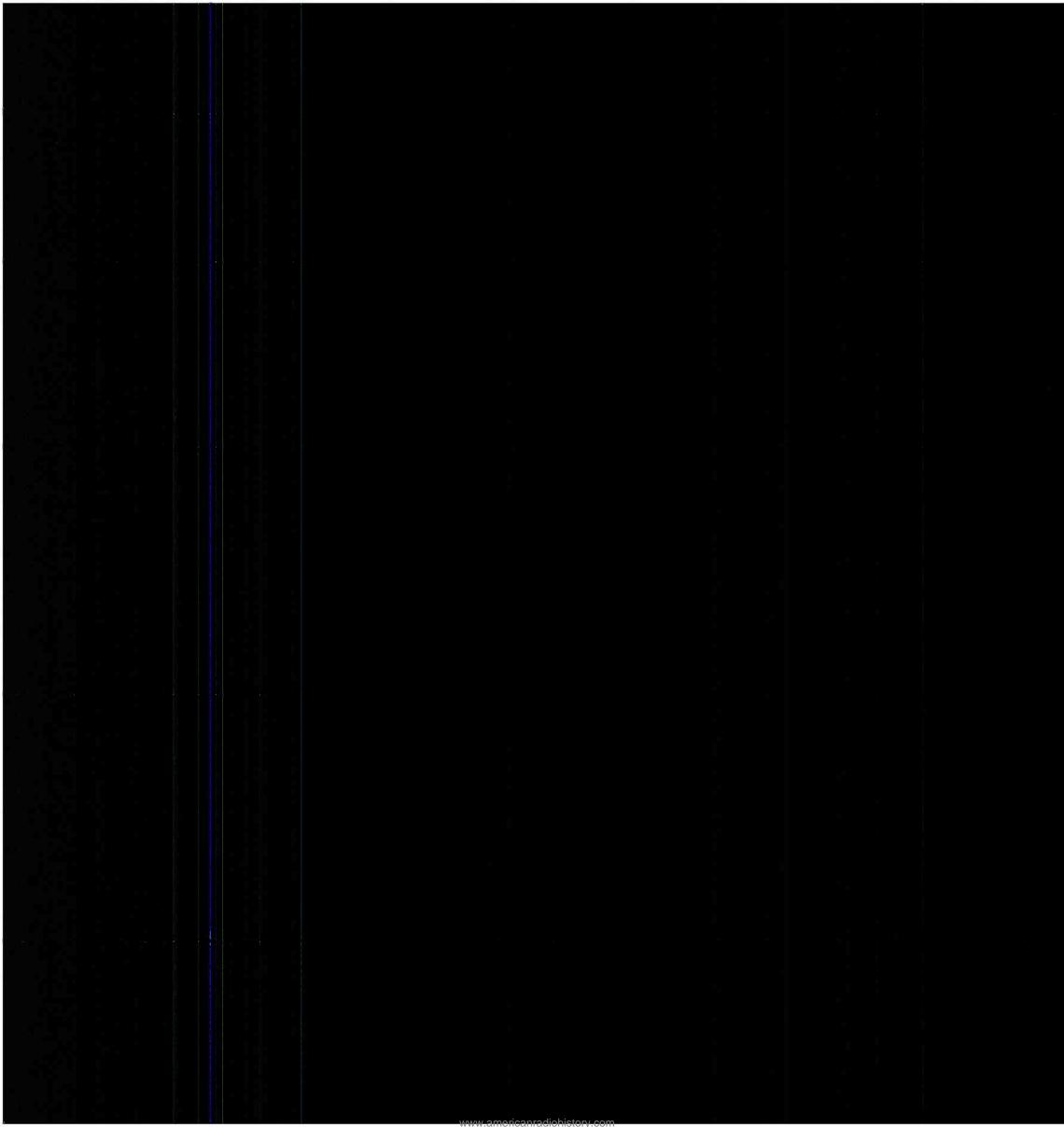
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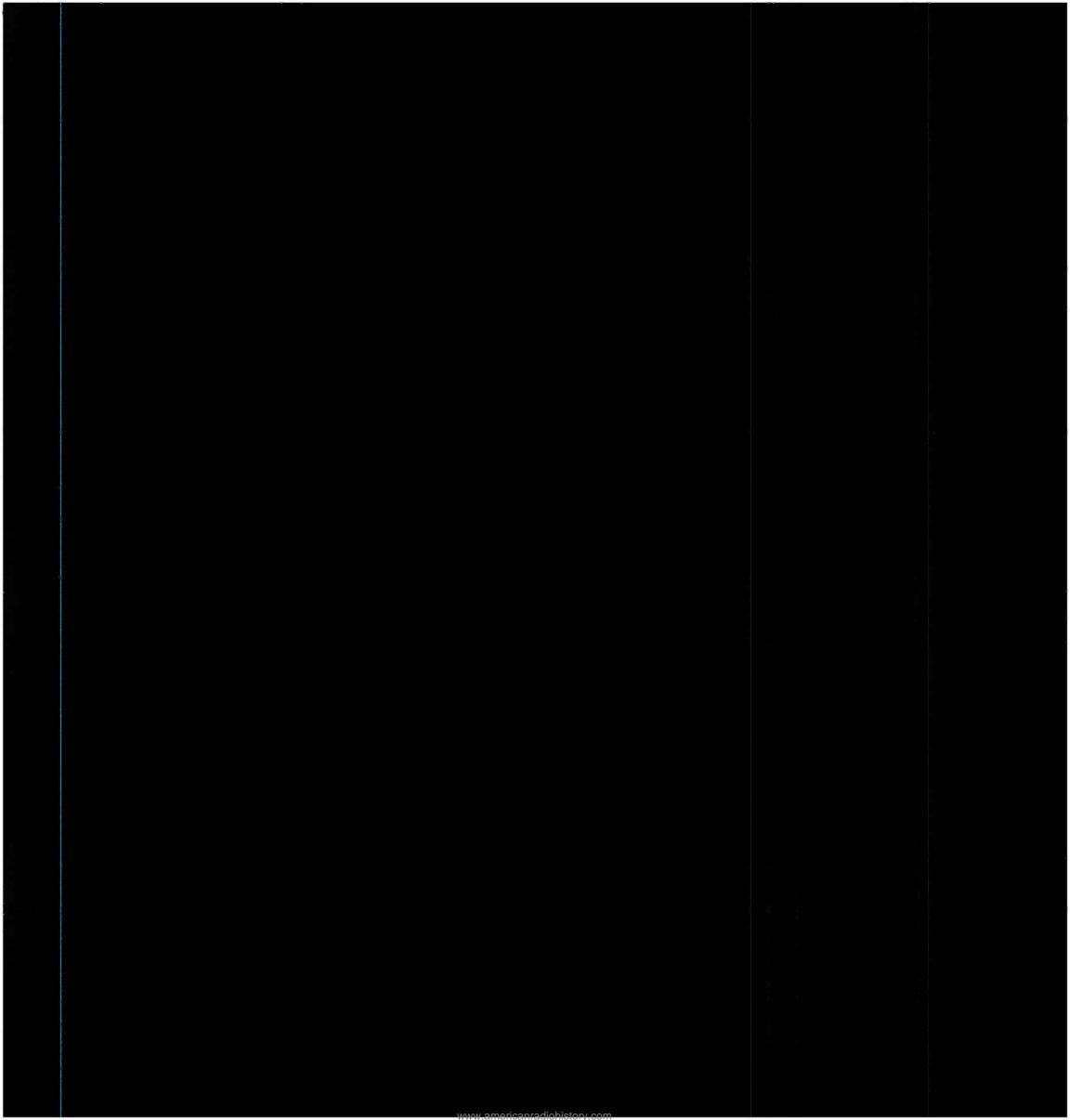


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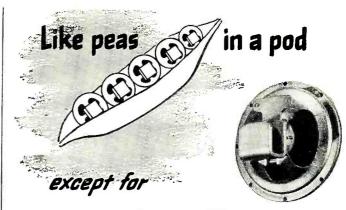
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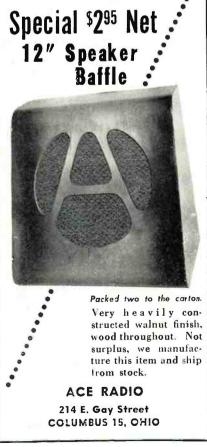
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RHC, Cadena Azul, Havana, COCY, 11.740, opens 0628, closes 0100, usually makes closing announcement in English as well as Spanish; Radio Progresso, COBC, 9.380, opens 0630 and is believed to leave the air 0100, no English noted; Radio Salas, COBZ, 9.026, opens 0700, closes down 0100, no English noted. (Novomestky, Puerto Rico)

Curacao—PJC2, 5.010, Willemstad, heard in Dutch 2030-2100. good signal in New York. (McPheeters.) PJC1, 2.315, heard signing off 2315 with Dutch National Anthem. (Novomestky, Puerto Rico)

Cyprus—Sharq-al-Adna, Limassol, heard in Britain 1330-1400 in parallel on 9.650, 6.135, 6.790; program chiefly Arabic music. (Short-Wave News,

London)

Czechoslovakia—Prague has English daily 1245 on 11.84, 1445 and 1645 on 9.55; this is in addition to the English portion of the daily North American beam on 11.84, when English starts off the broadcast. On 9.55, Prague begins a period in Spanish at 1800, identifies in that language as "Radio Praga." (Ormond, N. C.)

Denmark-OZF, 9.52, signs on to North America daily 2100 and signs off around 2215-2230, news 2145. (Driver, Copenhagen now plays the Danish National Anthem regularly at sign-on; melody is believed to be "Kong Christian Stod Ved Højen Mast' ("King Christian Stood Beside the Mast"). This is not the tuning signal but is the tune played after the Town Hall chimes are rung. The melody played regularly at sign-off is a Scandinavian song, "There Is a Beautiful Land." There are three Danish recordings that have been played frequently during the Copenhagen broadcasts— "The Champagne Gallop," "The Rooster Dance" from Carl Nielsen's "Masquerade," and "The King Christian IX March." (Worris, N. Y.)

Dominican Republic — HI4T/HI2T, "La Voz Dominicana," 5.970, 9.735, are scheduled to open daily at 0700; usually operate in parallel but lately HI4T has been coming on the air later in the day; closing time is believed 2400. At around 0645 will come on with the first seven notes of the Dominican National Anthem which phrase is repeated to 0700; these notes are played on a piano. (Novomestky, Puerto Rico)

Finland-The Finnish Radio is making extensive plans to cover the 1952 winter Olympic Games to be held in The name of the Finnish Finland. National Anthem (which is played on 15.19 at the end of the daily 2200-2400 transmission) is "Maamme Laulu" ("Our Land"); the opening announcement of this transmission in Finnish is "Tama Suomen Yleisradio. Tama Suomen Yleisradio." (Each "A" in "Tama" has an umlaut.) During this transmission on OIX4, 15.19, the first part has been devoted to programs in Finnish (dramas and concerts), and at 2320 they "anthem," announce "Finlands Rundradio! Finlands Rundlands Rundradio! Finlands Rundradio!" and begin a program in Swedish

which continues to 2400 sign-off when they again "anthem." (Worris, N. Y.)
French Indo-China—According to a

letter received by Kensy, Germany, from Radio Chambodge, Phnom-Penh, this station is operating on 6.090 with 1 kw. at 2300-0030, 1030-1600, 1800-1900; reports from listeners are welcomed. (Swedish DX broadcast)

Radio Saigon, 11.78. is heard in South Africa at 0900 with English; the 6.165 outlet carries an entirely different program (in French). (Ridgeway)

The Broadcaster, Perth, Western Australia, says Hanoi can be heard daily to closing 0830 on 8.640; on Sunday the closing time is 0645, the last 15 minutes being in French; says Viet Nam on 12.000 can be picked up daily 1915-0030, 0730-0830. Says Radio Hue in the province of Annam is being received on 7.210, having a power of 1 kw.; schedule is daily 1800-2000, 2200-0100, 0500-1030; reports should be sent to P. O. Box 65, Hue, Annam, Fr. Indo-China. Fried, Michigan, comments that this is a Viet Nam Republic out-

French Morocco-Radio Rabat, 6.006. heard 1430 with Arabic music; signals suffer CWQRM; again logged 1600 with announcement in French, "Ici Radio Maroc," followed by recordings, chiefly of French origin. (Patrick, England)

French West Africa-Kensy, Germany, received a letter from Radio Bamako which has an output of 2 kw. on 15.030. Is operated by the Government and is on the air irregularly; programs consist of meteorological reports, Government and industrial news, and now and then some music. (Swedish DX broadcast.) Is listed FGJ9, 15.025, 350 watts, and as "inactive.'

Radio Dakar noted back on 11.895 after having been "missing" for a short time; heard again to 1800 closedown, (Stark, Texas)

Germany—Munich relays of the "Voice of America" are scheduled— Munich III, 6.080, 1015-1700 to Europe; Munich IV, 7.250, 1015-1715 to Europe; Munich II, 9.540, 1015-1700 to Europe; Munich IV, 11.870, 1015-1045, and Munich I, 11.870, 1230-1715 both to Europe; Munich I, 15.280, 1100-1200 to Middle East. (Legge, N. Y.)

Nordh, Stockholm, says he has been hearing a new German station on about 6.072 around 1640-1650; announces in German as Mitteldeutcher Rundfunk Sender, Heidelberg.

A newcomer to the ISW Department, Leary, Indiana, reports DHT, Germany, on 15.860-15.870 with newscast for recording to America 1600-1615, good level.

Radio Stuttgart, 6.050, 10 kw., is on the air Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 0430-0745 and 0355-1700; Tuesdays and Thursdays 0430-0730 and 0855-1700; on Saturdays 0430-1700, and on Sundays 2300-1700. (Swedish DX broadcast)

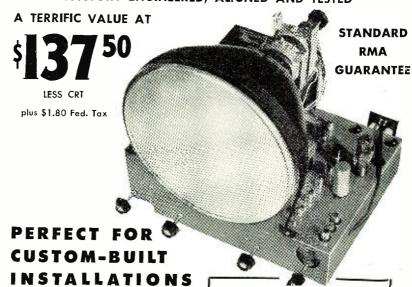
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Guatemala-TG2, 6.621, Guatemala City, "Radio Morse," listed 1 kw., still heard 2115 tune-in and still going 2325; verified by nice card; all-Spanish. (Driver, Ohio.) TGLA, 6.295, noted recently on before 1915; used to go to 2205. Another Guatemalan outlet is being heard on about 6.230 (listed 6.234) with call TGJA, Emisora Nuevo Mundo; leaves the air 2200. (Stark, Texas)

Hawaii-Honolulu relays of "Voice of America" broadcasts are scheduled -KRHO, 15.250, 0400-0915 to East Asia: KRHO, 17.800, 0215-0345 (Tue.-Sat.) to Philippines-E. Indies (UN); KRHK, 17.800, 0400-0915 to Philippines-E. Indies; KRHO, 17.800, 1700-1900 to Philippines. (Legge, N. Y.) The "Amateur DX Radio" program is carried on 15.250 on Sundays 0800-0815; forecasts reception conditions. (Ferguson, N. C.) This program is carried also on other "Voice of America" stations (and relays) to the Far East

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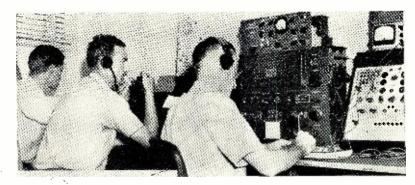
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Hungary-An English news bulletin is broadcast daily 1720 from both 6.247 and 9.820 channels of Radio Budapest, best on 9.247 in Britain. (Patrick)

India-VUD, 17.74 (may have meant 17.84?) is being heard on West Coast from 0630 to around 1100, with strong signal to 1030; also heard at 1930 to sign-off 2014, fair to weak. (Balbi)

AIR noted recently on 15.16 in parallel with 11.89 in the Indonesian period 1845-1900; 19-m. outlet was much the weaker. (Bellington, N. Y.)

The Indian Listener is now published weekly instead of fortnightly. It now "invites correspondence from readers on articles published and talks, discussions, and so on reproduced in the journal. Letters should be in English, brief and to the point, and should be addressed to the Editor, The Indian Listener, Curzon Road Barracks, New Delhi, India." First issue of The Indian Listener was back in December of 1935, and contained programs of only three stations-Bombay, Calcutta, and Delhi with one transmitter each. AIR now divides its services into (1) Regional Short-Wave Service, (2) National Home Service, and (3) Services for Overseas Listeners. The Listener recently carried excerpts from letters of AIR listeners in such widely separated areas as Norway, England, Sweden, Scotland, Germany, Persian Gulf, New Zealand, United States (Illinois), Saudi Arabia, Burma,





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and Austria. These were from reports on "experimental services only," it was stated. Format and content of the journal continue to improve greatly.

Indonesia—By this time, YDC, 15.15, should be using the new 100 kw. transmitter at Batavia; watch for this one during the daily English beam 0600-0700.

Makassar, Celebes, around 11.085, is usually fair to good here in West Virginia at 0600.

A station heard mornings on approximately 9.685 is believed to be Radio Sario, Menado, Celebes, which has been shifting about in recent weeks. (Stark, Texas)

YD12, 4.366, Soerabaja, heard in dual with YD13, 7.298, mornings; latter is good signal. (Dilg, Calif.)

Israel Kol-Yisrael, 9.000, Tel-Aviv, is widely reported in East with fair to excellent signals from 2245 sign-on (may sign on 2345 on Fridays). Heard very weak on West Coast by Dilg.

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Italy—Test transmissions by Radio Italiana in English and Italian have been heard in Stockholm on about 15.620 at 1345-1445. (Swedish DX broadcast)

Rome continues to use 15.12 (replacing 9.63) in the daily 1930-2055 transmission to North America, with 11.81 (Continued on page 180)



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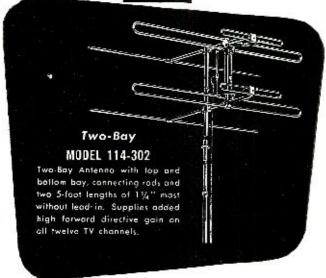
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**Equalizing Phono Pickups** 

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ciples, equalizers have been constructed for various commercial pressings. In every case, standard halfwatt, 10 per-cent tolerance resistors were used, and the required condensers were built up from the miniature paper condensers now made by several manufacturers. Equalizer characteristics attained with such components are generally sufficiently close for all practical purposes. The characteristics can be checked with a signal generator of low internal impedance by placing a condenser of the same value as the cartridge capacitance in series with the equalizer input; the signal voltage should then be varied with frequency to correspond to the open-circuit output of the crystal cartridge.

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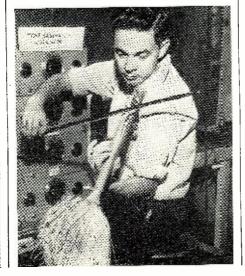
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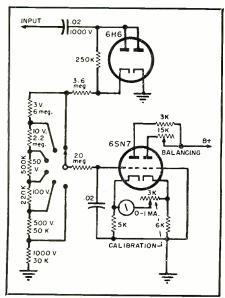
of multi-element tubes. "Class AB," 6L6's under these conditions may undergo a twenty-five per-cent decrease in screen voltage under maximum drive, with a consequent loss of output and reduction in gain.

A good method for stabilizing amplifier operation is to use a small separate power supply for the screen grids, driver tubes, and fixed bias. As current requirements in this application are usually small, excellent regulation and very good decoupling may be obtained from the plate supply where wide current variations may occur. This is especially desirable in systems where it is wished to combine high gain with high output. The added cost is usually reasonable, as the only additional components required are a small power transformer, rectifier tube, and filter condenser.

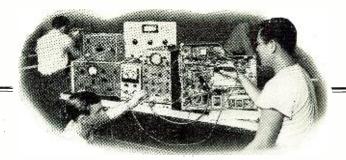
Another method of screen stabilization is the use of voltage regulator tubes. A combination of tubes having a voltage equal to the screen requirements should be used.

Although the intermodulation measuring technique may be applied to any type of power amplifier, the preceding discussion has been concerned primarily with multi-element, or "beam power," tube amplifiers. Triode am-plifiers have the advantage of low output impedance and tolerance to load variations as well as somewhat greater simplicity. Disadvantages are lower output and higher grid voltage drive. In general, the notes regarding fixed bias, voltage regulation, and decoupling hold for both types of amplifiers; however, the multi-element tube amplifier was selected for emphasis as being the most representative and popular of the various amplifier designs.

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YOW THAT highly competitive charges are returning to the radio and television service trade, a good many shop owners may need to take another long, hard look at their estimating methods, flat-rate charges, and service call rates and, in some instances, radically alter them.

There is considerable evidence to support the belief that the wide variation in service charges by different shops may be due less to cut-throating (although this is always with us) than a failure upon the part of many shop owners to consider all of the cost factors entering into servicing in homes or in shops. While shop owners can not be expected to understand the intricacies of cost accounting, some show a positive genius for ignoring the most fundamental service costs.

Not long ago the United States Chamber of Commerce underscored a situation which, we believe, has been given too little consideration by radio service shop operators. The Chamber, in a survey of private employers, has come up with startling evidence that there is a "hidden payroll" running close to 15 per-cent of the average employer's payroll. In 1947, this study points out, the typical worker received from his employer benefits totaling more than \$424, over and above his wages.

That is, in addition to the basic or generally recognized wage, the employer also bears additional wage costs in the form of old age and survivor's insurance, unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation, paid holidays, vacations with pay, year-end and Christmas bonuses, and numerous other benefits.

Quite by coincidence this 15 percent national average for all industries and trades approximates very closely the amount of hidden wages for the typical radio service shop. Is the shop owner recovering this \$424 additional wage in his service charges, or is it coming out of his own pocket in decreased profits?

It is the injection of this relatively new factor of large hidden wages that brings about serious discrepancies in estimating and determining flatrate charges and points up the need for overhauling estimating techniques and pricing structures. A time was,

not so long ago, when the hidden labor costs were nominal and constituted only a small part of the shop owner's overhead and might, without harm, be lumped in as general overhead. Now, these hidden labor costs, if not treated as part of the cost of labor and so identified, loom large in the overhead aggregate.

Careful estimating and pricing now insistently demand that itemized social security, workmen's compensation, and unemployment insurance taxes be added to the basic wage in determining the over-all wage factor. These extra labor charges should not be lumped under general overhead which, properly, should be a catch-all only for such costs as cannot be accurately charged directly to specific iobs.

However, with social security, unemployment insurance, and workmen's compensation now constituting only part of the present hidden labor costs, it would seem equally imperative to also charge other hidden labor costs directly to labor in estimating and pricing. Once the shop owner knows what his other hidden labor costs are running him, he can use a percentage formula to arrive at a dollars and cents figure on his wage factor

Because the labor factor is a variable, no matter how slight, it is a basic accounting and estimating error to add any of the hidden labor costs to the job by a percentage formula of the material and labor costs. It can be pinned down and be expressed more accurately by using the percentage formula directly to labor only.

With all hidden labor costs running from 12 to 15 per-cent of the payroll, there is grave danger in lumping any part of these hidden labor costs into the catch-all of general overhead. If on a job where material is high in relation to labor, having hidden labor costs in the overhead will over-state the hidden labor costs in the estimate or price. Contrary-wise, if the labor factor is high in relation to materials, and hidden labor costs are in the overhead, there will not be enough of an overhead charge to recover the outlay for hidden labor costs.

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it, gain a dissatisfied customer; on the other hand, it may be too low, and the

While the shop owner is mindful of

job will be done at a loss.

steadily throughout the year. Thus, he is employed 40 hours a week, 52 weeks a year, for a total wage of \$4,160. During the year he is paid for 2,080 hours. However, he gets paid for six holidays a year, so there are 48 hours (better than a week) in which he does no productive labor, but draws full pay. So, in fact, the basic wage in relation to productive hours is better than \$2.04¾ an hour for each of the 2032 hours worked during the year, or two per-cent greater than appears to be the basic

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From this, it can be seen that today even those shops which pay only for such hidden benefits as are required by law or union agreement have a hidden labor cost burden of upwards of 10 or 12 per-cent.

In fact, where paid holidays are in union agreements or are voluntarily given, the shop operator pays hidden benefits on hidden benefits, pyramiding the costs. That is, he pays hidden benefits in wages for time not worked, and then he pays workmen's compensation, social security, and unemployment insurance on such wages.

To ensure the likelihood that such hidden labor cost be recovered, the shrewd shop owner might very well weigh the advisability of directly relating such hidden labor costs to the basic labor wage in establishing rates for service calls, estimating repair jobs, and revising his flat-rate **−30−** charges.

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#### Mac's Service Shop

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paper where some lodge, group of factory workers, political group, etc., is going to have a gathering, I immediately get in touch with the chairman of the committee on arrangements and suggest I furnish him with a good sound installation. Another good source is the list of park reservations that I get from the park superintendent. I write to the party who has made the reservation for a family reunion, picnic, home-coming, etc., to see if he could use an amplifier. A lot of them can, now that you mention it!

"The whole idea is to keep alert to the need for amplifying equipment. Last summer, for example, I loaded my equipment into the truck and drove out to the county fair. Practically every carnival outfit on the midway had an amplifier of one sort or another, and just about half of them were prospects for either sales or service. I sold three complete amplifiers out there and got at least a dozen service jobs."

"Well, how about the service end? Do you need much special equip-

ment?"

"A really well-equipped radio service shop needs very little extra equipment. You must have a good, lowdistortion, variable frequency audio oscillator; you should have an up-todate amplifier service manual; and it is very convenient to have a distortion analyzer and an output power meter. This last item is very handy because it has built-in load resistors that will match every power amplifier output impedance. With it attached to the output and with a 400 cycle signal input, you can instantly see the effect of replacing a weak tube, etc. What is more, you can do your checking of the amplifier in silence. However, you can still use the v.t.v.m., scope, and an assortment of husky loading resistors to the same end."

"What do you do to give an ampli-fier a complete check?"

Mac reached up and pulled a redjacketed book from the shelf.

"Here is the sound man's most upto-date 'bible,'" he said. "Take it home and read it. It is Read's 'The Recording and Reproduction of Sound.'" He says-and I agree with him—that the following tests should be made in this order:

- 1. Tube checking
- 2. A.f. signal tracing
- 3. Static voltage and current measurements
  - 4. Gain measurement
  - 5. Frequency response check
  - 6. Distortion check
  - Check for feedback
  - 8. Impedance measurement
  - 9. Power output measurement
  - 10. Hum and noise level checks
- "After you have been through an amplifier with that fine tooth comb,

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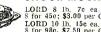
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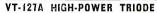
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"I know that a gain measurement is made by comparing the input and output voltages of a signal passing through an amplifier," Barney said; "but how do you measure accurately the input voltage? It seems to me that when you are working on a highgain amplifier, any input voltage that would give a substantial reading on a v.t.v.m. would be overloading the output stages."

Mac opened a cabinet drawer and took out a little black box with a switch-knob and some pin-jacks on the front and a diagram of the contents, as is shown in Fig. 1, on the back.

"This is a millivolter," he explained. "As you can see here on the diagram, it is nothing more than a tapped resistance voltage divider. Precision resistors are used, and their values are such that when exactly one volt is applied from the audio oscillator, as measured with the v.t.v.m., you can take out one volt, 100 millivolts, 10 millivolts, 1 millivolt, or .1 millivolt. This is assuming, of course, that you are working into a high impedance, as you almost invariably are in the case of an amplifier."

"Do you use the same kind of parts in the amplifiers that you do in receivers?"

"The same kind, yes; but you select more rugged units. Higher voltage condensers, higher wattage resistors, huskier transformers—in fact, you simply keep in mind that the amplifier must stand up under long periods of continuous duty under conditions that are not always of the best, and you keep in mind that the dynamic current and voltage peaks are much higher than are ordinarily encountered in radio service, and then you allow for these factors in your selection of parts."

"But now I have talked myself awake, and we had better get back to work; but just to button up the subject, I might add that the service technician has an advantage over most sound men in that he can service and even actually build much of the equipment he needs. He is in a good position to get business, for people are accustomed to bringing him their electronic problems. If he does not try to bite off too much, he can operate both enterprises so that they do not interfere with each other and yet bring in an income that is substantially greater than he could get from either by itself."

"And he has a fine alibi to give his wife when he comes in early in the morning!" Barney suggested slyly. "He can just say he is a little dizzy from riding the gain."

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#### AUDIO NOISE IN INTERCARRIER TV RECEIVERS

By MATTHEW MANDL

A UDIO noise characterized by a buzzing sound in the Intercarrier type of television receivers is more often the result of improperly set controls than it is the fault of a bad part or misalignment. In the Intercarrier system, both the video and sound intermediate frequencies ride through the same amplifier stages preceding the picture detector. At the picture detector, both these i.f. signals mix again by converter action to give a 4.5 mc, frequency. The latter is then channeled to the FM sound detector, while the regular picture i.f. is demodulated and sent, via the video amplifier stages, to the picture tube.

With this type of receiver there is a possibility that the picture signal, which is amplitude modulated, may be superimposed on the 4.5 mc. sound frequency to such an extent that the FM detector will be incapable of re-moving this sufficiently. This is a result of excessive modulation of the video portion of the carrier, and can be controlled only at the transmitter. When this happens, a pronounced audio buzz is heard from the loudspeaker. Manufacturers, however, reduce this possibility to a minimum by properly balancing video and sound gain through the amplifier stages preceding the dctector, and for this reason no trouble should be encountered during normal operation of such a receiver.

If, however, the contrast control is set too high, or the fine tuning adjustment is incorrectly set for best reception of a station, the audio buzz may become noticeable. Many a service call can be avoided if this fact is brought to the customer's attention at the time the set is purchased.

When proper adjustment of contrast and fine tuning fail to eliminate the audio noise, one or more of the following circuits will have to be serviced:

I. Local oscillator. If the local oscillator is misaligned it will be impossible to properly tune in a station by use of the fine tuning control. Since most receivers have provisions for getting at the oscillator controls by removing the channel-indicating escutcheon and associated knobs, adjustment for each individual station may be made without chassis removal.

2. I.f. stages. Improper i.f. alignment will also increase the audio noise beyond the point where it can be eliminated by the front panel controls. Alignment of TV intermediate frequency stages, however, should not be attempted without the manufacturer's service notes and properly calibrated

equipment.

3. FM detector. If the sound detector is not aligned correctly, it may also result in audio buzzing. Component parts should also be checked, for this can, of course, seriously contribute to poor performance. A common fault is a defect in the electrolytic condensearcross the output of a ratio detector. This condenser, ranging in value from  $4 \mu fd$ . on up, is essential in suppressing amplitude modulation, and any decrease in value or other defect will immediately be evidenced by an increase in noise output.

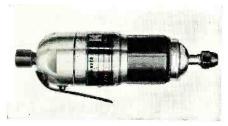
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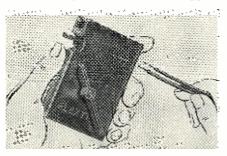
net abrasive discs, and one lambs wool polishing bonnet.

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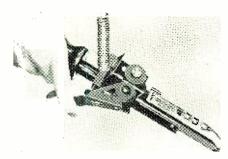
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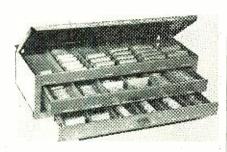
The holders come in a set of three sizes, consisting of a 10, 7 and 41/2 inch holder, and in widths of  $\frac{3}{16}$  and  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch.

Although the hardened tips of the tools are not intended to serve as a screwdriver, they are quite strong enough to get it started and well on the way.

#### CONDENSER CABINET

As a no-cost feature of its new condenser kit, Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., South Plainsfield, New Jersey, is offering a three-drawer metal cabinet, 5 by 8 by 20 inches in size, complete with an assortment of twenty condensers.

The lift top and two sliding drawers of the cabinet, which is in olive drab

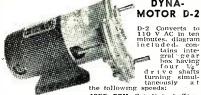


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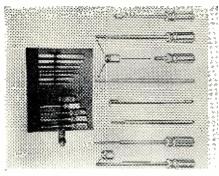
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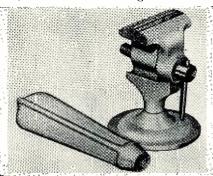
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use and is also an item that should be popular with hobbyists, radio and television technicians, pattern makers, tool and die makers, jewelers, and others who work with small pieces of metal, wood, and plastic.

#### PHILCO BUILT-IN TV ANTENNA

BUILT-IN electronic aerial system A that provides good reception when used in reasonably strong signal areas has been designed by *Philco*. The antenna system, illustrated in the ac-companying photographs, has four main elements, as follows:

The antenna itself is made of two

sections of aluminum foil which are attached to the under side of the top rear of the TV cabinet and which will receive signals from all of the present twelve channels with frequencies from 54 to 88 mc. and 174 to 216 mc.

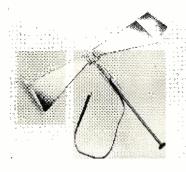
A variable condenser controlled by a tuning knob is also connected by means of a plastic rod extending the depth of the cabinet. The knob projects through a slot at the top front, making it possible to directly tune the antenna for the best picture.

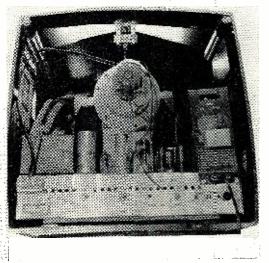
Three loops of wire, two small ones and one long "hairpin" loop, extend along the rod between the condenser and tuning knob. These loops, with the condenser, provide a tunable circuit that makes it possible to match the impedance of the antenna with the impedance of the 300 ohm lead-in to the receiver circuit.

Connecting the aerial system and the high-gain tuner and input circuit is a shortstrip of standard 300 ohm "twin-x line, the same type that is used in most TV installations to connect the aerial and receiver, indoor or outdoor.

The matching circuit on this system enables the user to tune in each channel precisely for best response and tune out interference, although in areas with weak signal strength, an outdoor antenna may be found necessary. -30-

Philco electronic built-in aerial shown mounted in a table TV receiver (Model 1104). Note the aluminum foil sections attached across the width of the under side of the top of the cabinet. In the top center is the tuning condenser assembly and behind that the "hairpin" coil and 300 ohm line. The two shorter loops are shown end-on, at either side of condenser assembly.





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#### Spot Radio News

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ions being tossed around the hearing hall lobbies. Representatives of many manufacturers felt that there were too many roadblocks ahead to permit any immediate application of color. Some said that at least three years might pass before all the field work on the equipment and standards could be completed. All agreed that the elimination of fear of receiver obsolescence, through the application of current-type sets in all of the proposed systems, was cheering news and might act as a very effective stimulant to color progress.

Sharpest criticism of the color proposals came from Dr. Allen B. Du Mont who said that . . . "final determination of commercial color TV requires extensive experimentation and field tests. Such tests are imperative before the FCC can consider adopting standards. This will take years. . . We hope the discussions on color will not cloud the major issue before the FCC, which is the practical assignment of very-high and ultra-high channels to make full use of the spectrum, to prevent monopoly, and to provide the widest service to the public as quickly as possible."

Dr. Thomas T. Goldsmith, Jr., director of research for Du Mont and one of the nation's outstanding authorities on propagation, supported Dr. Du

Mont's comments and offered an allocation solution in the form of a plan wherein the present twelve channels would be used to the fullest extent. with four channels per city being allotted to most of the 140 metropolitan districts and 48 ultra-high channels, each six megacycles wide, assigned to assure adequate service in other communities. The program would also provide for the reservation of twelve additional ultra-high channels, each six megacycles wide, to protect smaller communities not yet ready to embrace TV and insure that adequate frequencies would be available when they are ready; setting aside of nine other ultra-high channels for non-commercial education purposes; allocation of present band and higher band frequencies in such a manner as to assure competitive operation and a wide choice of programs; and minimization of intermixture of standard and higher channel assignments to reduce or eliminate the need for set owners to buy converters or for station owners to utilize transmitters for two supple-

mentary frequencies. The color hearings, already in full swing, were scheduled to be followed by extensive testimony on a variety of black and white problems by Paramount Television Productions, 20th Century-Fox, Raymond M. Wilmotte of Washington (who planned to discuss his polycasting method and also the use of FM for video), Mayor David L. Lawrence of Pittsburgh, Television Research of Washington, Daily News

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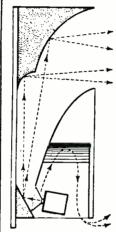
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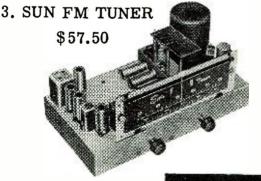


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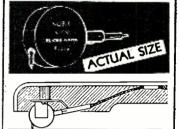




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Original plans for an announcement of an acceptable allocation plan before the first of the year were shattered by the bombardment of briefs and requests for appearance at the hearings. It appears now as though spring will probably be the earliest date when a suitable plan will be produced.

POLICE RADIO received quite a tribute from the Mayor of New York City, William O'Dwyer, at the recent New York conference of the Associated Police Communications Officers.

Citing his days as an . . . "old-time copper, as one who understands the work of police," the Mayor declared that he knew the value of improved police communications within the communities and between the various communities.

He declared that . . . "We have gone a long distance in the thirty-two years since Commissioners O'Brien, Whalen, and myself were rookie policemen in this city. At that time, if you were in trouble you had the opportunity to rap your nightstick three times on the sidewalk, in the hope that your side partner, a mile away, might hear it. And that was communications when we were cops. . . . Or you blew vour whistle. Or you made some outcry. And if a crime was being committed within your sight, and you were single-handedly unable to cope with it, you gave an alarm to the perpetrators by that very outcry. . . . In this modern world the business of taking advantage of the improvement in communications not only within the community and within the precinct, but within the neighborhood, within the city, within the state, and within the nation, becomes of the utmost importance, both in the preservation of life and the protection of property, which are the basic purposes of any police department. . . . We are, today, throughout the nation, principally due to improved communications, actually neighbors. . . . We know that our police in every part of the country are engaged in warfare against the organized criminal, and if we are not prepared to take advantage of every single gift that comes from the laboratories, the chemists and the engineers, and the inventors in the line of communications, our efficiency has been lessened by that degree."

Commenting on international policing and radio, the Mayor told of his trip to Mexico City where he found the police department equipped with two-way walkie-talkies and able to contact border patrols quite effectively.

"I was delighted to see that," he said, "because from now on, with these improved communications, we must prepare to reach out beyond the boundaries of our nation. The day is quickly coming when we will have to

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expand our efforts to include the entire hemisphere if we are going to meet the requirements that are our obligations in the field of preservation of life and the protection of property."

THE WORLD'S MOST productive laboratory, the Bureau of Standards in Washington, has now become the site of a unique tube ruggedization program under the direction of I. L. Cherrick of the Bureau's Electron Tube Laboratory. The Bureau's facilities for testing the ruggedness of tubes now include vibration apparatus, mechanical resonance testers, high-impact shock machines, and highspeed centrifuges. Some tests are conducted with typical electrical voltages applied to the tube elements so that noise modulation, short circuits, and other effects can easily be studied. Destructive field conditions can be reproduced through the proper choice of vibration, resonance, impact, and acceleration tests.

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By R. H. van HAAGEN

R ECENTLY there have been more and more TV sets brought in for checking having all of the symptoms of weakening tubes, but with all tubes checking in the normal to better-thannormal range. This is especially true of the RCA 8T241 and similar Fada, Emerson, and other make receivers.

The trouble has subsequently been found to be in the positioning of the ion trap magnet, which in the newer sets is a horseshoe-shaped spring clip with the magnet at the closed end. The clips are supposed to be placed over the "flags" inside the neck of the picture tube and to be positioned for maximum brightness

In most installations the heavy magnet is placed at the top of the tube, since it is more easily slipped on from the top. However, the weight of the magnet soon pulls the assembly out of position when the set receives normal household vibration. The trouble can be confused easily with the gradual decrease in the gain of amplifier tubes.

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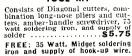


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#### YOUNGSTER WITH A MESSAGE

T IS a very good idea, I think, to train more hams of high-school age. I am fourteen years old and first became interested in ham radio at the age of twelve. Several times I have tried to get other boys my age to work for a license, but they backed out because they thought it was too difficult.

"For those who are discouraged by the seemingly 'difficult' exam, I will say that anyone above the age of eleven years, possessing average intelligence, can take and pass the FCC tests, if he or she is willing to work.

"To abolish the code test would be to take away at least one of amateur radio's practical values, that of having many self-trained code communicators. Another thing: think what would happen in case of an emergency where a transmitter has only c.w. to send a QRRR with, and none of the hams in the vicinity knows code. I don't believe in code as an obstacle to keep the ranks of hams thin; I think that there should be a beginner's class license requiring only about 8 or 10 w.p.m., using a portion of one band, perhaps.

"FB on your program to get more 'new blood' into amateur radio.''

James Douglas, W2BMF 51 N. 53rd St. New York 19, N. Y. *

#### AIRCRAFT RADIO

N MY avid perusal of your most excellent magazine, I have noticed in the last few editions a rabid controversy raging over the code test. I believe code is a good thing. If a person is too lazy or indifferent to master a small item like the Morse Code, he could hardly be expected to do the other things that separate the good amateur from the person who is vaguely interested in radio.

"The writer who quotes the example of aircraft control, stating that code is outmoded, reveals himself unfamiliar with that system. True, aircraft flying over land where ground stations are only a few miles apart do use R/T exclusively, but in aircraft there is no radio equipment that will give dependable R/T communications under adverse conditions over a range of a thousand miles or more. Most longrange aircraft control is by c.w.

"One of my pet peeves is the person with more money than brains or consideration for others who uses far more power than necessary for communication. Methods such as these are not encouraging to the beginning ham.

"Enough beefing. I find the series, 'The Beginning Amateur,' very good.

For one thing, they do not use that phrase 'the circuit is conventional.' Perhaps it is to some people, but to new hams it is still a deep subject.

"Once again, my compliments to your excellent magazine. Keep up the good work."

Lloyd O. Olsen 1928 Central Ave. Prince Albert, Sask., Canada

#### FOR DEVELOPING U.H.F.

OR about 2½ years, I have been a reader of your publication and believe it is the best in its field, from my standpoint; I am not a ham but hope to be some day, and the information you publish is not too technical for the ordinary reader.

"Lately, I have noticed the pros and cons on the code test in the 'Readers' department, relating to the amateur license. This test should never be discontinued on the 160, 80, 40, 20, and 10 meter bands. The elimination of code tests would only open the way for a great many newcomers who would memorize the theory and regulations of the exams and appear on the air with high-power, 'store-bought' rigs, contributing nothing to the amateur game.

"If these people who want to be amateurs and cannot see the use of code are really sincere, let them have licenses to operate in the u.h.f. bands and let them develop that, the same as the hams had to develop the bands they are now using.'

Robert E. Black Riverhead, N. Y.

#### CITIZENS' BAND FOR PHONE?

FTER reading 'Letters from Readers' in your August issue, I would like to point out a few reasons why c.w. is and should continue to be part of the training which every prospective amateur must undergo.

"Most prospective amateurs and a few of the licensed ones are quick to state that code is outmoded because many types of communication, both in industry and government, use voice in preference to code. Let's look at the problem clearly. If one has a clear channel, if the desired range is relatively short, and if the service required is more of the 'conversation' type, then voice is certainly justified as a means of communication in that particular service. Taxi and plane-to-ground service, for instance, is mainly composed of short questions and answers, requiring little effort on the part of the operators because the conditions involved favor that type of service.

"However, just what is the prime justification for the amateur's exist-

ence? Certainly if the FCC thought amateur communication was composed of friendly greetings between two or more individuals, the Commission would not feel justified in giving us the number of favorable frequencies we presently occupy. No. The amateur, first and always, is allowed the privileges he enjoys because he is at the service of his country in peace or war. Granted, then, that the amateur must be prepared to communicate during emergencies when conditions are at their worst. Any operator, amateur or commercial, will tell you that c.w. is the only sure means of rapid communication under these conditions.

"If one wants to just talk on the radio, let him use the Citizens' Band, but if one wants to be a true amateur. worthy of the name 'ham,' let him learn code."

> James M. Coleman, W5KTE 6900 Louisville St. New Orleans, La.

#### MORE UNFRIENDLY HAMS

'Letters' department were certainly good. In one way I agree with those who say code is old-fashioned, and in another way, I can see that knowing it is worthwhile. For instance, if the phone broke down, a ham who did not know the code would be forced to stay off the air until the system is back in order. So, if only for his own sake, knowing code would be a good thing.

"One ham wrote about offering his services to a fellow in the hospital. How about the ones out of the hospitals who would like to become hams? That seems to be a horse of another color. A radio amateur is helpful? That is plain bunk. Darn few of them are willing to try and help a fellow who is interested.

"I made the acquaintance of Nels R. Nelson, WØMEP, of Iowa, on another fellow's station, and since then, he and I have written back and forth, and he has encouraged me to keep on plugging. There is another ham here, too, who has been giving me code practice, and one who has offered me the use of his station until I can build one of my own, but the majority of those I have met at local club meetings offer little help.

"Right now I am stuck between 6 and 8 w.p.m. on receiving; I am not so sharp as I was 15 years ago, since I have been ill, but my ham friends don't see that. Maybe I should take up stamp collecting, like they say.'

Joseph A. DuBois 179 Weld St. New Bedford, Mass.

#### 10 W. P. M. AGAIN

T IS with great interest that I read RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS from cover to cover every month. Reading of the opinions of various readers concerning the new proposed FCC regulations, I thought it was time to add my two-bits worth.

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school that received a deluge of war surplus equipment after the war. We all had hopes of being able to set up a ham station in the school and would have except for one reason: code. Why in the name of Jehosaphat should American hams be required to pass a 13 w.p.m. test when the rest of the world requires only 10 w.p.m.? It's not that 13 w.p.m. is so much faster than 10 w.p.m., it's the principle of the thing.

"True, our fathers started on c.w., they had to. They also listened with headphones, drove a Model-T, and danced the Charleston. The old story about a ham not being qualified to operate a ham station if his code isn't up to speed is a lot of hooey. I received my First-class Commercial Radio-Telephone license last summer and don't know much about code. Yet I am qualified as far as theory goes to operate a commercial station.

"If the FCC would open up everything from 6 meters on up into the microwaves, so that we who are interested only in the technical side of radio, and who are qualified, could

operate-well, these are just a few things I've been thinking about."

Darrell Forsberg 12023 Dayton Ave. Seattle 33, Wash.

#### NEED CODE INSTRUCTION?

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66 6 ERVICING Simplified' by Cataldo and Richard in the January issue and the one in the April issue were probably not meant for topflight servicemen like Mr. Burke, but for the beginner. I, being a beginner, look in several magazines in the hope of running across such articles and when in twelve issues I get two or. three, I consider that I have my money's worth. Incidentally, the 'Cathode Follower V.T.V.M.' in the August issue and the 'Experimenter's Power Supply' published in September I thought were very good. I would like to see more of the same.

"Mr. Burke should seek his own level. There are probably articles that will test his mettle, and if he is helped somewhat he should not begrudge the beginners the assistance they need. Let's take a point he made. He divides his radio in half. Well, I can do better

than that. I start at the antenna. If I get the response I'm looking for, why start at the second detector? If I don't get the response, isn't it better to take it step by step to isolate the trouble and chase it down?

"I'd like to know if all of Mr. Burke's fellow servicemen were his equal. Of course, by and large they must have been good, but I have heard some officers complaining about the caliber of their technicians. All I ask Mr. Burke is, don't begrudge the beginner the help the authors generously extended. No hard feelings.

J. Martin Schmitt Lock Box 47 Avon, Minn.

#### A SERVICING CONTROVERSY

CONTINUE TO THE STATE OF THE ST ment on John Burke's method of aligning radios (September issue, Letters from our Readers). I am only a tinkerer as far as radio goes, but I have gotten hold of several sets that need i.f. alignment, and the owners have said that a professional man did the repair job before. In most cases the oscillator padders needed readjustment to give reasonable tracking at i.f. frequency.

"It could be that the aforementioned service technicians have used Burke's method of alignment and so have misaligned the sets. However, his method is much better than a signal generator in aligning the r.f. and mixer grid circuit. I would like to know from Mr. Burke if the finger test, as he calls it, means touching the grid terminal and observing the amplitude of the hum output of the speaker."

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#### **BELL SYSTEM OPENS** NEW YORK-PHILA. LINK

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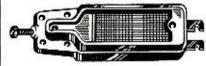
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The Radio Division of Sylvania Electric Products Co., Inc., Emporium, Pa., has prepared a seventh edition of its technical manual, containing basic application data for 637 radio receiving tube types and cathode-ray tubes.

Informative data covers characteristic curves for tube types in common use, interchangeable tube charts, a dictionary of tube, circuit, FM, and television terms, and instructions on the use of characteristic curves.

Comprising 418 pages, the revised manual .has a plastic ring-type spine that opens flat for convenience in reference work. Radio and television set repairmen, industrial electronic engineers, or others interested in this type of work may obtain the book from Sylvania distributors, or direct from Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Emporium, Pa.

#### RELAY CATALOGUE

A sixteen page catalogue put out by the H-B Instrument Company, 2633 Trenton Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., illustrates and describes equipment used in signaling and controlling temperatures in both laboratory and plant installations. These include temperature controls, relays, thermometers, selector switches, and radio thermometers and thermostats.

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Those wishing a copy of the booklet, which is free of charge, should specify "Power Points," Vol. 5, No. 2.

#### MACHINE TOOL GUIDE

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#### Distortion Analyzer

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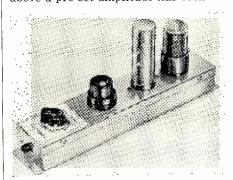
5 or 7 inch reels at a tape speed per second of 34 inches. A two-hour program may thus be placed on a single 7 inch reel of tape.

One of the features of the new device is a monitoring system that permits pre-setting the sound level before starting to record from radio or phonograph. Another advantage is the simplified threading and operating, whereby the tape is simply dropped into the single threading channel where it automatically centers itself and adjusts to proper tension.

Complete specifications on the Ampro recorder, including details on the timing indicator, erasure system, manual rewind for editing, etc., may be obtained from the company at the above address.

#### ELECTRO-VOICE SPEECH CLIPPER

A preamplifier designed to provide higher articulation and intelligibility in amateur and other communication services by "clipping" the top and bottom from speech frequencies that rise above a pre-set amplitude has been in-



troduced by Electro-Voice, Inc., Buchanan, Michigan.

This model, called the E-V Speech Clipper, functions at approximately

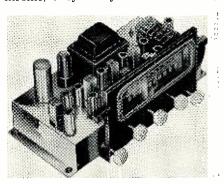
150 volts, with a required plate current of 5 ma. Frequency response is 200 to 3000 c.p.s. Operating directly from any high-impedance mike into the microphone input of a conventional speech amplifier, the speech clipper increases the ratio of consonant-to-vowel intensity and adds to intelligibility in speech transmission. This is accomplished by a pi low-pass filter providing attenuation of 24 db./octave on the curve above 3000 c.p.s. An "On-Off" switch makes possible the selection of conventional or "clipped" operation.

The case of this Model 1000 Speech Clipper is of aluminum, 101/4 by 2 by 4½ inches in size, and the output terminal is an 18-inch shielded cable.

#### AM-FM RECEIVER CHASSIS

The automatic frequency control with which the new AM-FM receiver combination of The Radio Craftsmen, Inc., is equipped, is credited with simple and correct tuning of FM signals, eliminating all trace of side response and even superheterodyne images and adjacent channel interference.

The chassis of this Model RC-8, designed for custom installation, is of chrome, 9 by 15 by 7 inches in size,



weighing 19 pounds. All necessary interconnecting cables, escutcheon, mounting screws, diagrams, mounting templates, etc., are provided. Grouped on the front are five controls: bass, Off-On-Volume, AM-FM-Phono-Television, tuning, and treble. All audio controls are continuously variable.

Two input connections are provided for phonograph, television audio, wire recorder, etc., and are switched from the front, and two a.c. power outlets controlled by the "On-Off" switch supply the amplifier and phonograph motor. A rear socket provides easy access to 6.3 volt a.c. and well-filtered 100 v. d.c. for supplying external preamplifiers and additional pilot lights.

Power supply is a self-contained unit for 105-125 volt, 60 cycle a.c., and power consumption is 100 watts. FM frequency range for the slide-rule dial is 88-108 mc.; for AM, 540-1620 kc. Address The Radio Craftsmen, Inc.,

1617 South Michigan Ave., Chicago 5. Ill.. for further details on this chassis which may be had in rack and panel mounting at a slight additional cost.

#### MILES "RECORDALL"

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Information on the "Recordall" will be sent by J. M. Kuchlik, Chief Engineer. Miles Reproducer Co., Inc., 812-814 Broadway, New York 3, N. Y.

#### AUTOMATIC FILM SPLICER

Handling all types of safety film bases, including the new tri-acetate stock, raw stock, and short ends, an automatic splicer for 35 mm. and 16 mm. motion picture film and magnetic tape in those sizes has been developed by the Prestoseal Manufacturing Corporation.

The machine, called the Presto-Splicer Professional Model, is simple to operate so that it can be used by comparatively unskilled persons and even in the darkroom. The splice, which does not add any thickness to the film, will hold up even under the process used for high-speed reproduction of TV, newsreel, and Ultrafax film. The complete operation cycle includes cutting, welding, cooling, and removal of film from the machine, and takes 6 to 10 seconds after editing.

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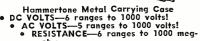
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A recent addition to the Turner Company's line of microphones is the Model 25X-25D, available with either crystal or dynamic circuits. All sound installations made with this new design are handled with smooth, widerange frequency response and high output level. Features of both types are a 90 degree tilting head, % inch coupler mounting, and a quick-change cable set.

The crystal mike, Model 25X, has an effective output of 52 db. below 1 volt/ dyne/sq. cm, with a flat response from 50 to 9000 c.p.s. and is equipped with



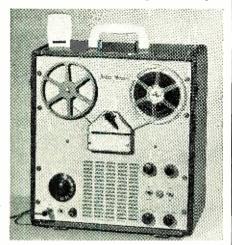
moisture sealed crystal. Model 25D, the dynamic type, has an output level of 54 db. below 1 volt/dyne/sq. cm. at high impedance with a flat response from 50 to 10,000 c.p.s. This mike is provided with Alnico V magnets. Microphone cases are finished in twotone umber gray with a chrome plated grill or in bright chrome finish, whichever is desired. The Turner Company, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will send more complete specifications on request.

#### RADIO-RECORDER COMBINATION

Model C-2, a portable recorder-radio combination weighing only 30 pounds, is now being manufactured by the Pentron Corporation, 611 W. Division St., Chicago 10, Ill. To provide for maximum ease of operation, accessibility and economy of space, the company devised a special vertical mounting of the mechanism and chassis.

A dual-track mechanism has a recording speed of 7½ inches per second, with a rewind ratio of 20 to 1. The chassis incorporates 7 tubes with 5

watt power output rating, having a frequency response of 65 to 8000 c.p.s. plus or minus 6 db. A superheterodyne



receiver is included, encompassing the standard broadcast band.

The cabinet of the unit is of lockcorner plywood in two-tone simulated leatherette having bronze hardware and plastic trim, and the entire unit comes equipped with crystal microphone, tape, and takeup spool.

#### EICOR PORTABLE RECORDER

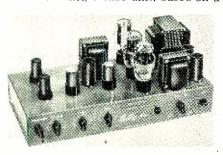
A luggage-type, portable tape recorder, weighing only 27 pounds and containing a five-tube amplifier with six-inch speaker, is now in production by Eicor, Inc., 1501 W. Congress St., Chicago 7, Ill.

A sensitive crystal microphone and radio speaker hookup are provided with this recorder, and there is ample storage space for extra tape, cords, and accessories. Although designed for portability and lower cost, the unit has the advantage of a frequency response equal to that of many higherpriced machines.

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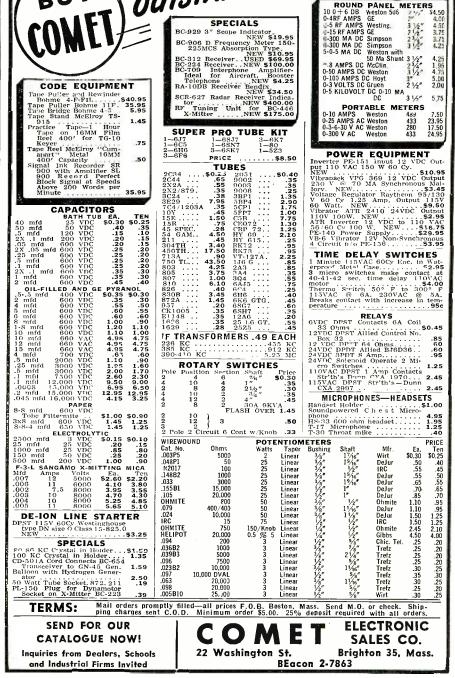
One of the newest developments of the Sun Radio and Electronics Company, Inc., 122-124 Duane St., New York 7, N. Y., is an all-triode, highfidelity amplifier kit, Model CR-10.

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design published by Consumers' Research, Inc., Washington, N. J., provides flat frequency response, plus/minus 1 db., from 20 to 15,000 cycles, with distortion less than 2.5 per-cent. Gain is 75 db. on radio and 97 db. on phono.

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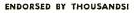
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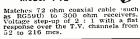


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Los Angeles police collaborated in the manufacture of this device and have already installed it at headquarters, to be used by the detective force. To disguise the machine, the company designed a metal aluminum covered Haliburton carrying case that simulates airplane luggage.

The Brociner Electronics Laboratory 1546 Second Ave., New York 28. N. Y., has introduced a new reproducer that utilizes the corner horn principle. Each Brociner-Klipsch dualhorn unit is available in an attrac-



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magnet, and a mechanism that winds the master tape and the "blank" together. The second unit is an oscillator generating 2000 cycles in the electromagnet.

For mass production such a "contact printing" machine could make a dozen or more duplicate recordings simultaneously from a single master tape. Stressing the fact that any figure on costs would be only guesswork, it was estimated that a machine of this type could cut production time for a onehour recording down to a matter of seconds.

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Japan—Press dispatches indicate that unrestricted international broadcasting has been authorized for Japan. (Fried, Mich.) Can anyone confirm

Kenya-VQ7LO, 4.885, Nairobi, heard with relay of BBC news 1315: talk followed, then station identified 1330, followed by light music. (Short-Wave News, London)

Luxembourg — Radio Luxembourg, 6.090, transmits daily 1130-1630; English programs (relayed from the l.w. station) are 1130 Sam Costa Show (Sundays); 1200 latest records; 1230 Pin-Up Princess for a Day, Stewart MacPherson; 1530 request program: 1600 Jack Jackson show. (Short-Wave News; London.) They may mean all these for Sundays only?

Madagascar-FIQA, Radio Tananarive, 6.060, is difficult to pick up but sometimes can be heard in Sweden with weak signal during the last half hour of the daily transmission which ends 1400; dance music; closes with "La Marseillaise" and then three times plays some tunes on an oriental instrument; severe QRM noted from Russian jamming transmitters on either side. (Albinsson)

Malaya-British Far Eastern Broadcasting Service, 9.69, Singapore, heard 0700 relaying BBC. (Stark, Texas)

Radio Malaya, 4.780, Singapore, heard in New Zealand to 1030 sign-off after broadcast in Chinese. (Cushen.) The 7.20 outlet has program summary 0530, news, and music. (Sanderson, Australia.) Sent verification on the 7.20 outlet, and listed schedules—daily 2330-0130 Chinese and Indian, 0430-1030 Chinese, Indian, Malay, on 6.135, 4.780; daily 2330-0030 Malay on 7.20, daily 0030-0130 English on 7.20, daily 0530-1030 *English* on 4.825; Saturdays 0130-0425 English on 6.135, and 0425-1100 English on 4.825; Sundays 2030-2330 English on 6.135, and 0130-0425 English on 6.135, and 0425-1030 English on 4.825. (Fellers, Japan)

Malta?—Pearce, England, airmails this data regarding a station on 4.785 announcing "You are tuned to the Forces Broadcasting Service, Middle East." Test transmission first logged 1510 on August 4; call at end of programs. At 1600 gave call and time as 2100 GMT. No further announcement and carrier left the air 1608. On August 7 was logged 1420; recorded program from BBC; relay of BBC's General Overseas Service; call at intervals including 1425 and 1525, when said: "This is a test transmission from the Forces Broadcasting Service, Middle East"; carrier remained to 1605 after final call and time at 1600. On August 12 was heard as early as 1325 with "Sporting Review"; at 1330 relayed Promenade Concert from BBC; continued on air and was still operating 1710 when was tuned out. At the time this was compiled was being heard only irregularly around 1300-1330. A letter received by Pearce some time ago from Forces Broadcasting Service, Middle East, Benghazi, Lybia, acknowledging his report on tests over 4.782, said there was a possibility of future broadcasts either from Benghazi or from Malta. This is more likely at Malta now, I believe. Carlberg, Sweden, airmails that he has heard this station on approximately 4.780 closing down 1400, and that location sounded like "Malta."

Manchuria—Harbin, 7.100, now relays the Peiping New China programs, carrying the same news in English 0830. A station heard on approximately 5.520-5.530 is believed to be Mukden, Communist-controlled; schedule is unknown but is heard before 0700; at 0730 takes Peiping relay to 0830 but does not carry English then; instead, plays Chinese music; signs off after 1000; has news at dictation speed (presumably in Chinese) before and

after 1000. Dilg, Calif.)

Monaco-Short-Wave News, London, reports-"Radio Monte Carlo, 6.035, 9.785, is one of the best s.w. broadcasters from the reliability point of view to be heard at the present time in Britain. First-cass program material is available all day from 0200 to 1815 (may sign-off now 1715?—KRB); a special English program of one hour's duration is radiated Sundays at 1700." The 31-m. channel varies from day to day; measured 9.786.3, according to Oskay, N. J., via URDXC.

Mozambique—At the time this was being compiled, CR7BJ, Lourenco Marques, had moved up slightly to around 9.66, although at times has been as high as 9.68; QRM'd by XEQQ in the Portuguese transmission beginning 0000. (Balbi, Calif.) CR7BU, 4.825, heard 1430 with three chimes interval signal and announcement, "Radio Clube de Mozambique"; CR7BV, 4.930, heard in Portuguese 1515, but signals suffer CWQRM in London. (Short-Wave News, London)

New Caledonia-Radio Noumea, 3.410, still heard in New Zealand at fair strength to 0500 close down. (Cushen.) The paralled station is on approximately 6.000.

New Zealand-ZL3, 11.81, is excellent in East 0600 when relaying BBC news; leaves the air around 0620-0630. Cushen, N. Z., says ZL3 is using the 11.81 channel at times to escape QRM from Saigon (both ZL3 and Saigon are allocated 11.78). A new channel for ZL2 (listed 9.540) is 9.620 used recently for rugby relays from 0830, Cushen reports. At times, however, ZL2 has also been noted on 9.780.

North Korea-JBBK, 4.400, Pyongyang, not heard in past several weeks; former dual outlet, 7.784, is fair mornings. (Balbi, Calif.)

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Oslo now has its letter program and musical requests on Saturdays 1400-1500 on 9.645, 15.170, 17.825, 21.730; LLG is now heard on 9.645 instead of previous 9.610. (Pearce, England.) LLN, 17.825, is good signal in Pennsylvania 1315. (Kane, Pa.)

Radio Norway currently is using LKV, 15.170; LLP, 21.670; LKQ, 11.735; LLN, 17.825; LLG, 9.645, and LLK, 11.850. At 2000-2100 LKV, LKQ, LLG are beamed to North American Waters and North Atlantic; at 0600-0645 weekdays, LLP, LLN, LKV, and LLK beam to African Waters and South Atlantic; at 0800-0830 LLP, LLN, LKV, LLG beam to Indian Ocean; at 1400-1500 LLP, LLN, LKV, LLG beam to African Waters and South Atlantic, and at 1800-1900 LKV, LKQ, LLG beam to South America. These transmissions are in Norwegian and consist of home news and music; however, announcements also are made in English. (Swedish DX broadcast)

Every Tuesday and Friday, Radio Norway has a program in the "samic" language; there are some people in Northern Norway—"up against the Midnight Sun"-who speak this language. It is very interesting to listen to, reports Halvorsen, Oslo. The programs run 1015-1030 over the s.w. transmitter at Tromsoe operating on 6.130 (10 kw.); also goes out over Tromsoe 292 kc. and Finmark 347 kc.; announcement is "Dek lae Norge Rikaradio, Tromsast. Di labetet Samegiel' programma." Translated it reads-"This is the Norwegian State Broadcasting, Tromsoe. You hear a program in Samic." Address for reports is Radio Norway, Tromsoe, Norway.

Outer Mongolia—Ulan-Bater, 5.265, is being heard in California mornings. (Dilg.) Is listed 15 kw.

Pakistan—Indian correspondents have informed Radio Australia that the new 50 kw. transmitter at Karachi has been operating on 11.885 for some weeks now. Daily schedule is 2030-2245, 0110-0130, 0200-0330, 0700-0720, 0730-0740, 0800-0810, 0830-0915 (External Service in Burmese), 1015-1045, 1045-1130 (Persian), 1135-1140, 1200-1240 (Afghan-Persian), 1245-1330 (Arabic), and a further program in Arabic is radiated from 1400. News is scheduled 2100, 0110, 0210, 0700, 0945, 1135, With the exception of the 0210 newscast, all these are relayed by Dacca on 15.335. Karachi announces Dacca's channel for 15.27; however, this is incorrect as Dacca long since moved to 15.335. Karachi has Western music 0300-0330. For some time I have been hearing the 11.885 Karachi outlet here in West Virginia with fair to excellent level at 0700 and again at 2100 during English newscasts "relayed from the Home Service of Radio Pakistan." Announces Karachi channel as 11.880 but it is higher, usually being slightly above

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The Karachi outlet on 11.885 is good level in New York 0700 with news. (Osterman)

Panama—HORT, 6.060, "Radio Balboa," Panama City, identifies at 2115. (Leinbach, N. Y.)

Peru—OAX4Z, 5.894, Radio Nacional de Peru, Lima, noted 2030, readable but suffers from severe CWQRM; no English noted. OAX4V, 5.970, Radio America, La Voz del Nuevo Mundo. Lima, heard from 2330 to 0200; no English noted; stated that OAX4W, 9.375, was in parallel. (Novomestky, Puerto Rico)

Philippines-"Voice of America" relay schedules list Manila I, 11.89, 0400-0915 to Far East, 1700-1900 to China; Manila II, 15.250, 1700-1900 to East Asia; Manila II, 15.330, 0215-0345 (Tue.-Sat.) to S. E. Asia (UN), 0400-0915 to East Asia; Manila III, 17.760, 0400-0915 to E. Asia.

Simpson, Australia, received a letter-verification signed by the president of the Far Eastern Broadcasting Company, Inc., John C. Broger, for report on the new Manila station DZH6, 6.030. Mr. Broger said that verification cards are not at hand as yet, and that Simpson's was the first report received from anyone--but was followed within 30 minutes by one from a California listener! DZH6 is using "about 1 kw." with a half-wave dipole antenna about 50 feet above ground. DZH6 is currently operating on 6.030; DZH7 was to be using 9.730 around the middle of October; DZH8 should be on the air on 11.855 around the first of November, and DZH9 in the 19-m. band (15megacycle range) should take to the ether around the middle of November. Heard by Simpson from around 0500. (Radio Australia.) This is a new missionary broadcaster—similar to HCJB, Quito, Ecuador); operates 0500-0900 daily and 2000-2300 Sundays; opens with "Oh, Hear the Power of Jesus' Name" (may mean "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"?), then news to 0515; music to 0530, then missionary broadcast; signal good in New Zealand to 0600, then has interference from HP5B, Panama. (Cushen)

DZH4, 6.000, heard 0645 with news and music; DZH3, approximately 9.500, heard 0400 with musical program and local news; DUH5, 11.84, heard 0615 with news and music; DZH6, 6.030, heard 0500 with news and music. (Sanderson, Australia)

Portugal-CS2WI, 12.864, Parede, heard with good signal 1645; at times plays recordings in English. (Oskay, N. J., via NNRC) CS2MA, 6.374, Lisbon, identifies 1930, excellent signal in New York. (Leinbach)

Portuguese Guinea—CQM-4, 6.993, Bissau, heard recently with weak signal 1724 to 1759 sign-off. (Ferguson, N. C.)

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Portuguese India-Radio Goa has moved from 7.230 to 9.610; is on daily now 0730-1030 and on Sundays there is a further transmission 0100-0230 (this one in English) when announces. "This is Radio Goa, the Voice of Goa, the Voice of Portugal"; the daily schedule is rather complicated by languages but the station appears to use Concuri, Portuguese, Urdu, Marathi, and Hindustani. When closing 1030 always goes off the air following the playing of the Portuguese National Anthem ("A Portugesa"). (Radio Australia.) To my knowledge, up to the time this was compiled, Radio Goa had not been heard in America.

Roumania—Radio Bucharest, 9.25, heard with fair level in South Africa with news 1500. (Ridgeway.) Is also carried on channels of 5.950, 6.210, 11.900. (Swedish DX broadcast)

South Africa-Ridgeway, South Africa, writes—"ZRB is a governmentowned transmitter at Roberts Heights. near Pretoria; this is a South African Air Force Station whose main function is to give weather reports and other meteorological data on the hour (although I believe not necessarily every hour). The schedule appears daily except Sundays and Wednesdays from 0000 to 1100 on 9.110, 6.210. There is no transmission on Sundays, and on Wednesdays it leaves the air around 0600. When not giving weather reports for the use of aircraft, ZRB relays programs from the Johannesburg transmitters—which are divided into two classes, an "A" and a "B" program carrying English and Afrikaans programs, respectively. ZRB takes relays from either of these programs just as it chooses. It is, therefore, quite probable that you will get English or Afrikaans news at 0000—sometimes Afrikaans for a few days running, and sometimes English. It relays news in English from the BBC at 0100 as do all SABC transmitters. ZRB and Cape Town have no connection whatsoever.

ZUD-24 verified for Jack Fox, N. Z., stating transmitter is a 7 kw. job; also said is on fixed service at 0045 on 13.186; however, this transmission was logged by Fox and by Bluman, Israel, on 17.745; the 8.695 channel has been good in New Zealand at 1045-1125 on Saturdays; according to the letter, this Robert Heights location was to be changed as well as name of the station. (Radio Australia.) This one is used primarily for relays.

Southern Rhodesia—Good, England, has heard test transmissions from Salisbury, 3.320, to 1500; asked for reports. (Swedish DX broadcast)

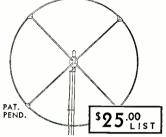
Spain—Widely reported is Madrid's daily transmission 1800-1830 (in English) to the United States on 9.369; now announces as "The National Broadcaster in Madrid, Spain." (Worris, N. Y.) This is the first time Madrid has used an English equivalent for Radio Nacional de Espana, comments Worris.

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Tahiti-Radio Tahiti, officially given as 12.080, was measured in West Virginia as 12.080.2. (Arthur.) Measured by Gross, Washington State, as 12.082, and by Huse, same state, three nights in a row, as on 12.080. Ferguson, N. C., measured it 12.081; and Simpson, Australia, measured it 12.082, according to Radio Australia. Announces wavelength of 24.83 metres (which converts to 12.087).

Thailand-HS8PD, 6.010, good signal with news 0615. (Sanderson, Australia.) The 11.65 outlet should be in parallel, and one or both should have a further (native) transmission beginning 0700.

Trinidad-Radio Trinidad, 9.625, Port-of-Spain, noted with good signal 0530 and 2130 to closedown 2200; sometimes is like a "local" in New York mornings. (Osterman) Is excellent here in West Virginia 0600 with BBC news relay.

Turkey-TAQ, 15.195, Ankara, states English program 1530-1600 is now radiated to Britain on Thursdays only; has dropped temporarily the similar broadcast on Mondays; news continues daily at 1345 over TAP, 9.465, and Postbag remains at 1530-1600 on Sundays over TAQ. (Pearce, England)

Uruguay-Verification from CXA10, 11.900, Montevideo, lists these outlets —On medium-wave, CX6, 650 kcs., CX38, 1290 kcs.; on short-wave, CXA4, 6.125, CXA10, 11.900, Transmitter "A." 20 kw.; CXA6, 9.650, CXA18, 15.300, Transmitter "B," 5 kw. These are Radio Electrica outlets and QRA is Servicio Oficial de Difusion Radio Electrica, Andes 1465, Montevideo, Republic

of Uruguay. (Osterman, N. Y.)

U. S. A.—Fried, Mich., has received word from Associated Broadcasters, Inc., West Coast, that the signal he heard on 11.94 and which he thought might be a Far Eastern relay of KWIX-KWID is a result of the beat frequency between the two transmitters being cross modulated, to produce a new frequency on 11.94 (the stations actually operate on 11.86 and 11.90). The two transmitters are in the same building and r.f. from one rig does get into the other, the official stated. "We had a similar condition previously when operating on 9.57 and 11.86. The 40 kc. separation makes it impossible to filter one transmitter frequency from getting into the other without affecting the transmitted signal. Sta-

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The format of the new "Voice of America" schedule booklets has been radically altered. They now are attractive magazines with full-color illustrations on the covers and show great improvement in technical details of transmission schedules. The "Voice" is now distributing a Worldwide English Edition which contains complete schedules of English and non-English programs. This is in addition to the former eight other editions. (Worris, N. Y.)

U. S. S. R.-Moscow, 15.14, is good, and 15.34, in parallel, is fair during the English program to Asia 0700-0800.

Vatican-HVJ, 11.740, heard well in English 1000 and 1315; at 1000 uses 15.095 and approximately 9.64 in parallel, and at 1315 is parallel with approximately 9.64 and 5.970. (Pearce, England)

Western Samoa—ZM2AP, Apia, formerly ZMB6, 7.700, verified by card; no longer operates on s.w. but is on 420

kc. with 2 kw. (Legge, N. Y.)
Yugoslavia—Radio Belgrade, 9.505, heard with Spanish around 0100 and news in English 0115-0130; announces next English for 1115 on 49.18 m. (6.140?). Pearce, England) Noted in French from 2345 to 2400 sign-off, woman gave news in French. (Bellington, N.  $\tilde{Y}$ .) Is listed 10 kw. Heard by Osterman, N. Y., 0115 to closedown 0130 with news in English read by woman; almost buried in QRM from BBC's 9.51 outlet; confirms Pearce's report announcing next *English* for 1115; slogan seems to be "Radio Belgrad, 'The Voice of the People!'"

The 9.505 channel heard in Texas 0000-0015 in foreign language, woman announcer. (Stark)

#### Last Minute Tips

At the time this was compiled, I was finding Asiatic DX beginning to open up well here in the East. Several mornings I had been hearing Nanking, 5.985, 9.73; Peiping, 10.260, with good signals around 0500-0700. Radio Malaya, 6.025, Kuala Lumpur, was being heard with news and market reports 0630, and Bangkok, 6.010, was heard one Sunday with excellent quality and level during the daily 0615 newscast, signs off 0630.

Hong Kong's ZBW-3, 9.525, is heard 0430; good, clear signal in Australia. (Sanderson) Should carry BBC news relay 0600.

Radio Espana Independiente has been heard in Sweden on a new channel of approximately 15.850, afternoons (EST). (Carlberg, Sweden)

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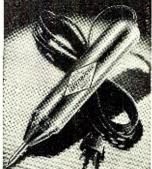
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A station heard in Australia on 4.495 from 0500 to 0900 or later may be Korea. (Hutchins, Radio Australia)

Radio Saigon, 11.78, will broadcast a special DX program for the Swedish DX Fan Club, England-Sweden, on December 13. (Good, England) Time had not been learned when compiling this copy, but the broadcast most likely will be carried around 0500 EST (1000 GMT) and it is possible that 6.165 also will be used. Definite time and other details will be given well in advance in the DX session from Radio Sweden and probably also in the DX program from Radio Australia.

Some weeks ago, the Liner Italia, about 1,600 miles northeast of New York, was heard passing tickets to Rome for wireless-telephone calls; heard on 17.700 at 1240-1254. (Mc-Pheeters, N. Y.)

Balbi, Calif., reports as new a station on approximately 6.020 with signon around 0630; all-Chinese talk to 0710 sign-off; no music or any particular announcement at either sign-on or sign-off; man sounds like a Russian; signal strong, modulation poor; Balbi is fairly certain this is a U.S.S.R. outlet.

An unidentified station has been heard on 4.450 in Sweden carrying BBC programs around 0800; may be a BBC relay station in the Far East? (Carlberg)

Direct via airmail from Halvorsen. Oslo, Norway, comes this word-"In the near future—I suppose in October or November-the college men in Trondheim will have their special week, Studenteruka-49. During the week they will have a transmitter in operation. I cannot yet tell you the frequency they will use, but in 1948 it was in the 41-meter band. They issue a nice, amusing QSL card."

Here are tips received at press time from Dilg. California-Shanghai was heard for a few days on approximately 11.685 mornings, but not more recently, so may have moved up to (former) 11.860 region. India heard opening up strong 1100 on 15.160, announced program would be in Hindustani. North Korea has moved from 4.400 to around 4.500: is in dual with 7.785 mornings. Nanking, 5.985, takes Peiping (North China) program at times—but does not carry the English at 0830. Peiping now announces frequencies of 9.730 (Nanking), and others, but no longer lists the station on 6.096; they do not mention the 9.740 Hankow outlet although that one does take the English program from Peiping at 0830; the 9.740 station is in dual with Peiping only part of the time and one day at the close of the English relay from Peiping (which ends 0850), the Hankow station played some old American records (including "Red Wing"). An In-

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donesian heard mornings on approximately 5.060 may be Makassar, Celebes, but is not in dual with the 9.550 Makassar outlet. Bandoeng was heard recently on about 10.070 one morning and what may be Bandoeng was heard also on 11.600 around 0800. Mukden. Manchuria, is still using approximately 5.525 and has a good signal; relays portions of Peiping's New China programs but does not take the English period 0830.

Leven, Brazil, airmails that Radio Nacional, Rio de Janeiro, is now transmitting on a new channel of 6.147 at 1130-1500, using the call PRL-9 (formerly—or still?—assigned to the 17.85 outlet). Radio Tamoio, Rio de Janeiro. is on 9.61 with ZYC8, scheduled 0500-2200 daily, and now is permanently in parallel with m.w. outlet PRB-7, while ZYC9, 15.37, is now parallel all day with m.w. PRC-3, Radio Tupi, Rio de Janeiro. Radio Ministerio da Educação, Rio de Janeiro, continues with PRL-4 on a "most unfortunate" frequency of 9.767—the same as OTC-2, Belgian Congo. Leven says "mutual" QRM is terrific. PRL-4 is given with 1 kw. power and is scheduled the same as m.w. PRA-2, 800 kcs.—weekdays 0500-1200, 1300-1400, 1500-2130, Sundays 0800-2130. This is a governmentowned station and therefore makes no commercial announcements, a fact highly appreciated at least by the Rio audience because s.w. shouldn't be reaching very many people outside Rio, Leven comments. Programs are of a high cultural nature and standard, and Rio papers always are full of praise for them. Leven comments that it is really most regretable that s.w. transmissions from this outlet are not coming outside Brazil better. Sao Paulo's ZYB-8, 11.765, is transmitting a daily program in Spanish starting at 1200 with news and commentaries about life in Brazil.

Finally, Bellington, N. Y., flashed at press time that Kol-Yisrael, Tel-Aviv, Israel, has been moving around, perhaps testing its new 7.5 kw. transmitter. Has been heard around 1500 to 1515-1530 sign-off, very strong signal on approximately 11.94. Also has been heard on same channel at 2245 opening, with 6.83, and Haifi, 8.17, both weak, in parallel; later was heard back on 9.000 and not on 11.94—but more recently it was heard opening 2245 on about 12.09 to 12.10 with "tremendous" signal compared to reception on other channels it has used. May be testing preparatory to starting the projected beam to North America (to be in English in addition to Hebrew). I hope to have further details on current operations of Kol-Yisrael next month.

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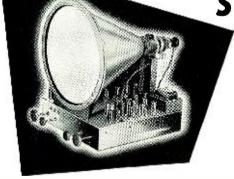
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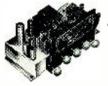


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Intermittent operation can be checked by tapping the tube envelope with the fingers or with a small rubber mallet. Tube noise and microphonics may best be determined by this method, with the tubes in the amplifier. Often a short will appear momentarily and then disappear when tapped or when the operating temperature increases. Tubes showing this indication may be responsible for later trouble and a "comeback." Any tube which appears abnormal, even momentarily, should be replaced as a safe measure.

#### Voltages

All voltage tests should be made with the amplifier in normal operation or as near normal as possible, with all tubes in their sockets. Point-to-point measurements should be made, starting at the tube sockets. For practical purposes, an ordinary 1000 ohms-per-volt meter will serve for plate, screen, and cathode voltage readings. For a.v.c., limiter, inverter, and other critical circuits, however, a vacuum-tube volt-meter must be used.

#### Resistors

These should be checked for thermal noise, open circuit, and overheating. Carbon resistors sometimes develop high internal noise; wirewound units may short between adjacent turns or become open due to heat expansion. The cause of overheating should be found as quickly as possible. In most cases it is desirable to turn the ampli-

fier off and check for component shorts with an ohmmeter. Resistors with values exceeding the usual ten or twenty per-cent tolerance should be replaced.

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Condensers should be checked for noise and intermittents while in the circuit by tapping, probing, or vibrating gently, and should be inspected for open or dried-out containers and evidences of overheating. Coupling condensers and a.v.c. circuits are especially noted for leakage. In replacing these units, be sure to use only the best replacements available.

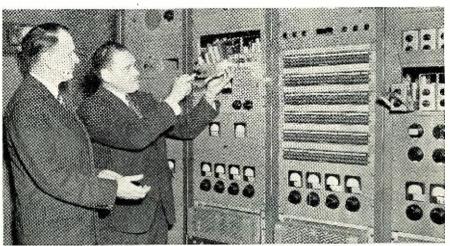
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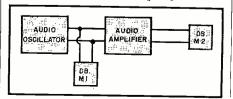
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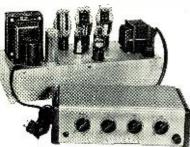
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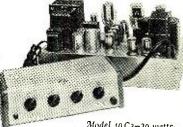
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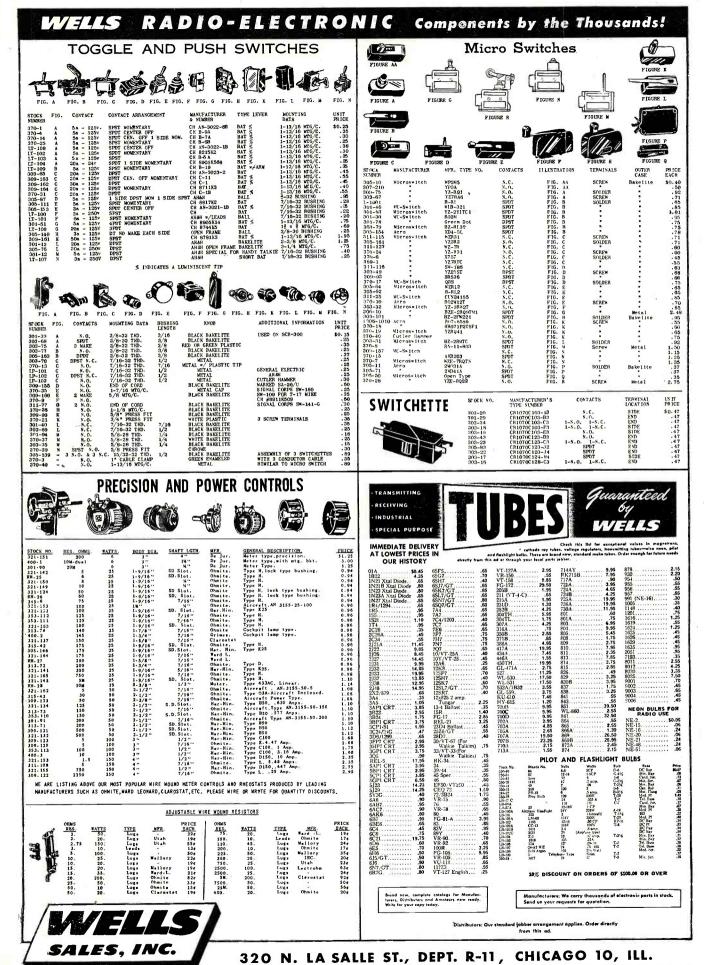
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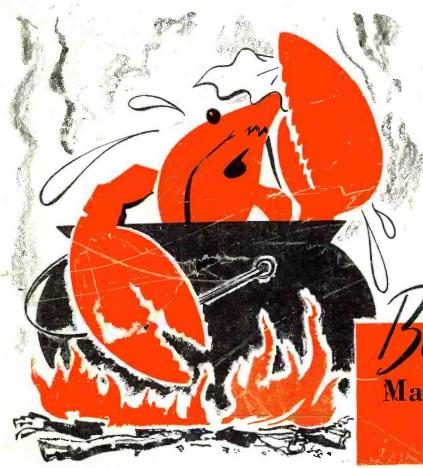
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