



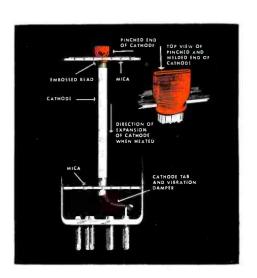
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Recently we needed a set of 22½ volt "B" batteries for a BC 221 frequency meter for calibrating emergency mobile frequencies on a mobile converter. In spite of the fact that there are several large component distributors in Chicago, we were not able to locate this stock item. It took more than a week to dig up three batteries. Other items, equally vital to emergency communications, are likewise conspicuous by their absence.

A resolution to the Electronics Products division of the National Production Authority was made recently by committees of the Association of Electronic Parts and Equipment Manufacturers, proposing that distributors who purchase MRO (maintenance, repair, and operating) supplies from a manufacturer be restricted to a 180 day inventory; that distributors sell such MRO supplies only to customers who certify in writing that the material will be used for repair and replacement.

With many services requiring electronic equipment, it is imperative that action be taken to insure that this equipment be maintained in good working order and repair. Such action is essential to the national defense program and vital to the public interest. Communication requirements are many and varied:

The Armed Forces require vast quantities of replacement components for signal, communication, and navigation equipment, as well as for fire control and other military uses. Defense Agencies and Departments need material for monitoring, testing, communicating, policing, and other government functions. State and local governments require a backlog of components for sundry municipal purposes and laboratories for testing, research, development, and experimental uses. Much equipment is used also at technical schools. They need repair parts and equipment for development, construction, research, and similar academic projects.

In civilian defense, particularly fire,

police, health, and public welfare agencies, need special equipment and a well-stocked replacement source for the maintenance of good order and the health and well-being of the community. Common carriers, too, need equipment for the conduct of vital transportation functions.

In case of serious trouble it is essential that broadcasting facilities be maintained in good operating condition for the dissemination of news and for the civilian defense effort.

Radio amateur operators play an important part in any civil defense planning. They will require material for the maintenance of a radio network vital to civil defense. Then there are the civil defense agencies which require the use of home and automobile radio and home TV receivers for the dissemination of news, information, and instruction in the event of dire or national emergency. Manufacturers of military equipment and components that require test instruments and electronic operating supplies to fabricate their products will also require allocation of critical material for civil defense purposes. Existing governmental orders, regulations, and requirements have curtailed the use of critical raw materials in the manufacture of new electronic equipment, thereby putting a greater burden on equipment now in use. This existing equipment will continue to deteriorate and cease to function unless kept in good working order and repair. Some governmental agencies have already recognized the desirability and necessity of keeping such equipment in operation by permitting a greater use of critical raw materials for the manufacture of maintenance, repair, and operating supplies than is permitted for the manufacture of new equipment. However, no regulations have, at this writing, been promulgated by which manufacturers of such supplies can acquire the critical functional raw material necessary for fab-

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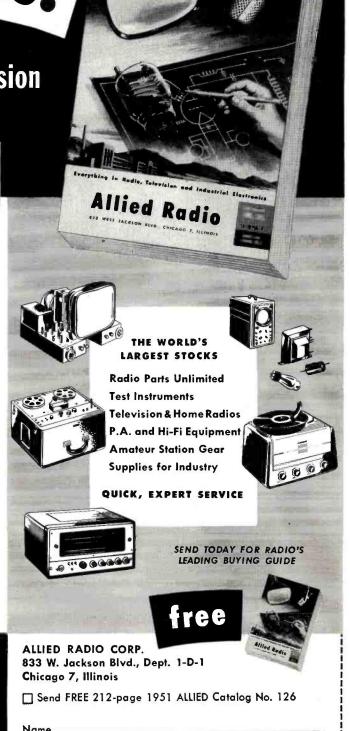


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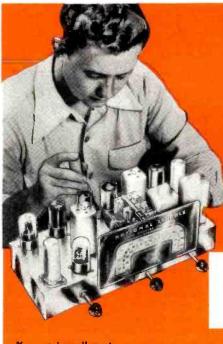


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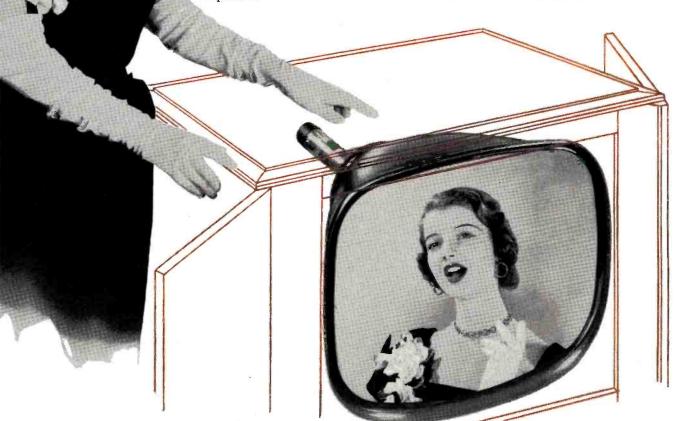
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The proposed law, prepared by Assistant Secretary of Defense Marx Leva, was submitted to the chairmen of the Senate and House Committees on Armed Services, with a recommendation that it be enacted immediately. In a letter to the Congressional leaders, Leva said that the purpose of the new law was . . . "to provide the necessary Executive authority to control electromagnetic radiations, not only during hostilities or a proclaimed emergency, but also during time of strained international relationships, when a surprise attack on the United States is a possibility." He pointed out that the control would extend to anything . . . "capable of emitting electromagnetic radiations between ten thousandths and one-hundred thousand (.010-100,000) megacycles." Current concepts of warfare and recent experience, Leva continued, demonstrated the necessity to control such radiations, for the purpose of denying their use to a potential enemy for navigation of piloted or pilotless aircraft or missiles directed toward targets in this country.

The authority provided in the Communications Act of 1934 for a control of a similar nature is inadequate at this time, the Defense representative declared. The new approach must be adopted now, he said, in order that planning and preparations may be completed so that air defense plans may be implemented without delay in the event of an air attack.

The urgent need for the law was slated to be stressed during secret sessions with members of the Congressional committees, who will be presented with a detailed analysis of air defense problems and their relation to

radiation control. The legislators were also scheduled to be told that the proposed ruling, which is part of the Defense Legislative Program, had been approved by the Bureau of the Budget as in accord with the President's program.

Senator Edwin Johnson and Representative Carl Vinson, who introduced the measures to their respective bodies, felt that the proposals were too drastic, and broadcasters agreed, adding that radio and TV silencing in the manner suggested was not only undesirable, but unnecessary. In their opinion the stations should be kept on the air to boost morale and aid in sounding an alarm in case of an attack. Both the FCC and the Continental Air Command have in the past expressed a similar sympathetic feeling and, as a result, studied the possibilities of continued operations.

The versions of the bills offered to the Congress, were substantially milder than the originals sent to the committee leaders. Particularly missing from the measures was the phrase indicating that official controls could be invoked in times of . . . "strained international relationships", which proved to be quite disturbing to everyone, implying that even under present conditions there could be a cessation of transmission of any or all types.

Seething debates on the measures have been forecast by members of both chambers.

DEFENSE RADIO ACTIVITIES were not only accented on Capitol Hill but in the offices of many departmental administrators. At Civil Defense headquarters, FCDA Administrator Millard F. Caldwell, Jr., was busy briefing civil defense directors. During a special oneday session, the heads of State units received a comprehensive review of the functions of air-raid warning systems, communications-control centers, the Continental Air Command, the FCC and the civil defense office from Robert Burton, communications director for FCDA. He discussed the controversial silence problem, as well as the use of the ham bands during emergencies, operation of interceptor commands, air raid warning devices, the operation of mobile systems and financing of centers.

The civil-defense planners of the District of Columbia were also involved



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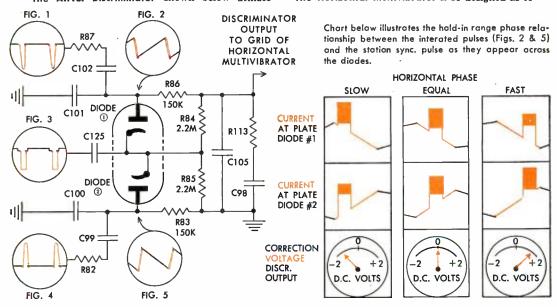
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Special equipment has also occupied the attention of specialists during the conferences. One unit, discussed at length, has been the alert receiver, which offers an air-raid warning to broadcasters, and can be applied to control-centers. Announced in '41, the device is said to have been considerably improved. The unit, about the size of a portable receiver, turns on automatically when it receives a special sub-audible signal from a broadcast station, rings a bell, turns on a red or yellow light, according to the kind of an alert being sent, and a white light when the all-clear signal is flashed. The device may be fixed tuned to any one broadcasting station. At the transmitting station, the alert's signal-generating unit is connected to the transmitter, the output being connected to the microphone circuit of the transmitter. When a button is pressed it releases an on sub-audible signal which turns on all alert receivers equipped to be activated by it.

In other defense-role programs, emergency communications for plant protection has become a favored topic, with many plans following a pattern suggested in an intriguing report by Ken Piper, former special agent in charge, FBI. Piper pointed out in his review of the situation that radio is the . . . "one means of communications that penetrates walls and traverses distances without the use of wires, without time delay. In this virtue lies its strength, value and dependability." Describing how the systems can be used, he said that a central transmitter and receiver could be installed in a central protected area, with remote control established in the normal office of the superintendent. Small battery-operated portable receivers and transmitters could then be located at the watchman's headquarters and his posts through the grounds. In addition, disclosed Piper, materialshandling trucks, run-about wagons, jeeps, and other similar vehicles could be equipped with two-way FM transmitters and receivers. Also recommended was a receiver tuned to the frequency of the local police department, who in turn should also have a receiver tuned to the frequency of the plant. By placing radio units strategically about an area, with operators assigned to each post, complete obliteration of vital information transmission facilities would be almost impossible, both within a given plant and between nearby plants, viewed Piper in his report. By the adoption of twoway systems, Piper declared, manu-(Continued on page 76)

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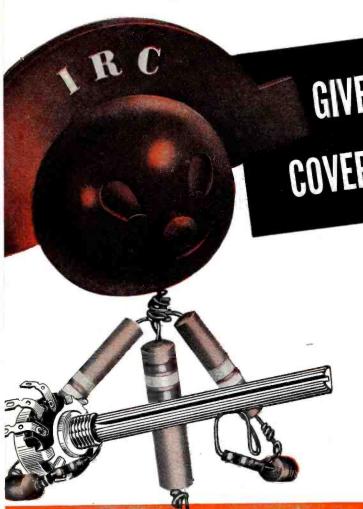
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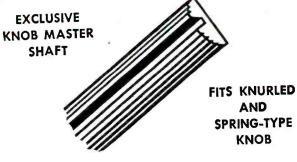
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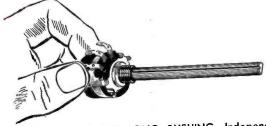


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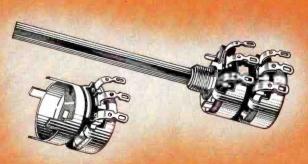
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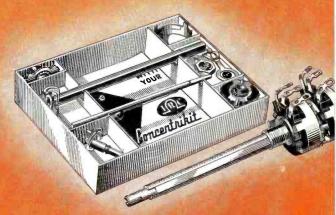
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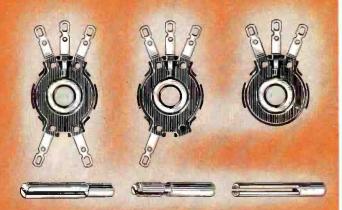
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EVERETT S. LEE has been appointed editor of the "General Electric Review."

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Mr. Lee succeeds Edward C. Saunders who retired recently from the company after serving as executive editor of the



publication since 1926. The new editor was formerly executive engineer of the company's General Engineering Laboratory in Schenectady and is a past president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. In addition to his editorial duties he will continue his active work in professional engineering and engineering educational circles.

THE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION of Chicago has announced that due to the current international situation and its effect on the availability of television sets and other electrical merchandise the association's Fourth Annual National Television & Electrical Living Show held each year in Chicago has been postponed.

This event which has stimulated considerable consumer interest in the past three years may be resumed in 1952 depending on the conditions prevailing at the time

Announcement of the postponement of this year's show was made jointly by the Electric Association and the Chicago Coliseum, home of the Show.

WILLIAM F. HALSEY, JR., has been elected president of International Telecommunication Laboratories, Inc., associate of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. Admiral Halsey is also a member of the board of $I.T.\&\check{T}$ and chairman of the board of directors of All America Cables and Radio, Inc. . . . WILMER T. SPICER has been named chief engineer of maintenance services by the Bendix Radio Division. He will be responsible for the administration of the technical publications and field engineering departments of the division . . . DAVID C. PRINCE, vice-president of General Electric Company, has been named to the staff of the company's president . . . MORTON P. ROME has been elected vicepresident in charge of the contract division of Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corporation . . . N. J. PETERSON has been named sales manager of the General Electric Company's Tube Divisions and will be responsible for the sale of all products of the divisions to the federal government . . . OAKLEY F. HOYT is the new director of defense produc-

tion for Hudson Wire Company . . HENRY T. HEALD, president of Illinois Institute of Technology, has been elected to the board of directors of Stewart-Warner Corporation. He fills a newly-created seat on the board . . . EDWIN WEISEL, JR., is the new advertising and sales promotion manager of AirKing Products Company, Inc. He was formerly associated with Tele-King Corporation . . . STANLEY K. WEBSTER has been named chief engineer of Beltone Hearing Aid Company . . . The radio and television division of Stewart-Warner Corporation, Stewart-Warner Electric, has named IVAR G. BLACK-BERG chief purchasing agent . . . ALLAN EASTON is the new head of the microwave section of Radio Receptor Co., Inc. He was formerly chief engineer of the production engineering division of Teletone Radio Corporation . . . The new director of purchases for Capehart-Farnsworth Corporation is RCBERT B. BROWN . . . WILLIAM HARGREAVES has been named vice-president in charge of engineering for the Transicoil Corporation of New York.

WILLIAM D. STROBEN has been appointed to the post of advertising and promotion manager

of the Radio & Television Division of Sylvania Electric Products Inc.

Mr. Stroben was formerly the advertising and sales promotion manager for the Thor Corpora-

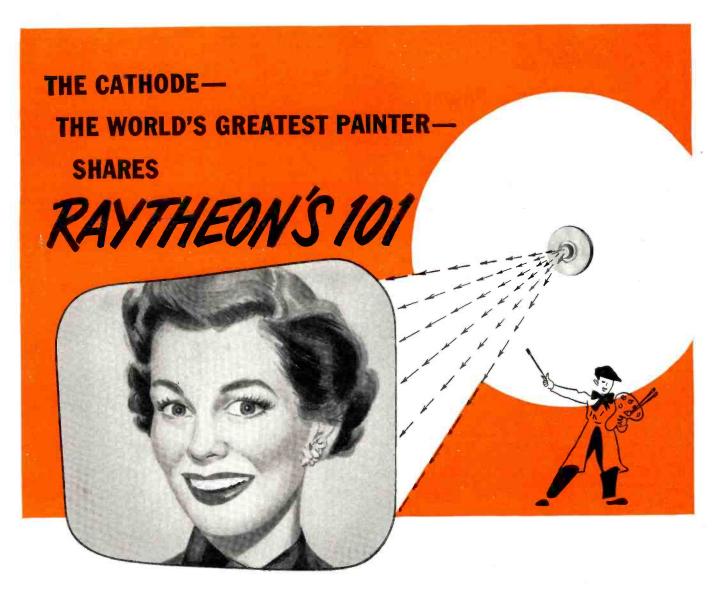


tion in Chicago and prior to that served as promotion manager for the Range and Water Heater Division of Hot-point, Inc., also of Chicago.

At the same time the company announced the promotion of Arthur A. Currie to the position of Field Sales Manager for the Radio & Television Division. He was formerly the district sales manager for the New England-Eastern New York State sales terri-

NATIONAL ELECTRONIC & SERVICE DEALERS ASSOCIATIONS, a new national organization of associations representing servicing technicians and service dealers, was recently launched in Washington, D. C., by 22 technician and service dealer association delegates.

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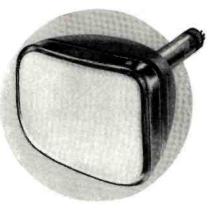
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tion of better relations with the public, a provision for educational facilities for its members, the raising of standards of the electronic servicing profession, and cooperation with

federal, state, and municipal agencies.

Temporary officers were named at the meeting and include Max Leibowitz of New York as president, Norman R. Selinger of Washington, D. C., as vice-president, Richard R. Devaney of Philadelphia as corresponding secretary, Roger K. Haines of Haddonfield, New Jersey as recording secretary, and Vance E. Beachley of Harrisburg, Pa. as treasurer.

Samuel L. Marshall of New York City was appointed chairman of the publicity and inter-organization relations committees, James L. Burns of Washington is the head of the membership committee, while Frederick J. Schmidt of Steelton, Pa., has been named chairman of the steering committee.

Organization headquarters have been set up at Dorchester House, located at 1625 Kolorama Road, N.W., in Washington, D. C.

EDWIN DORSEY FOSTER, former chief of naval material in the office of the Secretary of the Navy and holder of the rank of vice-admiral, has been named director of the newly-

established Mobilization Planning Department of the RCA Victor Division of the Radio Corporation of America.

The new department which Admiral Foster heads is designed to assure the most effective operation to meet the government requirements for the research. development, and manufacture of vital electronics equipment for the defense program. The new department supersedes

the company's Mobilization Planning Committee which was established after the outbreak of the war in Korea and functioned until a short time ago.

GLEN McDANIEL, 39-year-old lawyer and vice-president of the Radio Corporation of America, was elected president of

the Radio-Television Manufacturers Association—the first full-time, paid president in the association's history.

Robert C. Sprague who has been serving as both president and chairman of the board of RTMA has resigned as president but will continue as chairman of the board. His resignation became effective upon Mr. McDaniel's taking office on April 1st. James D. Secrest, who has been serv-

ing as general manager and secretary of the association since August 1, 1950, will continue in this capacity under

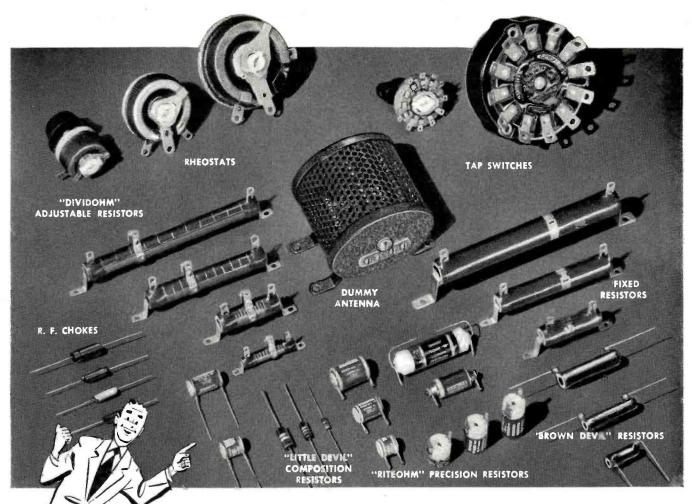
the reorganization program.

The board of directors, at the same session, authorized the establishment of a committee to act on material shortages, voted to continue its fight against the proposed excise levy on radio and television sets, took up the matter of technician training and servicing complaints, and discussed other matters vital to the industry, including the establishment of a committee to confer with government officials on the allocation of scarce materials.

CHANNEL MASTER CORPORATION has recently completed a 25,000 square foot addition to its Ellenville. New York plant . . . RAYTHEON MANUFACTURING COMPANY opened a new pilot tube plant in Quincy, Massachusetts recently. The new factory is being operated by the receiving tube division of the company and is located approximately 15 miles from the main plant at Newton . . . ELECTRO-CONNECTOR MANUFACTURING CORP. has recently increased its production facilities almost five-fold with the completion of a new plant at 190 W. Glenwood Ave. in Philadelphia . . . GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY has begun construction on a new four-story tube manufacturing building in Owensboro, Ky. The plant is expected to be in operation some time in July. The company is also building a million dollar electronics plant at Auburn, New York for its Receiver Division . . . The Department of the Army has announced that construction will soon start on a new Army

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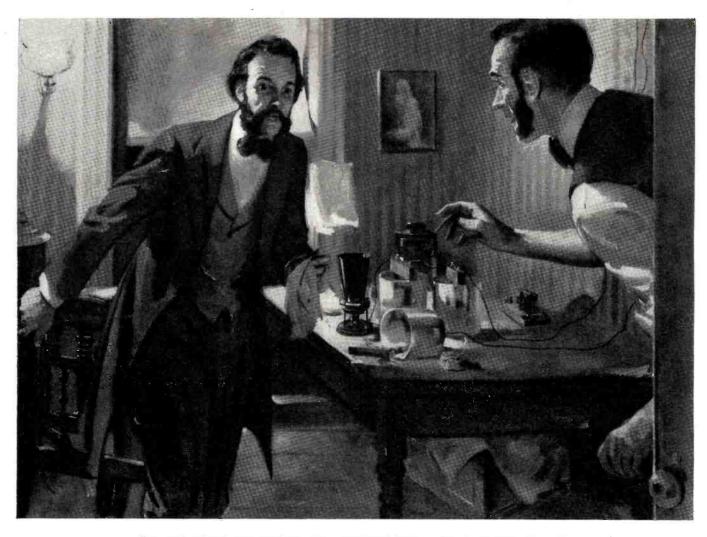


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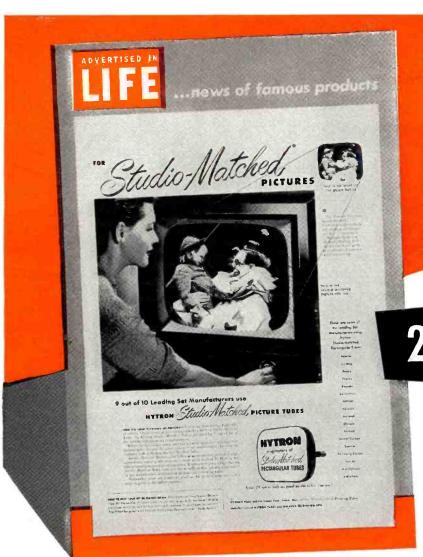
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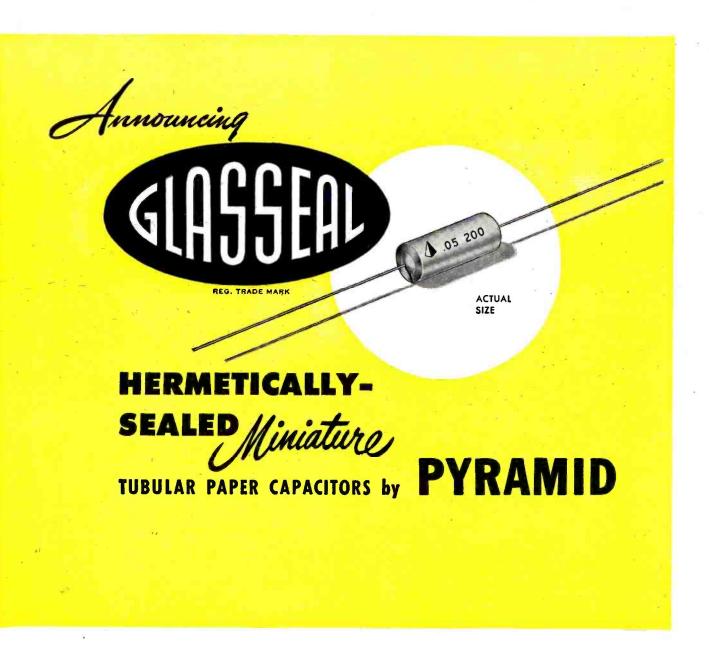


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RADIO-RADAR-SONAR

in NAVAL Applications

Fig. 1. A radar-equipped PT boat.

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DISCUSSION of radio, radar, and sonar equipment in naval applications must, of necessity, be confined to declassified information at this time. Nevertheless, naval electronics today embraces all phases of radio and its offshoots, as developed during the past half century. It is used extensively on land, on the sea, under the surface of the sea, and in the air. It includes infrared, guided missiles, and atomic developments. It covers the entire frequency spectrum from very high powered, very low frequency stations (below 20 kc.) through the various frequency bands used for radiotelegraphy, radioteletype, radiotelephony, facsimile, and television. It extends to the microwave region for radar and communications. It continues still further to infrared or invisible light and even to the radioactive band of the electromagnetic spectrum where frequencies may be as high as 100 trillion megacycles or more-regions where electromagnetic waves are also known as rays or particles.

Although many of these naval applications are paralleled or even exceeded by the Army and the Air Force, the use of electronics extends into the activities of the Bureau of Ships, Bureau of Aeronautics, Bureau of Ordnance, training activities of the Bureau of Personnel, and, on a small but expanding scale, into the activities of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

The Navy today has many major multi-million dollar laboratories and test centers which are wholly or primarily concerned with electronics. Their work overlaps only because electronics affects every phase of naval operations in such a way that so far it has been impractical to establish a single "Bureau of Electronics." These major laboratories and test centers include such installations as: The David Taylor Model Basin near Washington, D. C.; The Naval Research Laboratory of the Office of Naval Research in Anacostia, D. C. and its annex on Chesa-

Radio-electronics plays a vital role in all naval operations. Vast laboratories work night and day to keep the U.S. Navy ahead in such developments.

peake Bay: The Naval Ordnance Laboratory in White Oak, Maryland, for the Bureau of Ordnance; The Special Devices Laboratory of the Office of Naval Research at Sands Point, Long Island; The Underwater Sound Laboratory of the Bureau of Ships and the Office of Naval Research at New London, Conn.; The Naval Air Development Station at Johnsville, Pa.; The Naval Air Test Center at Patuxent, Maryland; The Naval Air Missile Test Center at Point Mugu, California; The Naval Ordnance Test Station at Inyokern, California; and The Navy Electronics Laboratory of the Bureau of Ships at San Diego, California.

The staffs of these laboratories,

which are made up of both naval and civil service personnel, range from a few hundred to several thousand employees. In addition, this force is backed up by other activities in common with other defense services and the large laboratories of the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics. such as the Ames Aeronautical Laboratory at Moffett Field, California. Their work is further reinforced by contracts and subcontracts for research, development, and production which are awarded to various industrial firms, universities, and laboratories in the United States. University contracts may cover strictly naval research problems or may be awarded

Fig. 2. A naval communication room at the Cheltenham, Maryland, Naval Radio Station. In this installation both manual equipment and the newer radioteletype units are used.









Fig. 4. Loran receiver indicator aboard a Coast Guard vessel.

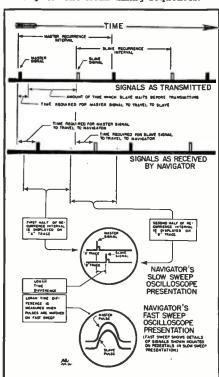
in conjunction with the parallel requirements and interests of the other defense services.

This research program also reaches into such activities as those of the Radio Technical Committee for Aeronautics, the Air Navigation Development Board, the Research and Development Board, and the Radio Technical Committee for the Marine Services, etc., all of which are primarily civilian in nature.

Although the United States is singularly blessed in having a vast production potential, the Armed Services have not left their development programs to chance. Hundreds of millions of dollars have been spent in the past five years on research, development, and the production of prototypes.

Those who were familiar with the Navy electronics organization during World War II will find that the Navy's dominant electronics organization, the

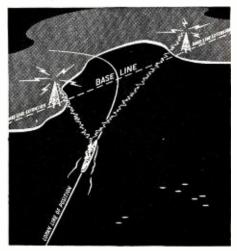
Fig. 5. The loran timing sequences.



Bureau of Ships, has continued to operate more or less intact although with a skeleton force. There have been practically no changes in the code organization setup other than those necessary to take care of new developments. The Bureaus of Aeronautics and Ordnance have likewise developed programs to take care of the electronics requirements of their particular branches. The small wartime Office of Patents and Inventions and the subsequent Office of Research and Inventions has been greatly expanded and is currently operating under the designation of the Office of Naval Research with a fine field laboratory of its own. Electronics, originally confined to naval communications apparatus, has now grown until it reaches into every phase of naval activity. In addition to its communications uses, electronics now serves in the fields of navigation and ordnance.

The advent of radar on naval vessels, including several different types which perform specialized tasks, has skyrocketed the number of electron tubes in operation aboard such craft. This same condition also applies to aircraft and submarines. During World War II, the average submarine carried equipment using considerably more than 500 electronic tubes, but today that number has been increased and the range of the craft has been ex-

Fig. 6. The loran line of position.



panded as a result of improved and increased radio, radar, and sonar equipment aboard such vessels.

Fig. 1 is an example of the use of radar equipment aboard even the smallest naval craft. Visible on top of the mast is the "thinking cap" of the PT boat. This so-called "Radome" bulb houses the antenna of the radar set aboard the vessel. Radar has proven invaluable to the hard-hitting PT boats because they operate chiefly under the cover of darkness. Under such conditions, radar's electronic eye pierces this Stygian gloom for a horizon and indicates targets as to direction and distance, in addition to providing warning of navigational hazards. When a PT boat operates against a large enemy vessel, it enjoys the advantage in that the larger ship yields a much stronger indication on the PT's radar screen and for a greater distance than the PT registers on the larger ship's screens. The PT because of its smaller dimensions and because it is fabricated of wood has poorer reflective properties and is, therefore, harder to pick up on the radar screen of the enemy vessel.

Many devices, usually considered as "land-based," have now been adapted to aircraft and seagoing uses. One such unit is the radioteletype. Fig. 2 shows a battery of radio apparatus and the radioteletypes used in naval communications. The Navy has adapted teletype to radio operation and has produced a workable combination which eliminates the need for an operator to decode a series of dots and dashes. The unit is an ordinary teletype which is connected by means of a converter to the radio transmitting and receiving apparatus. When receiving, the converter changes radio impulses into electrical energy which actuates the teletype. The transmitting process is identical. The unit has a gross speed of 60 words-per-minute as compared with 25 words-per-minute for fast radiotelegraphy. Radioteletype was first used under combat conditions during World War II at Iwo Jima and later proved itself at Okinawa and during the air strikes against the Japanese mainland. It is widely used now and,

for example, when the President of the United States travels on a naval vessel, radioteletype is used to maintain constant contact with his office in Washington.

Fig. 3 shows one of the many types of radar installations likely to be encountered on naval vessels. More compact versions have been developed for use on submarines and in aircraft. Developed independently by American, British, French, and German scientists during the decade preceding World War II, the refinement of radar equipment received its greatest impetus upon the opening of hostilities. First used in the detection of surface objects in the near distance and under conditions of poor visibility, radar's range and versatility was extended to provide long range detection of airborne as well as surface objects, improve accuracy in fire control, provide safety in navigation, and facilitate the identification of distant and unrecognizable planes and ships. Present day equipment is now practically foolproof.

Figs. 4, 5, and 6 show a loran installation (LOng-RAnge-Navigation) which developed as an offshoot of radar for sea and air navigation. Kept under wraps during World War II, it was declassified after the war to permit its use by merchant marine vessels and civilian aircraft. The Coast Guard operates the necessary land stations required for its use. Fig. 4 shows a navigating officer aboard ship operating a loran receiver-indicator to obtain data regarding the position of his vessel. Fig. 5 illustrates the principle of operation of the device. Two stations in the prewar 160 meter radio amateur band transmit in such a manner that the master station (the one which initiates the pulsing event) actuates and is followed by a pulse transmission (40 microseconds later) by another station (called the slave station) which may be as much as 300 miles distant. There can only be one place within the radio receiving range of about 600 miles ground wave or 1400 miles skywave where a predetermined time difference in reception of those two pulses will exist. By reference to a loran-type of map, a line of position can be deter-

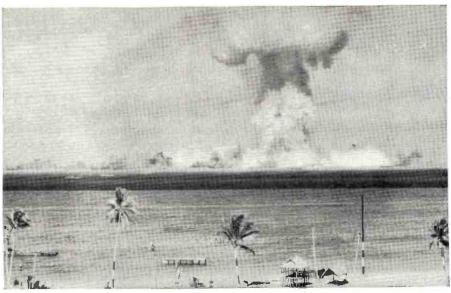


Fig. 7. The atomic shock wave. A few seconds after the "Able Day" bomb exploded at Bikini, a camera in the tower on the atoll recorded the atomic pressure wave thusly.

mined for that pair of stations whose signals arrive with that specified time With this arrangement, difference. the location of a ship can be pinpointed to within a quarter of a mile. The use of low frequencies and high intermittent pulsed power makes reception of the loran signals possible for hundreds of miles. By picking up another pair of stations (the slave station for one pair can also serve as the master station with respect to a station beyond it) another loran line of position can be provided so as to give another positional reference line. This second line can then intersect with the one plotted for the first pair of stations. If a third pair of stations can be received, the location of the ship can be determined beyond doubt. Many pairs of loran stations can utilize the same frequency channel by using different pulse repetition rates. In this way only one pair of pulses will show up as stationary ones for a particular group selection when viewed on the cathode-ray tube indicator. Fig. 5 shows how this information looks on the cathode-ray tube indicator. By selecting increasingly faster sweep rates for the CR tube of the receiver-indi-

cator, the two pulses (master and slave) are measured first coarsely and then minutely down to the last microsecond difference of the time of arrival. The received pulses are first lined up on their respective pedestals. The master pulse is made to stop on the stationary pedestal either at the left end or the beginning. The slave pulse is then similarly lined up on the adjustable pedestal by means of an electronic knob control. The unit is then switched to a faster sweep of the tube to magnify the two pulses in question. The amplitude of one is increased or decreased as necessary so that one is fully superimposed on the other. When they merge to resemble a single pulse without overlap, the time difference is read directly in microseconds on a veeder counter. By knowing which pair of stations was used (shown on the station selector switch), for example, Pair 2, and the time difference (as shown on the veeder counter), for example, 1220 microseconds, the ship's line of position may be established by referring to loran line of position 2-1220 on the map. Experienced personnel can take such a reading in a matter of seconds. They can also per-

Fig. 8. A v.h.f. direction finder on an aircraft carrier deck.



Fig. 9. Typical radio compartment in a Navy PBY patrol bomber.



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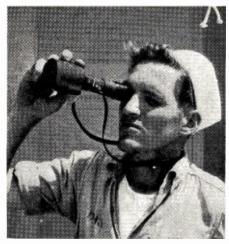


Fig. 10. A simple type viewer used by signalmen to read messages sent with the otherwise invisible infrared light.

form this operation continuously or as often as required.

Fig. 7 portrays one of the greatest and most important applications of electronics in warfare—the atomic bomb. This weapon represents new frontiers in electronics since every step of the bomb's development as well as its control involves the use of electronic apparatus and techniques.

One heavy utilization of electronics is peculiar to the Navy. That is in the field of underwater sound detection, known as sonar. Sonar utilizes both audible (sonics) and inaudible sound (supersonics), chiefly the latter. This sonar equipment is used to detect submarines and surface vessels by means of the sound waves they set up in the water. It is the submarine's most useful electronic device when it is submerged. A fathometer is also considered a sonar device but this equipment operates only in a vertical plane. Sonar is comparable to radar inasmuch as it sends out a pulse and waits for the pulse to return before sending out further pulses. The time taken for the pulse to travel to its target and return is calculated and calibrated on an indicating dial in terms of distance. This is approximately 5000 feet-persecond with corrections for sea water

density, salinity, and temperature. Sonar is also used in a modified form by aircraft in detecting submarines.

One example of this is the sonobuoy. An airplane drops a sonobuoy into the water where it floats on the surface and releases a water-protected cable terminating in a hydrophone (equivalent of a waterproof microphone) into the water for a depth of several feet. The sounds picked up by the hydrophone modulate a radio transmitter in the sonobuoy which, in turn, radiates the information from the sonobuoy antenna. This signal is picked up like radiotelephone signals by aircraft within a horizon of range.

The basic components of a shipboard sonar system include a driver unit to produce the sound signal to be transmitted, a projector to transmit the signal to the water and pick up the sound signals from the sea, a receiver-amplifier which amplifies these signals, and indicating equipment which gives the range of the target which reflected the outgoing signals. The bearing of such signals is determined by rotating the projector back and forth for maximum indication. A dome protects the projector and prevents water noise. Retracting gear hoists and lowers the projector as well as trains or rotates it in order to determine the direction of the sound. The receiver-amplifier, the indicating equipment, and controls are grouped together in an assembly called the "stack" which is located near the maneuvering controls of the vessel. Auxiliary equipment such as the BDI (bearing deviation indicator) and the attack plotter facilitate the use of sonar information in tactical applications. The driver is located close to the projector and retracting gear in order to keep the leads to the projector short. It is remotely controlled from the "stack." The projector is, of course, under water. When the projector is in operating position it extends beneath the keel of the vessel so that the sound beams may be directed in any horizontal direction without obstruction by the ship itself. Placing the projector a substantial distance below the keel helps to avoid interference

produced by the noises of the ship itself. The retracting gear, mounted on a sea chest, is built into the hull of the ship. It raises the dome into the sea chest for protection when there is danger of damage by underwater obstructions or heavy seas. The motors for operating the retracting gear can be controlled from either the stack location or from the lower sound room. Extraordinary problems may arise from the fact that the projector dome protrudes below the vessel. Often submerged objects or even large fish collide with the dome, damaging it or puting it entirely out of commission.

Other applications of electronic equipment as used by the Navy include the radio gear carried by a Navy PBY patrol bomber of the Catalina type. See Fig. 9. Such craft did effective work in rescuing pilots and crews of other planes shot down or forced into the sea by engine trouble. They were also used to good advantage in patrolling missions and in flashing radio intelligence to other naval units.

Fig. 8 is a high frequency direction finder on an aircraft carrier. This unit is used for locating the source of high frequency radio transmissions. It proved particularly useful in pinpointing the exact location of any submarine using high frequencies to transmit to other such craft. The information picked up by this equipment is then used to dispatch ships and aircraft to the scene for appropriate action.

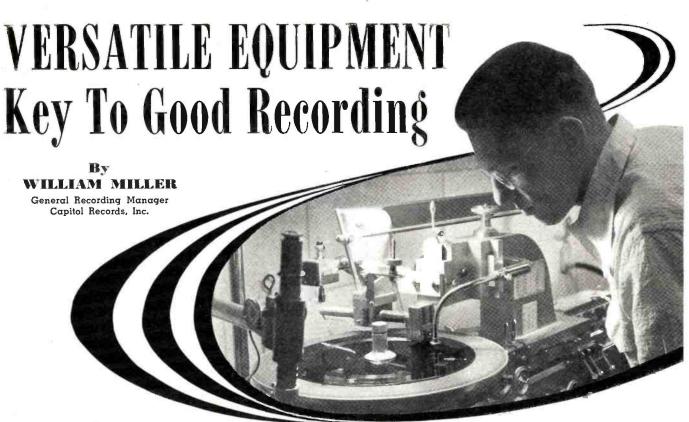
Fig. 11 is a photograph of the "Loon," one of the many guided missiles whose operation is dependent on electronics. The word "guided missile" is replacing the term "pilotless aircraft." It is an aircraft without a human pilot whose functions have been replaced by electronics. In addition to not jeopardizing a human life, the guided missile is faster in response than human endurance and reaction time would otherwise permit.

Fig. 10 shows a simple infrared unit used for communication by means of invisible light. Its ability to function with light waves that are invisible to the naked eye (electromagnetic frequencies lower than 375,000,000 megacycles) permits secret communication, particularly at night. This technique was used on most of the major fleet units at the time of the Mariannas campaign in World War II. Subsequently these units have been installed on all surface ships of the active fleet. Special filters and hoods have been developed to convert the standard Navv blinker light into an invisible light. These filters screen out all but the infrared component, thus the transmission is invisible to any observers except those equipped with specially-designed infrared receivers.

Technical officers and enlisted technicians in our modern Navy are receiving training and experience with all of these diversified types of electronic equipment. The training they are getting would be virtually impossible to (Continued on page 82)

Fig. 11. A guided missile is launched at the pilotless aircraft base of Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, Cal. Guided missiles are high on the research priority list.





Flexible recording studios and a variety of modern cutting equipment characterize Capitol's operation.

Engineer John Kraus inspects an LP during cutting process. Note automatic head lifting mechanism at rear of cutting head pivot.

LEXIBILITY is the keynote of all recording and dubbing operations at the Hollywood recording studios of *Capitol Records, Inc.* Shown on this month's cover in Studio C with engineer John Block at the controls, is vivacious singing star Margaret Whiting, as she records her song hits, "Over and Over and Over" and "The Moon Was Yellow." Besides frequent recording sessions, the popular gal singer, who has won "Top Vocalist" awards for the past five years since her disc of "It Might As Well Be Spring" was released, is heard twice weekly on a network radio show with Jack Smith.

In explaining the versatility of all the studios and equipment used on a Capitol recording session, first, one of the four available studios is selected by agreement between the musical producer and the recording department manager, according to orchestra size, whether it is vocal or instrumental, etc. After an agreement is reached on studio, type of pickup and placement and over-all sound needed, the microphones for the job are then picked from the seven available types. In the case of this particular Margaret Whiting session, the Stephens MI-CIC microphone was chosen for its extreme cleanness throughout the entire range, and for its absence of "pops" on certain letters such as "p" in the lower frequencies.

All original recording is done on *Ampex* tape machines. The studios are equipped with four of the 200 series (large, custom-built models) and three

of the 300 series (small, broadcast type). After the number has been recorded, the original tapes are intercut according to the producer's direction, and a final "A" tape is placed on the storage reel ready for dubbing. Since *Capitol* produces a great part of its catalogue on all three speeds, special tapes must be assembled from the originals with proper pauses or spacing for the LP 33½ r.p.m. sides, which of course run from 12 to 26½ minutes for a single side.

The console, (see cover) one of the

two custom-built for *Capitol* by Art Davis of *Cinema Engineering*, has a very desirable feature; *i.e.*, eight of its ten channels can be either boosted or attenuated nine db. at the high or low end. This feature alone is one of the most versatile aids in getting any desired sound, and is extremely valuable for music, vocals, or sound effects.

To the left of the console but not shown are the eight channels of echo which control the mixer output to the speakers in one or both of the two specially constructed echo chambers located on the roof of the building.

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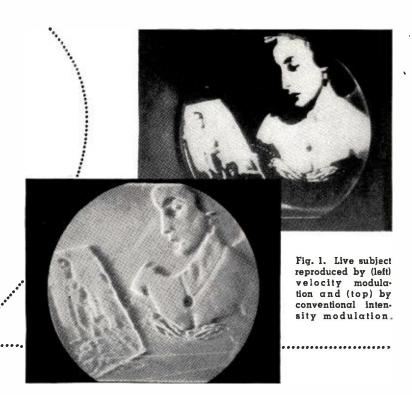
General view of Capitol Record's dubbing room No. 2 showing two Scully lathes tied together (by means of the dural bar at rear of lathes) for producing two identical processing masters simultaneously. These machines normally produce LP's and are equipped with semi-automatic groove deepeners and automatic head lift at master tail out.



TV Receiver Conversion for Velocity Modulation

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By merely adding a single switch and a few wires any electrostatic deflection type set can be converted.

LTHOUGH the operating principles of television systems are now well established, in the early stages of the art a television system was developed which operated quite differently from those in use today. Prior to the perfection of the modern high-vacuum kinescope, the early gas-filled version of the cathoderay tube was incapable of adequate grid control. In view of this fundamental limitation, the idea was conceived of operating the cathode-ray tube with constant beam current and applying the video voltage to the horizontal deflection circuit so that the picture information was supplied by changes in the horizontal scanning velocity of the fluorescent spot on the screen of the cathode-ray tube. This deflection-modulation principle was first proposed by Boris Rosing, a Russian teacher, in 1911, and a satisfactory working system was demonstrated by the German scientist, Von Ardenne, in 1931. Later,

in 1933, the British workers Bedford and Puckle perfected an ingenious system which utilized a combination of deflection-modulation and intensity modulation.1 Following this period the field of deflection-modulation lay dormant; beam-intensity modulation had proved more advantageous and was developed to its present state of perfection. However, this field was recently reopened when research by the authors revealed that standard television programs transmitted by commercial stations could be reproduced with unusual results by use of deflectionmodulation. A description of this work and a basic analysis of the underlying principles was presented to the 1950

¹ Deflection-modulation is customarily referred to as "velocity modulation" since the lateral velocity of the scanning spot is modulated in the horizontal direction. Unfortunately, however, the term "velocity modulation" has also gained acceptance in an entirely different sense, as the "velocity-modulated" klystron tube. When used with this latter meaning, it applies to the change in velocity of the electrons in the electron beam itself, such as would be produced by modulating the second-anode voltage in a cathode-ray tube.

National Convention of the Institute of Radio Engineers. In this present article, the circuitry is described and receiver modifications are shown so that the amateur experimenter can demonstrate this deflection-modulation reproduction on his own television set.

This discussion is confined to the consideration of an electrostatic-deflection receiver, although deflection-modulation has also been demonstrated in the laboratory using magnetic deflection. However, since the high-voltage is usually obtained by flyback pulse rectification, the conversion of a magnetic-deflection receiver is not recommended. In a receiver employing this type of power supply, any video signal inserted in the deflection circuit interacts with the anode voltage and causes distortion of the picture raster.

The conversion of a National type NC-TV7M electrostatic-deflection receiver will now be considered in detail. The diagram shown in Fig. 3 illustrates the modifications which provide deflection-modulation reproduction. When the two-position switch S_1 is in position 1, the circuit operates in the usual manner, in which case the video signal is coupled from the video amplifier V_8 through coupling condenser C_{34} to the cathode of the kinescope. It is to be noted that in this receiver the kinescope is cathode-driven.

When the switch is in position 2, the receiver is converted to velocity modulation reproduction. In this mode of operation, the video signal is removed from the kinescope circuit by opening the video signal lead immediately to the right of C_{21} , and is then connected to the horizontal-deflection amplifier V_{11} through a small condenser C_a . This adds the video signal to the saw-tooth sweep voltage so that it is amplified along with the normal horizontal sig-

Fig. 2. An example of printed material as reproduced by (left) velocity modulation as described in the text and (right) conventional intensity modulation techniques.





nal. Due to the amplification provided by the sweep amplifier, a value of C_{\bullet} on the order of 3 $\mu\mu$ fd. provides ample coupling between the video and deflection circuits. This value is not critical and a capacitance of 1 to 10 $\mu\mu$ fd. will prove satisfactory. This capacitance may be provided by twisting together several inches of insulated wire.

Since the kinescope beam current is no longer modulated by the video signal some other reasons must be provided for blanking the kinescope spot during the time required for retrace. During the vertical retrace period the spot is readily blanked by coupling the vertical sweep signal from V_{12} through C_b into the kinescope cathode circuit. A value of $C_b = 1000 \, \mu\mu \text{fd.}$ was found satisfactory although the optimum value depends upon the receiver and can best be determined experimentally. The horizontal retrace lines were not objectionable so blanking was not provided for them. If the capacitance C_b is omitted, the velocity-modulated image will still be produced although the vertical retrace lines will be visible.

It will now be instructive to consider the magnitude of video signal required to produce a deflection-modulated picture. Let us assume that the 7JP4 kinescope requires a peak-to-peak voltage of 800 volts for full horizontal deflection. Since a velocity-modulated image is produced by spot excursions on the order of one spot width, which corresponds to approximately 1/1000 of the raster width, a video signal voltage on the order of (800)/(1/1000)= 0.8 volt on the deflection plates will produce the desired image. If the deflection amplifier has a gain of 18, the desired voltage on the deflection plates is supplied by a voltage of 0.8/18 =.044 volt on the grid circuit of the deflection amplifier.

By following the suggestions in this article, the experimenter will find that deflection modulation is capable of reproducing printed material and line drawings with acceptable legibility, although it does not achieve the fine contrast gradation produced by conventional television systems. A consideration of possible applications indicates that deflection modulation may offer some advantages for specific industrial and military applications due to its unique presentation of the subject matter. Furthermore, the possibility of circuit economy should be considered, since the numerical example worked out in a previous section indicates that the required video signal is of such a small magnitude that it could easily be obtained directly from the video detector, thus eliminating the video amplifier in the receiver.

The preceding discussion naturally suggests the possibility of combining conventional beam modulation with deflection modulation in a television receiver. This type of presentation has been investigated in the laboratory and can easily be demonstrated on a receiver of the type shown in Fig. 3. This is accomplished by leaving the

video signal lead connected to the kinescope circuit as in normal operation and at the same time coupling the video signal through C_{\bullet} to the horizontal deflection amplifier to produce the velocity modulation. The images produced by this modified circuit exhibit an outlining edge on one side of bright objects and adds a crispness to the picture which seems to improve the apparent resolution.

Deflection modulation is of further importance from a standpoint of standard receiver performance due to the fact that stray capacitances may exist in a conventional television receiver and produce some degree of spurious deflection-modulation in combination with the conventional presentation. In other words, due to faulty receiver design or failure of component parts, an undesired deflection-modulation image may be superimposed on the regular television picture, thus causing some positional

distortion and loss of contrast. This type of distortion may result in a halo effect similar to that caused by overshoot in the video section, or by ghost images caused by reflections and may therefore be improperly diagnosed.

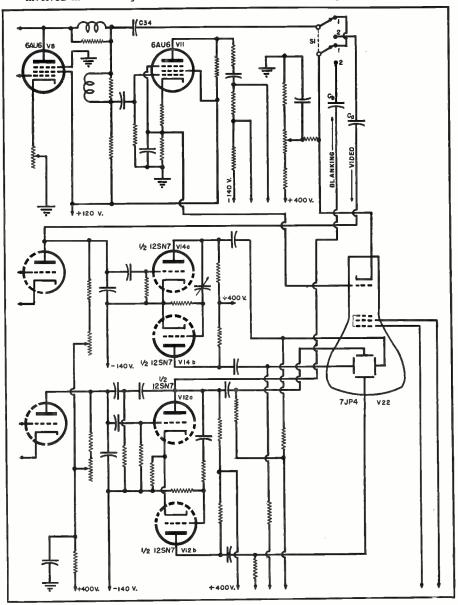
Research in the laboratories and by the experimenter may reveal additional points of interest since the full implications of the combination of deflection modulation with beam modulation are not completely apparent at this date.

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Fig. 3. Circuit diagram showing modifications of an electrostatic deflection receiver required to provide deflection modulation reproduction. When switch S_1 is in position 1, the receiver operates in the normal manner. When S_1 is in position 2, receiver is converted to deflection modulation reproduction. The only changes involved in converting the receiver are those connected directly with the switch.



NEW FCC HAM RULES

Newly-created Novice and Technician classes of licenses open ham radio to more hobbyists.

HE long-awaited changes in the ham regulations became a reality on January 31, 1951 when the FCC adopted the revised rules. The proposal to revise the rules caused much speculation and some controversy in ham circles.

Probably of greatest interest to a large number of prospective amateurs are the provisions establishing the new Novice and Technician classes of licenses. These new categories open the field of ham radio to a large, new group of operators.

On April 21, 1949 the FCC published a notice of proposed changes in amateur rules, an announcement which was the cause of much comment, pro and con. As a result of the widespread interest, an informal conference attended by interested parties was held at the FCC offices on October 10 and 11, 1949.

Representing the organized amateurs were delegates from ARRL, NARC, and SARA. NARC and SARA, in spite of widely divergent views, resolved their differences and agreed to support the League. There were a great many comments on the various proposals and the meeting was concluded with a feeling that the rules, if revised to remove objectionable features, would have general support.

An amended set of proposals was published by the FCC on November 16, 1949. The ARRL asked for an oral argument on these new proposals and this meeting was held on June 2, 1950,

attended by NARC, SARA, ARRL, and many of those who had appeared at the previous meeting. Several points were discussed at length including the wording of Section 12.0 dealing with basis and purpose, as well as the provision for a new class of license to be known as "Amateur Extra Class."

The revised regulations, as finally adopted by the FCC, are summarized Commissioners George Sterling, W3DF, and Frieda Hennock dissented in part with the wording of 12.0 and the provision for the Amateur Extra Class license, as well as the Commission's failure to provide for greater use of NBFM in the phone bands.

These new rules became effective March 1, 1951 except as noted. A brief outline of the major provisions of the new regulation is given below:

12.0 Basis and Purpose. These rules and regulations are designed to provide an Amateur Radio Service having a fundamental purpose as expressed in the following principles:

(a) Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications.

(b) Continuation and extension of the amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the ra-

(c) Encouragement and improvement of the amateur radio service through rules which provide for ad-

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vancing skills in both the communication and technical phases of the art.

(d) Expansion of the existing reservoir within the amateur radio service of trained operators, technicians, and electronics experts.

(e) Continuation and extension of the amateur's unique ability to enhance international goodwill.

License Classes Revised

The following revisions were made in the license classifications.

Amateur Extra Class-Available Jan. 1, 1952.

Advanced Class-(Previously Class A). No new Advanced Class licenses will be issued after Dec. 31, 1952.

General Class-(Previously Class B). Effective March 1, 1951.

Conditional Class—(Previously Class C). Effective March 1, 1951.

Technician Class—Effective July 1, 1951.

Novice Class—Effective July 1, 1951.

Classes and Privileges

The new classifications and the privileges accorded each class of operation are as follows:

Amateur Extra Class: All authorized amateur privileges including such additional privileges in both communication and technical phases of the art which the Commission may consider as appropriately limited to holders of this class of license.

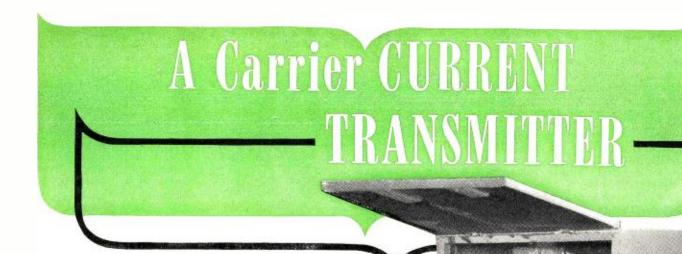
Advanced Class: All amateur privileges except those which may be reserved to holders of the Amateur Extra Class license.

General and Conditional Classes: All authorized amateur privileges except the use of radiotelephony on the frequency bands 3800 to 4000 kilocycles, and 14,200 to 14,300 kilocycles, and except those which may be reserved to holders of the Amateur Extra Class license.

Technician Class: All authorized amateur privileges in the amateur frequency bands above 220 megacycles.

Novice Class: Those amateur privileges as designated and limited as follows: The d.c. plate power input to the vacuum tube or tubes supplying power to the antenna shall not exceed 75 watts, crystal-controlled, on the following frequency bands: 3700 to 3750 kilocycles, and 26.960 to 27.230 mc. radiotelegraphy using only type A1 emission. 145 to 147 megacycles, radiotelegraphy or radiotelephony using any type of emission except pulsed emissions and type B emission.

An amateur operator license, except (Continued on page 111)



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Complete construction details on a practical unit which may be operated by laymen without license.

ARRIER current transmission development was given a real impetus because of the restrictions on radio communications that were in effect during World War II.

The system described in this article was developed for a church whose membership included a large number of persons who were unable to attend services due to illness or the infirmities of old age. Originally these people were served over telephone company lines which were connected from the public address system in the church to the various homes. When the telephone company put all their cables underground and no longer wanted to carry this high audio level material through these cables, it was necessary for the church to seek some other means of transmitting the services to the shut-ins.

When the author was approached by the church committee, various solutions to their problem were considered and discarded. A short-wave transmitter would require the services of a licensed engineer whenever the station was on the air. Citizens Radio service equipment is still in the experimental stage and would, in addition, require a separate high frequency receiver in each of the homes. This requirement would place an unnecessarily heavy financial burden on the church's shut-in members, most of whom were in the low-income bracket and not in a position to make such an investment.

After considering and rejecting these ideas, it was decided to try carrier current transmission. To test the practicality of such a scheme a "haywire" experimental unit was built using a 6L6 modulated oscillator, modulated by a pair of 6V6's, push-pull driven by a 6SJ7.

A check of reception in various April, 1951

Over-all view of the homebuilt carrier current transmitter. The unit uses 5U4's to eliminate a two-step operation in putting the transmitter into service.

places in the different homes led us to believe that such a plan was feasible and work was begun on a permanent unit. The unit is a m.o.p.a. using a 6L6 as a crystal-controlled oscillator, driving push-pull 807's in the r.f. final. These are modulated by a pair of 6L6's which are driven by a 6C5. A 6J5 is used as the audio input. This unit gives a coverage of about one-half mile radius.

Perhaps at this time a resumé of FCC rules and regulations pertaining to carrier current equipment would be in order.

"SEC. 15.2. Apparatus excepted from requirements of other rules. With respect to any apparatus which generates a radio frequency electromagnetic field functionally utilizing a small part of such field in the operation of associated apparatus not physically connected thereto and at a distance not greater than $157,000/f_{kc}$, feet (or $\lambda/2\pi$) the existing rules and regulations of the Commission shall not be applicable, provided:

"(a) That such apparatus shall be operated with the minimum power possible to accomplish the desired purpose.

"(b) That the best engineering principles shall be utilized in the generation of radio frequency currents so as to guard against interference to established radio services, particularly on the fundamental and harmonic frequencies.

"(c) That in any event the total

electromagnetic field produced at any point a distance of $157,000/f_{kc}$, feet (or $\lambda/2\pi$) from the apparatus shall not exceed 15 microvolts per meter.

"(d) That the apparatus shall conform to such engineering standards as may from time to time be promulgated by the Commission.

"SEC. 15.3. Exceptions: interference to radio reception. The provisions of sections 15.1 and 15.2 shall not be construed to apply to any apparatus which causes interference to radio reception."

As can be seen from the formula. $157,000/f_{kc}$ feet, the lower the working frequency the greater the distance for a level of 15 μ v./m., which of course would allow greater power output. In this respect the 200 kc. to 400 kc. band would allow the greatest coverage. However, in this instance that would require separate receivers or low frequency converters in all the homes. To avoid this expense, the broadcast band was chosen. Our choice was 690 kc. as there were no stations operating at this frequency anywhere in the vicinity. A radio log of stations is a big help in setting up the spot on the dial.

The problem of carrier current transmission breaks down into three separate problems.

- 1. Frequency stability and the matter of not exceeding the permissible power output level of 15 μ v./m.
 - Coupling r.f. energy into the line.
 Line attenuation and coupling.
- In building the transmitter it is best to start with the power supply. As

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can be seen from the schematic (Fig. 1), separate high voltage and filament transformers are used. There is no special reason for this except that these electrostatically-shielded transformers were available on the surplus market. For good regulation, a choke input filter system was chosen. An 8 µfd. electrolytic condenser could have been used, however we chose oil-filled units in order to reduce the possibility of breakdown.

Due to the high current drain and in order to eliminate the need for a separate transformer for the 866A's (there is another reason we will go into later), two 5U4G's are being used in parallel. One tube can be used but that works the tube at about maximum ratings and an approximate 10 volt drop in the output voltage results.

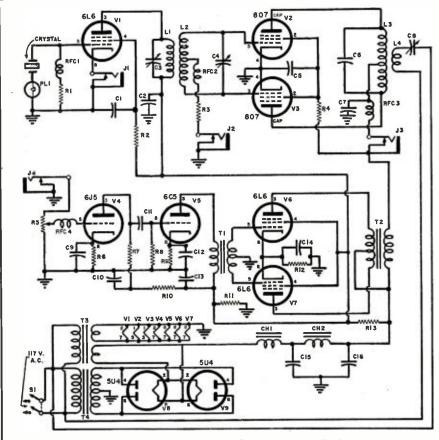
The audio circuit is straightforward

and should give no trouble. On the input we tried using an electrostatically-shielded line to the grid transformer and got a terrific hum that had us baffled until we removed the transformer and used the circuit of Fig. 1.

The reasons for the 2.5 mh. r.f. choke in the grid of the 6J5 is to reduce r.f. pickup due to the r.f. field around the transmitter. The line from the public address system in the church is isolated from the equipment by an isolation transformer.

The circuits shown do not include a volume compressor. However, a simple volume compressor, as described in the article "An Electronic Loss Compressor" (November 1950 issue) would be advantageous. The 807's were chosen because they didn't require neutralization, operating push-pull to eliminate the 2nd harmonic.

Fig. 1. Complete circuit diagram of the carrier current transmitter unit.



 R_1 —20,000 ohm, 2 w. res. R_g —50,000 ohm, 1 w. res. R_s —20,000 ohm, 1 w. res. R_s —20,000 ohm, 10 w. wirewound res. R_s —15,000 ohm, 10 w. wirewound res. R_s —175,000 ohm, 1 w. res. R_s —176,000 ohm, 1 w. res. R_s —1000 ohm, 1 w. res. R_1 —20,000 ohm, 25 w. wirewound res. R_1 —2000 ohm, 10 w. wirewound res. R_1 —2000 R_1 —10 R_1 00 v. wirewound res. R_1 —2000 R_2 00 ohm, 10 w. wirewound res. R_1 —2000 R_2 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_1 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_1 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_1 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_2 00 R_2 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_1 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_2 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_1 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_2 00 ohm, 10 v. wirewound res. R_3 00 ohm, 10 v.

PL₁—60 ma. #48 pilot lamp
RFC₁, RFC₂, RFC₁—2.5 mh. r.f. choke
RFC₃—2.5 r.h., 250 ma. r.f. choke
J₁, J₂, J₃, J₄—Closed circuit jack (Mallory
A2A)
T₁—Interstage trans., single or p.p. pri. to p.p.
grids, 3:1 over-all ratio (Thordarson
T20A19)
T₂—Mod. trans., p.p. 6L6's, 6600 ohm pri. to
4000 ohm load (Thordarson T21M54)
T₃—Fil. trans., 5 v. @ 6 amps.; 6.3 v. @ 6
amps.
T₄—Plate trans. 380.0.380 v. @ 305 ma.
CH₁, CH₂—4.2 hy., 300 ma. filter choke
L—60 t. #22 en. closewound on 3½" form
L₂—60 t. #22 en. closewound on 3½" form,
half on each side and spaced ½" from L₁
L₂—60 t. #18 en. closewound on 3½" form,
center-tapped
L₄—Output link of #18 rubber covered wire,
over center of L₃ (See text)
I—Crystal for operating freq. (See text)
V₁, V₆, V₇—6L6 tube
V₂, V₄—807 tube
V₅—655 tube
V₅—655 tube

The 60 ma. #48 bulb in series with the crystal is to keep excessive currents from damaging the crystal since the bulb will burn out before the crystal is damaged.

The jack in the cathode of the oscillator is used to measure total stage currents which should read about 15 ma, at resonance. The oscillator tank coil consists of 60 turns of #22 enamel wire. No buffer stage is used but its use would increase the stability of the oscillator. The grid windings for the 807's are split, one half on each side of the oscillator tank, center-tapped, with the center tap grounded through a 2.5 mh. choke and a 20,000 ohm resistor. Here again a jack is provided for measuring the grid drive, which should be about 5 ma. at resonance. Bias on the 807's should be about -90 volts.

All windings are on 3½ inch cardboard forms. We used quart ice cream cartons which worked very well. They should be varnished or shellacked a couple of times before using. To prevent interaction between coils, they should be mounted at right angles. However, due to the small space available, we mounted ours vertically and put a metal shield between the oscillator tank and the 807's and final tank.

The final tank is 60 turns of #18 enamel wire closewound, with 30 turns on each side of the center tap. The coupling link ($L_{\rm t}$ in Fig. 1) to the 115 volt line is a few turns of rubber covered wire wound around the center of the coil which is the "cold" part of the coil. The exact number of turns depends on the 115 volt house circuit and the correct coupling will have to be found by experiment.

The jack in the plate circuit is used when measuring plate current and checking circuit resonance. The meter should read about 27 ma. at resonance. By using jacks in different circuits only one meter is needed. This may be mounted on the outside of the cabinet and used to tune the final. A d.p.d.t. polarity-reversing switch is used when measuring the current in the grids to the 807's as the polarity is reversed there. As grid leak bias is used, a lack of excitation voltage from the oscillator produces no grid current or voltage for the 807's.

The reader may wonder why fixed condensers were used in the final tank and how the tank can be tuned to resonance. The coupling of r.f. energy to the line can be accomplished in different ways. Fixed condensers can be used. Experiments with different sizes of condensers will be necessary to determine the correct size as the capacity required will depend on the frequency chosen, the line load, etc.

Various methods of coupling to the line are shown in Fig. 2. In all cases C_1 serves to isolate and tune the line circuit. L_1 should be tapped, or the number of turns varied by experiment, in order that the coil can be correctly tuned to the line. Due to changing line loads, we are using a different method which will be discussed later. Perhaps it should be mentioned here that it is

illegal to couple to the line side of the meter. It is only permissible to couple to the load side of the meter. The electric meter is a shunt to the r.f. energy but that cannot be avoided. To avoid the shunting effect of the lighting and power load across the line a parallel-tuned circuit (L_2 - C_2 in Fig. 2C) is connected in series with the load side of the line.

No exact specifications can be given for the coil L_2 as it will be necessary to wind this coil with wire heavy enough to carry the entire load. The needed inductance will also be determined to some extent by the transmitter frequency.

In most cases there is a relatively low voltage developed across this circuit so the condenser C_2 (Fig. 2C) may be of the ordinary broadcast receiver type.

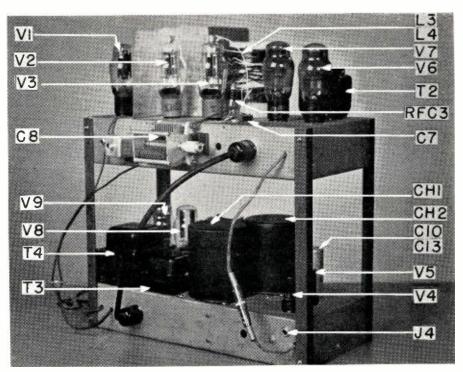
Due to the changing line loads from day-to-day and night-to-day, we decided to couple one side of the link to the 115 volt line and the other side through a variable condenser (C_8 in Fig. 1). In this way it was possible to compensate for the differences in the line load and at the same time tune the final tank by varying the reflected load. A variable condenser could have been used in the final tank circuit but such an application would require the use of a high voltage variable component and add an unnecessary tuning operation.

The second harmonic (1380 kc.) was strong enough to be troublesome so a series-tuned wave trap tuned to this frequency is used. It is connected from the 115 volt line side of the variable coupling condenser to neutral or ground. It is not shown in the diagram as it isn't required in all cases.

Our original plan called for the transmitter to be installed in the church. This idea was abandoned, however, due to the shunt effect of the lighting circuits and motors operating in the church. Since the church was located at some distance from the homes of those who would receive the transmission, it was decided to locate the transmitter in a more centrally located private home and run a remote line from the church p.a. system to the r.f. unit. This line must be balanced and an isolating transformer, the telephone company calls them repeating coils, should be used. For the protection of the equipment, lightning arresters should be used.

In order to tune the unit the 0-200 ma. meter is left in the final stage and a shaft on an insulated coupling is brought outside the cabinet so the operator can tune the final for resonance by noting the readings on the meter.

Now for the additional reason for not using 866A's. As these units were designed to be used in private homes and were to be operated by persons with no specialized knowledge of electronics, the requirement of a time delay between the application of the filament voltage and the high voltage had to be considered. Rather than entrust



Over-all view of the transmitter with cabinet removed to show construction details.

this two-step operation to inexperienced persons we chose 5U4's which don't require the time delay.

The transmitter cabinet was constructed of plywood. Openings were left in the top and on the sides to permit ventilation. These openings were covered by ¼ inch mesh screen to keep inquisitive fingers out of the "innards". The door is hinged and equipped with a lock to prevent unauthorized access to the transmitter.

In the matter of line attenuation and coupling it should be realized that attenuation occurs in any line and that there is a tremendous loss in the transfer of r.f. energy in a power transformer designed for the power frequencies. If condensers could be used between the primary and secondary terminals of the transformer, the r.f. would have a low resistance path. This is done on some power lines to permit communication by linemen and in such cases it works very well. In our case this technique was not practical. When we hit a "dead spot" where the signal level was too low to work, we installed an outdoor long-wire antenna in parallel with the power lines feeding the house and carrying the r.f. energy we wanted. This increased the signal pickup at the receiver to a satisfactory level.

The mechanical arrangement of parts can be clearly seen in the photographs. The reader should note the interstage shield between the oscillator tube and tank coil and the r.f. final.

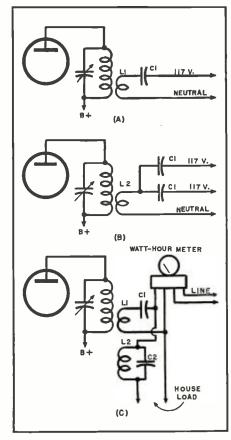
The transmitter is built on two 7x 17x3 inch chassis. The lower chassis carries the power supply and audio stages. The upper chassis houses the r.f. stages and the modulator stage. As shown in the photograph, two separate cables connect the two chassis. The larger of the two cables carries the power and filament wires while the

other cable is the shielded lead from the driver transformer on the lower chassis to the grids of the 6L6 modulators on the top chassis.

Tuning Up

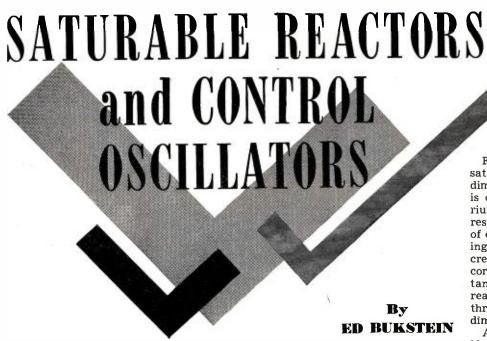
Insert the plug of the milliammeter into J_1 and tune for minimum reading. (Continued on page 124)

Fig. 2. Three methods for coupling the transmitter unit to the line. See text for explanation on proper use of these couplings.



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Core saturation, normally an undesirable characteristic, is used to control the performance of electrical devices.

ORE saturation, which in many applications is undesirable, provides a key to the solution of a number of industrial electronics problems. These solutions utilize the fact that when the iron core of a coil becomes saturated, the inductive reac-

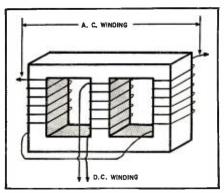


Fig. 1. Winding arrangement of the saturable reactor. The inductive reactance of the a.c. winding can be controlled by varying the current through the d.c. winding.

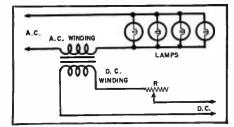


Fig. 2. Light dimming control. When the current through the d.c. winding is decreased the core becomes less saturated. The resultant increase of reactance of the a.c. winding causes the lamps to dim.

tance decreases. The physical structure of a saturable core reactor is illustrated in Fig. 1. The inductance, and consequently the reactance, of the a.c. winding depends upon the degree of core saturation. The degree of saturation, in turn, depends upon the value of current flow through the d.c. winding. Thus, by varying the d.c. current, the inductive reactance of the a.c. winding can be controlled.

Fig. 3. Wiring diagram showing how a saturable reactor is used circuit-wise to maintain a constant temperature in an industrial-type electric furnace unit.

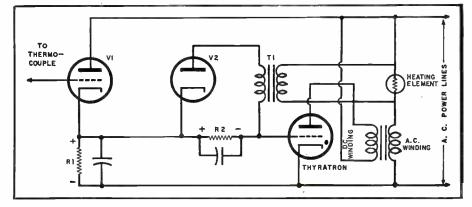


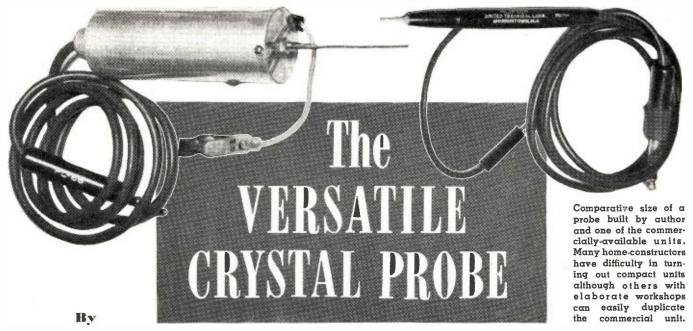
Fig. 2 shows a diagram in which a saturable reactor is used as a light-dimming control. This type of circuit is often used in theaters and auditoriums. When the value of the variable resistor R is increased, a smaller value of current flows through the d.c. winding of the saturable reactor. The decreased current lessens the degree of core saturation and increases the reactance of the a.c. winding. The greater reactance limits the current flow through the lamps, causing them to dim.

Another application of the saturable reactor is illustrated in Fig. 3. This circuit is designed to maintain a constant temperature in an electric furnace. The heating element of the furnace is connected in series with the a.c. winding of the reactor. The voltage across the heating element is therefore equal to the line voltage minus the drop across the a.c. winding. The d.c. winding of the reactor is connected in the plate circuit of the thyratron. The degree of core saturation is therefore dependent upon the current flow through the thyratron. The grid voltage of the thyratron consists of the voltage across R_i in series with the voltage across R2. R1 tends to make the thyratron grid more positive, and R2 tends to make it negative. The grid of V_1 receives its bias from a thermocouple located in the furnace.

If the temperature of the furnace should tend to drop, the voltage of the thermocouple (bias of V_1) would decrease. As the bias decreases, V_1 draws more current and the voltage drop across R_1 increases. R_1 then supplies a greater positive potential to the thyratron grid. The increased current of the thyratron, passing through the d.c. winding of the reactor, increases the degree of core saturation. When the core becomes more saturated, the reactance of the a.c. winding decreases. The smaller voltage drop across the a.c. winding leaves a greater voltage across the heating element so that the furnace temperature is raised to its original value.

If the voltage across the heating element should tend to increase excessively, transformer T_1 would apply a greater voltage to rectifier V_2 . The resultant increase of voltage across R_2 makes the thyratron grid more negative. The thyratron now draws less current through the d.c. winding, and the core becomes less saturated. The reactance of the a.c. winding increases and reduces the voltage across the heating element to its original value.

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Here, in one article, are presented all the practical uses for crystal probes in radio and TV servicing.

▼UPPOSE someone offered you a gadget that would give you ten more miles to the gallon when used on your car; wash the dinner dishes in half the usual time if hooked to the kitchen sink; and, when fastened to your TV set, expand your 121/2" picture to three-by-four feet. You would eagerly snap up such a bargain that enabled you to obtain so much extra benefit from equipment you already owned, wouldn't you? Yet a surprising number of technicians fail to take advantage of an inexpensive little apparatus that will perform equal aiding-and-abetting miracles when employed with standard service instruments now sitting on their benches.

I refer to the crystal diode probe. The technician who builds or buys a couple of crystal probes like the ones pictured and learns how to use them will quickly discover that the usefulness of his v.t.v.m., v-o-m, scope, and service amplifier has been multiplied many times; and he will be able to do things with these familiar instruments that he never dreamed possible before.

Let's consider an example. Suppose a probe having a circuit similar to Fig. 1 is obtained. This particular crystal probe is designed to be used with a v.t.v.m. Condenser C_1 bars the passage of d.c. and allows only a.c. to appear across the germanium crystal. This crystal, being a rectifying device, acts as a short circuit for one-half of any alternating current wave appearing across it but presents a high resistance to the other half. As a result, the voltage appearing across the crystal is in the pulsating form shown in Fig. 2B. This is simply the positive peaks of the waveform of Fig. 2A, and it consists of pulsating direct current. The resistor \mathcal{R} , in connection with the usual ten megohm resistance of the

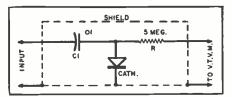


Fig. 1. Diagram of crystal probe designed for use with a vacuum tube voltmeter.

v.t.v.m., serves as a voltage divider so that only approximately .707 of this peak voltage actually appears at the input of the vacuum-tube voltmeter. The distributed capacity of the cable, together with the filtering action of R, serves to smooth out the pulses of current and delivers a steady d.c. voltage to the v.t.v.m. The end result is that the d.c. scales of the v.t.v.m. will now indicate the r.m.s. values of the r.f. voltages presented to the crystal probe.

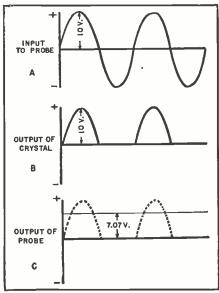
Such a probe will measure alternating current frequencies up to 200 megacycles with an accuracy of plus or minus ten per-cent. Its input capacity is only 3.5 $\mu\mu$ fd., and the a.c. input resistance is ¼ megohm at 500 kc., 150,000 ohms at 10 megacycles, and 25,000 ohms at 100 megacycles. This means that the probe can be applied to circuits carrying r.f. currents with a minimum of "loading" or detuning.

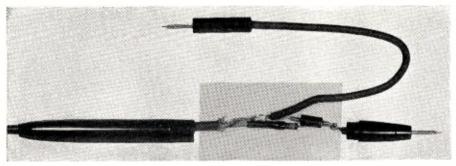
The first thing you can do with such a probe and your v.t.v.m. is use *all* of the point-to-point "gain" information given in modern service manuals. Before, you could only measure the gain

of the audio stages with your v.t.v.m.; but now, employing the crystal probe, you can actually measure and compare the r.f. voltage on the grid of a tube with that present on the plate. This ability to compare the actual gain of a receiver stage with the normal gain given in the service manuals is of invaluable aid when trying to run down the cause of poor sensitivity in a receiver.

Another important check that can quickly be made is on the operation of the oscillator. To make such a check with a crystal probe you do not actually have to touch the probe to the "hot" portions of the oscillator circuit. It is sufficient merely to bring the probe near the stator of the oscillator tuning condenser, for if the oscillator is operating, enough r.f. can be picked up in this fashion to get a substantial reading on the meter. This method causes no detuning of the oscillator and usually can be performed without

Fig. 2. Waveforms of probe shown in Fig. 1.





Disassembled view of "Klipzon" probe showing how compactness is achieved. The rectangular piece of foil in the final assembly is folded around the unit for shielding.

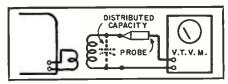


Fig. 3. Wiring arrangement used to check "Q". As mentioned in the text, this method is subject to error and is rather crude when compared with laboratory methods of determining "Q". It does, however, provide the technician with a simplified method of comparing performance of two identical coils.

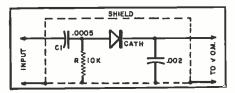


Fig. 4. Wiring diagram of crystal probe intended to be used with any v-o-m of at least 5000 ohms-per-volt sensitivity.

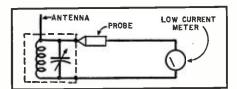


Fig. 5. Circuit diagram of a sensitive and easily-assembled field strength meter for making radio transmitter adjustments.

removing the chassis from the cabinet. Any faltering of the oscillator as the receiver is tuned through the band is instantly shown on the v.t.v.m.

Even the "Q" of coils can be roughly measured in the circuit shown in Fig. 3. Here the signal generator is connected to the primary of the coil and the crystal probe is touched to one end of the secondary while the ground lead of the v.t.v.m. goes to the other. Then the signal generator is adjusted for maximum voltage, which will be the resonant frequency of the coil tuned by the various stray capacities. Then the signal generator is moved lower in frequency until the voltage reading is only 71% of the maximum value and the frequency noted. Next the frequency of the generator is increased through resonance and past until the meter again reads 71% of the resonant value. The "Q" of the coil is determined from the formula: Coil "Q"= the resonant frequency in kc. divided by kc. down from resonance plus kc. up from resonance.

As an example, suppose the coil resonated at $1600~\rm kc.$, and the downward frequency that gave a 71% reading was 1555 and the upward frequency that gave this reading was 1635. Then the formula would be:

Q = 1660/45 + 35 = 20.

While admittedly this method is subject to considerable error and is crude when compared with laboratory methods of determining "Q," it will give the technician a method of determining coil merit sufficiently accurate for his needs. After a little experience in measuring coil "Q" in this manner, the technician will be able to spot quickly a coil whose "Q" has been lowered by a shorted turn or a high resistance in the winding.

Quite often the signal generator will not put out enough r.f. voltage to give a satisfactory reading on the meter. In that case I recommend that a broadband r.f. amplifier, such as the one described by Rufus P. Turner on page 78 of the March 1949 issue of Radio & Television News, be used either between the signal generator and the coil or between the coil and the probe.

When the amplifier is inserted between the voltage being measured and the crystal probe, the meter reading is no longer the r.m.s. value of the voltage but must be divided by the amplification factor of the amplifier. The amplifier mentioned has an over-all amplification of 85 from sixty cycles to two megacycles; so this means that an r.f. voltage of only five millivolts will produce a reading on the v.t.v.m. of nearly one-half volt.

Such sensitivity makes the amplifier-crystal-probe-v.t.v.m. combination a fine gadget to check the effectiveness of bypass condensers right in the receiver and without disconnecting them. A strong, modulated r.f. signal is run into the receiver and then the input probe of the amplifier is touched to the ungrounded ends of the bypass condensers in both the r.f. and a.f. portions of the receiver. (And it does not hurt to probe the tube shells, grounded lugs, and other parts of the receiver that are supposed to be tied fast to ground, either!) The presence of a signal at any of these points is an indication that something is amiss. This system is the best the writer has found for running down the cause of oscillation and instability in a receiver.

The circuit of Fig. 4 shows a crystal probe that is intended to be used with

a v-o-m of at least 5000 ohms-per-volt sensitivity. C_1 again is an isolating condenser, but now the crystal allows one-direction pulses to pass through it and charge the .002 μ fd. condenser. This condenser discharges through a current-reading meter connected across the output. Such a probe can be used with a 50, 100, or 200 microampere meter to indicate the presence of r.f. voltage and to indicate changes in this voltage.

It is possible to calibrate such a combination so that the current meter reading will actually indicate a.c. voltage applied to the probe. The method of doing this is given in the article "Extending Multimeter Utility" by Rufus P. Turner in the December 1950 issue (see pages 134 and 136). In practice, however, such calibration is of little value because the input resistance of the combination is necessarily quite low. As a result, it loads heavily any voltage source to which it is applied, and most sources of r.f. voltage —and that is what the crystal probe is ordinarily used to measure-have very poor voltage regulation, consequently, actual voltage readings obtained are likely to be far below the potentials actually present before the probemeter combination is applied. But the crystal probe and v-o-m can be employed to indicate the presence of an irregular voltage of almost any wave shape and to show any changes in the amplitude of such a voltage. The ability to do this makes it a very handy article around the service shop.

For example, a small 100 or 200 microampere meter connected to this probe through any kind of two conductor cable can be carried up on the roof with you while the probe is connected to the control grid of the video tube of a TV set that is tuned to the station wanted. Then you can rassle the antenna around to your heart's content and see every move immediately reflected in the reading of your little meter. You, all by yourself, can quickly orient the antenna to the optimum position without any short-distance telephone, shouted instructions, etc., to foul up the operation.

The writer, when attacking an intermittent set, likes to hit it with everything he has. For that reason he tries to monitor as many points as possible in the receiver. One of these crystalprobe-and-microammeter combinations is connected to the oscillator section. Another is set across the output of an i.f. stage. The v.t.v.m. is hooked to the a.v.c. bus or across the input of the audio section, and finally the output meter of the v-o-m is connected across the primary of the output transformer. A receiver in such a straightjacket can hardly make a false move without giving a tell-tale indication on one of these meters. The time and wear-and-tear on your disposition saved by cracking a few intermittents in jig time more than pays for the crystal probes and the extra meters.

If you are a ham, the crystal probe and microammeter can be connected across a tuned circuit with a short antenna, as is shown in Fig. 5, to make a sensitive and easily assembled field-strength meter for making transmitter adjustments. And, if you replace the meter with a pair of high-impedance earphones, you can easily check the quality of your phone transmitter while it is working into a dummy antenna.

Just an isolating condenser, a resistor and a crystal are needed to make the probe shown in Fig. 6. It can be used with an audio amplifier, or, if you have a very strong local signal, with a pair of sensitive headphones. Since this probe is intended to deliver audio pulses rather than pure d.c., no smoothing filter arrangements are needed and the probe can be reduced to the bare essentials shown.

Such a probe in combination with a high-gain amplifier forms that most modern and efficient of servicing tools -the signal tracer. With it you can follow a signal from the antenna post to the detector, and then, by switching out the crystal, from the detector to the speaker. Any distortion, noise, or variation in signal strength is immediately apparent and can be quickly tracked to its source. Anyone who has ever used the signal-tracing method of shooting trouble long enough to become proficient at it knows that it is one of the quickest methods of running down the more obscure receiver faults, for it enables the technician to check on distortion, noise, and gain all at one fell swoop.

A crystal probe can also be used with your oscilloscope to enable you to see the audio portion of the signal at any place you wish to examine it in the r.f. or i.f. part of the set. Since the probe "shucks" the audio portion of the signal out of the r.f. carrier and then feeds this demodulated signal into the scope amplifier, this means that an ordinary oscilloscope that cannot handle signals of much more than 100,000 cycles-per-second through its amplifier can still be used to good advantage in examining the high-frequency parts of the receiver that, without the probe, would be impossible.

A radio frequency signal, modulated by a 400 cycle note such as the ordinary signal generator puts out, can be traced right through the receiver with a probe similar to the one diagrammed in Fig. 6 and any serious changes in this composite signal will be immediately apparent in the distortion of the 400 cycle sine wave being viewed on the scope screen.

An ordinary scope equipped with a crystal probe can also be used for stage-by-stage alignment of TV receivers. With a high-output sweep generator connected to the grid circuit of the preceding tube, as is shown in Fig. 7, and the crystal probe touched to the plate of the tube fed from the secondary of the i.f. transformer, the voltage actually delivered to the scope will be a regularly rising and falling voltage that, when spread out on a linear time base by the synchronized

sweep voltage, will indicate the response curve of the i.f. transformer. While the i.f. frequency is likely to be around 25 megacycles, the recurring voltage delivered by the crystal has a frequency equal to the sweep rate, usually either 60 or 120 cycles-persecond, and almost any scope can handle this frequency faithfully.

At first the writer made his own crystal probes. One of his manufacture, housed in an old electrolytic condenser can, is pictured and it works very well. Recently, however, he discovered the "Klipzon" probes manufactured by the *United Technical Laboratories* of Morristown, New Jersey; and he is willing to admit that they manufacture a much neater, more compact, and usable probe than he can make with the materials available to him.

These probes have two especially attractive features: one is a clever tiny clip built right into the probe tip that enables the probe to be clipped to a wire in quarters so close that only the tip itself can be inserted. The other is a needle-sharp point on the tip that can be used to penetrate insulation. These features, plus the fact that the probes are reduced to the size of a fountain pen, make the writer yield the palm to "Klipzon."

Their "V" type probe is intended for use with the v.t.v.m. and has the characteristics described in that connection. It can also be used with a scope or high-gain amplifier for signal tracing. The type "C" can also be used with scope or amplifier, but it is designed for use with a v-o-m of 5000 ohms-per-volt sensitivity or better. The circuit is shown in Fig. 4.

A word of caution should be added lest the probe be damaged by excessive voltage. The series condenser will protect the crystal from d.c. in the circuit but the a.c. is not blocked by this condenser. Care should be taken that the probe is not connected to points where high a.c. voltages are present or the crystal will be ruined.

In general crystal probes should not be used where the a.c. or r.f. voltage exceeds 20 volts r.m.s.

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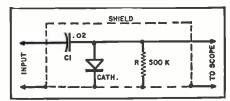


Fig. 6. A condenser, a germanium crystal and a resistor are all that are required in the construction of this probe. It can be used with an audio amplifier, or, if you have a very strong local signal, a pair of sensitive headphones will suffice. This probe, as mentioned in text, is designed to deliver audio pulses rather than pure d.c.

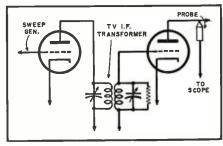


Fig. 7. An ordinary oscilloscope equipped with a crystal probe can be used for stage-by-stage alignment of television receivers.

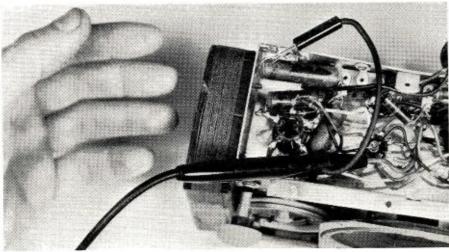
the presentation of anything new or startling in the use of crystal probes in radio and television service work, he is hoping to achieve one goal—namely, stimulating the technician's interest in this versatile aide.

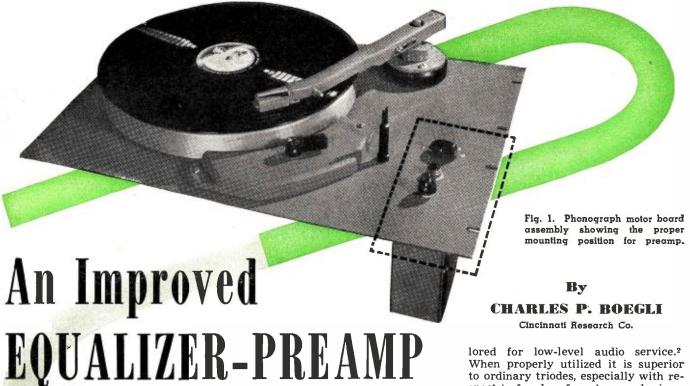
There are still thousands of technicians who are not familiar with the instrument at all while other thousands own such probes but haven't fully explored their possibilities in day-in, day-out servicing jobs.

It is in the hopes of interesting the "have-nots" in trying them and the "haves" in using their probes that this article was written.

In conclusion, the writer is not going to be guilty of uttering that flyblown saw that "the things that can be done with this device are only limited by the ingenuity of the user," but he will wager that any technician who uses a crystal probe for a couple of weeks will never be without at least one in the shop from then on.

The crystal probe being used to measure the gain of an i.f. stage in a receiver.





A novel single-tube preamp incorporating a practical equalizer switching circuit.

PREVIOUS article¹ described a preamplifier, incorporating a 6SL7GT tube, which is suitable for use with either crystal or magnetic pickups. This unit gives very satisfactory service in conjunction with pickups of relatively high output voltage but it leaves a little to be desired in the way of freedom from hum and

noise when used to amplify the output of very low-voltage cartridges. For that reason the design of a preamplifier providing the ultimate in convenience, freedom from distortion, and absence of noise and hum was attempted.

The 12AY7 tube recently marketed by General Electric is specifically tai-

lored for low-level audio service.² When properly utilized it is superior to ordinary triodes, especially with respect to freedom from hum and microphonics, and it was therefore selected for this application. For low-hum service the two heater sections of this tube are paralleled and connected to 6.3 volts, and for this reason the convenience of using the preamplifier with sets having 6.3 volt tubes is not lost.

Fig. 2 is the circuit diagram of the preamplifier. R is the pickup load resistance specified by the manufacturer of the magnetic cartridge to be utilized, while for most crystal pickups R should be around 15,000 ohms. With a 300 volt "B+" supply the maximum voltage input to each section is 3.5 volts. The signal to the first section is normally so small that distortion in this stage is negligible. The gain of

Table 1. Various equalizer designs and their applications. All popular make discs are covered.

EQUALIZER	CIRCUIT	ACCURATE COMPENSATION FOR	MAY ALSO BE USED FOR	EQUALIZER	CIRCUIT	ACCURATE COMPENSATION FOR	MAY ALSO BE USED FOR
(A) Flat 250 c.p.s.	RI RZ	H.M.V. English Columbia		(D) Columbia 78	R3 184 C3	Columbia 78	,
(B) Flat 500 c.p.s.	RI R2	Capitol-Telefunken; most European and earlier American.	H.M.V.	(E) Columbia 33.3	R1 R2 C3	Columbia 33.3	
NAB	"丰ţ	late American except RCA, Columbia.	Columbia 33.3	(F) RCA 78 RCA 45	R1 R7 R2+	RCA Victor 78 RCA Victor 45	RCA Victor 33.3 Concert Hall 78
R ₂ is 33,000 o R ₃ is approxim R ₄ is 27,000 o	nately .8 x R ₁ hms	Re text) Re is approxin Re is 39,000 c C1 is .02 \(\mu f d\). C2 is .01 \(\mu f d\). C3 is .003 \(\mu f d\)		(G) RCA 33.3	65 C4 #	RCA Victor 33.3	RCA Victor 78 RCA Victor 45
R_5 is 5600 ch R_6 is 150,000 R_7 is 18,000 c	ohms	C_4 is .001 μ fa C_8 is .006 μ fa C_6 is 250 μ μ f.	l. I.	(H) FFRR	R8 R9 R9 C21 C51	London FFRR Decca FFRR	

the stage is 30; if no equalizer were provided between stages a signal of 110 mv. to the first grid would drive the second stage to capacity. The effect of the inserted equalizer is to reduce high-frequency signals to the point where distortion in the second stage is also negligible. Lower frequencies are of course passed with less attenuation but since those below the turnover are attenuated on commercial recordings, no additional distortion results. The net result is that almost complete freedom from distortion is attained without the employment of feedback.

The chassis, Fig. 4, is designed to be mounted on the phonograph motor board, Fig. 1. The equalizers are mounted underneath the chassis on a terminal board which facilitates removal or replacement. If desired, they can be potted in the manner previously described1 and this has the advantage of stabilizing them against the effects of moisture.

The equalizers are substantially the same as those designed for the earlier unit with the exception of the input resistors, which are reduced to the smallest size consistent with good response. The specified input resistance establishes the gain of the entire unit at approximately 36. If the preamplifier is to be used with a high-output (50-100 mv.) magnetic cartridge or a crystal pickup it will be advantageous to make the input resistors 1.5 megohms because this size results in slightly better bass response. It is not possible to reduce the input resistors to less than 820,000 ohms without seriously affecting bass response; the gain of 36 can, therefore, be considered the maximum attainable from a phonograph preamplifier utilizing a single 12AY7 tube.

Table 1 shows equalizers for a variety of purposes and gives examples of well-known discs for which each is designed. Although it is entirely possible to incorporate the complete set into the preamplifier, the writer presently feels that satisfactory compensation can be made for the majority of pressings with a smaller number of equalizers. The last column has been included in the table to aid the constructor in making a sensible selection. It should be mentioned that RCA Victor does not publish its recording characteristics, and equalizers for its discs are based on curves determined from listening tests by a number of observers. If any uncommon equalizers are desired they can be calculated easily and rapidly by means of a recently-published design chart.3

Some writers have advocated the use of two-section, instead of singlesection, equalizers for bass compensation, holding that in this manner a sharper turnover is obtained.4 Calculation seems to show, however, that this is not the case and furthermore that the two-section equalizer suffers from some special disadvantages. Fig. 3 illustrates the characteristics of each type for a 500 c.p.s. turnover. If

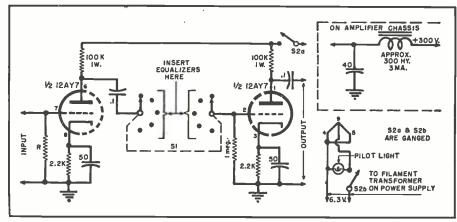


Fig. 2. Circuit diagram of preamplifier. Equalizers connect to switch S₁.

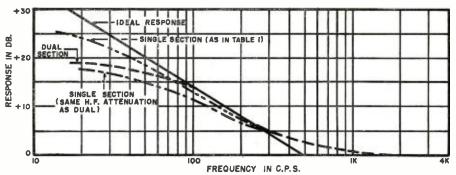


Fig. 3. Comparison of response curves for flat, 500 c.p.s. equalizer shown in Table 1B.

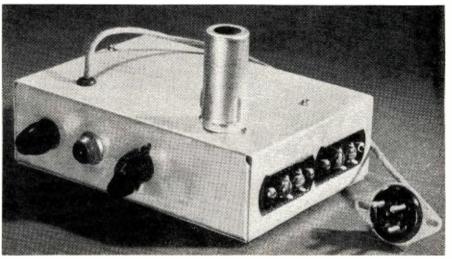
the high-frequency attenuation for the single section is fixed at that which automatically results for a two-section equalizer, the latter provides a more desirable response than the former; the low-frequency response is down 3 db. from the ideal at 90 c.p.s. for the single and at 50 c.p.s. for the dual. The performance of the single section can be improved, however, by accepting greater high-frequency attenuation; this is not possible with the two-section unit. For the equalizer shown in Table 1B the response is down 3 db. at 25 c.p.s., as indicated by Fig. 3.

The output impedance of the last 12AY7 section is about 20,000 ohms. If the signal is fed from this stage into a low-mu triode with an input capacitance of approximately 50 µµfd., an additional 110 $\mu\mu\mathrm{fd}$ will bring the treble response down 3 db. at 50 kc., which is not considered objectionable. This capacitance is equivalent to about four feet of single-conductor shielded microphone cable. If a very much longer wire than this is required, special lowcapacity cable may be needed or resort may be had to a cathode-follower output stage at the preamplifier.

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Fig. 4. Over-all view of equalizer-preamp. The unit mounts beneath phono motor board.



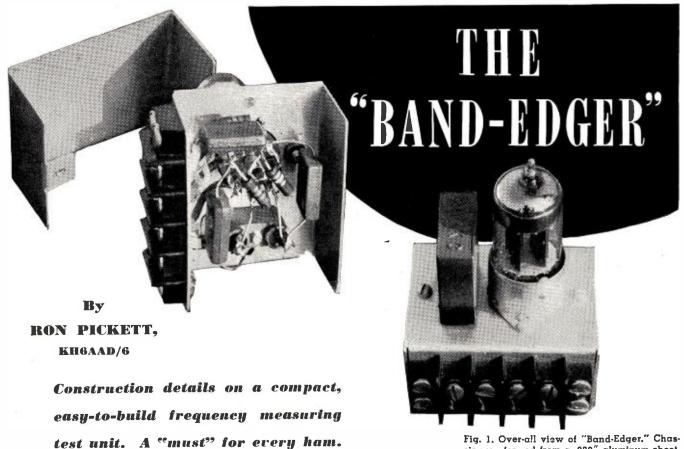


Fig. 1. Over-all view of "Band-Edger." Chassis was formed from a .020" aluminum sheet.

REQUENCY measurement in the ham shack has become a vital necessity. Not only are we required by regulation to have adequate frequency measuring equipment on hand, but good operating practice demands some form of frequency measurement.

A large percentage of hams have come to rely on the calibration of their receivers to accomplish this, and in some cases a sufficient degree of accuracy can be achieved in this manner. From some of the remarks one hears on the amateur bands, however, altogether too many of us are content to rely on the other fellow's frequency checks, and this method is unsatisfactory at best.

One of the basic methods of frequency measurement, and one which has been successfully used for many years by many radio services, is shown in the block diagram of Fig. 2. A standard oscillator, which is capable of being adjusted to a precisely known frequency, is fed into a harmonic generator which sets up multiples of the oscillator frequency throughout the range in which measurements are to be made. Another oscillator, of calibrated variable frequency, is used to interpolate between the marker signals produced from the fixed oscillator. This may be done either directly or at harmonics of the variable oscillator. The marker signals and the variable frequency oscillator output are fed into a detector, together with the signal whose frequency is to be measured. The output from the detector is amplified and fed into some

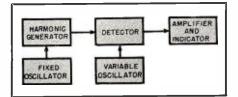
sort of indicating device, such as a pair of headphones.

In using this sort of frequency measuring equipment, it is only necessary to establish a beat note between the unknown and the interpolation oscillator, and read the frequency from the calibration of the interpolation oscillator as a difference frequency from the nearest marker signal. The marker signals establish the major points, and the interpolation oscillator provides the fine divisions, much in the same manner as the hour and minute hands of a clock.

Such frequency measuring equipment is sometimes quite complicated, particularly when the accuracy requirements are high and when it is desired to have the equipment completely self contained. If, however, the accuracy required is not too great, and if we can combine portions of the equipment with other apparatus already in service, we can simplify our frequency measuring equipment considerably.

The station receiver should be able to serve as the interpolation oscillator, since it is variable over the required

Fig. 2. Block diagram of one of the basic methods used for frequency measurements. The "Band-Edger" can be used in its place.



range and is usually calibrated to within a few kilocycles. In fact it also contains a detector and amplifier, as well as provision for some form of an

So, aside from the power supply (for which, in most cases, the receiver can be called upon) adequate frequency measurement can be made simply by adding a precision fixed oscillator and harmonic generator.

At this point we begin to see the light. All we need to do is add, say, a 100 kc. crystal oscillator which is rich in harmonic output to mark the band edges, and use the calibration of the receiver itself for closer measurement.

But there's a catch to it. Using a 100 kc. crystal marks the amateur bands adequately, but what do we do about the edges of the phone sub-bands which fall on multiples of 50 kc.? It is true that we can use interpolation with the receiver, but accuracy will suffer because at the odd multiples of 50 kc. the receiver is tuned furthest from a marker signal, and may be calibrated so poorly as to make out-of band operation easy.

It would be much better to use 50 kc. or better still 25 kc. for the fixed oscillator frequency. Then the calibration accuracy of the receiver or interpolation oscillator need not be as great, since the band edges, including the phone sub-bands, are marked with the same accuracy as the crystal oscillator. Inaccuracies introduced in interpolation are then of much less consequence, since they will not result in out-of-band operation.

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It is not necessary for the oscillator to operate on a fundamental frequency of 50 or 25 kc., since it is relatively easy to divide a 100 kc. or even a 200 kc. oscillator frequency into the desired lower frequency with a multivibrator. At the same time the multivibrator will function as the harmonic generator since it is a prolific source of harmonic energy.

In reviewing the current crop of catalogues and surplus advertising, it is apparent that while 100 kc. crystals appear to be readily available they are quite expensive. The 200 kc. crystals are advertised at 69 cents each, however, and look like a good bargain. To reach 25 or 50 kc. from an oscillator frequency of 200 kc. appears to require at least two tubes—one for the crystal oscillator, and one dual triode for the multivibrator. Miniature tubes will materially reduce the space requirements, but let's see what can be done to make this thing really simple.

As a starter, we can eliminate the usual tuned circuit in a conventional crystal oscillator by means of either circuit shown in Fig. 3. In both cases, the usual *LC* circuit is simply replaced by the crystal which is capable of behaving in much the same manner. Fig. 3B is the familiar Pierce crystal oscillator which resembles the "Ultraudion" self-excited oscillator, and Fig. 3A is simply a push-pull Hartley oscillator with the coil and condenser replaced by the crystal.

On closer examination, though, Fig. 3A also resembles a multivibrator to which the crystal has been added from plate-to-plate. And right here is the clue which will enable us to combine the crystal oscillator, the multivibrator frequency divider, and the harmonic generator all in one dual triode tube.

A little experimenting with various values of R and C in the circuit of Fig. 3A leads us to the conclusion that this is not the complete answer to our present problem. It is easy to make the multivibrator lock in at the crystal frequency, but it seems determined not to do so at an even harmonic of the multivibrator. At this point we recall that in balanced push-pull circuits the even harmonics are greatly reduced in the output circuit, so it appears that the crystal is behaving as a pretty well balanced tuned circuit. If we had wanted to divide the crystal frequency by an odd number, say 5 or 7, the circuit of Fig. 3A would perform very well. But starting with a 200 kc. crystal, to arrive at 50 or 25 kc. output, it is necessary to divide by 4 or 8.

However, we have now established the point that our original plan is sound, that is, it is quite practical to combine the crystal oscillator and multivibrator in one tube. So let's try another combination, such as that shown in Fig. 4. In this case, it appears that we have a Pierce oscillator circuit to which has been added another triode section connected to the oscillator in the same way a multivibrator is connected.

Again, a little experimenting with various R and C combinations shows that the circuit performs as expected and, in addition, the even harmonics of the multivibrator appear to synchronize with the crystal frequency as readily as the odd harmonics. In Terman's "Radio Engineers' Handbook" we find that the natural frequency of the multivibrator is approximately:

 $1/(R_1C_2 + R_2C_1)$ cycles-per-second. Also we find that by making the RC constants for each triode different, it is possible to emphasize synchronization for one particular harmonic. A little more experimenting brings us to the parts values shown with Fig. 5, which is the circuit of the "Band-Edger" as it was finally evolved, for 50 kc. output.

During all of these experiments, an oscillograph and a calibrated oscillator covering the range of 20 to 200 kc. are invaluable. It is possible to use other means, but the process is quite involved and can get tedious.

Construction of the "Band-Edger" is as simple as its circuit indicates. The chassis can be laid out as shown in the photographs, and is readily formed from .020 inch aluminum sheet with an ordinary bench vise. The size and positions of some of the holes will be dictated by the parts used, of course, but those incorporated in this model seem to be readily available and inexpensive. The terminal strip shown need not be used. Instead, the connecting leads can be brought through a grommet.

The plate supply lead to the multivibrator triode was brought out to a separate terminal in this model so that the crystal oscillator alone could be used to provide check points at 200 kc. intervals. When the 50 kc. intervals are required, it is only necessary to switch on the plate supply to both sections.

The "Band-Edger" requires 6.3 volts at .3 ampere on the filament and 200 to 300 volts at about 8 milliamperes plate supply. Most receivers can readily supply these voltages, and usually an unused corner can be found where the unit can be mounted inside the receiver.

Harmonic output from the "Band-Edger" is sufficient for use through the 10 meter band, with only a short piece of wire connected to the output terminal and placed near the first detector tube in the receiver. If greater signal strength is required, it is possible to couple the "Band-Edger" more closely to the receiver input by using a 3 to 30 $\mu\mu$ fd. trimmer condenser connected between the "Band-Edger" output and the receiver input terminals.

In checking out the "Band-Edger" to be sure it is operating properly, couple some signal from the "Band-Edger" to the input of the receiver. Usually all that is necessary is to use a few inches of wire as antennas on both units. With the crystal oscillator only in operation, a signal should be heard every 200 kc. across the receiver dial. Switch on the multivibrator tri-

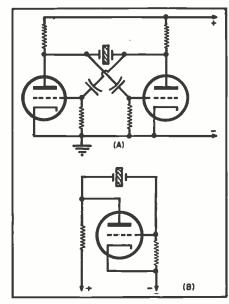


Fig. 3. The first transition from the basic design (Fig. 2) to author's final form was to omit the usual LC circuits. Diagrams of A and B show the designs after transition.

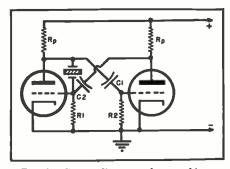
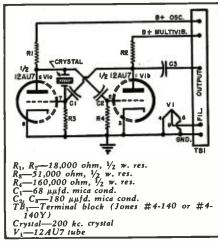


Fig. 4. Circuit diagram of a combination crystal oscillator and multivibrator.

ode and if it is operating properly, additional signals will be found at 50 kc. intervals. It is possible that the multivibrator will tend to synchronize at some other frequency, probably either 40 kc. (division by 5) or 66% kc. (division by 3). If this occurs, it will be necessary to change the value of one of the grid resistors until the proper division rate is obtained consistently.

Fig. 5. Diagram of "Band-Edger." Power requirements are 6.3 volts at .3 ampere and 200 to 300 volts at 8 milliamperes.





Part 2. Concluding article covering additional causes of and remedies for horizontal pulling.

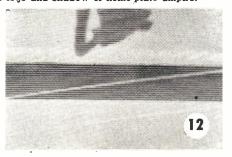
ORTUNATELY for the television technician, any appreciable loss of low-frequency response in the r.f., i.f., and video amplifiers and any appreciable undesired limiting action in the video amplifier can be detected very quickly by visually checking the relative intensity (blackness) of the vertical sync, vertical blanking, and picture signals, as they appear on the picture tube. To observe these signals, it is necessary to adjust the vertical hold control so that the picture rolls slowly downward out of vertical sync. It is necessary also to adjust contrast and brightness to make the vertical blanking and sync signals visible, as shown in Fig. 11, which represents approximately the correct relative darkness of these signals. For inspection purposes, it is preferable to increase the brightness slightly or decrease the contrast slightly in order to make the vertical sync appear as a dark grey, instead of the dead black shown in Fig. 11. We suggest that the reader carefully study the photographs and captions in Figs. 11, 12, 13 and 14.

In all cases of horizontal picture pulling, it is a worth-while practice to check the relative intensity of sync, as shown in Fig. 11. If the inspection reveals that the low-frequency response is poor, check the alignment of the r.f. and picture i.f. amplifier, using a good sweep generator and a crystal-cali-

Fig. 11. Portion of vertical blanking and sync signals for single field. In making this picture and those of Figs. 12, 13, and 14, the contrast was reduced and brightness increased in order to "unblank" the blanking lines. Camera shutter was opened for only 1/60th second, which is time required for electron beam in picture tube to trace a single field of approximately 262 lines, consequently every other horizontal scanning line is absent in this photo, which otherwise represents normal signal conditions. As clearly shown, the blanking is slightly darker or stronger than darkest picture signals. Sync is considerably darker or stronger than blanking. If receiver has poor low frequency response, or if there is undesired limiting action, amplitude of sync signals is reduced with respect to higher frequency picture signals and, as a result, receiver becomes more susceptible to horizontal pulling. Examples of reduced sync amplitude are shown in Figs. 12, 13, and 14.

Fig. 12. In this case, sync signals are only slightly darker or stronger than blanking and dark-picture signals. This trouble is caused by excessive signal input and consequent limiting action in the video amplifier due to incorrect setting of a.g.c. threshold adjustment. Fig. 8 (Part 1) shows the result of same condition on test pattern. Dark objects at top of this picture are legs and shadow of home-plate umpire.





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brated marker oscillator. If the alignment is satisfactory, check the tubes, components, and voltages in the video amplifier. If the inspection reveals limiting action, check the video amplifier and the a.g.c. output voltages.

If the relative intensity of the sync, blanking, and picture signals appears normal, it may be assumed that the picture pulling is not caused by trouble in the r.f., i.f., or video amplifiers. Attention should then be concentrated on the sync separator and the horizontal a.f.c. circuit.

Localizing the Cause

The writer suggests a simple check that is occasionally helpful in isolating the cause for picture pulling. Briefly, this check consists of removing horizontal sync input from the horizontal a.f.c. circuit, free-wheeling the horizontal oscillator to obtain a momentarily stationary picture, and noting whether the pulling is still present on the picture. The check is helpful in showing whether the trouble is in the a.f.c. circuit or ahead of it. The procedure is as follows.

Make a mental note of the position and amount of horizontal pulling. Temporarily disconnect the condenser that connects horizontal sync pulses (from the sync separator) into the horizontal a.f.c. circuit. Disconnecting the condenser will throw the horizontal oscillator completely out of sync. With the horizontal hold control set at its midposition, turn the main frequency adjustment of the horizontal oscillator to bring the oscillator to the correct frequency, as indicated by the momentary appearance of a complete picture. Then carefully adjust the horizontal hold control in an attempt to keep the picture from rolling horizontally for at least a second, or just long enough to inspect the picture and to determine whether the picture pulling has disappeared. If (with horizontal sync removed) the picture pulling is still present, the cause of the pulling is probably in the horizontal a.f.c. circuit. But if (with horizontal sync removed) the pulling is not present on the picture it indicates that the trouble is ahead of the horizontal a.f.c. circuit.

Occasionally extraneous signals from an adjacent video amplifier, audio amplifier, or other source may be coupled into the horizontal a.f.c. circuit. This possibility should be considered in cases where the previous check indicates that the cause for picture pulling is in the horizontal a.f.c. circuit.

In Part 1 of this article, mention was made of the possibility that voltage surges in the vertical oscillator circuit might be coupled back into the horizontal a.f.c. circuit and result in horizontal pulling at the top of the picture. One method of checking for the presence of such trouble is to open the condenser that couples the vertical sync pulses (from the sync separator) into the vertical integrating network and free-wheel the vertical oscillator, by careful adjustment of the vertical hold control, to keep the picture from rolling vertically. If the horizontal pulling disappears when the condenser is opened, it may indicate that additional isolation is required between the vertical oscillator and the horizontal sync input circuit.

A general method of determining whether the vertical oscillator and deflection circuits are in any way responsible for horizontal pulling is to remove the vertical oscillator and output tubes and drive the vertical deflection coil from the vertical output of another receiver which is tuned to the same station.

In many receivers, the amplitude of sync input to the sync separator is rather critical; either too much or too little sync input may cause picture pulling. In cases where all components have been checked and appear to be normal and the cause for pulling cannot be localized by the methods suggested, it may be advisable to try changing the level of the sync input to the sync separator. If the sync signal for the sync separator is taken from across a resistor in the video amplifier, it may be feasible to alter the value of the resistor or temporarily substitute a carbon potentiometer to determine the optimum value.

The tubes, voltages, and load resistors in the sync separator are usually critical with respect to picture pulling. Occasionally, it may be helpful experimentally to alter the value of a plate-load resistor in the sync separator. The writer offers these comments reluctantly, because he is definitely not in favor of the practice of altering the value of one component to compensate for a defect in another component that has escaped detection.

When picture pulling is common in all receivers of a particular model, the logical procedure is to find out whether the manufacturer has issued information on modifications to correct or improve the condition.

Many technicians have learned through actual experience that the best and fastest way to locate sync troubles is by the use of a scope with adequate frequency response which is designed for use with an isolating probe.

External Interference

When external interference is present, it frequently causes horizontal pulling or weaving. Usually, in such cases, the interference is clearly evident in the picture and is obviously responsible for the pulling. Occasionally the cause and effect may be confused.

Diathermy interference produced the pulling effects shown in Figs. 15 and 16. These particular examples were photographed because they lack the pronounced herringbone pattern that normally characterizes diathermy in-

terference and for that reason might be mistaken for internal trouble in the receiver

Any interference that produces beatfrequency bars of sufficient intensity in the picture can result in unstable horizontal sync with accompanying horizontal pulling or weaving, particularly in cases where the beat is a low frequency signal that can readily pass through the narrow-band sync separator.

Obviously, the correct remedy for picture pulling in cases of interference is to eliminate the interference.

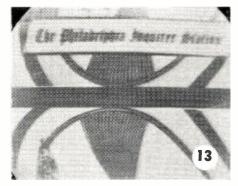
In all puzzling cases of horizontal pulling, it is a good practice to observe that cardinal rule of television service—"Check for presence of the same effect on other receivers in the area." This excellent rule requires modification in some cases of horizontal pulling, because it is advisable to check sets of the same model, or at least sets that have the same type of horizontal

Fig. 13. Here the sync signals are completely wiped out or reduced to blanking level by undesired limiting action in video amplifier. Trouble is caused by low plate voltage on 2nd video tube. The same condition can result from excessive signal input to video amplifier, as shown in Fig. 12, or incorrect bias and other troubles in the video amplifier. There is horizontal pulling at top and bottom of picture and sync is extremely unstable. With complete absence of sync the horizontal and vertical oscillators may tend to sync on the leading edge of the blanking signals.

Fig. 14. Instance where sync amplitude is reduced to approximately same level as the darkest picture signals. Trouble is caused by poor r.f.-i.f. alignment, the picture carrier is too low on the slope of the response curve. Also refer to Fig. 7 (Part 1).

Fig. 15. Horizontal pulling resulting from diathermy interference. Beat in this case is a low frequency and therefore does not exhibit herringbone pattern (due to frequency modulation) usually characteristic of diathermy interference. Interference might be mistaken for another type of trouble. See Fig. 16 for high-frequency diathermy beat.

Fig. 16. Horizontal pulling resulting from diathermy interference. In this case beat is a high frequency (about 4 mc.) which makes the fine-line herringbone pattern almost invisible in some receivers. This variety of interference might be mistaken for 120 cycle hum trouble. With diathermy interference, light and dark areas may remain stationary or may move up or down depending on whether or not the power supply for TV camera and diathermy equipment are synced. Unlike heater-cathode leakage, reversal of 117 volt plug on receiver does not shift position of interference.



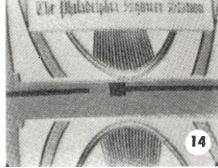








Fig. 17. Slight horizontal pulling at top of picture evidenced by bending of vertical wedge, caused by inoperative d.c. restorer (in a receiver where sync input for sync separator is taken from d.c. restorer circuit). When photo was taken, contrast and brightness controls were adjusted to show horizontal blanking signals at right side of picture. With normal contrast adjustment, bending is decidedly more pronounced. See text for other details.

a.f.c. circuit. Certain rare troubles, such as phase variation in the transmitted horizontal sync signals, may produce noticeable picture pulling in some types of horizontal a.f.c. circuits, but may have only slight effect in other types of a.f.c. circuits.

Microphonic Pulling

Picture pulling may show up momentarily whenever the horizontal a.f.c. tube is mechanically shocked or jarred, as by deliberately tapping the tube or through transmitted vibrations from persons walking or dancing near the set. Any relative motion of the elements in the a.f.c. tube results in a variation in the gain, or control action, which produces a variation in horizontal sync phasing. The socket of the a.f.c. tube is usually shockmounted to minimize such microphonic

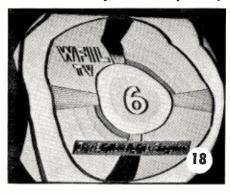
The photographs of Figs. 18, 19, 20, and 21 are not referred to in the text. Their inclusion is for the purpose of amplifying the text and providing additional data.

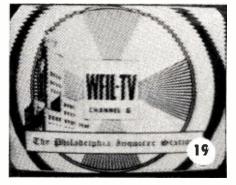
Fig. 18. Horizontal pulling caused by poor low frequency response (or excessive high frequency response) in picture i.f. amplifier. Black smearing of vertical wedges is one indication of regeneration in amplifier which requires realignment. Regeneration in this case results from tuning grid and plate circuit of one stage in amplifier to same frequency instead of staggering tuning as required in stagger-tuned amplifier.

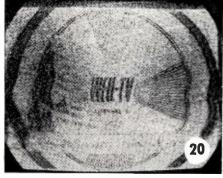
Fig. 19. Horizontal pulling, or in this case, horizontal damped ripple, caused by the electrical hunting action in horizontal frequency control circuit. Condition shown is produced by an open .05 μ fd. condenser connected from the grid circuit to the chassis in RCA "syncrolock" horizontal frequency circuit. Amplitude and the duration of the ripple change with the adjustment of the horizontal hold control.

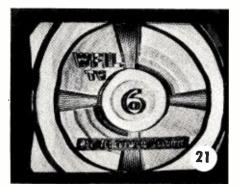
Fig. 20. Horizontal pulling may be expected on extremely weak signals. Realignment is almost always helpful in weak-signal areas. The r.f. and picture i.f. amplifiers should be aligned so that picture carrier falls at 70% or higher on slope of overall response curve when receiver tuning control is adjusted for best sound. It is also advisable to use best available antenna and booster with good signal-to-noise ratio.

Fig. 21. Horizontal pulling and unstable horizontal sync may result from certain conditions of reflections or ghosts. Ghost signal in this example is almost merged with direct signal, resulting in poor picture quality and horizontal pulling. Occasionally, when intensity of a close-in ghost is approximately the same as direct signal, the two may alternate in taking control of horizontal oscillator. In such cases, picture shifts erratically a distance equal to spacing between the ghost and direct signal.









action. In cases where microphonic horizontal pulling is evident and objectionable, it is advisable to try a new tube in the a.f.c. socket.

Troubleshooting Procedure

It may be helpful to summarize some of the facts that we have discussed. We can accomplish two objects by presenting the summary in the form of a troubleshooting procedure.

1. Determine whether the condition is raster pulling or picture pulling. Raster pulling affects the shape of the raster. Picture pulling does not affect the shape of the raster.

2. If it is a case of raster pulling, make checks (depending on the particular symptoms) for trouble in:

(a) The "B" supply filter circuit

- (b) The horizontal deflection circuits
 - (c) The deflection yoke

(d) Undesired magnetic field near the picture tube.

3. If it is a case of picture pulling, remember that the horizontal sync signals must pass through the r.f., i.f., and video amplifiers and through the sync separator in order to reach their final destination in the horizontal a.f.c. circuit. Ordinarily, any trouble that causes picture pulling must be in the r.f., i.f., video, sync separator, horizontal a.f.c., or power supply sections of the receiver. With this fact in mind, apply the following checks:

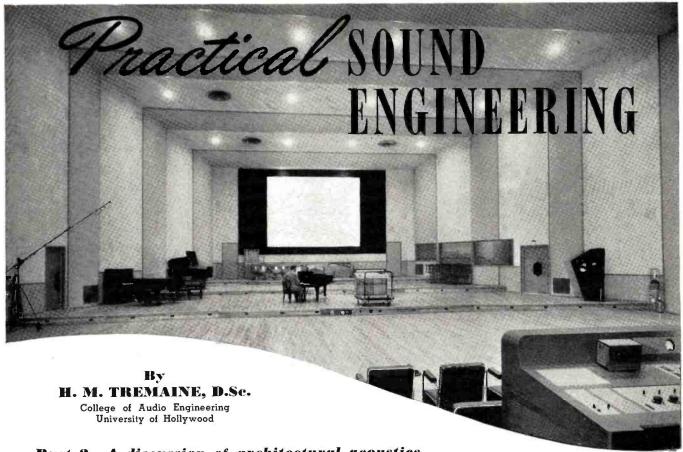
(a) Check the amplitude of sync (in relation to the amplitude of blanking and picture signals), as seen on the picture tube, to determine whether poor low-frequency response or undesired limiting action has reduced the relative sync amplitude. The sync must be definitely stronger, or darker, than the blanking and the darkest picture signals, as shown in Fig. 11.

(b) If the relative amplitude of sync appears normal on the picture tube, it means that the trouble is unlikely to be in the r.f., i.f., or video amplifiers. (One of a few exceptions to this statement is illustrated in Fig. 17, where an inoperative d.c. restorer in the video amplifier has caused slight picture pulling without affecting the relative sync amplitude as seen on the picture tube.) If the sync amplitude appears normal, it leaves the sync separator and the horizontal a.f.c. circuit under suspicion.

(c) Check to determine whether the trouble is in the horizontal a.f.c. circuit, or ahead of it, by temporarily removing sync input from the horizontal a.f.c. circuit, free-wheeling the horizontal oscillator, and inspecting the picture to determine whether the pulling is still present. If the pulling is still present, the trouble is probably in the a.f.c. circuit. If the pulling disappears when sync input is removed, the trouble is probably ahead of the a.f.c. circuit; possibly in the sync separator.

The writer wishes to thank the management of WFIL-TV for permission to reproduce the station's test pattern.

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Part 2. A discussion of architectural acoustics as they affect broadcast and recording studios.

HE behavior of sound waves has given rise to a whole new field of endeavor—Acoustical Engineering

The architectural acoustics of broadcasting and recording studios and theaters are of extreme importance, since they are the vital links in the chain connecting the original source of sound with the listener.

Vast sums of money have been spent in research for the development of motion picture broadcasting studios to achieve the ultimate in acoustical design. The primary factor to be overcome is frequency distortion, which is caused by the design and the effect of the materials used in the studio construction.

Any distortion which originates within the studio, due to acoustical design, will be transmitted along with the original program material. A modern electrical recording and reproducing system contributes only a small percentage of distortion; however, acoustic defects in the studio, such as excessive dead spots, structural vibration, external noises, reflection, etc., give rise to frequency discrimination and distortion which cause unintelligible and unnatural sounds to be transmitted. Seldom does the listener hear program material which has not been altered in some manner, either intentionally or unintentionally, during its transmission to him.

Sound absorbing materials react differently at the high and low frequencies. Generally, there is much less absorption at the low frequencies than at the high frequencies. Physical dimensions of the surfaces in the studio may be such that they reflect the high frequencies, but not the low, which are bent around the edges of obstacles in the studio resulting in sound eddies which set up interference patterns.

Improperly designed studios may be extremely "live" to some frequencies and "dead" to others. In addition to these characteristics, the room may be resonant to certain bands of frequencies, due to its physical dimensions.

Frequency distortion may also be added by the media, including air, through which the sounds are trans-

Fig. 2. (A) Optimum reverberation time for recording and broadcast studios. (B) Reverberation characteristics of studio of Fig. 1.

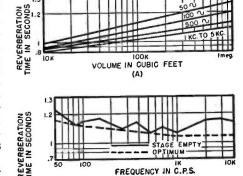


Fig. 1. The recording end of the scoring stage used by Republic Productions of Hollywood for recording movie sound tracks.

mitted; however, this is negligible for all but intense sounds. Distortion is present in the air at all times since air follows the action of gas under pressure.

Sounds originated in open spaces are heard as direct sounds. When the listener moves away from the source, the intensity drops off as the square of the distance. In a room this is not true; the sound may decrease irregularly, and depending on room conditions, may increase because of interference patterns. Interference is the result of multiple reflections from the enclosure walls. Sound remains in an enclosure until it is completely dissipated, the intensity being reduced by each reflection. The reverberation time of a room is measured by emitting a sound, then measuring the time required for the sound to die away to one-millionth of its original intensity or a reduction of 60 db.

The reverberation time of a studio should vary at a rate which will produce maximum intelligibility, give "presence" to the program material, and still preserve its original characteristics. This means the studio must have enough reflective surfaces to lend brilliance to the program material yet have adequate absorption to prevent excessive reverberation.

Sound when confined to an enclosure becomes quite complex in its action, when compared to that in free air. In free air only the direct sound from the source is heard, while in an enclosure,

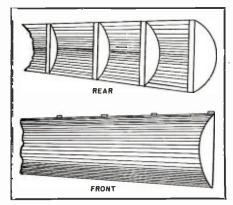


Fig. 3. Rear and front views of the polycylindrical diffusers discussed in the text.

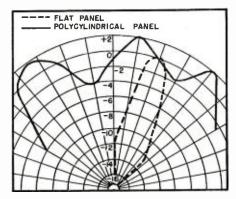


Fig. 4. Polar response curve of a polycylindrical diffuser used in the studio.

it consists of both the direct and reflected sound.

Stages designed for broadcasting and the recording of speech and music differ in construction mainly in their size and interior treatment. Frequently diffusers are placed at intervals along the walls and ceilings to break up "standing waves," with additional insulation around the base to deaden the effect of footfalls and the movement of equipment. The ventilation system is baffled, and the interior of the air ducts treated acoustically to prevent outside noises from entering the room.

When a sound wave leaves its source in a room, it expands spherically until it meets the enclosure walls. It then suffers partial reflection, absorption, and transmission. The reflected wave continues to travel and is again reflected, and the process is repeated until the wave energy is completely dissipated. In rooms constructed of hard plaster or similar materials, several hundred reflections take place before the energy is completely spent.

Table 1. Optimum number of musicians for various sized studios based on type of program material being recorded or broadcast.

VOLUME (cu. ft.)	BROAD. CAST STUDIOS	AUDI- TORIUMS	MOTION PICTURE SCORING STAGES
10,000	12	_	_
20,000	25	8	10
50,000	50	9	22
100,000	130	19	36
200,000	250	31	70
500,000	-	62	140
1,000,000	-	105	240

Echo chambers are built using this principle.

The speed of sound is considered to be 1120 feet-per-second. This tells us that for a large room the reverberation time may run into several seconds. Excessive reverberation time causes overlapping of successive sounds, making the program indistinct and sometimes unintelligible.

The reverberation time of a room depends on both the intensity level of the emitted sound and the absorption coefficients of the acoustic materials in the room. The optimum reverberation time for broadcasting and recording studios is shown in Fig. 1A. Experience over many years has determined that there is also an optimum number of musicians for each size room, depending upon the type of program material. This data is given in Table 1.

It will be noted from Table 1 that fewer musicians are used for auditorium work than for either broadcasting or motion picture recording. For broadcasting the tendency is to use more musicians in a given space.

Of primary importance to the sound engineer are the over-all results produced in the studio by reflections, refraction, diffraction, absorption, and "standing waves."

When sound is generated in a room in which the walls are parallel, standing wave systems are set up at certain frequencies, which are dependent on the physical dimensions of the room. The lowest frequency that will produce a standing wave is one whose wavelength is equal to twice the distance between the enclosure walls. Parallel walls will also cause resonant effects at harmonic frequencies. Thus, for a room with a ceiling height of 11¼ feet, resonance may occur at frequencies of 50, 100, and 150 cycles-persecond, and others which are multiples of the fundamental frequency. The wavelength may be determined from the equation $\lambda = V/f$.

Resonance in a room introduces frequency distortion, resulting in peaks and valleys in the over-all response characteristic. It also creates a hangover effect near the resonant frequencies.

Standing waves are produced in a room by prolonged tones, and are the result of two waves traveling in opposite directions. A standing wave is characterized by its production of nodes or nodal points within the room.

The effect of standing waves may be minimized or controlled by increasing the absorption of the room or changing the spacing and shape of the reflecting surfaces.

If the absorption of the room is increased, it may be detrimental to the over-all results by making the studio too "dead," and if the acoustic treatment is selective to frequency the room may become quite "bassy."

To reduce the possibility of standing waves, studio dimensions should be chosen that are not integral to each other. For small rooms the ratio of height to width, to length, is 1 to 1.25 to 1.60. For average size studies, the ra-

tio should be on the order of 1:1.6:2.5.

The reverberation time characteristic not only depends on the decay period of the room but also the diffused distribution of the sound around the room. Dispersion of the sound is obtained by the use of non-parallel walls. and convex or projecting surfaces, which will disperse the reflections in all directions. Dispersion of the sound does not lessen the energy in the room but tends to increase the number of reflections in a given time, thus reducing the intensity of the individual reflections. This results in a smoother decay period for all frequencies, making the placing of microphones less critical.

Figs. 1 and 6 show the interior of the scoring stage built by *Republic Productions, Inc.*, Hollywood, California for recording music for motion pictures. This stage has approximately 250,000 cubic feet of space and covers an area of 65 x 112 feet.

In Fig. 1 are seen several polycylindrical diffusers, or convex reflectors, spaced along the wall extending from the floor to the ceiling. Several more are shown across the rear wall and ceiling. At the front end of the stage, the floor is raised to three different levels to facilitate the proper placement of the orchestra. Motion picture projection equipment and screen are provided for cueing purposes. The mixing console is used for rerecording and special "dubbing" projects. Normally all rerecording is done on another stage.

At the right of the screen is a glassed-in room which is used for recording large choral groups or for other type pickups requiring separation from the orchestra. On the left side is an organ vault.

In Fig. 6 is shown a rear view of the stage and the monitor room where the sound mixer, with the aid of the musical director, monitors and mixes the final recording, which is then carried over lines to the recording department in another building.

Polycylindrical diffusers are constructed of one-quarter or threeeighths inch plywood, and bent into a segment of a circle, as shown in Fig. 3. Each diffuser has a different radius. The sound is dispersed by reflection from its curved surface and by radiation, due to its resonant action or panel vibration, which is set in motion either by the direct action of the original sound or by partial absorption and reradiation of the sound striking its surface. This is illustrated by the "polar curve" response, Fig. 4, which shows the dispersion characteristics of a flat panel compared to a convex

The dispersion by reflection will depend on the size and curvature with respect to the wavelength of the sounds striking its surface. The resonance frequency depends on the damping factor of the material and the spacing of the internal bracing, etc. Flat panels, if placed too close to a microphone, may produce interferences due to the phase differences between

the source of sound and the reflections. Concave surfaces should be avoided as they act as sound concentrators, focusing the sound and causing echoes.

The walls and floor of the Republic scoring stage are of interest, and a cross section of their construction is shown in Fig. 5. The vertical walls are several inches thick, covered on the exterior with a heavy layer of stucco cement. Between the exterior wall and the inside wall is a layer of building paper and a 4 inch layer of rock wool, then a 6 inch air space, another 4 inches of rock wool, and an interior finish of wallboard and acoustic tile. A concrete floor is laid on a layer of loose dirt. Atop the concrete floor is an asphalt base in which railroad ties have been imbedded, to give strength to a hardwood floor which is laid atop the asphalt. This type construction reduces the possibility of low frequency rumble and earth noises being transmitted to the stage.

Although the walls are quite thick and will provide 40 to 50 db. of attenuation for noises originating outside the stage, this is still not sufficient attenuation to reduce the noise of low flying aircraft. To obtain any greater amount of attenuation is not practical from an economical standpoint.

The reverberation characteristics of this stage are shown in Fig. 2B. The solid line is the response obtained by measurement with the stage empty. The dotted line is the optimum response for a stage its size.

The reverberation time was measured using a loudspeaker, at the orchestra end of the stage, supplied with frequencies from an audio oscillator. The oscillator is a special motor driven device. As the frequencies are produced, they are "warbled" by the action of a four-sided cam mounted on the oscillator frequency dial. The tone is warbled approximately four times per second, ± 10 per-cent of the mean frequency. A calibrated microphone picks up the tones from the loudspeaker which are then recorded by a special high speed automatic level recorder on a wax-coated paper tape.

The purpose of the warbled tone is to prevent the formation of standing waves in the room, which might occur if steady tones were used. The warble tone is only required for frequencies below 1000 cycles.

So far, our discussion of sound stages has been confined to those used for the recording of music and broadcasting. But what about stages used for housing motion picture sets and the production of television shows, where the principal pickup is dialogue?

Stages of this type, insofar as general construction is concerned, are about the same as music stages, except that it is unnecessary to go to the expense of isolating the foundation and the floor. Also, no convex splays or similar devices are necessary.

Like the music stage, the walls should be quite thick to reduce interference from the outside. The doors to the exterior are generally constructed along the lines of an ice-box door, with interlocking edges similar to a bank vault door to prevent leakage around the jambs.

The interior walls of the stage are treated with rock wool, blown in between the risers and covered with muslin. Over the muslin is placed a single layer of common fly-screen to protect the muslin from damage. The thickness of the rock wool will vary from 2 to 6 inches depending on the isolation required.

As this type stage is used principally for dialogue pickup, the ambient noise level must be low and the ventilation system well insulated, otherwise a low-frequency rumble may be picked up during low-level passages in the dialogue.

When dialogue is recorded over a flat recording channel from a stage of the type just described, the reproduced sound may have an unnatural quality, and lack intelligibility. This results from the materials used in the set construction, and the reverberation characteristic of the stage. Even the actors' clothing has its effect.

All materials used in the construction of sound stages have a greater absorption at the high frequencies than at the low; thus, reflections increase the low-frequency response, causing the reproduction to become "tubby". This condition varies with set construction, the microphone placement, and distance from the source of sound.

Microphones should be suspended from a "boom" in front of and over the actor, and just out of the camera angle. Means should also be provided to "gun" the microphone towards the actor, as his movements are followed. This will tend to keep the sound quality uniform.

It is the practice in the motion picture industry to use a "dialogue-equalizer" in the dialogue microphone circuit to reduce the low-frequency response. The amount of equalization will depend on the type of microphone used, the set acoustic characteristics, and the type of recording system. Usu-

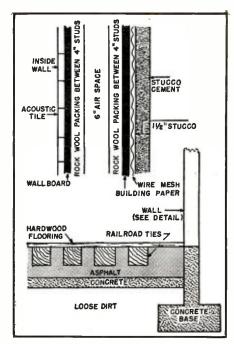


Fig. 5. Cross section of the construction used for the walls and floor of the Republic Production, Inc.'s scoring stage.

ally, these equalizers are designed to attenuate the low frequencies starting about 700 c.p.s. and tapering downward to around 12 db. at 100 c.p.s.

Low-frequency accentuation is also created by the fact that actors on sound stages speak more softly than normal. This increases the low-frequency components in their voices over their normal manner of speaking. To secure a normal reproduction of the actor's voice under these conditions, a dialogue equalizer is used.

It might be desirable under certain conditions to inject a small amount of high frequency equalization into the dialogue, particularly for film recording, to compensate for processing loss. Again this will be determined by the system, and microphones employed. Approximately 4 to 6 db. of equaliza-

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Fig. 6. Opposite end of the studio shown in Fig. 1. The monitor room where the "sound mixer" and musical director monitor and mix the final recording is in center at rear.





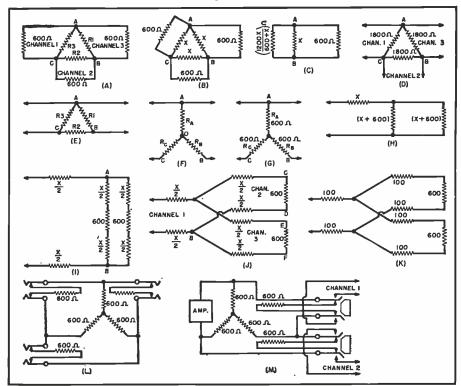
Details on how various resistor combinations can be used to provide the proper matching networks.

T IS sometimes necessary in communication and television work to apply two alternating currents such as speech, carrier, or music currents to one channel. This may be done by means of a transformer, but owing to the electromagnetic fields and frequency losses from the transformer, this method is not always desirable, and another method using combinations of non-inductive resistances is sometimes used. This method involves the formation of resistance networks, called pads, from non-inductive resistances. In the case of 600

ohm circuits it is usual to make matching pads from 1200 to 600 ohms and to connect the 1200 ohm outputs in parallel. There is a third method, shown in Fig. 1A, using a network of standard non-inductive resistors which involves a small power loss but is less expensive than the other methods.

An application of this method is shown in Fig. 1A, where it is used to connect two sources of alternating current to one channel or vice versa. For purposes of matching, it is necessary to make the values R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , shown in Fig. 1A, such that when channels 1

Fig. 1.



and 2 are terminated in their correct impedances (600 ohms), then channel 3 will also be 600 ohms. Fig. 1A may be simplified to the arrangement shown in Fig. 1B. Now, when two resistances, R_1 and R_2 , are connected in parallel, their joint resistance may be found by the aid of the formula:

$$R_T = \frac{R_1 \times R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad (1)$$

If this formula is applied to Fig. 1B, then the joint resistance of the two paths (600 ohms and x ohms) from A to C is:

$$\frac{600x}{600+x}$$

Similarly, the joint resistance of the two resistances (600 ohms and x ohms) between B and C is:

$$\frac{600x}{600+x}$$

These two joint resistance values are in series with respect to the line and thus their total resistance is:

$$\left(\frac{600x}{600+x}\right) + \left(\frac{600x}{600+x}\right) = \frac{1200x}{600+x}$$

The other resistor from A to B (x ohms) is in parallel with this combination as shown in Fig. 1C which is a further simplication of Fig. 1A. Thus, if formula (1) is applied to this circuit, then the joint resistance of the combination will be:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{1200x}{600+x}\right)x}{\left(\frac{1200x}{600+x}\right)+x}$$

This, of course, must equal the resistance of channel 3 and thus:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{1200x}{600+x}\right)x}{\left(\frac{1200x}{600+x}\right)+x} = 600$$

This may be simplified to show that x = 1800 ohms.

Figure 1D shows the resistance network to satisfy the conditions shown in Fig. 1A.

Power Loss of Pad

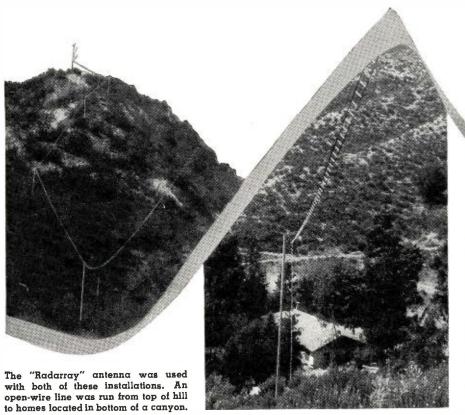
The power loss from each channel to the mixer channel resulting from the use of this pad can be calculated as follows. Assuming a voltage of 10 volts across a source of 600 ohms in channel 3, then the voltage across points A and B in Fig. 1D would be 10 volts and the voltage across points A and C would be 5 volts, as the resistance of the combined resistor AC is equal to the combined resistor CB. The power loss equals:

$$20 \log \frac{E_1}{E_2}$$

and if the information supplied in the (Continued on page 86)

RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS

Novel TV Antenna Installation Overcomes Mountain Terrain



An open-wire line 490 ft. long paid dividends. It was the only answer to this installation problem.

VERY television technician no matter where he operates encounters the challenge of fringe area reception. The three major problems are usually signal strength, interference, and reflection—causing ghosts.

Because the signal strength is liable to be variable, the first step is to locate the strongest signal. A portable TV set or a field strength meter with a half-wave dipole on the end of an eight foot mast should be used to probe the rooftop and surrounding territory. Strength of signal does not necessarily depend upon height; many times the best signal will be found eight feet or so off the ground. The important thing is to locate the strongest signal area and place the antenna there.

V-cone antennas, up to four stacks, are practical if there is no interference or ghost. Experience has shown that the V-cone is adequate for gathering signal, but its directional characteristics are not comparable with other systems. For directional characteristics to eliminate interference and

ghosts, the best type of antenna is the "Radarray." It is a high gain, stacked dipole with multiple reflectors, and has a very narrow frontal lobe with almost a complete null to the rear, and is made by the Gon-Set Co. of Burbank, Calif. This antenna requires careful orientation.

Mountainous terrain presents other problems in addition to weak signal. The only possible signal may be on a hilltop far from the receiver location. For such long runs, twin-lead has too great a loss, and an open-wire line is the only alternative. There is available on the market packaged open wire line suitable for this purpose. To suspend this long line, ten foot thinwall 1" or 14" electrical conduit tubing can be used, and the line fastened to the pole with mast insulators hooked over the line spreaders. Openwire line should be kept taut by springing the steel poles, and should be kept as far as practical from fences, power lines, and trees.

Proper impedance matching must be maintained between the antenna the set. With long transmission lines, any mismatch will affect reception a great deal more than the short lines ordinarily used. Time may be saved by figuring out the line terminations before going to the job. For example, if the job has been surveyed and it is known that a line five hundred feet long will be required, open-wire line is the obvious choice. This line is commercially available in 450 ohm impedance and will have to be terminated by a matching transformer on at least one end. If the "Radarray" antenna is to be used it will match the line; if not, a matching section of line must be used. In any case, a matching section will be required at the set. A bad standing wave ratio, caused by mismatch, will ruin an otherwise good installation. To match a 450 ohm line to a 300 ohm antenna, connect a 3.5 ft. piece of 300 ohm twin-lead between the antenna and line, and solder the remaining end to the open-wire line. This matching section will give a better energy transfer. In general, mismatch between the antenna and the line is not as serious as mismatch between the line and the set. In most cases, matching sections can be made from short pieces of commercially available line. Two useful equations for figuring matching sections are as follows: $Z_5 = \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}$ where Z_5 is the section impedance, Z_1 is the line impedance, and Z_2 is the antenna center impedance (or input impedance) of set. To find the length of line (in feet) required for the section, L = 234/freq. (in mc.).

By ALBERT E. COMBS

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If it is necessary to make up a section of line, use the charts in one of the handbooks, either "Reference Data for Radio Engineers," or the "A.R.R.L. Antenna Handbook," either of which is good.

The main points to remember in mountainous areas are that the an-(Continued on page 108)



TRANSCEIVER for the NOVICE HAM

By CLARK E. JACKSON

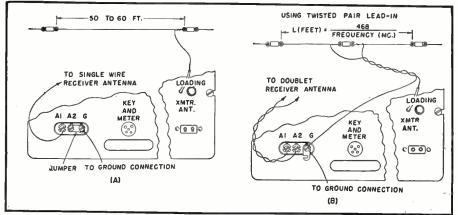
HERE are many Novices who will elect to build their own transmitters and receivers for use after July 1, 1951, providing they have received their Novice Licenses by that time. Others will take advantage of commercial products such as the one to be described.

The equipment illustrated is the *Hallicrafters* Model SR-75 Receiver-Transmitter which includes a complete all-wave radio receiver and a fiveband, plug-in coil, c.w. transmitter rated at 10 watts input. Experience has shown that reliable contacts are made by amateurs using extremely low powered units. It is expected,

therefore, that units used by the Novice will allow many DX contacts. Complete rules and regulations covering the new Novice and Technician classes of stations and licenses are given on page 38 of this issue. The transceiver to be described meets the requirements as set forth for these classifications.

The SR-75 may be used either as a fixed or portable amateur station as well as an auxiliary or emergency station. The unit may be powered from a 6 volt automobile storage battery in conjunction with a 6 volt d.c. to 115 volt a.c. vibrator pack capable of furnishing a minimum output power of

Fig. 1. (A) Details for constructing a single-wire antenna suitable for use with the SR-75 transceiver. (B) Data for building and connecting a half-wave doublet antenna.



Details on a compact unit which is suitable either for Novice hams or as an emergency rig.

fifty watts at from 40 to 125 cycles. The receiver is electrically identical to the *Hallicrafters* Model S-38B receiver with the exception of the rectifier tube which is a 117Z6GT. This tube is used in a conventional voltage doubler circuit as shown in Fig. 2 which is the complete schematic of the transceiver.

Transmitter

When connected as a transmitter. the unit comprises a c.w. crystal controlled oscillator employing a type 12BA6 pentode, controlled by a plug-in type crystal. A slide switch, located on the rear lip of the chassis, is used to operate the oscillator in a fundamental Pierce oscillator circuit or as a frequency doubler in a tri-tet circuit. The output of the crystal-controlled oscillator drives a class C amplifier comprising a 50L6GT and plug-in type tank coils. This same r.f. amplifier tube is also used as the audio power amplifier when the transceiver is switched to the "receiver" position. The output circuit consists of condensers C_{20} , C_{21} while the tank coil is a pi-network composed of the two tuning condensers and the plug-in coil selected for the operating frequency. This pi-network assures substantial harmonic reduction as well as flexibility in feeding various types of antenna systems with resistances ranging from 30 to 600 ohms. In the case of balanced systems, these may be fed with power if the transmission line is at least a quarter wave or longer at the operating frequency.

To eliminate electrical shock hazard, the keying of the final amplifier is accomplished by means of a relay whose power is supplied by two standard 1½ volt flashlight cells. A holder for these cells is contained within the receiver-transmitter cabinet. Because flashlight cells deteriorate with age, the transceiver comes from the factory without these batteries.

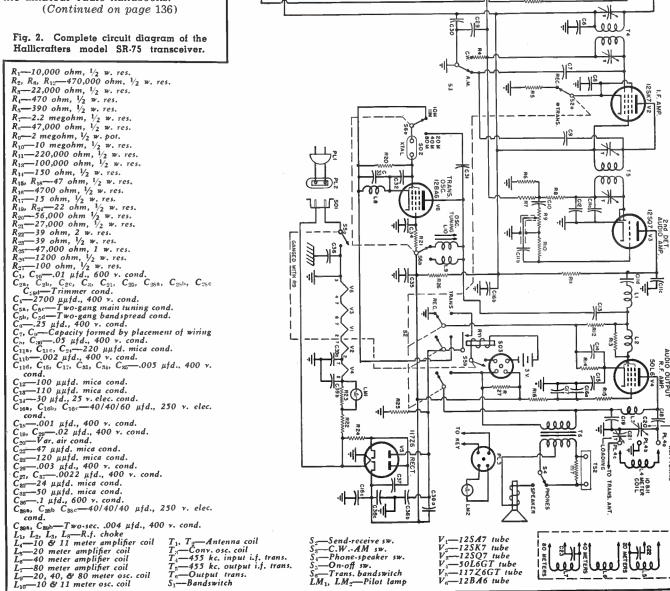
On the rear chassis lip is a 4-prong socket for connecting to the keying relay and to the plate circuit of the final amplifier. A 36" four-wire cable with plug for insertion into this socket is supplied and the two metering leads are provided with an insulated socket which mounts a pink bead, 2 volt, 60 ma. pilot bulb. Under resonant, noload, key-down conditions, the class C

plate current is approximately 15-20 ma. which is not sufficient to light the indicator bulb. However, under off-resonance and load conditions the plate current is about 45 ma. which provides almost full brilliancy.

If the Novice wishes a more accurate indication of plate current and tuning resonance, it is recommended that he use a 0-100 ma. meter connected in place of the pilot lamp.

Antennas

It is necessary to use two separate antenna systems with the transceiver in order to obtain optimum results. The transmitting antenna may be in the form of a single-wire installation or a half-wave doublet. It is recommended that the doublet be used when transmitting on the higher frequency bands. Antenna heights between 35-75 feet are usually suitable for all bands. However, it is necessary to erect the antenna clear of surrounding objects if at all possible. Complete information on the design, construction, and application of many types of antennas has been given in past issues of this publication or may be found in any of the amateur radio handbooks.



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Simple test gadget speeds both "B" voltage and filament checks. It is fool-proof, and easy to use.

TEST prod connected to ground through a 6 watt, 110 volt lamp, and a neon lamp will prove to be a real time saver when servicing radios of the a.c.-d.c. variety, as well as being useful for locating trouble in appliances. Although this article will be confined to describing procedures for use in repairing a.c.-d.c. sets, the reader will readily visualize its applications in other jobs.

The tester is shown schematically in Fig. 1A. It consists of two lamps, a Mazda type S6 6 watt, 110 volt lamp and a ¼ watt type NE-45 neon lamp. They may be mounted on the test panel by using standard 1 inch diameter pilot lamp assemblies with candelabra sockets, located where they are easily seen while peering in and around the radio being serviced. The connections for the test leads should be brought out through the panel. The other side of the lamps must terminate in a good ground. Either the neutral side of the house wiring or a good water-pipe ground should suffice. The effectiveness of the ground should be checked by connecting a test lead

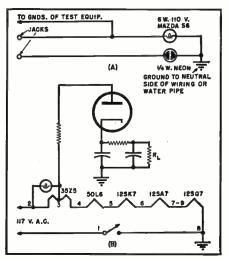


Fig. 1. (A) Wiring arrangement of test unit. (B) Conventional a.c.-d.c. series-type filament wiring. Numbered test points refer to Table 1. Line cord switch must be in closed position when making these tests.

through the 6 watt lamp to the "hot" side of an outlet. The lamp will light with normal brilliancy if the ground

Table 1. Test procedure for checking open filaments, cord, and switch. Test points mentioned refer to those shown in Fig. 1B.

TEST	LAMP LIGHTS	DOES NOT LIGHT	REMEDY
1	See text		
2	OK	Line cord open	Replace cord or plug
1 2 3	OK, Check with pilot lamp temporarily removed.	35Z5 Fil. burned out at	Replace tube, and check out- put tube (See text)
4	35Z5 Fil. OK	35Z5 Fil. burned out	Replace tube and check out- put tube (See text)
5 6 7	50L6 Fil. OK	50L6 Fil. burned out	Replace tube
6	12SK7 Fil. OK	12SK7 Fil. burned out	Replace tube
7	12SA7 Fil. OK	12SA7 Fil. burned out	Replace tube
Reve	rse line plug temporarily for t		
8	Line cord & switch OK ("Hot" chassis)	Defective switch or cord	Repair or replace defective
9	12SQ7 Fil. OK	12SQ7 Fil. burned out	Replace tube
Retur	n plug to original position so connected to "hot" side.		

is satisfactory. Obviously, the lamp will not light if the lead is connected to ground side of the outlet.

While installing the lamps, it would be wise to connect ground leads to the signal generator, signal tracer, scope, etc., terminating them at the lead side of the 6 watt lamp. This will indicate when these instruments have been connected to a "hot" chassis, which is the usual cause of the annoying hum modulation experienced when using such instruments on a.c.-d.c. sets.

Little need be said about the theory involved in this simple device. The 6 watt lamp provides a low-resistance path to ground for small currents, but lights and limits the current to a safe value when the lead is connected to a hot-spot. When checking for burned out filaments in a series circuit, the lamp will light as long as all the tubes between the probe and the high side of the line are OK. The limiting action of the lamp eliminates any appreciable voltage drop through the tubes during the test. The neon lamp is essentially a voltage-operated device which will light with the presence of voltage without drawing appreciable current. It is used in cases where the current drawn by the 6 watt lamp would "upset" circuit conditions.

For the purpose of explanation, a typical a.c.-d.c. power circuit is shown in Fig. 1B. A large percentage of sets is represented by this basic diagram. The test points are numbered in logical sequence. Minor deviations from the procedures outlined will have to be made for other circuits, but after a little practice the reader will readily develop his own procedures.

Assuming the circuit given is applicable to the set being tested, the following steps should be followed:

Turn the set on, then plug it into the outlet. With the test probe connected to the 6 watt lamp jack, touch the prod to the chassis. If the lamp lights, the chassis is connected to the "hot" side of the line.

An exception to this will occur if the line switch is defective and does not close. A line cord or plug that is open between the switch and plug will also

cause the lamp to light.

Trouble of this type may be detected by watching the test lamp when it is touched to the chassis. If the switch, line cord or plug is open, the lamp will light to almost full brilliancy and then gradually dim as the tube heaters warm up. A condition of this type would indicate that the polarity of the line cord is correct. It will also show that the filament string is operating properly but that there is an open in the grounded side of the line cord or switch.

If the lamp lights and holds its full brilliance, it would indicate that the line cord had not been properly polarized and we strongly recommend reversing the plug to avoid becoming an unwilling conductor of 110 volts. (A rubber safety mat is a good precautionary measure if the floor isn't "shockproof.") After re-

versing the plug, recheck the chassis to make sure that there is no voltage present. If the tubes do not light, proceed with the tests outlined in Table 1.

Upon completion of the tests outlined, or if tubes warm up, indicating that all filaments are OK, the following "quickie" tests will show up the most common failures in a.c.-d.c. sets:

Check rectifier plate voltage. Connect probe to plate of rectifier. If lamp does not light, check the surge resistor.

Check rectifier output. Using the 6 watt lamp, connect probe to cathode of rectifier tube. If normal voltage is present, the lamp should light to normal brilliancy. The lamp will draw approximately 55 ma., so this test should not be prolonged. If the rectifier is good, it will withstand this test momentarily. If the emission is low, or if there is a defective filter, the lamp will not light brightly.

Check filter output. Place the probe on the screen connection of the output tube (pin 4 of the 50L6, in this case). Anything less than normal brilliancy in the 6 watt lamp indicates low capacity filters. If the set plays, this fault will usually show up as hum modulation and low volume. Checking the voltage with a meter usually indicates less than 90 volts when this trouble occurs. Replacing the filter condensers is the best remedy for this.

Check output transformer. If the set is dead and voltage is present at the screen of the power output tube, the output transformer is a logical suspect. Placing the test probe on the plate pin should light the lamp. (Don't be fooled by a shorted condenser between plate and screen of the output tube.)

Check output tube for filament-tocathode leakage. This is a common cause of distortion. Although a tube checker will usually reveal a leakage, it may also be checked by connecting the test lead to the neon lamp, disconnecting the cathode bias and bypass, and connecting the probe to the cathode pin. Momentarily remove any of the tubes except the rectifier and output tube. This will cause the neon lamp to glow if there is a leakage. Another method is to leave the cathode circuit undisturbed, and let the set get warm. Then pull out one of the tubes farther down the line (12SA7 or 12SQ7) and carefully watch the 35Z5 and 50L6 filaments. If they continue to light or glow unusually long, there is a leakage in the output tube. The author always makes this check whenever a rectifier tube is replaced, as leakage in the output tube causes excessive voltage across the rectifier filaments and shortens the life of the tube. The latter check can be made without removing the chassis from the cabinet.

Check for plate and screen voltages on other tubes. The neon lamp will indicate the presence of practically all normal voltages in a.c.-d.c. sets as they are in the neighborhood of 90 to 120 volts, which is just sufficient to ionize (Continued on page 135)

Mac's RADIO SERVICE SHOP By JOHN T. FRYE TV AND THE LITTLE GUY

The topic of large TV service operations vs. the small is a controversial one. In the past we have presented the case for the large operation (see "Is the One Man TV Shop Doomed!" in the February 1950 issue and "TV Servicing is Big Business" in the March 1950 issue). With this article we present the other side of the story with John T. Frye going to bat for the small operator. We do not believe that there is any cut-and-dried answer to this question at the present. Only time will tell which type of operation can make the grade most

operation can make the grade most

ARNEY, the "electronic assistant" as he liked to call himself of Mac's Radio Service Shop, stepped inside the front door of the establishment and then stopped dead in his tracks and began to sniff the air like a retired fireman getting a whiff of shingle smoke.

"Oh-oh, Miss Perkins," he exclaimed accusingly to the office girl, "you've been splurging on a new perfume again. No, don't tell me what it is. Let

me guess. I'm pretty good at this sort of thing: Hmm-m-m," he said with his eyes tightly closed and his freckled face screwed up in a look of intense concentration, "it could be either My Secret Sin or Mantrap, but I seem to

be getting just a soupçon of Night of Love--"

successfully.

"I hate to throw your 'soupçon' out of joint," Matilda interrupted with a giggle, "but you're not even warm. If you will stop making that noise like a punctured bellows and open your eyes, you will see that what you are smelling is First April Hyacinths, and they are right here in a vase on my desk.'

"Yeah, M'sieu Jacques," Mac yelled from the service room, "quit waving that anteater proboscis of yours around and come on back here and put your nose to the grindstone where it belongs."

"Okay, okay!" Barney said amiably as he strolled back into the service department, "but I have a little matter I want to talk over with you before we start to work."

"Very well, Junior," Mac said as he shot an amused look at the youth, "but don't think you're fooling anybody. I'm hep to this business of your getting me started on a long-winded lecture just to stave off going to work; but what is the gimmick this time?'

"Oh no, Boss," Barney denied with a pained expression. "You've got me all wrong. This thing really has me worried. Remember those magazines you told me to take home and read? Well,

just before coming to work I finished an article in one of the publications intended for large service shop owners. This writer said television was finally spelling out the end of the 'screwdriver mechanics.' At first I thought

the writer simply meant poorly-trained and sloppy technicians, but as I read on I found him calling these same people 'individual technicians' and 'oneman alley operators.' To him, apparently, a screwdriver mechanic and the operator of a one-man shop were the same person, and he was convinced that these characters were going to be about as common on the American scene as wild bison.'

Mac lighted his pipe before he answered. "This is serious," he said with with a grin that belied his words. "Did the prophet of doom give any reasons for his pessimism?"

"Well, for one thing, he said the little-shop operator did not have either the equipment or the technical knowledge needed for TV servicing."

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CCORDING to a release from the International Monitoring Service, San Carlos, California, its "free service to International Broadcasters, in and outside the United States" was discontinued as of January 1, until further notice. "Resumption of these services, which were performed in the interest of goodwill and better understanding between the peoples of one nation and another, will commence as soon as practical with relation to the necessary reorganization of our group caused by the current conflict and the ensuing national defense preparations. IMS extends its sincere appreciation to the hundreds of short-wave listeners throughout the world who so willingly and unselfishly cooperated with us in the past years in helping us to enable our services to cover a broader scope and serve a greater number of our friends who broadcast the world over."

Radio Club Notes

England—The International Short Wave Club, 100, Adams Gardens Estate, London, S.E. 16, in a recent monthly bulletin, said: "We will send details and a specimen copy of our publication to any address."

This Month's Schedules

(NOTE: This is the time of year when some stations will be going on Summer Time; in such cases, you may find schedules advanced one hour from those listed herein.-KRB)

Andorra-Radio Andorra, 5.992, noted with good level when tuned 1615. (Ferguson, N.C.) Logged recently by Oskay, N.J., on measured 5.9902 at 1648; severe CWQRM; man announced in French, woman announced in Span-

Angola-CR6RO, 7.582, Silva Porto, heard in Sweden 1400-1500; CWQRM. (Nattugglan, Sweden) Radio Australia says this one is heard in South Africa at 1200-1505; QRA is P.O. Box 33, Silva Porto, Angola. Also reports CR6RE, 7.165, is heard in South Africa from 1300. Says CR6RG transmits daily at 1300-1500 on 9.760; that CR6RB, 9.165, is heard in South Africa at 1230-1500, fairly good strength; and that Louanda, 9.470, is heard from 1300 onwards.

CR6RD, 11.922.7, Nova Lisboa, noted 1340. (Oskay, N.J.)

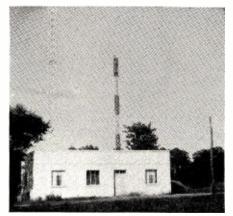
Argentina-New SIRA schedules from Buenos Aires are listed-9.690,

Spanish 1000-1100; French 1100-1200; Italian 1200-1300; Swedish 1300-1400: English 1400-1700; German 1700-1800; Spanish 1800-1900; English 1900-2100 and 2100-2400. On 15.290, Spanish 2100-0100, 1215-1545. On 11.880, Portuguese 0800-1300; French 1300-1430; English 1430-1600; French 1600-1700; Portuguese 1700-2230. On 9.455, English 1600-1750, 2130-0100. Still desires reports from listeners all over the world.

LRS, 9.315, Buenos Aires, Radio Splendid, noted in Spanish 2110-2133 and later. (Patterson, Ga.) LRT, 11.839, Tucuman, heard signing off 2258 after a march. (Russell, Calif.)

Australia-Latest schedules of Radio Australia are 1500-1655, VLC, 15.20, to New Zealand; 1500-1800 (Sat. to 1815). VLA8, 11.76, to British Isles, Europe; 1529-1800 (Sats. from 1559 to 1815). VLB11, 15.16, to Japan, N. Pacific; 1713-1950 (Fri. to 2100; Sat. 1729-2100), VLC9, 17.84, to South and Southeast Asia; 1815-1950 (Fri. to 2100; Sat. 1828-2100), VLA6, 15.20, to Southeast Asia, N.W. Australia; 1950-2230 (off Fri., Sat.), VLG11, 15.21, to Southeast Asia, N.W. Australia; 2145-2315 (Fri. 2056-2145; Sat. 2056-2315), VLB5, 21.54, to Japan, N. Pacific; 2330-0045, VLC9, 17.82, to South and Southeast Asia; 2330-0045 (off Fri.), VLB5, 21.54, to Africa; 2330-0045, VLA6, 15.20, to N. America (West Coast); 0045-0230, VLG11, 15.21, to Southeast Asia (including Thai language program Fri.

Front view of transmitter building at TGNA (Telling the Good News Abroad), missionary station in Guatemala City. The station has been licensed to operate on channels of 1180 kc., 6.040, 9.660, 11.850, 15.100, and 17.870 meters. The first three frequencies have been in use for some time and the 11.850 is expected to be in operation shortly.



0200-0230); 0100-0140, VLC4, 15.32, to French Indo-China (in French); 0100-0140 (Tue.-Fri.), VLH5, 15.23, to Tahiti (in French); 0100-0140 (Sun., Mon.), VLA6, 15.20, to Tahiti (in French); 0100-0400 (except Sun., Mon.), VLA6, 15.20, to China (United Nations broadcast); 0155-0315, VLC10, 21.68, to British Isles, S. Asia; 0140-0315, VLB9, 9.58, to New Zealand, British Isles; 0200-0230 (Fri. only), VLG11, 15.21, to Thailand (in Thai); 0245-0345, VLG11, 15.21, to New Caledonia (in French); 0328-0450, VLB4, 11.85, to Japan, N. Pacific; 0400-0630 (Sun. and Mon. from 0328), VLA6, 15.20, to Japan, N. Pacific; 0328-0530, VLC4, 15.32, to South and Southeast Asia; 0500-0630, VLB4, 11.85, to Southeast Asia; 0530-0600, VLC4, 15.32, to Indonesia (in Indonesian); 0600-0630, VLC4, 15.32, to South and Southeast Asia; 0700-0900, VLC7, 11.81, to N. America (East Coast); 0900-1000, VLA6, 15.20, to British Isles, Europe, VLB4, 11.85, to South and Southeast Asia, and VLC7, 11.81, to N. America (Central and Mountain Time Zones); 1000-1115, VLC7, 11.81, to N. America (West Coast), and VLB4, 11.85, to South and Southeast Asia; 1015-1115, VLA6, 15.20, to Africa. Unless otherwise stated, all broadcasts are English.

Radio Australia's 11.76 channel noted 1645-55 with news; fair to good level in South Dakota. (Lane) Also reported by Hoffman, N. Y.

VLX (or is call VLX2?), 4.897, Perth, has news 0400, 0645, 0800; nice signal in Va. (Saylor) This one noted by Pearce, England, at 1035 with dance music, giving local time as "25 minutes to 12 a.m.;" signed off 1100 with "God Save the King.'

VLQ3, 9.660, Brisbane, sends new QSL card depicting map of Australia; heard at 1450 with test before 1500 regular sign-on; reports should be sent to Box 293E, G.P.O., Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. (ISWC), London)

Bechuanaland-ZNB, 8.230, Mafeking, noted R-6 but with bad CWQRM at 1315; orchestral recordings. (Pearce, (Continued on page 99)

(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.) The symbol "V" following a listed frequency indicates "varying." The station may operate either above or below the frequency given. "A" means frequency is approximate.

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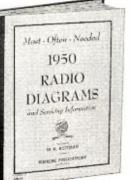
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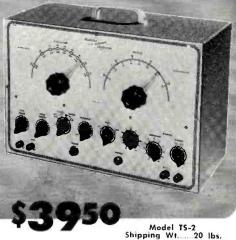
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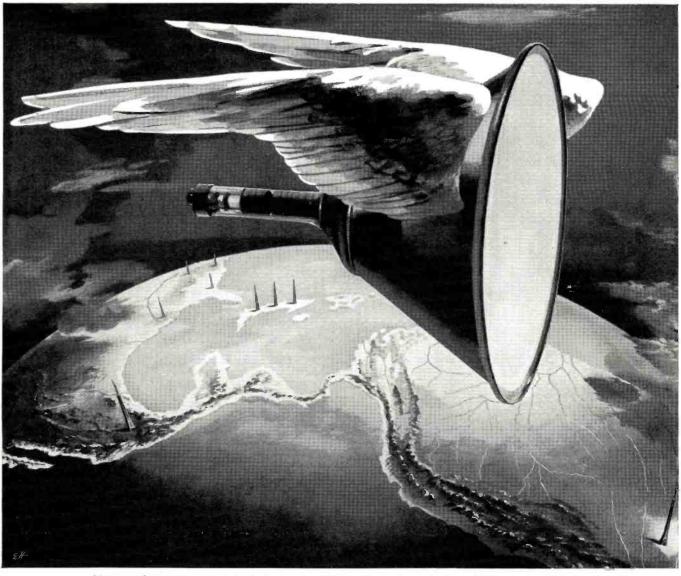
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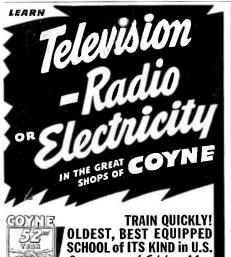
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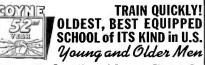


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The "Super-Tracer" features high gain, low input capacity, and a frequency range coverage from 20 cycles to over 300 mc. The instrument is isolated from the a.c. line so that it may be used to check both a.c. and d.c. sets. A large 5" speaker checks for 60 and 120 cycle hum. The probe, which is furnished with the unit, has a polystyrene tip, an aluminum barrel, and

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A data sheet giving full specifications on the Model 201A signal tracer is available from the company on request.

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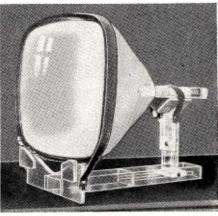
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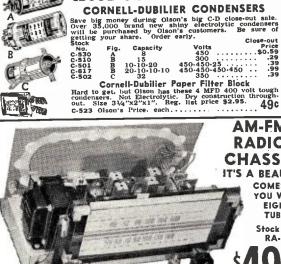
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HAMS will soon be obliged to operate under a new set of rules, which in the main features six classifications of licenses, instead of three: amateur extra class, advanced class, general class, conditional class, technician class, and novice class. The advanced, general and conditional classes represent the new identities for the class A, B, and C licenses. (The amateur-extra tickets will not become available until the first of the year in '52.) The advanced type license is really nothing but a different title for the class A affair, while the others all have requirement variations of one form or another from previous standards. For the complete story on the new setup see page 38 of this issue.

EDUCATION IN TV continued to be quite a topic along Commission row and particularly during on-the-road group meetings and conferences, as the hearings on this thorny issue came to a temporary halt. Madame Commissioner Hennock starred in a personalappearance campaign for TV channels for the educators. Before a session of the Adult Educational Council of Philadelphia, she said that the teachers of our nation should have twenty-five per-cent of the channels or room for 500 stations, a move which would prove . . . "a sound investment in education and cultural development."

Describing the reasons for her firm belief in the urgent need for substantial room for the educators, the Commissioner said: "We have long been proud of our position as a pioneer nation and people. Technologically, this pioneer spirit has developed American television far ahead of the efforts of any other country. And in keeping with our traditions, the enjoyment of this great new achievement has not been limited to the rarest strata of society, to the rich and influential. In fact, TV is found today in more homes of modest and small means than it is in the homes of those who are able to afford the best of everything, including education. . . . A reservation of television channels for educational purposes will be a major factor toward strengthening our educational system and our democratic institutions. In advocating such a reservation, I believe I am advocating the preservation of our sacred American heritage.'

ABOUT ONCE A YEAR, the Commission prepares a series of notes commenting on the progress achieved in the art. This year, they included what might be called a looking-backward section, tracing events back as far as 1912 when the Navy began using the waves in a rather intensive way and

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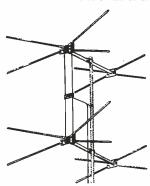
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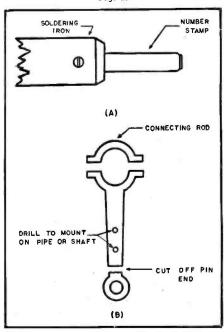
By JOHN V. NEAL, W6JUZ

AFTER many years of reading and A enjoying the magazine I have come up with a couple of ideas that might interest other readers

Marking of coil forms, plastic or bakelite, is not always easy and is sometimes impossible. Number coils for wavemeters, bakelite and plastic strips, etc. can be marked by replacing the tip in the soldering iron with one of the number dies which are usually used with a hammer. This method (Fig. 1A) really works and the heating doesn't soften the stamps or impair their effectiveness when used on metal.

The second suggestion is that of using an old connecting rod from a discarded motor to make a good mount for a "plumber's delight" rotary beam. Cut off the wrist pin end (see Fig. 1B) and use the crankshaft bearing end for a saddle or mount for the boom in the center of the beam.

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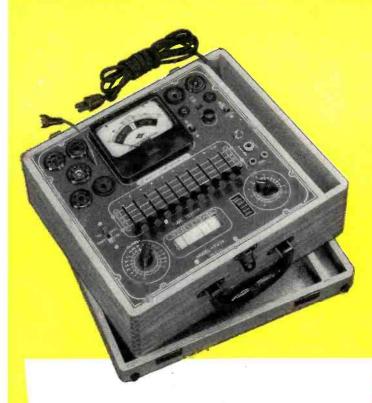
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duplicate elsewhere since the equipment on which they work is out of the range of most educational budgets. Electronic technicians now receive training comparable to that given pilots when the elaborateness of facilities and cost of the courses are taken into consideration. This same thing applies to similar educational facilities offered by the Army and Air Force and to some extent the Coast Guard and the Marine Corps. Very few of the men who received such training will

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A PORTABLE FUSED POWER OUTLET BOX

By JOHN W. SPONSLER

HERE is one of the handiest gadgets around the shop since the invention of the "cube-tap." But unlike its predecessor, this portable power distribution box has several useful auxiliary features such as power switch, fuse, and cord grip, not to mention rubber bumper feet.

The base of the unit is a 3x4x5 inch black wrinkle finished steel utility box. The covers were removed and in one of them was cut a hole large enough to allow the scating of an ordinary five outlet baseboard receptacle. Although only one receptacle is shown in the photo, similar units can be installed on the sides of the box frame. However it is the author's opinion that a much neater appearance would result by adding another box to one end of the existing case and installing a second receptacle in it.

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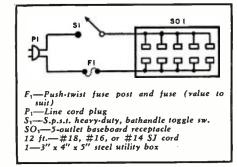


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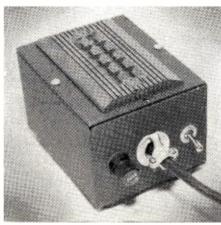
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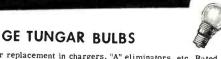
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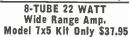


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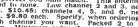
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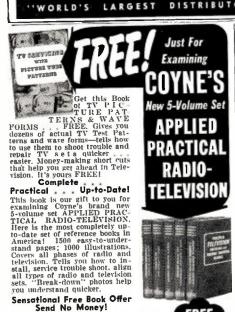
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data is substituted in this formula, then:-

Power loss = $20 \log \frac{10}{5} = 20 \log 2 =$ 6.02 decibel

Delta to Star Conversion

Another connection called the "star" connection has the advantage over the "delta" connection of being a simpler combination, and the delta circuit shown in Figs. 1D and 1E may be converted to the star or "Y" connection shown in Fig. 1F. Now if these circuits are to be equivalent, then the resistance between points AB, BC, and CA in Figs. 1E and 1F must be similar. At a glance it may be clear that in Fig. 1F the resistance from A to O will equal 600 ohms, the resistance O to Bwill also equal 600 ohms, making A to B equal to 1200 ohms as required. It may be mathematically proved, however, that:-

$$R_A = rac{R_1\,R_3}{R_1+R_2+R_3}$$
 $R_B = rac{R_1\,R_2}{R_1+R_2+R_3}$ and $R_C = rac{R_2\,R_3}{R_1+R_2+R_3}$

For example, to convert the delta formation in Fig. 1D to an equivalent star or "Y" formation, then:-

$$R_A = \frac{1800 \times 1800}{1800 + 1800 + 1800}$$
$$= 600 \text{ ohms.}$$

and likewise, R_B and R_C will be equal to 600 ohms respectively. The equiva-lent star or "Y" connection would be then as shown in Fig. 1G.

Practical Application

This type of network has practical application in circuits such as the one shown in Fig. 1L where three balanced channels are connected together via the star connection. This circuit enables two sources of alternating current to be fed into one channel or one source of alternating current to be split into two channels.

Another practical application of the star pad is shown in Fig. 1M where the output from an amplifier may be:-

- (a) Disconnected from both channels.
 - (b) Connected to both channels, or

(c) Connected to either channel.

This arrangement may be also used to mix the output of two amplifiers into the one channel.

There are many and varied applications of this simple circuit arrangement but it must be remembered that the loss of 6.02 decibel is a disadvantage. The use of standard 600 ohm non-inductively wound bobbins considerably simplifies the construction of



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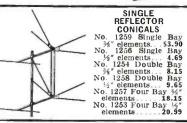


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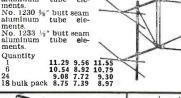




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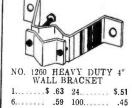


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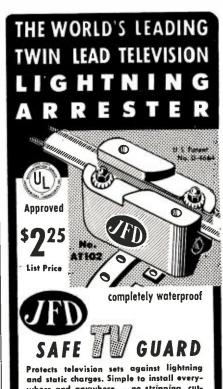
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Matching with Series Resistors

Another method of matching is by the use of series resistances in each branch of individual circuits as shown in Fig. 1J. In this circuit, channels 2 and 3 are assumed to be terminated in their correct impedances, and thus channel 1 must look like 600 ohms. Now the circuit shown in Fig. 1J may be simplified to that shown in Fig. 1I, and Fig. 1I, in turn, simplified to that shown in Fig. 1H. The joint resistance of two equal resistances in parallel may be found by dividing the resistance of one by the number of resistances connected in parallel, and in the case of the two equal resistances shown in Fig. 1H, the joint resistance will be:-

$$\frac{(x+600)}{2}$$

The impedance of the network shown in Fig. 1H must match the impedance of channel 1 (that is, 600 ohms) and thus:-

$$x + \frac{x + 600}{2} = 600$$

therefore x = 200 ohms.

This value of 200 ohms represents the sum of the values of both resistors in each branch of the network and thus each resistor will be:-

$$\frac{x}{2}$$
 or $\frac{200}{2}$ or 100 ohms

The completed circuit will then be as shown in Fig. 1K. This circuit has an approximate loss of 4.44 decibels in each channel which, however, is not a very serious disadvantage. The same circuit arrangements may be used with this method as shown in the previous circuits, and, while not as simple as these, it is nevertheless simpler than the standard matching pad. Another feature of the split pad is that the pad does not affect the frequency response, provided that non-inductive resistors are used.

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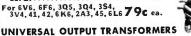
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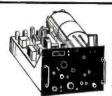
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The new "Power Guard" is rated at 750 va., uses a power transformer with tapped windings, and is electrically



adjusted to keep the output voltage within certain prescribed limits. The relay used in the unit is chatterproof and the unit itself is filtered to prevent interference to radio or TV reception.

Available in a conduit box type housing, the regulator meets certain electrical codes for permanent installations. The semi-portable unit is housed in a well-ventilated gray wrinkle-finish steel case.

NEW NATIONAL RADIO

The National Company of Malden, Massachusetts is currently in production on a new, compact, and low-priced radio receiver, the SW-54.

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the dial has police, foreign, amateur, and ship bands clearly marked. The set features a unique plastic band-

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TEST LIGHT

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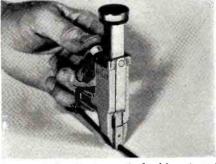
Designated as the "Lo-Volt" test light Model #1300, the new unit is encased in a plastic housing that will stand abuse that would break the average glass test light. Flexible leads with durable coverings 10" long are terminated in spring clips.

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	.0004	2500	2-7	.55	.003	1200	1-6-7	.40
	.0005	600	7-8	.45	.0033	1200	6	.45
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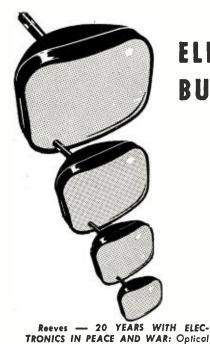
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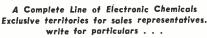
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REMOTE MIXER-PREAMP
Rauland-Borg Corporation of 3515 Addison Street, Chicago 18, Illinois has recently introduced a new self-contained remote mixer and preamplifier, the Model 1904.

This unit is designed to mix four inputs (high or low impedance mikes and crystal pickups) and to feed the program over a remote line to the



main amplifying equipment located at any required distance away, even though the distance is up to several

The Model 1904 may be converted for use with from one to four low impedance mikes by inserting the company's R1002 plug-in transformers. The unit also features a master gain control, separate bass and treble controls, and a self-contained 24 volt a.c. supply and switch for remote relay control of the main amplifying equipment.

Details on the Model 1904, which is housed in a light green hammerloid cabinet measuring 13½" x 8" x 7", are available from the company.

"COBRA"-TYPE HORN

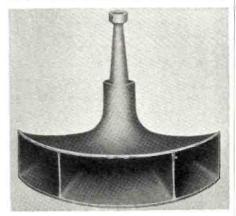
Racon Electric Co., Inc. of 52 East 19th Street, New York 3, New York has announced the development of a new "cobra"-type horn, the COB-11.

Designed for public address systems requiring a high degree of clarity with maximum concentration of sound in the horizontal plane, the horn provides a uniform sound field over a horizontal angle of 120 degrees and a vertical angle of 40 degrees. The unit is of "straight" horn design and is exponentially flared throughout for maximum transfer of energy. The low frequency cut-off design point is 250 cycles.

The horn is built of a heavy twopiece, non-vibratory aluminum casting designed to withstand hard usage

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both indoors and out. It is provided with a rib-reinforced, two-section serrated mounting bracket which permits coupling to a standard 11/4" mounting



flange. Finish is in weather-resistant gray hammertone over a zinc chromate primer.

Complete details on the COB-11 will be furnished by the company on request.

ELECTROLYTIC CONDENSERS

Illinois Condenser Company, 1616 North Throop Street, Chicago 22, Illinois is now marketing a new line of plug-in and twist-prong electrolytic condensers which have been designed to meet the most exacting commercial and JAN specifications.

The new units feature a completely new phenolic molded cap structure that hermetically seals the containers. The hermetic seal, employing moldedin terminals, permits the unit to be



used in all types of installations from adverse marine operations to stratosphere use.

The line is available in both high and low voltage ratings and is suitable for TV and other usual electronic applications in addition to aircraft, fire, police, and other related emergency services for new installations as well as replacements.

NEW INTERCOM

A new type of intercommunication system has been developed by *Talk-O Products, Inc.* of Allen Street, Rochester 6, New York.

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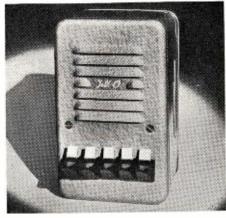
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monize with most surroundings. The master stations are available in either desk or surface models while the remote stations may be had in call box, door, or trumpet styles. Shielded wire is not required and grounding and connecting precautions are not necessary

A booklet describing the new units is available from the company on request.

SUBMINIATURE RELAY

The *Hufco Industries*, 2815 West Olive, Burbank, California has announced the development of a new subminiature, dynamically balanced relay for weight-critical electronic applications.

Tradenamed the "Wizard of Oz," this relay weighs less than ¼ ounce and is designed to meet the specialized requirements for aircraft and missile installations.

The unique design of the dynamically balanced armature gives the Model 1001 high resistance to vibration and shock and sudden changes in acceleration and direction. It is a s.p.d.t., 28 volt d.c. unit with contacts rated at 1 ampere non-inductive load.

COAX LINE TERMINATIONS

New London Instrument Company, P.O. Box 189, New London, Connecticut has announced a new termination for coaxial transmission lines.

The unit which features low stand-



ing wave ratios from d.c. to over 3000 mc. is designed to be used in testing cables, slotted lines, r.f. bridges, sweep

generators, and random noise sources. Impedance is 50 ohms.

The female fitting has been designated Model F-50 while the male fitting is known as the Model M-50.

PROBING TWEEZERS

Hytron Radio & Electronics Corp. of Salem, Massachusetts, has just released the eighth in its series of servicing tools for the technician.

The latest addition is a probing tweezer made of tough polystyrene of good electrical and mechanical characteristics.

The jaws of the tweezers grip firmly and are equipped with both fine and coarse serrations for different sizes of wires, resistors, etc.

The high dielectric properties of the polystyrene minimize detuning while servicing. The tweezers resist strong magnetic fields. The new tool is long enough for safe use in TV circuits and compact enough for application in crowded chassis.

DYNAMIC MIKE

The newest addition to the company's line of microphones is the 50D "Aristocrat" dynamic unit, according to word received from the *Turner Company* of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The new mike is finished in satin chrome and is suitable for TV, broad-



cast, recording, and public address work. The unit is individually calibrated in the laboratory to a response of 50 to 15,000 c.p.s., flat within \pm 2.5 db.

A swivel-type mounting permits the microphone to be tilted in any direction for stand or boom use. A Cannon "Quick-Disconnect" plug makes it quickly detachable for hand use. The mike is omnidirectional and available in 15, 200, 500 ohm or high impedance. The sensitivity is 56 db. below 1 volt/-dyne/ sq. cm.

MINIATURE TUBULARS

Pyramid Electric Company of 1445 Hudson Boulevard, North Bergen, N. J. has just released a new line of miniature tubular paper condensers which have been especially designed for 85 degree C. applications.

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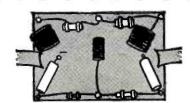
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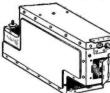


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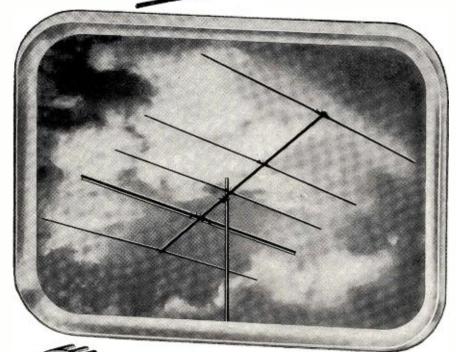


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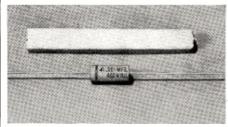


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International Short-Wave

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England) World Radio Handbook lists schedule for this one as 0600-0700, 1200-1430.

Belgian Congo—At the time this was compiled, OTC2, Leopoldville, had returned to 9.767 from 9.800 (where it had suffered severe interference, particularly from c.w.) for the evening (EST) program which closes 0100; 9.767 appears much the better channel; evidently, OTC2 is now using 9.767 for both afternoons and evenings (EST). (Balbi, Calif.; Stark, Texas; Lane, South Dakota; Bellington, N. Y., others)

Brazil-Radio Sweden says Radio Journal do Commercio, Recife, Pernambuco, can be heard in Sweden on 15.130 from around 0400.

British New Guinea-VLT7, 9.52, Port Moresby, noted with mixed voices singing around 0130, then commentary in native; some QSB. (Winch, Calif.)

Bulgaria-Radio Sofia, 7.671, noted recently in English 1500-1530 and 1630-1645; however, the station announced daily English broadcasts for 0130, 1500, 1615. (Pearce, England)

Canada-Latest International Service schedules of the CBC are listed-European Service-0850-1130, CKNC, CKCX; 1130-1545, CKNC, CKCS; 1545-1600, CKCS; 1600-1645, CKCS, CKLO; 1645-1700, CKLO; 1700-1730, CKLO, CKRZ; 1730-1745, CKLO; 1745-1830, CHOL, CKLO. Australasian Service-2330-0005 (except Sat., Sun.), commentaries from the U.N., CKLX, CHOL; 0340-0450 (Sun. and Wed. only), CHOL, CKLO. Caribbean and Latin American Service-1850-2130, CKCX, CKRA; 2130-2235, CKCS, CKRA; English is at North West Territories 2100-2130. (Northern Messenger)-Sun. only at 2320 to approximately 0005 (sign-off varies), CKLO, CKOB. Channels are CKNC, 17.82; CKCS, 15.32; CKCX, 15.19; CKLX, 15.09; CKRA, 11.76; CHOL, 11.72; CKLO, 9.63; CKOB, 6.09, and CKRZ, 6.06.

Cape Verde Islands-CR4AA, Praia, has moved from 5.8925 to 5.9278 (measured), says Oskay, N. J.; heard around Programs are all-Portuguese and closedown is 1700 when signs with "A Portuguesa."

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Chile—CE1174, 11.740, Santiago, noted 2340, good level; at 2345 announced as "Radio Nuevo Mundo," continued with music. (Ferguson, N. C.)

Colombia—HJCF, 5.96, good level signing off 2303. (Bellington, N. Y.) Bogota noted signing on 1300 on a Sunday on 6.200; heard there nightly with strong signal. (Fox, D. C.) Bogota has been noted recently on 5.963 with English at 2205. (Stark, Texas)

HJFA, 4.864, Pereira, noted 2030 with music; HJCW, 4.945, Bogota, heard 1950 with music, airlines QRM; HJGF, 4.845, Bucuramanga, noted 2025 with music; HJBB, 4.815, Cucuta, heard around 2000 with music. (Russell, Calif.)

HJCQ, 4.959, Bogota, noted 2255. (Treibel, Washington State)

HJCQ, 11.68, Bogota, noted with Spanish news in progress at 1805. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Cuba-COBZ, 9.0335V, Havana, measured here 0720 recently; previous measurement was 9.0256; apparently has shifted to avoid severe CWQRM present on former frequency. (Oskay, N. J.) Stark, Texas, also noted this one higher than usual of late, although it still announces as on 9.030.

COBL, 9.833, Havana, comes in fine after 0900. (Saylor, Va.) COKG, 8.955, Santiago, signs off with English announcement 0035. (Russell, Calif.)

Curacao—PJC2, 5.014.3, Willemstad, measured here at 1825; assigned and usual channel is 5.010 (Oskay, N. J.)

Czechoslovakia-Prague, 9.504 and 11.840, noted signing on 1015 with musical program. (Pearce, England) The 6.17 channel noted with English 1715-1730; mentioned 11.875 also. (Bellington, N. Y.) Noted on 11.875 with news 0715. (McWalter, Scotland)

Denmark-Copenhagen's OZH, 15.165, still has broadcasts 0500-0600 on Tue., Thur., Sat.; news 0552. (Pearce, England)

Dominican Republic - HI4T, 5.970, and HI2T, 9.735, parallel, still close 0000. (Grove, Ill.) HI8Z, 5.030, Santiago, noted 2020 with music. (Russell, Calif.)

Ecuador-HC1AC, 6.21, Quito, noted with station announcement in Spanish 2207. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Egypt—There is a "vague" report that the Egyptian State Broadcasting System has added a new short-wave transmitter for its "morning" and "afternoon" transmissions, operating around 7.770, reported heard at 1330. (Radio Sweden) Report not confirmed.

Tanczos, Ohio, reports SUX, 7.868, Cairo, with news in Arabic 1618.

England—At the time this was compiled, BBC schedules for the Western Hemisphere were listed—North American Service (Canada, USA, Mexico), 1045-1215, 17.790; 1300-1500, 15.140; Mon.-Fri., 1415-1545, 9.825; Mon.-Fri., 1545-1700, 9.825, and 1615-1700, 6.110. Special Program for the Falkland Islands (Sun. only), 1115-1145, 21.710, 15.260. Special Program for the West

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dio Sweden) an hour, beginning 1015, on 9.620. (Racasts English programs for more than Ethiopia-Radio Addis Ababa broad-

at 1030-1100. (McWalter) well in Scotland during musical session France-Paris-Inter, 6.200, comes in

1600 sign-off. Balbi, Calif., says that Rodio AEF, 17.84, usually signs off noted this one some days as late as (Pearce, England) Stark, Texas, has Marseillaise" before leaving the air. "until tomorrow evening;" plays "La Brazzaville Time," and closes in French .m.q e" as emit sevig 00dl is ;dlb! call 1330; news in French 1400; call AEF, Brazzaville, noted on 9.960 with French Equatorial Africa — Radio

around 1730. (McWalter, Scotland) lor, Va.) Often noted with music Rabat, has fair signal 0145-0300. (Say-French Morocco-Radio Maroc, 6.005, 1000 but on Sat. runs to 1100.

1400-1600. (Radio Sweden) 0300, 0600-0830, 1300-1800; on 15.347 at has new schedule on 11.895 at 0200-French West Africa-Radio Dakar

from Strauss before 0100 sign-off; in German at 0015; played a selection zig, 9.728, noted with music, then news ute intervals. (Pearce, England) Leipropean languages; bell tolls at 30-min-1800 after calls in various Eastern Euprogram starts 1030; noted leaving air still signs on with bell tolling at 1020; Germany—Radio Free Europe, 6.130,

6.19, heard with German news by man songs; woman announcer; Frankfurt, but severe QRM; popular German Hamburg, 7.29, good 0250 in German by man, possibly newscast; Baden-Baden, 6.32, noted 0148, good signal strong in California. (Winch)

time); signed off with "God Save the King." (Pearce, England) by woman, "Closing until 8 a.m." (local recording and at 1759 call was given 1245; severe CWQRM; at 1256 played with weather forecast, local news, Gold Coast Station at Accra," noted Gold Coast—Zoy, 4.915, "This is the 0203, good level. (Bellington, N. Y.)

England) Maccedonia, 7.950, heard with strong signal at 1500, recordings. (Pearce, Greek Forces Station at 1615. Radio Strong signal noted on 7.050 from a 1530-1545; also heard signing off 0200. with English program on Thursdays Central Greece, 6.745, Larissa, noted Greece-Armed Forces Station in

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> sources, OXI, 5.942, Godthaab, now on heard in USA. According to Swedish reports that these stations have been in Greenlandic and Danish. I have no they carry news from the Danish Radio tadt bns 008.31 bns 078.7 no strago says the "minor" (local) radio stations

> at press time. the air 1645-1715, soon will extend its services, but no details were available

> the "Mailbag" program extends to 2300 Texas, point out that while normal sign-off is around 2230, on Wednesdays 6.040 and 9.668, may also have put III.850 into use. Grove, III., and Stark, missionary station in Guatemala City, Guatemala—By this time, TGNA,

> 2045 with marimba music; consider-TGQA, 6.402, Quetzaltenango, noted or later (sign-off varying).

> weak signal, bad fade, some CWQRM. tioned Magloire Broadcasting Circuit; mercials); identified at 2015; mencommercials (including singing comnoted 2000-2025; all-French; music; able CWQRM, (Russell, Calif.)
>
> Haiti—4VBM, 9.660, Port-au-Prince,

> cordings, announcements in French. (Treibel, Washington State) Prince, noted 1845 with popular re-4VRW, 9.8378 (measured), Port-au-(Patterson, Ga.)

> 4VEH noted on 9.729 at 1830. (Sutton, Ohio) Bellington, N. Y., reports

schedules from Hilversum, the "Happy Holland-According to current sic. Balbi, Calif., reports it on 9.73 at 1030, and on 9.745 at 1730. this one on 9.75 at 1745 with organ mu-

9.59. (Leinbach, N. Y.) to the United States and Canada, 11.73, Africa, Great Britain, Ireland, and Europe, 11,73, 9.59, 6.025; and 2130-2210 Asia, 15.22, 6.025; 1100-1130 to South Asia, 15.22, 11.73; 1500-1540 to South Asia, 15.22, 11.73; 1500-1540 to South Zealand, and the Pacific Area, 21.48, only) for 0530-0610 to Australia, New Overseas Service are listed (weekdays America. English transmissions in the South Anrerica, Africa, and Europe; and 2130-2300, 11.73, 9.59 to North of ,620.8, 1630-1800, 11.73, 9.59, 6.025, to II.73, 6.025, to South and Southeast and the Pacific Area; 1100-1230, 15.22, 15.22, 6.025, to Australia, New Zealand, Sundays at 0530-0700, 21.48, 17.775, Station Program" is listed now for only

2320. (Treibel, Washington State) galpa, "Radio Monserat," noted around Honduras-HROW, 6.6602, Teguci-

.888.9 no rist ; nsiraganH ni. 742.9 no Radio Budapest, Budapest, Hungary. (Kroll, N. Y.) Strong in D. C. at 2350 1955 sign-off. Still asks for reports to noted with good signal around 1930-Hungary—Radio Budapest, 6.247,

with news 1030-1045; VUB2, 4.840, heard with talk III5. (Pearce, Eng-India-VUM2, 4.920, Madras, noted landers abroad; announces "Ut varp, Reykjavik." (World Rudio Handbook) only at 1115-1145 in Icelandic for Icenoted on Sunday at 1115 with call (Pearce, England) Schedule is Sunday Iceland—Reykjavik's TFJ, 12.175,

mornings here in West Virginia with land) The 4.920 channel is fair some

Indo-China-Radio France-Asie, Sai-

acid-flux solder outlasts pounds of rosin-flux solder, but it is always

it is almost certain to result in an open solder something like an i.f. or r.f. coil,

above, it is invaluable, while, if used to is a special-purpose tool. Used as

Other spots where acid-flux solder could be used to advantage have undoubtedly come to your mind. The important thing to remember is that it

casier and usually results in a better job. Use it exceedingly sparingly—just enough to tin the wire, wipe off immediately, and finish with rosin-flux solder, applying heat long enough to cook out any residual acid. The last step is especially important because, of the three samples given, it is the only one where a little corrosion would do any important damage.

easier and usually results in a better each individual strand of wire. Tinning first individual strank makes the task

only after meticulous seraping of rosin-core solder. Rubber-covered "s.c. cord" some-times solders with the greatest diffi-

Tin both parts with it and finish with

Acid flux makes child's play of the job. pulley is impervious to rosin-flux solder. soldering at least once. He usually discovers that either the shaft or the

technician facing the problem has tried generally requires removing the assem-bly from the chassis. Probably every

aging the control or other components

from OTC2, 9.767, Leopoldville, Bel-

Kenya-According to a DX session

Kashmir—Radio Srinagar, 4.865, is

cordings 0345 and still readable in lor, Va.) JKH, 7.257, noted with re-

heard 0130-0400 sign-off weak. (Say-

Jupun-JKI, 4.910, noted 0500-0800 fade-out, fair level; JBD3, 15.225,

around 1830 onwards, fades out occa-

morf 036.8 no eno shift brash asd, basi "old" 4.950 channel. McWalter, Scot-

D.C.) If not found on 3.360, try the

announcing sign-on for 0630. (Fox,

closing down daily 2300 on 3.360 and

Jumuica-Radio Jamaica still noted

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heard to 1130.

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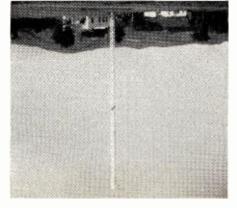
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ready when needed.

coil or a very noisy receiver.

any important damage.

rosin-flux solder,



also supports the m.w. vertical wire. with a 25-meter quad on top. This tower station's tallest antenna tower, 163 feet, voice in Guatemala City. This view is of Transmitter building of TGNA, missionary

the back of the building and shows the

Handbook Bulletin, EPP, 3.930, Tehe-Iran-According to a World Rudio

"Voice of Vietnam"? at 0915 with English news; may be ports an Indo-Chinese station on 6.22 0400. (Balbi, Calif.) Dale, Calif., regon, noted lately on 6.11, signing on

Occasionally, a receiver connes in with a pulley, swedged to a control shaft, loosened. Repair without dam-

regular rosin-flux solder. diw ii oi qriis gailanom edi reblos

cloth to remove any excess flux, you easily and, after wiping with a bit of acid-flux solder makes. The chassis tins solder. But what a difference a little This is what happens with rise and T

and burned knuckles.

As with most laws, however, there are times when it can be safely ignored. Consider the following: sometimes tempted to circumvent

". Thou shalt not use acid-bion solder." Ohm's Law, would rather eat oysters in July than to violate the command TLECTRONIC technicians, who are

when tuned at 1425; is directed to 8.01 and 9.573 with Anglish in progress

still going at 1810; heard recently on

6.255 at 1740 with Italian programs;

I have heard Rome sign on at 1900 on

(Pearce, England) Heard on 9.575 with news 2145-2200. (Patterson, Ga.)

English for South Africa 1345-1430. with strong signal. (Fargo, Ga.)
Italy—Rome noted on 11.91

9.0108, noted opening in native at 1200

Jerusalem." (Sutton, Ohio) Tel Aviv,

program at 1615-1700; announced "Ici

Jerusalem, 6.830, noted with French "Lights Out." (Pearce, England)

followed by sign-off of bugle sounding

gives closing announcements at 1500

noted with varied recordings at 1430;

Jewish Forces Broadcasting Station,"

able. (Grove, Ill.) Also reported by Ferguson, N. C.

Brazzaville but some words are readmorf MAQ had as had QRM from has news 1330 to approximately 1350 Ireland-Radio Eireann, 17.840, still

dle, Newfoundland, on or near this fied station reported earlier by Ped-

1100-1140. This may be the unidentiran, is broadcasting a Persian program

Israel—4X4EA, 6.725, Tel Aviv, "The

Aome noted parallel on 3.97 and

Great Britain at that time.

the 9.575 channel.

Usually, the chassis is dirty and, with sissent of the strap to the chassis. fully for another spot to put the replacement, you decide to solder the still there. After searching unsuccessthe old condenser is now out, the rivet is back and forth until it breaks. Although You are servicing a receiver with, say,

course, with patience, the job can be done at the cost of a few charred parts no room to work, it refuses to tin. Of terrefore you bend the mountaing parts the stranger of the str riveted to chassis and completely sur-rounded by other parts. There is no room to drill out or file the rivet witha defective filter condenser. Electrically, the repair is simple, but mechanically it is a headache. The old condenser, apparently the first part mounted, is a posted to chassis and completely surrivated to chassis and completely Write for Prices and Details Today!

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England) NATTUGGLAN, Sweden, with "God Save the King." (Pearce, noted 1127 and to 1230 when closes Mauritius-Forest Side, near 15.060, reports Balbi. BBC relay 1115, fair signal in Calif.,

noted to after 1630; has CWQRM. Monaco-Radio Monte Carlo, 9.785, reports this one at 2200-2300.

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4.910 lately; noted 1240. CR7BU, listed 4.925, appears as low as Mozumbique—Pearce, England, says

cal numbers, frequent time checks, commercials. (Patterson, Ga.) recently 0002-0035 with request musi-The II.764 channel noted in English

powerful signal. Saylor, Va., recently noted Lourenco Marques on 9.766 testing 0300 with

And opening on 9.83 to 9.835, moved from 9.805. (Bellington, N. Y.)

New Zeuland—ZL3, 11,782, noted on 9.835. The Portuguese program noted from

after 0000. (Roemer) ZL4, 15.28, is heard well in Kentucky 1557 relaying BBC. (Tanczos, Ohio)

New Zealand." (Kinge, N.Y.) land Broadcasting Service" not "Radio Now announces as "The New Zea-

(Stark, Leon, noted to after 2145. Nicaragua—Radio Colonial, 5.983,

(Continued on page 125) stan is at 0210-0220 on 17.770; ancurrently can hear from Radio Paki-Pakistun—Pearce, England, says that the only English broadcast he Texas)

> announcement seems to be simply "Forces Broadcasting Service," Stark a few times 2300-2400 by Stark, Texas; dom heard in USA, but has been logged ton, N.Y.) This is a "good catch;" sel-0900-1400; Sundays 0000-0200. (Bellinguled weekdays 2200-0000, 0400-1130, Service at McKinnon Road, is schedgian Congo, the Forces Broadcasting

> and closing just before 1400. (Pearce, Nairobi, 4.855, noted with "Epilogue"

drama) which probably was a record-"Voice of America" program (an NBC noted the station 1745-1845 with a casting Company, ELB2, Monrovia, Liberia (Africa). On a Sunday, Oskay Dr. John B. West, The Liberian Broader is John B. West, he says. QRA is the station leaves the air; the announctional Anthem is played just before casts to continue;" the Liberian Nafor reports "if you want these broadclose are by man in English, asking ing around 1845; announcements at been heard in New Jersey by Oskay and by myself in West Virginia, clos-Liberia-ELB2, 6.025, Monrovia, has

0530, 0900-1200. (Radio Sweden) oo bafiabar are radiated on S280-0000, 0320-0320, 0320-0320, 0350-0350, 0350-EST 2300)-0245, 0330-0600, 0915-1430. 0400-0600, 1000-1430; Sundays at (Sat. and 9.515 on weekdays at 2230-0030, broadcasts French programs on 6.172 Madagascar — Radio Tananarive

6.025). Also noted on a new channel of (carried parallel over Kuala Lumpur, all-English programs; has news 0630 closedown usually is at 1100; carries most days but on Sat. and Sun. at 0430; England) Singapore, 7.25, signs on 0530 (Pearce, with "God Save the King." 0011 No gaingis bas 2201 is 228.4 no King" is 1030. Same network noted ments and sign-off with "God Save the woman announcer; closing announceluya, 4.780, Singapore, logged 0945; Malaya-Red Network of Radio Ma-

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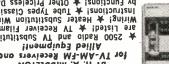
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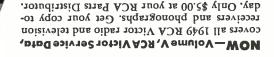
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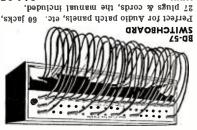
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erated noises. duce the entrance of extraneously gentreated acoustically and baffled to reshock mounted and the inside of vents

The air conditioning system must be

the resonant frequencies. ing of the panels is staggered to vary is varied as well as the size. The brac-

The shape of the diffusers (radius)

possibility of standing waves. diffusion of the sound to reduce the tusers used to give a high amount of

avoided and several polycylindrical dif-Large parallel surfaces should be

this will result in a studio of 16' x 25' 2.5. For a volume of 16,000 cubic feet age height, width, and length of 1: 1.6: be proportioned to give a ratio of averprogram material. The studio should

orchestra to be recorded and the type will be dictated by the maximum size To summarize, the size of the studio them for additional information.

is suggested that the reader refer to

ject of microphone placement and it appeared in this magazine on the sub-A number of excellent articles have

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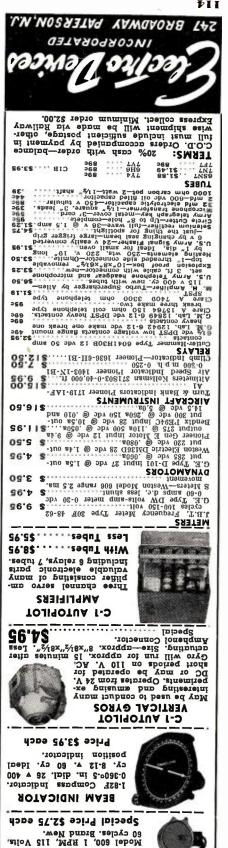
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When recording vocal and piano, the the vocal microphone circuit. the artist. No equalization is used in and balance between the orchestra and sound mixer to secure better isolation chestra in this manner allows the ing the musical director. Separating the artist and microphone from the or-

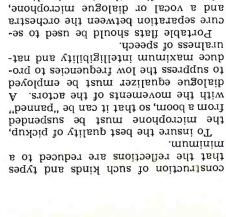
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rate the artist from the orchestra by cal selections, it is desirable to sepaplications of this type.

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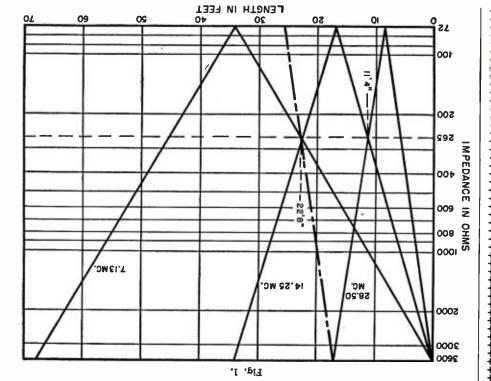
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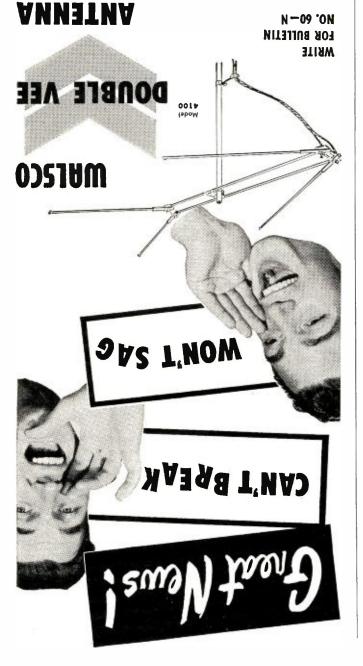
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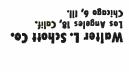
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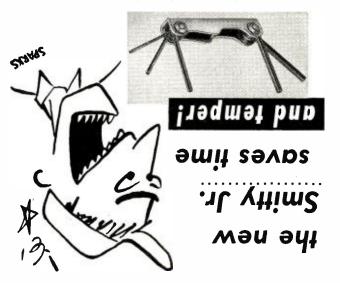
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impedance-length diagram on this fact, wire. We therefore based our final quarter-wavelength on each end of the fect and its influence on the outer

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mon knowledge that harmonic antena radiator on these bands. It is combands, we selected a suitable length for bands but also on the 75- and 80-meter

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subject, and still desiring to operate

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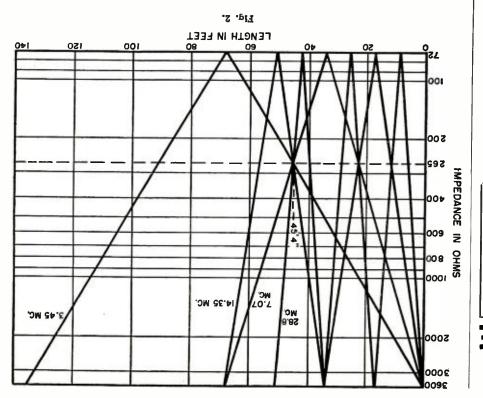
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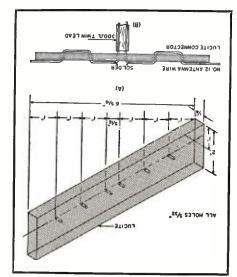


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cated by the diagram of Fig. 2. tance of 45'4" from one end, as indiour feed point to be located at a dislength diagram once more and found top length, we plotted our impedance-Having established the desired flat-

exactly like that suggested by Mr. struction of the feedline connecter is second story operating position. Conmounted on the window facing of the feed point on stand-off insulators top in the clear, so we mounted the it impossible to erect the entire flat-On account of our location, we found

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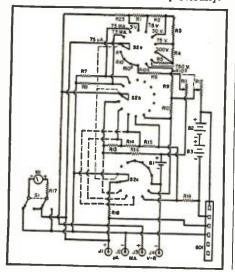
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Dreher in his article, and a sketch of this connecter is reprinted in Fig. 3. The over-all length of feedline employed at present is approximately fifteen feet and operation on four bands has proven to be quite satisfactory. A comparison of this antenna with a standard folded dipole made of 300ohm line was made with several other amateurs and signal reports were equally as good and in most cases 5 db. better.

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In an attempt to simplify the diagram of the v-o-m and grid-dip oscillator appearing on page 46 of the February issue, the ganged switch was shown as having 14 contacts per section. This would be correct in itself if the parts list and text had been altered to correspond with the diagram changes. To avoid any further confusion, we are reprinting the diagram of the v-o-m portion with the correct switch substituted. The dotted lines show the connections which were omitted previously.



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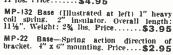
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Control Oscillators

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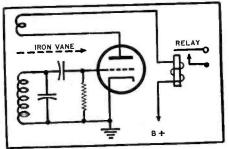


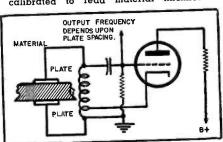
Fig. 4. Control oscillator. When the iron vane is placed between the coils, feedback is impaired and oscillation ceases. When the circuit stops oscillating, its plate current increases and closes relay.

cillating, no grid current will flow and no bias voltage will be developed across the grid resistor. With no bias, the plate current of the tube will increase and the relay will close. Thus, insertion of the metal vane causes operation of the relay. Some types of elevator leveling controls operate on this principle. If the iron vane is mounted under the elevator platform, and an oscillator is located at each floor level, the relay will operate when the elevator is properly aligned with the floor level. If power to the dooropening mechanism is supplied through this relay, it will be impossible to open the door except when the elevator is correctly leveled.

Another variation on this same basic principle involves the control of liquid level in a container. Here, the iron vane is mounted on a float. When the liquid rises or falls to a predetermined level, the vane passes between the oscillator coils and operates the relay. The relay then activates an alarm, indicator, or filling or emptying mechanism.

Sometimes the oscillator coils are

Fig. 5. Use of the oscillator as a thickness gauge. If the thickness of the material increases it forces the plates apart, reducing the tank capacity and raising the oscillator frequency. A frequency meter connected to this circuit may be calibrated to read material thickness.



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made physically small and mounted on the face of a meter. When the pointer needle passes between the coils, the relay is energized. This arrangement may be used to prevent a current or voltage from rising above or falling below a predetermined value.

Fig. 5 shows how an oscillator circuit may be used as a thickness gauge or control. The material whose thickness is to be measured is passed between two metal plates. These plates serve also as the condenser of the tank circuit. If the thickness of the material increases, the plates are forced farther apart. The resultant decrease of capacity causes an increase of oscillator frequency. An FM discriminator may be used to detect this increase of frequency, and its output used to control the machine which determines the thickness of the material. In this manner, constant thickness may be maintained. A frequency meter connected to the oscillator may be calibrated to provide a direct reading of material thickness.

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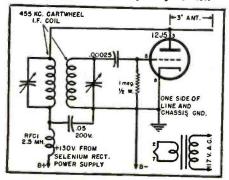
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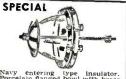
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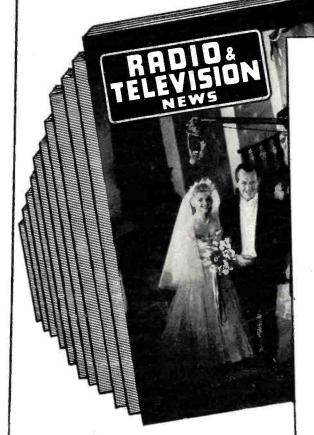
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Manufacturers Engineering & Equipment Corp. of Willow Grove, Pennsylvania has recently issued an 8-page booklet covering its "Sweepmaster I," a video sweep generator.

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Carrier Current

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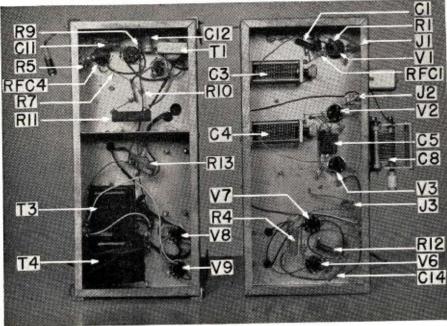
It will be necessary to vary condenser C_* in the grid tank of the 807's as this varies the reflected load on the 6L6. This is sometimes necessary to get the 6L6 to oscillate. Next insert the meter plug into J_2 and tune C_* for maximum reading. While doing this make sure that the meter polarity has been reversed for tuning the 807 grid stage. After tuning the grid tank for maximum, it may be necessary to retune the oscillator stage if major changes have been made. Tune the r.f. final last. Of course it is necessary to have

the coupling link connected to the 115 volt line or some other form of dummy antenna. Tune the final stage for minimum reading.

After the unit was installed in the private home selected as the transmitter site, the oscillator and grid tanks were tuned. The meter was then left in the plate circuit of the final r.f. stages

All that is necessary when putting the unit into operation is to turn the unit on, and then tune the final for minimum reading as indicated on the meter. The control for performing this operation is on the outside of the case where it is easily accessible to the operator.

Layout of power supply and audio chassis (left) and r.f. and modulator chassis (right).



RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS

International Short-Wave

(Continued from page 106)

nounces next English periods for 0700 and 1015 over 15.270, but Pearce has not been able to hear these. Balbi, Calif., reports Radio Pakistan on 11.73 with news 1000. Stark, Texas, notes Pakistan on 9.750 to 0815 sign-off, good signal; no location mentioned. Says the 9.645 outlet is barely audible around 0825; still uses 7.140 for news 0700. Radio Sweden reports Pakistan heard on 9.490 at 1330 and signing off on that channel at 1415. Staples, England, lists Pakistan as heard on 15.27 with news 0110-0120.

Panama -- HP5B, 6.032.5V, heard lately on this channel; measured at 0630; previous measurement was 6.030. (Oskay, N.J.)

Paraguay-ZPA1, 6.275, Asuncion, Radio Nacional, heard 1800 with considerable QRM. (McWalter, Scotland)

Peru-OAX4Z, 5.8985V, Lima, heard 0600 almost every morning; previous measurement was 5.894. (Oskay, N.J.)

OAX4J, 9.3342, Lima, heard with weak signal 2135; Latin American music. (Treibel, Washington State)

Philippines - DZH7, 9.73, Manila, heard 0500 with news; was parallel DZH6, 6.03; evidently dropped 15.30 for "local evening" period; the 15.300 channel, however, is heard at weak level 1800-2000. (Balbi, Calif.) Radio Australia says the 15.300 frequency is listed 2 kw. and that programs are beamed in a westerly direction.

Dale, Calif., reports DZB2, 3.320, at 0800-0900 sign-off (some days is on the air after 0900).

Poland-Warsaw, 6.115, noted recently with news 1300 during its 1245-1315 session. (Pearce, England)

Portugal-Lisbon noted on 9.747 at 1600. (Stark, Texas) Noted in Britain on 11.955 from 1230 sign-on and closing 1430. (Pearce) Heard on 11.955 at 0730, good level in Texas. (Stark)

Lisbon noted on approximately 15.380 signing on with "A Portuguesa" at 0915; heard on 11.955 at the same time but seemed to be carrying a separate program there. (Pearce, England) Lisbon appears to have dropped 11.040 and to be using 9.745 with 11.955 afternoons. (Bellington, N.Y.)

Portuguese Guinea-CQM4 is again using 5.8392 (measured); CMQ7, 6.993, appears to have been discontinued; noted on 5.8392 at 1740. (Oskay, N.J.) Closes 1800 with "A Portuguesa." No English reported.

Verified reception on approximately 5.840 but QSL card listed frequency of 7.948. (Pearce, England)

Roumania-A World Radio Handbook Bulletin lists full schedule of the daily short-wave service of *Radio Bucharest* as 0300-0315, 9.250; 0745-0830, 1130-1500, 11.887, 9.250, 6.210; German at 1300-1330; English at 1400-1430; French at 1430-1500.

Sao Tome-The 4.807 channel noted 1506 with news in Portuguese; call at 1515. (Pearce, England)

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its "local evening" beam at 1130; closedown varies; noted as late as 1310 one day, another day closed 1232; noted on channels of 11.950, 11.850, 5.975, 3.950; all-Arabic programs. (Pearce, England) Noted on approximately 5.975 around 2300-2345 (sign-off varies). (Bellington, N.Y.) Should be parallel at that time on 11.75, 11.85, 11.95, and perhaps 9.645.

South Africa - SABC's "newest" service is called "The All-Africa Service of the SABC." Schedule is Mon.-Fri. 0330-0700, 0900-1045, 1100-1505; Sat., Sun. 0330-1045, 1100-1515; frequencies are 17.750 or 14.230 until 1045, and 11.930 or 9.870 from 1100; carries "A" (English) programs on Tues., Thurs., Sat., "B" (Afrikaans) programs on other days. (World Radio Handbook Bulletin) These broadcasts have been reported as heard by Pearce, England; Bellington, N.Y., others.

Radio Australia says that SABC, Johannesburg, is eager to receive reports from all parts of the world on reception of these transmissions and will acknowledge all correct reports by QSL card.

Southern Rhodesia-Salisbury, 3.320, heard with news 1300; good level in

Scotland. (McWalter)

Spain-A QSL from Radio Nacional de Espana, Madrid, lists frequency as 9.368, power as 40 kw. (Cohn, Ill.) This one now announces during English periods as "Spanish National Radio, Madrid." (Pearce, England)

EDV10, listed 7.170, seems to be around 7.180 of late; noted fair to good 1500-1900 sign-off. (Saylor, Va.)

Valladolid, 7.005, noted 1600. (Har-

ris, Mass.)

Radio Nacional de Espana en Malaga now appears to have English broadcast on Mondays around 1600-1630; frequency is 7.022; the English period normally consists of Spanish songs, folklore, commentary. (Pearce, England)

Alicante, 7.950, noted with strong signal recently 1730-1800. (Sutton,

Ohio)

Radio Sweden says Radio SEU, Madrid, has moved from 7.190 to 7.160. Ferguson, N.C., gives frequency as 7.160V, heard at 1655.

Madrid noted on measured 15.6257 with music when tuned 1135; closed at 1145 with march. (Ferguson, N.C.)

Spanish Morocco-Radio Tetuan is heard at 0900 over 6.030. (McWalter, Scotland)

Sweden - Stockholm 10.76, heard with strong signal around 1940. (Bell-

ington, N.Y.)

Switzerland—Berne has "Mailbag" on Fridays 0815 over HER5, 11.865; HER6, 15.305, and HER7, 17.784, in English beam to Southeast Asia and Japan (this transmission is at 0745-0930); and the "Mailbag" is repeated at 1000 over 11.865 and 17.784 for India and Pakistan (this beam is at 0945-1130). (Grove, Ill.) The 11.865 and 17.784 channels noted parallel at 1145. (Baines, Nova Scotia)

Tahiti-Radio Tahiti, Papeete, at the time this was compiled, was being heard by Balbi, Calif., daily 2300-2345

on 6.140; signal fair. Some U.S. DXers (both East and West Coasts) have heard a station signing on 0200 with "La Marseillaise," using French, on 6.030 or 6.040 that they believe may be Radio Tahiti. Has not been reported to me lately as having been heard on former 12.080 or 6.982.

Taiwan-At the time this was written, Taipeh was still using 11.735 and 15.235 at 2300-0100 (first hour in English); 15.235 channel seldom heard. (Balbi, Calif.) The 11.735 outlet is noted early mornings but usually is buried by COCY, 11.740, Cuba, by 0715. (Ferguson, N.C.) Still noted on 7.133 with news 0630, by Ferguson.

Tangiers-Radio Africa, near 7.125, noted after 0900. (Pearce, England) Radio Sweden lists schedule for this one as 0800-1100, 1400-1900.

Trinidad—VP4RD, 9.625, Port-of-Spain, heard in Scotland 1530 with music. (McWalter)

Turkey-TAS, 7.285, still noted with English broadcast 1600-1645; some days runs as late as 1700. (Goodman, Va.) The 9.465 (TAP) outlet parallels.

USI-YDB3, 7.272, Djarkata, noted 1040 with music; signing off 1130. (Russell, Calif.)

USSR-Radio Moscow noted opening in English on 15.180 at 0900. (Stark, Texas) This likely is for Asia.

Heard in English 0115-0130 on 7.34, 7.32 (announced), 6.11; also noted with English in progress at 1635 on 6.133, 6.000. (Bellington, N.Y.)

Moscow noted signing on 0200 on 7.250 with English talk to USA. (Sutton, Ohio) Moscow is noted daily on 6.02 with English from around 1540 or earlier to 1600 when says will return 1630-1730 on 6.00, 6.09, 7.34, and 1034 kc. m.w. (Bellington, N.Y.)

Current channels announced by Radio Moscow for its North American (English) daily beam are 15.23, 11.89, 9.69, 7.29, 7.25, 6.01; at 1820-2300. (Fox, D.C., others)

Moscow noted on 9.670 with English in progress at 1702. (Harris, Mass.) Heard recently on 11.960 with news 1500-1515. (Sutton, Ohio)

Radio Tashkent, 6.825, has been reported lately around 1100 with talks in *English*; sometimes has severe CWQRM. (ISWL Bulletin)

Petropavlosk, 6.07, heard irregularly, some days entirely off the air; usually signs on 0330, off 0400, back 0530. (Balbi, Calif.)

A Russian outlet on 7.180 usually opens at 2200; at times at least is parallel with 5.980; has clock signal for "6 a.m." (Stark, Texas)

Stalinbad, 7.445, noted 0100-0130 in Russian. (Sutton, Ohio)

Vatican-HVJ's 1000 news is announced for the 19-, 25-, and 31-m. bands. Noted recently on approximately 11.660 instead of regular 11.740; announced next English period for 1315 on 25.55, 31.10, 50.26 and 196 meters. Continued at 1015 with Polish. (Pearce, England)

Venezuela-YVKX, 3.500, Caracas, noted 2100-2230 sign-off; fine level in Va. (Saylor) YVMQ, 4.940, Baraquisimeto, noted 2110 with music; YVKF,

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YVMU, 3.340, heard after 2000; YVKP, 3.400, Caracas, noted after 2100; YVQE, 3.420, Merida, heard evenings. (Sutton, Ohio) YVKD, 5.062, Caracas, noted 2135 in Washington State. (Treibel)

Yugoslavia—Radio Belgrade, 6.100, heard at 1505 in foreign language; fairly good signal in N.Y. (Bellington)

Last Minute Tips

An Indian DX-er has informed Graham Hutchins, DX Editor, Radio Australia, that Nepal operates on 6.60 and

7.000 and has two programs daily beginning at 0330 and 0915, respectively. The first transmission apparently is of short duration, consisting of news in Nepali. The second transmission includes 0915 national songs and announcements followed by news in Nepali; local news and talk continue to 0940, then a five-minute newscast is given in Hindustani, followed by more national songs to 1003 closedown. A later report from Radio Australia says the 7.000 channel has English announcement at 0915 sign-on. At the time this was compiled, Nepal had not been reported as picked up in the USA.

CKLO, Canada, appears to be on 9.635 rather than listed 9.630 now.

INEXPENSIVE TV ANTENNAS

By FRANK R. CANNING

Living in a "Garden Apartment" project where outside antennas were frowned upon by the landlord, I was forced to put my TV antenna inside the attic space of the building. While in the process, I wanted to experiment with the effect of various types of beams, but the expense of such a program seemed prohibitive. However, watching my wife wrap up left-over food in some of the household aluminum foil so popular these days gave me an idea! As the antenna would be indoors out of the weather, there was no need of building a strong structure—so why not make it of foil?

Ten minutes later such an antenna was in place and working very well; an antenna consisting of a piece of cardboard and a strip of foil. With all doubts set to rest, work commenced in earnest, and a rapid series of antennas sprouted forth. Some of the types tried are shown in the illustration. All of these were made by pasting sheets of household aluminum foil on large cardboard or plywood sheets, which were either tacked to the roof rafters or suspended by string so they could be rotated.

The four-element yagi was built of

narrow wood strips—the kind known as "furring strips." Each element was wrapped with the aluminum foil; in the antenna element a half-inch or so at the center is left uncovered.

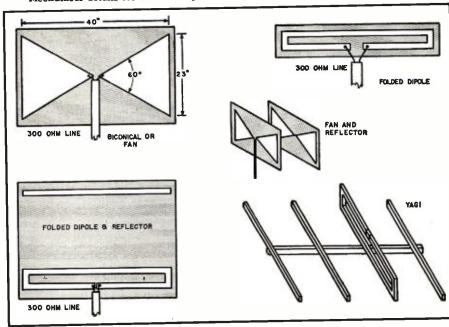
For persons living in fringe areas where a separate high-gain array is needed for each channel, such attic arrays offer a tremendous saving in cost to put it mildly. A sixty foot roll of foil sells for well under a dollar, and contains enough material for dozens of arrays. Naturally, these antennas won't last a week if erected out-of-doors, but in nearly every case an indoor antenna will function just as well. Also, rain or snow have no chance of changing the antenna characteristics. If the feedline can be run down inside the house walls, its impedance cannot be changed by rain-a common trouble with outside installations.

Last, but not least, this idea will also serve for the amateur operator with lots of antenna ideas but no space in the backyard.

One word of caution: Better buy the wife another roll of foil when you start work—she won't be seeing very much of hers!

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Mechanical details for constructing various types of antennas from aluminum foil.



RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS

(Sutton, Ohio; Stark, Texas) CJCX. 6.010, Sydney, Nova Scotia, now has news 1715-1730. (Sutton, Ohio) Also noted here in West Virginia. Hoffman, N.Y., reports CHNX, 6.130, Halifax, Nova Scotia, good signal when checked at 1445 and again at 1835.

Radio Sweden reports that experimental transmissions are being carried out by Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk from Osterloog, Germany, over a new short-wave transmitter on 11.795, output 400 watts; that the Home Service program is relayed on that channel at 0000-1800.

Radio International, 6.11, Tangiers, noted recently at 1530 with commercials, then announcements in French by male announcer. (Bellington, N.Y.)

GDX-aren, Sweden, reports a clandestine station operating in Spanish as "Aqui Radio Euscadi" on 6.090 at 0230-0245.

A World Radio Handbook Bulletin says CSB56, Portugal, is broadcasting on 6.003 at 0500-0700 on Sun. and 1200-1300 on Tues. and Thurs. (CS2EG, Lisbon, is listed on 6.003 but call may have been changed.-KRB)

Bellington, N.Y., has been hearing an unidentified station on approximately 6.090 with Arabic chanting around 2300-2330. Who?

John J. Oskay, N.J., an ISW DE-PARTMENT monitor, now has a monthly page in Short Wave News, London.

An Arabic speaker heard on approximately 3.96 around 2300-2345 sign-off is believed to be Djeddah, Saudi-Arabia. (Bellington, N.Y.)

Anyone interested in getting International (English) Programs reinstated over ZYN7, The Ceara Radio Club, Fortaleza, Ceara, Brazil, should write to Raymond J. G. Staples, "The Listening Post," Quill Hall Farm, Amersham, Bucks., England, who is collecting such requests to forward to the station's officials.

Press Time Flashes

Stark, Texas, flashes that he has heard Radio Belize, British Honduras, on a new channel of approximately 4.965 with news at 1925; heard as early as 1835 and leaving the air 1933 with "God Save the King;" probably moved from 10.598.

Cushen, N. Z., reports Taipeh, Taiwan, heard on 3.220 from 0600 with calls BED9 and BED32; on Sat. has English-Chinese lesson 0600-0630; clear signal. (Radio Australia)

HRXW, 8.990, Comayaguela, Honduras, noted 2249-2307 with strong signal; all-Spanish. (Patterson, Ga.)

A recent World Radio Handbook Bulletin says Radio Tibet is operated by Reginald Fox, Lhasa, and is on the air Mon., Wed., Fri. at 1000-1100 on 7.255 in English, Chinese, and Tibetan. (However, the report has never been reliably confirmed to me.—KRB)

HOLA, 9.505, Panama, noted recently ending English session at 2200, asking for reports, then signing off. (Lane, South Dakota)

SIRA, Buenos Aires, has a new, at-

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A letter from 4VEH, Haiti, says the technician of the station is concentrating on getting a 10 kw. transmitter built before the materials get scarce; expects to retain present frequency; at press time the QSL cards were not yet ready for posting. (Herd, Dela.)

Radio Jamaica, Kingston, sent schedule of 0630-0900, 1200-1400 on 4.950; 1600-2300 on 3.360. Said "frequency of 3.480 was used in the days when this station was operated by the Government. Since July of last year, Radio Jamaica has been operated as a commercial station by the Jamaica Broadcasting Company, Ltd." An earlier verification listed power as 5 kw. and stated that the antennas were designed for 100 per-cent vertical incidence. (Lucas, N. Y.)

Port-au-Prince, Haiti, has been noted by Ferguson, N. C., on measured 8.990

around 1600-1900 sign-off.

Harris, Mass., Stark, Texas., others, report Radio Martinique, 9.700, Fortde-France, can be heard from around 1730 (when a U. S. station leaves this channel) to around 1830. So far, all-French programs are noted.

Schedules from Radio Warsaw, Poland, list English sessions for 1200-1230 on 9.527; 1245-1315 on 11.740; 1350-1420 on 9.527, and 1630-1700 on 7.205; on Saturdays has a "Request Program" when the station answers listeners' requests for music and acknowledges reception reports; says programs for North America are transmitted on 9.570 at 1930-2000, 2300-2330, 0015-0100. (Fox, D. C.)

Moscow, 7.342, noted with news when tuned 0115; at 0130 said would be back at 0200. (Ferguson, N. C.)

OIX2, 9.555, Helsinki, Finland, heard 2200 with news for North America; at 2210 continues in language. (Ferguson, N. C.)

A new one is XECC, 15.205, Mexico City, noted around 1910 to 2120 when signal fades out; seems to relay XEMC and at 1945 announces "for a string of 'XE' outlets." (Ferguson, N. C.)

Rio de Janeiro, 15.3638, heard from around 1830 to after 1930 with native music; excellent level in Calif. (Russell)

Peking, 10.260, noted very weak signing on in Chinese 1800. (Leary, Indiana)

Prague sent North American schedules as 1900-2000, 9.550; 2100-2200, 9.55, 11.84; 2230-2300, 9.550, 11.840; first half-hour of first two transmissions is in English and third period is entirely English. (Garcia, N. J.)

XEBT, 9.625, Mexico City, noted

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weekdays around 2000-0100. (Boggs, Mo.)

HI4T, 5.98, HI2T, 9.735, noted recently with news and *English* talk at 2200. (Balbi, Calif.) Lately these Dominican Republic outlets have run to 2300 or later. (Stark, Texas)

FK8AA, 6.035, Noumea, New Caledonia, is still noted from 0200 to around 0530 sign-off; opens and closes with "La Marseillaise;" all-French programs. (Balbi, Calif.)

At press time, many DX-ers—from New York to Texas—were reporting reception of Monrovia, 6.025, Liberia, late afternoons to approximately 1845 sign-off.

Tips from Peddle, Newfoundland, include—Scutari, 8.170, Albania, 1445-1515. Nova Lisboa, 11.925, Angola, noted 1415-1545. ZEAF, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, sent schedule for 3.320 weekdays at 1055-1500, Sundays from 1300; 7.280 weekdays 0400-0615, Suns. from 0330; 9.490 weekdays 0400-0615, 1055-1500, Suns. 0330-0615, 1300-1500; was using 200 watts on 9.490 and 7.5 kw. on 3.320 when Peddle heard them; gave QRA of Office of the Chief Engineer, Dept. of Posts and Telegraphs, P.O. Box 37, Causeway, Southern Rhodesia. OTH, 9.210, Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, noted 1230-1330. OSK, 10.725, Brussels, heard with identification at 1430. OLR3B, 9.504, Prague, noted 1315-1330. HI2L, 3.290, Dominican Republic, heard 1900-2130. TY04, 9.115, Paris, noted with identification at 1600. Rome, 3.960, noted 1400-1730 parallel 6.250; heard on 9.570 in English 1415-1430; and in English 0600-0630 on 21.580, 17.750, 15.120, 11.810. Belgrade, 15.230, Yugoslavia, noted recently directed to BBC, London, at 1030-1045. CR5SB, 17.677, Sao Tome, noted Sundays 0700-0800, off with "A Portuguesa." TGWB, 6.440, Guatemala, noted with English announcement around 1955.

Finally, from Rio de Janeiro, Serrano sends these flashes-Radio Tamandare is a new station in Recife, Pernambuco, owned by "Emissoras Associadas," Brazil's greatest radio network; has been testing on 3.265 with 1 kw. and on m.w. with 20 kw. Radio Arapuan, Brazil, may have a s.w. outlet in the tropical band soon. La Paz, approximately 9.500, Bolivia, is heard at 1900. New is CE1515, 15.15, Santiago, Chile, "Radio Corporacion," every half hour announces in Spanish, after gongs, and sometimes asks for reports; heard from 1100 to after 1800; signal poor to good; announces stations as CB114, m.w., clear channel of 1140 kc., 50 kw.; CE619, 6.19, 49-m. band; and CE1515, 15.15, 19-m. band. (The latter is also reported by Ferguson, N. C., as late as 2220.

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THEN the writer returned from overseas duty in 1947, TVI was just a problem encountered by other hams. The transmitter in use was a BC-610, and we were sure that, when TV invaded our neighborhood, the excellent design of the transmitter would guarantee no

Fortunately, until 1949, we lived far enough from anyone owning a television set to make that premise valid. Then we moved into a six-family apartment house in Quantico, Va. One television receiver was already installed in the building. Several more families were considering installing sets. There were at least a dozen more sets within 100 yards of the new transmitter location. Quantico is thirty to forty miles from the nearest TV stations, so the writer expected trouble.

The transmitter was installed. Checks with S-36 and SX-42 receivers showed tremendous harmonics all through the v.h.f. ranges. The writer then purchased a Hallicrafters seveninch metal cabinet receiver. All channels were blocked by the transmitter six feet from the TV receiver. So, we started trying every measure we'd read about.

As one ham described it, the trouble wasn't TVI. It was TVE-television elimination. Five months later, we had the transmitter clean enough so that no interference was discernible in the receiver, other than a change in picture size with transmitter keying. This was cured quite easily by using a constant voltage transformer on the television receiver.

Heroic modifications had been made during this period. The r.f. deck of the BC-610 had been shielded, meters shielded, all leads to the supply deck shielded and double filtered, v.h.f. chokes and r.f. chokes installed, extra bypass condensers installed, line filters installed, LC ratios of all tuned circuits decreased, plate-to-ground and grid-to-ground condensers installed on all stages, traps tried (and discarded), low-pass filters of several types tried, one of the parallel 807 buffers removed, plus other measures. We found it

necessary to install a line filter and high-pass antenna filter at the receiver in the early stages of modification.

During the entire period, at least two checks were made after each measure had been tried. The first was made with the TV receiver, in order to get a qualitative check on the success of the measure; the second with the S-36 for a quantitative check. The S-36 was four feet from the BC-610. Additional checks were made from time to time on an SX-42, some thirty feet from the transmitter, and on an S-37 that we couldn't borrow long enough to use continuously.

Certain facts stood out on our final tally sheet. Virtually every measure tried (with the exception of the tuned traps) did some good. Most of them, unfortunately, made only one or two decibels difference in the "interference quotient" of the rig, and the most difficult modifications made seemed to have done the least good. Three measures, the easiest three, had done the most good. These were a shielded lowpass filter, the shield bolted to the transmitter; a shielded line filter, also bolted to the transmitter; and double coaxial lines used for the leads from the a.c. outlet to the transmitter line filter.

Our earlier attempts with the antenna low-pass filters had been made with the filter lying on a table, some two feet from the transmitter. That wasn't effective, so we removed the antenna terminals from the 610, bolted the filter across the holes left on the side of the 610, and ran a lead from the 610 output link into the filter through a hole drilled in the filter can. (Incidentally, several home-built filters were tried, and all worked well. They varied from a 3-section to a 10-section with 6 M-derived sections.)

The same considerations applied to the power line filter. Unless it was shielded, and the shield bolted to the transmitter back, we might as well not have had the filter. The BC-610 uses a "Twistlock" power plug, so the filter can't be bolted over the hole for the plug. We compromised here, and ran flexible four inch leads from the power plug into the filter.

The last measure listed above, the double coaxial power leads, whipped a baffling problem. After everything else had been done, there was still some interference on the two high

channels (7 and 9) we were using for a check. The interference was traced to the BC-610 power lead, and could be eliminated on one channel or the other, by coiling up the power lead or by moving it about. Then, it was noticed that if someone stood near certain points on the power lead, the interference increased greatly. We finally decided that the trouble was caused by incomplete bypassing action of the condensers in the line filter unit. Various condensers of all sizes were tried in the unit, but all were ineffective. (The "Hy-Pass" condensers were not available at the time. These might have cured the trouble.) RG-8-U had worked well in high voltage leads, eliminating TVI traceable to such leads. So, we cut two eight-foot lengths of RG-8-U and used them for power leads. The shields of the RG-8-U were tied together at each end, the shields on the a.c. end grounded to a waterpipe, and the shields on the filter end grounded to the transmitter.

That cured the trouble. Evidently, the 30 $\mu\mu$ fd. of capacity in each foot of the RG-8-U acted as a good longpath v.h.f. bypass.

Thus, after five months, the 610 caused no TVI on our receiver. 80. 40, 20 and 10 meter bands were used. On 80, we used a vertical antenna which ran for forty feet within three feet of our TV lead-in. By this time there were three other TV sets in the building. None of these was treated for TVI (high-pass filter or line filters). None showed TVI. Checks with other neighbors (at least 20 TV sets within 100 yards, by now) revealed no TVI.

Shortly after this, W4PFC, the ham club of the Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, got a BC-610. Major Kozak, W4OUK, director of the club, asked the writer to help clear up TVI there. The station was causing interference over an area with a radius of about a halfmile. We decided to go at it the easy way. A shielded low-pass antenna filter and a shielded line filter were installed and RG-8-U power leads installed. No other corrective measures were taken. All TVI was gone. One man had installed a TV set in the barracks where W4PFC was located. The receiver was only thirty or forty feet from the transmitter, while the antennas were only fifteen feet apart at one point. No interference was discernible on this receiver. W4PFC was being operated on 80, 40, and 20 meters only at the time so no check was made on 10

Since then, these three measures have been taken on several commercially built transmitters, BC-610's, and other types. The measures were effective in every case.

The wiring system is such in some buildings that the power lines themselves can do considerable radiating.

Of course if the RG-8-U is doing its job properly this should not occur, but the addition of a good earth ground will help in difficult cases when all the other precautions have failed to reduce the interference to a tolerable



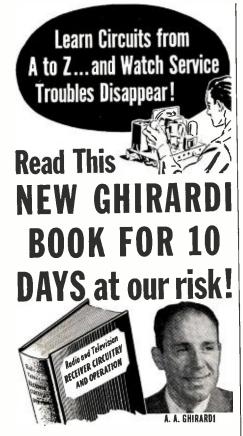
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level. The lead to the earth ground, if used, should be varied in length by experiment as a resonant length may simply add to the woes.

So, if you are troubled with TVI, don't start by ripping the rig apart. If your transmitter is of fairly decent design and is reasonably shielded, try these measures:

1. A shielded low-pass antenna filter, the shield bolted to the transmitter.

2. A shielded line filter, also bolted to the transmitter.

3. Parallel coaxial power leads.

These measures can't be guaranteed in every case, but they may save weeks or months of work.

A few items that were found during our test work may be of interest to anyone working on TVI problems.

1. Don't follow the recommended procedure of working stage-by-stage in TVI reduction, especially with pentode stages, unless each stage is loaded. We spent a month trying to get our 807 stage clean, only to find that it was clean when loaded. No unloaded pentode will be clean unless it is neutralized or made heavily degenerative. We got wise to this when it was found that the 250TH output caused far less trouble than the 807 buffer.

2. When a dummy antenna is used on the rig, make sure that the dummy is shielded. This has caused the writer and others much needless work.

3. In pentode stages using series plate and screen resistors, watch out for dynatron type oscillations when excitation is removed. In our 6L6 buffer, a 50,000 ohm resistor dropped 450 volts for the screen supply, while a 5000 ohm resistor dropped the 450 volts for the plate supply. This stage used cathode bias and oscillated badly when excitation was removed. A check with a v.t.v.m. showed 420 volts on the screen and 290 volts on the plate. Changing to voltage divider screen feed cleared up this trouble.

4. Plate-to-ground and grid-to-ground condensers do more good than any other single measure taken inside the rig. A 5 $\mu\mu$ fd. ceramic condenser direct from grid-to-ground, and from plate-to-ground on lower power stages will be satisfactory. On high power stages, use high voltage vacuum or tubular condensers for a short plate-to-ground lead.

5. Keep plenty of capacity in grid tuning circuits. Remember that grid circuit impedance is much lower than plate circuit impedance in a class "C" amplifier.

6. With capacity coupled stages, use much higher than normally recommended values of coupling condensers. Values in the order of .002 μ fd. at 80 meters, to 500 μ μ fd. at 10 meters make for a much stabler stage than do the usual values of 100 μ μ fd. or less. This will cure a nervous pentode stage, in a great many cases.

7. Don't get discouraged. TVI can be whipped, and with the information available to us now, it can be done in short order.

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Servicing Hints

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the bulb. Excessively low voltages are usually below the striking voltage, consequently they will not light the neon lamp. Plate voltages in resistance coupled circuits will not sustain ionization of the lamp. Placing the probe on the plate of the 12SQ7, for example, will result in a momentary flash, or a series of flashes, but will not glow steadily due to the voltage drop occurring across the plate load resistor when the neon bulb draws additional current (approximately 2.4 ma.).

Check audio coupling condenser for leakage. In the absence of a suitable meter, leakage through the coupling condenser between the 1st audio plate and amplifier grid can be checked with the neon lamp. Disconnect the grid end of the condenser, turn the set on, and connect probe to the loose condenser lead. Leakage will be indicated by repeated flashing of the neon lamp. An initial flash indicates only the charging of the condenser. (Disconnecting the condenser in this manner is a good procedure, even when using a meter. When using a meter, presence of any sustained voltage indicates leakage.)

When using a signal generator or other instruments on an a.c.-d.c. set, it is not uncommon to experience an annoying 60 cycle modulation. Connecting these instruments to the ground as described previously will result in a "clean" signal. In sets with the common side of the line isolated from the chassis, it may be necessary to connect the ground lead from the test apparatus directly to the line instead of running it to the chassis. This can be done safely by observing the lamp to make sure the ground lead is connected to the neutral side of the line.



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By H. LEEPER

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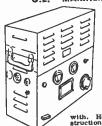
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Ham Transceiver

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If a single-wire antenna is used the over-all length (including lead-in) should be between 50-60 feet. It is connected to the phenolic covered antenna lead which is located at the rear of the set. Details for constructing a single-wire antenna are given in Fig. 1A.

The construction of the half-wave doublet antenna is shown in Fig. 1B. The length of the antenna in feet is determined by dividing the constant 468 by the operating frequency in megacycles. Generally #12 and #14 enameled wire is best for this type of antenna. If the Novice wishes to purchase a ready-made doublet antenna he will find such units listed in the catalogues of leading parts distributors. These antennas are pre-cut and assembled, ready for erection. Since the impedance at the center of a doublet antenna is approximately 75 ohms, it should be fed with a 75 ohm twin-lead, twisted pair, or coaxial transmission line. In all cases the transmission line should leave the antenna at right angles to the horizontal portion of the wire.

One conductor is connected to the antenna lead at the rear of the set and the other to terminal "G" on the terminal strip. If a coaxial line is used the outer shielded conductor connects to terminal "G."

Receiving Antennas

A short, single-wire antenna of approximately 15 to 20 feet (including lead-in) is recommended for general c.w. reception. A full size antenna of either of the types illustrated for transmitting may be used for receiving modulated or weak code signals; however, the same antenna should never be connected to the transmitter and receiver simultaneously (parallel connected). Of equal importance is

the precaution of separating the transmitting and receiving antennas by as great a distance as possible.

General Specifications

The general specifications for the Model SR-75 include a 5" PM speaker with a voice coil impedance of 3.2 ohms. The set uses five tubes plus a rectifier-doubler. The unit is tuned manually and operates from a 105-125 volt, 60 cycle a.c. power supply. The intermediate frequency is 455 kc. and the power consumption is 50 watts. Provision is made for an external antenna with a transmission line or single-wire feed. The headset output is high impedance 1500 to 5000 ohms.

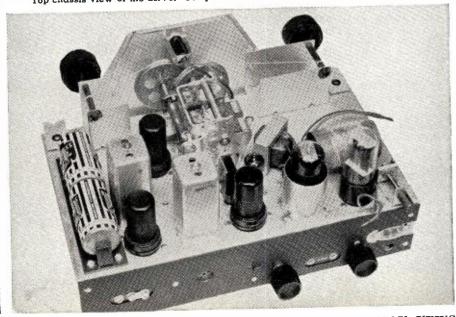
The receiver covers four bands with Position 1 of the band selector switch tuning from 550 to 1650 kc.; Position 2 from 1.65 to 5.1 mc.; Position 3 from 5 to 14.5 mc.; and Position 4 from 13 to 31 mc.

The transmitter has three crystal frequency ranges. From 3.5 to 3.85 mc. provides an output frequency of 3.5 to 3.85 mc.; the 7 to 7.2 mc. crystal frequency covers 7-7.2 mc., 14 to 14.4 mc., and 28-28.8 mc. The crystal frequency of 6.74-6.8 mc. gives an output frequency coverage of 26.96-27.2 mc. The emission is A_1 (c.w.), and the power input is 10 watts. The power output of the transmitter is 71/2 watts on 80 meters to 41/2 watts on 10 meters.

Many of the features incorporated in the design of this transceiver lend themselves to home construction of transceivers and simple receivers. It is well-known that plenty of DX can be worked with "flea power" rigs. The transceiver described can serve either as a beginner's complete station, and in these troubled times, as a standby or emergency transceiver for the more experienced ham. By eliminating the conventional power supply transformer a reduction of weight has been obtained thus making this little unit easily portable and amazingly compact.

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Top chassis view of the SR-75. Compactness is achieved by careful parts layout.



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Mac's Service Shop

(Continued from page 61)

Mac's eyes swept fondly across the gleaming array of instruments on the back of his bench as he drawled, "It will take a stronger argument than that to make me toss in the sponge. You've got to remember that no amount of equipment will make a mechanic good, but a good mechanic can make a surprising amount of equipment-especially during these days of high-quality, low-cost service instrument kits and of many magazine articles that tell how to build broadband scope amplifiers, sweep generators, marker generators, vacuum tube voltmeters, and so on.

"In spite of what some of the calamity howlers would like you to believe, even if you buy factory-made instruments, you do not need enough money to make a down payment on a yacht to buy all of the equipment you require to do a bang up job of television servicing. The fellow who has, in addition to the usual radio shop equipment, a v.t.v.m., a good sweep generator, a scope with good gain and frequency response, and a dependable marker generator is equipped to tackle any TV service job, providing, of course, that he knows how to get the most out of these instruments; and a fellow who has either built these instruments or who has selected them after a great deal of catalogue-thumbing and comparing in an effort to make his limited funds go as far as possible, is very likely to be able to do just that.'

"Yeah, but this writer says the small operator is short on know-how, too."

"That is a generality and is about as worthless as most generalities," Mac said with an impatient gesture. "Some lone-wolf technicians are technically unprepared to do TV work, but I know some mighty, mighty dumb ones who work for the big concerns, too. Come to think of it, where do these big outfits get their technicians? Most of them are recruited from the ranks of the independent technicians - especially those technicians who fail in making a go of their own shops. Wonder what magical quality it is that transforms these former 'screwdriver mechanics' into 'carefully trained technicians' just as soon as they are put on the payroll of a large concern!'

"For your money, then, a small operator is likely to be just as good a technician as a fellow working for a big shop."

"Affirmative! In the first place, a man has to have both initiative and self-confidence to strike out for himself, and these two qualities are the foundation for a good TV technician. When you don't have anyone else to whom you can pass the buck, you just have to buckle down and work out your own problems, and that is precisely how a good technician is made. Then, too, the man who is his own entire technical force has to be familiar

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with every phase of television from the antenna installation right down to the picture tube and the speaker. He is not so likely to be a narrow specialist as is the case with large company technicians.

"Most important of all, though, the little guy has every possible incentive for doing the best work he is capable of doing. He knows that his whole business and all the time and money he has put into it depends upon the quality of the work he turns out. If the ability to work hard and carefully is in him at all, that knowledge will bring it out. Doing sloppy work and loafing on the job is about as smart for the one-man operator as cheating at solitaire."

"Do you think a technician can make as much money working for himself as he can working for a large shop?"

"That is impossible to answer because it depends upon so many variables, of which one of the most important is: how good a business man is the individual technician? Unfortunately, good technical ability and good business ability do not always grow naturally on the same tree, and that accounts for a great deal of the trouble encountered by the small service shops. This weakness has been recognized, though, and more and more space is being given in the trade publications to educating the technician along business as well as technical lines.

"But there is another important fact that no Big Time Operator will probably ever quite understand: money taken in is not the full measure of the independent technician's pay. A mind that is filled with inventories, manhours, depreciation, ten-day discounts, etc., can never quite grasp the deep satisfaction that a first-class mechanic receives from doing a fine job of repairing a broken or defective mechanism or circuit in his own way, on his own time, and with his own tools. There is something creative about that kind of work that makes it altogether different from doing the same thing for an employer's pay. A funny thing about an average American is that he prefers being the whole works of a small machine to being a small cog in a big machine. As long as this is so, we shall have independent technicians; and I hope I never see the day when it isn't so.'

"Don't you think we ought to have large service shops?"

"Certainly we should have them. Large shops are needed, especially in cities, to take care of the immense amount of work that must be done and done fast. I have no quarrel with big shops, but I insist that there is plenty of room and plenty of work in this country for both the large and small shops. What I hate is this attempt on the part of a few large organizations—and it is by no means all of them—to try to 'smear' the independent operator with blanket charges of inefficiency and dishonesty.

"The auto service industry has been going through this same thing for



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years. Every time a new car design comes out, there are a few who cry that this advance will mean the end of the 'alley garages'; but these small garages are still with us and will probably be doing business when cars are equipped with atomic engines. The mechanic who works on my car and truck runs one of these little shops, and I will stack Homer's mechanical ability, thoroughness, honesty, and essential up-to-date equipment up against that found in any garage you can name. He is good enough that his customers patiently wait two or three weeks just to get their cars into his shop and have him work on it personally.

"I think that what grinds the large operators the most is that the independent technician usually charges less for his service than they do. They consider this 'price cutting' and say that such a practice sabotages the advancement of the whole service business. But that really isn't the case. The little guy is simply using one of his few advantages, low overhead, to offer more attractive rates to his customers. The big outfit can buy replacement parts cheaper because of the size of their orders, and they can smother him with their large advertising budgets, but on top of that they still want to set his charges for him!

"These outfits would do well to practice a fundamental business rule that the independents learned long ago: Don't knock your competitor - even your little competitor. Every time a radioman raises the Pharisee cry that other radiomen are crooks and stupid blunderers, he arouses doubts and suspicions in the minds of the people concerning all technicians." -30-

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THE Annual Hamfest and Banquet of the Wisconsin Valley Radio Association will be held Saturday, April 21 at the Youth Building, Wausau, Wis.

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National Defense Training

EVER since the end of World War II military spokesmen have loudly proclaimed that the next one-if it came-would be an electronic-atomic war which could be won or lost in a matter of months. With drawing board plans for extensive radar screens as a prime defense measure and a multitude of electronic devices like guided missiles as the core of the offensive plans for carrying the fight to the enemy, it has long been apparent that a veritable army of trained electronic technicians would be needed.

The present national emergency has been visible on the international political horizon for a long time. The government has spent untold millions of dollars for the work of "Planning Boards" that were supposed to have blue-printed national defense training programs that could be put into operation the minute a military emergency arose.

The service industry, the electronic manufacturing industry, and the armed services are all crying for skilled electronics technicians. But nowhere have we been able to ferret out any evidence of a studied plan to train the army of electronics technicians that, under certain conditions, could be required almost overnight.

Experience has proven time and again that it requires at least two years of training and experience for men with an aptitude for understanding these abstract forces that we term electronics, to become competent technicians on devices for which they are specifically trained—and much longer to reach a state of competence on a variety of electronics gear.

For more than six months our socalled planning boards have marked time on plans for the necessary extensive technician training programs waiting until manufacturing plans were completed and orders placed for the equipment. We presume then that this expensive electronic equipment will be produced and stacked up in warehouses or allowed to deteriorate under canvas in ordnance yards waiting for installation, maintenance, and the operating technicians to handle it.

Radio in Civilian Defense

Among the things we point to with great pride as an indication, or as

proof, of the advanced state of our standard of living is the fact that there is practically no home in the country that does not have at least one radio receiver. And at any hour of any day or night in every community someone will be listening to some kind of a radio broadcast.

This almost universal use of radios provides us with a vitally important device for national civilian defense and protection—the ability to reach the entire populace with a message in a matter of minutes!

And the industry that has grown

up to maintain these millions of radio receivers is, in itself, a phenomenon. The thousands of independent, small businesses that have come into existence to repair radios and to maintain associated mechanical and electronic equipment were not inspired by receiver manufacturers or their distributors. They came into being because the men who are these small businesses felt they could make a living working for themselves repairing radios.

The maintenance of the country's home radio receivers has been carried out so efficiently and unobtrusively that almost everyone takes continued radio set performance as a matter of course.

As a result, we hear no loud voice of protest when we read in a newspaper as influential as the New York Times that: "The electronics engineer or technician is one of the most sought after workers in the U.S. If TV is cut back, or if radio-TV manufacturers find government contracts to keep them going, thousands of self-employed servicemen will be feeding into aircraft plants."

Now suppose that such a statement were made about automobile repairmen quitting their jobs or closing up their repair shops to take jobs in manufacturing plants when the production of automobiles is curtailed. There would be a tremendous hue and cry. They would say that without an adequate supply of new cars to offset retirement from service through obsolescence it would take more mechanics to keep the old cars running. It would be pointed out that our privately owned automobiles give us national mobility-the ability to swiftly move the population from one area to an-

Perhaps no one would bother to say that panicky, frightened people traveling in automobiles without the voice of radio to guide, advise, and direct them would create mass havoc.

Radios deteriorate, too, and they need repairs. There is a smaller percentage of men who possess the aptitude for comprehending the abstract forces of radio than there is for mechanics. And it takes longer for technicians to reach the stage of competence in the maintenance of radio and electronic devices.

It is important right now to realistically appraise the national picture on maintenance facilities as it relates to radio receivers in the home. AM radio is still the "backbone" of our universal communications network. It would be interesting to know the average age of AM radios now in use in the homes. If this average age were known it is quite likely that it would shock most people to learn the tremendous potential maintenance jobbecause of the deterioration through aging-we face to keep these radios going if AM radio production is seriously curtailed or abandoned altogether.

Thousands of people are still using prewar radios for their AM listening, In the event of sudden military developments the bulk of these radios would be in almost constant operation.

They can break down. They can quit operating by the thousands. Deny the independent, self-employed technician adequate supplies of tubes and replacement parts; encourage him to close up shop and take a job in an airplane factory-and you undermine the maintenance foundation for this vast communications network made up of our home and automobile radios.

To a great extent, the failure of the independent service operators and technicians to form an effective national association may prove to be a serious disservice to the American public.

Business, trade, and professional organizations are formed for two major reasons. The first is for the protection of the members employed in a common activity and to encourage the improvement of the services performed by that activity. The second is that through their specialized knowledge of the work they do they can, by means of their national organization, protect users of the services they sell against thoughtless or selfish developments that are not in the best interest of the public. In other words, they are able to police their work for the benefit of the public.

If the radio-TV service industry possessed a strong, national voice today they could render a signal service to the public and the national defense effort by:

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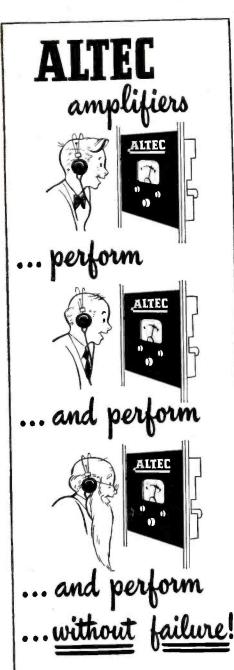
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Association News Briefs

Albert M. Haas was re-elected president of the Television Contractors Association of Philadelphia. Mr. Haas has served as president of this Association since its inception. TCA also reelected Samuel A. Whittingham, vicepresident, and Jack Phillips, secretary. Joseph F. Griffin was elected to the position of treasurer, replacing George F. Weber.

Frank J. Moch was re-elected president of the Television Installation Service Association of Chicago for his fourth consecutive term.

In an editorial in a recent issue of ARSNY News, Max Liebowitz, president of the Associated Radio-Television Servicemen of New York, emphasized the position of the New York State Federation with respect to the kind of a national organization they would support. Mr. Liebowitz pointed out that the "Empire State Federation of Electronic Technicians Association has recognized from its very inception the tremendous importance of an effective and representative national association, and its every effort has been directed toward the formation of such a group.

"The organization of individuals as independent as radio technicians must be on a local basis. Then, if a larger geographical group is desired, representatives from these local groups can organize into a unit such as a statewide organization. Finally, representatives from these state organizations may then move in the direction of their ultimate goal, a national or-

ganization." The ARSD News arrived just in time to bring us up-to-date on the dynamic activities of the Associated Radio Service Dealers of Columbus, Ohio. This group is noted for its forwardlooking programs and several years ago inspired the planning that is now crystalizing in the Bureau's package program series. J. P. Graham is back at his typewriter as editor of the News and the current issue is typical of his rapid, breezy coverage of the many monthly events that keep the Association's members interested in their organization. Officers elected for the current year are Charles Dykes, president; Fred Colton, vice-president; Don Blazer, secretary, and John Graham, treasurer.

Bureau Adds New Service The Lecture Bureau is adding a new service in its expanding program of technical and business lectures for radio and television service operators and technicians. This new service will provide a complete 90 minute service meeting "package" that will enable service association officers and program chairmen to put on professionally-prepared monthly programs for their members without losing a lot of time.





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The Bureau will furnish these complete programs to accredited Associations without charge. In order to qualify for participation in this lecture-program series and to enable the Bureau to co-ordinate meeting dates, radio and television association officers and interested groups of non-organized service operators and technicians who want to study various phases of the technical and business operating problems of the service activity together—should write immediately for complete information on the plan and for a copy of the participation form.

Non-organized groups of service shop operators and technicians numbering ten or more people per group may schedule this entire series provided they select one member of the group who will assume responsibility for the equipment and lecture material which will be loaned to them.

It will be necessary to be accredited by July 1st to qualify for the September program so it will be advisable for interested groups to write for information immediately.

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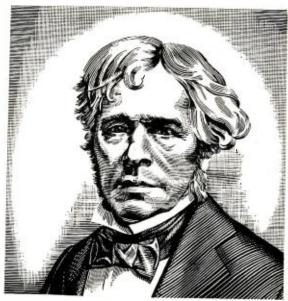
The Pennsylvania State Federation of Radio Service Associations has accepted the Bureau's offer to conduct the first series of meetings using the "package" program.

During the month of March this program was used by seven of the Associations affiliated with the State Federation. The program was presented in Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Reading, York, Williamsport, Scranton, and Wilkes-Barre.

The Empire State Federation of Electronics Technicians Associations have scheduled this first "package" program for their affiliated organizations during the month of April after which it will be given by key Associations in many parts of the country.

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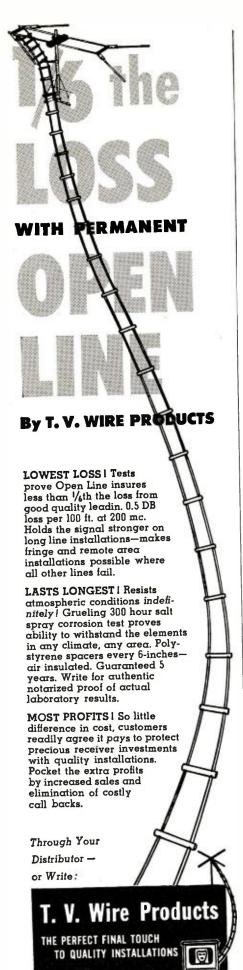


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Nationally known industrial leaders will conduct the discussions pertaining to military and civilian defense and production. They will formulate plans for a closer coordination between military and civilian requirements.

Current problems of communications will be stressed by Leslie F. Muter, past president of the Radio Manufacturers Association, in the keynote address of the convention on April 19th.

Detailed discussion by industries will be conducted in forum meetings by nationally known leaders in the fields of land-lines and radio communications, and photography. Heading the "land-line" forum will be James H. Kellogg, president of the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Company. William J. Halligan, Sr., president of the Hallicrafters Company, and an AFCA national director, will conduct the panel on radio communications. William C. DeVry, president of DeVry Corporation, will lead the discussion on photography.

Visitors to the convention will be accorded the privilege of a personal tour through Midwestern industrial plants producing vital communications, electronics, and photographic equip-

ment.

Climax of the convention will be the annual banquet Friday evening, April 20th, attended by civilian and military leaders who will hear an address by Robert C. Sprague, chairman of the board of the Radio-Television Manufacturers Association, who will chart the course for the communication industry in the days ahead.

AFCA CHAPTER NEWS

Augusta-Camp Gordon

Dr. J. O. Perrine, assistant vice-president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, presented his demonstration-lecture "More Words— More Waves-Less Wires" before the Augusta-Camp Gordon Chapter's Jan-

uary 10th meeting.

Prior to Dr. Perrine's lecture, chapter members attended a dinner-meeting at the Camp Gordon Officers' Club. Guests included Brig. General and Mrs. Halley G. Maddox, commanding general, Camp Gordon; Colonel James H. Howe, chief of staff, Camp Gordon; Colonel Francis E. Howard, commandant, Provost Marshal General School, Camp Gordon; W. H. Mansfield and R. Grist of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company of Atlanta.

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More than six hundred persons attended the lecture as guests.

Raltimore

On January 18th, Dr. Perrine appeared in Baltimore under the joint sponsorship of the AFCA Baltimore Chapter and the Engineers Club of Baltimore and its affiliated societies. The meeting was held at the Maryland Casualty Auditorium and drew an audience of some 1700 persons.

In his opening remarks, Dr. Perrine likened the engineer to "energy" and concluded his theorizing with the development and derivation of the term "imagineering" as applied to those individuals engaged in engineering and research who are interested in the development of new ideas and gadgets

for increased production.

Dr. Perrine, in layman's language, described the equipment used in his demonstration, namely, the signal generator, the oscilloscope, transmitters, and receivers, and showed how each played its part in the transmitting of conversations between locations via wire and radio. The voice frequencies were described and compared with the tone frequencies occurring in a symphony. By viewing the wave patterns on the oscilloscope, it was clearly shown that vowel wave patterns differ with each individual while consonant sounds give the same wave pattern regardless of how many different individuals speak them.

The next phase of the demonstration was the superimposition of modulated waves on carrier signals. First, each of four different conversations were fed through the wires and heard at the other end. Then the four conversations were fed together and the jumbled conversations heard on the other end. By use of the r.f. signal generator, four carrier signals were transmitted and each viewed on the oscilloscope, emphasis being placed on the sine wave effect. Then, one at a time, a modulated wave was superimposed on the carrier signal and transmitted. After all four conversations were combined

with each of the four carrier signals, they were viewed and heard. Following this, all four modulated carrier waves were transmitted and heard at the other end. And then, one by one, the carrier signals were removed leaving the original conversation.

The demonstration was highly interesting and could be readily understood by those in attendance. Dr. Perrine further elaborated on the transmission of hundreds of signals over a single pair of wires in the manner he had so aptly demonstrated.

Chicago

The Chicago Chapter's January meeting was held at the Coyne Electrical and Radio-Television School, 500 South Paulina Street, Chicago. More than seventy members gathered for dinner at the nearby Medical Center YMCA where special catering had been arranged. After dinner, the group reconvened at one of the Coyne lecture halls for the evening program, followed by a tour of the Coyne School while it was in session.

Chapter President Oliver Read opened the meeting with a report on plans for the association's annual convention being held in Chicago on April 19th and 20th.

Raymond K. Fried, Chicago Chapter secretary and legal consultant on procurement, was asked to give the members a brief resumé of his recent experiences with the procurement and industrial mobilization offices in Philadelphia. Col. Fried advised the members representing small business and new business that patience in seeking government business would probably be rewarded by April or May, with contracts for those who convert to military production. The services and agencies are going forward with plans that naturally make first use of the known government suppliers of World War II who have been willing and able to maintain paid staffs specializing in maintaining and developing government supplies in the fields of communications and photography. Fried advised members interested in manufacture for the Signal Corps that Philadelphia is the location where contract details must be worked out, and not in Washington.

President Read next introduced the principal speaker of the evening, Mr. D. B. Miller, educational director of Coyne School, who spoke on "The Value of Technical Training in the Armed Forces." Mr. Miller sketched the rapid growth of technical skills required in the armed services, starting with the relatively modest requirements of World War I days, when the telephone, wireless telegraphy, automobile, and aircraft were just beginning to become significant parts of the military machine. He cited some of the problems of World War II, when service schools were rapidly expanded to train men for technical assignments in aviation, radio, and radar, and it was found necessary to call on public and private schools to supplement the technical training facilities.

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Mr. Miller stated that while the number of trained technicians now serving in the armed services is withheld from publication for reasons of military policy, it is known that the total already exceeds that of the peak period of World War II. The trend of modern warfare, in Korea and at outposts in 16 other foreign countries, places increasing dependence on the installation, maintenance, and repair of electrical communications equipment in greater volume than ever before. A large part of Coyne's problem in World War II and in the present situation is to train men in the fundamentals of electricity, land-line and radio communications who will then be available for the specialized training of the armed services.

Mr. Miller outlined the pattern of training at Coyne, comprising about fifty per-cent classroom instruction and fifty per-cent shop work. Classroom instruction consists of lectures, demonstrations, discussion periods, and the use of visual aids, cut-away models, and manuals of work to be completed under the guidance of instructors. In the visual aid category are slide films, with and without sound, and an estimated seven miles of sound motion picture film subjects. The shop work is done on real equipment, supplemented with specially constructed training aids. The students become familiar with all forms of electrical devices and actually construct, operate, and trouble-shoot radio and television receivers and radio transmitters. Mr. Miller concluded his talk by showing a sound slide film of industrial applications of electronics, designed to acquaint the student with the varied possibilities in that field.

After the tour, the chapter members gathered in a lecture theater to view a timely U. S. Army Signal Corps film, "Guarding Against Sabotage," made available through the courtesy of the Signal Officer, Fifth Army.

A complete coverage of the color TV question was presented to the February 2nd meeting of the Greater Detroit Chapter by Mr. Oscar Kusisto, prominent radio and television engineer from Motorola Inc. His talk included a description and evaluation of the various color systems, the possibility of converting present sets for color reception, and the economic factors influencing the question.

The meeting, held at the Veterans Memorial Building, was presided over by Chapter President E. C. Balch, chief engineer of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, and was attended by one hundred chapter members and guests.

The program concluded with the showing of two Signal Corps films covering the Korean situation through October 1950-"Battle for Time" and "Turning of the Tide."

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Chief credit for the exemplary work of the two hundred persons serving communications is due to Col. Robert Pearson, an AFCA member, who heads up the Philadelphia Chapter's committee on Camden's Communications Civil

Defense.

San Francisco

Captain A. L. Becker, commander of the San Francisco Naval Shipyard, was the principal speaker at the chapter's February 1st meeting, held at the Officers' Club of the San Francisco Na-

val Shipyards.

With "Communications-Weapon for Defense" as his subject, Captain Becker stressed the need for new and faster methods of communication in order to safeguard American defenses, as without communications there would be no defense. He cited the need for the expansion of coaxial cable facilities in order to relieve the shortage of copper now going into numerous wire and cable lines. He also stressed the need for long range television and facsimile equipment, as well as better undersea communications.

Prior to the dinner-meeting, the AFCA members were conducted on a tour of the shipyard by W. R. Pengro, public relations officer of the San Francisco Naval Shipyard. The tour included a trip through a submarine and a close-up view of most of the ships under construction or being recommissioned.

Seattle

Plans for programs at future meetings were formulated at the Seattle Chapter's January 10th meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Building. Demonstrations and lectures on new developments in the communications field will be emphasized. A local representative of the General Electric Company advised that a demonstration of an electronic selector system would be made available for the chapter's June meeting.

The advantages of membership in the AFCA were pointed out to the various guests present by Chapter President Marshall B. James and Membership Chairman Frank D. Keyser.

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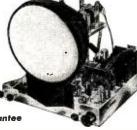
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Operator of a successful servicing business, the author discusses the various facets of the problem of going into business for yourself. Many of the questions cover points not ordinarily considered in books of this type but nonetheless vitally important to the success of the enterprise.

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"RECEIVING TUBE SUBSTITU-TION GUIDE BOOK" by H. A. Middleton. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., New York. 215 pages. Price \$2.40.

With tube shortages again plaguing the technician and manufacturer alike, this revised edition of the publisher's "Wartime Radio Service" which originally appeared in 1944 is timely and helpful.

As pointed out by the author, this book can be used now to make the necessary tube substitutions in radio and electronic equipment and then when the tube crisis has passed may be used as a reference guide for restoring the equipment to its original state.

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Service technicians and others concerned with the repair and maintenance of electronic equipment will find this book particularly helpful at the present time.

"RADIOFILE—1950 ANNUAL", compiled by Richard H. Dorf. Published by Richard H. Dorf, 255 West 84th Street, New York 24. 24 pages. Price 50 cents.

The new "annual" contains an index and cross index of articles covering the audio, radio, and television fields as published by 15 trade journals during the year 1950.

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"HAM'S INTERPRETER" by Pentti Aarnio, OH2SQ. Distributed in the U.S. by Ben E. Wilbur, 32 Whittlesey Ave., East Orange, N. J. 36 pages. Price \$1.00.

This slim little volume packs a lot of information into a relatively few pages.

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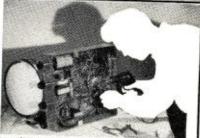
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In the article "A Deluxe Signal Tracer," appearing in the January 1951 issue, an error appears in the diagram on page 66. The lower end of the 6V6 cathode resistor shown in Fig. 6 should be grounded.

The schematic diagram of the converter ("Ham Converter for 2-6-10-15 Meters") appearing on page 49 of the February 1951 issue is incorrect in that the heater of the 9002 oscillator should be connected to the cathode of the tube at the socket instead of being grounded.

The voltage designations on the switch shown in Fig. 2, page 57 ("An Electronic A.C. Voltmeter") of the February issue should be transposed.

The cathodes of the 6L6 tubes in Fig. 7 in the article "A Flexible Record-Reproduce System" (February 1951, not be tied together.

In Fig. 1 of the article "A Self-Equalizing Preamp," appearing on page 49 in the November 1950 issue, a 470,000 ohm resistor should be inserted between C_7 and the top end of R_{11} .

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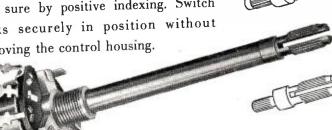
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