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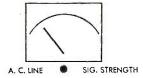
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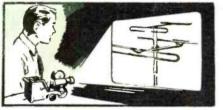


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The acquisition by CBS of Hytron and Air King means that this company now has accesss to manufacturing facilities for both TV picture tubes and complete receivers. Since *Hytron* is an RCA licensee, it is reasonable to assume that CBS will now have available to it all the information concerning the RCA tri-color tube, together with the privilege of manufacturing the tube under an RCA license. Such a development would give the CBS color TV system a big boost, as it would transform it from a mechanical to an all-electronic system. Furthermore, if other manufacturers declined to produce CBS color receivers, CBS could manufacture them in the *Hytron* plant. Such developments would undoubtedly take place very rapidly in case of a Supreme Court decision favorable to CBS in the FCC-CBS-RCA controversy now under consideration.

Developments in other directions are taking place even more rapidly. Hazeltine has more or less taken the lead in proving that it is possible to produce a highly satisfactory color picture using only a 4 mc. bandwidth for the picture information. This picture has definition fully equivalent to our present black-and-white pictures, and the color information which has been added produces pictures as good as our present Kodachrome, both with respect to definition and color fidelity, which has met very wide acceptance among the general public. Development of this quality picture in a 4 mc. bandwidth has been made possible by an invention reported by Bell Labs in the 1930's and independently rediscovered in recent years by several observers.

It appears that the bulk of the information in a conventional TV picture is carried by harmonics of the horizontal scanning frequency. This leaves "holes" in the frequency spectrum which are wasted in ordinary transmissions. These "holes" are at odd harmonics of half the horizontal scanning frequency. By ingenious methods, such as "frequency interlace", it has been found possible to utilize these "holes" to insert color information for a TV picture without interfering with the black-and-white information. Thus a complete color picture may be transmitted on a 4 mc. bandwidth, and together with the sound channel and guard bands, this picture may be transmitted in a 6 mc. channel.

Intensive research work is now underway on various schemes for accomplishing the principles mentioned above. G-E expects to have a transmitter and receivers under test by midsummer, and RCA is of course continuing to improve its dot-interlace system. Hazeltine, Philco, and others are hard at work on various projects. It should be mentioned that all of these latter systems are compatible, that is, color transmissions can be received in black-and-white on all receivers which have been manufactured to date. This is a tremendous advantage over a noncompatible system, as the broadcasters already have an audience.

Any color television system depends a great deal on the development of a suitable tri-color tube. *RCA* has made great strides in this direction, and has an experimental tube which gives highly satisfactory results. Stanford Research is working on the *Geer* color tube in which the three color phosphors are applied to the sides of tiny triangular pyramids, and then separate guns used for each color. Other companies are working on still other schemes.

With all these developments, it appears highly probable that within a year there will be enough experimental evidence accumulated to enable engineers to determine which of the many systems under test will provide the most satisfactory color TV performance. At least one highly qualified observer has expressed the opinion that when engineers can agree on such a system and can back their decision up with experimental evidence, they will receive a favorable hearing from the FCC, irrespective of the Supreme Court decision in the present controversy. It appears, then, that in spite of the defense emergency, an allelectronic, compatible, high-quality color TV system will be available for the general public within a reasonable period of time.

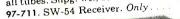
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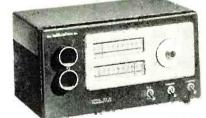
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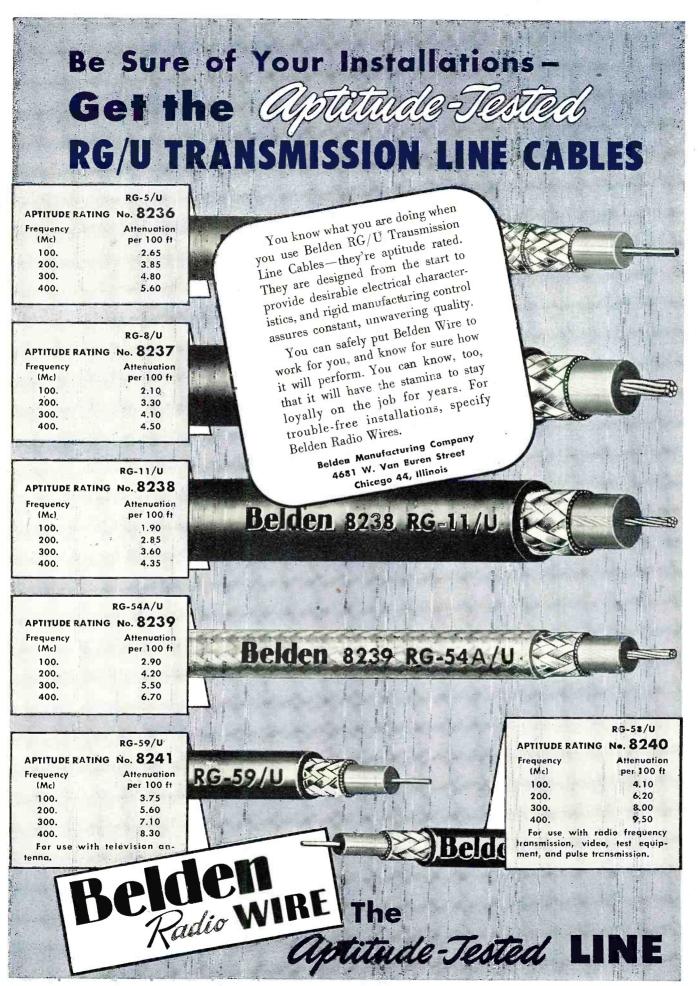
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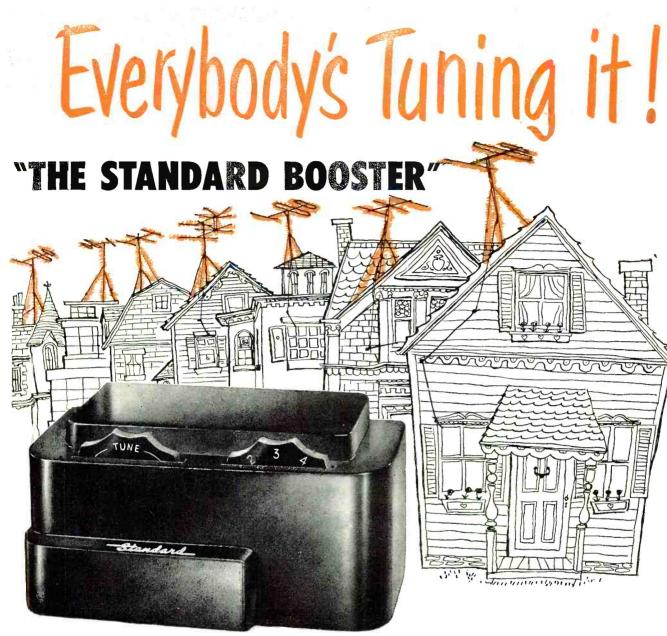
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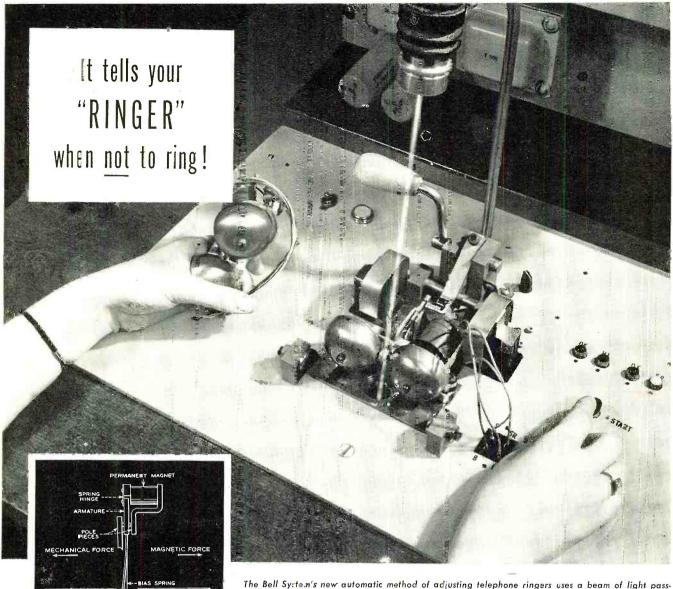
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By RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS' WASHINGTON EDITOR

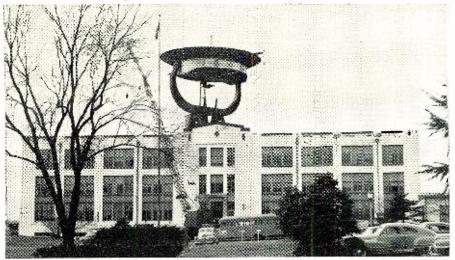
TV, which has been showered with bright predictions for a rosy future, many of which fortunately have come true, now appears to be on the road to even greater triumphs, according to the government's sight and sound-lane watchmen, particularly the headman of the group, Wayne Coy. With the newly proposed high-band plan to support this enthusiasm, he declared during a meeting of National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters in Chicago, that the ultra-high stations in the future . . . "will be able to cover almost any metropolitan area and a very large part of the rural areas with adequate television service."

Admitting that he was not unaware of the problems on the higher bands, involving the high-power requirements and rough-terrain coverage, which may not be too good, he still felt that the possibilities upstairs were unusual. In his opinion the strong probability of . . "early assignments in the u.h.f. looks a bit more attractive than the prolonged and costly litigation in various cities of this country for the lower channels available." There will be a substantial flow of receivers equipped to receive both bands, too, viewed the Commission's chairman, by the time new transmitters can be placed on the air. "More than that," he added, "I am quite sure that most all of the manufacturers will have converters available so that present sets can be utilized to receive both types of signals."

Color also gleamed in the scintillating forecast of the FCC chief, who indicated that he was looking forward to the beginning of color broadcasts, which represents . . . "the most exciting and most effective communications medium ever devised." Colorcasting appeared to him to be of . . . "greater service to the American public than any other broadcast system and more than that, it can become the most profitable medium to those broadcasters who will serve the public interest."

Coy's firm beliefs on the reds, greens, and blues, also echoed through another assembly hall, a few weeks prior to the midwest meeting; the chambers of the Supreme Court in Washington. Here, in a series of stormy sessions, the Commission's attorney, Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman, quoting the official decisions for color, opinions by the Commissioners and other specialists, repeatedly declared that the government's final views were just and should accordingly receive full sanction by the court. The request was met by sharp quizzing by the justices, with Justice Jackson particularly active on the information-please front. The justice asked, for instance, just what the Supreme Court must decide and just how technical should its review be. He also wondered if it wasn't true that the

The 600-inch "radio telescope" installation at the Naval Research Laboratory which will be used to study radio "signals" from the sun, moon, and stars. Scientists expect to use this newest research tool to extend man's knowledge of the universe and to put the new information to practical use in long-range weather forecasting and radio communication. See page 114 for further details.



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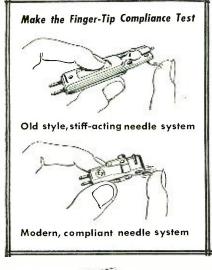
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jurists in the lower court, the U.S. District Court in Chicago, were somewhat bewildered by the mass of technical data and the 10,000-page transcript on the subject and accordingly believed that a higher court should really render a final decision on the matter.

The members of the highest legal tribunal in the land were told by Judge Simon Rifkind, attorney for Emerson Radio, who with RCA was contesting the decision, that the FCC order was invalid because the findings did not support the premise that the time is ripe for any TV color system, and in addition the findings did not support the conclusion that one, rather than a multiplicity of systems should be approved. The Judge also felt that the order was an unlawful attempt to regulate the industry. The Commission's ruling was also attacked by Alfred Kamin, attorney for the CIO Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who declared that the decision had been based on an assumption that present chassis could be easily converted, assuming that only small picture-tube models would have to be considered, a situation which does not hold today, for not only are the majority of sets now in use equipped with larger tubes, but the bulk of the models now being sold all feature tubes of the 17, 19, and 20-inch size. The impracticality of converting to such large tubes was illustrated in an exhibit.

The question of monopoly was also raised during the appeal for a reversal of the Chicago decision. Justice Frankfurter asked CBS's counsel, John Rosenman, if the FCC decision did not create a condition in which a possible monopoly might develop if the incompatible system were adopted. The Co*lumbia* attorney declared that this was not so. The Commission's apparent decision to close the door also prompted Justice Frankfurter to raise another vital point which, in part, questioned the authority of a government commission, not composed of experts, to foreclose, partially or completely, scientific development in a rapidly-expanding art such as television.

If the mechanical system is approved, there'll be quite a few new terms and definitions with which we'll have to become familiar. According to the FCC, the term *field* will apply to scanning through a picture area once in the chosen scanning pattern and in a single color. In a line-interlaced scanning pattern of two-to-cne, this means that we have scanning of the alternate lines of a picture area once in a single color. In the color field, we have scanning through the picture area once in the chosen scanning pattern and in each of the primary colors. Thus, in the line-interlaced scanning pattern, we have scanning of the alternate lines of the picture area once in each of the primary colors. Color frame will also be used frequently, if and when CBS wins, and in this instance, we'll be considering the scanning of all of the pic-(Continued on page 110)



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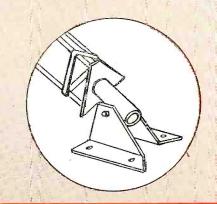
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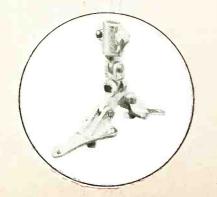
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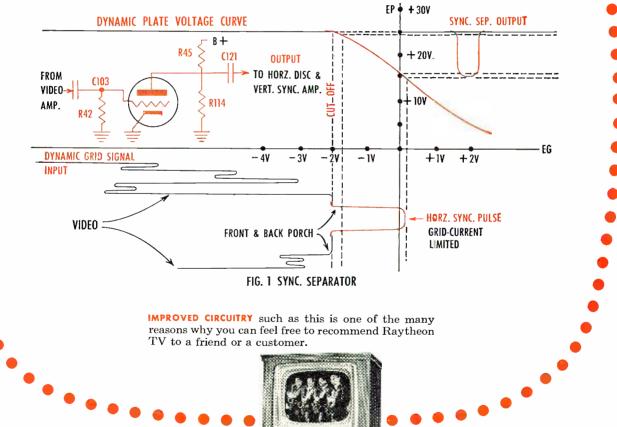
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EDITORS ARE SHOWN HOW EASILY TV OWNERS CAN CONVERT SETS FOR UHF

Practical Demonstration Proves Present Sets Not Outdated for Ultra-High Frequency Reception By ROCKY CLARK

Radio & Television Editor, Bridgeport Post

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., April 11.—If you own a screwdriver, you can convert your TV set for ultra-high frequency reception so easily, so quickly that the job is usually done in two or three minutes—if you own the right type of set.

A large audience of leading newspaper and magazine science editors w tnessed this amazingly simple method of UHF conversion here today at the first public demonstration of ultra-high frequency reception on a current model TV set.

The editors learned how easily and inexpensively a TV owner can convert his present set if the manufacturer has foreseen the coming of ultra-high frequency and has prepared the set for its reception.

The Federal Communications Commission recently announced plans for licensing 1,807 new television stations most of them in the ultra-high frequency transmitting channels—in addition to the 107 VHF stations now in operation.

Ever since this announcement was made, present and prospective TV owners have been fearful that their sets might be obsolete, or that the expense and trouble of conversion might be prohibitive.

Their fears on both counts were al-

layed by today's demonstration, sponsored by the Crosley Division of Avco Manufacturing Corp. Transmitted from the National Broadcasting Company's experimental station KC2XAK at Success Hill, Conn., an ultra-high frequency program was viewed by the members of the press on the screen of a current model Crosley TV Set taken at random from the stock of a Bridgeport television and appliance store.

The program was received with striking clarity and fidelity, completely fulfilling the promise of interference-free pictures received in the UHF television band.

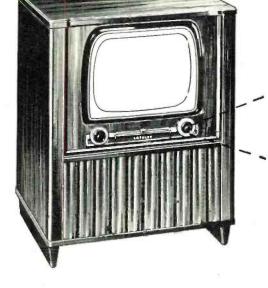
Conversiontroubles?Heavyexpense? A newspaperman from the audience at the Hotel Barnum was handed a screwdriver and asked to do the conversion job. Loosening two wires leading from the back of the set, attaching them to a simple, inexpensive device known as the Crosley Ultratuner, and connecting the Ultratuner to the set, he did the trick in less than three minutes.

He then tuned the Ultratuner to the UHF telecast as simply and precisely as selecting a program on VHF channels. Placed on top of the TV receiver, the Ultratuner is housed in an attractive cabinet no larger than a small table radio.

The secret of this simplified conversion method was explained by Crosley engineers, who said that provision for UHF reception has been made in the design and construction of all Crosley sets built in the past two years.

As a result, he explained, conversion does not require dismantling the set and replacing or adding new parts in the TV receiver, and no service or expert electronics help should be needed.

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sive Ultratuner when and if UHF telecasts begin in your area. Nc adjustments, no removal of chassis, no unnecessary service calls needed. No parts need be changed or added in Crosley-built sets. Your customer simply takes the Ultratuner home under his arm and installs it with about as much ease as putting a bulb in a reading lamp. It's just that simple.

2. In the Tuner. Crosley employs continuous tuning with its famous Unituner. In the picture above, you will note "UHF" marked on the dial between Channels 6 and 7. At this point (122-132 megacycles) is located the best selection for a UHF interference-free conversion channel. Most other manufacturers' television sets-with tuners of the "click" or "jump" type-have not provided for this channel.

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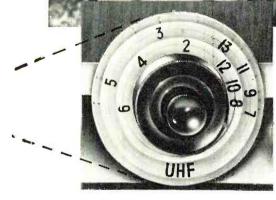
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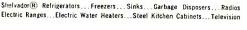
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Within the INDUSTRY

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the equipment sales organization and will also supervise and direct activities of the company's district offices throughout the country.

Mr. Gunn has been associated with Sylvania since 1932, transferring to the radio tube division in 1934. He is a graduate of Northwestern University and is a member of the IRE and the Sales Executives Club.

BRIG.-GEN. GEORGE I. BACK. General MacArthur's Signal Officer in Tokyo since 1947, has been nominated by the President to be Chief Signal Officer of the U.S. Army. He will succeed Major General S. B. Akin who served as Chief Signal Officer from April 1, 1947 until his retirement from the Army on March 31st of this year.

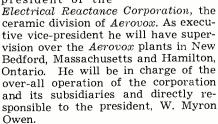
During World War II, from September 1944 to November 1945, General Back served in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations as Deputy Chief Signal Officer of the Allied Force Headquarters, and as Chief Signal Officer of the Mediterranean Theater.

General Back has had a long and distinguished career in the Army and holds the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Order of the British Empire (Commander), the Order of the Crown of Italy, and the Brazilian War Medal.

CHARLES E. KRAMPF has been named executive vice-president of *Aerovox*

Corporation by that company's board of directors. He succeeds Bert Conway in the post. In addition to his

In addition to his new duties, Mr. Krampf will continue to serve as president of the



Mr. Conway, who resigned his post

as executive vice-president, will remain with the company on a consulting basis and continue to serve on the board of directors.

HYTRON RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CORPORATION and *Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc.* have concluded an agreement whereby the assets and business of *Hytron* will be acquired by *CBS* through an exchange of stock.

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Lloyd H. Coffin and Bruce A. Coffin, chairman and president respectively of *Hytron*, and David H. Cogan, president of *Air King*, will be among four representatives of *Hytron* who will become directors of *CBS*.

Under the agreement the stockholders of *Hytron* will receive thirty-one shares of *CBS* stock for each hundred shares of *Hytron* stock.

LEONARD F. CRAMER, vice-president and director of Allen B. Du Mont Lab-

oratories, Inc., has been named to head the firm's newlyformed government liaison department. The new department will be re-

ment will be responsible for *Du Mont's* defense mobilization planning



and will work with government officials on armed forces contract negotiations.

During World War II, Mr. Cramer had charge of the company's negotiations with the government and planned the firm's war production, from its first contract with the Signal Corps. Organization and personnel for the new department are expected to be announced shortly by Mr. Cramer.

THE WORKSHOP ASSOCIATES, INCOR-**PORATED** of Needham. Massachusetts has become a wholly-owned subsidiary of THE GABRIEL COMPANY of Cleveland. The antenna company will continue to operate in substantially the same manner as it has in the past . . BERGEN-PASSAIC ELECTRONICS, INC. has recently entered the consulting engineering field, specializing in service engineering. Headquarters are at 325 Elm Avenue, in Bogota, New Jersey. Eugene Ecklund and Gregory Coutoupis are the principals in the new firm . CANNON ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT **COMPANY** of Los Angeles has changed



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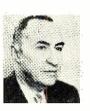
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the name of the company to **CANNON ELECTRIC COMPANY** in the interest of simplicity and brevity. The company is continuing to operate as a division of **CANNON MANUFACTURING CORPO-RATION**... Richard R. Hayes has an nounced the formation of a new engineering firm, **RICHARD R. HAYES & AS-SOCIATES.** The new company, which specializes in FM, AM, and TV engineering, has headquarters at 1608 Mardell Avenue in San Antonio.

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 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{STANLEY}}$ F. PATTEN has been named director of mobilization planning for



the government department of the Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc.

Mr. Patten, who retired from the Navy in 1947 with the rank of Rear Admiral, will be responsible for the

maintenance of master production control and plant loading of all *Du Mont* plants as well as security matters and federal controls. He has been with the company as assistant to the organization's president since July 1947.

During his Navy service from 1917-1947, Mr. Patten specialized in electronics and communications. He took his post graduate work at the U.S. Naval Academy and at Yale University.

THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS will have live television by the middle of 1952, if present plans materialize.

Coaxial cable facilities to provide direct transmission for WDSU-TV in New Orleans have been ordered through the American Telephone and Telegraph Company by the National Broadcasting Company and the American Broadcasting Company.

Until cable facilities are extended, WDSU-TV will continue to bring televiewers in the New Orleans area network programs by means of kinescopes and special films.

FRANK D. LANGSTROTH, formerly general manager of sales and commercial



relations of the Lansdale Tube Company, a whollyowned subsidiary of the Philco Ccrporation, has been named president of Starrett Television Corp., succeeding R. D. Burnet.

Mr. Langstroth has been connected with the radio industry for the past 25 years in both tube and radio manufacturing. He began his career in California in the sales and service branch of the Grigsby-Grunow Co. He has been associated with Arcturus Radio and Tube Co., and Sylvania Electric Products Inc. during his career.

During World War II, Mr. Langstroth served with the U.S. Signal Corps as a Major and was chief of the (Continued on page 106)

benefits from picture tube shells of U·S·S **Stainless Steel**



Set owners, dealers and servicemen alike are enthusiastic over picture tubes with shels of U·S·S 17-TV Stainless Stzel. For good reason, too, because this outstanding development in tube construction offers real benefits to everybody concerned.

SET OWNERS like the sharp, clear Dictures that metal shell construction makes possible. Since the face plate is made separate y from the shell, it can be made from drawn glass having better optical qualities than that used in other tubes. Owners also appreciate the strength and safety of Stainless tubes. The compression fit between the face plate and shell provides greater resistance to outside atmospheric pressure.

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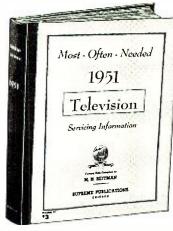
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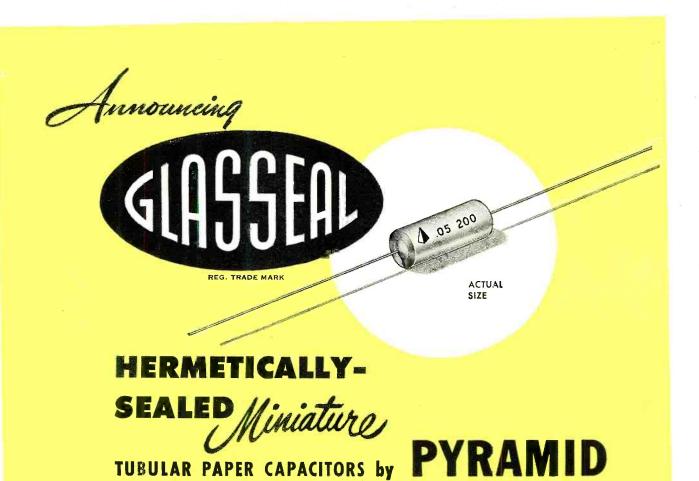
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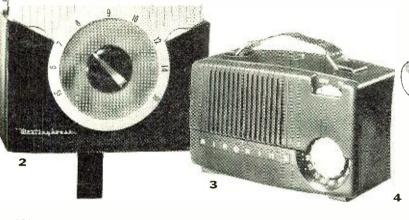
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By A. W. BERNSOHN Managing Director National Appliance & Radio Dealers Assn.

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S THE brightest hope for relief from the traditional summer slump in radio service and sales, pick up those profits from portables!

Every year the servicing and sales fraternity is reminded of this profitable source of revenue but the man who goes out and gets his full share of the business is as rare as winning a five-horse parlay.

Here's a check list of ideas. Not all of them will apply to your business but chances are that you'll find some that will fit and others that will start you thinking of adaptations that can be made to tailor them to your requirements.

There are $8\frac{1}{2}$ million portables in use today, ranging in age from this season's purchases to receivers that have passed their fifth birthday. Not

many of the receivers made before 1947 are still around but that doesn't mean that there isn't plenty that can be done along the servicing line even with these newer sets. This large number of portables in the hands of the consumer means almost unlimited service opportunities for the summer months, since such check-ups usually result in battery sales, tube replacement, and both major and

EDITOR'S NOTE: Unless otherwise stated, all portable receivers shown in this article cover the standard broadcast band. Prices, where quoted, do not include batteries and are those prevailing in the central and eastern sections and are subject to change. For southern and Pacific Coast areas, prices may be higher because of the differential in shipping charges prevailing.

minor service jobs. It is business well worth going after!

Since the portable is going places and will be subjected to the roughest treatment given almost any receiving equipment in civilian use, it is important that all solder joints be firm and the whole repair job be heavy duty. If you do a creditable job on repairing portables, you'll get plenty of business—word-of-mouth advertising is a power-

ful sales medium and a satisfied customer can give your portable business a real shot-in-the-arm.

The technician's selling job also includes the task of persuading the vacationer that since his portable will be his good and constant companion throughout the summer it is deserving of a thorough check-up at the same time that his fishing tackle and golf clubs receive their seasonal going over.

One of the most effective methods of attracting portable business is to offer a flat-rate service charge, listing all of the features of such a check-up. Such services could include thorough tube, battery, and wiring inspection, a complete operational test, and cleaning. Some service dealers make arrangements with their neighborhood shoe repair men to replace the worn leather handles on portables.

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Don't forget that the more attractive and comprehensive you make this list, the greater your chances for attracting volume business.

Ways of presenting this message to prospects are only limited by the ingenuity of the technician. A postcard mailing to all past portable customers is good for the medium sized, self-servicing dealer, especially if a double postcard is used so that all the customer needs to do is check a square and sign his name.

Advertisements in the vacation and travel section of newspapers can be effective if imaginative themes are used in setting up the ad. These same ads can stimulate portable sales as well as offer your servicing. Consider such ideas as bold headlines featuring the name of some radio favorite on the air during the summer, for example:

TAKE BING CROSBY ON YOUR VACATION

You'll have him and all your other radio favorites as companions when you take along a portable set-kept in perfect condition by

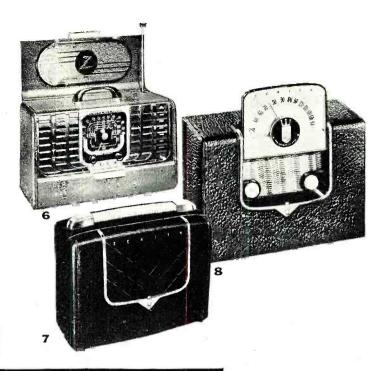
YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

P.S. If you haven't selected your portable radio as yet, you can get one here for as little as \$00.00.

A large sign in your shop window advising prospective customers that you are equipped to handle portable sales and service is an inexpensive way of stimulating business

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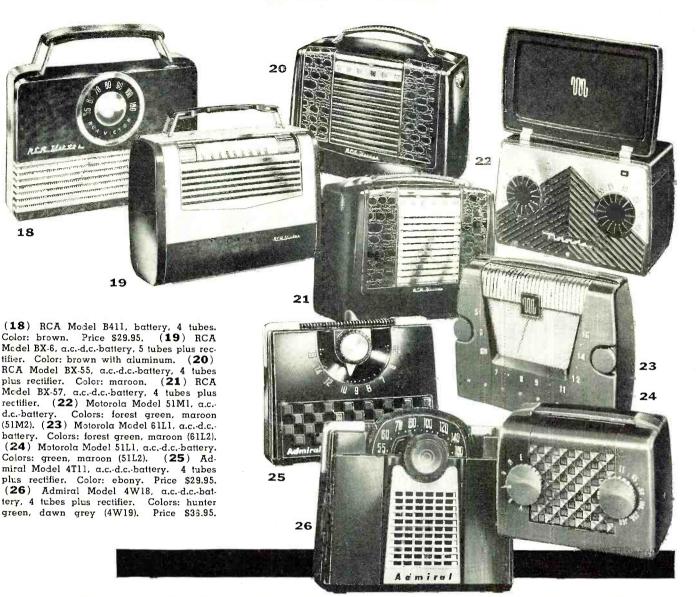
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and has the additional advantage of cutting down on pickup and delivery expense. Handbills and postcard mailings to names in the telephone directory are also good catch-alls, although admittedly less effective than pin-point selling.

Look over the advertisements being run by the manufacturers on their new portables. You can adapt many of their proven ideas to the selling of service.

One critical consideration in portable servicing is your tube supply. Before setting up any large scale campaign, check it carefully and secure tube substitution charts from the manufacturers covering tubes in short supply. Lack of these replacements may prove to be your principal handicap and the more fully you anticipate these difficulties, the less likely is it to impede a successful campaign.

In reviewing portable servicing possibilities, remember to remind your vacationing customers to take along an extra set of batteries. Failure to do so may cost you a good customer in case his receiver gives up the ghost in some remote spot. When the customer is having his portable reconditioned is the perfect time to make this suggestion.

Rentals

Since many portables are listed at less than \$50, the restrictions of Regulation "W" covering rentals and sales do not apply. This means that there is nothing to keep you from renting portables if you wish and then later converting them to sales by permitting the prospect to apply the rental fee as a down payment or full purchase price on the set.

Most vacation spots, public swimming pools, parks, and hotels offer some rental possibilities to the enterprising service dealer. Before jumping into this type of business, however, work out a binding arrangement so that you don't lose the benefit of your risk to the concessionaires at these locations. Criteria for selecting a profitable location for rentals include:

1. There must be sufficient prospect for demand to justify tying up the merchandise for the season.

2. There must be some way to prevent theft of the portables or loss through irresponsible treatment of the set by the renter. In hotels, arrangements may be made to have the portable returned and checked at the time the guest checks out. Similarly, you are reasonably safe at watering places where the renter has a locker or at country clubs where he is a member. For rentals in public places,

(27) Sentinel Model 335-P, a.c.-d.c.-battery, 4 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: white (PI), brown (PW), forest green (PG), red (PM). (28) Sentinel Model 312, a.c.-d.c.-battery, 4 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: green (PG), brown (PW).



(29) General Electric Model 606. a.c.-d.c.-battery. 4 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: cactus green, burgundy red (605). Price \$36.95. (30) General Electric Model 611. a.c.-d.c.-battery. 5 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: cactus green, burgundy red (610). Price \$46.50. (31) Tele-tone Model 228. a.c.d.c.-battery. 4 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: maroon. green. (32) Trav.Ler Model 5022, a.c.-d.c.-battery. 4 tubes plus rectifier. Color: red and ivory.

> work and early morning deliveries unless you have a good stock of replacement sets on hand. These must be kept in good condition otherwise you will discourage the agencies which handle the renting of your portables and the whole business will go to pot in a hurry.

Consignments

Frequently the outlying retailer or the small service shop can bring in extra revenue by placing a few portables on consignment in outlets which would not normally have sufficient demand for this type of merchandise to warrant their carrying a full line of receivers.

Typical of these outlets are luggage shops, travel agencies, hotel lobby gift stands, concessions in railroad stations, and gasoline stations.

Warning: The vendor will expect a good part of the profits on consignment merchandise, so use this selling method only when you have a generous supply of portables and personals on hand.

Civil Defense

While the appeal of this activity fluctuates with the success of our armies in the Far East, it does present an exceptional opportunity for portable sales when and where there is the greatest interest in civilian defense.

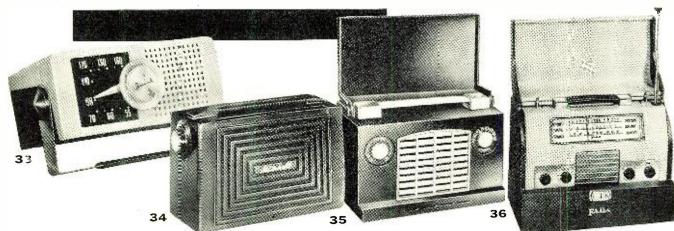
Most official publications recommend that the civilian defense worker have a portable, battery-operated radio receiver in case of power failure. The widespread use of such receivers gives the civilian defense activity its most efficient means of mass communication.

Check with your local defense program. Find out who is in command and what local interest has been arcused. Post a special offer for civilian defense workers, offering a free receiver to the defense unit that purchases a certain number of receivers. It could provide a lively and profitable source of business.

Special Promotions

Ever since they first became a significant factor in the radio business portable receivers have constituted a good source of revenue. In the past four years these little receivers have been responsible for more than a quarter-billion dollar's worth of retail volume! Hardly a sum to be ignored.

There are various ways of stimulating portable business. In one major city during the World Series, *Western Union* messengers were equipped with portable receivers, playing at a healthy volume and carrying a punchy advertising message of course, and turned loose on the city streets, walking slowly where the sidewalk traffic was the heaviest. These "live" advertising messages attracted surpris-(*Continued on page 84*)



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it is best to demand full identification and/or substantial security.

3. There must be sufficient free time for the renter to make use of the portable. In some areas, such as camps and hotels with pre-planned activities, adequate leisure is too much of a rarity to make portable renting profitable.

4. There should be a large enough number of sets in use to make the project worthwhile from the collection, bookkeeping, and maintenance standpoint, to cover the inevitable losses on some rentals and to pay a reasonable percentage of the receipts (seldom less than 25 per-cent and often as high as 50 per-cent) to the attendant to whom the rental receivers have been entrusted.

Don't overlook the possibilities of handling rentals from your place of business as it brings likely prospects into your store.

When you go into the rental business prepare for night

(33) Jewel Model 5050, a.c.-d.c.-battery, 4 tubes plus rectifier. Color: ivory and marcon. (34) Mitchell Model 1256, a.c.d.c.-battery, 4 tubes plus rectifier. Color: marcon. Price \$39.95.
(35) Fada Model P111, a.c.-d.c.-battery, 4 tubes plus rectifier. Colors: ebony (E), marcon (M), ivory (V).
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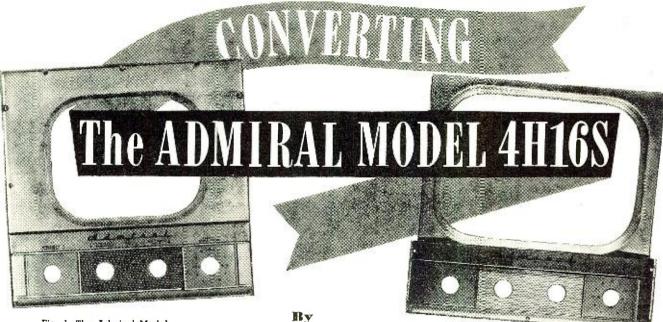


Fig. 1. The Admiral Model 4H16S before conversion.

ROLAND KEMPTON* Editor, "Techni-talk"

Complete circuit and cabinet change data for modifying a popular receiver for a 14" tube.

AST month we provided complete details on how a 10 inch *General Electric* Model 811 television receiver could be converted to operate either a 12 or 16 inch tube. In this article we will consider adapting the *Admiral* Model 4H16S, a set using a 10 inch tube, for 14 inch tube operation.

As mentioned previously, while these suggested changes have been carefully planned and tested by *General Electric Company* engineers, such changes cannot be guaranteed and may, in many cases, invalidate the manufacturers' warranties on such sets.

The Admiral Model 4H16S is a 10

inch combination. Because the interior cabinet space is limited the set was converted to use a 14CP4 picture tube. The front panel of this receiver before conversion is shown in Fig. 1 while Fig. 2 shows the converted set.

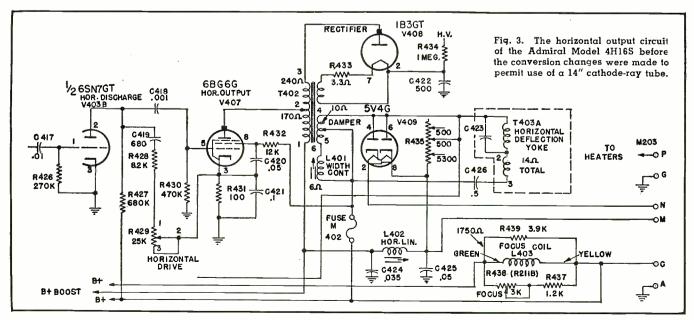
There are several other model numbers using the same chassis and front panel and the same conversion information will, of course, apply to these models. As is the case with many of these receivers, it will be necessary to

* These conversion notes originally appeared in the October-November 1950 issue of General Electric Company's copyrighted publication "Techni-talk." Fig. 2. Front panel of set converted to use 14CP4 tube.

remove the radio chassis as well as the television chassis in order to operate on the television section.

Chassis Changes

The first step in converting this set is to remove the picture tube. A 1 inch long piece of rubber cushion is then fastened to the top of the tube support brackets. This provides a shock mounting for the front portion of the 14CP4 tube. The deflection yoke and focus coil should then be removed from the mounting bracket. Loosen the two screws which hold this bracket to the chassis and insert a 1/2 inch spacer, which may be made up of washers or oversize nuts, between the bracket and the chassis. This raises the rear of the picture tube and keeps it level. Move (Continued on page 128)



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Sweep Alignment In **AM RECEIVER** SERVICING

Crosley's "Riviera" portable.

New Zenith AM-FM table radio.

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Part 1. Obviously the sweep method of aligning AM receivers is profitable and efficient but it also provides the uninitiated with an opportunity for practicing sweep generator techniques on relatively simple sets before tackling television receivers.

▼PORADIC attempts have been made in the past to demonstrate the value of the oscilloscope in AM receiver servicing. These attempts have been somewhat ineffective for three reasons. (1) Scopes and sweep generators are relatively complex in-

struments, and cannot be successfully used without out considerable study. (2) There are certain pitfalls which lie in wait for the beginner, and these have not been sufficiently stressed in the past. (3) Human nature is resistant to change, even when the change is for the better.

ing take place faster, because familiar jobs are being done in a new and much better way, but the working problems are fewer at broadcast frequencies. Practical application of the sweep and scope on the AM radio service bench not only means more income for No. 510H table model by Sylvania.

General Electric's Model 401.

by a dreamy-eyed academician, but a practical how-to-do-it article.

Although sweep alignment is both profitable and efficient, these advantages are frequently discounted by the human equation, or perhaps human nature, which is basically resistant to change. This limitation inevitably remains the personal problem of the reader, who should recognize that he is fortunate indeed if he has an open mind, and the will to succeed by improving his technique.

Fig. 1 shows how a sweep gen-

erator and oscilloscope are connected to a radio receiver to obtain the over-all response curve from the antenna to the second detector. Fig. 4A shows the display that is often obtained on the scope screen. This is a voltage versus frequency curve which is the characresponse

There are many advantages to be realized by "sweep aligning" AM radio receivers. First, the padder can be "rocked in" much more rapidly than by other methods. Sec-ond, the gain and bandwidth of the receiver can be quickly checked over the entire tuning range. Third, the receiver can be rapidly adjusted for the best compromise be-tween fidelity and sensitivity and, finally, there is no guesswork in the alignment job because the complete response curve is visible at all times during adjustment. Aside from the technical advantages, increased customer confidence is a plus which shouldn't be regarded lightly. The public is properly impressed by an organization that evidently knows what it is doing and makes use of the most up-to-date techniques. Furthermore, the day is soon coming when the "screwdriver mechanic" will be as dead as the dodo. If the tidal wave of television activity hasn't reached your commu-nity as yet, rest assured that it is coming and that sooner or later you will have to contend with instrument applications as never before. There is no easier way to "break in" on automatic curve tracing equipment than to become familiar with its application in standard AM radio receivers. You will find the sweep alignment technique even more valuable in the rapid alignment of wideband FM receivers.

The first objection to the use of sweep alignment equipment is becoming of lesser concern, because many radio technicians realize that they must prepare themselves for television servicing, and they have accordingly "studied up" on sweeps and scopes. It is also becoming apparent that there is no better way to get acquainted with sweep-alignment equipment than to make use of the instruments in routine radio servicing. Not only does learnthe shop, and better work, but also prepares the technician for the inevitable-the advent of TV in his community.

Insofar as pitfalls are concerned, it is the purpose of this article to describe and illustrate these pitfalls in a graphic manner. We will attempt to show the radio technician not only the paths that lead to trouble, but also the way to keep out of trouble. That is, this is not a "theory" article written

teristic of the receiver.

Now let's go back to Fig. 1 and see what we have. The sweep-frequency generator produces a "wobbulated" or frequency-modulated signal which sweeps back and forth over the passband of the receiver 60 times a second (power-line rate). If the receiver is tuned to receive a 1 mc. signal, then the sweep generator must be adjusted to put out a sweep signal having a center frequency of 1 mc.

As we know, a radio receiver is intended to operate with an antenna having certain average characteristics. These characteristics load the input circuit of the receiver in typical fashion, and influence the character of the response. So, to do a realistic job, we provide a coupling network between the generator and the receiver. This network not only provides a normal load for the generator, but also loads the receiver normally, as mentioned previously.

The output from the coupling network is delivered to the antenna input system of the receiver, so that the receiver is energized in a normal fashion.

The output voltage from the receiver can be taken anywhere along the line from the second detector to the speaker voice coil. However, as we shall see, there are frequently advantages to be realized in taking the output from the second detector (volume control). The oscilloscope is adjusted to sweep at 60 cycles-per-second (power-line rate) to match the sweep-frequency generator, thus avoiding any sync problems.

A.G.C. Bias Problems

There's a very interesting story behind the a.g.c. bias override. Offhand, it might seem as though the receiver could be aligned with the a.g.c. operative. However, this is not so. The reason is that the a.g.c. system has certain recovery characteristics which interfere with the smooth operation of the sweep equipment. As the sweep signal rises in frequency, the output voltage from the receiver also rises, and the a.g.c. circuit "jumps in" and tries to resist this rise. Because the a.g.c. system partially succeeds in its effort, the result is a distorted curve, as seen in Fig. 4B. This type of distortion is very typical, and is a dead giveaway which should be immediately recognized by every technician.

To keep the a.g.c. system from defeating our purpose in obtaining the true response curve of the receiver, we must override the a.g.c. control voltage and stabilize it with approximately three volts of d.c. bias. Flashlight cells can be used for this purpose, as shown in Fig. 2. Now, with this override bias in use, we see that the trace and retrace have almost exactly the same shape, as shown in Fig. 4C.

Let's return for a moment to consideration of the take-off point in the receiver for connection of the scope. We could take this voltage from any point along the audio line, even from across the voice coil terminals. Unfortunately, it does not always happen that the output transformer in the receiver has good low-frequency and phase characteristics. As a result, it is quite possible that the transformer will distort the response curve, as shown in Fig. 4D.

It should be stressed that these are not unusual or "doctored" situations. These are response curves obtained from a standard receiver, using exactly the test conditions described, with good, standard service instruments. This is just the sort of thing that the radio technician runs into, and which frequently becomes so confusing to the beginner. (We might even include a few oldtimers!)

How about the coupling network? The standard artificial antenna is easily constructed, as shown in Fig. 3A. To prove to yourself that antenna characteristics do influence the receiver response, watch the scope pattern as you short out the artificial antenna in most cases, considerable change in curve shape will result.

The 50,000 ohm resistor in series with the scope input lead serves two purposes. First, it reduces the loading of the scope on the receiver circuits, and second, it improves the display of the response curve, as we shall see when we come to the discussion of markers.

Operational Factors

Next, a few operating notes concerning this basic test setup shown in Fig. 1. The sweep generator should be adjusted to give a normal operating output, so that the receiver circuits are not overloaded. Overloading shows up as an artificial flattening of the tops of the response curves. The rule is to back off on the output control of the sweep generator, and to watch the top of the response curve. If the top changes shape and becomes more curved, it must be concluded that the receiver is running into overload.

The sweep width control of the generator is adjusted to give a pattern which occupies most of the base line on the scope screen. If the sweep width is too great, the response curve will be too narrow for easy inspection, as shown in Fig. 4E. If the sweep width is too little, only a part of the response curve will be displayed, as shown in Fig. 4F. Of course, the center frequency of the generator must be the same as the dial indication of the radio receiver, to center the visual

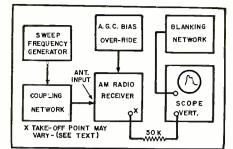


Fig. 1. Basic sweep alignment test setup for use when checking AM radio receivers.

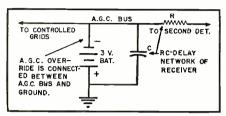


Fig. 2. To override the a.g.c. system, -3 volts of fixed bias must be provided.

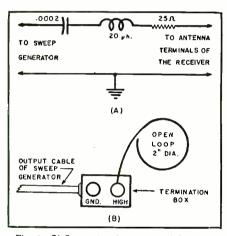
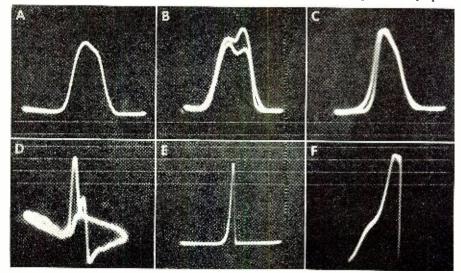


Fig. 3. (A) An artificial antenna of the type shown here is a "must" in good alignment practice. (B) If the receiver operates from a loop antenna, this coupling system should be used during servicing.

Fig. 4. (A) Typical response curve obtained on scope, using test setup shown in Fig. 1. (B) Trace and retrace may have different shapes if operator allows a.g.c. to "run wild." (C) Bias override causes curve to stabilize. Trace and retrace now have same shape. (D) This distortion is caused largely by poor low frequency and phase characteristics of the output transformer. (E) Don't use too much sweep width or the curve will be very narrow as shown. (F) Too little sweep width will cut off part of display.



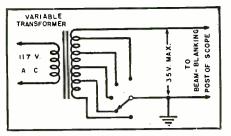


Fig. 5. A simple and practical network for blanking out retrace on the oscilloscope.

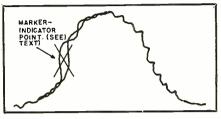


Fig. 6. How to determine the frequency by using the marker on the response curve.

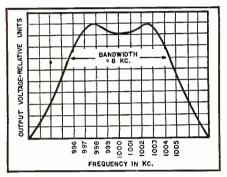


Fig. 7. How to measure the bandwidth of a receiver by using the response curve.

response curve on the scope screen. The oscilloscope is adjusted for sat-

isfactory height of pattern on the screen. For general work, the required sensitivity is about 0.2 volt-per-inch. As was mentioned before, two traces

As was mentioned before, two traces appear on the scope screen when 50 cycle deflection is used. Most scopes have a *phasing control* by means of which the trace and retrace can be superimposed, in order to effectively produce a single trace. The influence of the phasing control is shown in Fig. 8A.

Because of minor operating variations, it may be found that the trace and retrace are almost superimposed, but not exactly. If the two traces fail to coincide exactly, there is a small double-image effect which may be found annoying. To eliminate this double image, the technician may prefer to use a *blanking network* as shown in Fig. 5. As will be seen, the blanking network is effectively a source of 35 volt, 60 cycle a.c. which is applied to the beam-blanking post of the scope. Thus, the blanking network may be a small stepdown transformer, or a 35 volt a.c. source from your tube tester obtained from a dummy tube base. If the blanking is not satisfactory when first hooked up, reverse the 117-volt power plug to reverse the blanking phase.

As a result of the blanking voltage, the double trace becomes a single trace, as shown in Fig. 4A.

Using Frequency Marker

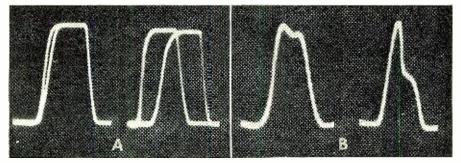
We have seen how to obtain the receiver response curve without distortion, and have therefore accomplished a very great deal, since this is usually the most difficult hurdle in making a visual alignment. Now, we want to see how we can tell what frequency is represented by any chosen point along the response curve.

Frequency determination is made by means of frequency markers. To get a frequency marker on your response curve, couple the output of a straight signal generator loosely to the receiver input. This can usually be done most easily by merely placing the output cable from the generator near the antenna posts of the receiver. In general, the trouble consists of putting in too much marker signal, in which case the marker output cable should be moved farther away.

Now, when the marker generator is tuned near the operating frequency of the receiver, a "wiggle" appears on the response curve, as indicated in Fig. 6. Note that the "loop" of the wiggle is the frequency-indicating portion of the marker. Undoubtedly you are wondering why we did not show a photograph of the marker, and although we should have liked to do so, the marker revolves on the curve in such a manner that photography is quite difficult.

Some of you fellows who have been doing television work will be rather surprised to see this type of marker indication, and you may wonder why a sharp compressed marker is not ob-

Fig. 8. (A) The phasing control permits the trace and retrace to be superimposed by the operator. This curve shows evidence of overloading. (B) A check may show that the i.f. and over-all curves differ in shape. The one at the left is the i.f. amplifier curve while the one at the right shows the over-all response curve of receiver under test.



tained. Remember that we are not dealing with circuits having bandwidths of several megacycles, but with circuits having bandwidths of only a few kilocycles. In effect, the narrow passband of the AM receiver *expands* the marker, whereas the wideband TV circuits *compress* the marker.

Thus, we look for the wide loop in the marker and associate this point, indicated in Fig. 6, with the dial reading of the marker generator. As you tune the marker generator, you will see the looped portion of the marker "slide" around the curve, as you would expect.

The *bandwidth* of the AM receiver response curve is defined as the number of kilocycles between the halfpower points, as shown in Fig. 7. As far as the response curve is concerned (because the response curve is a voltage display) this means that the bandwidth is measured between the 71%of-maximum points on the curve. Therefore, to measure the bandwidth of the receiver, adjust the marker dial as required, to determine the 71%voltage frequencies indicated typically in Fig. 7. Subtract these two readings on the marker generator dial, and the result is the bandpass of the receiver.

As far as controlling the character of the marker is concerned, you can try using different values of isolating resistance in series with the scope lead. Try using values from 10,000 to 250,000 ohms. If the higher values do not tend to distort the shape of the response curve, you may prefer the marker which is obtained with this greater filtering action.

You will probably be surprised when you have the receiver dial set to the low-frequency end, to find that a new response curve can be obtained when the sweep generator is tuned to approximately 455 kc. Upon reflection you will realize that you are now looking at the i.f. response curve alone.

In other words, enough of the i.f. frequency is being passed through the front end so that the i.f. strip is now energized at its own operating frequency. Of course, this is not the approved way to sweep the i.f. strip, but the fact is noted because it is a frequent source of confusion. The difference between the over-all and the i.f. curve of a typical small receiver is shown in Fig. 8B.

It must be emphasized that the end result of alignment is a good over-all curve, although you may find it easier to develop this curve in two steps. As a first step, you may want to adjust the i.f. strip by itself, and then proceed to work on the front end to obtain a satisfactory over-all response. The technique of actual alignment

The technique of actual alignment is a complete topic in itself, and is reserved for Part 2. At this point, you should be able to make a correct test equipment setup, and to obtain a response curve without the distortions which are so maddening to many beginners in the field.

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100 WATTS On The Table

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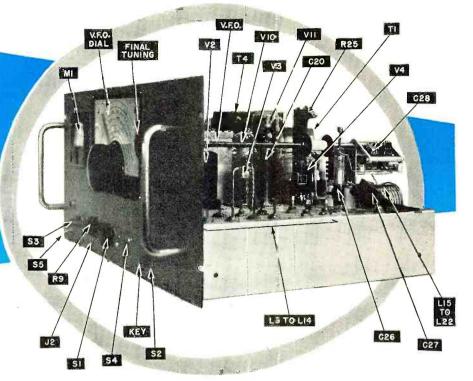
AM transmitters are like the latest model automobiles: they undergo revision, minor or major, at least once each year. The all-band, single-tuned exciter described by the author a while back ("A Bandswitching V.F.O.-Exciter Unit," RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, September, 1949) did pretty well, all things considered, making WAC with only 35 watts on 20 meters. The going got a little tougher on 75 phone, and with this, and other things in mind, a new model seemed in order.

One of those "other things" goes by the innocuous-sounding initials "TVI"; and if you are suffering from this popular malady you know what we mean! There seem to be a lot of cures, but prevention weighs less.

Attacking both problems from the end we decided on a triode final. Kicking around in the junk box were a couple of surplus 826's, and the new rig was designed around one of them. This gives a modest 100 watts and eliminates some competition on 20 and 75 phone. Since a triode was born to be neutralized—and what tetrode is? —we figured a little bias for stability was all the extras needed to make the thing stable. And it turned out just that way.

To have stability in the final, of course, you have to have stability at the front end. If you drive even a triode with a lot of harmonics it will deliver them to the antenna. This type of thinking led straight to the Clapp oscillator. Here we have stability of frequency, with proper precautions, and a chance to do something about harmonics.

The schematic digram shows the grid circuits—which are the only frequency determining components switched on the fundamental; the plate circuit of the oscillator doubles at all times. This idea is not original



Over-all view of transmitter. See page 44 for identification of components.

A compact 100-watt, single-dial control transmitter. Bandswitching provides 80-40-20-10 meter coverage.

with this rig. The 6AG7 Clapp oscillator is followed by another 6AG7 functioning as a buffer-doubler. We had planned this stage as a buffer on all bands, but it was one of those things that, on 20 and 10, just wouldn't work as planned. So on these bands it is a doubler, being driven by the second harmonic from the oscillator. Since all this doubling is at very low power we have managed to confine the unwanted harmonics where they belong.

The 826 takes a little more drive than we like, but the 2E26 is a natural to provide it. The 2E26 itself takes very little—a fact we did like, and insisted upon—and unlike the 807 is easy to tame. A grid suppressor and a tubular condenser from the plate to ground made the thing act like our old 71-A on 40! And Channel 4 hereabouts doesn't even know we are on the air!

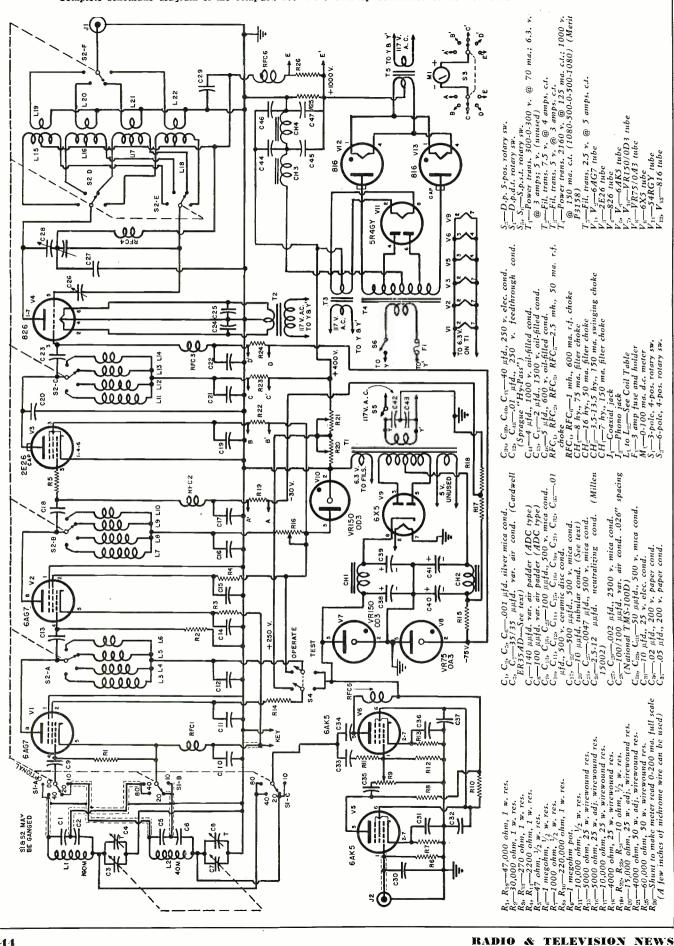
Going back to the Clapp oscillator, we found that mechanical stability is a must. Not only should the grid coils have high "Q" if you want the thing to work, but they must be physically solid. Ceramic forms are OK but airwound coils give a little better "Q." We used some Millen "Hi-Q" forms because they were handy, and they work very well. Whatever the material, wind the wire tight and apply plenty of dope to cement the turns solid. The padding condensers for the two grid circuits are APC type variables, 140 µµfd. for the 160 meter oscillator grid circuit and 100 $\mu\mu$ fd. for the 40 meter circuit. The tuning

condensers are ganged and consist of an 11 plate midget for the 160 meter coil (about 35 $\mu\mu$ fd.) and a 3 plate one for the 40 meter coil. The actual values will depend on the bandspread you want and some cut-and-try is inevitable. The unit used in this rig is a *Cardwell* dual 35 $\mu\mu$ fd. with double bearing shaft—a "must" for further stability in the Clapp circuit.

The switching lines to the grid circuit are RG 29/U, with the ground leads of the tuning condensers and the .001 silver micas connected back to the oscillator socket through the coaxial cable outer shield. A common ground bus is used and no connections are made to the 13 x 17 x 3 chassis except at one point, near the oscillator socket. In addition to this, all a.c. and low voltage leads are made with shielded wire. The average wire of this type offers a very low impedance to ground at r.f. and is another means of combating TVL.

A third section of the grid switch serves to place the NBFM on the proper grid coil for the frequency in use. The leads from the switch, and to the NBFM reactance modulator are also made with RG 29/U. A little care in placing the coax will result in a fairly neat job. Length is not important.

In the plate and screen circuit of the 6AG7 oscillator is a d.p.d.t. toggle switch, designated "Operate-Test." This allows the oscillator to be energized from the 150 volt supply of the



Complete schematic diagram of the compact, 100 watt, table-top transmitter for the 80, 40, 20, and 10 meter bands.

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bias pack—which runs whenever the filament switch is "On"—so that a frequency can be spotted without swishing a signal, via the final, across the band.

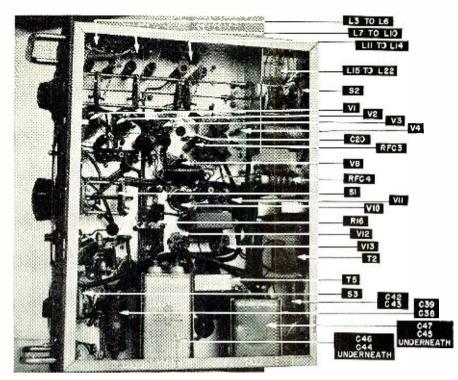
Both the plate circuit of the oscillator and the second 6AG7 buffer utilize similar coils. A commercially available type is the Cambridge Thermionic Corporation LS series, already wound. The ones used here are surplus forms and slugs which we laboriously wound and rewound, and if you like the work just follow directions! The twelve coils for the oscillator, buffer, and driver plates are arranged along the outer edge of chassis, as shown in the photos, with the slugs projecting through to the topside for easy adjustment. The coils for the 2E26 plate circuit are wound on Millen 69045 forms which are ceramic units with copper slugs.

The plate and screen bypass condensers for the oscillator, buffer, and the screen of the 2E26 are ceramic disc types, with the leads worked to be as short as possible. In this same connection, to minimize harmonic radiation, a tubular bypass connects the plate of the 2E26 to cathode, i.e., to the ground. This condenser can be of a commercial variety, or a homemade affair such as we used. A 4'' piece of 1/2 copper tubing with the center of 14" rod, suitably insulated, gives about 6 to 8 $\mu\mu$ fd. The end of the $\frac{1}{2}$ " tubing, which is grounded, has a small plate of copper bolted and soldered over a hole in the chassis to provide a patch direct to the cathode. This condenser, plus the 47 ohm resistor in the grid lead of the 2E26, gives, in our rig, absolute stability at all frequencies. It just won't "take off" on its own. Maybe we were lucky, but after a year's experience with a stubborn 807 we felt mighty good about the whole thing.

The 826 final gave a little trouble despite our fond hopes. Trying to neutralize the thing so it would stay neutralized on all bands was the problem. This was solved the easy way, by using a balanced tank circuit. The "easy way," in our case, meant carefully center-tapping the coils we had on hand-coils which weren't centertapped when we got them for the previous model exciter. The coils used are 75 watt Millen units. You might expect them to run a little hot with a 125 watts input and they do on FM phone, but a fifteen or twenty minute rag chew doesn't raise the temperature to the point where the polystyrene ribs soften, so they seem quite safe. Larger capacity coils would require too much space, so they weren't even considered. On c.w. there is no apparent heating at all. The links shown in the photos as being at the ends of the coils have since been moved to the center.

The NBFM unit is quite standard. The 6AK5's have quite a high transconductance and give adequate swing on 75 and 20, with plenty to spare on 10.

The two power supplies crowd things



Under chassis view of unit. Although compact, there is no undue crowding of parts.

a little on the chassis, but provide four separate functions. The bias supply gives minus 30 volts for the 2E26 and minus 75 for the 826, and a positive 150 for the NBFM and for the oscillator in "Test" position. In addition the 6.3 volt a.c. winding goes to all filaments execept that of the 826, which requires 7.5 volts at 4 amps from a separate transformer. The bleeder/ divider network providing these voltages is stabilized by a VR150 and a VR75.

The high voltage supply utilizes a dual-purpose transformer, to give 1000 volts and 400 volts. The 400 volt section also utilizes a bleeder/divider resistance section, with another VR150 to give a fixed and stabilized 150 volts to the screens of the oscillator and buffer 6AG7's, and to the screen of the 2E26. About 250 volts is fed to the plates of the 6AG7's while the full 400 volts is fed to the plate of the 2E26 driver. A common set of chokes is used in the negative lead.

In the matter of TVI reduction we have a low-level oscillator section, iso-

lation in the buffer, and shielded leads. The disc bypasses and the tubular condenser help out. We have used a triode in the final, with a balanced tank circuit, and coax output to the antenna tuner. In the a.c. leads, which are the only leads besides the key and mike outside the chassis, we have used two "Hi-Pass" (Sprague 48P9) condensers. The key lead is run in RG 29/U, and the mike lead is bypassed with a 50 $\mu\mu$ fd. feedthrough. We can't find any r.f. on either of them. Then the whole rig is shielded with copper screen wellsoldered inside the Parmetal cabinet. As we said before, Channel 4 (the only one used in this vicinity) is quiet as a television channel should be when a ham rig is on the air.

What about results? Well, both the TVI reduction and what gets into the antenna for a QSO depend upon design, construction, and good operating. The photos and the schematic give a good idea of parts placement, and if followed will allow decent wiring procedures despite the bulky RG 29/U and (Continued on page 151)

Specifications for winding the twenty-two coils used in the 100-watt transmitter.

OSC. G	RID COIL	DRIVER	PLATE COIL		
\mathbf{L}_{1} \mathbf{L}_{2}	125 t. #28 en., closewound, 15/16″ diα. 20 t. #14 en., closewound, 15/16″ diα.	L ₁₁	80 m.—140 t. #28 en., closewound on Millen 69045 form		
OSC. PL	ATE COIL	L 1 2	40 m.—77 t. #28 en., closewound on Millen 69045 form		
L 3	80 m150 t. #30 en., closewound	L ₁₃	20 m20 t. #22 en., closewound on Millen 69045 form		
L.	on $\frac{1}{2}''$ dia. iron slug-tuned form 40 m.—70 t. #28 en., closewound on $\frac{1}{2}''$ dia. iron slug-tuned form	L ₁₄	10 m.—15 t. $\#18$ en., closewound on Millen 69045 form		
L 5	20 m18 t. #22 en., closewound	FINAL.			
L 6	10 m.—14 t. #18 en., closewound on $\frac{1}{2}$ dia, iron slug-tuned form		80 m.—75 watt center-link unmounted coil (Millen 43081)		
BUFFER-DOUBLER PLATE COIL		L_{16}, L_{20}			
L	Same as L ₃	L_{17}, L_{21}	20 m.—75 watt center-link		
\mathbf{L}_{9} \mathbf{L}_{10}	Same as L ₅ Same as L ₆	L_{18}, L_{22}	10 m.—75 watt center-link unmounted coil (Millen 43011)		
L_6 BUFFER- L_7 L_8 L_9	on 1/2" dia. iron slug-tuned form 10 m14 t. #18 en., closewound on 1/2" dia. iron slug-tuned form YER-DOUBLER PLATE COIL Same as L. Same as L. Same as L.	L ₁₆ , L ₂₀ L ₁₇ , L ₂₁	unmounted coil (Millen 43081) 40 m.—75 watt center-link unmounted coil (Millen 43041) 20 m.—75 watt center-link unmounted coil (Millen 43021) 10 m.—75 watt center-link		

A Practical Crystal NOISE GENERATOR

Both hams and experimenters will find this instrument a valuable adjunct in checking signal-to-noise ratios of radio receivers.

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tional to the current required by the generator. The reading of the generator current when the externally generated noise is equal to the internal receiver noise is then plotted against the audio output of the receiver. This provides a reference value of signalto-noise that is useful as a standard in judging changes in, or alignment of, the receiver circuit.

Diode Tube Generator

The usual form of noise generator consists of a vacuum tube diode operating in a temperature-limited condition; that is, the plate voltage is high enough to make the available emission from the filament the factor limiting the diode current. The diode acts as a constant-current noise generator because of the fluctuation in the number of electrons leaving the cathode. This type of generator is very effective. It operates at a low r.f. level so that shielding and leakage problems are minimized. The circuits are simple, readily operated, and the unit is small in size. In addition, the available power is proportionate to the current that passes through the diode. (Fig. 2) However, it has a few bad faults: it needs a filament supply and a plate supply. The filament supply must be variable so as to control the amount of noise generated. The choice of proper diode tubes is limited—only one or two of them (the most expensive ones) will work above approximately 50 megacycles. The diode tube generator is also susceptible to power line noises picked up via the a.c. line and fed to the diode through the filament and plate supplies. This added noise is serious and will actually obliterate the zero noise point at which the measurements are started.

Crystal Noise Generator

This article will describe the design and construction of a crystal diode noise generator.

Certain types of crystal diodes, notably the silicon series, have the unique property of generating considerable

form this test will be of the order of a few microvolts, and the signal requires quite a different generator than the customary signal generator employed for checking receiver gain. This special noise generator is a device that will produce random noise similar to that noise produced by the receiver tubes. The amount of this noise is propor-

ITH the war-born interest in high-frequency equipment, many man hours of time and untold thousands of dollars have been expended in the search for a higher order of signal-to-noise ratio in receiving equipment. This has brought a real technical bonus to the amateur radio enthusiast. The information on how to obtain heretofore undreamed of results in receiver performance is at hand; and the tools to perform this work are here.

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The term "signal-to-noise ratio" must not be confused with receiver gain. The gain of a receiver is entirely independent of the signal-to-noise ratio. Gain has been defined as the ratio of output signal to input signal. However, some receivers having an abundance of gain will produce a copious amount of output with absolutely no input at all to the receiver!

This internal noise generated in the receiver is the limiting factor in weak signal reception, particularly at the higher frequencies where external noises and static are quite low in intensity. Part of this noise is caused by minute variations of the electron stream and is present in all tubes.

idea of its compact size can be obtained by comparing it with the ruler standing at left of the instrument.

Fig. 1. Over-all view of the home-built crystal

noise generator. Some

Regeneration in the circuit will also increase the noise level beyond an acceptable value, thus close attention must be paid to ground returns and particularly to undesired coupling between circuits.

The term "signal-to-noise," for purposes of discussion, may be defined as the amount of signal necessary to overcome the internal receiver noise by a standard amount.

Determination of This Ratio

An acceptable method of determining the signal-to-noise ratio is to measure the audio output of the random receiver noise at a given frequency, then to inject a calibrated, minute noise signal until the combination of receiver noise and signal noise doubles the audio output of the receiver.

The noise signal necessary to per-

r.f. noise when a direct current is passed through them in the reverse direction of highest resistance.^{1, 2}

These crystal diodes have been used as noise generators up to 3000 mc. They require only a few volts to produce usable quantities of noise. This voltage may be obtained from a flashlight cell, thus eliminating the problem of a filament and plate supply for a diode tube.

The crystal diode noise generator is a relatively high impedance noise source, whereas the diode tube can be used as a low impedance constant-current generator. This limits the application of the crystal diode in some instances. If all comparative measurements are made at the same load value of impedance, the crystal generator will be satisfactory. No direct comparison can be made at different values of impedance. This is a small price to pay for such a compact and handy measuring device!

A typical circuit for a silicon crystal noise generator is shown in Fig. 3. Condenser C_1 serves as a low impedance r.f. bypass for both the meter and the variable voltage supply. The resistance R_1 limits the maximum diode current to 1 milliampere and also provides a means of varying this current. A non-inductive resistor (a small $\frac{1}{2}$ watt composition one will do) with a value that corresponds to the input impedance of the receiver is connected across the generator to the particular receiver impedance.

The complete generator may be built into a small metal box measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ "x2"x4" if a meter of sufficiently small size is used. The meter used, and shown in the photograph, is a $1\frac{1}{4}$ " war surplus meter with a range of 0-1.25 milliamperes.

A silicon crystal must be used. The 1N34 type will not be satisfactory. The 1N23 silicon 1adar crystal, available for under a dollar on the surplus market. is excellent for this purpose.

Care must be taken if wires are soldered to the crystal. If the soldering is done quickly, with a hot iron and the crystal cooled instantly after the wires are attached to it, no harm will come to the crystal. The crystal and condenser C_1 are mounted to the terminals of the connecting strip with very short leads to keep the loop resonant frequency of the generator as high as possible. The flashlight battery has a very long life since only 1 milliamperc is passed through it and so it may be soldered directly into the circuit. It will last for over a year with normal usage of the generator. The ends of the battery are covered with insulating tape to prevent a short-circuit to the metal box.

A ground stud is bolted to the box next to the terminal which is connected to the battery negative. This terminal is grounded to the stud when the instrument is used in an unbalanced condition, such as feeding a coaxial input stage.

Application

The test set-up for a signal-to-noise check of a receiver with the crystal noise generator is shown in Fig. 4. Resistor R is a non-inductive composition resistor with a resistance equal in value to the input impedance of the receiver.

The noise generator is connected to the antenna terminals of the receiver and the case of the generator is grounded to the chassis of the receiver. An output meter is connected to the speaker or earphone terminals of the receiver. With the noise generator turned off, adjust the receiver as follow::

1. Turn off the a.v.c.

2. Turn off the beat-oscillator.

3. Advance the r.f. gain control full on.

4. Advance the audio control to provide an index reading on the output meter. (This reading is noted as the zero measurement reading.)

5. Turn on the noise generator and advance R_1 until the reading of the output meter is doubled.

6. Read the meter in the noise generator. This reading is used as the reference signal-to-noise value.

The lower the reading of the noise generator meter to accompilsh the above test, the better the signal-tonoise ratio of the receiver being tested.

The meter used for the measurement of the receiver output may be almost any type of meter capable of measuring audio voltage.

A db meter will be the most convenient, if available, as an increase in reading of 3 db will indicate double power. If a rectifier type a.c. meter or a v.t.v.m. is used, the input from the noise generator is simply increased until the initial voltage shown is doubled.

The point of connection of the meter for measurement of the receiver output will depend to some extent on the receiver and meter used. In some cases the meter will be connected across the headphone jack, while in other receivers the most satisfactory point will be the speaker voice coil terminals. It is relatively easy to determine the correct point by experiment.

In the case of a receiver with a coaxial input stage the terminal nearest the ground post is jumpered to ground with a heavy lead and also connected to the receiver ground. The free terminal is connected to the center coaxial terminal of the receiver (Fig. 5).

The crystal noise generator will perform satisfactorily up to at least 160 mc., thus taking in the 2 meter amateur band. No means were available to check operation at frequencies higher than this.

Some surprising facts may turn up during a receiver check. During a check run made on an expensive amateur receiver several interesting points were discovered:

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Fig. 2. Simple diode tube noise generator.

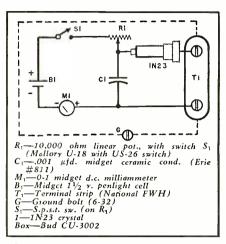


Fig. 3. The crystal diode noise generator.

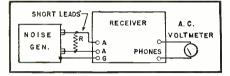


Fig. 4. Test setup for making signal-tonoise checks using the crystal noise generator described. Resistor R should be non-inductive and have a resistance equal in value to input impedance of receiver.

1. Although the *gain* of the receiver varied considerably with frequency, the signal-to-noise ratio was relatively constant over the same range.

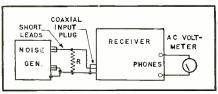
2. Maximum signal-to-noise ratio was *not* coincidental with maximum background noise in the receiver. If the receiver was aligned by ear, it would not be aligned for best signalto-noise ratio.

3. Careful alignment at both ends of each amateur band was necessary. Quick spot alignments were "out."

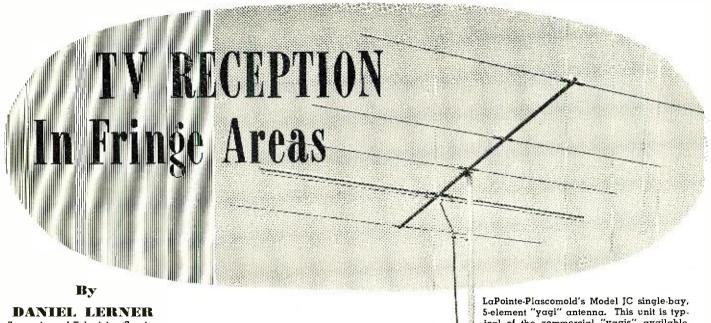
You, also, will find out some interesting facts about your receiver when you use this small unit! Its cost is small—it is easy to build. Once you use it, you will never be without it! Build one and see!



Fig. 5. Test setup for signal-to-noise checks on receiver having coaxial input stage. Note connections made on ground side.



¹ Houldin, J. E.; "The Crystal Capsule as a Generator of Noise?", G.E. Report #8237 (Great Britain), July 9, 1943. ² Van Voorhis, S. N.; "Microwave Receivers", Vol. 23, Radiation Laboratory Series, McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York.



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Practical TV service tips on circuit adjustments for improved video reception in low signal areas.

S MANY television technicians can testify, there is no sure cure or all-around remedy for making a strong television signal out of a very weak one. Nevertheless there are several expedients which can improve reception in the so-called fringe or weak signal areas. The ever increasing pace of competition in television development and production has resulted in television receivers with greater and greater sensitivity. The so-called fringe has been extended considerably, so that now it is at least twice as far out as it was in the early part of 1948. When a manufacturer designs a television receiver, he designs its characteristics so that it will give good performance in an optimum or average location. He does not design the television receiver specifically for one particular area, whether it be a weak or strong signal area. Some manufacturers do produce custom receivers made for these particular fringe areas. The problem is: What can be done to the r.f. system, antenna system, i.f. circuits and sync circuits to convert a so-called average set into a fringe receiver. The writer has seen many cases where a simple modification in a sync

circuit has made the difference between selling 1000 sets or selling none at all.

Antenna Systems

To start with the first things first, what can be done to an antenna system to make it perform better in a fringe area? The trend in antennas nowadays is towards a broadband multi-element type like the biconical array. This may take the shape of 2, 3, or maybe 4 spines, (see Fig. 1) in the driven element, but nevertheless it is essentially a broadband antenna. While this type of antenna has proven to be invaluable in areas such as Philadelphia and New York where quite a few television channels may be received, it has several distinct disadvantages when used in a fringe area. A broadband antenna, while maintaining a fairly uniform gain over the entire television spectrum, has a comparatively low figure of gain when compared to a narrow-band or high "Q" antenna system such as the "yagi" type. This is mere common sense for the antenna system can be considered as a tuned circuit and naturally the "Q" of the tuned circuit, or the figure 5-element "yagi" antenna. This unit is typ-ical of the commercial "yagis" available.

of merit, determines the gain which may be obtained from the tuned circuit.

Recently in a field trip to a real fringe area, Pottsville, Pa., the author had an opportunity to see many kinds of antenna systems and to get a fair idea of their worth. This city is located in extremely uneven terrain. Channels 3 and 6 can be received from Philadelphia, but vary in signal strength from 10 to 200 microvolts depending upon the season, weather conditions, and time of day. Almost invariably the type of antenna system used is either a single or a double-stacked yagi or even a four-stacked biconical array. When a "yagi" is used in this city it is cut to a particular channel and another "yagi" array must be used for the other channel. The "yagi" theoretically is the antenna array which gives the highest gain at a particular channel. Most commercial "yagis" give a gain over a dipole in the order of 7 to 10 db.

R.F. Tuner (Front End)

There are scores of different types of tuners on the market. They range from such varieties as the continuoustype tuner used by Du Mont to the turret-type tuner used by Philco, Zenith, Emerson, and many others.

No matter what kind of tuner is used, they all have one general problem. That is, how to amplify the received r.f. to a level usable at the 1st i.f. stage and also to keep the noise generated in the tuner low enough so as not to mask the received signal. This becomes quite a problem in a fringe area, for the received signal may be in the order of 30 microvolts and the noise generated in the tuner in the order of 20 microvolts or more.

In tuners using a 6AG5 for an r.f. amplifier, the author has had some success with tube substitutions. The 6BC5 and 6CB6 may be used in place of the 6AG5, and higher gains may be

Table 1. Details of a 3-element "yagi" array. Dimensions are given for all channels.

CHANNEL	FREQUENCY	DIPOLE LENGTH	REFL LENGTH	ECTOR SPACING	LENGTH	SPACING
2	54-60 mc.	981/4"	1031/4"	40"	931/2"	25″
3	60-66 mc.	90″	94″	36″	85″	22"
4	66-72 mc.	811/2"	853/4''	33''	78″	20″
5	76-82 mc.	71″	741/4"	29"	67½″	18"
6	82-88 mc.	65''	691/2"	26''	641/4"	16½″
7	174-180 mc.	313⁄4″	331/2"	13''	30"	8′′¯
8	180-186 mc.	303⁄4″	321/4"	121⁄4″	283/4''	73/4" 71/2" 71/4"
9	186-192 mc.	293/4"	311/4"	113⁄4″	28"	7½''
10	192-198 mc.	283/4"	301/4"	$11^{1/2''}$	27"	71/4''
l ii	198-204 mc.	28″	291/4"	111/4"	26¼″	7
12	204-210 mc.	27''	281/2"	11″	251/2"	63/4''
13	210-216 mc.	261/4"	271/2"	103/4"	25″	63/4" 61/2"

obtained. In one case a 6AK5 proved to give almost a 50% increase in gain. The pin connections are the same for all four of these tubes except that the 6CB6 has an external connection. Another field expedient which gives remarkable results involves removing the a.g.c. voltage applied to the r.f. amplifier grid, by grounding the r.f. grid return resistor. This has proven to be one of the most valuable aids in the fringe area. It not only increases the blackness (inkiness) of the picture but also seems to make the snow content less grainy and finer in nature.

If the tuner is of the turret type and the antenna and r.f. plate coils are removable, the coils may be spiked for greater gain. For real accuracy a good sweep generator and oscilloscope must be used in the process. "Spiking" involves separating the primary and secondary windings (loose coupling) to obtain a narrower bandpass, but higher sensitivity. Spiking is a tedious process and is not recommended to the beginner in television service.

Some wonderful results have been obtained in the fringe area by the actual substitution of one kind of tuner for another. In areas where the high frequency channels are in the fringe, the use of a tapered-line input tuner has often resulted in gains of 2 to 1 over the original tuner. Recently Philco designed a tuner (semi-incremental type), having a lower noise figure and higher signal-to-noise ratio than practically any other type. It uses a new low capacity triode, a 6BQ7, with one section as a grounded-grid r.f. amplifier. It uses a 12AV7 twin triode as the oscillator mixer. The use of this tuner in any receiver will result in better fringe performance.

In some areas, television reception is limited to one television channel. This means that the tuner can be peaked up to give its best performance for this channel. A very practical way to accomplish this is simply to turn the r.f. plate and grid trimmers and antenna trimmers for maximum signal at the video detector. Of course an oscilloscope connected to the video detector output is necessary to view the changes in amplitude.

I.F. System

Quite a bit of extra gain can be obtained in the i.f. system. But here extreme caution is urged, for too enthusiastic realignment may result in an unstable, regenerative i.f. system. There is a practical method for fringe alignment of an i.f. system, and it consists of the following:

1. Connect sweep generator to mixer grid and sweep through i.f. range.

2. Connect oscilloscope to video detector output.

3. Connect bias jig (see Fig. 2) from a.g.c. bus to ground.

4. Connect 20,000 ohm-per-volt meter to a.g.c. bus and adjust for -3 volts.

5. Repad i.f. system until bandwidth is reduced to approximately 2.5 mc., the amplitude is increased, and the video i.f. carrier is at approximately

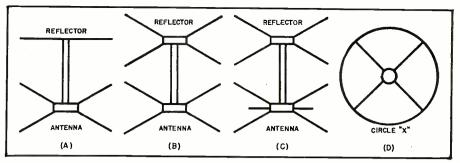


Fig. 1. Element arrangements of various types of broadband antennas.

80% of the response. See Fig. 3. During this realignment procedure carefully reduce the applied bias until the final curve is obtained with an a.g.c. voltage reading of approximately zero. It should be noted that the sweep generator output will also be lowered and the vertical gain control on the scope increased as the final curve is approached. The final curve will naturally be full of scope grass but its shape should be easily apparent.

In some areas the received signal may vary from 30 microvolts in the daytime to about 200 microvolts at night. A well designed i.f. system has the characteristic of maintaining its response shape even though the a.g.c. applied to the i.f. grids may change from -5 volt to -3.0 volts. In real fringe areas this characteristic is not desirable, for as the input signal decreases in a fringe area, it would be ideal for the video i.f. carrier automatically to shift up on the response curve. See Fig. 4. This may be difficult to obtain with some i.f. systems but nevertheless careful realignment may accomplish the job. The author has obtained good results in i.f. fringe area work by simply replacing a low gain i.f. tube, 6AG5 or 6AU6 with a hot 6BC5 or 6CB6. The i.f. system naturally will have to be repadded after such a tube replacement.

A.G.C. System

Recently tests have shown that manual control of the a.g.c. voltage may have beneficial effects in fringe area work. A circuit shown in Fig. 5 was used successfully recently in the fringe area. Reducing the a.g.c. voltage has several good effects. It increases the gain of the i.f. system, giving a blacker (inkier) picture. It also helps in clipping noise in the i.f. system.

Sync Circuits

Most of the sync circuit difficulties in the fringe area involve trying to hold sync in the presence of extreme noise. In cases of certain types of sustained noise, grounding the grid return resistor of the 3rd i.f. tube and using the manual a.g.c. control previously described allows for clipping of noise in the i.f. system. See Fig. 6. In this figure it can be seen that with normal a.g.c. voltage (-3 volts) applied to the i.f. tube it will operate on the I_p - E_g curve so that both the normal video signal and the accompanying noise

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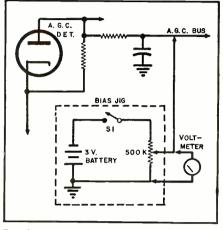


Fig. 2. Basic jig for readjusting i.f. system.

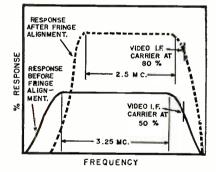
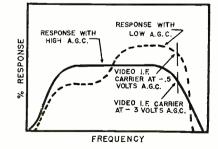


Fig. 3. The i.f. response curve. Reduced bandwidth and higher gain are ultimate goals.



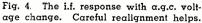
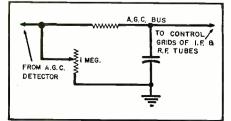
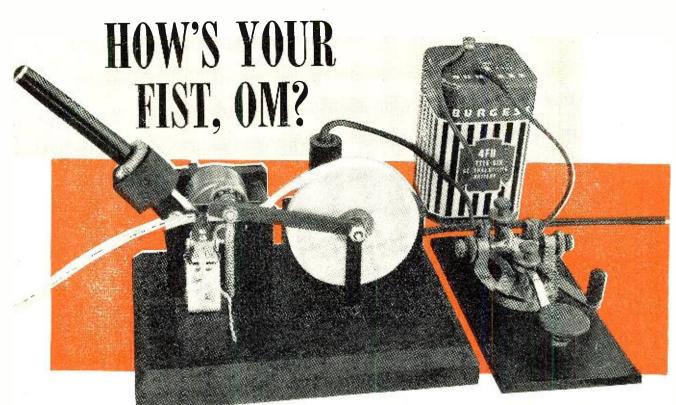


Fig. 5. Manual a.g.c. control circuit.





This simple tape recorder is relatively inexpensive to build.

You can check your sending technique with this automatic code recorder. A 1 rps clock motor is used to move tape over the armature of relay. When relay is energized, tape is lifted in contact with pen, making a record. Suitable for up to 35 wpm.

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HE code recorder to be described was built for the express purpose of providing a means of showing "brass-pounders" just how good their keying really is. For the beginner it can show him how his keying improves weekly with practice and for the experienced operator, it can show him just where his keying needs improvement and then will show him how his keying does improve as he concentrates on his weak points. For the radio club, it can act as an impartial judge in keying contests. A few minutes of listening in on any amateur c.w. band will convince anyone of the need for improving the "fists" of amateurs in general. Many an amateur would receive quite a shock if he were shown a tape of his average code conversation over the air! Here's a device which will help you to improve your fist.

This recorder consists essentially of a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch paper tape which is pushed over the armature of a relay by means of a rotating friction wheel driven by a clock motor. When the relay is actuated, the paper tape is lifted into contact with a pen and a record is made. Don't shy away because any of the parts of this recorder may seem unfamiliar to you. Any amateur with a few tools can easily make one.

Let's tackle the recording tape first since this, at first, seemed to offer the greatest difficulties but actually turned out to be a very simple problem. First obtain a roll of adding machine paper. If you own a circular saw, the rest is easy. If you don't own such a saw, you probably know someone who does and he will be glad to slice it for you. A miter saw will probably do the job too. Cut the roll up into slices 1/4 inch wide. Use a planer saw blade if possible so the edges will be smooth. If you don't have a planer saw, use a cross-cut or combination saw and then smooth up the edges of the roll by lapping the slice on a piece of fine sandpaper laid flat on a table top. It is essential that the edges of the tape be clean, not ragged, or it will not push through the paper guide on the relay armature. Paper tape suitable for use in this recorder may also be purchased from various companies selling code machines, if you do not care to cut your own.

Now for the relay that raises the paper against the pen. Any relay will do, it just depends on what you have available and how much voltage you want to use to key the recorder. The one shown in the photographs was taken from some war-surplus equipment and originally required 24 volts d.c. to key it. However the coil was rewound full of No. 22 d.c.c. wire and now 1.5 volts d.c. keys it very nicely. The contact mechanism was removed from the armature and on the end away from the coil (so it will be raised when the armature is actuated) a tape guide was fastened. The paper not only has to be raised into contact with the paper so a bottom plate on the tape guide is required, but also the tape must be lowered from the pen so a top plate is also essential. If a top plate is not used, the tape will have a tendency to stay in contact with the pen and both dots and dashes will be too long. Also, since the tape as it leaves the tape guide has a wet ink line on it, the top plate must be in the form of a saddle raised in the middle to clear the wet ink but low on each side so as to lower the paper from the pen as soon as the relay armature is released. In the one shown in the photographs the pen writes through a hole in this top plate. Use thin aluminum for this tape guide because you will want to be able to key up to 35 words-per-minute and, if this tape guide is too heavy, it will not move fast enough to give clean records at the higher keying speeds. Little ears turned up on the bottom plate keep the tape from "walking" from side to side as the paper is pushed through. Three layers of paper tape made into washers are about right for spacing the top plate from the bottom plate. This gives a clearance of twice the paper thickness and seems to be about right.

Next comes the mechanism for pushing the paper over the relay armature. The one shown in the photographs is a one revolution-per-second clock motor but many other motor and gear combinations will do. It is the linear speed of the tape that counts so let's examine that. Eighty inches-per-minute seems to be a good average speed. Calculations show that this requires a roller with a diameter of 0.425 inches rotating once every second. If you find you want to either increase or decrease this tape speed, the formula for a roller rotating one revolution per second is:

$Roller \ dia. = \frac{Tape \ speed \ in \ in./mia.}{188.5}$

The drive roller is very simple to make. Start with an "E" eraser for a Sheaffer "Fineline" pencil. It has a metal collar on one end which is very conveniently drilled with a small hole in the center. This makes it possible to drill it true without a lathe. Drill this eraser to fit snugly on the drive shaft. The eraser is too small in diameter to use directly with a one revolution-per-second clock motor but its diameter can be very easily increased by winding $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide adhesive tape on it until the desired diameter is reached. The adhesive tape is too smooth on the outside to drive the paper but a "tire" consisting of one layer of ordinary black friction tape on top of the adhesive tape pushes the paper tape without slipping. As your keying speed increases, just add a little more tape to increase the size of the roller and thus drive the paper faster.

Note the additional paper guide between the drive roller and the roll of paper tape. This is essential to prevent sidewise walk of the paper tape and also to keep the tape at the proper height as the diameter of the tape roll decreases with use. The reason why the tape is pushed into the tape lifter on top of the relay rather than pulled through is that on the other side of the tape lifter the tape contains a wet ink line and so if the tape is pulled through, the idler roller, which will be described next, has to be shaped to straddle the ink record to prevent blotting.

The idler roller on the model shown is just a ball bearing assembly mounted on an arm and pulled down against the drive roller by means of a very light spring (tension one ounce). Make this spring detachable so the idler roller can be lifted out of the way while loading the paper tape. This spring was not used at first but a weight consisting of a one ounce fishing sinker was fastened to the arm carrying this idler roller. For appearance sake this sinker was discarded in favor of the spring but it worked just as well. Space the friction roller and this idler just above it as close to the relay armature as possible or the paper will buckle instead of pushing through the paper guide.

In the photographs, the paper roll is shown without plates on each side. Actually it is better to use plates to prevent the outside turns of tape from falling off the spool. These plates can be made of ½ inch Masonite with a circle cutter or the top and bottom of an ordinary tomato can are just right for this, 3¼ inches in diameter.

The pen holder consists of a block of wood mounted on the motor bracket by means of a strip of galvanized iron. A spring, as shown, makes it easy to adjust the pen so the paper will just touch the point of the pen when the paper is raised. An ordinary fountain pen with a stub point works very well but better tapes can be made using a lettering pen and drawing ink.

Besides using this recorder for checking your "fist", by connecting a copper oxide rectifier to the output transformer of the receiver, the output of this rectifier can be used to key the recorder on received signals. With this arrangement you can record signals as they come over the air. The relay, as wound with No. 22 d.c.c. wire, is not suitable for use with a copper oxide

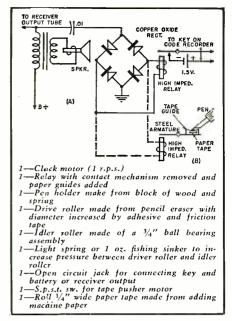


Fig. 1. (A) Keying from receiver with auxiliary relay and (B) without using relay.

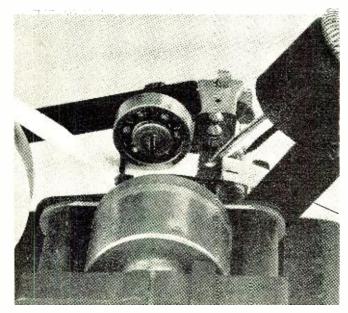
rectifier because it requires too much current. The relay with much finer wire should be used in this application. Fig. 1A shows a circuit using an auxilliary high impedance relay suitable for use with a bridge type rectifier. Fig. 1B is an arrangement for using the code recorder directly provided a high impedance relay is used in the recorder itself.

It is probable that the low impedance relay together with the rectifier could be connected across the voice coil of the output transformer, allowing the use of a lower voltage rectifier.

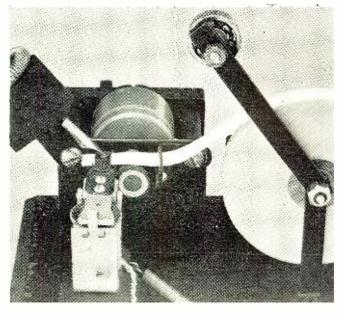
In one test a battery trickle charger was used with the normal primary of the transformer connected in place of the output transformer. The relay was then connected across the d.c. output of the trickle charger. $-\overline{M}$

Close-up of code recording mechanism showing tape feed and pen.

Over-all view of unit showing idler roller lifted from the tape.



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Over-all view of test unit. It is home-built and easy to duplicate.

By GLEN SOUTHWORTH

Complete analysis of a modulated wave technique used in checking performance of audio equipment.

N SEEKING to improve the performance of audio equipment, the trend in recent years has been to use increasingly complex waveforms in analyzing the characteristics of audio devices, thus providing a closer approximation of the conditions found when actually reproducing speech or music. Examples of this are to be found in the intermodulation technique, wherein two or more frequencies are used simultaneously for test purposes, and in the use of square or clipped waveforms, rich in harmonics.

A technique somewhat analogous to the intermodulation test is to apply a modulated wave train to the equipment under test and observe the alterations resulting. Waveforms of this nature commonly occur in natural sound, and if nonlinearity exists in the reproducing system, partial rectification of the modulation envelope may occur with the result that a spurious tone of the same frequency as the modulation envelope will appear in the output and may be easily detected by means of a low-pass filter. In addition, this method appears to recommend itself in making aural tests of fidelity and in the observation of loudspeaker characteristics. The reason for this is that the low frequency tone is not harmonically related to the carrier frequency and usually being of a widely separated nature, such as a carrier of 8000 cps and a modulation of 100 cps, is relatively easy to de-tect aurally. This is in contrast with the intermodulation technique wherein the distortion products may be masked by the carrier as well as the relatively

high-intensity lower frequency. Similarly, in testing loudspeakers by the modulated wave method the distortion products resulting appear to be less affected by the acoustic environment than those occurring in intermodulation.

A second test of interest is that of observing the dynamic characteristics of amplifiers and other equipment. This is advantageous in that the mode of operation of a particular device may vary with the intensity of the signal applied. In the case of audio amplifiers, voltage variations, regenerative instability, and secondary emission from tube elements may cause dynamic distortions that may go unnoticed in the case of steady-state measurements. Examples of this are shown in the accompanying oscilloscope photographs. In the case of electroacoustic transducers, such as loudspeakers, the problem of chang-ing modes of vibration may be considerably more severe, as will be further noted in the following paragraphs.

Although the problem of transient distortion has produced considerable interest in recent years, at the present time there appear to be no standards set for making comparative measurements of audio equipment. In observing the type of transient distortion that leads to "ringing" or "hangover" the modulated wave technique seems to be an easily reproducible method of making comparative measurements. If a wave train modulated 100% by some lower frequency is applied to a device in which transient distortion of a ringing nature occurs, then a deformation of the modulation envelope will result which causes the carrier to be demodulated, in the sense that the percentage of modulation is no longer as great. The amount of demodulation produced is dependent upon the amplitude and duration of the ringing distortion and upon the frequency of the modulation tone used. An example of this is shown in the accompanying oscilloscope photos in which a 600 cps carrier, modulated 100% by a 60 cycle tone was applied to a parallel LC circuit resonant at the carrier frequency. The sensitivity of this method of measurement is increased by raising the frequency of the modulation envelope and decreased by lowering it. Thus, the amount of transient distortion of this nature which is present at any frequency may be stated by giving the amount of demodulation produced as well as the modulating frequency.

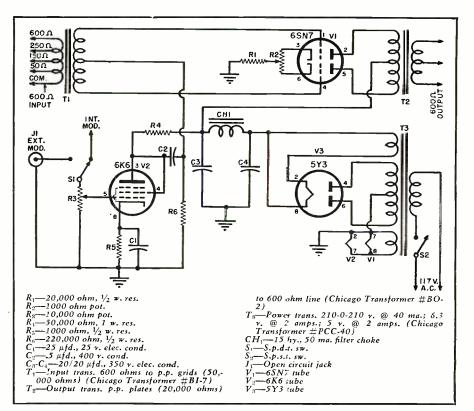
Up to the present there have been three main methods of analyzing transient distortion; square waves, pulses, and interrupted wave trains. The modulated wave technique appears to have several advantages over the others mentioned. As the buildup and decay of the carrier frequency is relatively slow there is less hazard of shock-exciting adjacent resonances, thus permitting a less complicated analysis of a particular frequency to be made. Another factor of importance is that there is no appreciable time delay between the occurrence of one modulation envelope and another, such as occurs in other transient testing techniques. This is desirable, not only from the standpoint of the convenience of measuring the demodulation produced, but also due to the fact that the spurious transient produced may have a varying phase characteristic that can produce serious interference with the subsequent modulation envelope. Similarly, as noted previously, the mode of vibration of a device such as a loudspeaker can alter

greatly under conditions of dynamic variation, with resultant envelope distortion and interference products being generated. This factor can be of some importance in sound reproduction where natural or spurious modulations of up to several thousand c.p.s. may be encountered.

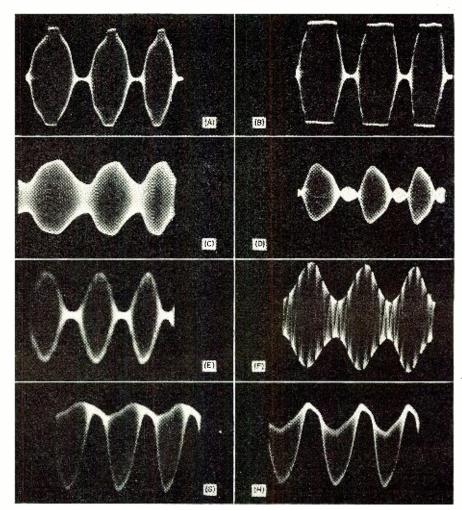
Another factor closely related to the subject of transient distortion is that of the decay time of the room acoustics in which a reproducing system is used. In essence, reverberation represents a form of ringing transient distortion in which the sound persists after the initial excitation has ceased. The main difference between this effect and the distortions found in reproducing equipment is that acoustic hangover is relatively smooth with regard to frequency, being greatest at low frequencies and decreasing in the high frequency region where the sound absorbing properties of most materials are superior. On the other hand, transient distortions in devices such as loudspeakers usually are produced by sharply peaked resonances which tend to lend objectionable aural emphasis to certain frequencies. As in the case of testing reproducing apparatus, the modulated wave technique offers opportunities of observing the acoustic characteristics of rooms having relatively short decay periods. In general, the same factors mentioned in transient testing hold good and an oscilloscope photo of the demodulation caused by room hangover is illustrated. Experiments of this nature indicate that the objectionableness of certain forms of distortion in audio equipment, such as intermodulation distortion, may be appreciably modified by the associated room acoustics. Presumably "dead" acoustics would tend to make intermodulation more noticeable, while a live listening environment would tend to lower the apparent depth of modulation produced.

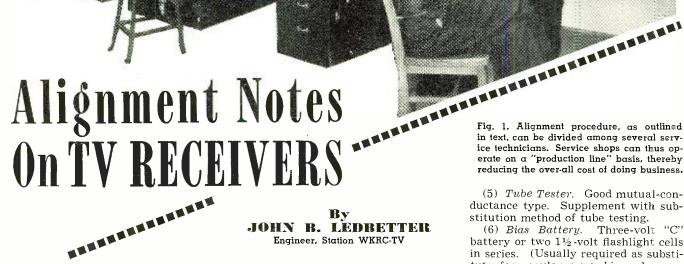
A fifth application of modulated wave trains is in making phase shift observations. In this instance, the modulation envelope is used as a ref-(Continued on page 102)

> Oscilloscope patterns of results obtained with modulated wave techniques. (A) Envelope deformation caused by lightly loaded power amplifier using push-pull 6L6's at near maximum output. (B) Same amplifier overdriven during peaks. (C) Demodulation of a 3000 cps carrier produced by acoustics of a fairly "live" room with microphone placed 4 feet from speaker. (D) Transient distortions intro-duced by 6" loudspeaker at a carrier frequency of 3500 cps and modulation frequency of 60 cycles. (E) Open circuit waveform of output of modulator at 600 cps carrier frequency and 60 cps modulation frequency. (F) "Hangover" produced by applying signal of (E) to simple LC circuit resonant at the carrier frequency. (G) Pattern produced by introducing slightly out-of-phase signal of same frequency as modulation envelope. Note apparent assymmetry. (H) Same pattern as (G) with strength of low frequency component increased somewhat.



Schematic diagram of the modulator test unit used by the author in checking audio equipment. High quality transformers should be used to permit observations at the extremes of the audio spectrum. Provision is made for internal 60-cycle modulation or the external modulation of variable frequency. The "Int. Mod." lead goes to the ungrounded side of the 6.3 volt heater.





Servicing TV sets is not difficult but a definite procedure, as outlined in text, should be followed.

PECIAL alignment problems posed by particular makes and models of television receivers can be minimized if the general order of alignment is remembered. This order, as recommended and discussed in the following paragraphs, will vary with special circuits, but will remain fundamentally the same when used as a basic or "skeleton" outline.

Test Equipment

For aligning and servicing any TV receiver the following minimum equipment is recommended:

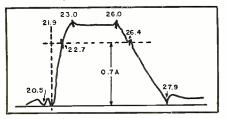
(1) Oscilloscope. Vertical amplifier should have flat frequency response, with good low-frequency response and sensitivity of at least .07 volt-per-inch deflection. The vertical amplifier should include a low-capacity probe and calibrated attenuator.

(2) Sweep Generator. Frequency range should cover 18 to 50 mc. (for i.f. alignment), and 50 to 90 mc. and 170 to 225 mc. (for r.f., converter, and Sweep width oscillator alignment). should be variable to 10 mc. Generator output should be at least 0.1 volt, with constant output over the sweep width. Output should also be uniform over each frequency range.

(3) Marker Generator. Should cover frequency ranges from 4 to 50 mc., and 50 to 225 mc., with crystal-calibrated or equally accurate frequency of 4.5 mc. for sound i.f. alignment. (An extremely accurate marker indication also is required for fixing the exact frequency of the video center frequency and for sound trap adjustments). The marker generator may be incorporated as part of the sweep generator, or it may be a separate unit, such as special marker generator, calibrated signal generator, or heterodyne frequency meter with crystal calibrator. Generator output should be at least 0.1 volt.

(4) Vacuum Tube Voltmeter. Should include a diode probe for high-frequency measurements and a high-voltage multiplier probe for kinescope and sweep-circuit high voltage measurements.

Fig. 2. Conventional television i.f. alignment curve. "Pip" type markers show position of important alignment frequencies.



erate on a "production line" basis, thereby reducing the over-all cost of doing business.

(5) Tube Tester. Good mutual-conductance type. Supplement with substitution method of tube testing.

(6) Bias Battery. Three-volt "C" battery or two 1½-volt flashlight cells in series. (Usually required as substitute for regular a.g.c. bias when receivers incorporating rectified a.g.c. are being aligned.)

Marker Operation

The importance of an accurately calibrated marker generator can be seen by noting the typical i.f. alignment curve shown in Fig. 2. (This curve is recommended for the Motorola VK101). The marker is first set to the sound i.f. carrier (21.9 mc.) where the *i.f.* sound trap is adjusted; then to 20.5 mc. for the low-frequency rejector trap adjustment. (This trap takes care of any sound "leakage" that was not eliminated by the i.f. sound trap). The marker is moved next to 27.9 mc. for the adjacent channel trap adjustment. The 22.7 mc., 23.0 mc., 26.0 mc. and 26.4 mc. frequencies are checkpoints specified by the manufacturer of this particular receiver. (26.4 mc. is the video i.f. carrier; note that it is exactly 4.5 mc. higher than the sound i.f. It is also located at a point 0.7 down the high-frequency side or skirt of the curve. This is done in order to pass all high, low, and middle video frequencies equally. (Other receivers may specify the video frequency amplitude be adjusted to 0.5 or 50% instead of 0.7, depending on the design and response characteristics of the receiver).

"Pip" markers are used in Fig. 2. The same curve, marked with an inexpensive "dip" or absorption-type marker, is seen in Fig. 3.

Usually, manufacturers include de-

tailed alignment notes with their receivers or supply such information on request. These instructions should be followed, step-by-step, when at all possible, otherwise alignment should not be attempted unless the circuit deficiency of misalignment is fully recognized. Although a good scope and TV signal generator will make adjustments much easier, it is important that you know the exact or recommended order of adjustments.

Generally, television receivers should be aligned in this order: (1) video i.f. sound traps, (2) video adjacent channel traps (when employed), (3) video i.f. amplifiers, (4) sound i.f. stages and discriminator, (5) r.f. amplifier, (6) converter, and (7) oscillator. (Note that all trap adjustments are made *before* the i.f. stages or other circuits are aligned. Any *other* order of alignment may upset previous adjustments, particularly in the case of video i.f. stages and i.f. sound traps.

Video I.F. Sound Traps

In video receivers, both the picture and sound channels beat against a common oscillator. For this reason, the sound channel, which is only 4.5 mc. away from the picture channel, can be picked up by the video i.f. stages and passed on to the picture tube. Audio from the sound channel will then modulate the video carrier and cause the picture to lose synchronization. Less severe modulation may not affect sync but will produce a beat pattern in the form of dark horizontal lines or streaks. Interference from this source is eliminated in some receivers by parallel-resonant traps located in one or more of the video i.f. stages and tuned to the sound i.f. frequency.

Sound Trap Alignment. Adjust the marker oscillator to the sound i.f. frequency of the receiver and feed a signal into any convenient point ahead of the sound traps. (Usually, connection through a .001 μ fd. condenser to the mixer grid or to one of the video i.f. grids will do). For these adjustments, turn the generator sweep off and adjust the sound traps for minimum output. The output indicator may be a v.t.v.m. or scope connected across the video detector load resistor (see Fig. 5). Since the scope normally is connected across the video load resistor during all video adjustments, it can be used with no extra connections required. When the scope is used for trap adjustments, the horizontal amplifier should be turned off and the marker oscillator modulated with 400 cycles or other available audio frequency. A thin vertical line representing the sound trap output will then be seen on the scope. Traps should be adjusted for minimum height of this line.

In some instances, the local oscillator in the receiver may beat against the signal generator oscillator on one or more channels. If this occurs, the scope pattern will change as the channel selector or tuning control is varied. This interaction can be eliminated by removing or temporarily disabling the receiver oscillator tube. It should also be made a practice to turn the oscillator "fine tuning" and contrast controls to their mid-range or center positions before making adjustments which affect these stages.

Adjacent Channel Traps

There have been some cases of interference between the sound channel of one station and the video channel of another station operating on the adjacent higher channel. The sound of a station on Channel 4, for instance, could interfere with the video of a station on Channel 5. If adjacent channel traps are included in the receiver, set the receiver channel selector to Channel 5 and the generator marker oscillator to Channel 4 and adjust the adjacent channel trap of the latter for minimum output. This procedure should be carried out on each of the channels likely to be affected and, like the sound trap adjustments, made before i.f. alignment of the video stages.

Video I.F. Amplifiers

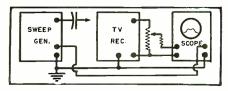
The 6 mc. bandwidth of video i.f. amplifiers is made possible by employing either over-coupled or stagger-tuned transformers, along with suitable compensating networks. The response or bandwidth of over-coupled transformers is dependent on the amount of coupling between the primary and secondary windings. When this coupling is increased past a certain critical point, a double hump or broadband response curve is produced (see Fig. 4B). Bandwidth can be increased further by adding damping resistors across the windings. This method is limited, however, by the fact that resistance does increase bandwidth but at the same time reduces the gain. This effect is seen in Fig. 4. Curve A is obtained with ordinary transformers, curve B with over-coupled transformers, and curve C with overcoupled transformers resistive loaded. Note the decrease in output in the latter case.

The wide-band response of *stagger*tuned video i.f. stages is obtained by using ordinary single-tuned i.f. transformers and peaking each stage at a slightly different frequency. This provides the required broadband response curve without the usual loss in output.

Alignment of Over-Coupled I.F. Transformers

The set-up in Fig. 6 is recommended for alignment. The vertical plates of the scope are connected through a 10,-000 ohm isolating resistor to the video detector load resistor, and the horizontal plates of the scope are connected

Fig. 6. Recommended test setup for use when aligning over-coupled i.f. transformers.



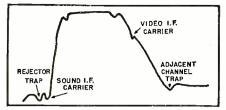


Fig. 3. This curve is similar to that of Fig. 2 with the exception that a dip or absorption type marker generator is used.

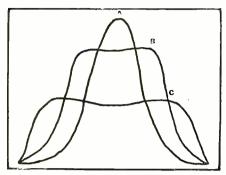


Fig. 4. Either over-coupling or staggered tuning in the i.f. stages is used to obtain proper bandwidth. Gain is sacrificed in both cases to get broadband operation.

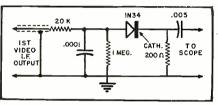


Fig. 5. Wiring diagram of scope detector network used to align first i.f. stage.

to the horizontal sweep terminals of the sweep generator (or to a separate sweep-frequency oscillator if your regular generator has no sweep. In setting up this equipment, be sure the receiver, generator, and scope have a good common ground. A poor ground system may result in erroneous readings and overly-critical adjustments.

After suitable warm-up time, set the signal generator to the *center video i.f.* frequency of the receiver and adjust the sweep of the generator to about 10 mc. To avoid overloading the video stages, use the *minimum* output from the generator which will give a clear pattern on the scope. Scope gain can then be increased further if a better indication is desired. For each adjustment, set the marker oscillator at the frequency specified by the manufacturer, using the minimum generator output (or injection voltage) which will give a satisfactory trace. Since the marker frequency settings will vary with different receivers, the manufacturer's alignment notes must be followed closely.

After the signal generator has been adjusted to the correct center i.f. frequency, connect its output through a .001 μ fd. condenser to the grid of the last i.f. stage. The secondary of the last i.f. stage is aligned first. After the secondary has been aligned for max-(Continued on page 98)



Compiled by KENNETH R. BOORD

T IS a pleasure to dedicate *ISW DEPARTMENT* this month to Gronlands Radio, Godthaab, Greenland, which is now sending out widely the following mimeographed letter, signed by Jacob Selvested Grove, in answer to reports dating as early as 1949—or earlier:

"Gronlands Radio wishes to thank you very much for your letter. We regret that circumstances have prevented us from answering you sooner, but we can promise you a prompt answer when you send us your next reception report. This valuable information from our world audience is very helpful to our operations and therefore gratefully received.

"Our broadcasting studio and transmitters are located in Godthaab, the capital of Greenland. We are on the air every weekday from 1830 hours to 2045 hours local time (2130-2345 GMT; 1630-1845 EST), and on occasional Sundays, when religious services are transmitted. Our daily programs consist of news in Danish and Greenlar.dic, talks on various subjects, stories, and music. Since our Greenland audience has shown a preference for light music, we limit our classical selections and play mostly dance and folk tunes. "Although there are approximately 22,000 inhabitants in the whole of

Greenland, the great majority live

along the western coast. About 1050 radio sets are in operation in West Greenland, most of them being batterypowered since central electric plants are found only in the larger villages. Gronlands Radio broadcasts from Godthaab with a power of 1000 watts and relay stations at Godhavn and Frederikshaab re-broadcast the signal to North and Southwest Greenland. It is planned to increase the size of our transmitter in the near future to permit a better coverage of Greenland. Our frequencies at present are-2130-2345 GMT (1630-1845 EST), 633 kc.; 2130-2250 GMT (1630-1750 EST), 5.9425; 2255-2345 GMT (1755 - 1845)EST), 6.676 (measured 6.677 by Oskay, N. J., recently at 1810 EST).

"Your interest in Gronlands Radio is greatly appreciated and we will be happy to hear from you again. Please tell us how well you are receiving our broadcasts, how you like our programs, and any other information which might enable us to improve Gronlands Radio."

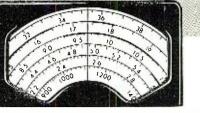
ISW for the Shut-in

International short-wave radio long has been a great boon, hobby, and pastime for the shut-in. Here is the story of just one instance:

From a ranch in California, outside the town of Patterson (population about 2000) and where the nearest

The room of bed-ridden rheumatic fever victim Sylvia C. Grischott, Patterson, Calif. has been converted into a completely-equipped Listening Post where Sylvia keeps in constant contact with all corners of the world through the modern "miracle" of shortwave radio. During January and February alone she logged 140 stations, 41 countries.





neighbor is more than a half-mile away, *ISW DEPARTMENT* Monitor Sylvia C. Grischott, bed-ridden rheumatic fever victim, keeps in constant touch with the four corners of the earth by means of short-wave radio.

A resident of Yonkers, N. Y. until 1947, when she moved to the West Coast in the hope of regaining her health, Miss Grischott first became interested in listening to distant radio stations while a patient in the University of California Medical Center. Previously, she had enrolled in Modesto Junior College as a pre-medical student.

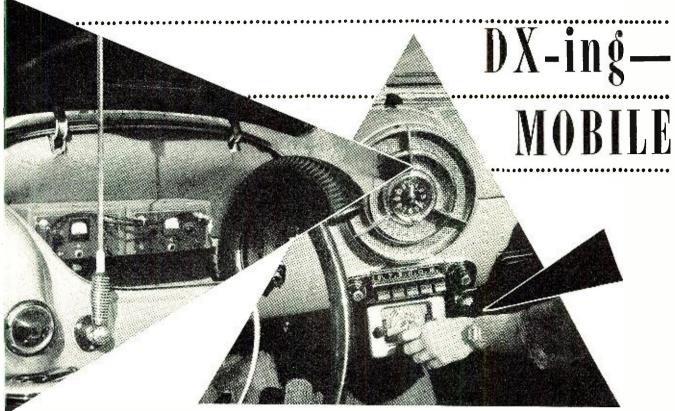
Now at home, her room has been converted into a completely-equipped listening post, featuring two communications receivers (one is a Hallicrafters S-16), a frequency standard, and a 40-ft. inverted "L" antenna. With this equipment, Sylvia has logged and verified reception of more than 1000 stations in all sections of the world. She considers the logging of 25 Japanese and Chinese transmitters in less than one hour of dialing to be her greatest radio achievement to date. Evidently, her location must be a DX-er's paradise since she writes that stations from all over the earth are received with a high degree of consistency. For example, during the first two months of 1951, Sylvia logged 140 stations in 41 countries (exclusive of USA).

Sylvia's radio listening is done at all hours of the day and night and frequently while she is wearing an oxygen mask to help her breathing. She answers correspondents and stations with an attractive SWL card which she designed herself.

Currently studying for her amateur radio ticket, Sylvia looks forward to the day when with her own transmitter she will be able to talk to her many radio friends over the airwaves. Her radio activities are augmented by a correspondence course in short-story writing, which she is taking at the University of California.

One morning, Sylvia was unable to sleep and tuned in a radio program at (Continued on page 130)

⁽Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all time is expressed in American EST: add 5 hours for GCT. "News" refers to newscasts in the Enalish language. In order to avoid confusion, the 24 hour clock has been used in designating the times of broadcasts. The hours from midnight until non 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



Close-up of "Master Mount" antenna and "Gonset" converter in Hauck's car.

HE two carefree-looking people on this month's cover are Dr. and Mrs. Dale Hauck of Los Angeles, California.

Dale Hauck is W6YFT ("Yellowstone Firestone Tombstone") while his wife, Elouise, holds the call W6YFF ("Young Frustrated Female").

The Haucks are particularly proud of their mobile installation—as well they might be—for not only does it look well but it turns in a fine performance. That it is a good looking rig is readily attested by the photographs of the equipment while its performance record, represented by a goodly array of QSL cards, speaks for itself.

This same equipment, installed in the convertible's predecessor, was the mobile unit involved in a thrilling snow rescue some of our readers may recall. It was in November 1946 when two hundred hapless motorists found themselves snowbound on Highway 66, some fifty miles west of Albuquerque, New Mexico. The Haucks (then W8VAX) were among those trapped by the storm. After a seemingly endless night, dawn came and with it came activity on the 10 meter band. A contact with W8UIL in Canton, Ohio was the modus operandi which set the rescue wheels in motion. W8UIL contacted an Albuquerque ham and the local authorities were soon appraised of the motorists' plight. The rescue was then carried out without a hitch.

The current "shack" is a 1950 Pontiac convertible. The twin transmitters are Hoyt mobile kits using instant heating tubes with HY69's in the final. One transmitter is on 10 meters while

Details on Dale and Elouise Hauck's mobile ham "shack." shown in color on this month's cover.

the other operates on either 20 or 75 meters with bandswitching being accomplished from the front panel.

The power pack is a PE-103 mounted in the tail of the right rear fender. Frequency shifting is performed from the dash, using a multiple, individually-tuned crystal in each transmitter. The microphone is a F-1 carbon unit.

The antenna is a *Master Mount* which is used on all three bands, with the necessary coil change. The antenna is very stable and little sway is experienced even at high speeds, according to the Haucks. They report excellent results, especially on 75 and 20 meters. Since this particular antenna fits most "back up light" holes on present-day cars, this eliminates the necessity for drilling holes in the body—a feature that makes most car dealers happy when it comes trade-in time on the old model.

No extra batteries or high output generator are required in this installation. The standard *Pontiac* electrical system has been retained and because of the instant heating tubes in the transmitter the Haucks have had no battery problems—a fault that was frequently encountered with the heater type tubes.

The Haucks attribute their success as mobile operators to a good antenna system and the facility with which they can change frequency while underway. They also stress the elimination of filament battery drain during listening periods as a factor in smooth operation.

The receiver is a 3-30 *Gonset* converter installed ahead of the car receiver. The noise limiter is built into the receiver and utilizes circuits similar to those found in the *Gonset* clipper. Even though the car motor is "California hopped", *i.e.*, uses a very hot ignition system, the noise level is low enough to preclude complaints from even the most particular XYL.

The original *Hoyt* installation was made by Al Freeman of San Pedro, California while the present transmitter was installed by Charles Messman, W6EH, of Hollywood.

Dr. Hauck, who is a practicing eye surgeon in Los Angeles, has a rather limited amount of time to devote to his radio hobby. Mobile operation allows him to keep active on the ham bands without taking time from his flourishing practice. Their home station is equipped with a BC-610E transmitter, a "Super Pro" receiver, and a three-element beam, but the Haucks still find their greatest enjoyment in climbing into the Pontiac and heading for the "wide open spaces" where they can DX to their hearts' content with as sweet a portable rig as any ham could wish for.

With the advent of summer and with thousands of persons taking to the highways, mobile radio is in for another seasonal boom. DX-ing mobile can be fun—once you try it you will be a fan—just ask the Haucks! <u>-30</u>—



Both bass and treble boost and attenuation are obtained in this type of tone control. Using just a single tube automatically reduces amplifier stages to a minimum.

\HE degenerative type of tone control has enjoyed rather widespread use in audio amplifiers. It has the particular advantage that only a single tube is required to accomplish both bass and treble boost and cut: this results in reduction of total amplifier stages to a minimum and simplifies the power-supply requirements when compared to other more complex controls.

On the other hand, as usually designed, the tone control makes use of an iron-core choke which is considered undesirable by many designers. Furthermore, when utilized in certain ways a parallel-resonant arrangement is introduced into the circuit and this, in the opinion of a large number of engineers, is to be avoided at almost any cost. One purpose of this article is to study the extent to which the degenerative tone control introduces undesirable characteristics.

The usual objection to the use of an iron core choke coil for tone control is the possibility of hum pickup.

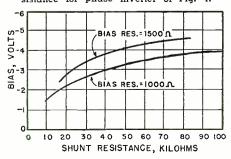
With modern, well-shielded chokes available for this purpose, this is not a valid objection, and the hum introduced by the choke is negligible.

The second purpose of this report is to elucidate a process by which such tone control stages may be designed. As has been previously intimated, this is not an involved procedure but at least one of the commonly-used circuits seems to utilize unnecessarily

complicated controls. Furthermore individuals have varying tastes in frequency-response curves and it is desirable for the designer to be able to vary the circuit to accommodate these differences

The basis of the degenerative tone control is the simple plate-and-cathode loaded phase inverter, incorporated in the circuit of Fig. 4. As is generally known, if R_1 and R_2 are equal the signal voltages at points A and B will also be equal but of opposite sign. The output is taken from point A and, in principle, a bass cut is attained by shunting this output with a suitable choke while a bass boost results if the cathode resistor is shunted. By substituting a condenser for the choke, the treble is similarly controlled. The maximum amount of cut in either case is 6 db. per octave but the maximum boost depends upon the amplification factor of

Fig. 1. Variation of bias with shunt resistance for phase inverter of Fig. 4.



the tube. With a low-mu triode like the 6J5, which is customarily used, a boost of about 5 db. per octave is the

The first step in the design of the stage is thus simply the choice of component values for a suitable phase inverter. By way of example, a 6J5 will be assumed with a plate-supply voltage of 400, under which circumstances R_1 and R_2 may be 27,000 ohms each and the bias resistor may be 1000 ohms. The bypass is omitted from the cathode bias resistor with little effect.

The bass turnover frequency (the frequency at which bass boost or cut begins to become effective) and the treble turnover frequency may be independently specified. In the case of bass and treble cuts, the choke and condenser are shunted across the output resistance of the stage, which is substantially equal to R_1 . Bass cut becomes effective when the reactance of the choke equals R_1 ; hence, if a 500 c.p.s. turnover is chosen with $R_1 =$ 27.000 ohms, an 8.5 henry choke will be required. In a similar manner if treble cut is to begin at 2000 c.p.s., an .003 μ fd. condenser will be needed. Boosts become effective at approximately the same frequencies because the cathode resistor is the same size as the plate resistor. The condenser and choke together in the above case resonate at 1000 c.p.s., so that when maximum bass and treble cut are both employed, a 1000 c.p.s. parallel-resonant circuit is shunting the output.

In order to introduce each of these shunts independently to either the plate or cathode portion of the circuit, two controls must be used. There is more than one way to connect each control into the circuit, but the simplest method seems to be to attach one end directly to point A and the other to point B (Fig. 4). Since two controls are used, the tube then operates with a d.c. shunt equal to the parallel resistance of the two controls. This shunt naturally affects the bias voltage and some adjustment in the size of the bias resistor is necessary to permit the shunted tube to handle the same signal voltage as an unshunted one. It

would, of course, be possible to use a control of very high resistance, say, five megohms, in which case the effect on the d.c. voltages would be negligible. As the resistance of the control is increased, however, the region in which the control action takes effect becomes confined more and more to the ends of the rotation of the knob; with a five megohm control the entire boost or cut action occurs within a few degrees of the ends of this rotation, which effect is decidedly undesirable. It has for this reason been found preferable to choose a value equal to about five times the plate resistor of the inverter—in this case, around 100,000 or 150.000 ohms.

The d.c. voltages in a shunted-triode plate-and-cathode loaded phase inverter can easily be calculated, and the simplest method for finding the required bias resistor seems to be to assume a series of values of "B" supply currents, from which the voltage drop through the load resistors and hence the effective plate-cathode voltage across the tube can be found. With this voltage and a bias line drawn for a given bias resistor on the tube characteristics chart, the tube plate current and effective bias can be located. By subtracting this plate current from the assumed "B" supply current, the current flowing through the shunt is immediately found, and the tube platecathode voltage divided by this current equals the size of the shunt required to bring about the assumed operating conditions. Fig. 4 illustrates the method of calculation just described.

This procedure must be repeated for several assumed values of bias resistor, and the results plotted as shown in Fig. 1, which applies to the circuit used as an example in this article. From this chart, it is evident that with 150,000 ohm controls, which impose a 75,000 ohm shunt across the tube, a bias resistor of 1500 ohms results in a grid bias approximately the same as that for an unshunted tube with a 1000 ohm bias resistor.

Since the signal voltages occurring at each end of the controls are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign, the center point of each control is effectively at ground a.c. potential even though no grounded center tap is provided. If the center point of the knob rotation is to correspond to flat response, equal resistance must be provided each side of this center, which usually indicates the use of lineartaper potentiometers. Fader types have been tried but found to be unsatisfactory for this circuit. To obtain the control action the slider of the bass control is grounded through the choke whose size was previously calculated, and the other slider is connected to ground by means of the condenser.

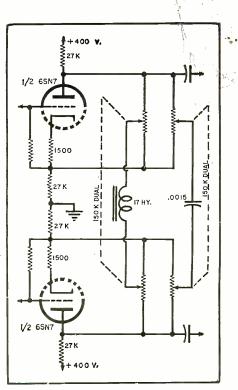
In a single-ended stage (Fig. 3) the d.c. must be prevented from flowing through the choke to ground. This requires a very large blocking condenser because the series resonance of the choke and blocking condenser must occur below the lowest frequency to be amplified. Electrolytic condensers are usually used in consideration of space requirements. A push-pull stage (Fig. 2) has the advantage of eliminating this blocking condenser and in addition, as usual, leads to reduced distortion in the amplifier output and permits some simplification in the power supply.

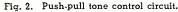
The last step in the design is to assign values to the tube grid resistor and the input coupling condenser. This is complicated by the fact that the input resistance at low frequencies decreases when bass boost is employed, and this decreasing input resistance acts in combination with the coupling condenser to reduce the bass response. For example, if a grid resistor of 100,-000 ohms is used with a .01 µfd. coupling condenser the bass response will be down 3 db. at 16 c.p.s. with the bass control set for flat response, but at maximum boost the 3 db. point will be at 160 c.p.s. This undesirable effect can be eliminated only by making the bass response extend to the proper frequency at maximum boost; in other words, the combination of grid resistor and coupling condenser should be chosen for the desired bass response under the assumption that the stage input resistance is equal in magnitude to the grid resistor. Since at flat response the gain of the stage is slightly less than unity motorboating will not occur, but at an intermediate bassboost setting low-frequency oscillation does sometimes take place. It can be avoided by careful decoupling and control of the bass response of the preceding and succeeding amplifier stages. No such difficulty with oscillation is experienced with the push-pull circuit.

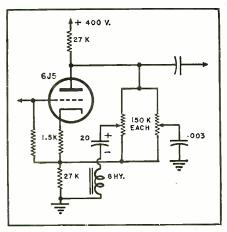
The cathode of the tone-control tube is at a high d.c. potential above ground. This makes a separate heater supply essential in some cases, but this arrangement is at any rate always desirable because hum is considerably reduced.

Experimental Work

Because the push-pull arrangement is least likely to introduce distortion and since it also eliminates the prob-









lem of the large condenser required to prevent current flow through the (Continued on page 96)

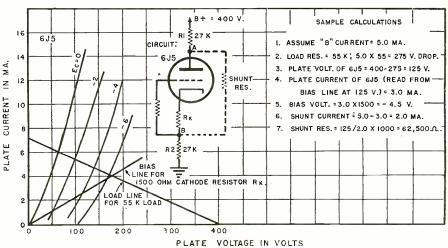


Fig. 4. Calculations that were used in the design of the shunted phase inverter.

An ELECTRONIC ADVERTISING DISPLAY

A novel eye-stopper. The different colored lamps light progressively as they pass through oscillator field.

By

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supply voltage. As can be seen in Fig. 2, the method used to obtain the required "B+" voltage from readily available and inexpensive type power transformers is to use half-wave rectification of the entire voltage from the high voltage secondary. As noted, this voltage should have a minimum value of 750 volts in order to be sure of obtaining a "B+" voltage in excess of 800 volts. Many power transformers used in a.c. radios will meet these requirements as well as supplying filament voltages to the rectifier and oscillator tubes. Since the inverse voltage on the rectifier tube will be in excess of the rated value for most common rectifiers used in radio sets, it is necessary to use a rectifier with an inverse voltage rating of 2000 volts or more. The 816 meets these requirements and the use of a 1 μ fd. input filter condenser raises the output voltage without any adverse effect being noticed in the operation of the gas rectifier. The plate current of the 6BG6 will not exceed 20 ma. if only one lamp is lighted at a time. The working voltage of all condensers should be 1000 volts or more.

The oscillator coil L_3 consists of a total of thirteen turns of #10 enameled copper wire, 1³/₄ inches in diameter and four inches in length. In the model shown in Fig. 4, this coil is made self supporting by placing it over a $1\frac{3}{4}$ by 5 inch remnant of clear plastic and letting the extra inch of plastic extend below the bottom of the coil; two small "L" type brackets were then attached to this end of the plastic and bolted to the top of the chassis to hold the coil in position. Referring to Fig. 2, the section of the coil from d to c consists of $1\frac{1}{2}$ turns, from c to b is 5 turns, and from b to a is $6\frac{1}{2}$ turns. This last part of the coil (b to a) provides an autotransformer action which will give a

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Fig. 1. Over-all view of electronic fluorescent lamp display. The oscillator operates in 27 mc. band.

HIS article describes the construction and use of a novel advertising display that combines movement and changing colors to attract the eye of prospective customers. To the more inquisitive it poses the question. What makes it work?

By studying Figs. 1 and 4, the general idea can be seen to be the illumination of a fluorescent lamp by passing it through the field of an oscillator. The lamps are standard 15 watt units, 18 inches long. For best results, each lamp should be of a different color. Six lamps are used in the model shown.

The entire structure for holding the lamps in position is made of clear plastic. The three center rods are $\frac{5}{3}$ of an inch in diameter and the circular end pieces are one foot in diameter by $\frac{1}{3}$ inch thick. This thickness permits enough flexibility for removing or replacing the lamps. The lamps are held in place by drilling $\frac{3}{32}$ inch holes in the plastic end pieces to receive the pins in the ends of the lamps The $\frac{5}{3}$ inch plastic rods are held to the end pieces by drilling and tapping a hole in each rod to receive a 6-32 screw.

While other materials could be used for supporting the lamps, it has been found that the clear plastic enhances the appearance of the display and leaves no doubt in the mind of the onlooker that there is no electrical connection to the lamps. Articles to be displayed may be placed on top of the structure or, if small enough, they be placed on the lower plastic disc between the lamps. If the articles to be displayed are very heavy, then it would be best to make the disc out of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch plastic.

The oscillator and motor for revolving the lamps are located in a cabinet which serves as a base for the unit. See Fig. 4. In the model shown, an aluminum cabinet was made first and then all sides except the bottom were covered with masonite. An opening must be left in the aluminum cabinet at the point where the lamp is to pass over the oscillator coil. The size of this opening will determine the length of time that each lamp is lighted. An opening 8 by 6 inches was found satisfactory. With proper placement of the oscillator coil below the opening and the correct plate voltage on the 6BG6, it is possible to have one lamp go out as the next lamp comes on.

The schematic of the oscillator and the power supply is shown in Fig. 2. Since the main requirement of the oscillator is to furnish an electrostatic field sufficiently strong to ionize the gas in the fluorescent lamps when the end of the lamp is at least an inch from the end of the coil, it becomes necessary to use a fairly high plate voltage on the oscillator tube. A minimum of 800 volts is recommended: lower plate voltage will either result in failure to ionize the lamp or failure to light the lamp over its full length. Several types of single-ended oscillator circuits were tried and the Hartley circuit shown gave the best results for a given "B+"

stronger electrostatic field next to the end of the fluorescent lamps. The end of the coil labeled "a" should be placed as close as possible, without touching, to the underside of the cabinet. A short piece of #10 wire may be attached to point "a" and extended in the line of travel of the lamps to maintain them at full brilliance for a longer time if desired.

After completing the wiring of the unit, it should be tested to see if it is operating properly. This can be done by measuring the bias across the 50,-000 ohm grid leak resistor. An r.f. choke should be attached in series with the negative probe of the meter to prevent r.f. from entering the meter. The bias should be between 80 and 120 volts. No bias voltage indicates that the circuit is not oscillating; and the power should be turned off and the circuit rechecked if this occurs. If the proper bias is obtained, a fluorescent lamp should light when it is held within an inch of the hot end of the coil

It is probably desirable to make the preliminary tests at reduced plate voltage to reduce the possibility of damage to the tubes in view of the present shortage. By moving the plate lead of the rectifier to the center tap of the transformer, instead of using the full secondary winding, the plate voltage may be cut in half. This will still allow the oscillator to be checked for proper operation without endangering the tubes. When satisfactory operation has been obtained, the plate lead of the rectifier can be returned to its previous position to use the full secondary.

Aside from a defective component, there is little that can prevent the oscillator from operating properly. If proper operation is not obtained as indicated by grid current, the various components in the oscillator circuit should be checked.

Before any sustained operation of the oscillator is attempted, it must be set on a frequency to comply with Federal Communications Commission regulations. At present, there are three bands of frequencies set aside for operation of diathermy machines and industrial oscillators. The limits of these bands as set forth in FCC Rules and Regulations, Part 18, are: 13,553.22 kc. to 13,566.78 kc.; 26,960.00 kc. to 27,-280.00 kc.; 40,660.00 kc. to 40,700.00 kc.

A license is not required to operate in these bands. The values of L_{\pm} and C_{\pm} are chosen to provide operation in the 27 megacycle band. Since the band is 320 kc. wide, any well calibrated communications receiver, grid dip oscillator, or wavemeter can be used to set the frequency of the oscillator to the middle of the band.

The frequency should be rechecked with the fluorescent tubes in place and rotating. The frequency will vary somewhat but should stay within the limits of the band. A slight adjustment of C_3 will probably be needed.

By no means the least complicated part of the unit is the motor and re-

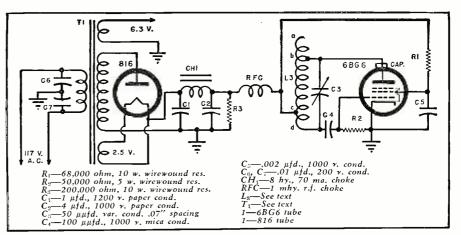


Fig. 2. Schematic diagram of the oscillator and power supply assembly.

duction drive for rotating the lamps. The parts required can usually be obtained from local radio and hardware stores. In the model shown in Fig. 4, a driving motor from an old code machine with an additional 5 to 1 reduction gear was used. This gave a final speed of rotation of the lamps of 10 rpm which results in a new lamp being lighted every second. Much faster speeds can be used if no advertised items are to be placed on the rotating assembly and the primary objective is to draw attention to the store win-Other usable motors that are dow. readily available are those from phonograph turntables, electric fans, erector sets, and numerous gear reduction motors on the surplus market.

The shaft that supports the lamp assembly is made from a piece of $\frac{5}{16}$ inch drill rod supported in two small bearings. The method of attaching the lamp assembly to the top end of this shaft is shown in Figs. 1 and 3. The metal disc and collar assemblies were made from salvaged receiver dials.

Many novel innovations in operating

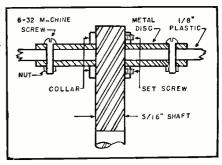
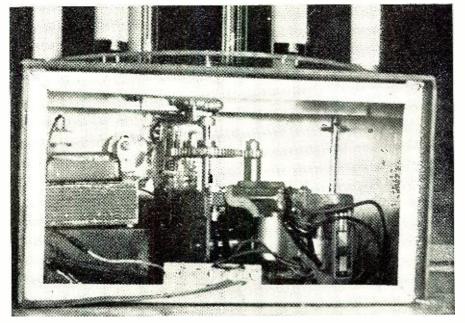


Fig. 3. Method for connecting the drive shaft to the lamp assembly.

this display may be used. As an example, a photoelectric system or capacity operated relay may be used to start or stop the motor that rotates the lamps when someone passes by the display window. By keeping the ambient light level low and replacing one of the lamps with an ultraviolet lamp in conjunction with fluorescent paints and decals, some novel effects may be obtained.

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Fig. 4. Rear view showing the motor on the right, gear reduction and shaft for supporting the lamps in the center, and the oscillator chassis on the left. The oscillator coil, L_{ν} is directly behind the 6BC6 tube in the center of the photograph.



A Bridged-T AUDIO OSCILLATOR

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Although not of laboratory caliber, this easily-built unit is an excellent all-purpose test instrument.

HE wide-range RC oscillator developed by Peter G. Sulzer of the National Bureau of Standards and described in the September, 1950 issue of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, is a unique test instrument. However, if the instrument is to be used for general audio frequency tests, such as determining resonant peaks in speaker systems, frequency characteristics of amplifiers over the audio range, and other audible frequency tests in service work where great accuracy is not required, a slight modification of Mr. Sulzer's circuit results in an excellent general purpose audio oscillator.

Some of the desirable features which should be incorporated into an audio oscillator are: a low grid input impedance to minimize power hum pickup and other grid circuit disturbances, elimination of the variable condenser to reduce mounting and shielding problems, the power supply should be mounted on the same chassis for compactness, there should be a wide angle dial rotation for easy calibration, the unit should be constructed at a reasonable cost, and the oscillator should have a high degree of frequency stability and resetability.

A major portion of the features previously mentioned can be incorporated into an audio oscillator by using the bridged-T network shown in Fig. 2. In this particular network a true null is not produced, however if the ratio of R_1/R_2 increases beyond four a fairly sharp attenuation curve results.

The schematic diagram of the completed unit shown in the photographs is given in Fig. 3. The reader will note that a dual potentiometer is used in conjunction with condensers for frequency variation. This potentiometer is a *Centralab* "Blue Shaft" Type F-50M-C3, R-500M-C3, Code No. BA017-000. It is a reversed log taper dual control. Although the reset accuracy of a dual variable resistance is not as great as that of a variable condenser, the writer has noted that there has been no change in the dial calibration after several weeks of use.

After the unit was constructed, a calibrated oscillator was used to determine if the use of ordinary stock condensers c a us e d an appreciable change in the multiplier switch (S_1) . It was found that the two lower ranges were very close to a ratio of 10 to 1. The higher range did not calibrate too closely. Other condensers for this range were selected until the proper ratio was obtained. If greater accuracy is desired in the multiplier switch matched condensers of the values shown in the diagram should be used.

Fig. 2. Wiring diagram of bridged-T network incorporated in audio oscillator. Actually a true null is not obtained, however if the ratio of R_1 to R_2 is at least four, a fairly sharp attenuation is obtained.

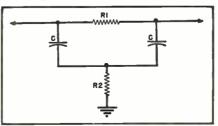


Fig. 1. Over-all view of audio oscillator. The controls are (left to right, bottom row) potentiometer $R_{\rm ir}$, selector switch $S_{\rm i}$, and attenuator $R_{\rm 15}$. The frequency adjusting control ($R_{\rm r}-R_{\rm iro}$) is at top center. Binding posts at bottom are the output terminals.

The only adjustment necessary after the unit has been allowed to warm up is the adjustment of R_3 in the cathode of V_1 . This adjustment consists of setting the selector switch, S_1 , to the lowest frequency range and the frequency dial to the low frequency end of the scale. With the aid of test receivers, adjust R_3 until oscillation begins. With an a.c. voltmeter or v.t.v.m., slowly advance R_3 further in the direction of oscillation until the output is stable on the meter. Greater output may be obtained by advancing R_3 , however the harmonic content will increase under this condition.

The power supply shown in the diagram is quite conventional, and any well filtered supply delivering 250 volts at 50 ma. will be adequate. The complete unit is mounted on a home-constructed chassis measuring $8" \times 7" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$. The distance between the oscillator and the power supply is less than six inches; and with a v.t.v.m. there were no perceptible beats between the power supply and the oscillator frequencies, and none could be heard when using a sensitive test receiver.

Figs. 4 and 5 give a general idea on how the parts could be laid out on the chassis. No particular construction details were followed, with the exception of the location of the a.e. line switch. This switch was mounted on the rear of the chassis to keep the a.c. line cord away from the oscillator. Referring to Fig. 5, the top view of the completed oscillator, and starting at the top left hand corner, from left to right, are: 6AG7, dual control (R_r-R_{10}) . C_{2} ; second row: C_{2} , C_{10} , 6AG7, PL_{2} ; third

row: VR-105, VR-105; and bottom row: T_{1} , 5Y3, and C_{12} - C_{13} - C_{14} .

The controls on the front panel, as shown in the front view, are: R_1 at the extreme left; S_1 , center; and the output control, R_{15} at the right; the output terminals are below and to the left of The dial was made from an old S.... bakelite knob. The numbered portion of the dial was sanded and given a coat of aluminum paint. A sharp pencil marked the calibration points, while pen and ink completed the job. The position of the knobs as shown in the front view of the unit were not set that way for photographic purposes, but represent the positions of R_{10} , R_{10} , R_{30} S₁₀ and R_{15} for a frequency of 1200 cycles.

If a clipping circuit is added following the output, the instrument may also be used for square wave testing.

Most square wave clipping circuits require a rather high voltage input to allow the tops of the sine waves to be clipped well down on the sides, and this will probably require an additional stage preceding the clipper.

Several articles on the use of clippers have appeared in previous issues of this magazine.

The fact that the dual potentiometer provided over 270 degrees of dial rotation made calibration points from 20 to 200 cycles occupy approximately 230 degrees of the dial. All of the features previously mentioned are incorporated in the unit shown in the diagram and its construction is well worth the time and effort involved.

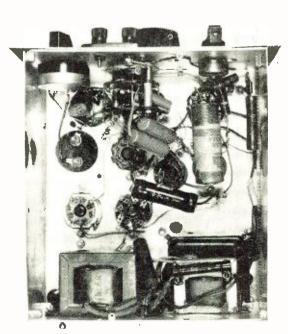
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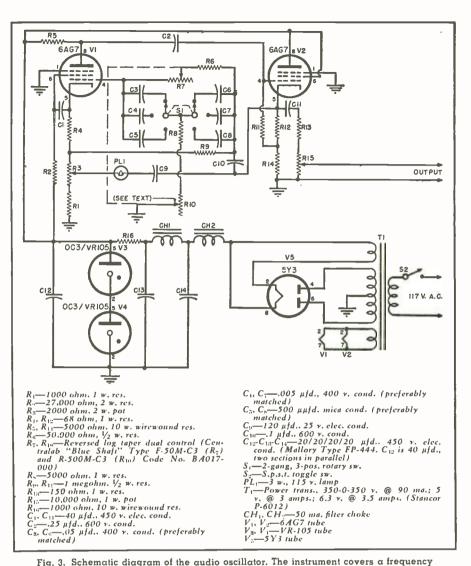
Fig. 4. Under chassis view of the home-built audio oscillator unit. Careful parts placement gives neat, uncluttered look.

Fig. 5. Top chassis view of unit. The line "on-off" switch, S2, is mounted on rear flange of chassis, lower right in photo.

range of from 20 to 20,000 cycles. The main tuning control, R₇-R₁₀, is calibrated from 20 to 200 cycles while switch S, is used to increase the range in steps of 10X.





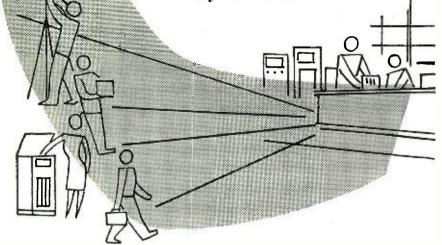


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Mac's RADIO SERVICE SHOP

By JOHN T. FRYE



AS Mac jokingly expressed it, it was "two l-o-o-n-g years" now that the unpredictable Barney had been working for him; so when the former came into the radio shop that fine June morning and found his redheaded assistant prodding a small cylinder of screen wire resting on the service bench and savagely muttering, "Come on, cuss you; fly! I double-dogdare you to get off the bottom of that cage," Mac did not turn a hair. Instead he merely leaned against the door jamb and casually remarked:

"Excuse me for mentioning it, Buster, but aren't you slipping your clutch again? Talking to yourself makes you live bait for the boys with the butterfly nets, you know."

"T'm not talking to myself," Barney protested. "T'm talking to that bloodsucking mosquito in the wire cage."

"Well, then; that's different!" Mac said with exaggerated relief. "All of us like to have a little chat with a mosquito now and then. Will the two of you excuse me for interrupting?"

"You quit trying to make it sound like I was losing my marbles," Barney shouted. "Outside of being crazy enough to work on radios, I'm as hep as the next guy and maybe a little hepper.

"The whole thing started last night after I walked Margie home from the show," he went on. "It was the first really warm night we have had; the moon was as big and bright as a twenty-inch tube; and her old man had just put up the porch swing that afternoon. In short, things were perfect for a little front porch woo-pitching or 'sparking' I believe they called it in your day."

"Thankee kindly fur the translation,

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young feller," Mac piped in the cracked, falsetto voice of age.

"Well, we had no more than snuggled down in the porch swing than a squadron of mosquitoes started dive-bombing us. You probably are too old to remember, but smooching takes a certain amount of concentration. You can't get very far whispering sweet nothings into one shell-like ear while a mosquito is making like a miniature fire siren in the other. After I had intercepted a couple of wild swats Margie was making at the pests-at least I think that is what she was doing-I gave up and went home and to bed; but I didn't go right to sleep. Instead, I lay awake and thought up a fiendishly clever way of clobbering mosquitoes.

"And there it is!" he said waving dramatically at the service bench. "A captured mosquito is in that little screen cage. Directly in front of the cage and pointed at it is a tweeter speaker that is being driven by the output of that hi-fi amplifier. Our audio frequency generator is going into the amplifier."

"I get it!" Mac interrupted. "You're going to drive the insects mad by outsinging them."

"Worse than that," Barney said darkly. "I intend to tune the oscillator to the natural vibration frequency of either the mosquito's body or his wings—it makes no difference which and then I'll simply shake one loose from the other with the compression and rarefaction waves from the speaker. Because of the small masses involved, I figure the frequency will be too high to be heard. This arrangement will be set up on my porch with the speaker pointed toward Margie's. Boy! I can hardly wait until tonight to see those de-winged mosquito fuselages ploughing into the porch paint around that swing!"

"Hm-m-m-m," Mac said a little dazedly. "And how is your experiment panning out?"

"Aw, Old Buzzo there won't cooperate," Barney said disgustedly. "I've got to catch him on the wing to try out the gadget, but all he does is sit there with his toenails dug into the bottom of the cage."

"We-l-l-l, let's not fret our little pointed head about it now," Mac said soothingly. "After awhile I'll hunt up a graph that *Sylvania* put out a few years back for estimating forces due to vibrational motion, and then you can really 'engineer' this project by figuring just how many 'G's' a mosquito's wings will stand. Right now, though, I want to talk to you about something else."

He opened a cupboard and took out two small album-shaped books bound in imitation red leather and another black book with a spiral wire binder.

"Here," he said, holding out the red books, "are Volumes 1 and 2 of *RCA*'s 'Pict-O-Guides.' I want you to take them home and study the diagrams, the text, and, above all, the pictures until they are literally sticking out of your big freckled ears."

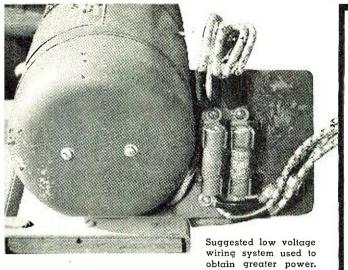
"Why?"

"So you can learn TV servicing easier and better than I learned radio servicing. In the beginning my radio knowledge, like that of most of us who grew up with the business, consisted entirely of scraps of unrelated information picked up haphazardly from experience, from reading, and from what other technicians told me. I wasted ten years before realizing that some way had to be found to tie all of this knowledge together into a compact whole if I was to keep it and get the most out of it.

"That is when I hit on the idea of servicing radios as much as possible 'by ear.' Circuits were analyzed in terms of what they contributed to the receiver in the way of sensitivity, selectivity, noise-suppression, and fidelity. Component failures and misadjustments were studied for the effects they had on these qualities in the receiver's output. In other words, all of the information I had collected was rearranged and revised in terms of how it made a set *sound*."

"A system that really works!" Barney exclaimed. "It still seems uncanny to me how you can always tell what's wrong with a set by just listening to it."

"Not always," Mac disclaimed; "but by concentrating on this approach both of us keep our batting average pretty good. The funny thing is, though, that I forgot all about this when I started studying television and began to make the same mistake all over again. I studied r.f. tuners, sweep circuits, i.f. systems, flyback power supplies, and so on, as individual units; and I was having one heck of a time trying to keep (Continued on page 78)

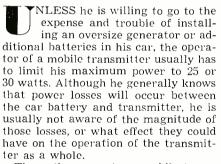


PLUGGING POWER LEAKS In The **MOBILE RIG**

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By

Increase power output of your transmitter by a few changes in the low voltage circuit.



The author operates a mobile transmitter which consumes about 24 watts in the final stage. A surplus thermocouple r.f. ammeter with a 0 to 1.5 ampere range is connected in the antenna circuit to serve as a tuning check. From time to time it was noted that there was a falling off in antenna current after the transmitter had been operating but a short time, but what was more perplexing was the fact that the decrease in antenna current was greater after the car had been driven some distance, even though the transmitter had not been in operation. The normal drop in output could have been due to a number of causes ranging from flat tubes to a defective storage battery, but the causes of the lowered output after a long drive did not lend themselves to a similar line of reasoning.

A thorough check of all tubes, condensers, resistors, and the storage battery failed to disclose a defective part. Beginning with a cold motor, a voltage check on the dynamotor and storage battery was made, which revealed a voltage drop of one volt between the two units when the dynamotor was fully loaded. The significance of the term, "cold motor" will be shown shortly. The low voltage circuit consisted of a heavy duty battery clip which was secured to the positive post of the battery, No. 8 stranded leads, fuse and fuse holder, relay, and a single-pole switch.

In order to break down and trace the individual voltage drops across the various parts, a low reading voltmeter was secured and with its use some very interesting things began to come to light. No noticeable drop appeared across the battery clip, but between the clip and the fuse holder a drop of 125 millivolts showed on the meter. The next check across the fuse holder indicated a drop of 100 millivolts. The main switch terminals showed a drop of 250 millivolts. The relay contacts provided the greatest surprise. Although they consisted of two ¼ inch contacts in parallel, the drop across them totaled 350 millivolts. The negative lead to the car frame accounted for a loss of 100 millivolts, and the leads connecting the relay, switch, and fuse holder provided an additional loss of 75 millivolts, bringing the total to 1000 millivolts, or one volt.

The power supply for the author's transmitter is a surplus PE-103 dynamotor, the input of which is 21 amperes at six volts. The full load output is .16 ampere at 500 volts. It was noted that the leads and other parts of the low voltage circuit began to heat up after the transmitter had been in operation a short time, even though their cross sectional areas were more than ample to carry the full load current of 21 amperes. An ammeter placed in the circuit indicated the somewhat startling figure of 160 amperes when the dynamotor was started. While such a large starting current was of

extremely short duration, occurring several times a minute as it is apt to do in phone operation it was sufficient to raise the temperature of all parts of the low voltage circuit, thereby increasing the resistance and causing a still greater voltage drop to bring the total to about 1.25 volts, which, incidentally, accounted for the drop in antenna current after the transmitter had been in operation but a short time. While a drop of 1.25 volts between the battery and dynamotor might not seem to be too serious, it might be interesting to note at this point what it meant in terms of power losses in watts. The full load power consumption of the dynamotor was around 126 watts. With a voltage drop of 1.25 volts the power loss was approximately 26 watts, or expressing it another way, about 20 per-cent was being dissipated as heat and that figure does not include the possible further losses in the transmitter due to lowered filament voltages.

After the above losses had been accounted for, there still remained the problem of further decrease in radiation after the car motor had been run for some time. After an hour's drive the voltmeter check was repeated and it was found that the car motor had increased the temperature of the battery circuit to such an extent that the voltage drop had jumped to nearly 11/2 volts. Of necessity the author's dynamotor is installed under the hood where it is subjected to the heat of the car motor. Located elsewhere it undoubtedly would have been free from additional heat losses.

After having located the sources of the various losses, the author set out to eliminate them, or rather reduce (Continued on page 123)



Fig. 1. Music scoring stage on Walt Disney's motion picture lot. Note sound diffusers in the background.

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Part 4. Methods for determining reverberation time of sound studios, and how to compensate to obtain the most desirable acoustical characteristics.

EVERBERATION is the reflection and re-reflection of sound waves. The decay time of a given enclosure is the time required for a sound wave to decrease its intensity 60 db or to one-millionth of its original intensity. This decrease in intensity may be calculated by the use of the equation:

$$db = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_2}$$
 (1)

where P_1 equals the original intensity and P_2 the diminished intensity.

Interference occurs when two or more sound waves collide, resulting in confusion and unintelligibility. Since reverberation constitutes perhaps the most important single factor in determining the acoustical properties of a room, it will be briefly reviewed.

Reverberation is sometimes defined as the persistence of sound, caused by repeated reflections. When the reverberation time of any room is too long, intelligibility of speech is reduced and a "blurring effect" is apparent. On the other hand, if the reverberation time is too short, sounds will be "flat" and "dead," and it will be extremely difficult. if not impossible, for a speaker to make himself understood, particularly if the room is large.

Before taking up the subject of reverberation characteristics, it may be well to again consider the three fundamental laws of sound. These are:

1. Sound tends to travel in straight lines.

2. When two sound waves intersect, their subsequent paths are the same as though each wave existed independently.

3. The angle of incidence of a reflected sound wave is exactly equal to the angle of reflection, if the dimensions of the reflecting surface are greater than those of the sound wave.

Table 1. Absorption coefficients of the most commonly-used acoustical materials.

MATERIAL	512 CPS		
Hard plaster on wood lath and wood studs	0.032 per sq. ft.		
Poured concrete painted and varnished	0.014 per sq. ft.		
Carpet, pile on 1/8" felt base	0.370 per sq. ft.		
Glass surfaces	0.030 per sq. ft.		
Each person, seated	3.800 per sq. ft.		
Draperies, velour, 18-oz. per sq. yd. in contact with wall	0.350 per sq. ft.		
Cushiontone—A1—1/2", perforated 484 holes per sq. ft.	0.580 per sq. ft.		
Theater and auditorium chairs heavily upholstered in plush or mohair	2.800 per sq. ft.		

If they are smaller, the wave will be bent, or diffracted.

In the recording or broadcast studio, the position of the microphone has a definite bearing on the character of sound reproduction. Various locations may enhance or lessen intelligibility or result in the sound being more or less reverberant, despite the fact that the reverberation time of the studio is practically the same for any given point in the room.

Correction in reverberation time and characteristics of an enclosure are obtained by the use of acoustic or soundabsorbing materials. The customary procedure is to place panels of acoustical materials around the walls of the room in such a manner that no two panels of the same material are directly opposite each other, remembering that the absorbability of any given material varies with the angle of incidence.

The various manufacturers of acoustical materials have run exhaustive tests on the absorption coefficients of their particular products and have prepared the results in tabular form. These tables are obtainable from the manufacturer or may be found in numerous text books (see Table 1). Generally the over-all absorption is taken at a frequency of 512 cycles.

Reverberation time is defined as the time required for a sound to die away to one-millionth of its original intensity. This time will vary with the room characteristics, and may be computed by means of the following formula: $\frac{V}{V}$

$$T = 0.05 \frac{1}{A} \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (2)$$

where V is the room volume in cubic feet, and A the total absorption of the acoustical materials in the room. The value of A is computed by multiplying

the area in square feet of each surface by its absorption coefficient and taking the sum of these products plus the absorption of such objects as seats, furnishings, draperies, persons, etc.

As a matter of discussion, assume we have a studio which is 20 feet long, 10 feet wide, and 9 feet high. The walls are of hard plaster supported on wood lath and wooden studs. The floor is of concrete which has been painted and the ceiling is completely covered with A-1 type "Cushiontone" $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick. On the floor is a deep pile 9' x 12' rug laid on a $\frac{1}{2}$ " felt base. There is also a control room window 2 feet by 4 feet in size, and 10 upholstered theater type seats. What would be the reverberation time of this room for a frequency of 512 cps?

First, we must determine the value of A. To do this, the absorption cocflicient of each factor of the room is added, starting with the floor, then the walls, and finally the ceiling.

The floor is 10' x 20' giving us 200 square feet with a 9' x 12' rug located thereon. Since the floor is of concrete which has been painted, we will use the coefficient, given in Table 1, of 0.032 per sq. ft., which when multiplied by the area in square feet results in the coefficient of absorption of the floor, $200 \times 0.014 = 2.8$. However, this would be for the entire floor. As a portion of the floor is covered by the rug with a different coefficient, we consider the rug first.

The rug is 9' x 12' on a $\frac{1}{8}$ " felt base, which from Table 1 has an absorption coefficient of 0.37 per sq. ft. 0.37 x 108 = 39.96 for the rug. Thus we have a space 1' x 12' and a space of 8' x 10' of the concrete floor which is exposed. This makes a total of 92 sq. ft. of concrete with a coefficient of 0.014 or 92 x 0.014 = 1.288 as the coefficient of the concrete.

Now consider the walls: two are 9' x 20' or 180 sq. ft. in size, and one end wall which is 9' x 10' or 90 sq. ft. The other end wall contains the monitor room window, which is 2' x 4' or 8 sq. ft. in area which leaves the remainder of the wall as 82 sq. ft. The coefficient of the glass window is 0.030 x 8 or 0.24. The remaining wall space totals 532 sq. ft. $532 \times 0.032 = 17.024$ as the coefficient for the entire wall space.

The ceiling is 200 sq. ft. with an absorption coefficient of 0.580 since it is covered entirely by Cushiontone. 200 x 0.580 equals 116.0, as the absorption of the ceiling. These products are now added together to obtain *A. Adding* up the totals 39.96 plus 1.288 plus 0.24 plus 17.024 plus 116.00 equals 174.512. In addition are seats with a coefficient of 2.8 each, making their total 28.0 which is added to 174.512, resulting in a total value for *A* of 202.512.

The volume of the room V is equal to 10 x 20 x 9 or 1800 cubic feet. Substituting in the equation, we find that:

$$T = 0.05 \times \left(\frac{1800}{202.5}\right) = 0.444$$
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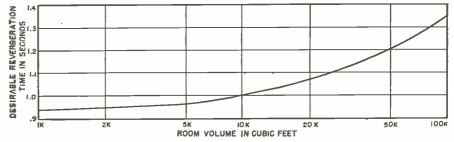


Fig. 2. Optimum reverberation times of various sized sound studios.

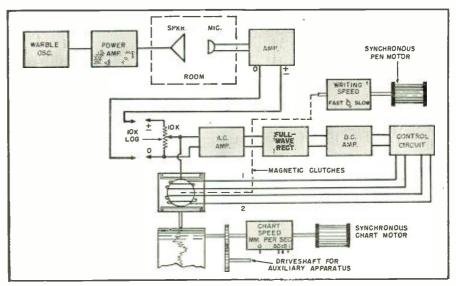


Fig. 3. Simplified diagram of the recorder shown in photograph below. Acoustical measurements of the studio under test are recorded on tape for later analysis.

Referring to the graph of Fig. 2, it will be noted that the optimum reverberation period for a room of 1800 cubic feet in size is 0.95 second. Since the problem room only has a reverberation period of 0.444 second, it will be too "dead" and it will be necessary to add sufficient treatment to "liven" it up or increase its reverberation time to as near 0.95 second as possible.

This increase of the reverberation

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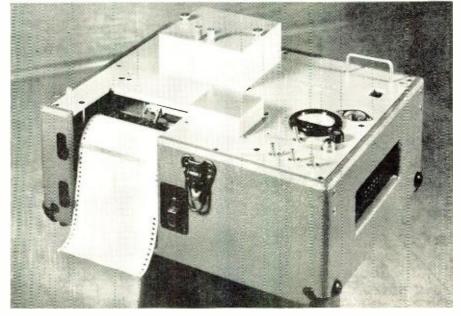
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Fig. 4. High-speed graphic recorder developed by Sound Apparatus Co., Sterling, N. J.



and it is felt that the reverberation time is satisfactory, acoustical measurements should be made of the complete studio. This may be done in either of two ways. Test recordings may be made in the room and listened to critically, or actual acoustical measurements made by means of a special automatic high-speed graphic recorder, shown in Fig. 4.

A simplified diagram of this recorder is shown in Fig. 3. The recorder consists of three principal parts. They are: an input potentiometer with a stylus mounted on its movable arm which bears on a motor-driven waxcoated paper tape; an amplifier-rectifier system; and a servomechanism for controlling the action of the stylus. External to the recorder is a loudspeaker, power amplifier, warble oscillator, and microphone for picking up the signal from the loudspeaker.

At the left of the diagram is an input potentiometer, which has mounted on the contact arm a stylus which bears on the paper tape. Connected to the output of the potentiometer is the input of a wide-range audio amplifier, followed by a rectifier and a d.c. amplifier, feeding a control circuit which connects to the coils 1 and 2. These coils are mounted on a magnetic disc, which operates in conjunction with a carriage connected to the movable arm of the input potentiometer and stylus.

With no signal across the input potentiometer, the control circuit is unbalanced, causing a heavy current flow through coil 2 while the current through coil 1 is very small. This condition attracts the stylus carriage to the magnetic disc on the side carrying coil 2, increasing the friction between the carriage and the disc. The friction causes the carriage to move with the disc carrying the stylus and potentiometer arm to the left end of the potentiometer, where the attenuation is at a minimum. This puts the instrument in a condition of maximum sensitivity.

Now if a signal is applied to the input rotentiometer, it will be amplified, rectified, and the rectified current flowing through coil 2 will be decreased. As the input signal amplitude increases, the current through coil 2 will continue to decrease to a very small amount while the current through coil 1 will increase.

This action causes the carriage and potentiometer arm to move to the right, reducing the input voltage to the amplifier, thus restoring the current balance through coils 1 and 2. The distance the potentiometer arm moves in restoring the balance is inscribed on the moving tape; thus a record is obtained of the changes in signal level at the microphone input.

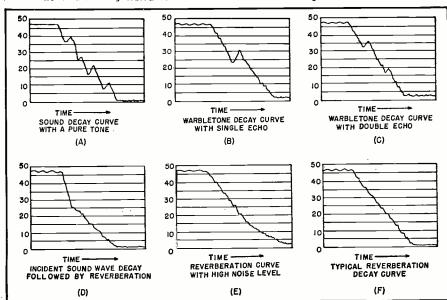
Several typical recordings of different type signals are shown in Fig. 5. The reverberation time is determined by the average slope of the decay curve. Noise measurements of a room may be made by shutting off the oscillator and running only the recorder, the microphone picking up the room noises.

It is the practice when measuring auditoriums and theaters to make a field plot of the sound distribution. This is done by placing the microphone in different parts of the room and recording the response. If a measurement is to be made of a motion picture projection system, a special warble film is used on the projector and the the sound picked up by the microphone from the stage speakers. If the house has a balcony, a measurement should be made under the balcony at several different locations.

Means is provided with the recorder to plot the response in decibels, phons, or as a linear voltage, as the situation requires. Generally, it is plotted in decibels.

The mechanical design of the servomechanism is such that "hunting" and

Fig. 5. Actual recordings of several different signals. The reverberation time of the studio being tested can then be determined directly from these curves.



"overshooting" of the stylus are prevented. A range of 75 db is possible with tape speeds of 50 mm. per second.

It must also be remembered that each person who enters a room will act as an additional absorption coefficient of 3.8 (at 512 cycles), and in climates where heavier clothing is worn in winter than in summer, the heavier clothing will increase the absorption coefficients. Consequently, the absorption coefficient for a given room under these circumstances will be higher in winter than in summer.

Not only is the absorption coefficient influenced but the change in the volume of the room caused by the number of people in it has a direct bearing on its acoustic response. For example, when a theater is one-quarter to one-half full, the volume control in the projection booth is placed at one setting. But when the theater is more than one-half filled, it is necessary to increase the setting of this control from 3 to 6 db in order that the proper level of sound may be maintained, to offset the absorption of the audience.

It is also important that the humidity and temperature be kept fairly constant in the theater, not only for the comfort of the patrons, but because the acoustical characteristics are affected by temperature and humidity.

The baffling of the air conditioning vents is important, too, not only because of the vast amounts of air which must be moved, but also to prevent the entrance of external noises, which must be kept at a minimum, to prevent distraction of the audience.

Another factor in the determination of reverberation in any enclosure is the shape of the room. Generally speaking, parallel walls are more objectionable than non-parallel walls, since they are productive of echoes, unless highly absorbent. Concave walls are objectionable because they focus the sound within given areas, irrespective of the intensity or distance from the source of the sound. However, they are frequently used behind the source of sound to act as reinforcing systems.

In general, the most satisfactory method of obtaining a desirable acoustical response in rooms which are relatively free from excess reverberation and noise, is by the use of numerous bold projections from walls and ceiling. The irregular wall contours effectively smooth the growth and decay curves of the sound, and, since nearly, if not all the meaningful sounds emitted in the room are essentially transient, the resulting sound has a pleasant smoothness. This feature is particularly important in the design or treatment of studios, to obviate the criti-cal positioning of the microphones for optimum pickup.

In the construction of motion picture theaters, it is desirable to keep the ceiling as low as possible for a number of reasons. Among them is the fact that this reduces the volume of the auditorium and hence construc-(Continued on page 84)

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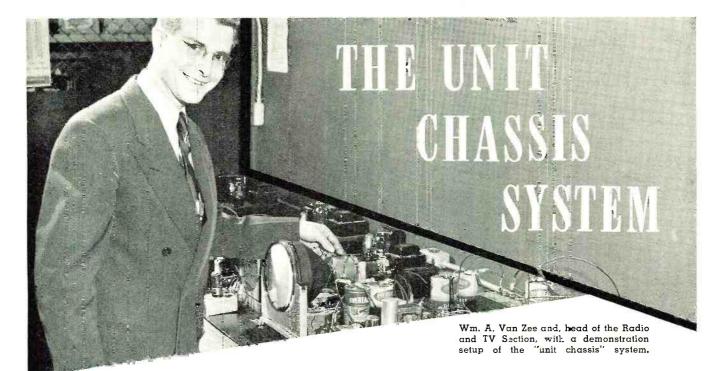
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N A good radio theory course, students are taught that radio receivers are a combination of basic electronic circuits-not a single complex unit, and that each circuit consists of basic electronic componentsvacuum tubes, condensers, resistors, etc. As the course progresses each new unit is tied in with those studied earlier. Thus at the end of the course, the student has a complete, functional knowledge of each individual unit, plus a sound picture of how these units work together. Then by using this knowledge. a student can quickly localize defects to a single stage-and finally to a single component—with a minimum number of measurements and in the shortest possible time. This method of teaching also helps develop confidence-an important asset for a good technician.

One of the newest techniques in teaching television is the "unit chassis" system which is based on the theory that all TV receivers, regardless of make or model, can be broken down into 14 basic units, each of which can be associated with one or more of the remaining sections.

Laboratory and lecture classes under this system are organized so that the introduction to television is accomplished by the presentation of a typical block diagram. The name and function of each block are considered individually.

While a block diagram cannot be used exclusively to determine the faulty component in a television receiver, it can be used as a starting

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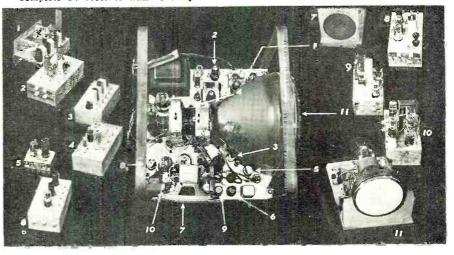
As a prelude to studies in the "unit chassis" system, students undergo a period of "familiarization" during which they learn the operation of any knobs or controls on the front or rear panel of the set. While the observation and analysis of the performance of any individual block is not practical during the familiarization period, the net result of any misadjustment of the controls can be observed on the picture tube or in the sound.

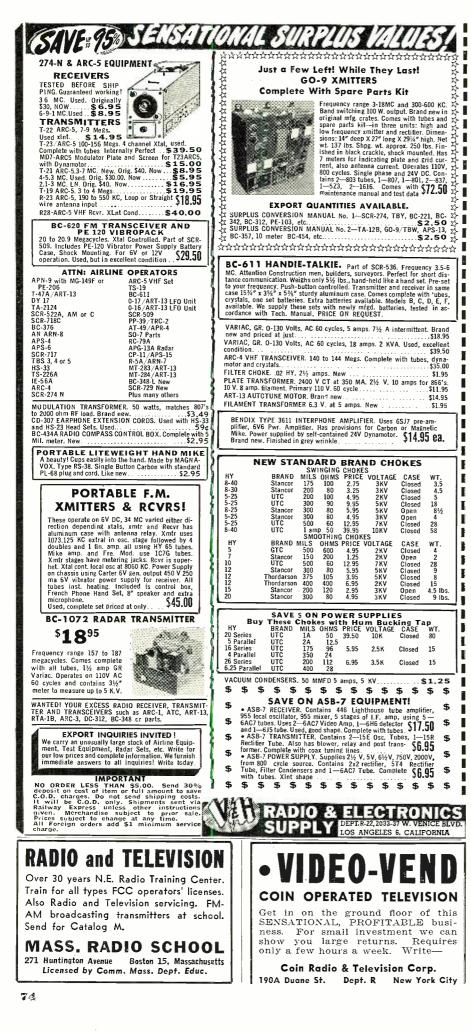
With that phase behind him, the student then moves into the first block of the "unit chassis" system. This study consists of a brief review of the circuit's function and its part in the over-all performance of the receiver. Simplified typical circuits are discussed next, including the operation, adjustment, advantages and disadvantages of each type. This is followed by a similar analysis of the actual circuits used by various manufacturers. Included is information relating to typical difficulties encountered, the effect on the composite picture and sound, and recommended solutions.

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Mac's Service Shop

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all of this mass of new information in my head. Then suddenly I wised up: what I needed to do was to apply the same technique to TV sets that I had been using in radio servicing. Each circuit was studied for just what contribution it made to the picture on the screen or the sound from the speaker. Every possible component failure was projected as a defect in the picture or the sound

"That system made all the difference in the world. Once I got it through my thick head exactly how a picture on the screen was put together, precisely what contribution each circuit and component made to the composition of that picture, the whole thing suddenly came into sharp and clear focus. What is better, just as soon as I understood how a good picture was made, I was able to work backward from the picture to the cause of any defects in that picture.

"What burns me, though, is that this 'discovery' of mine was old stuff to many people. John Meagher of RCA had been harping on this method of attack for months, and he had been photographing distorted test patterns and explaining what circuit defects caused these patterns. Other companies, too, were and are using test pattern pictures liberally in their service information to illustrate various forms of trouble and misadjustment.

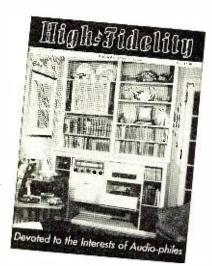
"But these two books represent the largest number of clear pictures arranged in a logical order that I have been able to find. I don't want you just to look at them or even to memorize them. I want you to study them. Beneath each picture is an explanation of likely causes of the picture distortion in terms of a particular part failure in a typical circuit; but I want you to go beyond that: I want you to give me, in each case, a clear and logical explanation of just why the failure of that component resulted in precisely the pattern-disruption shown.

"For example, a pattern with reduced height and poor vertical linearity is attributed to the change in capacity of a condenser in the plate circuit of the vertical discharge tube. I want you to explain how an increase in that capacity changes the waveform presented to the grid of the vertical output tube (being able to draw the correct and distorted waveforms) and then go ahead and actually show how this incorrect waveform causes the picture to be stretched 'here' and

crowded 'there.' You grab me?" "Yeah, I grab you," Barney said du-biously, "but I'll have to do a heck of a lot of brushing up on my TV theory. You want me to use that group of test pattern pictures as a kind of framework on which to hang all the knowledge of TV theory I have or can get hold of. It would be a lot simpler just to use them as a kind of 'rogue's gal-

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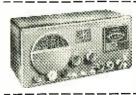
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lery' for identifying an electronic 'criminal' when I meet up with one, but you aren't satisfied with just catching the crook and clapping him into jail. You want me to psychoanalyze him yet!"

Mac chuckled at this complaint and then went on: "After you think you are pretty hot as a pattern-puzzler, I'll use this book of pictures put out by *Sylvania* as a sort of final examination. There are nearly fifty pictures in here that will be strange to you. When you can just glance at them and tell me the probable cause of trouble in nine out of ten cases, I'll give you your diploma!"

"It could be worse," Barney said philosophically. "I was afraid you might try taking pictures of tough cases yourself for me to analyze."

"We are going to do that, too," Mac promptly countered. "I wrote RCA for how-to-do information on this subject, and John Meagher, with the kind of cooperation those fellows over in Harrison, New Jersey, always show technicians, promptly sent this information:

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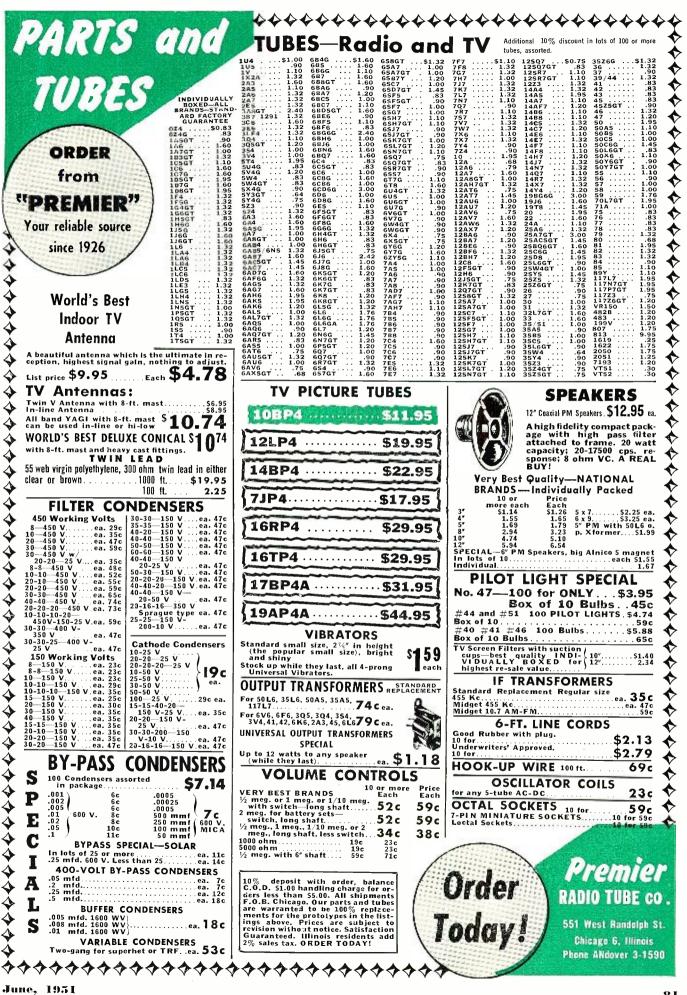
"Those figures are for a perfectly stationary, fairly-bright pattern. If some part of the pattern is moving, shutter speeds of 1/50 or 1/25 must be used. I'm going to use a close-up lens on my camera and make it a practice to take a picture of every puzzling form of distortion I meet in servicing and which I cannot find duplicated in either the *RCA* or *Sylvania* books. These prints will be mounted on 4" x 6" file cards, together with data on the discovered cause of trouble, and then filed in a box or punched and inserted in the "Pict-O-Graph' books." Barney heaved a big sigh. "There

Barney heaved a big sigh. "There goes another of my simple pleasures," he mourned. "Up until now I have always associated a camera with pictures of beautiful babes, but from now on every time I see a *Kodak* I'll think of a test pattern!"____

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Profit from Portables

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ingly large crowds and one messenger was seen walking down the street followed by some 40 people during one particularly exciting inning!

When a department store conducted a sales drive on portables two years ago, they featured this merchandise in their luggage departments and the sales went up a surprising 13 per-cent over the previous year's record sales volume.

One New York radio retailer set up an entire window display of portables. Each receiver carried a price tag and were arranged in an ascending price scale. Despite the fact that there was no promotional material in the window other than the sets themselves, in three days he had sold 57 units at an average of \$47.50.

In 1951, designers and manufacturers have surpassed their efforts of previous years in developing portable merchandise that is lightweight, strikingly attractive, and reasonably priced.

The opportunity was never greater nor the incentive stronger than now to go to work repairing and selling these units. -30-

Sound Engineering

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tion costs. But, perhaps most important is the fact that it prevents what are known as delayed reflections. In addition, since parallel walls give rise to the production of echoes, it is desirable to have the walls fan out in the direction of the rear of the house and to provide fluted or other decorative projections on the sidewalls to smooth out the growth and decay times, as previously mentioned, thus giving rise to the illusion of more normal sound characteristics.

The ceiling should be broken up into slanting sections at the proper inclinations, to aid in the proper distribution of the sound. Naturally, where a theater is to be equipped with a balcony the ceiling height will be increased, and undesirable effects may also be noted because of the second ceiling under the balcony. However, if the same general reasoning is used in the treatment of the underside of the balcony, no special problems should arise.

One of the problems encountered under a balcony is the reverberation caused by kickbacks from the rear walls hitting the overhead and creating multiple paths of sound to the listener. If the delay is just right, a high rate of confusion results and intelligibility diminishes very rapidly.

The characteristics of sound recording studios may be controlled by the use of convex splays or diffusers as discussed earlier in this series. The use of such splays is illustrated in Fig. 1, which is a picture of the music scor-

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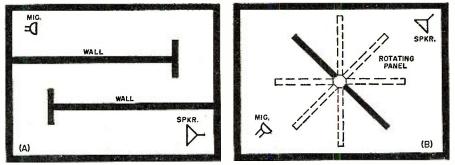


Fig. 6. (A) Echo chamber using two fixed baffle walls. (B) Echo chamber employing a rotating panel. Delay time can be varied by changing position of panel.

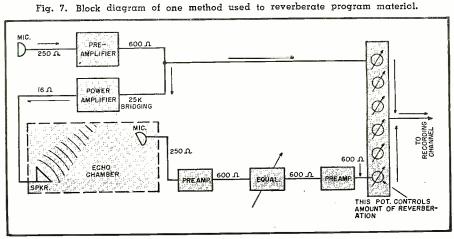
ing stage on the *Walt Disney* motion picture lot at Burbank, California.

Thus far we have only discussed the control of reverberation for the physical construction of stages and studios to prevent the introduction of objectionable qualities in the sound pickup or reproduction. At times it may be desirable to deliberately induce controlled reverberation into the program material to enhance the quality of the recording, and subsequent reproduction. Controlled reverberation is used to obtain an "echo" effect by the use of an "echo chamber" and the illusion of a large concert hall, a cavern, public address system, or it may be used to brighten up certain recordings. However, synthetic reverberation must be carefully controlled as to the amount and its frequency characteristic or the quality of the original program material may be seriously affected.

The conventional echo chamber consists of a room of approximately 1600 to 2000 cubic feet in volume, with parallel walls constructed of hard plaster, and with a cement floor painted with a highly reflective paint. A loudspeaker and microphone are placed at opposite ends of the room. The program material to be reverberated is fed to the speaker and picked up by the microphone and returned to the mixing panel, where it is mixed with the original program material. The loudspeaker and microphone should not be placed directly in line, but at positions that will result in the longest delay time. Fig. 6A is the floor plan of an echo chamber with two baffle walls, while Fig. 6B is an echo chamber which employs a rotating panel at its center. This panel is remotely controlled by a motor system and can be set at various angles to increase the delay time.

Other types of delays may be created by the use of long metal pipes, 50 to 150 feet in length, with a speaker at one end and a microphone at the other. The length of the pipe will depend on the delay time required. In the *Hammond* electric organ, echo effects are created by sending the sound through a series of steel springs, then picking it up again on a microphone. Although these methods will give fairly good results, the echo chamber is still the most favored method.

Fig. 7 is a block diagram of one method used to reverberate program material. At the output of the preamplifier serving the original pickup microphone, is bridged a power amplifier which drives the loudspeaker in the echo chamber. The output of the echo chamber microphone preamplifier is fed into one of the mixer inputs and mixed with the incoming program material. It will be noted the power amplifier driving the echo speaker is bridged ahead of the mixer; therefore, the mixer pot controlling the levels of the program material has no effect on the signal sent to the echo chamber. The gain of the echo speaker amplifier is set to give the proper level in the chamber, and will vary with different types of program material. Variable equalization is inserted in either the speaker or microphone circuits of the echo chamber. (To be continued)



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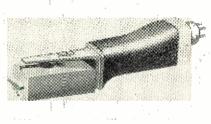
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POLYPHASE REPRODUCER

A new polyphase reproducer, the L-6-G, is the latest item of equipment to come from the laboratories of the *Audak Company* of 500 Fifth Avenue, New York 18, New York.

This single magnetic unit will play



any and all lateral recordings at speeds of $33\frac{1}{3}$, 45, or 78 r.p.m. A special connector is available which permits the unit to be plugged into the *Garrard* changer arm and once the unit has been plugged in, it becomes a permanent part of the arm, thus eliminating repeated adjustments.

The point pressure is 8 grams for all discs. The output is approximately 20 mv. Response is from 20 to over 10,000 c.p.s. The sapphire or diamond stylus is replaceable.

Full details on the L-6-G are available from the company.

MINIATURE MOTORS

A new line of miniature permanent magnet field-type d.c. motors is now in production at the *Servo-Tek Products Co.* plant in Paterson, New Jersey.

The units measure $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter by $1\frac{1}{2}$ " long and weigh approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ ounces. Motor voltage ratings from 6 to 28 volts are available for varied service applications ranging from fan or blower uses to telemeter-



ing sequence switch drives. Front flange or base mounting types are available.

A cylindrical, or ring type, Alnico V field magnet is used in conjunction with a 14 commutator segment armature. All units employ precision ball bearings and are available with high altitude brushes for aircraft and allied services. Full information and application engineering data are available from the manufacturer.

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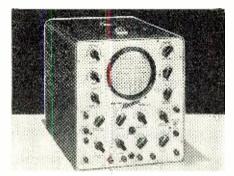
The Workshop Associates, Incorporated of 135 Crescent Road, Needham Heights, Massachusetts is currently in production on a new high gain antenna for service in the 450-470 mc. band.

The new Model 6HW consists of six half-wave dipoles with an over-all gain of nearly 8 db. The vertical radiation pattern is narrowed to concentrate energy on the horizon, enabling greater distance coverage while the horizontal radiation is nondirectional. Impedance is 50 ohms with a v.s.w.r. of less than 2 to 1.

A specification sheet on the Model 6HW is available on request.

5-INCH SCOPE

Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., 10677 Dupont Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio has announced a new 5 inch oscil-



loscope which has been designed for general purpose industrial and electronic laboratory use.

The new Model 640 features a wideband amplifier frequency response of from 0 to 4.5 mc. with the "Low-High" switch in the high position. With the switch in the low position a reduced bandwidth of 0-1 mc. is obtained. The input impedance is 2 megohms, 50 $\mu\mu$ fd. and recurrent and driven sweep from 2 to 30,000 cycles is obtainable.

The entire unit is shielded and shock mounted. Calibrating voltages are built into the unit. Full information and performance data are available from the company on request.

MOBILE ANTENNA

The *Ward Products Corp.* of 1523 East 45th Street, Cleveland 3, Ohio has just announced the availability of a new antenna for mobile service.

The new Model SPP-143 10-meter transmitting antenna requires just a single mounting hole 15/16'' in di-

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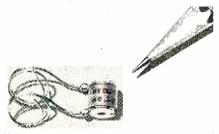
ameter. The unit can be mounted on the cowl, fender, or flat rear deck of any passenger car. When the transmitter is removed from the car the same hole can be used for mounting a standard broadcast antenna.

The Model SPP-143 is $55\frac{1}{2}$ " in length and is made of solid tapered stainless rod. The rod assembly is replaceable in the case of non-repairable damage. The ball and socket universal mount will fit any surface curving from between 35 degrees below horizontal and horizontal. The female lead connection will accept commercial fittings for RG-8/U or RG-58/U coax.

A data sheet on this new antenna is available on request.

PRECISION RESISTORS

The Hycor Company of 11423 Vanowen Street, North Hollywood, California, is in production on a new line



of fixed, non-inductive, wirewound precision resistors, the Series "E."

These new units have a standard temperature coefficient of .000025 per degree C, are varnish impregnated for moisture protection, and feature noninductive windings on ceramic bobbins. Standard tolerance with this series is 1 per-cent with tolerances up to .05 per-cent available at additional charge.

Bulletin R giving complete information on the new Series "E" resistors is available on request.

GIFT PACKAGE

In honor of the company's 12th anniversary, the *Walter L. Schott Co.* of Los Angeles is distributing a gift package, valued at \$2.00, with every \$2.00 purchase of the company's hardware, chemicals, dial cords, or accessories, or \$10.00 purchase of *Walsco* antennas.

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The Model 670 includes a special GOOD-BAD scale for checking the quality of electrolytic condensers at a test potential of 150 Volts.

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The New Model 200



Superior's New Model TV-11

★ R.F. FREQUENCY RANGES: 100 Kilocycles to 150 Megacycles. 🖌 MODULATING FREQUENCY: 400 Cycles. May be used for modulating the R.F. signal. Also available separately.

SPECIFICATIONS

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★ ATTENUATION: The constant impedance attenuator is isolated from the oscillating circuit by the buffer tube. Output impedance of this model is only 100 ohms. This low impedance reduces losses in the output cable

OSCILLATORY CIRCUIT: Hartley oscillator with cathode follower buffer tube. Frequency stability is assured by modulating the buffer tube. ★ ACCURACY: Use of high-Q permeability tuned coils adjusted against

- 1/10th of 1% standards assures an accuracy of 1% on all ranges from 100 Kilocycles to 10 Megacycles and an accu-
- racy of 2% on the higher frequencies. ★ TUBES USED: 12AU7—One section is used as oscillator and the second is modulated cath-ode follower. T-2 is used as modulator. 6C4 is used as rectifier.



The Model 200 operates on 110 Volts A.C. Comes complete with output cable and operating instructions.



- Tests all tubes including 4, 5, 6, 7, Octal, Lock-in, Peanut, Bantam Hearing-aid, Thyratron, Miniatures, Sub-Miniatures, Novals, Sub-Minars, Proximity Fuse Types, etc.
 - Tests for "shorts" and "leakages" up to 5 Megohms.
- Uses the new self-cleaning Lever Action Switches for individual element testing. Because all elements are numbered according to pin-number in the RMA base numbering system, the
- user can instantly identify which element is under test. The Model TV-11 does not use any combination type sockets. Instead individual sockets are used for each type of tube. Thus it is impossible to damage a tube by inserting it in the wrong socket.
- Newly designed Line Voltage Control compensates for variation of any line voltage between 105 Volts and 130 Volts.

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The Model TV-11 operates on 105-130 Volt 60 Cycles A.C. Comes housed in a beautiful handrubbed oak cabinet complete with portable cover.



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"ADDAPLUG" LEAD

The Associated Engineering Corporation of Boston, 38 Euston Road, Brighton 35, Massachusetts, has recently introduced a new accessory, the "Addaplug" connecting lead.

Completely molded of vinyl plastic, the lead consists of an insulated low



resistance wire, terminated in "Addaplug" connectors. These connectors feature a durable plug with a springloaded knife edge for firm low resistance connection. They have plug holes for multiple connections and fit into alligator clips, spade lugs, and terminals of standard equipment.

The lead will withstand 5000 volts and has a current capacity of 15 amperes. They are available in various lengths and in red or black.

BUDGET POWER TOOL

Kapner Hardware, Inc., 2248 Second Avenue, New York 29, New York, is distributing a new power tool combination which is priced for budget-conscious buyers.

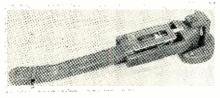
The $\frac{1}{4}$ " electric drill for 115 volt a.c. operation comes complete with a 4" portable electric saw attachment, a 4" saw blade, lamb's wool bonnet, 6 sanding discs, 7 assorted drills, steel arbor and attachments, cloth buffing wheel, grinding wheel, wire wheel brush, steel paint mixer, steel bench stand, and portable steel carrying case.

This power tool is suitable for the home workshop, the ham shack, and the radio service shop.

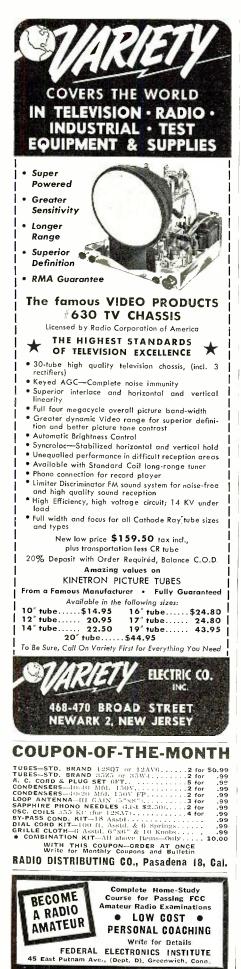
PROFESSIONAL TONE ARM

The Receiver Division of the *General Electric Company*, Syracuse, New York has recently introduced a new professional tone arm, the FA-21-A.

The new arm is designed to mount the company's variable reluctance



cartridge, RPX-050. This transcription arm is made for lateral transcriptions and recordings. The mass of the transcription arm has been reduced through functional design and the use of mag-



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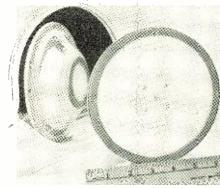
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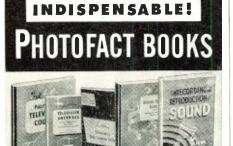
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Tone Control

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choke, it was selected for the tests. The choke was a UTC VIC-17 reactor, which could be adjusted to the desired inductance, and when this was done the frequency response was substantially as expected, Fig. 5. The use of 150,000 ohm controls resulted in a smooth control action over most of the rotation of the knob.

When connected to an oscilloscope, the output appeared to be distortionless as long as the input was maintained at less than that permitted by the bias voltage of the control tubes. When the controls are in flat position the circuit will handle at least ten times this permissible input without distortion, because of degenerative action. Distortion due to overloading is, therefore, most apt to occur at low or high frequencies when bass and treble boost are on full.

The apparent fact that the resonant circuit introduces no transient distortion at mid-frequencies (1000 c.p.s.) may perhaps be explained by noting that at these frequencies its impedance is higher than the plate or cathode resistance of the tube and the resonant circuit is consequently of little effect there. With the controls in "flat" position, of course, the resonant combination is effectively removed from the circuit and has no effect whatsoever.

The measured gain of the stage is .88. The hum level of the output is very low, less than that of the power supply used for the experimental work. It is nevertheless desirable to keep the signal voltages in such stages at reasonably high levels to override the various sources of noise. With an input of two or three volts peak to the stage designed in this article the noise is negligible.

Conclusions

The degenerative tone control serves

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Fig. 5. Frequency response curves for the degenerative tone control discussed in text.

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the quadruple purpose of boosting or cutting bass or treble frequencies with a simplicity unmatched by any other arrangement. In the past the most serious objection raised against its use has been the possibility of introduction of distortion by the iron-core choke and the resonant circuit. This distortion, however, appears to be extremely small and since most other tone-control arrangements use two cascaded stages it seems that at best there is little difference from the distortion standpoint. On the other hand there are two more valid objections to the degenerative tone control; the first is that the high cathode voltage necessitates a separate heater winding and the second is the possibility of noise in the output.

The first objection is hardly a basis for rejection of the circuit since a separate heater transformer is readily supplied. With regard to the second, however, it appears that the tone control shares the same shortcomings as the plate-and-cathode loaded phase inverter, namely, the noise level is higher than that of an ordinary triode stage. For this reason it is desirable that the circuit be incorporated into an amplifier where the peak signal voltages are moderately high—on the order of two or three volts.

The gain of the stage is so near to unity that the tone control is easily incorporated into existing amplifiers without extensive changes in other parts of the circuit. Thorough decoupling of the "B" supply is about the only stringent requirement.

Finally, not the least of the advantages of this circuit is the ease with which it may be designed for any required bass and treble turnover points and the fact that the controls themselves are commercially available from a number of sources. It appears, therefore, that this circuit is an excellent choice for incorporation into new or existing equipment, including that intended for high-fidelity use.

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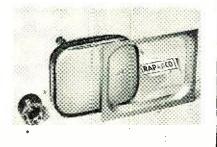
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TV Alignment (Continued from page 55)

imum output as indicated on the scope, adjust the primary in the same way. The generator output lead is worked back, stage-by-stage, to the converter. During the alignment process, the output of the sweep generator should be adjusted to the lowest value which will give a clear indication on the scope. When working back from the detector to the mixer, the generator output must be reduced as each stage is passed to avoid overloading with resultant distortion of the alignment curve. After the converter primary has been peaked, all stages should be trimmed or touched up if necessary to improve the over-all response. (In aligning the first i.f. stage, a scope detector network, Fig. 5, may be required to give the proper scope reading.)

Alignment of Stagger-Tuned I.F. Transformers

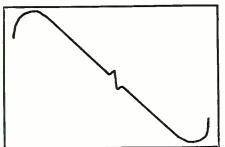
Stagger-tuned transformers are aligned in exactly the same way as single-tuned transformers, except that the i.f. frequency is shifted slightly for each successive stage. The marker oscillator is set at the correct frequency for each stage as specified by the manufacturer, and the corresponding transformer peaked for *maximum* output.

Sound I.F. Adjustment

These stages follow the alignment pattern for regular FM receivers and need not be treated in detail. The only precautions are to avoid overloading, to make sure the bandwidth is 50 to 100 kc. (as specified for the particular receiver), and to adjust the proper sound traps to the exact *center* of the sound i.f. carrier. It is extremely important, especially in intercarrier receivers, that the center i.f. sound frequency is aligned exactly 4.5 mc. from the center i.f. video frequency.

Discriminator Adjustment. Video receivers usually employ either the Foster-Seeley discriminator or some form of ratio detector. In many cases it will be found that an "X"-type discriminator curve (see Fig. 8) will make adjustments easier than the more familiar "S" curve in Fig. 7. The X-type pattern can be obtained by leaving the

Fig. 7. The familiar "S" curve obtained at the FM discriminator. The "X" type discriminator curve shown in Fig. 8 will, in many cases, simplify the alignment procedure.



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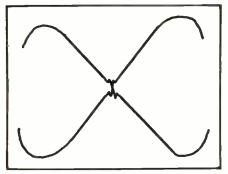


Fig. 8. The "X" type discriminator curve.

scope and signal generator set up as shown in Fig. 6 and setting the scope controls as follows: Horizontal Amplifier on Internal Saw-tooth Sweep, Sweep Frequency on 120 cycles, and Sync Selector Switch on External. (The external 120 cycle sync voltage can be obtained by connecting the scope sync leads directly to the input filter condenser of the receiver's lowvoltage power supply, if the power supply uses a full-wave rectifier.)

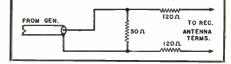
R.F., Converter, Oscillator Adjustments

Make these adjustments with the scope connected as before (Fig. 6). Connect the signal generator to one terminal of the antenna, and connect the marker generator to the other antenna terminal. (In some receivers, better results will be obtained by connecting the signal generator only to the antenna terminals and coupling the marker generator to the antenna by placing it close to the sweep generator output leads.) Connect a 300 ohm carbon resistor as a dummy load across the antenna terminals.

Oscillator Alignment. Adjust each oscillator trimmer for maximum output on the scope, following the frequency settings and adjustment steps recommended by the manufacturer. For all adjustments, leave the finetuning control at its center position, except in receivers where this control must be set otherwise in order to expose the oscillator tuning slugs. In this case, do not disturb the fine tuning setting until all adjustments have been completed.

Again, note that the manufacturer's instructions as to the *order* of alignment *must* be followed. Some types of receivers employing transmission-line inductance tuning, for example, require that Channel 13 be aligned first, and the rest in succession from Channel 12 through Channel 2. Other receivers may specify that Channel 2 be aligned first, while in still others the order of alignment will not matter.

Fig. 9. Matching network to be inserted between generator and receiver when generator is 50 ohms and receiver input is 300 ohms.





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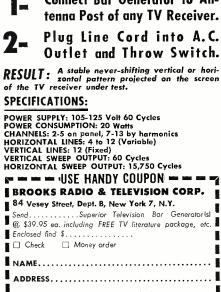
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In some receivers which employ a stage of r.f. preselection, it may be necessary to connect the marker generator to some convenient point in one of the i.f. stages instead of to the r.f. stage. The 20-30 mc. marker frequencies might otherwise have trouble in passing through the r.f. stages, which are tuned from 54 mc. and higher and probably would not accept the marker signals. (Remember, the purpose of a marker in r.f. alignment is the same as for i.f. alignment-to fix the exact center frequency and to make sure the bandpass characteristics conform to the manufacturer's specifications.

Sweep-Checking Faulty Components

The presence of a defective part or tube can be detected by giving the entire video portion of the receiver a rapid "sweep check." This is done by feeding an appropriate sweep signal into the receiver and noting the resultant waveform on the scope as the suspected part is tapped or probed. (The scope can be connected across the output of the last video amplifier or to the grid of the picture tube). A noisy, intermittent, or otherwise defective part or tube will cause the waveform to change its shape or amplitude as the defective part is moved. The sound channel can be checked in much the same way by connecting the scope across the output of the audio output stage or speaker. -30-

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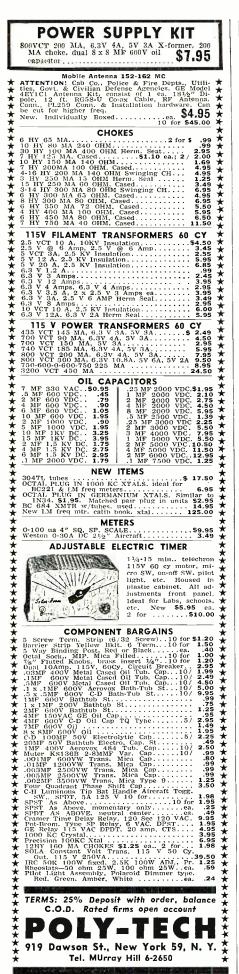
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Audio Modulation Tests (Continued from page 53)

erence to compare with a signal of the same initial phase and frequency. The modulated carrier and the low frequency tone are mixed and applied to the system under test. Phase shift will cause a displacement of the low frequency, in relation to the modulation envelope, which may be easily observed on an oscilloscope. This technique would seem to conveniently lend itself to the analysis of elements such as telephone lines where it might be difficult to provide an accurate reference voltage by conventional means. However, transient distortion in the system may alter the characteristics of the modulation envelope and it may be desirable to use a carrier of variable frequency in order to average the results obtained. Oscilloscope photos of phase shift measurements by this method are shown. It is interesting to note that if an in-phase signal is mixed with a modulated carrier, the scope pattern will at first glance appear to show rectification although actually the waveform of the high frequency carrier is unaltered. Nevertheless, the resultant complex wave may have assymetrical characteristics distressing in certain types of equipment.

The modulator used in the foregoing experiments is shown in the accompanying photograph and includes a number of characteristics considered desirable for this type of work although being relatively simple in design. Modulation percentages variable from zero to well over 100%may be easily obtained with good suppression of the modulating frequency. Wide range transformers are employed in order to permit observations at the extremes of the audio spectrum and provision is made either for internal 60 cycle modulation or external modulation of variable frequency. In order to permit high percentages of modulation with a minimum of distortion of the modulated frequency, a large amount of degeneration is used in the cathode of the modulated stage. This, in turn, considerably lowers the output obtainable from the device, but improves the waveform of the modulation envelope as well.

An interesting, though unprecise, experiment is to apply speech or music to the input of the modulator and aurally observe the results through a reproducing system at various percentages of modulation by a constant nonharmonic frequency, such as 60 cycles. A test of this nature may give some indication of the tolerance of a particular reproducing system or listener for this type of intermodulation distortion, and is probably more reliable than comparisons between audio amplifiers in which variations in circuitry and components may produce other results than differences in intermodulation percentages. Limited listening experiments indicated that the objection-



ableness of intermodulation distortion was greater when the modulation was accompanied by high order harmonic distortion of the modulated tone, much higher percentages being tolerable when the carrier was undeformed other than in amplitude.

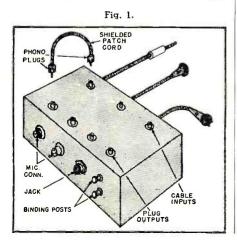
In conclusion, the modulated wave technique appears to have useful applications in nearly every phase of audio testing from precise laboratory analysis to tests of subjective quality. The relative lack of complexity of the equipment required, as well as the versatility of the tests that may be performed, should well recommend this technique to the worker in the audio field.

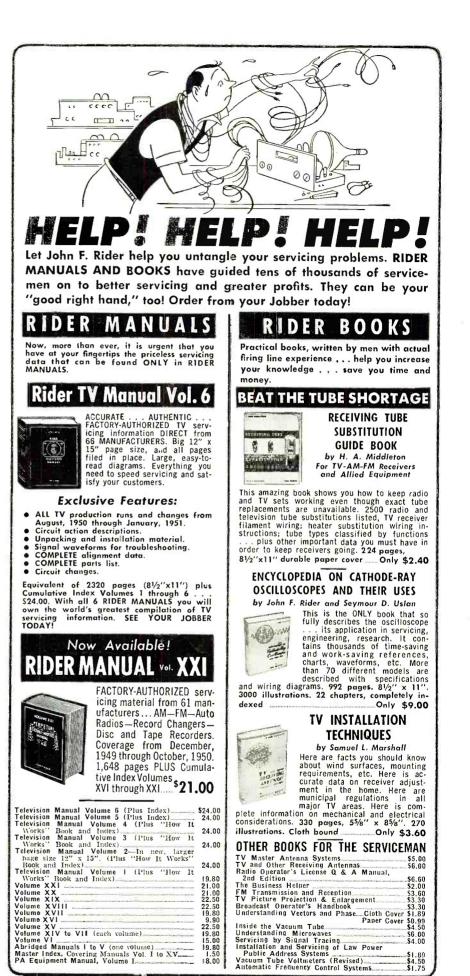
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PATCH PANEL SPEEDS AMPLIFIER TESTING By HUGH LINEBACK

BY borrowing an idea from broadcast stations, a handy accessory for amplifier testing can easily be made for the service shop. One of the routine annoyances in testing different kinds of amplifiers is matching the plugs used for input connections. Some spare connectors of the types frequently encountered are mounted in the sides of a small metal box, as shown in Fig. 1. The input connectors are terminated in phono jacks mounted on the top of the box. Output cables from the other side are fed by similar jacks, so that the desired coupling can be made quickly by means of a "patch cord." This cord is a short length of shielded wire, with a phono plug on each end. While this arrangement handles only one "hot" wire, the shield being grounded, it will be found that most three-terminal plugs have two of the terminals connected together and grounded at one point in the amplifier, so that this type of system could be accommodated.

In some cases it might be desirable to include connectors which would en-able plugs of the PL-54 and PL-55 types to be interchanged. The binding posts, one of which is grounded to the box, make it easy to simply take the wires from a microphone or pickup and attach the desired termination. Binding posts could also be provided for the output if needed. Of course, since this versatile arrangement has the small phono jacks and plugs already avail-able, equipment having such fittings can easily be handled. -- 30--





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The call letters are assigned to Art Stockellburg of Lincoln, Massachusetts, who is known as Boston's first amateur and commercial wireless operator. He was the first operator hired when United Wireless put in the first Boston station, more years ago than Art cares to recall.

Art's first telegraph training came from Morse operators in the railroad towers. They taught him Morse code; he ran errands for the railroaders. In 1901 Art built his first wireless transmitter using a Rhumkof coil, blue vitriol batteries, and 300 feet of iron wire for an aerial.

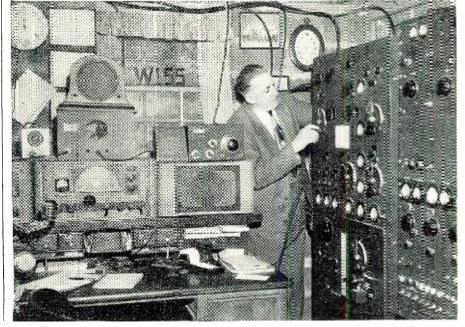
"The nickel filing coherer and tapper never did work good," Art relates. "T always had trouble with it."

After completing grade school Art started work as an office boy with the Holtzer Cabot company, but the call of telegraphy was too strong. He went to work for *Postal Telegraph* company as a relief operator, later moved to Western Union. Later he joined United Wireless. He recalls also that he was wireless operator aboard the first wireless-equipped ship out of Boston port.

Art is now president of a radio school in Boston, but continues to remain active as an amateur. He holds six Public Service citations from the ARRL for his work in emergency communications.

A founder of the New England Emergency net and the Transcontinental phone net, Stockellburg also is a life member of the Veteran Wireless Operator Association, president of the Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Association, secretary of the M. A. K. Radio Association, and a member of the Old. Old Timers Club.

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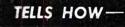
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with the company since August of 1940.

Following an assignment on the engineering test program, he was named design engineer on cathode-ray picture tubes in 1941. In 1949 he was appointed section engineer on cathoderay tubes at Syracuse, a position he held until his present appointment.

He will maintain headquarters at Schenectady.

W. A. WEISS has been named manager of the new Sylvania Electric Products Inc. radio receiving tube plant in Burlington, Iowa . . . MAURICE L. LEVY is the newly-appointed director of engineering for the Tele-Tone Radio Corporation . . . FRANK GUTHRIE has been named field assistant to the president of Air King Products Co., Inc. ... JOHN S. BOYERS, formerly chief engineer and assistant treasurer of Magnecord, Incorporated, has been elected president of the company . . . ALBERT C. ALLEN has been promoted to the post of central states regional sales manager for the receiver sales division of Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc.

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EMIL J. MAGINOT is the new manager of advertising for Cornell-Dubilier



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Before taking his new post, Mr. Maginot was with National Union Radio Corporation for more than nine years, serving successively as director of sales engineering, manager of advertising and sales promotion, and sales manager of the distributor division.

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THE RADIO CRAFTSMEN, INC. has recently moved to new and larger quarters at 4401 North Ravenswood Ave. in Chicago . . . JERROLD ELECTRONICS CORPORATION has taken possession of the newly-completed addition to its plant at 26th and Dickinson Street in Philadelphia. Production, laboratory, and office facilities have been provided in the new quarters . . . Excavation work has been started on a new manufacturing and assembly plant for ZE-NITH RADIO CORPORATION. When completed, the new factory at 1500 N. Kostner Avenue in Chicago, will provide an additional 453,000 square feet of production space for the manufaePreferred! the INSIDE STORY tells why!

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ture of components and the testing of electronic equipment for the military services. The plant will be converted for the manufacture of radio and television receivers when the military emergency is over . . . GLOBE-UNION INC. has purchased a new building at 3410-3450 W. Hopkins Street in Milwaukee for use by the company's **CENTRALAB** electronics division in the manufacture of a defense item in the "classified" category . . . LONG ISLAND **RADIO COMPANY** has moved from 164-21 Northern Blvd., Flushing, New York to new quarters in Montrose, Pa. The company's new address will be P.O. Box 474, Montrose . . . SOUTH-WEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE has acquired new and larger quarters for its Mechanical Laboratory in San Antonio, Texas . . . CANNON ELECTRIC CO. has a new plant in the East Haven district of New Haven, Conn. The new plant which is located at 191 Kimberly Street, brings to a total of four the plants now in operation . McCORMICK SELPH ASSOCIATES, manufacturers of glass-to-metal seals for guided missiles and other specialized applications, has acquired a new plant in Palo Alto, California. The new location is immediately adjacent to the Palo Alto Airport on Embarcadero Road . . . CORNING GLASS WORKS is building a new glass plant in Danville, Kentucky to provide additional facilities for the manufacture of glass bulbs and tubing . . . CREST TELEVI-SION LABORATORIES, INC. has acquired new quarters in the Whitehall Building, Far Rockaway, New York. The plant and general offices will occupy two floors . . . KEYSTONE CAR-BON COMPANY of St. Mary's, Pa. has recently completed a 20,000 square foot addition to its plant which will provide the necessary floor space for the manufacture of powdered metal parts and negative temperature coefficient resistors . . . PHILCO CORPO-**RATION** has purchased three new manufacturing plants in Bedford, Indiana. The new acquisitions add about 175,000 square feet of space to the company's manufacturing facilities . . . WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORA-TION will construct an electronic tube manufacturing plant on a 70 acre site in Bath, New York. The new factory will produce electronic tubes for the Armed Services and for essential industries . . . RAYTHEON MANUFAC-TURING COMPANY is building a new plant for its Receiving Tube Division in Quincy, Massachusetts . . . NATIONAL UNION RADIO CORPORATION has just purchased 50 acres of land in northeast Philadelphia as a site for its new electronics center. Present plans call for the manufacture of miniature tubes at the new factory . . . FED-ERATED PURCHASER INC. has recently expanded its distribution to provide coast-to-coast service with the acquisition of space at 911 S. Grand Avenue in Los Angeles. The company's headquarters are at 66 Dey Street in New York, with branches in Newark, Allentown and Easton, Pa. -30-

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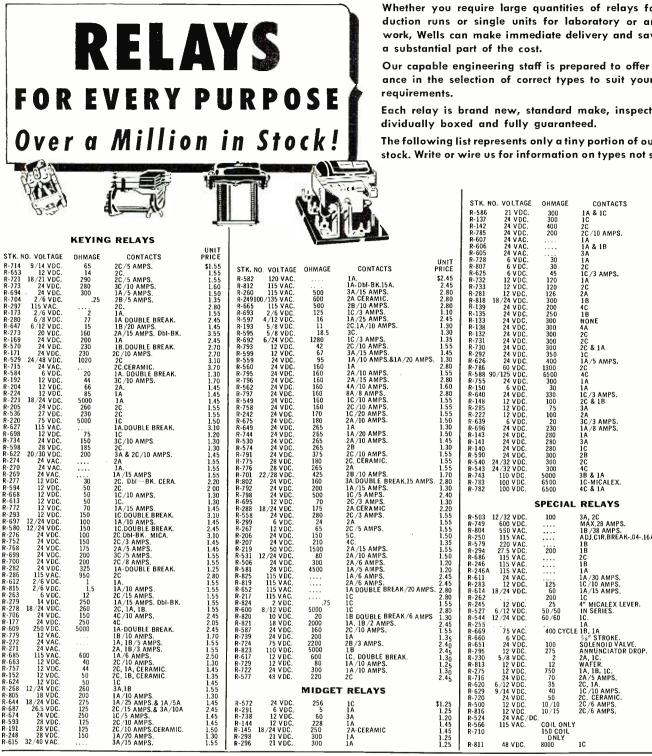


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ture area once in each of the primary colors. In the line-interlaced scanning pattern, a color frame will consist of two color fields. In color transmissions, the number of scanning lines per frame will be 405, as per CBS requirements, interlaced two-to-one in successive fields of the same color. The frame frequency will be 72, the field frequency 144, the color frame frequency 24, color field frequency 48 and the line frequency 29,160 per second. One term, to be used in the color dictionary, will have broad applications and that is the term, color transmission, which has been defined as the transmission of color television signals which can be reproduced with different values of hue, saturation, and luminance.

THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT of 1934, may soon be replete with amendments, involving salary controls, restrictions on employment during and after Commission service, stricter rules for applicants and fines for rule violators. The additions, contained in a bill known officially as S. 658, were not received with too much enthusiasm by members of the Commission. Describing these objections before the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, FCC Spokesman Wayne Coy declared that the Commissioners did not see eye to eye with the proponents of the bill on such items as employment restrictions. They did not believe, for instance, he said, that the suggested limitation on the employment of the top staff officers subsequent to their leaving the Commission, (one year after tenure) or a restriction on employment of Commissioners leaving before the completion of their appointed term of office, was either wise or practical. It was recognized, the ether patrolmen said, that these provisions have as their worthy objective, the aim of preventing improper influence, but the proposal would prove to be more harmful than helpful. According to Coy, the ruling would make it . . ." even harder than it is now to secure competent trained personnel to take the important top Commission jobs. In addition to working at government salary rates, which I think we can agree are substantially less than first rate men could be expected to receive in private life, they would know that if for any reason it became necessary for them to leave government service, they would be seriously limited for at least a year's period in putting their specialized knowledge and competence to work in earning a livelihood. I sincerely believe that the proposal is, in reality, a prescription for bureaucratic mediocrity."

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in all adjudicatory proceedings and possibly in rule-making proceedings as well." It was pointed out that this proposal would actually place the Commission in an isolation ward which, according to Coy, was based on the premise that the Commissioners can be influenced by the Commission's staff, and that the staff is in turn . . . "prej-udiced and irresponsible." Coy indicated that he was quite riled at this implication, apparently recalling the statements made during the color-restraining trial which implied that a staff engineer had influenced the Commission in their decision. He declared that . . . "these attacks on the Commission's staff are, in reality, attacks upon the integrity and ability of the Commissioners." "If the members of the Commission are not doing an honshould get new Commissioners," he told the committee. "However," he added, "it's not going to be possible to get a better body of men by cutting them off from the ... people upon whom they must rely in order to arrive at the informed and intelligent judgments which the parties involved, as well as the public, are entitled to expect."

There was no doubt, he explained, that in contested proceedings, those members of the Commission's staff who process or investigate or even try a case before an examiner, must occupy to a certain extent, an adversary position. To allay suspicion, then, it was agreed that members of the staff should not participate directly in the decisional process, Coy pointed out. But, he added, it is important that the Commission should be allowed to consult with officials and personnel such as the chief engineer, general counsel and chief accountant. The Commission should not be deprived of the opportunity of consulting with these specialists who can, he declared, facilitate the evaluation of conflicting and highly technical claims. The removal of this access would, in the opinion of the Commission . . . "stultify one of the principal objectives of establishing a Communications Commission in the first place—the need for a specialized body, capable of calling on impartial expert assistance, to decide the complicated and technical issues raised in the communications field, and to formulate and maintain consistent and adequate policies to safeguard the 'public interest, convenience, and necessity.'"

In one section of the amendments to the act appear new recommendations for policing power, permitting the issuance of firm cease and desist orders to those who disobey licensee provisions. While this new power was declared to be a necessary one, the Commissioners felt that a still tighter control was necessary, a control which would permit the imposing of reasonable fines for violation of the Act or the Commission's rules. Describing the need for such teeth in the law, Coy said . . . "The present law, by providing only an



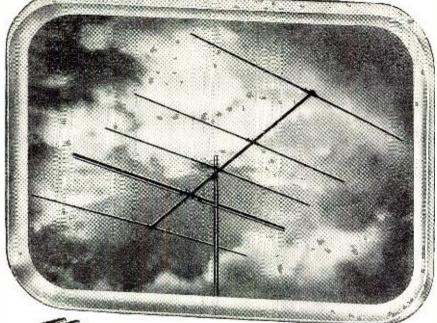
extreme type of administrative sanction, fails in deterring evasions of Commission requirements because of the very fact that the potential evader is willing to gamble the act of evasion against the known reluctance of the Commission to apply a death penalty. It is to be hoped that the marginal licensee may be kept up to standard by the knowledge that if he doesn't, he will either be hurt by the imposition of the fine or in more serious cases by temporary suspension of his authority to operate. Authorizing the Commission to utilize such lesser sanctions is all the more important in the light of the great increase in radio use by persons who are not primarily engaged in radio as a means of livelihood, like the taxicab owners and industrial users, and other people who have been using radio more and more as an aid to their primary activity. The enforcement problems with respect to these classes of special radio services are particularly troublesome. By authorizing the Commission to impose fines for violations of its rules and regulations, we hope to command greater respect for these rules and regulations."

RADIO CONTROL will soon be used to man lifeboats dropped by parachute during air-sea rescue operations. The radio system, operated from the airplane dropping the lifeboat, can bring the dropped boat to the survivors, allowing them to board and then provide a course for the boat. The vessel has been described as an all-metal affair, 30-feet long, designed to carry fifteen, and powered by a four-cylinder watercooled engine. Before development of the radio-controlled system, lifeboats were simply dropped to survivors, allowing for drift. A sea anchor served to hold the boat in place, and if all went well the survivors drifted down to the boat.

In the new system, after the chute is jettisoned, the operator in a carrier plane starts transmitting on a fivefrequency unit, whose signals can be picked up by a five-frequency receiver in the boat. The first signal is scnt from a control box. This, in order, releases stabilizing fins holding the lifeboat steady during descent, frees a rudder board, opens the engine's air vents and cranks the motor intermittently. When the motor catches and is running at a fast idle, a sea anchor is released. At the operator's next signal, the engine speeds up, a reduction gear goes into forward and the boat moves ahead. The operator can control its direction right and left, a flux-gate gyro compass connected to a servoelectric system on the boat keeping it on whatever course is selected. The plane operator can stop the boat when it arrives at the survivor's raft, and idle the motor, while survivors board.

Lifeboats will be equipped with walkie-talkies with a range said to be great enough for constant contact between the boat and the plane. The boat, with controls and a manual override enabling the survivors to break











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The NRL reflector (see page 16), mounted on one of the Navy's five-inch gun mounts, has been arranged to rotate a full circle in a horizontal direction or azimuth and also to move vertically, or in altitude, from below the horizon to five degrees beyond the zenith. An axis converter corrects for the inclination of the earth's axis, and permits the reflector automatically to track or follow the sun in its path across the sky. The radio telescope can be controlled manually or connected to a five-inch astronomical telescope by remote control.

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There are plans afoot to attempt to extend the link-to-link circuit over a chain of FM stations in New York, and perhaps to adjoining states.

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PLANNED MUSIC, featuring programs specifically designed for stores, restaurants, and shops, during which ultrasonic tones can be used to cut off signals and permit the transmission of sales or other messages of interest to shoppers or diners, has been cited by FCC as a violation in a letter recently mailed to WRLD, Miami, Fla.; WACE-FM, Chicopee, Mass.; WFMF, Chicago, and KDFC, Sausalito, Calif.

Declaring that the beep services, in which the stations are engaged, are inconsistent with basic rules, the Commission noted that the special service committed the FM station to provide ... "subscribers with predominantly planned music . . . during stipulated periods" . . . and that the arrange-ments . . . "must be considered to constitute an invalid abdication of your duty as a licensee to retain discretion, responsibility, and control, and to remain free to alter your service as the changing needs of the public in your area may require."

The letter also pointed out that since payment was made for the service, the transmission was of a sponsored type and must be recorded as such over the air and in logs. The contention that station operators should enjoy equal privileges, under the Communications Act, to employ mechanical or electronic devices to eliminate undesired broadcast material from programs at the request of listeners, was called inadmissible. The government body declared that . . . "members of the public are free to tune in or tune out any material they desire. . . . Obviously this obligation is not carried out when you broadcast a signal, the very purpose of which is to prevent a portion of the audience from hearing those announcements."

The blunt warning issued in the letter, which technically was an official action, approved by Commissioners Coy, Walker, Hyde, and Webster, appeared to spell the doom of all storecasting services, and perhaps transmission to buses and street cars, too, unless immediate modifications were introduced into the systems, removing the restricted coverage provisions. • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • L. W. O-R moves to a new location ON SAN FRANCISCO'S BUSIEST STREET!

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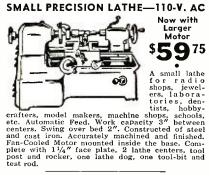




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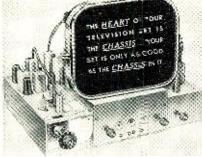
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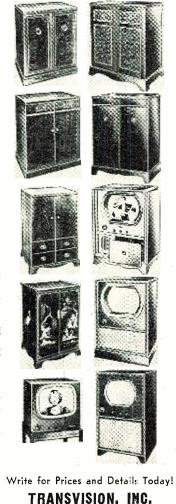
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INDOOR ANTENNA

A new "tip-proof" indoor television antenna has been announced by JFD Manufacturing Company of 6101 Six-teenth Avenue, Brooklyn 4, New York.

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FLYING SPOT SCANNER

Federal Telecommunication Laboratories, Inc. of Nutley, New Jersey, has developed a new type of television flying spot scanner that converts slide information to a video signal suitable for television broadcasting.

Console-mounted for smooth operation, the single or basic scanning unit (FTL-35A) is designed to handle, semiautomatically, from one to thirty-six 2x2 inch double frame, 35 mm. slides which may be shown in or out of sequence. An important feature is an

automatic signal cut-out which blanks out the picture while the slide is in motion.

By means of an "add-a-unit" feature. this equipment may also be used as a dual scanner consisting of a single scanner plus an auxiliary unit. Designated as the FTL-82A, this unit may be



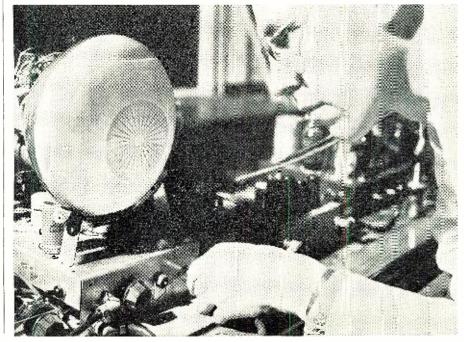
used to obtain lap dissolves, fades, and other flexible arrangements between two scanner units.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

Javex of Garland, Texas, has announced a new line of antenna distribution systems for various installation applications.

Designed to mount flush, with or without the use of the usual wall box,

Dr. Frank Roberts, a Scotch electronics engineer in Britain, has designed a system of magnification which uses both a microscope and television. His televisionmicroscope is said to be capable of magnification up to 25,000 times an asset in the observation of living tissues. The unit is already being used to count and sort the number of cells in the human brain The photo shows Ex. Boberts observing a distom (a microscopic plant) through his television-microscope.

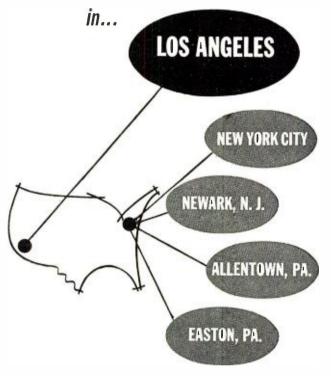


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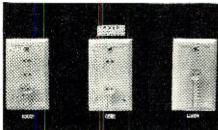


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this new product incorporates a 300 ohm distribution system integral with the wall plate. The units come in ivory or brown, complete with plugs and mounting screws.

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cutting into a wall or using a wall box. A $\frac{1}{4}$ " lead-in hole is easily covered by the plate, making a neat and simple installation.

In addition to this unit, double and triple arrangements for multiple or bidirectional installations are also available.

LOW-BAND YAGI

Radio Merchandise Sales, Inc. of 1165 Southern Blvd., New York 59, New York, has announced a new low-band yagi television antenna.

Featuring high gain together with sharp directivity, the new unit comes completely pre-assembled with snapout construction for ease of installation.

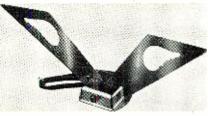
The antenna construction features include rib reinforcement, with double brackets to provide sturdy, stress-proof performance. Both sides of each element are locked in the clamp support, in three positions. The new units are available with either $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{5}$ inch elements.

The company will supply full details on request.

TY BOOSTER ANTENNA

City Tool Accessories Corp., 3831 W. Lake Street, Chicago 24, Illinois, is currently offering a new indoor TV booster antenna which has been tradenamed the "Tele-tune."

This compact unit is said to reject or reduce ghosts, noise, and snow. It



can be used separately or with another indoor or built-in antenna, with an outdoor antenna, or in pairs. When used with an outdoor antenna the additional pickup it provides is particularly advantageous in fringe areas.

INSTALLATION KITS

Insuline Corporation of America, 36-02 35th Avenue, Long Island City, New York, has recently introduced a series of eight television antenna installation kits which have been designed to meet

practically all receiving requirements for either primary or fringe areas.

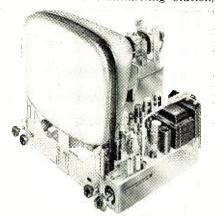
The simplest kit contains a single conical antenna, a five foot steel mast, and fifty feet of lead-in wire. The other kits are progressively more elaborate, the largest containing a stacked conical antenna, a ten foot mast, base mount, guy wire, 100 feet of lead-in, lightning arrestor, clamps, insulators, etc.

All of the kits are packaged for ease of handling by both the jobber and the technician.

NEW TV CHASSIS

Video Products Corporation of Red Bank, New Jersey, is currently marketing a new television chassis, the "Super-Video 630-DX."

The development of the powerful 30 tube chassis into a long-range receiver is a culmination of over two years' research. Designed to provide a clear, sharp picture at distances up to 200 miles from the transmitting station,



the new chassis does not require the use of boosters or complex antenna arrays.

Complete information on this new chassis is available from the company.

TV "TRANSLATOR"

General Electric Company has developed a small television "translator" which will tune in ultra-high-frequency telecasts when attached to any TV receiver ever made by the company.

The "translator" looks like a small table radio. It will receive all the proposed new u.h.f. channels and can be installed by the set owner in most cases. Although commercial u.h.f. stations are not expected to go on the air before late 1952 or early 1953, the company will supply the new translator to its distributors for demonstration purposes when the company introduces its fall line of TV receivers.

NEW TV ANTENNAS

Snyder Manufacturing Company of 22 and Ontario Streets, Philadelphia 40, Pa., has introduced two new television antennas to the trade.

One of the units is the radically new "Directronic," a motorless TV antenna system with a 360 degree, electronically-switched beam. Said to provide all of the benefits of a motor-driven antenna but without motors or moving



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The second of the new antennas is a yagi which is being incorporated into both the "Redi-Mount" and "Head-Line" series. In both high and low band antennas, these new units are preassembled and feature an exclusive space-saving design which allows easier and more economical handling and storage.

CROSLEY "ULTRATUNER"

The Crosley Division, Avco Manufacturing Corporation, has announced a new ultra-high-frequency converter



unit which is designed to allow all television sets having continuous-type

tuners to receive the u.h.f. bands. Tradenamed the "Ultratuner," the small unit is designed to be placed unobtrusively on or near the receiver. Installation can be made by anyone with a screwdriver being the only tool required. The unit measures 7x67/x91/2 inches and is housed in an inconspicuous cabinet.

The company has advised that when the u.h.f. bands are opened to telecasting, production quantities of the new converter will be available to the public.

INDOOR ANTENNA

The Hi-Low TV Antenna Corporation of 3540 N. Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago 13, Illinois, has recently developed a unique indoor antenna which features several innovations in antenna design.

The new unit is of a spiral design which requires no adjustment of rods. The antenna measures 20 inches high and 32 inches wide. It has high signal



gain, a bakelite base, and aluminum bars and can be tuned to both high and low television channels.

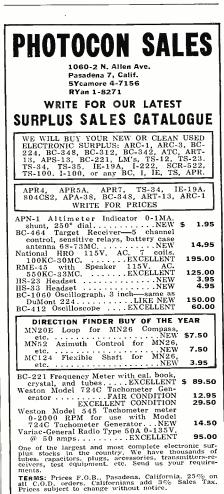




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The antenna is also available in a floor model which is similar to the unit designed to be used on top of the receiver.

TWIN-DRIVEN YAGI

Technical Appliance Corporation of Sherburne, New York, has announced a new antenna which has been especially designed to minimize and in most cases entirely eliminate co-channel interference.

The new antenna has a front-to-back ratio of 30 db throughout the entire 6 mc. bandwidth without sacrificing forward gain. Terminal impedance of this new "Taco" special twin-driven yagi has been maintained at 300 ohms to match the standard lead-in.

Available for any one of the low-band channels, the new unit may be used as a single antenna or as a stacked array. The elements consist of a director, two driven elements, and a reflector. The terminals are located at the rear folded dipole driven element.

FOCUSING CONTROL

Chicago Telephone Supply Corporation of Elkhart, Indiana, has just developed a new high voltage control for electrostatic focusing.

Designated the Type 85, this unique control is made principally of in-



sulating materials, using a minimum amount of metal. By conserving these scarce metals for military use, the new control will help to maintain TV production for civilian use.

"EAVE MOUNT"

Kenwood Engineering Co., Inc. of Kenilworth, New Jersey, has developed a new antenna eave mount which can be installed at the apex of the eave.

The new mount can be installed on the hanging rafter or trim board of the eave and eliminates the need for drilling in brick, masonry, or asbestos shingled walls. The mount clears attic louvres and windows, without loss of mast height and eliminates costly sidewall brackets.

Only four lag screws are required to mount the unit. U-bolt slots in the long lower member permit vertical alignment of the mast after the mount has been secured to the eave. A reinforcing step in the long lower member foots the mast for easy orientation of the antenna.

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TV Reception (Continued from page 49)

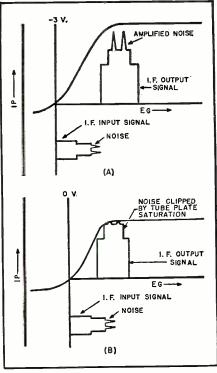
pulses riding on top of the signal are amplified. These amplified noise pulses will, in turn, be passed on to the sync circuits, causing either vertical jitter and instability or horizontal tearing out.

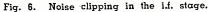
Some good results have been obtained in noisy fringe areas by using an experimental system as shown in Fig. 7. A potentiometer is substituted for the plate load resistor, R_1 , in the sync preamplifier circuit and the pot is varied until a point is reached where the picture shows the best stability both horizontally and vertically. The pot should be removed from the circuit and checked for resistance. A fixed resistor may now be substituted for this value. The same stunt may be tried with the voltage divider resistor for the sync separator. It will be found that reducing the voltage to the sync preamplifier helps to clip the noise. An oscilloscope should be connected to the sync separator plate and the degree of clipping, as the potentiometers are varied, should be noted.

Video Circuits

Changes can also be made in the video circuits of a television receiver to improve the screen presentation, but usually these changes are only recommended in the extreme fringe.

Fig. 8 shows a typical video strip from the video detector to the CRT grid. The load resistors for the video detector, video amplifier, and video output tube, R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 , respectively, are shown as variable resistors. Actually the resistors are fixed, but several values of resistors can be substituted one at a time until the picture presentation is improved. The video detector load, R_1 , is critical and too great a value here may cause smearing. Some slight amount of smear may be introduced by increasing the value of R_2 , but this small amount of smear may be desirable in some cases to hide a very snowy picture. The author has found that careful selection of load resistor values sometimes causes white snow presentation, which may be objectionable, to appear black. This is due to phase shift which may occur in the video strip.





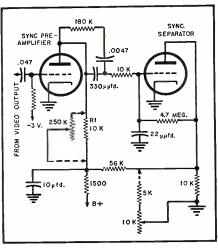
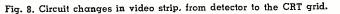
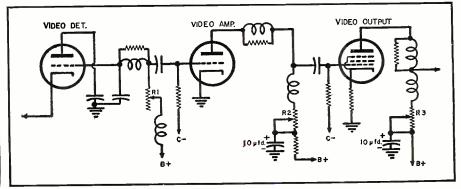


Fig. 7. Method of clipping for noisy areas.

Various combinations of all the factors concerned may be used to produce in a fringe area a picture which, although it may not be of the highest quality, is good enough to make television acceptable to the majority of people. -30-





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Plugging Power Leaks

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them to the lowest amount consistent with practicability and cost. The carrying capacity of all low voltage conductors was increased by replacing the original single conductors with four stranded eables. All conductors were shortened to the minimum permissible length. An additional fuse and holdcr was placed in parallel with the original fuse. The switch contacts were cleaned and filed perfectly flat, likewisc the relay contacts. A heavy stranded lead was run directly from the negative battery lead to the dynamotor. The net result of the whole operation was to reduce the voltage loss from $1\frac{1}{2}$ volts to a negligible .190 millivolts when operating under a full load. As to the net gain in output, the antenna r.f. meter now registers a constant 1.3 ampercs, as compared with a previous reading of .9 ampere. And while it is not to be implied that this increase has resulted in a comparable increase in the range of the transmitter, a "before" and "after" check with a field strength meter showed a very worthwhile gain in signal strength.

For the mobile operator who desires to get the utmost from his rig, the foregoing outlined checks will more than repay him for his time and effort. As to how far he may wish to proceed in reducing voltage losses will depend largely upon his particular installation. In the author's case a four-fold increase in conductor size was considered to be the maximum consistent with flexibility. But regardless of what increase is made in the conductor capacity, the periodic cleaning of all switch, relay, and fuse contacts will insure that the low voltage circuit remains at the peak of operating efficiency. While at times this may seem to be a tedious and thankless task, in the long run such "preventative maintenance" really pays off. The results I have obtained have sold mc on the value of such work. -30-

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MIKE BULLETIN

A new bulletin, No. 160, has just been issued by *Electro-Voice, Inc.* of Buchanan, Michigan illustrating and describing the company's new Model 636 "Slimair" dynamic microphone.

Photographs show how the modern and slender design of the new unit can be adapted for use on a stand or boom, vertically or tilted, or for applications when a hand-held microphone is desirable.

Details are also given on the special "Acoustalloy" diaphragm and the new "pop-proof" head which is said to insure smooth response and make the mike extra rugged for indoor and outdoor use in all climates. Complete specifications and data are given.

ELECTRONIC PARTS

The A. W. Franklin Manufacturing Corp. of 43-20 34th Street, Long Island City 1, New York has recently issued a 20-page catalogue covering its line of electronic parts.

Detailed specifications are provided on a wide variety of acorn, cathode-ray tube, ceramic, laminated, miniature, molded, octal, and wafer type sockets; terminal strips; connectors; plugs and pin board assemblies; and a new miniature tube socket suitable for automatic mass production dip soldering of circuit components.

Four pages of the catalogue are devoted to illustrations and descriptions of the company's circuit stamping process with application data for its use in the production of loop antennas, amplifier circuits, cable assemblies, and television tuners.

Requests for copies of this catalogue must be made on company letterhead.

STACKPOLE CATALOGUE

In addition to its standard lines of fixed and variable resistors, line and slide switches. iron cores, choke forms and gimmick condensers, the new 42page catalogue recently issued by the Electronic Components Division of Stackpole Carbon Company of St. Marys, Pa. lists a number of items which are catalogued for the first time.

The new Catalogue RC-8 includes information on several single, dual shaft, and special purpose volume controls; new 3-ampere slide switches; and the company's "Ceramag" non-



metallic cores in "U", "E", width control, and segmented deflection yoke types for television use.

Complete mechanical and electrical specifications are given in order to simplify component selection in addition to related engineering data. Copies are available without charge. Please specify the "Stackpole RC-8 Electronic Components Catalogue."

DEFENSE BOOKLET

Leece-Neville Company of Cleveland 14, Ohio is currently offering a public service booklet, entitled "A Guide to Mobile Communications for Civil Defense," to civil defense and government officials and to other interested persons.

This booklet provides valuable information on how two-way mobile radio serves to coordinate all operating services and gives complete data on how the company's a.c.-d.c. alternator system contributes to trouble-free service by providing mobile power with a high current output at low engine speeds.

SELECTING TECHNICIANS

Whittingham Bros. Inc. of 1618-20 Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia 30, Pennsylvania is currently making available reprints of an article "How to Select a TV Technician" by Paul H. Wendel of the Television Technicians Lecture Bureau and editor of the "Radio-TV Service Industry News" column in RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS.

Designed to equip the consumer with a yardstick by which he can measure servicing standards, the reprinting of this article is particularly timely in view of the keen interest being displayed by the public in this subject.

TUBE IDENTIFICATION

The Receiving Tube Division of *Raytheon Manufacturing Company*, 55 Chapel Street, Newton 58, Massachusetts has recently published a new and modern "Tube Shelf Identification System" which is currently available from the company's radio and television tube distributors.

Printed on pressure-sensitive labels in bold type are over 480 popular and current Raytheon radio and television receiving tube type designations, bound in standard booklet form for easy handling. The size of the labels has been carefully determined to be one that will fit most shelf-end surfaces and give maximum visibility for quick reading. Each label is designed to be easily detached from the book and affixed by the distributor or dealer to his stock shelves. Designations are alphabetically arranged for quick selections. The labels are removable for use at other locations.

"KLIPZON" REPRINT

United Technical Laboratories of Morristown, New Jersey is currently offering reprints of John T. Frye's article "The Versatile Crystal Probe" which originally appeared in the April 1951 issue of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS.



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CRYSTAL DIODE USES

Of interest to the hobbyist, experimenter, and model maker is the new booklet just released by the Electronics Division of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Emporium, Pa. Titled "Electronic Shortcuts for

Hobbyists," this booklet provides data on twenty-four applications of germanium crystal diodes. Written in simple and straightforward language, the booklet contains information on building an interval timer, polarity checker, polarity reversal alarm, spark quenchers, charger for small dry batteries, low current relay circuit, door chime "pepper," photoelectric relay, crystal radio receiver, electronic metronome, radio-controlled relay, wired radio control transmitter, etc.

This 54-page, illustrated booklet is available from the Advertising Department of the company for 25c a copy, postpaid.

SELENIUM RECTIFIERS

The Seletron Division of Radio Receptor Co., Inc., 251 West 19th Street, New York 11, New York has prepared a comprehensive new 16-page catalogue covering its Seletron Selenium Rectifiers.

Printed in two colors and fully illustrated, the catalogue includes listings of dimensions and ratings for all miniature selenium rectifiers, as well as a large selected group of power stacks.

TV TRANSFORMERS

The new 1951 edition of the Stancor TV transformer catalogue and replacement guide is now available from

MULTIPLE-TV INSTALLATION IN WASHINGTON

AS a sequel to the article "How TV Came to Panther Valley" by E. D. Lucas, Jr., appearing in the March 1951 issue of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, we have received an interesting letter from Rogan Jones, president of the company which is furnishing similar multiple-set service to subscribers in Bellingham, Washington. Mr. Jones felt that his company's

experience in providing this service would be of interest to readers because of the slightly different problems his organization encountered

According to Ernest E. Harper, chief engineer in charge of the project, the similarity between the Lansford activity and the one in Bellingham is remarkable inasmuch as the Bellingham group was completely unaware of the fact that a group of technicians in Lansford was undertaking the same type of service.

The Bellingham project was first con-ceived late in 1947. Many experienced engineers in the organization insisted at that time that such a plan was not feasible. Upon learning of the existence of a successful cable installation in Astoria, Oregon, the group at KVOS in Bellingham went into action and work started on the cable in October of 1949.

The Bellingham system now includes 20,000 feet of mainline cable, 35,000 feet of branchline cable, 70 sets connected to the cable with 300 expected, and 20 amplifiers in use, not counting distribution boxes. The over-all distance from the antenna to the farthest subscriber is 20,000 feet.

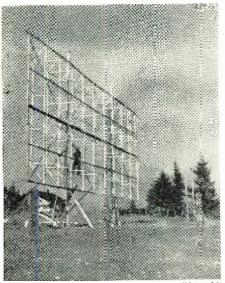
Informed people in Scattle state that the KVOS-TV picture quality and stability exceeds a large percentage of the pictures received in Seattle. The lack of local interference on the cable in Bellingham is pronounced.

Additional points of interest include the fact that the costs and charges of the Bellingham system are comparable to those set up in Lansford despite a continent between the operations. The Bellingham antenna, which is 75 airline miles from KING-TV, is in a "hole." In direct line with the transmitter, about one mile from the receiving antenna, is a hill approximately 2000 feet higher than the antenna itself. Much time and moncy was expended in finding the signal and locating the antenna. In addition, KING-TV, Seattle, tried

to force the group to sign a long-term contract providing that when more than one TV station was on the air in the Seattle area that KING-TV would have exclusive rights to the audience of KVOS-TV. The other bottleneck is that Pacific Telephonc and Telegraph Company will not permit KVOS-TV to use any pole in which they have any degree of ownership. As a result the Bellingham group has been forced to use the poles of Puget Sound Power & Light Company. This caused a delay of several months, lengthened the cable route, and increased costs by between \$5,000 and \$10,000. When completed, the cable will serve

a limited portion of the city of Bellingham at a cost of \$25,000 including all experimental work. According to estimates by the company, the plant could be duplicated now, on the basis of present knowledge, for under \$15,000. -30-

Side view of Bellingham's TV antenna. The reflector screen, which measures 25 x 60 feet, consists of 32 half-wave elements. The screen is now 7 feet from the ground although tests indicate optimum elevation to be about 20 feet. Position of the screen was determined only after exhaustive tests.



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Standard Transformer Corporation, 3580 North Elston Avenue, Chicago 18, Illinois or from any of the company's distributors.

The new 36 page guide contains replacement information on over 1500 TV receiver models and chassis produced by 71 manufacturers. Complete specifications, dimensions, and prices of 75 *Stancor* transformers and related components for TV replacements and conversions are listed.

PYRAMID CATALOGUE

Pyramid Electric Company of 1445 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, New Jersey has just released a comprehensive catalogue covering its line of condensers for various applications.

Included in the binder are data sheets on the company's hermetically sealed miniatures, the "Glasseal" line, oil-paper units in metal tubes, oilpaper units in rectangular metal containers, bathtubs, hermetically sealed paper condensers in rectangular metal containers, high voltage filter condensers, and the company's "Long-Life" line.

PARTS CATALOGUE

A new catalogue covering radio, television, and electronic parts has been published by *The Muter Company* of 1255 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago 5, Illinois.

This permanent listing of components is being issued in sections, the first three sections being currently available. Form 100 covers the company's temperature compensating, general purpose, disc, and variable ceramic condensers. Form 200 lists wirewound "Candohm" and "Zipohm" resistors and sensitivity controls. Form 300 contains information on the company's "Spirashield," a specialized wiring shield for critical r.f. and a.f. circuits.

Copies of sections now available as well as sections to be released later may be secured without charge by making your request on company letterhead.

TV TUBE CHART

Tel-O-Tube Sales Corporation of 580 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, N. Y. is offering a new television picture tube conversion and replacement chart for technicians.

Available through parts jobbers, the new chart lists the characteristics of all picture tube sizes from 14 through 20 inches (both round and rectangular) and portrays graphically the circuit and component changes that must be made in order to convert to any desired size. By means of this chart the technician can make replacements or convert to larger screen sizes by simply referring to the chart and following the simple directions.

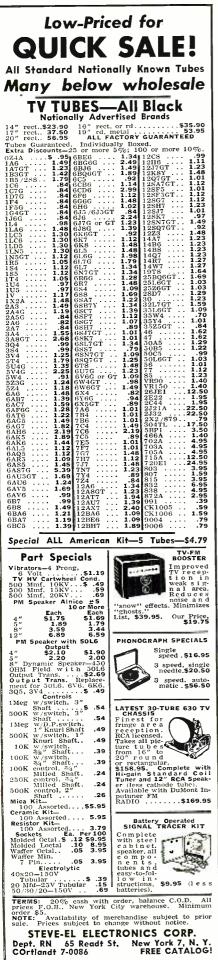
Designed for wall mounting, the new chart is available without charge to parts jobbers for free distribution to their technician-customers. Write the sales manager of the firm for a free supply. <u>30</u>-

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Admiral Set Conversion (Continued from page 39)

the bracket as far to the rear of the chassis as possible before tightening.

degree deflection yoke with a 70 degree deflection yoke. Suitable replace-

ment units include the Todd Type J-70, the Merit Type MD-70, or a Stancor

DY-7 yoke may be used. At the pres-

ent time the General Electric replace-

The range of the focus coil will be

inadequate with the new tube. To correct this remove the 3900 ohm resistor

 (R_{439}) connected across the focus coil

and short out the 1200 ohm resistor

 (R_{437}) connected in series with the focus control, as shown in Fig. 3.

At this time place a chalk mark or a piece of Scotch tape at the edges of the raster. Replace the 5U4G tube

 (V_{501}) with a new tube. If the width is

increased more than 1/8 inch on each

The width can be increased by disconnecting and taping both leads of the width control L_{401} which is located in the high voltage shielded compartment. The width and height can be extended by connecting a condenser across terminals #4 and #5 of the horizontal output transformer. As this capacitance is increased, the high voltage decreases which causes the picture size to increase and the brightness to decrease. The change in brightness will, therefore, limit the amount of capacitance which can be used. The

width can also be extended by opening

the damping resistor (R_{435}) across the

duced an entirely satisfactory picture, the horizontal output transformer was changed in order to provide increased

high voltage and sweep width. A

Stancor No. A-8128 horizontal output

transformer, which will fit into the same mounting holes, was used as a

A 500 $\mu\mu$ fd. condenser was inserted across terminals #4 and #5 in order

to obtain a satisfactory picture, however this much capacitance may not be

necessary in all conversions. The sides

should extend at least 1/4 inch beyond

Since none of these expedients pro-

5V4G tube shown in Fig. 3.

side, the new tube should be used.

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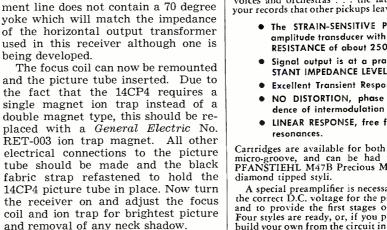
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the edge of the tube screen, otherwise

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variations in the line voltage may result in a service call because of insufficient picture width.

🐑 — Cabinet Changes

There are at least two ways in which the front panel can be changed. The first is to cut the panel along the dark line which shows below the picture tube mask in Fig. 1. The rib which extends to the back along this line must then be recessed so that the fourteen inch mask will mount flush on the cabinet. The second way is to obtain an Admiral No. 23D48-2 escutcheon. This is the bottom section of the two piece front panel used on the 12 inch model and is already recessed so that the 14 inch mask will mount flush on the cabinet. This is shown in Fig. 2. The latter method is preferred as sawing and filing plastic can be a time-consuming operation. The mask used was a No. 14SG manufactured by the Deitz Miracle Lens Co., 141 President Street, Passaic, New Jersey.

A template should then be made using the larger perimeter of the beveled portion of the mask for size. This template should be used to mark the wooden panel of the cabinet. The panel should be marked so that the top of the mask will be flush with the top of the panel. Cut out this section of the panel with a keyhole saw. The plastic mask can now be mounted by drilling a hole in each corner and attaching the mask and escutcheon to the cabinet using the screws which were part of the original assembly.

The plastic mask used was not quite as wide as the original. The difference in size is visible in Fig. 2. This is not scrious though because the wood panel is already stained. It is only necessary to fill the visible holes with plastic wood and touch up these spots with a little dark stain.

The receiver can now be reassembled and the conversion is completed.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since the original work on this Admiral conversion was completed, a new horizontal output transformer, the Stancor A-8129, has appeared. Chawes are that, although it has not been tried, in this particular application, this new transformer will provide greater over-all width, and higher anode voltages than the Stancor A-8128 specified in the text. This new unit should simplify the conversion and provide better results.

One word of caution which applies not only to this set but to every conversion job attempted—since it is very seldom that there are two sets which exhibit the same characteristics, the individual making the changeover will no doubt run into many variables that will mean additional work on his part before he can satisfactorily complete the conversion.

An idea of some of the difficulties that may be encountered include such matters as: 1. Insufficient width and poor linearity. To remedy this condition it is at times necessary to increase the drive. This will require the changing of several components in the horizontal sweep circuits. 2. Low second anode voltages and poor second anode voltage regulation. 3. Faulty horizontal sync. This requires juggling of different component values in the horizontal sync circuits. The conversion notes as mescuted herein

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3 a.m. She was quite surprised to hear the station on so late, as Modesto usually closes down earlier. However, station personnel were still handling flood reports.

One hour later, Sylvia, under an oxygen mask, wrote the station and commended the staff members on their help in the emergency. In the letter, she introduced herself and asked if it might be possible to request listeners to send her their used greeting cards, in order that she could make scrapbooks for hospitals. The appeal was broadcast and hundreds of beautiful cards poured in.

Now at last, the original plan resolved itself into a project. Four days before Christmas, Sylvia finished two colorful scrapbooks. She sent one composed of restful winter scenes—to her fellow-patients at the Medical Center. The other—made up of gay cutout animals—went to Del Puerto Hospital in her home town, Patterson. Both books were finished in time to be in the hospital wards on Christmas morning.

Our best wishes go to ISW DEPART-MENT Monitor Sylvia C. Grischott, who is helping herself by helping others, and who has found happiness in knowing some lonely persons—nearby or far away—can turn the pages of her scrapbooks and also find happiness!

New Receiver

RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS has just acquired a Hammarlund SP-600-JX Super Pro for use of your short-wave editor. Our thanks go to Bill King and the Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc., for making possible the purchase of this fine communications receiver for ISW DEPARTMENT monitoring work.

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Club Notes

England—Arthur E. Bear, secretary, International Short Wave Club, 100, Adams Gardens Estate, London, S.E. 16, England, reminds that he is always happy to send full details about ISWC, and a specimen copy of the monthly publication, to anyone who requests such information. He reports that ISWC is growing steadily.

Sweden—I recently received the mimeographed "DX News Bulletin" of the World Radio Society, Box 19033, Stockholm 19, Sweden; staff includes S. Zetterlund, B. Pihlo, A. Cederquist, J. Karlsson, and A. Kling.

USA—Anson Boice, editor for the United 49-ers Radio Society, of 28 Eisenhower Drive, New Britain, Conn., says he still has available copies of "OP-AID" (published by Short Wave News, London) for 30 cents a copy, postpaid, and ISWL short-wave report pads at 50 cents per pad, postpaid.

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Albania—ZAA, 7.852, Tirana, now has news 1615-1630 instead of former





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1515-1530. (Pearce, England) Scutari, 8.215, noted 1340 with music; suffers CWQRM. (Catch, England)

Andorra-Radio Andorra, 5.990, noted to after 1900 lately. (Stark, Texas) Short Wave News, London, lists schedule 1300-1900.

Argentina—Latest SIRA schedules— 9.690, Spanish 1000-1100, French 1100-1200, Italian 1200-1300, Swedish 1300-1400, English 1400-1700, German 1700-1800, Spanish 1800-1900, English 1900-2400; 15.290, Spanish 2100-0100, 1215-1545; 11.880, Portuguese 0800-1300, French 1300-1430, English 1430-1600, French 1600-1700, Portuguese 1700-2230; 9.455, English 1600-1750, 2130-0100.

LRX1, 6.120, noted 1945 with native program. (Russell, Calif.) LRX, 9.660, noted 2116. (Machwart, Mich.)

Australia—The North American "morning" beam now is radiated 0700-0945, VLC7, 11.810, to Eastern, Central, and Mountain Time Zones; 1000-1115, VLA8, 11.810, to West Coast. The weekly program "Australian DX-ers Calling" is now broadcast at an additional time—Sundays 0200 for British Isles, Europe, New Zealand, 9.580, 11.-760. (Radio Australia)

Austria-Blue Danube Network, 9.617, Salzburg, excellent with news 0400. (Catch, England) Noted 1535 giving QRA of APO 777. (Pearce, England)

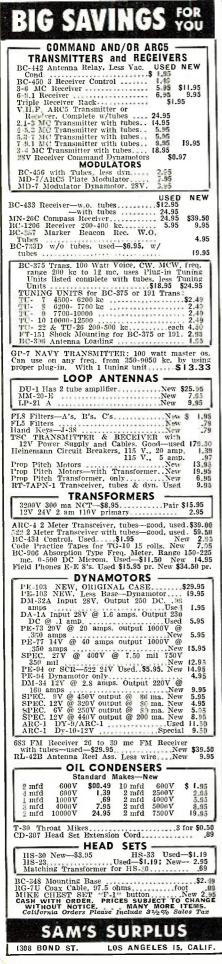
Belgian Congo—OTM2, 9.400, strong 0000 but around 1400 has bad CWQRM. (Hannaford, South Africa) Station noted recently on approximately 17.500 at 1300 announcing as OTC3, Leopoldville. (Kroll, N. Y.) Was recently heard on approximately 21.700, calling Korea in Flemish 0145, signed off 0215. (Hannaford, South Africa)



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Bolivia—La Paz, 9.497, noted recently signing off 2116, but may run later some days. (Stark, Texas)

Brazil—A new 500-watt transmitter, operated by Radio Difusora Brasileira, at Uberlandia, State of Minas Gerais, is radiating on 2.32. Radio Quitandinha, 5.045, wants reports from any place in the world, no matter how poor reception may have been; now has new Swedish session Wednesdays 1800-1830; QRA is Avenida Rio Branco 311, 90 Andar, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. (Serrano, Brazil) Heard to 2100 sign-off. (Machwart, Mich.)

Bulgaria—Sofia, 7.671, noted with news 1615-1630, then in native. (Sutton, Ohio) Also noted with news 1500-1530 on 7.671 and on *additional* outlet of approximately 7.255. (Pearce, England)

Burma—Rangoon, 6.035, good lately with news 1000. (Baker, Calif.) Sundry overseas sources list Radio Mandalay on approximately 7.400 with English 0630, French 0715.

Chile—OTC says CE1515, 15.15, is scheduled 1100-1900. (Grischott, Calif.)

China—Radio Peking, 15.060V, noted with news 0430 followed 0445 with messages from U. S. prisoners-of-war in Korea; closes 0455; also heard with news 0830; announces 11.69 (actually nearer 11.685—KRB) in parallel. (Catch, England)

Colombia—HJFK, 6.103, Pereira, noted with music 2010. (Russell, Calif.)

Cuba—Union Radio, Havana, noted more recently on about 9.437 to after 2000. (Stark, Texas)

Czechoslovakia-Prague, 6.010, noted 0005-0025 and 0035-0054 at fair level in So. Dak. (Lane) Prague noted signing on 1930 to North America on 9.550; news 1940; English ends 2000. (Hoffman, N. Y.; Hooker, Sask.) The 11.84 channel should parallel.

Denmark—The North American Service is still over OZF, 9.52, 50 kw., Copenhagen, weekdays 2100-2230, Sundays to 2200. (Garcia, N. J.) The DX session is now every Tuesday around 2220 or 2230. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Dominican Republic—HI4T, 5.970, noted signing off 2357, good level in Saskatchewan. (Hooker) HI4T, 5.970, and HI2T, 9.735, seem to have English on Mondays 2200. (Bellington, N. Y.) HI9T, 6.190, Puerto Planta, noted on a Sunday 0030. (Rastorfer, N. Y.)

a Sunday 0030. (Rastorfer, N. Y.) *Ecuador*—HC1AC, 6.210, Quito, noted 0000-0130 sign-off; HC2FB, 6.130, Guayaquil, heard 0040-0115 sign-off (runs to 0200 Sundays). (Rastorfer, N. Y.)

French Equatorial Africa—Brazzaville, 11.970, has news 0015, 1100, 1745 for North America, usually followed by various features in *English*. (Baughn, Ky.)

Germany—"Radio Free Europe," is heard in Sweden around 1445-1530. (DX-Radio, Sweden) Still noted from 1020. (Pearce, England)

Gold Coast—ZOY, 15.430, Accra, noted with varied musical program 1030-1100. (Sutton, Ohio) Ridgeway, South Africa, reports Accra on 5.979 at 1600, fair level.

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Greece-Dvorak, Ohio, reports a Greek station on 6.339 at 1615 with music. Bellington, N. Y., notes Athens has replaced 9.607 with 11,718 for English 1430-1445 and French 1445-1500.

Greenland—OXI, 5.942, noted recently 1718; on 6.676 at 1805, with CWQRM. (Bellington, N. Y.) Latter channel measured 1805 by Oskay, N. J., as 6.677.

Larissa, 6.745, is still scheduled to carry English 1530-1545 on Thursdays -but some weeks does not have it. (Pearce, England)

Guatemala—TGNA by this time should be using its new 11.850 channel with English 2200-2230 (Mailbag, Wed. 2230-2300 or later); other channels are 6.040 (should be used now with Spanish and other languages), and 9.668 (for English in parallel with 11.850).

Haiti-4VRW, 9.838, Port-au-Prince, noted in English on Mon., Wed., Fri., 2100-2150, news 2135; announces as "Voice of the Republic of Haiti"; fair to good signal; signs off 2202. (Hooker, Sask.) 4VCM, 6.407, noted 1920-2300 sign-off. (Rastorfer, N. Y.)

Holland-Officials of Radio Nederland, Hilversum, write-"We broadcast daily in English, Dutch, Afrikaans, Arabic, French, Indonesian, and Spanish. We especially draw your attention to our English transmission at 2130-2210 which is beamed to North America on 11.73, 5.59. We know that reception in the U. S. has been very poor lately, but the latest reports show that conditions are gradually improving. . . . Our programs not only consist of news and information from or about Holland, but also of interviews, actualities, and music-both in the serious and lighter vein. Listeners who are interested in our program can obtain a monthly illustrated bulletin free-ofcharge."

Honduras-HRQ, 6.125, San Pedro Sula, heard with much QRM in Oregon 2145-2200; has many commercials. (Callarman) HRD2, 6.235, La Ceiba, noted recently with English around 2230-2300 interspersed with marimba music. (Bellington, N. Y.) HROW, 6.675. Radio Monserrat, noted nightly to 2300 sign-off. (Rastorfer, N. Y.)

Hungary-Oskay, N. J., recently measured Budapest's 41-m. outlet as 7.2208 at 2300.

India-AIR, 7.29, noted with news 0730. (Guentzler, Fetzer, Ohio, others) Noted signing on 2300 on 15.16, 17.74, news 2315, fades 2330. (Balbi, Calif.)

Indo-China-Radio France-Asie, 9.524V, Saigon, noted with news 1730-1800. (Chapman, Texas) Station officials recently informed Betty Jennings. Okla., that there is a request program for English-speaking listeners each Friday 0420-0445 on 11.830 and 1745-1830 in the 25-m. band (however, latter may be heard on 9.524V-KRB).

At the time this was written, another Saigon outlet was noted on 7.26 (after being on 7.24 for a few days), heard mornings; Radio Hue was still using 7.205. (Balbi, Calif.)

Iran-EPB, 15.100, is again carrying short English newscast 1500, followed



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by dance music; news in Russian 1515 (jammed when last monitored), and signs off 1530. (Saylor, Va., others) Good signal in West Virginia.

Teheran is scheduled on EQB, 6.155, 2145-2330, 0830-1330; EQC, 9.660, 0330-0700 (Fri. 0130-0700); EPB, 15.100, 1330-1530; EPP, 3.940, relays m.w. EQA at 0930-1315. (Bluman, Israel, via Radio Australia) Verified in 20 days by registered mail. (Jenson, Wisc.)

Iraq-Bluman, Israel, lists Kurdish National Radio on 7.040 and Baghdad No. II on 7.092, both heard around 1500-1600 or later. (Radio Australia) Noted by Pearce, England, on 7.092 to 1400 sign-off (with a few bars of country's National Anthem).

Ireland—At the time this was compiled, Radio Eirrean, 17.840, Dublin, was still using this channel with news 1330-1345A (may be on Summer Time by now and changed to 1230-1245A), often in the clear lately and with improved signal. May be testing new high-powered transmitter by now?

Italu-Rome continues to be reported on sundry channels. Noted on 9.575 with news 2145-2200 for Pacific Coast, announcing news for East Coast at 1900; asked for reports to Radio Roma, Roma-56, Via Venete, Rome, Italy. (Dary, Kans.) Noted on 7.110 at 1625 and signing off 1630. (Oskay, N. J.)

Jamaica-Radio Jamaica, 3.360, appears to relay BBC news 2300-2310 sign-off when conditions are favorable; otherwise, music is heard at that time. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Kashmir-Radio Kashmir is scheduled on 4.860 at 2130-2330, 0630-1200, and on 7.270 at 0100-0230; *English* news 2130, 1030; announces "This is Kashmir Calling." (OTC via Grischott. Calif.)

Lebanon-Beirut, 8.026, noted 0100 with news in Arabic, news in French 0130. (Catch, England) English session 1030-1100. (Pearce, England)

Liberia-ELBC, 6.025, Monrovia, still being heard widely in the USA when this was written, daily to 1845A signoff; by now, however, may also be testing new transmitter in the 25- and/or 19-m. band.

Luxembourg—The 15.352 outlet noted 0735 in French; woman an-nouncer. (Dvorak, Ohio) His English on 6.090 at 1730-1900 weekdays, 1530-1930 Sundays. (WRH Bulletin)

Madagascar-Tananarive, 9.515, is widely reported, opening with "La Marseillaise" 2230, followed by settingup exercises in French.

Malaya-Radio Malaya, Singapore, noted now on 7.200 with all-English programs; news 0630. (Balbi, Calif.)

Malta--FBS, Middle East, was not being heard on any channel when this was compiled; believed closed down preparatory to moving to the Suez Canal Zone. (Pearce, England) Not reported to me for some time.-KRB.

Mauritius-Forest Side station officials have informed Pearce, England, that the station has moved from the 19-m. band to 11.840 with Overseas



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Service at 0930-1230; wants reports via airmail. Pearce can *not* hear the 11.84 outlet due to QRM.

Mexico—XEMC, "La Estacion mas Espanola del Mundo," ("The Most Spanish Station in the World"), Mexico City, announced 15.205, true to its slogan, transmits exclusively Continental Spanish (mostly Andalusian) music and songs (Flamenco, and so on), with the inevitable commercials, invites reports to Apartado Postal 22717, Mexico, D. F. (Rastorfer, N. Y.) Measured recently by Oskay, N. J., as 15.205143; previous measurement was 15.2055.

Mozambique—OTC reports Lourenco Marques with Portuguese programs on 15.183 at 1145; says 15.195 and 15.226 are *tests only*. (Grischott, Calif.) CR7BJ in the 31-m. band, with Portuguese programs daily from 0000, is shifting about; when this was written was on 9.85. (Balbi, Calif., others) The listed 4.920 channel, used from 2300 with *English* programs (from 0000 Sundays), moves about, too—noted 4.915 to 4.925 at times. (Stark, Texas, others)

New Zealand—ZL3, 11.78, ZL8, 9.62, noted parallel 0400. (Guentzler, Ohio) And signing off 0615. (Shanahan, Wisc.) Open 0200. (Bellington, N. Y.) Noted on ZL4, 15.28, with recordings around 0045. (Russell, Calif.)

Nicaragua—Callarman, Oregon, reports YNOW, Managua, on a *new* (announced) channel of 6.055; on Saturdays at least leaves the air 0300; may have earlier sign-off other days; *no English noted* but announces frequently in Spanish as "YNOW, La Voz de la America Central."

Nigeria—Short Wave News, London, reports Lagos lately has been on only 6.035, but soon was to transmit on 7.255 at 2000-2130, 0100-0200; on 9.655 at 2000-2130, 0100-0800; on 4.990 at 0800-1200; the 6.035 outlet was then to be dropped. (Radio Australia)

Pakistan—The 15.335 outlet fair to good 2100 with news; improving. (Lane, South Dak., others) Noted parallel on 7.140, 11.749 with news 0700. (Sutton, Ohio) Noted daily on approximately 7.010 in Arabic 1115-120 signoff. (Pearce, England) Balbi, Calif., Hooker, Sask., more recently have noted the 1015 news on approximately 11.720. ISWC, London, lists Pakistan on 9.506 with news at slow speed 1210-1230.

Panama—HO50, 6.044, noted with music 2327; announcements in Spanish by man. (Tanczos, Ohio)

Paraguay—Radio Encarnacion, 11.-945, noted in Oregon with poor signal 2000-2105 sign-off; relays Radio Belgrano, Buenos Aires. (Callarman)

Peru—Radio America, Lima, verified with nice card after 6 months, from Cia. Peruana de Radiodiffusion, S. A., Apartado 1192 or Ocona 479, Lima, Peru; listed frequencies as OAX4U, 1010 kc., OAX4V, 5.925 (moved from 5.907), and OAX4W, 9.360. Is noted on new 5.925 channel now to after 2330, using many popular U. S. tunes. (Callarman, Ore.)



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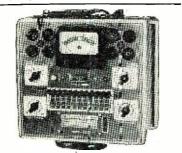
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Poland-Warsaw, 9.727A, now has English for North America daily beginning 1745, 1930, 2300, 0015. Between its own English sessions, Warsaw now relays Moscow's North American (English) evening beam, irregularly. (Duxbury, R. I., others)

Portugal-CSA27, 9.744V, noted 1900-2100; previous measurement was 9.746. (Oskay, N. J.)

Sao Tome-CR5SB, 17.680, noted Thur., Sun. only at 0700-0800; CR5SC, 4.8075, heard around 1500 to 1615 closedown (some days closes 1600). (Catch, England)

Saudi-Arabia-Djeddah, 11.85, noted signing on 1200 with Arabic music. (Lane, South Dakota.) Pearce, England, notes this new (1200) sign-on on the 11.950, 5.959 channels also.

South Africa-The SABC's 11.927 outlet verified from Johannesburg and QSL said is located at Roberts Heights (presumably a Johannesburg suburb). (Baker, Calif.) Cape Town's channel is 5.89, not 5.88, according to station officials. (Ridgeway, South Africa) Johannesburg III, 4.895, still noted signing on 2345 in English and Afrikaans; setting-up exercises in Afrikaans follow. (Saylor, Va.)

Southern Rhodesia-Salisbury, 3.320, still noted with relay of BBC news 1880. (Catch, England)

Spain-After testing on 9.585, Madrid returned to 9.369, where still has English daily 1515, 1800-1840. Short Wave News, London, lists as news, "Radio Murcia" on 7.160, noted with call "Transmite Radio Murcia" at 1800; has both male and female announcers and a signal of three identical gongnotes. Pearce, England, notes Alicante now on approximately 8.140 around 1500.

Syria-Damascus, 6.000, 12.000, has dance music 1500 followed by news 1530. (DX-Radio, Sweden) Uses 7.135 irregularly, and 6.000, 12.000 at 0000-0130, 0600-0800, 1100-1700. (Bluman, Israel, via Radio Australia)

Tahiti-Papeete, 6.135, appears scheduled now 2300-0045 when signs off with "La Marseillaise." (Balbi, Rosenauer, Calif.; Bellington, N. Y., others)

Taiwan-Taipeh's Home Service is scheduled on 6.095 at 1800-1930, 2255-0100, 0430-1000, (WRH Bulletin) Heard by Balbi, Calif., some days with Bible lesson in English 0630-0700. Taipeh, 15.235, 11.735, now has English 2300-0000, and Chinese 0000-0200. (Rosenauer, Balbi, Calif., others)

Tangier-Radio Africa, 7.125, noted ending "mid-day" session 1100. (Pearce, England)

Thailand-Bangkok, 6.24, still noted with news 0615, signing off around 0632; weather report approximately 0620. (Ferguson, N. C.)

Trans-Jordan-Ramallah, 7.075A, is heard in Sweden 0930 and with news in Arabic 1000. (DX-Radio, Sweden) Scheduled 0000-0110, 0630-0730, 0930-1430, according to verification; English 0930-1030, remainder Arabic. (Radio Sweden)

USI-At the end of English news



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1020-1030, YDE, 11.77, gives QRA as Broadcasting House, Box No. 7, Djakarta, Indonesia. (Hooker, Sask.) According to announcement. English session 0930-1030 now is over 15.15, 11.77, 4.910; to Europe 1400-1500 on 15.15, 11.77. (Pearce, England) Radio Padang, 7.240, Sumatra, signs off 1130 daily; has no English. (Radio Sweden) YDK, 4.855, Palembang, noted 0920 with (English) recordings, then talk in Indonesian. (Catch, England)

USSR-Latest schedules of Radio Moscow in English for North America are 1820-2300 on 15.23, 11.89, 9.67, 7.29 (this one from 2100), 7.25, 9.76 (new). This transmission is now relayed irregularly, in part, by such satellite outlets as Warsaw, Prague, Budapest. (Grischott, Calif., others) Mailbag Program is Sat. 2100-2130.

Noted recently in English 1630-1758 sign-off on approximately 5.915 in parallel with 6.000, 6.090, 6.110; announced next English in this (European?) service for 0115. Home Service noted recently on about 7.165, 7.18, 7.28 with setting-up exercises in progress 2020. (Bellington, N. Y.)

* * **Last Minute Tips**

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A station noted on approximately 4.96 with English (by man) around 1905, with terrific QRM, may be Belize, British Honduras. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Latest schedule of Radio Sweden is 1900-2030, 10.780, 15.155; 0015-0235, 6.065, 15.155; 0235-1015, 11.705, 15.155; 1015-1300, 10.780, 15.155; 1300-1330, 6.065, 10.780; 1330-1400, 10.780; 1330-1400 with separate program on 6.065; and 1400-1700 relaying Home Service, 10.780, 6.065.

A QSL from Baghdad, Iraq, 7.092, listed transmitter as Marconi Type S.W.B. 10, 16 kw. to antenna, high-level Class B modulation; antennas are omni-directional; scheduled 2330-0100, 0430-0600, 0830-1500 in Arabic and occasional European music and talks; interval signal, bird call; time signal, clock striking. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Sutton, Ohio, reports a station on 15.225 with news 1045-1050 that may be Radio Belgrade, Yugoslavia; notes Belgrade on 9.505 with news now 0015-0035, then into native.

Lahore, Pakistan, APL2, 6.075, is scheduled 2100-1230; English at least some days around 0930. (Radio Australia)

TGTQ, 6.285, Guatemala City, "Radio International, La Voz de la Capital," noted 0030-0115 and later. (Rastorfer, N.Y.)

Springbok Radio, 4.945, Johannesburg, South Africa, noted opening 2300. (Bellington, N. Y.) Uses chimes-gongs frequently.

According to Radio Australia, the Far East Broadcasting Co., Manila, Philippines, now has increased time on the air to 2200-0100, 0300-1200, and is using 32 languages and dialects; mentions new channel, DZH9, 11.855; is missionary station.

Radio Sweden lists (clandestine) Yugoslav Emigrant Station on 7.530 signing off 1630; and Radio Republica

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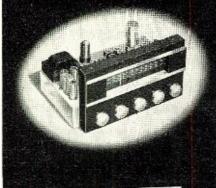
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Moscow noted on 9.53 in English for Southeast Asia 0930; Hindustani 0945. (Balbi, Calif.)

Radio Australia reports ZOY, Accra, Gold Coast, as on 9.640 in parallel 1784 kc., in English 0530-0630, and on 7.300 in parallel 15.430 at 1000-1300.

Radio Tabriz, Iran, approximately 6.080, sent schedule of 2215-2315, 0315-0745, 0900-1300; wants reports to V. Shafyi, Dean of Azarbaygan, Press & Propaganda Dept., Radio Tabriz, Tabriz, Azarbaygan, Iran. (Bellington, N. Y.) * * *

Press Time Flashes

Petropavlosk, 6.07, USSR, noted with Home Service, 0300-0530, then Chinese to 0615, followed by further Home Service relay. BED29, 6.095, Taipeh, Taiwan, heard irregularly with English religious service 0430-0500, 0600-0700, schedule is 0430-1000; BCSF, 6.334, Taipeh, signs on 0430, and at times parallels BCAF, 8.99; BED22, 7.000, Taipeh, signs on 0430, heard late as 1100; Taipeh, 7.34, noted from 0700. Saigon, Indo-China, has been moving about the 41-m. band (7.24, 7.25, 7.26, 7.175) and at press time was noted mornings on 7.19. Radio Peking, 15.-06A, noted from 1630-1900 in Chinese; 11.685 heard weakly at 2300-2400. Communist-Chinese outlet noted on 6.34 with Chinese news 0630-0700 parallel 9.73, 7.10, 6.155, 6.10, 5.99 (Shanghai), and 5.915 (Mukkden, Manchuria). (Balbi, Calif.)

Ponta Delgada, 11.090, Azores, is definitely now on summer schedule 1400-1500. Athens, 7.30, noted with setting-up exercises 0015. Innsbruck, 6.000, Austria, noted opening in German 0000. AIR, 15.16, 11.85, has English for West Indies 1930. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Radio Clube de Mocamedes, 7.775, Pt. West Africa, heard in South Afr., 1230-1400 closedown; is CR6RM; Portuguese only. HVJ, 17.84, Vatican, has English on Tuesdays for Africa, India. Cevlon, 1030-1050. (Ridgeway) Nova Lisboa, 9.705, Angola, is good in South Africa to 1500 closedown. (Hannaford)

HJKD, 6.000, Bogota, Colombia, "Emisora Nuevo Mundo," noted 2200-2231; HJDE, 6.145, Medellin, "La Voz de Antioquia," heard 2210-2237 sign-off. (Patterson, Ga.)

Rome noted 1345 in *English* to South Africa on 15.420. (Chatfield, N. Y.)

Rosenauer, Calif., flashes he has noted HLKA, 4.780A, Soeul, Korea, 0730-0900, mostly in Korean. BED32, 8.960, Taiwan, noted 0515

with Chinese news; Kuala Lumpur, 6.025, Malaya, has news 0630; ZBW3, 9.525, Hong Kong, relays BBC news 0600; HVJ, 5.970, Vatican, heard 1530 in French, 1545 with Italian; TAV, 17.830, Ankara, Turkey, noted 0515. (Sanderson, Australia)

Moscow is heard in N. Z. with English principally at 0115-0130, 11.630, 9.640, 7.320, 6.110; 0215-0230, 15.400, 11.630, 9.680, 9.640; 1230-1300, 7.360,



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7.340, 7.320, 6.110, 6.090, 5.910; 1400-1500, 9.670, 7.360, 7.340, 7.320, 7.240, 6.110, 6.090, 5.910; 1530-1600, 9.670, 7.340, 6.110, 6.090, 5.910; 0900 on 9.530 for Asia. (Cushen, N. Z.)

Papecte, 6.135, Tahiti, 2300-0045, some days has *English* around 2330-2345. (Rosenauer, Russell, Calif.; Dary, Kans., others)

A San Jose, Costa Rica, station, TILS (or TIMS?) was noted testing recently on announced 6.990 (seemed higher) around 0000. (Dary, Kans.; Stark, Texas; Bellington, N. Y.) 4VM, 6.005, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, noted 1800-2130 sign-off; all-French program with occasional announcements in *English.* (Saylor, Va.)

Berne, Switzerland, is now scheduled to North America 2030-2300, 15.305, 11.865, 9.535; will make slight changes in frequencies September 1 to provide better reception at the equinox.

Although not confirmed, ISWC, London, reports *Radio Kabul*, Afghanistan, is now on 5.980, 11.800 daily 2100-1400. *Radio Euzkadi*, "La Voz de la Resistencia Basca," clandestine, on 6.090, is now heard 0230-0300. The Socklot Short Wave Listeners Club, Nykarleby, Finland, offers a sample of its magazine. (Radio Sweden)

HC2CA, 6.891.6, Salinas, Ecuador, noted 2125 with Latin American music. (Treibel, Washington State)

At the time this was written, Kol-Israel seemed to be on Summer Time with English 0600 on 6.830; 1415 on 6.830, 9.012; 1600-1700 on 9.012. (Bellington, N. Y., others)

Radio Congo Belge, Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, sent schedule—OTM1, 3 kw., 6.295, 0000-0200, 0515-0730 (Sun. from 0500), 1100-1500 (Sat. to 1600); OTM2, 20 kw., 9.380, 1100-1500 (Sat. to 1600); OTM4, 20 kw., 11.720, 0515-0730 (Sun. from 0500); uses French, Flemish, Portuguese for Europe, with native xylophone beat as interval signal; also radiates on OTH, 7.5 kw., 9.210, 1200-1330 for native listening, in French and Congo dialects. PJC2, 5.010, Curacao, still has English on Mondays 2000. (Fetzer, Ohio)

Radio Tamandare, Recife, Brazil, is now on the air on 3.265. Ribiero, Brazil) Radio Brasil, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, is now on 4.755 with 1 kw., call of ZYY3; all-Portuguese; closes 2200; QRA is Box 625, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil; old channel was 2.46. Radio Corporation, Calle Huercanos 1248, Santiago de Chile, Chile, sent a large flag QSL; is heard on CE1515, 15.15, from before 0750 to after 2230; also operates on CE619, 6.19, and CE950, 9.50 (latter now inactive). (Serrano, Brazil)

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Probably no other circuity has undergone as much investigation with resultant improvements as the horizontal deflection and high voltage system. Designers have continuously been achieving reduced chassis size, lower manufacturing costs, and decreased power consumption. The horizontal yoke coils necessarily have a considerable power demand since their impedance is high at the line scanning frequency, and it is the ampere-turns which yield beam deflection. However, studies have shown that even this actual power is considerably smaller than the total heretofore expended in the horizontal output circuit. Furthermore, the culprit seemed to be the deflection transformer. Much work was done to improve the operating efficiency of this component; the original

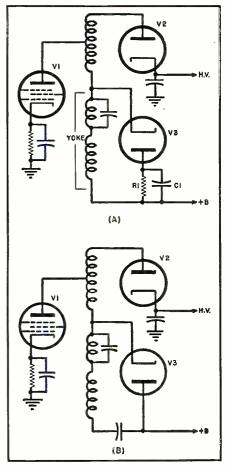


Fig. 1. (A) Early model direct-drive system. (B). An improved version of circuit of (A).

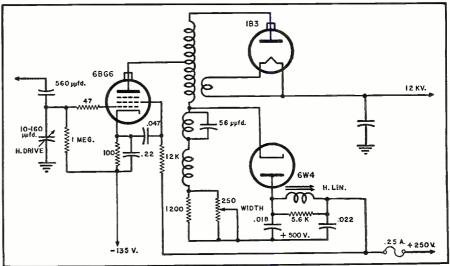


Fig. 2. Complete diagram of horizontal deflection circuit as used in RCA receivers.

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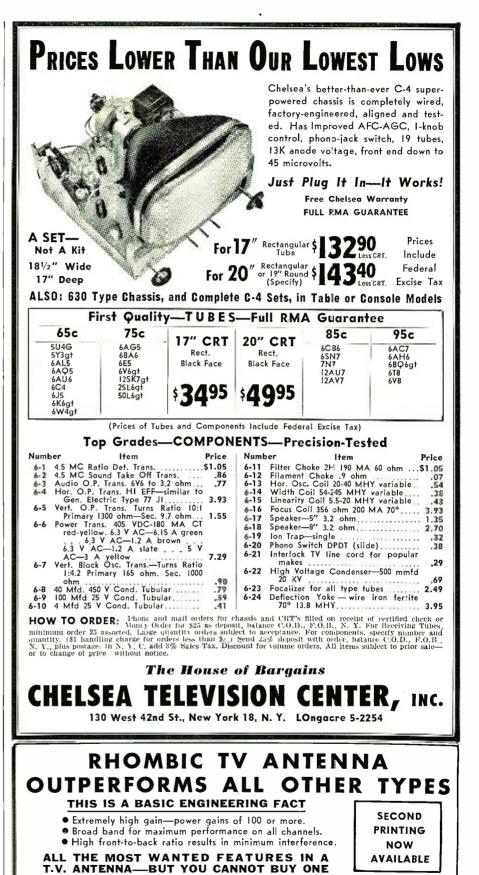
powdered-iron core, followed by the ferrite type core were notable advances. The development of better damping and bootstrap voltage circuits increased the over-all efficiency.

The latest work by RCA engineers was directed toward possible elimination of the horizontal output transformer entirely. This would mean driving the yoke coils directly as the plate load of the horizontal output tube. However, this usage alone cannot be satisfactory for several reasons. Plate current flowing through the yoke coils results in decentering of the scanning beam; a separate source of highvoltage must be available; damping of yoke transients cannot be done efficiently; and linearity is not readily accomplished. The first laboratory improvement on the direct-drive scheme was one to secure high-voltage from the sweep. This was done by inserting the primary of an autotransformer in series with the yoke winding and the plate circuit of the output tube as shown in Fig. 1A. The secondary of the autotransformer yields a large pulse voltage in much the same manner as carlier widely used systems. Tube V_{3} , R_{1} , and C_{1} form a damping arrangement. The designers found the circuit of Fig. 1A to be rather ineffieient due to loss of power in R_1 , and poor in linearity. Direct current still caused decentering.

An improved version is shown in Fig. 1B. Note that the damping resistor R_1 has been eliminated and that C_1 has been moved into a series position between the yoke and the damper tube $V_{\rm a}$. Thus the efficiency and the centering conditions were immediately improved. Also, however, the average plate voltage which in Fig. 1A had been essentially that of the "B+" supply is now increased by as much as 50 percent. This is due to the addition of a reactive "kick" component which adds to the "B+" voltage. An important boost in efficiency results from this use of otherwise wasted energy and permits the "B+" requirements of the receiver to be substantially reduced. However, the system of Fig. 1B still suffers from poor linearity.

In order to achieve linearity, use was made of the basic circuit type of linearizing network which has been in almost universal application since 1946. It consists of a small variable iron core inductance resonating with two condensers near the line scanning frequency. The circuit operates so as to insert a correcting waveform in series with the damping tube and increase the rate of change of the current through the yoke during the time the beam is in the central portion of its scanning cycle and decrease the rate of change at the left and right ends of the beam path.

Fig. 2 illustrates the final system as found in many of the newer receivers. The width control varies the "Q" and the current distribution. In the circuit shown, a 16" 70° kinescope is deflected and supplied with 12 kv. second anode potential. The current at "B+"



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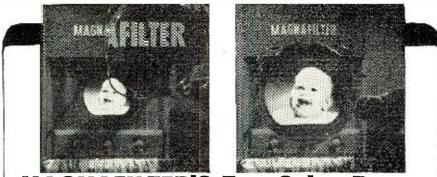
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DX-ING TV

M. L. Stevensen of Wichita, Kansas has added DX-ing to his tele-viewing and recently had the unusual experience of bringing in XLTV, Mexico City.

He uses an Admiral 21B1 receiver with a Ward yagi cut to Channel 4, and two homemade boosters hooked up in series. The same evening Mr. Stevensen was enjoying the programs from "South of the Border," his son, who lives 6 miles away, was also receiving Mexico City.

Both men report excellent reception of the sound and picture.

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HAM WINS SUIT

FREDERICK W. Wright, Jr. of Haworth, New Jersey and the ARRL have won their suit to permit hams to erect any height antenna irrespective of the zoning ordinances in their communities.

The New Jersey State Supreme Court ruled that since a private radio station antenna was not used for commercial purposes, it was not the intent of zoning ordinances to limit the height of their construction.

The two-year court battle started in the summer of 1949 when Mr. Wright was refused pcrmission to erect a 60 foot tower in the backyard of his two and one-half story home. The set is now operating with a 40 foot antenna built onto the rear of his house.

While the ruling applies specifically to New Jersey communities, the favorable decision may establish a precedent in similar cases in the future.

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HAMFEST IN WALES

OF particular interest to hams is the Gannouncement just received from Graham F. Wilson, Cardiff Town Representative of The Radio Society of Great Britain, concerning an unusual amateur activity to be held in con-junction with this summer's "Festival of Britain."

The Welsh Amateur group will run an exhibition booth at the Welsh Industries Fair, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, from the 4th to the 14th of July. An amateur station, operating on all bands, will be in action throughout the Fair and there will be an exhibition of amateur-constructed equipment.

The station will operate under the call letters GW3WIF and special QSL cards will be sent for every QSO.

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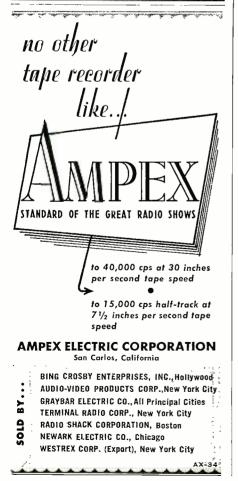
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Two new volumes in the *RCA* series on television have been released—Volume 5 which covers the years 1947-48 and Volume 6 which deals with developments made during 1949-1950.

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The material presented in these volumes is written at an engineering level and should prove to be a valuable addition to engineering libraries, both industrial and academic.

"TV MASTER ANTENNA SYS-TEMS" by Ira Kamen & Richard H. Dorf. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., New York. 352 pages. Price \$5.00.

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"COLOR TELEVISION" by Edward M. Noll. Published by *Paul H. Wendel Publishing Company, Inc.,* Indianapolis. 45 pages. Price \$1.00. Paper.

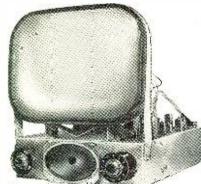
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This comprehensive antenna guide performs a two-fold function in that it provides a thorough and basic course on antenna theory and a practical handbook on antennas and their installation, all within a single volume.

The first part, which covers the principles of antenna systems, has chapters on wave propagation, transmission lines, antenna principles, and directive antenna systems and arrays.



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The reference guide deals with antenna site surveys, choice of antenna type, antenna erection, transmission line installation, input systems, booster amplifiers, antenna type dimension and gain charts, dipoles, folded dipoles, the 'V" antenna, the conical antenna, fanned antennas, circular antennas, directors and reflectors, stacked and inline units, phased antennas, long-wire antennas, yagi construction, u.h.f. antennas, omnidirectional units, indoor antennas, diversity antenna systems, rotating antennas, multiple output antenna systems, and interference reduction.

The text material is lavishly illustrated with charts, line drawings, and photographs. The text itself is clear and concise and the technician studying the subject independently should experience no difficulty in grasping the subject matter.

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ESFETA JOINS NETSDA

RADIO service technicians of New **K** York voted their organization, the Empire State Federation of Electronic Technicians Association (ESFETA), into the new national radio service federation, the National Electronic Technicians and Service Dealers Association (NETSDA).

The decision to join the national federation was made at a recent business meeting attended by twenty-five members, representing eight associations.

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VETERAN GROUP MEETS

ON FRIDAY evening, June 8th, the New York Quarter Century Wireless Association will hold a dinner meeting at the historic Fraunces Tayern, Pearl and Broad Streets, in downtown Manhattan.

The bar will be open at 6 p.m. with dinner served promptly at 7. The program will include talks by several real old timers. Non-members are welcome as guests of members. The group now has a membership of over 350, with a chapter in Cleveland.

Details or reservations may be obtained from the association's president, John DiBlasi, W2FX, 259 West 14th Street, New York, New York. -30-

W.U. TO SERVICE SETS

ANNOUNCEMENT was made recently of the formation of a new Western Union subsidiary, Western Union Services, Inc., which will install and service television receivers

Thomas F. McMains, vice-president and assistant to the president of Western Union and president of the new subsidiary, revealed that arrangements have been made with Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., whereby Western Union Services, Inc. will be authorized to install and service Du Mont receivers in Essex, Passaic, and Union counties in New Jersey.

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Service Looks at U.H.F. TV

THE Federal Communications Commission's table of proposed frequency allocations for v.h.f. and u.h.f. television warmed the hearts of seasoned independent service business operators in fringe, far-fringe, and nontelevision areas. The picture it paints of more than 1800 TV broadcasting stations spotted across the country in more than 1200 cities and towns spelled out opportunities—opportunities to build up their own businesses and for the birth of more small service businesses than any industry ever created before.

A careful study of the cities and towns that are slated for channel assignments promised television programs in practically every nook and cranny of the country. With channel allocations proposed for such small, far-flung towns as Bottineau, North Dakota; Millinocket, Maine; Alpine, Texas; Hancock, Michigan; Douglas, Arizona, and Brewton, Alabama—to cite only a few—the miracle of television as a vehicle of entertainment and as the Aladdin's lamp lighting the way to new levels for service business, would work its wonders on the Main Streets of America as it did in its early days in the metropolitan areas.

But what does it mean in terms of new business opportunities in the installation and service business?

The new channels—numbers 14 to 65 —are in the u.h.f. band. This band will start at either 472 megacycles or 500 megacycles depending upon the FCC's final decision on the need for this section of the spectrum for multi-channel, common carrier, broadband, mobile telephone service. This is the service that would enable you to have telephones installed in your installation trucks so that you could communicate with your field service or installation men at any time.

The u.h.f. television channels will be spread across 400 megacycles, more or less, of the spectrum up to the top frequency of 890 mc. These u.h.f. frequencies pose a number of propagation and reception problems. In the first place, it is difficult to develop a lot of transmitting power at these frequencies of operation which limits the effective range of the transmitters. In the second place, there is less bending of the waves than there is at v.h.f. television frequencies so that your "signal line of sight" is not far off from the "optical line of sight."

It is quite probable that every installation where u.h.f. reception is desired will require an outdoor antenna. So the television service business will require adequate facilities for the installation and maintenance of antennas just as the television contract organizations in the large cities have found it necessary.

U.H.F. Tube Developments

For a long time we have heard that u.h.f. television would be a long time in developing even after the channels were selected and assigned. It was said that little progress had been made in developing transmitting tubes that would generate a satisfactory volume of power at these frequencies.

But it is interesting to note that both Westinghouse and G-E announced and displayed transmitting tubes capable of operating at these high frequencies, at the IRE convention in New York City earlier this year.

G-E, as a matter of fact, announced both a transmitting tube and a (comparatively) high-powered transmitter for u.h.f. The tube is said to be capable of operating at frequencies up to 900 megacycles with a 1 kilowatt output. The transmitter, which is now undergoing preliminary tests, utilizes a new type of u.h.f. velocity-modulated 5-kilowatt tube working into a radically new type of transmitting antenna that is claimed to increase effective radiated power by 20 times.

The Westinghouse tube—a reflex "resnatron"—is still in the laboratory stage. Its development is said to be pointed primarily toward color television transmissions in the u.h.f. range. It is claimed that this tube in laboratory tests has delivered approximately 1500 watts of power and with modifications now contemplated it may be possible to increase this output by as much as six or seven times.

These developments are very important in appraising the element of "time" in the building of stations for u.h.f. telecasting after the construction freeze is lifted. In the RCA u.h.f. field experiments a modified standard 500-watt RCA v.h.f. broadcasting trans-

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mitter was used. The modifications enabled them to produce approximately 1 kw. of output power and to develop an effective radiated power of 14 kw. through the use of a highgain transmitting antenna.

The rapid development of satisfactory transmitting equipment for u.h.f. will probably follow the pattern of v.h.f television. When the first TV stations went on the air it was thought that years would be required to build the transmitter equipment for all of the stations that had been granted CP's. Yet in about three years' time all of the valid CP's were completed and the stations were on the air with television programs.

The unstable world situation makes it impossible to forecast potential developments with any reasonable degree of accuracy. However, since it is the avowed objective of the national defense planning boards to try to expand the country's economy at the same time they are building up our defense potential, it is reasonable to assume that u.h.f. television will move forward rapidly after the station construction freeze has been lifted, channel assignments granted, and CP's issued. There are a number of economic and military reasons why it should. Possibly the only serious deterrent to a rapid renewal of telecasting development and expansion in both the v.h.f. and u.h.f. regions after the freeze is lifted would be an all-out shooting war.

What to Do

If nothing stops the expansion of telecasting facilities, the most dramatic effect of the new allocations will be when stations are built in the present far-fringe and non-television areas. Radio service businesses in these areas will be lifted to new levels of activity with the first flush of receiver sales. The management practices that are put in effect immediately when this business gusher starts to flow will be the determining factor in whether a long-range, profitable business is created or one that will pass out as a failure when the sales boom subsides.

There is little time available for installing an accounting system or for guarding against the stock shrinkages and losses that can devour the normal earnings of the business after TV telecasting starts. Once the drive starts to sell receivers in the reception area of a new station the service shop operator and all of the technicians he will be able to hire will find each day far too short to handle the installations he is called on to make.

The time to plan a television service business is before it starts.

Fortunately, new television service operators have available to them a wealth of service business operating information that was unavailable to operators entering the business four and five years ago. This information is the hard-won product of experience. It is the sum of practical "do's" and "don't's" learned the hard way by



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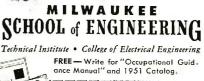
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Unfortunately, the mishandling of many television service businesses with the resultant loss of service to those who paid for it, has thrown the annual service contract into a bad light in many areas. And many receiver retailers with low moral business standards, treated the service contract monies they collected on receivers they sold as part of their business profits. They farmed out their service calls to men who were poorly equipped to handle television service with the result that the Better Business Bureaus have been swamped with customers' complaints stemming from these unscrupulous practices.

Many of the fast-dollar schemes that badger legitimate service operators in the metropolitan areas will not be a factor in the smaller cities and towns. This is particularly true of retailers' relations with their customers because the complaints of a few dissatisfied customers in a small town can ruin a dealer's business.

There is a possibility that the interest in contract service will be revived with u.h.f. television. The prospective television service contractor or operator will do well to study the methods of handling contract monies that have proven most satisfactory for the successful TV service contractors in the large cities.

Antenna Installations

The most profitable antenna installation that any service operator can make is one that will weather any storm that may strike his community. There are always antennas that can be bought at a price that might appear to add a dollar or two to the profit from installations but when a lot of them fold up in one bad storm it wipes out not only that seeming extra profit but may jeopardize your entire business.

In making antenna installations you become involved in an important new factor in any successful television service business. That is "customer relations." You can leave a happy or a disgruntled customer each time you finish an antenna installation. If you leave a disgruntled customer you have trouble on your hands throughout the life of that service contract.

Fundamentals of TV Service

The television service business is a technical *business* enterprise. For the shop owner the emphasis is definitely





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on the business part of the activity; for his employees the accent is on technical knowledge and skills but with a very new and important element added-customer relations.

From the over-all technical standpoint, u.h.f. television introduces a whole new series of circuits and components and their peculiarly individual problems. A television receiver will be tunable to the 64 channels in the proposed series of allocations plus either 13 or 18 "flexibility" channels that have been reserved for special applications or assignments. Frequency-wise, it will have to tune from 54 megacycles to 890 megacycles.

By the time the new u.h.f. areas get broadcasting stations combination receivers will probably be available. At the moment, it appears as if some type of dual receiver will be provided. This would employ a converter to tune in the u.h.f. frequencies and a chassis similar to the present receivers for the v.h.f. band.

U.H.F. in Metropolitan Areas

The ten million receivers now in use undoubtedly will be adapted for u.h.f. reception through the use of convert-The conversion of receivers in ers. any metropolitan area spells out a business that will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars. This tremendous volume of business will probably spawn a lot of conversion "specialists" -businesses which concentrate on converting particular television receiver models with a production line system for handling them. This type of specialization was very effective in handling receivers for picture tube conversions and it will probably prove even more so in converting receivers for u.h.f.

Present television service contractors will probably gear up quickly to handle this type of business. They hold a decided edge over any new competition that may develop in that they have the installation and service facilities already available to accomplish the antenna installations and to service the converted receivers under contract.

The antenna installation business in metropolitan areas will probably acquire a new vigor with the advent of u.h.f. Physically, the antennas necessary for these high bands are small and some of the most successful in experiments have been simple "V" types. When they find it imperative to put up an outdoor antenna to receive u.h.f. many people who have continued to view poor pictures because they would not install an antenna will undoubtedly arrange for multiple units and see the first really good pictures on v.h.f. on their own receivers.

Management Bulletin Available

The business management and technical requirements for a successful installation and service business are much too extensive to be fully covered in this department. The editors feel. however, that the thousands of men who will be expanding their radio ser-





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the shielded wire. The 3x6 inch hole in the chassis for the output coils, and the shielded compartment for the oscillator coils and condenser are about the only sheet metal work involved. The bandswitch is a *Centralab* unit, and can be assembled to switch the r.f. coils as well as the oscillator and FM sections if desired. A separate three-gang unit was used for the oscillator grid and FM, as shown in the photographs, but this could be an extension of the plate switching.

The final tank coils are arranged as a turret around the three switch wafers, but this is subject to the ingenuity of the individual. In general, keep all of the r.f. leads short, keep all the bypass condensers as close as possible to their circuits, and form the shielded wire of the a.c. and power leads into bundles close to the chassis. Make all grounds to the bus, which can be a copper strip or a heavy wire. A single 0-100 ma. meter is switched to read currents, with a shunt of No. 32 wire wound on the 10 ohm resistor in the 1000 volt lead to double the reading.

Those results? 100 watts of clean r.f., right on the table, with single dial control (except for touching-up the final at band edges) that so far has worked just about everything we have called.

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FROM the American Radio Association, C.I.O., 5 Beekman Street, Room 313, New York 7, New York comes word of the urgent need for ship radio officers for assignment virtually anywhere in the world.

According to the ARA, the FCC has aunounced an order re-establishing the Temporary Limited Radio Telegraph Second Class Operator License, otherwise known as the TLT. Any person who held a First or Second Class Radio Telegraph Operator License between January I. 1940 and January I, 1951, which has since expired, is cligible to apply for a TLT whether or not he has had experience under such license. Written application must be made to a district FCC office. A minimum examination, consisting mainly of 16 wpm code test, is required. The TLT will be valid for shipboard operation only.

Any holder of a First or Second Class License which has expired since Jan. 1, 1951, may renew without examination and without any service time.

Holders of regular or temporary telegraph licenses are invited and nrged to apply for current openings as ship radio officers, paying between \$100 and \$200 per week, including overtime and bonus. Interested persons should write or wire the ARA at the above address for full details or contact the ARA offices in San Francisco, Seattle, Houston, New Orleans or Baltimore.

The need is urgent as sailings are being delayed because of this radio officer shortage. $-\overline{30}$



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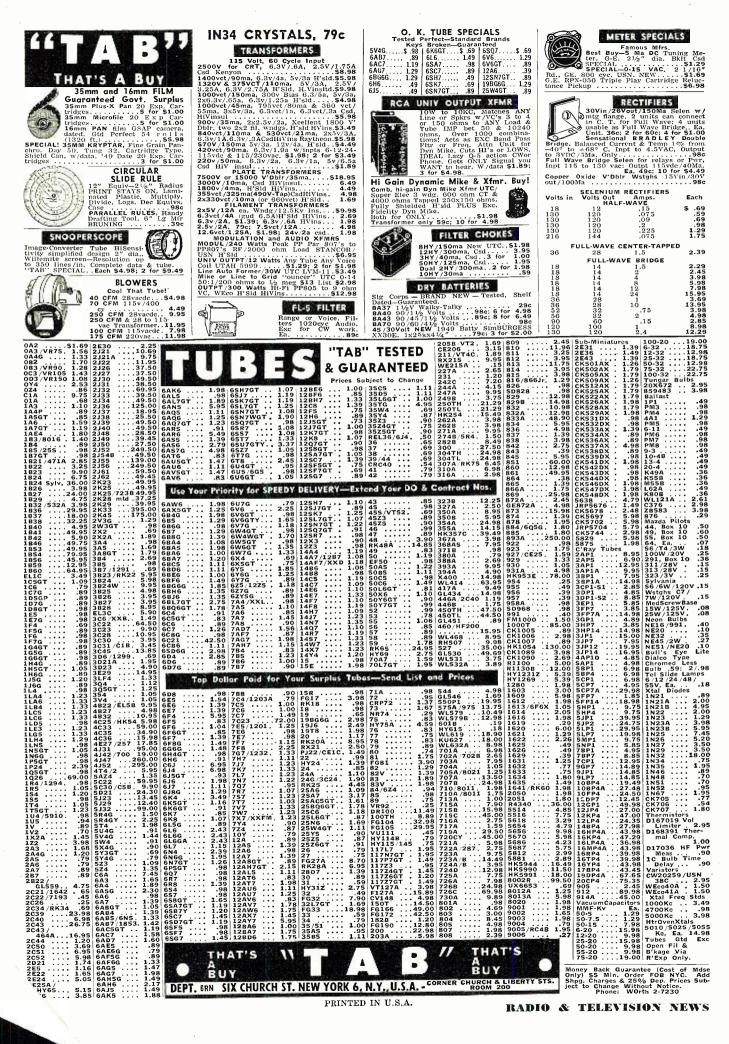




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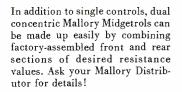
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