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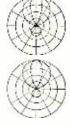
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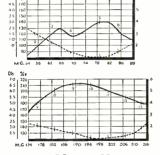
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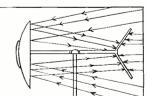


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N A previous editorial (September, 1950) we stressed the need for adequate and accurate construction data to accompany merchandise sold in the electronic field. Recently there has come to our attention a major headache caused by inaccurate and careless preparation of instructions for the assembly and wiring of electronic test equipment in kit form. We are not referring to the large companies who specialize in kits and who are providing the necessary instructions with their kits so that they may be satisfactorily built and used-even by the novice

Any kit to be popular and simple to build must include not only a complete array of parts, but every hole used for the mounting of parts must be factory drilled and indicated on suitable illustrations.

Having a need for a compact grid dip meter, and having built and used many instruments from kits with good success, we purchased a recently introduced grid dipper kit from a local jobber. One of the opening statements made in the instruction book is "——

Dipper is furnished complete with all the material necessary for the construction of the unit." We hadn't gone very far into the construction before we discovered that we would need to purchase a tube of cement, Nos. 24. 41, and 48 drills, and some Scotch tape. Many builders of kits do not have a table of drill sizes nor a cross-reference of standard drills in steps of 1/32" or $\frac{1}{64}$ ". The schematic, with several inked-over corrections, was checked with the parts list as there appeared to be discrepancies. Resistor R_5 , for example, across the tube filament, is listed as 300 ohms on the parts list. Reference to a tube manual shows the filament rating for a 9002 tube is 6.3 v. at .15 amp. Hence, a 300 ohm resistor shunted across the filament would operate the tube at about 10 volts, after warm up. This would be most misleading to the novice, and if he did not check the resistors that accompanied the kit, might elect to use a 300 ohm resistor from available supply so that the value would agree with the parts list. Fortunately for us, the kit included a 39 ohm resistor which, according to Ohm's Law, is about right for the circuit.

The jack furnished with the kit had to be replaced with a midget type as it was too large to fit into the assembly. After mounting the meter according to instructions, we found it almost impossible to reach the tube socket pins (even with a skinny soldering pencil) without burning something.

ELECTRIC CORP. Further discrepancies between instructions and diagrams appeared. If assembled and wired as stated, a direct

short would result across the grid resistor. Mention is made to "mount $\mathcal C$ so and so in proper position." We searched for something to indicate this "proper position." No layout drawings are included so reference was made to the planographed photos. Even these were so lacking in detail as to be practically worthless.

At last—and after needless waste of time checking and cross-checking—the wiring was completed. It was then necessary to drill both the top and bottom pieces which complete the mechanical assembly of the case, and the drill sizes previously mentioned used. After carefully assembling the case we found that the plates of the variable condenser were rubbing due to mechanical distortion caused by bending of the thin metal box on which the condenser is mounted. More time was wasted in making correction.

Next came the coils. All one needs is a tube of cement, *Scotch* tape, a hacksaw, No. 24 and No. 48 drills and lots of time and patience. Before the coils are mounted, it is necessary to drill a plain plastic mounting strip and to insert banana jacks which are self-holding. After the cement has set overnight we come to the next step. which is not even mentioned in the instructions. The problem is to solder the coil leads to the banana jacks without melting the plastic or setting fire to the cement. Too much heat obviously would ruin the coils.

After sawing off the condenser shaft to a practical length and after assembling the dial, we calibrated the grid dipper. The performance of the completed meter is satisfactory, but it is unfortunate that the builder must guess all during its initial construction.

The purpose of this criticism, which we intend to be constructive, is to reiterate that any and all instructions, illustrations, and diagrams accompanying a kit, no matter how simple, must be exactly right, especially for the tyro. Large producers of kits have spent much time, money, and effort to make their instructions accurate and easy to follow. They know from long experience that each and every hole must be drilled at the factory. They have learned that their customers will reorder their kits with confidence and will also recommend their products.

But if a customer finds himself spending needless time and money to build an incomplete kit, he soon discovers that for a few dollars more he could have purchased a ready-to-use instrument of a similar type.

The success or failure of the kit business depends almost entirely on the accuracy and clarity of the instructions that accompany the packaged item. O.R.

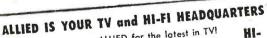
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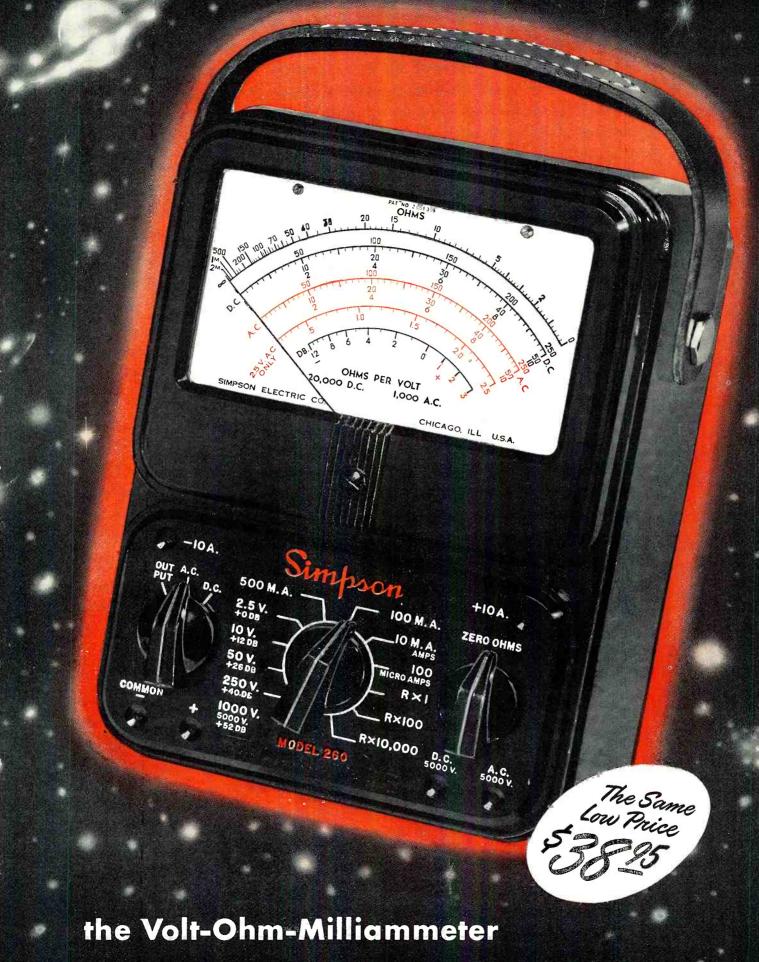
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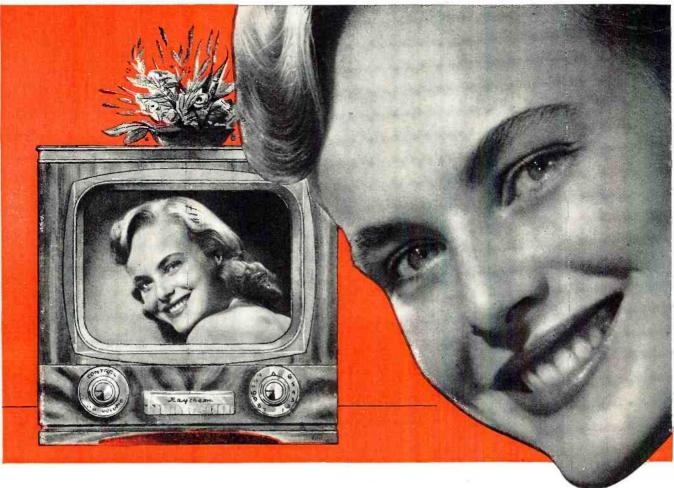


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By RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS' WASHINGTON EDITOR

THE FRIGID LOCK on TV's golden gate to a world of over 2000 stations, which has been on the threshold of removal practically every other month during the past thousand-odd days, will, Congress has now been told, really be cast off, with the early fall set as the historic moment of banishment.

The roaring news, streaking through the famous G-16 hearing room of the Senate, during a session of the Interstate Commerce Committee, was offered by none other than FCC Headman Wayne Coy who was reporting on what the Commission has been doing and intends to do on such matters as color, the freeze, allocations, clear channels, defense, and so on. Noting that not only was it denitely felt that it will be possible to remove all barriers to allocations in September or October, Coy added that there is every indication that in about a year from now, there will be many new stations in operation in the high and low lanes of the ether. To assure the fulfillment of such a program, he declared, the National Production Authority will be asked to provide releases for materials for transmitters and buildings. To save steel, centralized community towers for antennas will be recommended, the five-station Empire State project being offered as an example.

In a reply to a barrage of questions on the approach which would be used to expedite the allocation hearings and insure a speedy removal of the freeze, the Commission's chieftain said that a streamlined attack featuring studies of written statements, in lieu of the lengthy oral procedures, should turn the trick and permit the ice-barrier's removal.

The written testimony plan, originally proposed by the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters, was believed by many to be an ideal accelerated technique. Even the fiery Federal Communications Bar Association found merit in the plan which revolved about the elimination of the city-by-city hearings and specific attention to firm applications to minimize the delays caused by oral alternate proposals. In addition, the FCBA said, the plan should bring about wholesale mutual compromises on the normal assortment of conflicting matters, and prevent the usual extensive comparative hearing debates which prevail during these round-the-clock

All did not feel that the short-cut idea would provide the satisfactory answers to the too-few channel problems cited by many communities. Du Mont, for instance, declared that they wanted a full public hearing on their alternate proposal which involved the entire country and foreign areas, as well. A memorandum to the secretary of the Commission disclosed that a detailed oral argument was imperative, in their opinion, since there were too many major factors to consider, which could not be possibly covered in mail transmittals.

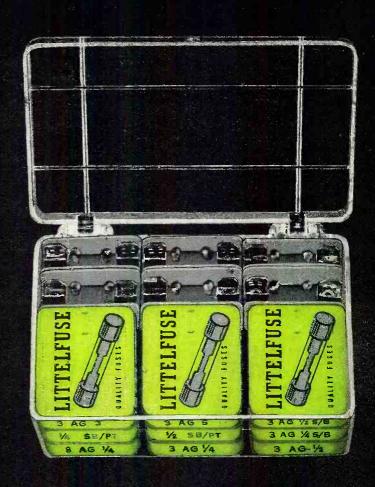
The sizzling freeze issue also prompted one of radioland's distinguished citizens, the "father" of the famous Communications Act of 1934, ex-Senator Clarence C. Dill, to scold the Commission for its provoking delays. Said the former member of Congress in a letter to Wayne Coy: "Nearly three years is too long to delay action on at least enough applications to serve regions without television. . . . Surely the Commission could process some . . . applications . . . for use of frequencies . . . available to certain sections. . . . It is not necessary to provide for all small towns immediately. . . . It is highly unjust not to provide for at least one station for thickly populated areas.'

Pointing out that the Commission should take immediate action, the former legislator, now a practicing attorney in the state of Washington, declared: "May I respectfully suggest that your Commission seriously consider doing something about this situation by making exceptions to the freeze order at once, for those regions that do not have and cannot have any television stations under the present conditions. Cut down the time of the hearings and act without months of delay." Ending of the freeze, the ex-Senator said, was extremely important. "If I were in the Senate," he declared, "I would address that body on this subject and introduce a resolution that would bring your members (the Commission) before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce for the purpose of impressing them and Congress with the injustice of the orders of the Commission by the continuation of this freeze order.'

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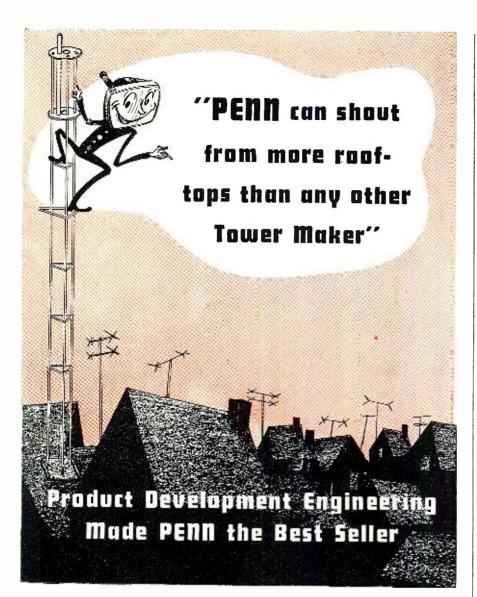
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concerned, is still quite an item on the books of the air patrolmen in Washington, and many months, perhaps even a year, may pass before all will be quiet on the hue front. Notwithstanding the regular field-sequential program schedules, most of industry has wrapped itself up in an intensive development project which they feel will bring electronic compatible color to the land and outmode the approved method.

The first step in the campaign, involving the demonstration of prototype equipment with sixteen and twentyone inch tri-color tube receivers, was initiated in midsummer at RCA's exhibition hall in New York City. In a striking exhibition, the press and members of industry saw remote and studio programs, aired by NBC's experimental station KF2XJZ. The field program was particularly unique, with a microwave relay, operating on 6962.5 megacycles, picking up diving sequences at Palisades Park, located high up above the Hudson River. The signals were beamed across the river to the RCA Building and fed to a colorvision room on the third floor. The results were excellent, according to many leaders in industry. Dr. Allen B. Du Mont pointed out that the picture was good enough . . . "to start commercial operations immediately." Others who waxed enthusiastic were Philco's Prexy William Balderston; Dr. W. R. G. Baker, vice-president in charge of G-E electronics; Jack Binns, Hazeltine president; and R. W. Durst, executive vice-president of Hallicraft-

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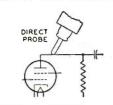
Subsequent steps in the race to bring tube color to Mr. and Mrs. America are also under way. The panels of the National Television Systems Committee. whose plans were outlined last month, have been holding continuous meetings to discuss their activities in the field and lab. Describing this important program, during a meeting of the National Association of Music Merchants in Chicago, Glen McDaniel, RTMA's new president, said that industry was taking the Commission's comment that the . . . "door is not closed and never was closed" insofar as the possible adoption of any new practical compatible system is involved, at its word, and striving to perfect a color method which meets the requirements set up by the boys in Washington. McDaniel added that the views of Senator Johnson, which cited that . . . "the Commission has no right under the law to foreclose the public from the fruits of progress of the television art and the Commission will not attempt to do so . . ." were also serving as an incentive for industry to press for a more acceptable approach to the color problem.

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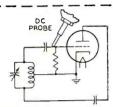
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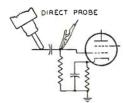
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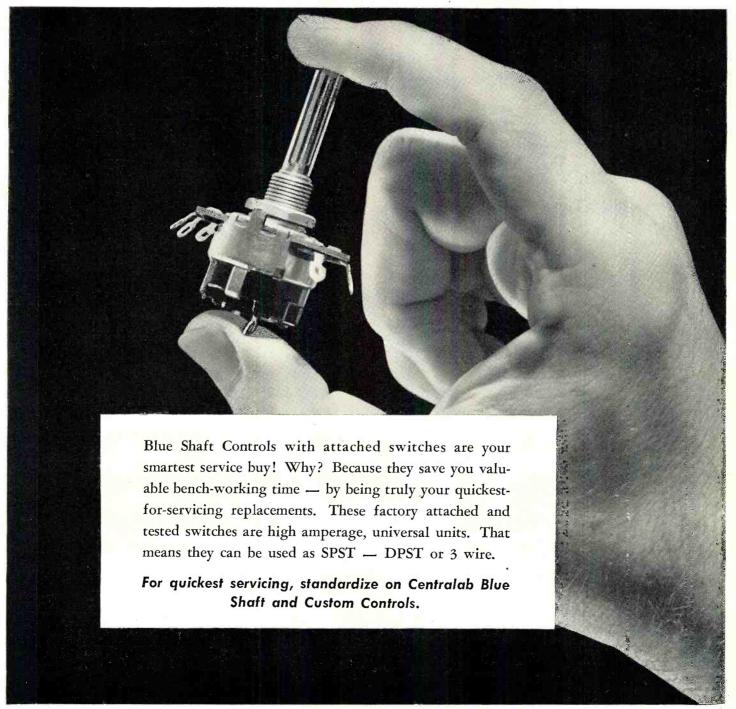


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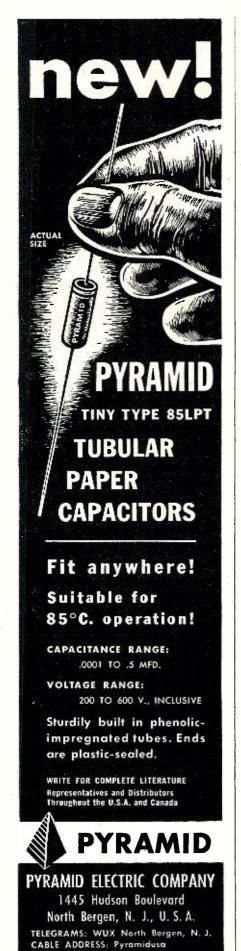
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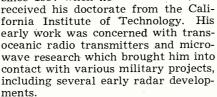


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phone Laboratories and succeeds A. B. Clark in charge of the systems development organizations for the laboratories.

Dr. McRae has been associated with the laboratories since 1937 when he



In 1942 he was commissioned a major in the Signal Corps and was assigned to the Office of the Chief Signal Officer in Washington. In 1944 he was made chief of the engineering staff of the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories at Bradley Beach, N. J. Later he became deputy director of engineering and attained the rank of colonel before returning to civilian life at the end of 1945.

RALPH T. BRENGLE, sales manager of Potter & Brumfield, has been appointed chairman of the newly-formed 13-man Relay Industry Advisory Committee of the Munitions Board.

Other members of the committee include: Col T. M. Natt, government chairman; H. W. Pfeffer, president of Struthers-Dunn: Edward Gillette. president of Allied Control Company; Dan Dooley, vice-president of C. P. Clare & Company; Emory Howe, Comar Electric Company; John Rowell, sales manager of Guardian Electric Company; Joseph F. Clark, Leach Relay Company; J. Crissinger, North Electric Mfg. Company: James Roughan, sales manager of Price Electric Co.; Richard Fischer, president of Sigma Instruments; A. C. Keller, Western Electric Co.; Harold L. Olesen, Weston Electrical Instrument Corp.; and F. H. Clark, Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Radio-Television Manufacturers Association, has announced the addition of two new staff members and the promotion of a third.

Ray S. Donaldson, administrative editor of "Broadcasting Magazine" has been named assistant to Peter H. Cousins, the recently-appointed direc-

Ralph M. Haarlander, who for the past four years has been staff assistant to the RTMA transmitter division, has been given additional duties and the title of assistant secretary. He will assist James D. Secrest, general manager and secretary, in an administrative capacity.

Further additions will be made to the Washington staff and service to members will be expanded when the Association moves its offices to the Wyatt Building, 14th Street and New York Avenue, sometime early in the

BRIG. GEN. V. A. CONRAD, chief of the Army Communications Service Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, has been elected chairman of the MARS Advisory Committee, succeeding Major Gen. Frank H. Griswold, USAF.

Serving with Gen. Conrad is Lt. Col. H. H. Moreland, USAF, vice-chairman of the committee.

The MARS Advisory Committee is made up of representatives from the Armed Services, other interested governmental agencies, the ARRL, and the American Red Cross. The group meets quarterly to discuss amateur radio problems.

SCOTT MORENCY has been appointed Washington representative of the War

> Contracts Division of Zenith Radio Corporation of Chicago.

> The division, which is under the supervision of L. C. Truesdell, vice-president in charge of household receivers.

is responsible for procurement and administration of the company's war contracts with the various divisions of the Armed Services, other govern-mental agencies, and certain prime contractors.

Mr. Morency, who will make his headquarters in Washington, has been associated with the Western Automatic Machine Screw Company of Elyria, Ohio for four years. During the war he joined the Marine Corps as a private and was separated from the Navy in 1946 with the rank of ensign.

NATIONAL TELEVISION SYSTEMS COM-MITTEE, which recently released an interim report on a new color television system, has reorganized and established nine new panels, according to Dr. W. R. G. Baker, chairman of the committee.

Dr. Elmer Engstrom, vice-president in charge of research for the RCA

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Laboratories Division, was named vice-chairman of the committee. The nine new panels and their chairmen include: "Subjective Aspects of Color," Dr. A. N. Goldsmith; "Color System Analysis," Mr. Fink; "Color Video Standards," A. V. Loughren, Hazeltine Electroncis Corp.; "Color Synchronizing Standards," D. E. Harnett, General Electric Company; "Compatibility," Dr. D. E. Noble, Motorola Inc.; "Field Testing," Dr. T. T. Goldsmith, Allen B. DuMont Labs, Inc.; "Network," Frank Marx, American Broadcasting System; "Coordination," Mr. Smith, Philoo Corporation; and "Definitions," Dr. R. M. Bowie, Sylvania Electric Products Inc.

BEN SELSBY, formerly associated with South River Metal Products, Inc., has



joined Haygren Electronic Mfg. Inc., Brooklyn manufacturer of electronic components.

In his new post, Mr. Selsby will be in charge of all sales activities for the company. Coinci-

dent with the expanded sales activities the company's existing line of television installation accessories is being revamped and expanded.

To carry out this phase of the expansion program Herbert Dannemann has been added to the staff as design engineer.

NATHANIEL B. NICHOLS has been named manager of the Research Division of Raytheon Manufacturing Company of Waltham, Massachusetts. His specialty is servomechanisms and automatic controls . . . KAREL VAN GESSEL has been named to the newlycreated post of coordinator of foreign manufacturing affiliates for Sylvania Electric Products Inc. He will act as liaison between the company's foreign affiliates and its operating divisions in the United States on matters of engineering and manufacturing . . . DANA W. ATCHLEY, JR., is the new coordinator of technical research for United Paramount Theatres, Inc. He was formerly associated with Tracerlab, Inc., and Sylvania Electric Products Inc. . . . CHESTER H. LANG, a vice-president of General Electric Company since 1941, has been appointed to a new post in charge of public relations. He will maintain his headquarters at the company's New York office . . . DALE McFEATTERS heads the newly-formed Department of Information Services for Westinghouse Electric Corporation. All functions of public relations, employe relations, and related activities will be handled by this new department . . . MARTIN BETTAN is the new chief engineer for Radio Merchandise Sales, Inc. He will be responsible for the technical development of the company's line of antennas, boosters, and other television accessories . . . DAVID C. PRINCE,

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RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS

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TV Means Jobs—Good Paying Jobs—for Technically Trained Men



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* OPERATORS



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Here's How CREI Home Study Training Prepares You for a Better Job in TELEVISION



* SERVICEMEN

HAT YOU DO to keep yourself abreast of new developments is what counts toward advancement in television. Obviously, everyone cannot qualify. Those who do are well rewarded. The television industry offers almost unlimited opportunity to trained engineers and technicians. CREI training helps all levels, from novice to experienced engineer, because its specialized individual instruction brings out the best in a man and takes him as far as his own aptitude and effort will let him go.

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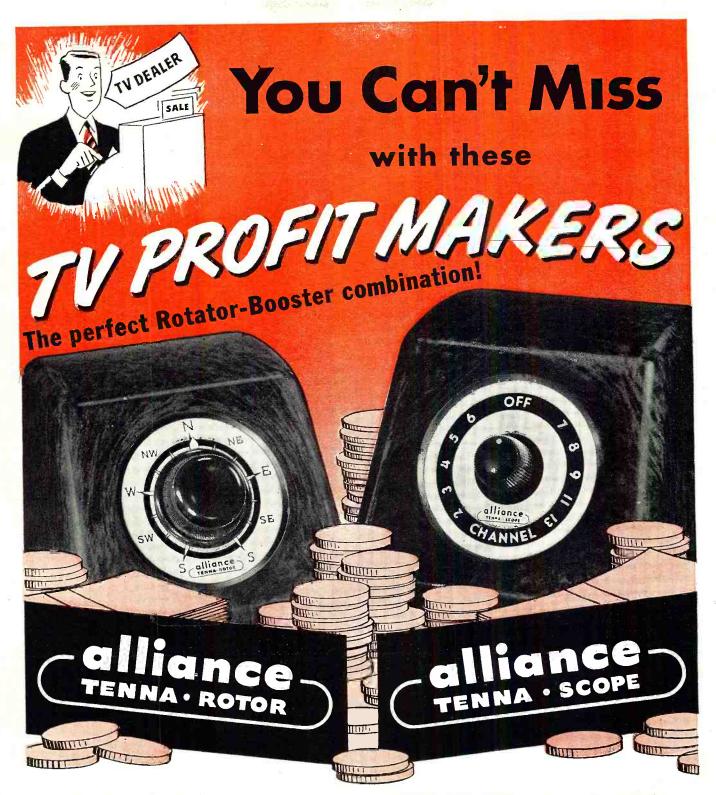
programs. Industry welcomes CREI grads—CREI training is recognized as a respected reference.

Make your own opportunity in television! Add CREI technical training to your present experience—start either at the beginning or at an advanced stage. Get yourself a better TV job—make more money—enjoy increased security. The next two years can be the most important of your lifetime. Write today for complete information. The cost is popular, the terms easy.

NOTE TO MEN WHO EXPECT TO BE IN UNIFORM SOON:

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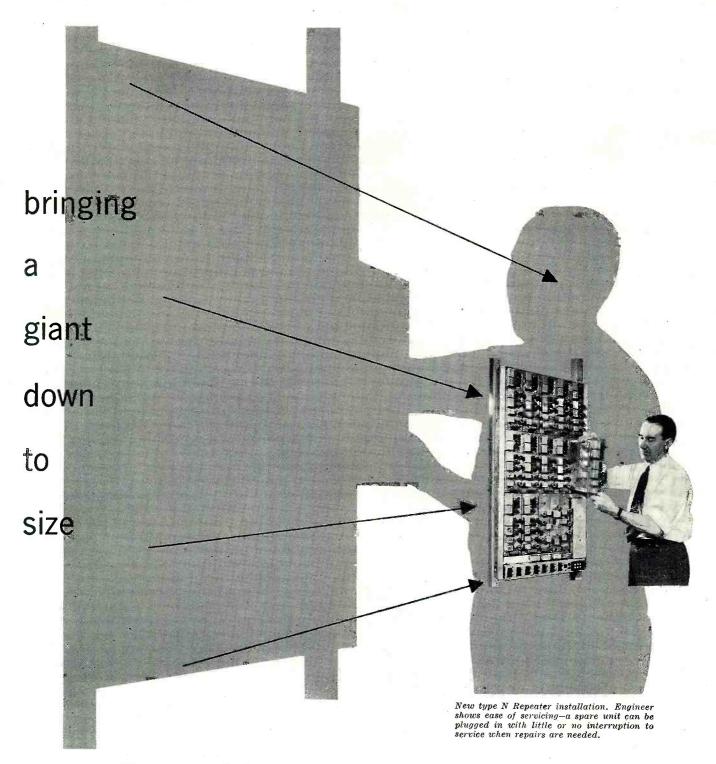


ALLIANCE TENNA-ROTOR is in a class by itself! No other TV accessory sold to the consumer can equal Tenna-Rotor in volume of sales, public acceptance or in proved performance in the field! More than 600,000 are in use! The new deluxe Model HIR (illustrated above) is fully automatic.

ALLIANCE TENNA-SCOPE is a Booster with one simple control. Gives maximum, uniform high gain on all channels—is instantly installed and makes an ideal companion item to Tenna-Rotor. Incidentally, Tenna-Scope, like Tenna-Rotor, is a favorite everywhere!

NATIONAL TELEVISION AND NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING PRE-SELLS! For more than two years, Tenna-Rotor has been backed by a powerful, continuous TV campaign in every major TV area. Hundreds of thousands of future customers see the eye-compelling Alliance TV spots right in their own homes. That's why Tenna-Rotor and Tenna-Scope offer an unbeatable team of profit makers. Preference for them is already established.

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"Carrier system" telephony is economical, because many voices use the same pair of wires. But the extra equipment needed formerly limited it to the longer distances.

Now Bell Laboratories have developed new short-haul carrier, economical down to 25 miles, sending 12 conversations on two pairs of wires in a cable.

Keys to the new system are new circuits, miniature tubes, pocket-size wave filters and Permalloy "wedding ring" transformer cores that will barely slip over a man's finger. New manufacturing processes were developed in co-operation with the Western Electric Company. Components are pressed into a plastic mounting strip with heat, a score at a time, instead of being mounted separately.

With this new carrier system more service can be provided without laying more cables. Tons of copper and lead can be conserved for other uses. It's another example of how science takes a practical turn at Bell Telephone Laboratories, to improve service and to keep its cost down.

BELL TELEPHONE LABORATORIES



WORKING CONTINUALLY TO KEEP YOUR TELEPHONE SERVICE ONE OF TODAY'S GREATEST VALUES



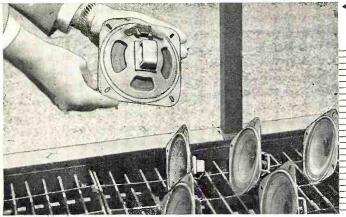
★After two years exposure to hot sun, rain, sleet and snow — with no shelter whatever in any season — 7 out of 8 General Electric speakers played well enough to perform in your radio set!

These recent tests at Electronics Park subjected the speakers to many times the abuse they would receive under years of actual playing conditions, indoors or out. It boils down to one more dramatic proof of this fact: You can depend on General Electric quality—in design, in engineering, in construction.

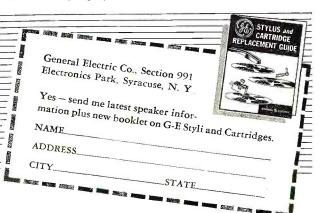
Your customers are entitled to this quality. How are your stocks of General Electric speakers?



Unretouched photo shows only slight tarnish on speakers. Special G-E plating gives excellent protection to steel frames, none of which were corroded after grueling tests.



Racked on exposure tray, speakers were checked at intervals for 2 years, then taken apart and examined for wear. Outdoor-type cones were warped only slightly, G-E aluminum voice coils were like new.



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To Serv cemen Who want to protect their future in Television Servicing

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Your future, the future of your business in television servicing depends on what you do about it.

LICENSING OF SERVICEMEN IS A GOOD REASON WHY YOU SHOULD ACQUIRE TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE NOW

In New York City, it is proposed that licenses and permits be required of TV contractors, subcontractors, service shops, technicians and apprentices. Once licensing becomes law in New York City this requirement is sure to spread to other municipalities. Licensing and permits mean passing a technical examination. Stiff penalties are cited in the licensing bill upon conviction of a violation. The required technical knowledge can easily and quickly be learned through study of the RCA Institutes Course in Television Servicing. One of the advantages of the RCA Institutes Course, to you as a working serviceman, is that you can study this course at home, in your spare time, and still keep working on your regular job. Now is the time to prepare for license examinations and protect your future in TV servicing.

TELEVISION SERVICING IS SPREADING TO NON-TV AREAS

The Federal Communications Commission recently announced plans for setting up 1,807 new TV broadcasting stations, most of them in the new UHF channels. This will open up areas that have never been touched by television. Radio servicemen in those locales should take a

lesson from servicemen in areas now served by television. In these areas, TV servicing has substantially replaced radio servicing as a means of income. Practical experience in radio servicing is not the important qualification for a successful and profitable career in TV servicing. Practical radio experience plus the technical training of the RCA Institutes Home Study Course in Television Servicing, will put you on the right track to be successful in TV servicing.

PRACTICAL, PRE-TESTED DATA MAKES TV SERVICING EASY

The RCA Institutes Home Study Course in Television Servicing is a "down-to-earth" course in the underlying principles of television. It is printed and illustrated in easy-to-understand, non-mathematical language. You learn pre-tested "How-to-do-it" techniques interwoven with "How-it-works" information. The course is based on the actual experience of the RCA Service Company in servicing thousands of home television receivers. You learn the "short-cuts" in TV trouble-shooting that enable you to do a good job in less time, saving you many hours of on-thejob labor. This up-to-the-minute course contains material on the latest developments in color TV and UHF.

APPROVED BY LEADING SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS

Such well-known associations as-National Appliance & Radio Dealers Association; Television Contractors Association; National Alliance of Television & Electronic Service Associations-are already using the RCA Institutes course for upgrading the standing of their members. Tell the Secretary of your local or State association to write us for low rates for group enrollment.

RCA Institutes conducts a resident school in New York City offering day and evening courses in Radio and TV Servicing, Radio Code and Radio Operating, Radio Broadcasting, Advanced Technology. Write for free catalog on resident courses.



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A SERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION of AMERICA 350 WEST FOURTH STREET, NEW YORK 14, N.Y.

Send for FREE BOOKLET

Mail the coupon—today. Get complete information on the RCA INSTITUTES Home Study Course in Television Servicing, Backlet gives you a general outline of the course by units. See how this practical home study course trains you quickly, easily. Mail coupon in envelope or paste on postal card.

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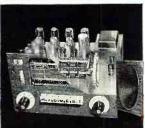
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In the CBS-Columbio design loboratories, Al Goldberg takes some important readings with the EICO Model 221 Vacuum Tube Voltmeter and Model 555 Multimeter, as Harry R. Ashley looks on.

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VEW 1171K RES. DECADE BOX KIT \$19,95

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RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS

DO YOU WANT MORE BUSINESS?

By H. E. KRANHOLD Brown & Bigelow

There are thousands of advertising novelties available. Whether your business is large or small, there are items priced to meet your budget. These novelties, either for Christmas or as a birthday remembrance, are ideal good-will builders. They can mean more business for you. Include your company's name, phone number, and address on each item for maximum results. If you use a slogan, choose one which identifies your business and one that can be easily remembered by all of your customers.

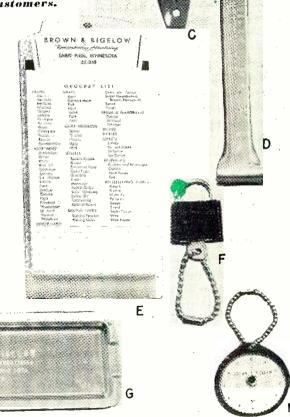
EGARDLESS of the size of your business, you have three basic advertising jobs which must be accomplished to keep the profit side of the ledger healthy. This basic trio is particularly important in these days of higher taxes, shortages in some lines, and generally higher prices.

Check your present advertising policies against these fundamental tenets:

1. You must build name identity. You are interested in only those who can use your products or service within your own market.

2. You must hold good customers. These are the ones you will look to for business next year and they are your competitors' best prospects.

3. You must continuously invite more business. You must invite this business from your old customers who are actually your firm's life-blood and you must invite business from new customers to insure your continued growth.



(A) Sport clip "Redipoint" pencil, minimum quantity 50. (B) Mixing spoon, bottle opener, and lid lifter, minimum quantity 100. (C) Speedy sponge, minimum quantity 100. (D) Aluminum "Handitongs," minimum quantity 100. (E) Plastic "Rediclip" pad, minimum quantity 100. (F) Padlock key chain, minimum quantity 100. (G) Spoon tray, minimum quantity 100. (H) Time reminder key chain, minimum—quantity 100. (I) Imprinted playing cards, minimum quantity 250. All of the items shown on this page are available from Brown & Bigelow, St. Paul. Minnesota. Obviously, these are only a few of the many hundreds of merchandising items available. For prices check with the nearest Brown & Bigelow representative or write direct to the company.

September, 1951



The above items are merchandised by Esquire, Inc., of 65 East South Water Street, Chicago, Illinois. Again, these are only a few of the many advertising novelties in their line. The playing cards, available in either pinochle or bridge deck, cost \$1,20 per pack imprinted with your name, address, and phone number in minimum lots of 36. The "Esky" pads are available as memo type pads as shown or as canasta, bridge, or gin rummy scoring pads. Minimum quantity is 150 and prices range from 4 to 9 cents per pad, including your personal imprinting.

Dealers, technicians, jobbers, and distributors vary in size and location, but they have the same problems in building name identity.

The basis of all advertising is a sign telling who you are, where you are, and what you have to sell. It is not enough to place your sign on your building, stationery, and trucks. To build name identity, you must project your sign in such ways as to place it before as many logical prospects and customers as you can at a reasonable cost.

In the advertising specialty field, we usually think of advertising space in terms of space in a man's pocket, on his office walls, on his desk, or in his home. One other highly important advertising space is available to the business firm that wants to reach prospects and customers in a most effective way—advertising playing cards.

A recent independent survey conducted by a large marketing service for *Brown & Bigelow* revealed these facts about card playing:

- 1. Two out of three families said they played cards regularly.
- 2. Ninety-five and five-tenths per-cent (95.5%) of all card-playing families said they would be glad to accept and use advertising playing cards.
- 3. Sixty-five per-cent (65%) of the housewives interviewed recalled correctly the name of the advertiser on their playing cards when asked at the door.
- 4. Seventy-three and five-tenths per-cent (73.5%), or three out of every four families, said they would like to receive playing cards as a premium.
 - 5. Three out of four families said they would like to do

business with a firm that used playing cards as a premium.

Advertising specialties range from calendar cards costing less than a postage stamp to the more expensive items for office, home, and travel, running into as high as the \$100 per item bracket. Advertising playing cards, carrying the essentials of a business sign on the back of each card in the pack, telling who you are, where you are, and what you have to sell, can be purchased in reasonable quantities at something less than \$1.00 per pack.

Playing cards go into the quiet of a home where there is no competition for attention, when family and friends gather for sessions of their favorite card games. There each pack, actually consisting of 52 or more colorful miniature billboards, claims the attention of your customers and their friends for periods of time ranging from two to three hours, or even more on each of many occasions.

During these intimate family and friends sessions, your sign becomes the center of attention for hours at a time, it invites conversation about your firm and your products and services. Recommendations follow, and new customers are created for you.

In the advertising specialty field, we frequently hear the expression: "We don't give away gadgets." The use of the term, "give away," merits analysis. By presenting a key chain carrying your sign, for example, you are actually helping yourself to space in the pocket of a good customer or prospect—space which would not be for sale under any circumstances.

Many radio and television dealers have found that wellchosen gifts can be a real boon to their businesses.

One Philadelphia technician makes it easy for his top commercial accounts to get in touch with him by sending them a deluxe, automatic telephone index. The user simply presses one of the alphabetically arranged keys and the index opens to the corresponding listing of frequently called phone numbers. Heading the listing on its proper page is the name and phone number of the television service company. Because of the deluxe appearance of this item and because of its utility, this type of gift is a welcome one which always commands desk space.

A Pawtucket, Rhode Island radio and television dealer doesn't let his customers and prospects forget who he is and where he is located. He presents each buyer and good prospect with a unique padlock key chain which carries his name, address, and telephone number.

A manufacturer of television parts was faced with the problem of acquainting his customers with his new address and phone number in New York. He solved the problem by sending attractive and useful bronze letter openers to all his accounts. His name and new address and phone number were stamped on the handle of the letter opener. For some of his top accounts, he used an attractive ash tray with his new location and phone number stamped on the plate of the ash tray.

In Dalton, Illinois, a television sales and service dealer purchased an attractive and useful plastic pad designed to hold a pad of paper for notes. This clever and useful pad will be distributed during the holidays as a "thank you" to his good customers. The top of the clip holding the pad carries his name, address, and phone number for the convenience of his customers in calling for television and radio service work.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly that a handy kitchen item, offered through a post card or an advertisement in a magazine or local newspaper, can pull people into an appliance store. After it has increased store traffic, the specialty goes on indefinitely doing a job of building preference by keeping the store's name and sales story constantly before the housewife.

Consider calendars. When you distribute calendars reproducing exclusive pictures by famous artists, you are utilizing a medium which will hang for a minimum of twelve months on the office or home wall of a good customer or prospect. Are you giving something away or are you helping yourself to valuable advertising space?

As long as one day follows another, clocks will mark the minutes and hours—calendars the days and months.

This is the utility side of the chart on the wall of the kitchen, office, or store. In addition to its utilitarian

function, calendars can provide many extras which are appreciated by your customers. Memo space, recipes, religious and geographical information can be carried, along with your advertising message.

A national survey by this company showed that 93 percent of all homes have calendars and that the urge for calendars is so strong that nearly half (47.4 per-cent) of the housewives made a trip to some business establishment to obtain a calendar. The survey also showed that while the average home has two calendars, the housewives interviewed indicated that if they had additional calendars they would use them.

Many people want and appreciate a pocket calendar with loose-leaf pages. This type of gift is available in several sizes with specialized information for use in city and farm homes. These calendars feature pockets for receipts, grocery slips, milk tickets, etc.; a handy pencil for quick notations; menu suggestions; and practical recipes, while the loose-leaf feature permits the recipes and notes to be saved for future reference.

Wall-type calendars are available with a wide variety of illustrations. Some of the country's top-flight artists supply original paintings which are reproduced on these calendars. Thus in selecting the calendar to carry your advertising message into that home, or office, or store, you are also providing a fine reproduction of a good painting by a well-known artist. Is it any wonder, then, that calendars make such acceptable remembrances for your customers?

Fine leather pieces for pocket or desk, metal or plastic lighters, writing instruments, telephone indexes and similar items can be tangible evidence of appreciation for business from good customers. Used properly, they can be a form of good customer insurance, certainly not a "give away"

An intelligent direct mail series depends for its pull on the interest it creates and the utility it gives. Information on direct mail can be helpful as well as interesting. A blotter can have even more utility if it creates interest through a pleasing picture or a set of pertinent facts.

While the holidays are the commonly accepted time of the year for saying "Thank you, come again" to good customers as well as for inviting potential customers, there now are a number of ingenious plans for distributing remembrances throughout the year.

One of the finest examples of something different is the Birthday Plan. Under this plan, the birthdates of your good customers are obtained in an unobtrusive way. On his birthday, your customer or top prospect receives a fine remembrance like a billfold, lighter, fine etching, or beautiful two-pack set of playing cards.

An important consideration in the selection of the birthday remembrance is this: most businessmen prefer something they can take home and share with their family and friends.

One of the finest ways to insure repeat business is through the use of the playing card premium plan. The plan is simple. A purchase or an order for a fixed amount earns a coupon. An accumulation of coupons over a comparatively short time earns a deck of playing cards. These bear the advertiser's name, location, and identification of product or service.

Under this plan, the continuity of purchases is encouraged, and frequency of purchases is stepped up. Surveys show that the universal appeal of "something for nothing" brings people far out of their way to patronize the firm issuing playing card coupons.

Orders for advertising specialties should be planned months ahead. Advertising specialty manufacturers must prepare their merchandise in large quantities well in advance of the receipt of individual orders. This gives the specialty buyer the advantage of large quantity prices even though he buys in limited quantities.

The specialty buyer has the further advantage of utilizing the big names in the field of illustration and sports, like Norman Rockwell, Richard E. Bishop, Christy Walsh, and many others. All that remains to be done after his order is received, is the imprinting or stamping of his own sign and advertisement.



Another novel advertising medium, and one that is bound to cause comment, is the "personalized" cigarette pack carrying your ad, your name, your slogan or sales message on the front and the back, and your name, initials, or slogan on each cigarette. Emblems, trademarks, or special artwork can be carried in addition to your printed message. The minimum quantity is 10 cartons (100 packs). Prices vary with quantity ordered. For 250 packs the cost is 29 cents per pack plus the applicable state tax. Your Name Cigarettes, 125 W. Hubbard, Chicago 10.

Although we have attempted to suggest and illustrate a representative group of advertising novelties, the reader should not infer that this list in any way exhausts the possibilities. There are literally thousands of different types of items that can be used to carry your advertising message to your customers.

Metal ashtrays, always a popular item, have been purposely omitted from this article because as the magazine goes to press many companies have been forced to withdraw these units because of the metal shortage. Keep checking with your supplier as the situation may ease by Christmas.

One basic point to remember, no matter what type of gift you select for your customers, is that to be effective and to provide the desired result, every item should carry your message clearly and forcefully. "Remembrance Advertising" is only effective if you constantly remind the recipient of the donor, his product, and his place of business.

Matchbooks can carry your advertising message far and wide. They can be used the year around or as Christmas greetings. An almost infinite variety of designs is available and range from special "Window-Paks" carrying six books in a specially designed carton to the individual match folder in various sizes. The folders shown are merely representative of the different ways matchbooks can be used to carry your advertising message. Matches with your name or initials can serve as a reminder to your customer even if they do not carry advertising. Such matchbooks are obtainable throughout the country. The assortment shown here is from the Diamond Match Company, N. Y.



September, 1951

REPAIR THAT SPEAKER

By W. E. LaFARRA

A bottle of cement and thinner is all that is required for repairing that rubbing voice coil. It is easy to fix!

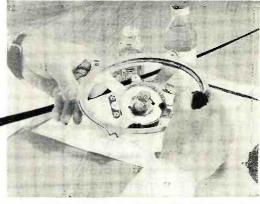
N THESE DAYS of shortages, technicians are finding it necessary to repair many units that heretofore have been replaced. Speakers, long a "bugaboo", can be repaired with a little effort and ingenuity and while the speaker market may be good, the ability to repair speakers in special mounts is always desirable.

The ability to make such repairs is not, however, something that can be learned overnight but with practice many of them can be repaired. Taking into consideration the fact that the speaker would have to be replaced anyway, a successful repair job turns into quite a profitable venture.

The real secret of such repairs is in the cement used Such cement is purchased in a very thick state and when dry, will give a very stiff, white colored finish. By diluting this mixture with cement thinner to an almost watery consistency, good results can be obtained. This point can be determined by allowing some of the mixture to dry on an old cone. It should dry clear; if it turns white, it is too thick.

After mixing your cement, remove the speaker from the cabinet or chassis and place it on a perfectly clean workbench. Disconnect the voice coil leads and, using a small brush, saturate the area around the glued portion of the spider with thinner. If this area is not readily accessible, pour your thinner down around the spider, taking care not to allow the thinner to run over the area where the cone and spider are glued together. While this thinner is dissolving the glue, take a sharp single edged razor blade and by using the cushion as a brace, cut completely around the outside edge of the cone. This is done simply because it is virtually impossible to un-cement the cone without tearing it, although, if torn, the cone may be replaced.



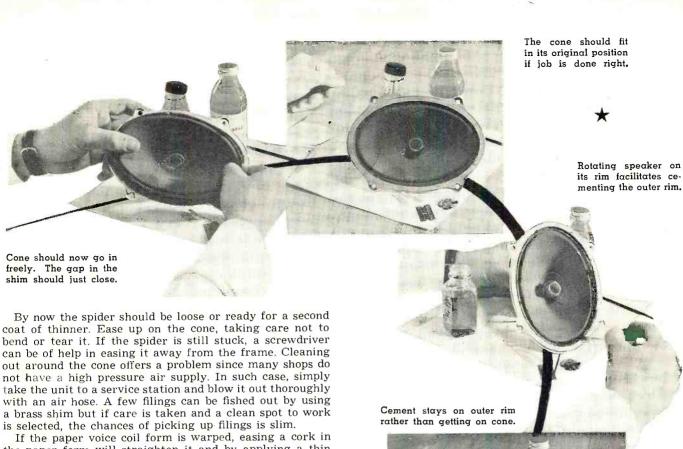


Cement is next applied to the area where spider hits. Note the gap left in shim.

Minor repairs can be made at this stage. A

drop of cement is often all that is needed.

A piece of ordinary paper will do nicely.



If the paper voice coil form is warped, easing a cork in the paper form will straighten it and by applying a thin coat of glue, it can usually be kept straight.

The dust cover will usually tear off and should be saved as a replacement. Do not try to remove with thinner since this will soften the cone and give trouble. Small rattles can be repaired while the cone is out, these probably originate with tears in the cone, as a result of the spider being loose from the cone, or perhaps the paper form loose from the voice coil wire form. These points should be touched up with a small dab of cement. The latter trouble gives a high-volume rattle that is hard to locate and the paper, if loose, should be pulled away from the wire enough to permit some cement to run down and make good contact between paper and wire. Don't, however, over-do your cementing.

The best shims available can be made from ordinary paper, such as the page you are reading. A small rectangular piece should be cut so that when it is formed into a circle, will just about make a complete loop around pole piece. Put a thick layer of cement around the circle where the spider will hit. When pushing the voice coil over the paper shim around the pole piece, take care that it doesn't buckle. Ease the cone down to its original position, taking care not to force it. The cone should fit exactly where it was originally. Tilting the speaker up on its rim is an aid in cementing the outer edge of the cone. Be careful not to get cement out too far on the corrugated section, but stay close to the edge. Turning the speaker to keep the area being worked on down will keep the cement from running out and on to the cone. After drying, remove the paper shim and hook the unit up. If properly done, the speaker will sound as good as new. If you fail, you can

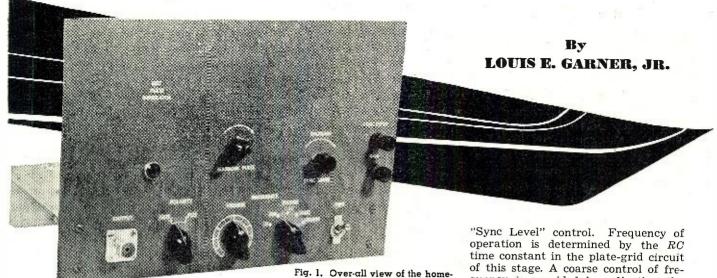
cians would have done anyway.

I have repaired several hundred speakers that would have normally been replaced, once completing five out of six successfully, a feat I consider a pretty fair record. The larger the speaker, the better your chance of repairing it. As a suggestion, you might make a start on six and seven inch models and then proceed to the four and five inch jobs. If you tear them up, just remember that you would have had to replace them anyway!

always replace the speaker, something that most techni-

If the repair job comes off successfully, you have saved one more hard-to-get-speaker and have made another of your customers very happy.

Replace the dust cover and make a test run on speaker.



deluxe pulse generator.

A Deluxe PULSE GENERATOR

Complete construction details on a useful test instrument, including data on delay lines and their use, and basic material on pulse analysis.

ANY of the basic applications of the pulse generator have - been described previously 1, 2, and circuits for a pulse-forming device and an inexpensive pulse generator given. However, as an experimenter works with a pulse generator, he soon finds himself demanding more and more features which contribute to the usefulness of the instrument. Such features include provision for "lockingin" the pulses with an external signal, continuous pulse repetition rate coverage, a pulse width control that will permit maintaining constant pulse width regardless of repetition rate, and an extremely narrow output pulse. An instrument incorporating these features is shown in Figs. 1 and 4, while

the complete schematic diagram is given in Fig. 3.

The operation of this pulse generator may best be understood by referring both to the schematic diagram and to the simplified block diagram given in Fig. 2. Signal wave shapes in various parts of the circuit are given in Fig. 2.

A conventional "Potter" cathode-coupled multivibrator is used to supply a fairly broad negative-going pulse signal. This stage (V_1) may be "synced" with an external signal fed to its grid from R_1 , which acts as the

Generator," Radio & Television News, February

1951. ² Garner, Louis E., Jr.; "The Pulse-Former," Radio & Television News, August, 1951. "Sync Level" control. Frequency of operation is determined by the RC time constant in the plate-grid circuit of this stage. A coarse control of frequency is provided by adjusting the grid condensers $(C_3, C_4, C_5, C_6, \text{ and } C_7)$ by means of S_2 , while exact frequency is determined by changing the grid resistor R_5 (Vernier Frequency Control). The pulse width of this signal varies with frequency, so the signal is applied through a differentiating circuit consisting of C_8 and R_8 - R_9 .

Both positive- and negative-going pulses are obtained at the output of the differentiator, with pulse width depending on the time constant of C_s and R_s - R_o . By adjusting the size of R_o , the pulse width can be varied. Thus, R_o acts as the *Pulse Width* control (on the photo, Fig. 1, this is designated "Narrow Pulse").

These pulses are passed through a triode buffer amplifier ($\frac{1}{2}$ of V_2) and thence through a clipper-amplifier (remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ of V_2). The clipper is biased almost to cut-off by means of the large cathode resistor R_{13} , and only the positive halves of the applied double pulse cause a change in current flow in the plate circuit. Hence, half of the pulses are "stripped" and only unidirectional pulses appear in the output.

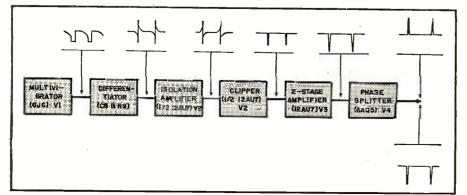
Additional amplification and shaping of the pulses occur in the two stage resistance-coupled amplifier V_3 , and the pulses are finally applied to the phase splitting circuit V_4 , where both positive- and negative-going pulses may be obtained in the output. Either may be selected by S_3 , and passed through d.c. blocking condenser, C_{17} , to the output.

Power to operate the entire device is obtained from a conventional fullwave rectifier and filter type of power supply, which need not be regulated unless desired for maximum stability of operation.

Decoupling filter R_1 - C_2 serves to stabilize the circuit by isolating the oscillator. R_1 performs the additional function of limiting the cathode current drawn by V_1 thus keeping this tube from operating above its maximum ratings.

An approximate idea of the layout used by the author may be obtained by referring to Fig. 4. Layout is not critical, however, and the builder may use

Fig. 2. Simplified block diagram of pulse generator and associated signal wave shapes.



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any arrangement that meets his chassis and space requirements as long as normal high frequency precautions are observed.

Wiring is not particularly critical, although certain basic rules should be observed. The input and output of stages should be kept as widely separated as possible. Distributed wiring capacities must be kept to a minimum if good pulse waveshape is to be maintained. Long signal leads should not be run, not only because of the increased capacity to ground, but also because lead inductance may lead to "ringing" with its resultant distortion of the output signal.

Provision has been made for a voltage regulated power supply, if such is desired to insure maximum stability of operation. Either two type 0A2 tubes, or two type VR-150's may be used for V_0 and V_7 . In any case, R_{24} should be chosen experimentally so that no more than 30 ma. flows through the voltage regulator tubes with the power transformer used.

The completed instrument may be given a "professional" appearance by using a wrinkle finish on the front panel and applying commercially available decals to mark the various controls and terminals.

Specifications

The amplitude of the output pulses obtained is about the same, regardless of whether positive- or negative-going pulses are used. However, there is some variation of pulse amplitude with frequency of operation (PPS), with the average being about 8 volts peak.

The minimum pulse width at the 70% point is slightly less than 0.2 microsecond, and this may be maintained regardless of pulse repetition rate over the entire range of operation by adjusting the "Pulse Width" control. Rise time is about .11 microsecond, while decay time is about .18 microsecond.

Pulse repetition rate depends on the setting of S_2 and R_5 . The approximate ranges of each switch position (minimum and maximum PPS) in pulsesper-second are given in Table 1.

As can be seen from the table, the number of pulses-per-second may be taken from *less than one* to more than 100,000 by adjusting only two controls. There is adequate overlap on each range.

The sharpness of the pulses obtained may be easily seen by referring to Fig. 5A, where a tracing of the 100,000 PPS pulses is given, as observed on a *Tektronix* Model 511AD oscilloscope, using a 50 microsecond sweep. The positive-going pulses are shown here, but the negative-going pulses are almost identical in amplitude and waveshape.

An expanded view of the 100 kc. pulse of Fig. 5A is shown in Fig. 5B, where a 1 microsecond sweep is used (triggered). A .25 microsecond delay is used so the leading edge of the pulse is clearly visible. In Fig. 5B the pulse is shown with maximum pulse width,

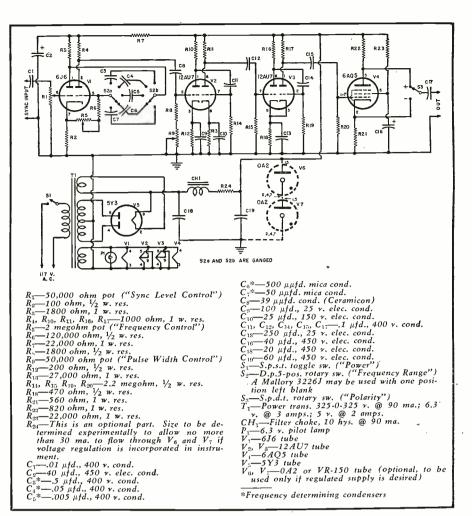
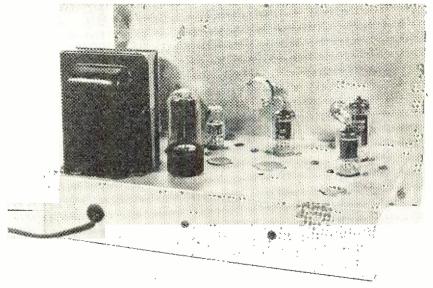


Fig. 3. Complete schematic diagram of the deluxe pulse generator built by the author.

S ₂ POSITION	CONDENSER	MINIMUM PPS	MAXIMUM PPS
1	C3— .5 μ fd.	Less than l	20
2	C4— .05 $\mu \mathrm{fd}$.	10	150
3	C5—.005 μ fd.	110	1600
4	C6 500 $\mu\mu$ fd.	1100	16,000
5	C7 50 μμ£d.	11,000	140,000

Table 1. Approximate ranges of switch positions in pulses-per-second (PPS).

Fig. 4. Rear view of instrument showing recommended layout of component parts.



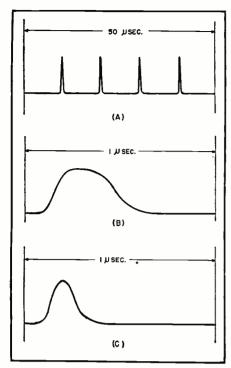


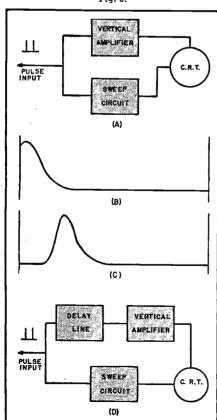
Fig. 5.

while the appearance of the pulse with minimum pulse width (other conditions the same) is given in Fig. 5C.

Delay Lines

As mentioned previously, a .25 microsecond delay was used to show the leading edges of the pulses shown in Figs. 5B and 5C. The necessity for such a delay can be seen by referring to Fig. 6.

Fig. 6.



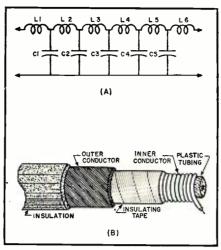


Fig. 7.

A simplified block diagram of an oscilloscope circuit is given in Fig. 6A. When a pulse is applied to the input, as shown, the sweep circuit is "triggered" as the pulse reaches a certain minimum value, and the sweep moves the electron beam across the screen, permitting the pulse passing through the vertical amplifier to be observed on the scope.

If the rise time of the pulse is short, then the leading edge of the pulse may be "lost" and the appearance of the pulse on the screen of the CRO is as shown in Fig. 6B. If it were possible to "delay" the pulse in the vertical amplifier until after the sweep starts, then the entire pulse becomes visible on the screen of the oscilloscope as shown in Fig. 6C.

In practice, this can be accomplished by introducing a "delay line" between the pulse input and the vertical amplifier (or between stages in the vertical amplifier) as shown in Fig. 6D.

The operation of such a "delay line" is comparatively simple. The "delay line" consists of a real or artificial "long" transmission line. The delay introduced in the signal is due to the time of transmission along the "long" line. The longer the line, the greater the delay.

Such lines may consist of "lumped parameters", i.e., inductances and condensers connected to simulate the electrical characteristics of a long line as shown in Fig. 7A, or of "distributed parameters," a long, thin inductance coil wound on a piece of plastic and

Fig. 8.

(A)

surrounded by a metallic braid to give capacity, as shown in Fig. 7B. The shielding braid of a commercial "distributed parameter delay line," as shown in Fig. 7B, is generally made up of insulated wire to reduce eddy current losses to a minimum.

Since the delay line is essentially a low-pass filter in form (see Fig. 7A), it may be expected to distort a complex signal waveform. This actually occurs in practice, and a delay line, in addition to introducing a delay in the signal, may also cause a "rounding" of sharp-cornered pulses. Thus, a sharp pulse applied to the input of such a line, as shown in Fig. 8A, may appear as shown in Fig. 8B in the output. This rounding is due to the loss of high frequency signal components in the line.

A certain amount of signal attenuation also occurs in delay lines. Nevertheless, even though attenuation and distortion of complex waveforms may be expected, delay lines must be used if pulses with a short rise time are to be observed on an oscilloscope using a triggered sweep.

Observation and Analysis

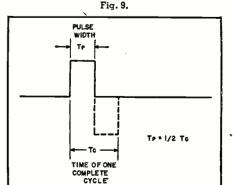
When sharp pulses are to be observed on an oscilloscope, a triggered sweep is almost mandatory, as is the use of "delay lines," if the leading edge of a single pulse is to be studied. In addition, the CRT should have a high accelerating voltage and high spot brightness if an extremely sharp pulse with a comparatively low repetition rate is to be observed.

Otherwise, the pulse may rise and fall so rapidly, compared to the time of sweep duration across the face of the tube, that the pulse "fades out completely."

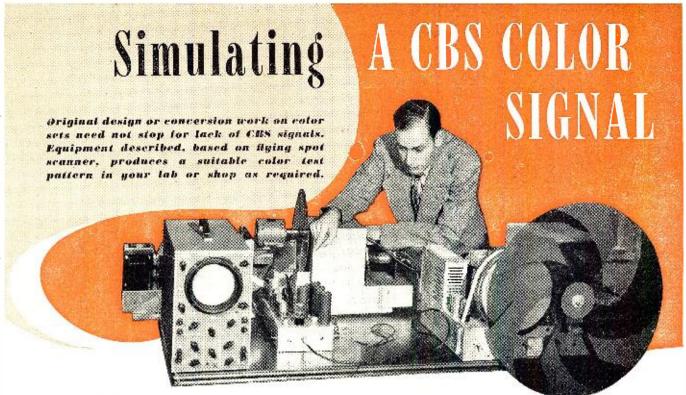
Pulse repetition rate is generally given as the number of pulses-per-second, abbreviated PPS.

The equivalent frequency of a pulse may be determined by considering the pulse to be one-half a cycle of a signal, as in Fig. 9. The time of pulse duration (pulse width or T_p in Fig. 9) is equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ the time for a complete cycle (T_c in Fig. 9). Thus, if pulse width is given in microseconds, it is only necessary to multiply by 2 and divide the product into one million to obtain the equivalent frequency of the pulse in cps. A pulse having a width

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By MURRAY BARLOWE

Color Development Eng. Tele-King Television Corp.

HE decision by the FCC to adopt the CBS color system was the spark that set off the biggest controversy that the radio-television field has experienced in years. An overwhelming demand for information about color television, both by the public and the technician, resulted. It was in response to this demand that the author, with the full cooperation of the staff of the Radio Electronics School, set up a series of public demonstrations and lectures on color television.

Since *CBS* was not transmitting color signals at the time, the problem was solved by constructing a "flying spot scanner" (Fig. 8) to take the place of the color camera.

Basically, the equipment consists of a high intensity CRT with its associated high voltage power supply and deflection circuits, a photoelectric pickup tube, and a high gain video amplifier. The picture to be transmitted is in the form of a transparency which is placed on the face of the CRT. The raster on the face of the CRT is produced by a rapidly moving spot of light. At any one instant, only one spot on the face of the CRT is giving off light. This spot of light passes through the transparency and falls on the photoelectric pickup tube. The phototube converts the light into an electrical voltage proportional to the intensity of the light. As the spot of light moves across the tube, the amount reaching the phototube will increase or decrease, depending upon the density of the different parts of the transparency.

tion presented at the Radio Electronics School of New York.

Fig. 1. Complete set-up of equipment used in color demonstra-

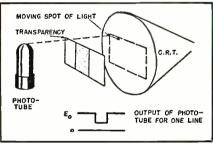


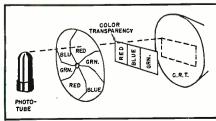
Fig. 2. Intensity of the light from the moving spot, impinging on phototube, varies with any change in transparency density.

Entror's Note: This setup was originally used as a closed-circuit system for demonstrating color television. From the ideas presented it is possible for manufacturers or service organizations who are doing work on color receivers to build a test unit so that work can continue even in the absence of on-the-air CBS signals. For additional details on constructing a flying spot scanner, see J. R. Popkin-Clurman's article "Simplified Ham TV Station" appearing in the May, June, and July 1950 issues of this magazine.

As each line is scanned, a voltage is generated by the phototube which varies in amplitude directly as the light and dark variations on the transparency, Fig. 2. The output of the phototube is amplified and is the video signal containing all of the picture information. To adapt this principle to produce a color video signal, a color transparency is used in place of the black and white transparency and a color filter wheel is inserted between the transparency and the phototube. See Fig. 3. A simple color transparency, consisting of three vertical bands

of color, will be used in place of a full color picture in our analysis of how the system works. As the spot of light moves across the first line from left to right, a section of the color filter wheel moves between the transparency and the phototube. Assuming the first section to be a red filter, which will allow only red light to pass through, the output of the phototube will increase when the spot of light passes through the vertical red strip in the beginning of each line, as indicated in Figs. 4A and 4B. Each filter section of the color wheel will be between the transparency and the phototube for the time required for the light spot to scan an entire field. For a color signal conforming to the CBS standards, this time interval would be 1/144th of a second. During this interval, all of the red portions of a color image will pass through the color filter and produce a video signal representing the red image. At the start of the next field, the spot of light will be in the upper left hand corner and a blue section of the color wheel will now be coming into place. It will only allow the blue light to pass through and so the video signal produced during this field will repre-

Fig. 3. To obtain color signal, a color transparency and disc are inserted as shown.



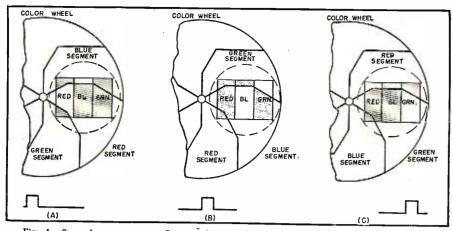


Fig. 4. Scanning sequence. Output of phototube is shown in (A) for red. (B) for blue, and (C) for green. Color disc rotates at a speed of 1440 revolutions per minute.

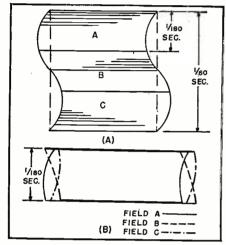


Fig. 5. Curvature caused by a 60-cycle magnetic field when operating at 180 field/sec.

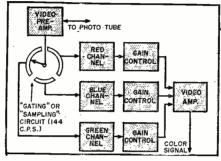
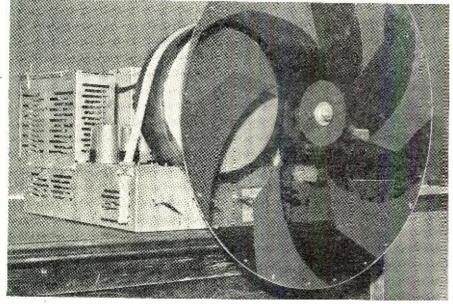


Fig. 6. Block diagram showing how gated circuit is used to select the proper channel.

sent the blue image. Next, the green filter comes into place and the process is repeated, producing the green video signal. In practice, a full color transparency takes the place of the three vertical color bars and the video sig-

Fig. 7. Over-all view of the color receiver used by author in his simulated CBS color system. The color wheel consists of twelve segments with every other segment opaque. The sequence is red color filter, opaque segment, blue filter, opaque segment, green filter, opaque segment, etc.. with a total of six color filter segments and six opaque segments. In developing the shape of the color filter segments it was apparent that light from the CRT did not pass through every part of the wheel but rather through "half moon" shaped areas. Since this was the case, it was not necessary for the wheel to be entirely transparent. Balance weights and metal strips used for generating the reference sync pulse were mounted on the opaque or unused areas. Opaque segments were finally deemed unnecessary and eliminated on later models.



nals produced during each field would have a more complex waveform.

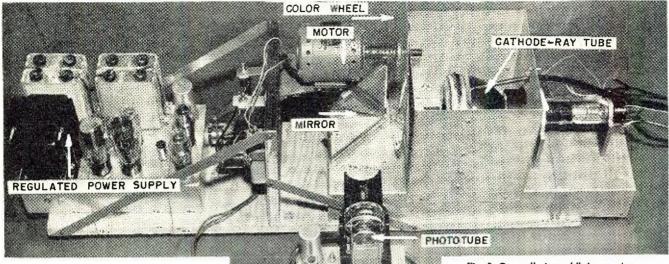
The output of the video amplifier is applied to the grid of the CRT in a TV receiver.

Sync pulses from the sweep circuits of the flying spot scanner are used to synchronize the sweep circuits of the receiver. During each field a picture is produced on the face of the CRT which is a black and white version of the primary color image being scanned at the time. If we look at this black and white image during the red field through a red filter, we would see a true reproduction of the red information in the transparency. The red filter tints the black and white image to its correct color. By using a color filter wheel at the receiver similar to the one at the flying spot scanner, and having it rotate in synchronism, the full color images are first separated into their primary colors, transmitted as black and white versions of the primary colors, tinted by the color wheel at the receiver, and reproduced in full color.

In the CBS system, the color fields are scanned at the rate of 144 per second. A color wheel containing six color filter segments, two each of the three primary colors, is rotated at a speed of 1440 revolutions per minute by a synchronous motor. (Since 1440 rpm synchronous motors are not available, an 1800 rpm motor with a 4 to 5 speed reduction is used to obtain the required speed of 1440 rpm.) This is equivalent to 24 revolutions per second. Since there are six equal segments in the wheel, the time required for a single segment to pass a given point would be one sixth of a 24th of a second, or a 1/144th of a second. This is the time required for a single color field.

By using a horizontal sweep frequency of 29,160 cps, interlaced at 144 fields per second, a 405 line picture is produced.

More than the usual amount of power supply filtering was necessary. This is a problem that technicians making color conversions of transmitting or receiving equipment will have to contend with. In the present black and white system using 60 fields per second, hum in the horizontal deflection circuits could cause the vertical sides of the raster to have a slight curvature as illustrated in Figs. 9A and 9B. This hum may be due to magnetic fields (60 cycle) from the power transformer or to the 120 cycle ripple due to insufficient filtering in the power supply. This curvature is hardly noticeable when the vertical sweep frequency is 60 cps. At sweep frequencies of 144 or 180 per second, the visible effect becomes serious. Figs. 5A and 5B illustrate the effect (intentionally exaggerated) when the interference is from a 60 cycle magnetic field and the equipment is operating at 180 fields per second. Three fields would occur in the time previously required for one field. Superimposing the three fields, as they would appear on the face of the CRT, it becomes apparent that



they are displaced with respect to each other. This makes it impossible for the three colors to "register" properly, producing a picture that is constantly shimmering, and one which has very poor detail.

To keep this from happening it is necessary to thoroughly filter the "B" supply, and protect the CRT against the influence of stray magnetic fields. A mu-metal shield around the picture tube and a heavy copper band around the power transformer are some of the possible solutions to the problem.

Color Balance

The spectral response of the 931A phototube used as the pickup device drops off rapidly at the red end of the spectrum. To correct this, a thin sheet of very lightly tinted red acetate was permanently fastened to the face of the CRT used in the flying spot scanner. This cut down the intensity of light of the colors other than red to compensate for the lack of sensitivity of the phototube to red. A better method might be to use two or more 931A phototubes feeding the video amplifier with a red color filter permanently mounted in front of one tube thus making it sensitive only to red light. This would boost the level of the video signal produced by the red image. Our equipment is presently being modified to include a "gating" circuit operating at the field frequency which will switch the output of the phototube to a separate video amplifier every time a different color filter segment of the color wheel comes into place (Fig. 6). This will connect the video signal output of the phototube to the red video amplifier for the duration of the red field. Immediately after the red field the signal is switched to the blue video amplifier for the duration of the blue field, and finally to the green video amplifier for the duration of the green field. By adjusting the gain of the video amplifier for each color channel, the relative amplitudes of the color signals can be properly balanced.

Synchronizing the System

Proper sync and phasing of the complete system is accomplished in the fol-

lowing manner. Six thin pieces of soft iron are fastened along the outside edge of the color wheel at the flying spot scanner (Fig. 11). The pickup coil from a magnetic phonograph pickup is mounted close to the edge of the wheel. As the iron segments move past the pickup coil, a pulse is produced. Since there is a piece of iron for every

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Fig. 9. An example of the curvature of the vertical edges of the raster caused by (A) 60 cycle and (B) 120 cycle interference.

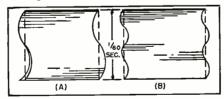
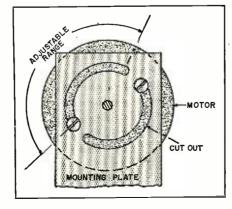
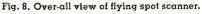


Fig. 10. Provision must be made for rotation of the motor in order to obtain the proper color phasing at the TV receiver.



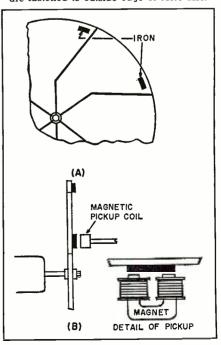


color segment, the output of the pickup coil will be a series of pulses at the field frequency. These pulses are used to synchronize the 'vertical sweep circuits and thereby control the timing of the entire system. A phase shifting network is connected between the magnetic pickup coil and the vertical sweep generator. By adjusting this control the start of each field can be varied with respect to the position of the color wheel. Once set, this control usually doesn't have to be readjusted, unless the position of the pickup coil is changed.

Color phasing at the receiver is accomplished by mounting the motor which rotates the color wheel so that it can be rotated through approximately 160 degrees, as illustrated in Fig. 10. The motor is rotated until the segment of the color test pattern marked "blue" becomes blue.



Fig. 11. Mechanical details of synchronizing system. Six pieces of soft iron are fastened to outside edge of color disc.



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Compactness of this new
FM communications tuner
facilitates mounting under
dash or on steering post.

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▶ ► HERE are many applications in the rapidly-growing public safety - radio services (police, fire, civilian defense), in land transportation radio services (taxicabs, etc.), and in industrial radio services (power, petroleum, etc.) in which the performance of an expensive communications-type FM receiver exceeds requirements and the price exceeds budget limitations. In addition, there are some applications, such as civilian defense, where it is desirable to be able to tune the receiver to two or more stations.

The recently-announced Gonset FM communications tuners are designed to provide, in conjunction with an ordinary automobile or house radio or p.a. amplifier, an inexpensive, tunable FM receiver for monitoring applications in which image and adjacent channel interference problems are not unusually severe. Sensitivity approaches that of the more expensive FM mobile communications receivers. Adjacent channel selectivity and image rejection are only fair, as would be expected in a low cost receiver of this type, but in many localities this is not a problem or is a problem in thickly populated areas only when receiving certain channels. If image response should prove troublesome on a desired channel in a certain area, it usually can be corrected by having the i.f. changed at the factory to a frequency slightly higher or lower than the standard 10.7 mc. frequency.

The tuner shown in the photographs measures just 3% inches by 5% inches by 5% inches deep over-all and mounts on the steering post or under the dash in mobile applications. Models covering the 30-40, 40-50, 152-162, and 162-

This compact, well-designed tuner covers v.h.f. FM bands. It can be attached to auto receiver for mobile use or home receiver for fixed station use.

174 megacycle bands are available at the present time.

An 88-108 mc. version for FM broadcast reception has been produced in limited quantity but will be produced in volume if the demand warrants. The prototype of the 88-108 mc. broadcast version was demonstrated to a representative of the FCC at their request in 1949, in order to determine the commercial feasibility of mobile reception of FM broadcasts on such a tuner. While the report has not been made public, it may be said that the reaction was favorable as regards over-all performance. Consistent, program-quality reception has been obtained in flat country at distances well over 100 miles from Mt. Wilson (California) stations and well over 50 miles from stations of more modest elevation.

The schematic of the Model 152-162 is shown in Fig. 1. Other models are similar except for slight changes in the front end, which employs a 12AT7 tube in all models. Two stages of 10.7 mc. i.f. are followed by a combination limiter and semi-squelch stage which provides additional gain. Screen voltage, instead of being taken from a conventional divider, is obtained from a high value of dropping resistor. On all except weak signals, the drop in plate current resulting from grid excitation with grid leak bias causes a substantial increase in screen voltage, thus "opening up" the limiter and providing increased gain on signals strong enough to provide complete quieting. Above a critical value of signal input to the limiter, the screen voltage no longer increases, thus providing the instantaneous a.v.c. action inherent in a conventional limiter.

In addition to eliminating a separate tube, thus minimizing size and cost, this form of semi-squelch avoids the possibility of missing weak signals which might not trigger the squelch on a conventional receiver on which the squelch is set too "tight" or a tube has become weak.

With the a.f. gain control adjusted to give normal volume on moderately strong signals, the squelch action in this system is sufficient to drop the nosignal background noise to a level that is not annoying although audible. Weak signals still can be heard, although it may be necessary to advance the volume control for greater intelligibility. Warning of an inoperative receiver is given immediately by a complete lack of background noise, a feature that would not be obtained with complete squelch.

Exhaustive tests with various demodulator circuits, including a ratio detector and a 6BN6 gated beam tube, indicates the superiority of the limiter plus conventional discriminator arrangement for this particular application. Maintenance of proper discriminator adjustment requires only

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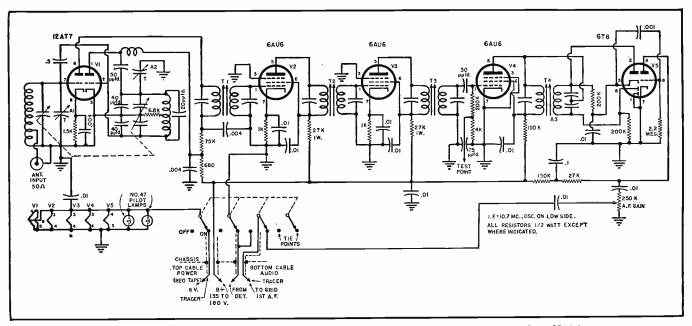


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of the Gonset FM communications tuner covering 152-162 megacycles. Models covering other frequency ranges are similar except for minor variations in front end circuitry and component values.

occasional adjustment of the secondary trimmer for minimum background noise with no station tuned in.

To insure adequate over-all gain even with receivers having low audio gain, a single stage of audio is provided in the tuner by employing a 6T8 for both discriminator and a.f. voltage amplifier functions. The gain of this stage is deliberately held down because the full potential gain of the triode section would never be required.

Power for the tuner is taken from the receiver (other than an a.c.-d.c. type) or a.c. amplifier with which the tuner is used. The stability of the oscillator is such that no voltage regulator tube is required. Because of this and by means of careful design, the "B" drain has been held to less than 15 ma. at the plate voltages typically employed. Experience in the manufacture of amateur converters over many years has shown that this amount of additional current may be taken from any well-designed automobile receiver without significantly shortening vibrator life or endangering other power supply components.

Use of a grounded cathode oscillator with negative compensation minimizes warm-up drift and it should not be necessary to "zero in" a station more than once after a cold start. The overall stability of the tuner is such that once a station is logged carefully on the fine increments of the 0-100 scale, the tuner can then be reset at any time to the desired station with the assurance that if the station comes on it is sure to be heard (if within range) even though it may be necessary to touch up the tuning slightly in order to get the station "zeroed in" properly. It was ascertained early in the development of the tuner that any tunable receiver which did not have sufficient stability and "resetability" to assure the operator that he would be certain to hear the station when it came on would be

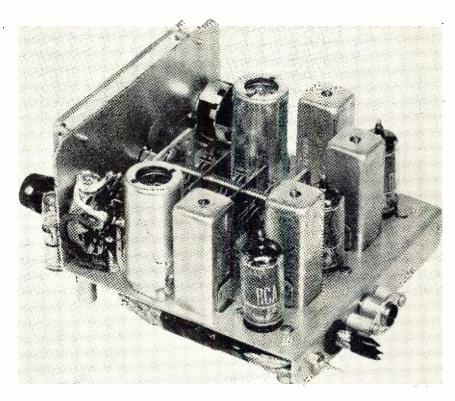
worthless for monitoring communication channels which transmit only intermittently.

A quarter-wave whip antenna of the type employed by police and taxicab services, available from the larger radio parts houses, is connected to the tuner by means of RG-58/U coaxial line. For 30-40 and 40-50 mc. work the whip is mounted on the rear bumper for mobile applications and on the top of the car for 152-162 and 162-174 mc. applications. If the whip is cut to resonate about 3 mc. inside the low end

of the band to be covered, the whole band can then be covered with negligible variation in performance.

A test point is provided on the rear lip of the chassis to permit reading the limiter grid current. This permits use of the tuner-receiver combination as a relative-reading field strength meter for making coverage surveys or for use in making adjustments to a transmitting antenna. It also facilitates adjustment of the r.f. (antenna) trimmer to the optimum setting for the particular receiving antenna employed. —30—

Tuner utilizes miniature components and dual purpose tubes to conserve space. Although the chassis is compact, careful parts placement has precluded undue crowding.



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Part 1. An introduction to the various problems which must be considered when designing or setting up any reproducing system. Future articles will cover the application of these basic principles in the actual design of audio equipment.

URING the past few years, many people have begun to realize that their enjoyment of speech and music reproduction can be greatly increased when the program material is faithfully reproduced without appreciable distortion. Until a few years ago, only a relatively small group paid any attention to the quality of the sound which was being produced by their radios, phonographs, and amplifiers. These few were generally audio engineers or technicians whose specialization in the field of sound reproduction had taught them the advantages and increased enjoyment to be gained from good reproduction. The majority of listeners were quite satisfied with the quality of reproduction which could be obtained from small tablemodel receivers with no appreciable low-frequency reproduction, or from large consoles with very little output above about 4000 or 5000 cycles-persecond

Since the end of the war, there has been a great increase in public interest in good reproduction of sound, and today every music lover and record collector is anxious to obtain the best reproduction he can get. Now the average layman who is interested in good sound quality can, with relatively little difficulty and expense, have a reproducing system which will compare very favorably with the best that could be built before the war. With the increased programming of classical and

light-classical orchestral music in AM and FM radio broadcasting, on records, and in concert halls everywhere, the general public has had a greater opportunity than before to listen and compare good with bad reproduction. This opportunity to listen and compare has probably been the major reason for the increasing interest in good reproduction among discriminating listeners.

Among those interested in good audio are many amateur experimenters -and many engineers and technicians who are not experts in audio-who would like to construct or set up their own sound reproduction systems, and want to take the opportunity to determine for themselves which type of sound reproduction they prefer. This series of articles is intended for these experimenters and is designed to provide some of the information and techniques which are, at the present time, known only to the audio specialist, and to help them attain sufficient background in audio to experiment on their own initiative.

From the engineering and scientific point of view, there are two different problems involved in sound reproduction. One is to develop and perfect equipment which will produce the best sound at the lowest cost. The other is a much more basic and fundamental problem—to discover what good sound reproduction actually is. Almost since the earliest days when it was possible

to reproduce the human voice and music with reasonable accuracy, the question arose as to what was most to be desired in the reproduction of sound, and what basis to use for judging the results. This question has been the subject of many experiments which attempt to obtain quantitative data that would represent the quality of reproduction. Closely tied in with this is the additional question of whether to attempt to improve on what may be faults in the original sound.

Any such tests always start with the human ear as the fundamental measuring instrument. The results depend upon statistics obtained from a large number of average listeners, with the preference of the greatest number of listeners representing the best type of reproduction. This is perfectly logical and reasonable, since public acceptance is the ultimate criterion. Earliest measurements tended to indicate that the average listener preferred reproduction having a restricted frequency range, rather than wide-range reproduction. This result was offered as an explanation as to why most radio receivers in the home are found to have the tone-control knob set for minimum high-frequency response, and seemed to justify the manufacturers who designed their receivers with practically no response above 5000 cycles. (However, this inference does not agree with other known facts. Experience has shown that when the tonal quality of a musical instrument does not completely satisfy public taste, it is gradually changed to make it more acceptable. Modern instruments have reached their present form and remain as they are because this is how they are preferred, since they could readily have been changed if it were desired.)

Improved listener-preference tests in

which only the frequency range was changed, with all other factors kept constant, show that in the absence of other disturbing factors the listener prefers the widest frequency range in reproduction of sound. These findings confirm the opinion that the best type of sound reproduction is that in which the listener hears, as nearly as possible, an exact reproduction of the original sound, and that it should not be "improved" by the reproduction system

Close observation of the results of the various listener-preference tests shows that frequency-range is only one of the important factors in the reproduction of sound. Several other factors are involved, some of them considerably more important than frequency range in determining the acceptability and fidelity of reproduction. These other factors are the various forms of distortion which may occur in the reproduction process. Distortion is any difference between the reproduced and the original sound. Restricted frequency range in reproduction is one form of distortion, but there are also several others which may occur. The following list includes all the types of distortion which are at present known to have an important effect on the quality of the reproduced sound:

- (a) Frequency-amplitude distortion
- (b) Reproduction noise
- (c) Harmonic distortion
- (d) Intermodulation distortion
- (e) Transient distortion
- (f) Phase distortion
- (g) Frequency modulation distortion (wow and flutter)

These distortions occur within the electronic system, and are capable of measurement and analysis. However, there are certain other fundamental limitations which are present in any attempt to reproduce sound, and might properly be called *acoustic* distortions:

- (h) Differences in acoustics between the room in which the sound originates and the room in which it is reproduced
 - (i) Spatial distribution effects
- (j) Limited dynamic range in reproduction

The acoustic distortions are not strictly defects of the audio system, since they are inherent in any attempt to reproduce sound from one place to another.

At one time the main criterion of good reproduction was thought to be the width of the frequency range. The "high-fidelity" enthusiast would, for example, judge the excellence of a phonograph system by the amount of high-frequency needle scratch he could hear. Thus, the more high-frequency noise and record scratch, the better the quality of reproduction! This type of judgment has by now become more or less obsolete, since it is now pretty well realized that for true high-fidelity reproduction all other forms of distortion must also be eliminated and the original sound reproduced as accurately as possible in all respects. Some of the other distortions are much more distasteful to the ear than loss of high

and low frequencies, and when they are present the listener usually prefers the restricted frequency range which reduces their effects. (This explains the results of the earliest tests in which listeners were found to prefer narrow-band reproduction, since in these tests no attempts were made to remove the various distortions which are related to the frequency range.)

The noise introduced by the reproducing system is generally the most obvious form of distortion, and must be kept as low as possible, both because it limits the dynamic range and because of its disagreeable quality. The highest noise level is usually found in the reproduction of phonograph records, due to the record scratch introduced by the surface of the disc. Other parts of a high-quality system should introduce practically no noise.

Harmonic and intermodulation distortion are extremely important factors in most of the equipment in current use. These distortions occur whenever the amplifier is not perfectly linear (that is, the output is not perfectly proportional to the input signal). This "non-linearity" gives rise to spurious harmonics which are not present in the original signal, and causes modulation of the high frequencies by the lowfrequency components. It is usually the intermodulation rather than the harmonic distortion which is responsible for the disagreeable quality when a system is overloaded, since the intermodulation products contain frequencies which are generally discordant with the original sounds. At the present time these are perhaps the most important and troublesome forms of distortion since when they are high they tend to mask other distortions because their effects are more unpleas-

When the noise and distortion of the system are within the limits required for good reproduction, then the various other forms of distortion are not masked and become important. It has been found that two systems with identical frequency and non-linear distortion characteristics may often sound quite different when they are used to reproduce speech or music. This generally occurs when one of the systems has good transient response, and the other has poor transient response. Very few natural sounds (including speech and music) are sustained for any long period of time—the various components generally occurring in bursts of short duration. This can easily be observed by watching an oscilloscope trace (swept at about 20 to 50 times per second) and noticing how the various components are constantly being generated and disappearing. It is, therefore, extremely important that for good reproduction the entire system must have good transient as well as steady-state characteristics, and should have no undamped vibrations which will appear for a dynamic signal and produce undesired hangover that distorts the effect of the sound. This is an important factor which is

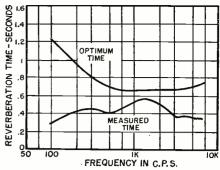


Fig. 1. Optimum and measured reverberation time as a function of frequency for the living room of average home.

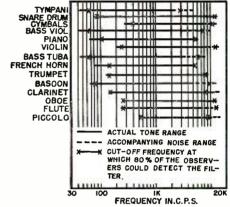
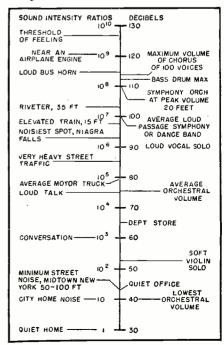


Fig. 2. Audible frequency ranges of various musical and percussion instruments.

generally overlooked by many experimenters and technicians who are not sufficiently familiar with the requirements of good reproduction.

When sound is reproduced from disc or magnetic recordings the frequency of the output sound is determined by the relative speeds of the recording and reproducing drive motors. When these motors do not run at absolutely constant speed, there is heard a flutter

Fig. 3. Noise levels in various locations.



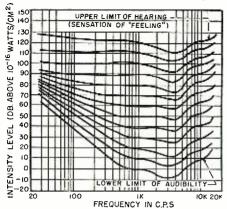


Fig. 4. Equal loudness contours showing intensity levels at various frequencies required to produce effect of equal loudness.

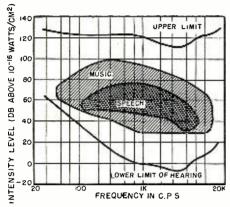


Fig. 5. Curves showing the frequency and volume ranges of both music and speech.

or wow in the frequency of the reproduced sound which is quite annoying and serious. These effects are apparent in the reproduction of sustained steady tones, where variations in pitch can be most easily detected. Such speed variations can also be heard in the reproduction of percussive tones in the recordings, where the sharp transients impose very heavy loads upon the driving motor and may cause it to change speed due to this variation in load.

The results of the listener-preference tests show that the various electronic distortions must be kept down to inaudible or barely audible levels for good reproduction. However, the situation is different in the case of the acoustic distortions, since many psychological factors enter into the ques-

tion of listening to sound in a location different from where it originates. Since listening to the sound of a full orchestra in the average living room is completely different from listening to it in the concert hall, the listener may feel free to go in for considerable experimentation to decide which type of reproduction he prefers for himself. Dynamic range may be increased by the use of volume expanders. Experiments to correct for the difference in spatial distribution of the sound may be performed by several methods which have been tried for obtaining stereophonic reproduction. The reverberation and absorption of sounds of different frequencies can also be controlled by changing the absorptive and reverberant properties of the room, and by means of artificial reverberation systems.

Although the psychological factors involved in the transfer of sound to a new location are often a matter of individual preference, the most logical procedure is to try to make the final effect upon the ear as much as possible like that obtained from the same sound in the location where it originates. The best way to do this can be seen by glancing at some of the curves shown in Figs. 4 and 5.

Normally, the sound heard from an orchestra in the concert hall is considerably louder than is practical for the average listener to obtain from his loudspeaker in the home—especially if he lives close to his neighbors or in an apartment house. However, the ear does not have the same response for different acoustic levels, therefore some compensation must be made for this difference. Fig. 4 shows the effect of the intensity level at various frequencies on the ear. Each curve shows the intensity at different frequencies to give the effect of a certain loudness. A loudness level of 80 to 100 db is heard almost uniformly over the entire audio range, but a frequency of 60 cycles has to be heard at a 60 db level to have the same loudness as 1000 cycles at a 20 db level. Thus there should be considerable bass boost when listening at normal home levels to give the same effect as the actual orchestra's performance.

The physical systems which exist at the present time for the reproduction of sound are, unfortunately, not capable of producing without distortion all the sounds which are required from them. This may be better understood when it is realized that vacuum tube amplifiers are not strictly linear in their response, sometimes cannot be used over the complete frequency range, and can be overloaded. In addition, the electromechanical components of the system, particularly the loudspeaker, are required to duplicate at one time all the sounds which can be produced by every instrument in a large orchestra-which is by no means a simple achievement. Therefore some compromise must be made between the requirement of perfect fidelity of reproduction and the physical limitations of the reproducing system.

The electronically generated distortions must always be kept to an absolute minimum (except in the case of the intentionally introduced frequency-amplitude distortions, such as "tone controls"). There are practically no occasions where it would be desirable to accept such distortions as intermodulation, for example, and these distortions are permitted only to the extent that it is a physical impossibility to eliminate them entirely.

By proper design and setup of the system these distortions can be kept below the level at which their effects can be detected by the average listener. Tests and experience have indicated certain distortion levels which may be accepted as the requirements for good reproduction, and the extent to which a system meets these requirements may be considered a measure of the quality of reproduction.

Complete reproduction of all the fundamentals and harmonics which are present in the music produced by a symphony orchestra would require a frequency range of approximately 20-14,000 cycles. However, for almost all practical purposes a frequency range of 40-10,000 cycles with satisfactory distortion characteristics has been found quite acceptable to about 90 percent of the listeners to all types of speech and music. While such a reduction of bandwidth will remove some of the highest frequencies present in the original sound, this difference cannot be detected by large numbers of listeners even on the basis of direct comparison, and is in general felt to be not objectionable.

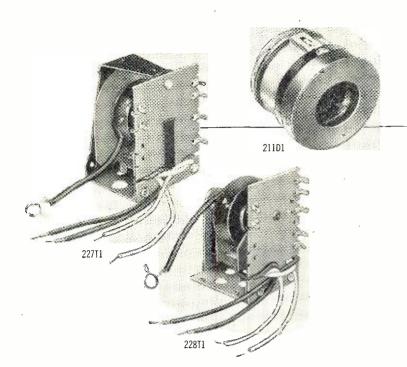
For a system of good quality the noise and hum level should be of the order of 50 to 60 decibels below full output, whereas the noise level from a phonograph record will generally not be better than about 35 to 40 db below peak signal.

At one time it was believed that 5 per-cent total harmonic distortion was acceptable in a high-quality system, but today it is felt that this figure is too high (especially in amplifiers using beam-power tubes or pentodes, since 5 per-cent total harmonic distortion from them appears to be much more objectionable than 5 per-cent from triodes).

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Table 1. Acceptable limits of various electronic distortions and the type of signal which can be used to detect these distortions.

RESPONSE OR	TYPE OF SIGNAL WITH WHICH MEASURED	ACCEPTABLE LIMITS	
DISTORTION BEING MEASURED		GOOD REPRODUCTION	ACCEPTABLE REPRODUCTION
Frequency Response	Steady sine wave	20-14,000 cps	40-10,000 cps
Noise Level	Zero	—60 db below full output	—50 db below full output
Harmonic Distortion	Steady sine wave	2% total harmonics	2-5% total harmonics
Intermodulation Distortion	Sum of high freq. and low freq. steady sine waves	5%	10%
Transient Response	Square wave or tone burst	No set standards	
Wow and Flutter	Steady sine wave	0.1%	1%



NEW TV **COMPONENTS**

Electrostatically focused tubes will become more popular as shortages of copper and cobalt increase. Here are details on several new parts and their circuitry to be used with these tubes.

■HE Tube Department of Radio Corporation of America has re-- cently introduced three new television components which are of particular interest to the service industry. They are of interest in view of the fact that they will be included in many of the television receivers released in the future.

In addition, these components can, in many cases, be used where it is desired to convert receivers from small picture tube operation to large tube sizes.

The 227T1 and the 228T1 horizontal deflection output and high voltage transformers shown in the photographs above will provide high voltage of 14,-000 volts (227T1) and 16,0000 volts (228T1). They are designed to be used with any electrostatic focus picture tube having a horizontal deflection angle of about 66 degrees. Note particularly that the above refers to electrostatic focus picture tubes and not the more common magnetic focus types.

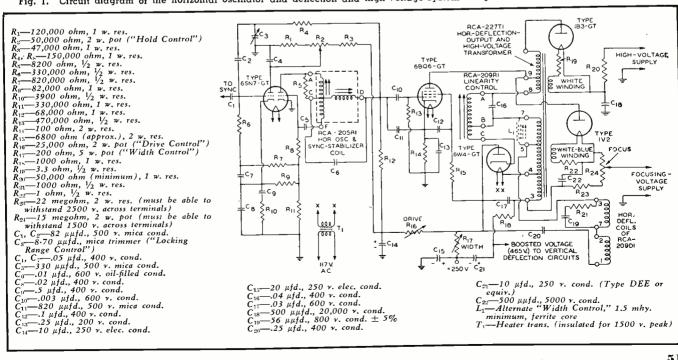
Electrostatic focus picture tubes are not too readily available as yet, however, they are in production and will, no doubt, become quite popular in future video receiver designs.

With these tubes the magnetic focus coil is eliminated entirely and in its place a potential of from 3000 to 5000 volts, obtained from an additional rectifier tube, is used on the picture tube for focusing. This technique is in line with the government's conservation of materials program. The more critical the supply of copper wire and cobalt becomes, the sooner sets using the electrostatic focus tubes will hit the mar-

Utilizing a ferrite core for high efficiency operation, light weight, and compactness, each of these transformers is designed for use with a single 6BQ6GT horizontal deflection amplifier tube: a single rectifier tube, such as the 1B3GT, for the high voltage supply; a single rectifier tube, like the 1V2, for the focusing voltage supply; the RCA 209R1 horizontal linearity control; the 6W4GT damper diode tube; and the RCA 209D1 or the 211D1 magnetic deflecting yokes which also have ferrite cores.

Both of these new units have two (Continued on page 136)

Fig. 1. Circuit diagram of the horizontal oscillator and deflection and high voltage system using the 227T1. 14,000 volts is obtained.



A Miniature H-F Portable TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER

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IVIL DEFENSE activities are taking a more important position in the life of every citizen of our nation today. For the amateur, with his background of technical knowhow and operating ability, it is an opportunity to participate in a new phase of his hobby wherein he may perform a real service for his community.

In every local and regional Civil Defense Network, numerous small, dependable, easily-transportable stations are needed which may be set up with a minimum of delay and effort. These portable communication units, in the event of an emergency, are invaluable for relaying information from the scene of the disaster to outlying control stations.

The transmitter-receiver described here provides this communication facility and still retains flexibility which will allow its application to many other low-power high frequency amateur activities.

A dependable and efficient unit, this high frequency companion to "A 2 Meter Transmitter-Receiver for Civil Defense Operation" described in the August, 1951 issue of Radio & Televi-SION NEWS meets all requirements demanded of Civil Defense communication equipment. It is contained in a small metal cabinet 91/2 inches high, 7 inches wide, and 61/2 inches deep, and weighs less than 12 pounds. Although the "Miracle Miniature" is designed for 117 volt operation, power consumption is low. A miniature vibrator power converter unit such as the "Travelectric" may be utilized for operation away from 117 volt supply lines. The "Travelectric" provides an output of 110 volts, 60 cycles at 40 watts, from any six-volt storage battery. This is ample power to operate the transmit-

Fig. 1. Front and rear views of portable transmitter-receiver. In the

front view the audio gain control is located at the upper left while the i.f. gain control is seen in upper right-hand portion of photo. The b.f.o. switch is mounted below speaker. The rear view shows toggle switch (left) which operates filaments and the right-hand switch which controls plate voltage. Mike jack is near top of unit.

Complete construction details for building a compact unit for portable, mobile, or emergency operations.

ter and receiver for portable, mobile, or emergency operations.

The equipment consists of a seven tube, single conversion superheterodyne which provides stable and selective reception in all amateur phone bands from 3 to 30 megacycles, and a two-stage, 25 watt, crystal-controlled transmitter with its associated modulator. Both transmitter and receiver utilize miniature tubes and components. Although certain parts utilized in building this equipment were surplus items, readily available commercial equivalents may be substituted where surplus parts are not obtainable.

The receiver consists of a mixer, three 455 kc. i.f. amplifier stages, a second detector, b.f.o., one audio stage, and a beam power output stage which drives a self-contained two-inch loud-speaker.

Two midget plug-in coils are used for each band. The mixer-grid tank condenser is set at the middle of the band in use, and the oscillator is tuned, providing single dial tuning. An i.f. as well as an audio gain control is included to eliminate overloading of the

second detector on strong local signals. The b.f.o. operation is provided for reception of c.w. signals. A simple b.f.o. arrangement is used. Its application is described later.

An r.f. stage was omitted to simplify coil design and to eliminate serious tracking problems.

The transmitter consists of a modified Pierce crystal oscillator driving two parallel 6AQ5 r.f. amplifier tubes. Should one amplifier tube fail during a critical operating period the transmitter will operate with the remaining tube. This arrangement also permits power reduction (through removal of one amplifier tube) where transmission conditions do not demand full power output or when operating away from 117 volt a.c. mains. Use of one final amplifier tube when operating this equipment from the miniature vibrator power supply insures that the power rating of the vibrator supply will not be exceeded.

The first stage of the modulator is a low-impedance, grounded-grid triode. Although this stage provides no appreciable amplification, it eliminates the necessity of a microphone transformer as well as the necessity for microphone voltage. The input stage feeds a single speech amplifier which drives a pair of push-pull 6AQ5's as modulators. These tubes adequately modulate the final amplifier whether one or two r.f. tubes are used.

As this transmitter was designed for voice operation, only the 75, 20, and 10 meter phone bands were provided. No keying facilities were incorporated, but if c.w. operation is desired the transmitter cathode circuits may be rereturned to ground through a key.

The power supply utilizes a highly efficient voltage doubling selenium rectifier circuit. Simple and compact, it is adequately stable for application in this equipment. If the feature of having the chassis above ground is undesirable, an inexpensive isolation transformer may be used in the 117 volt power input line.

Chassis Layout

Referring to Fig. 2, the receiver may be seen on the left-hand side of the photograph, and the transmitter on the right. The power supply is in the center portion of the photograph.

The equipment is mounted in the handy metal cabinet formerly housing the surplus ARR-1 u.h.f. test oscillator. This cabinet has two "snaplock" side covers. Removal of the right-hand "snaplock" cover reveals the vacuum tubes, plug-in coils, etc., while removal of the left "snaplock" cover allows access to the under-chassis and wiring. A carrying handle on the top of the cabinet provides convenient transportability. The antenna output terminates in a coaxial fitting which is mounted on the rear of the cabinet.

The receiver line-up starts at the bottom left-hand side in Fig. 2 where the 6BE6 mixer stage will be found. The mixer grid tank condenser may be seen diagonally to the right of the mixer tube. This condenser is provided with screwdriver adjustment. The mixer feeds three stages of i.f. amplification utilizing 6BA6's. Next in order is a 6AV6 second detector/audio amplifier. The triode section of this tube is used as the first audio amplifier which drives the 6AK6 beam power output stage. A two-inch permanent magnet loudspeaker, mounted on the front panel, delivers ample audio output under ordinary conditions. For reception of c.w. signals, a b.f.o. stage with a type 6C4 is used. This stage is located directly to the right of the third i.f. amplifier tube. The two midget receiver plug-in coils may be seen in the lower left hand corner, one below and the other to the right of the mixer tube.

The transmitter tube line-up starts in the lower right-hand corner of Fig. 2 where a type 6AQ5 modified Pierce crystal oscillator may be seen. This drives the final amplifier which consists of two 6AQ5's in parallel for 75, 20, and 10 meter output. As mentioned previously, only one 6AQ5 is used when less than full power output is required. For emergency operation this is necessary for the conservation of battery power and to assure operation within the output rating of the miniature vibrator power supply. The two midget transmitter plug-in coils are located at the left of the oscillator tube and at the left of the amplifier tubes.

The type 6C4 grounded-grid microphone input stage will be found at the upper right corner of Fig. 2. This stage is followed by a type 6C4 speech amplifier. The speech amplifier drives a pair of push-pull 6AQ5's as modulators. The modulation transformer is seen in the photograph directly below the 6AQ5 modulator tubes while the driver transformer for the 6AQ5's is directly above them.

The power supply will be seen in the center of Fig. 2. The large condenser can is a dual 40 µfd. with sections in parallel to provide a completely humfree filter circuit. The two smaller cans directly above the filter are single 40 µfd, units used in the voltage doubling circuit. It is necessary to insulate C_{39} (Fig. 4) from the chassis or the power supply will be shorted to ground. The selenium rectifier stacks are mounted beneath the chassis; they may be seen in Fig. 3. Above the two voltage doubling condensers appears a three section condenser used for bypassing in the audio cathode circuits and a small can containing the cathode

Fig. 2. Top view of chassis. Removal of the right "snaplock" side cover reveals the vacuum tubes and coils while removal of the left "snap lock" cover permits access to under-chassis.

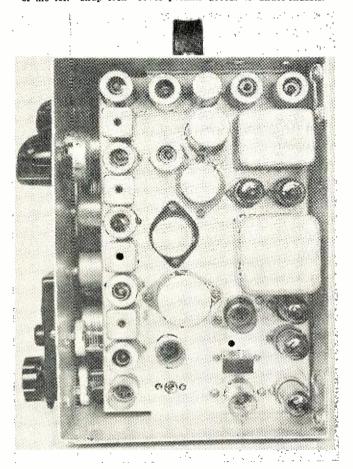
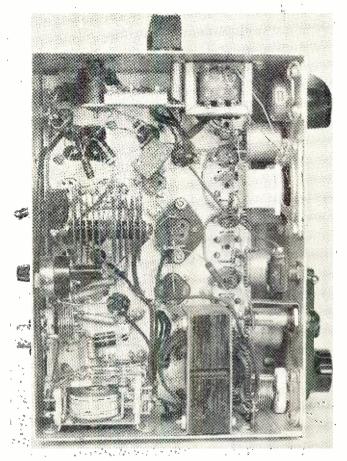
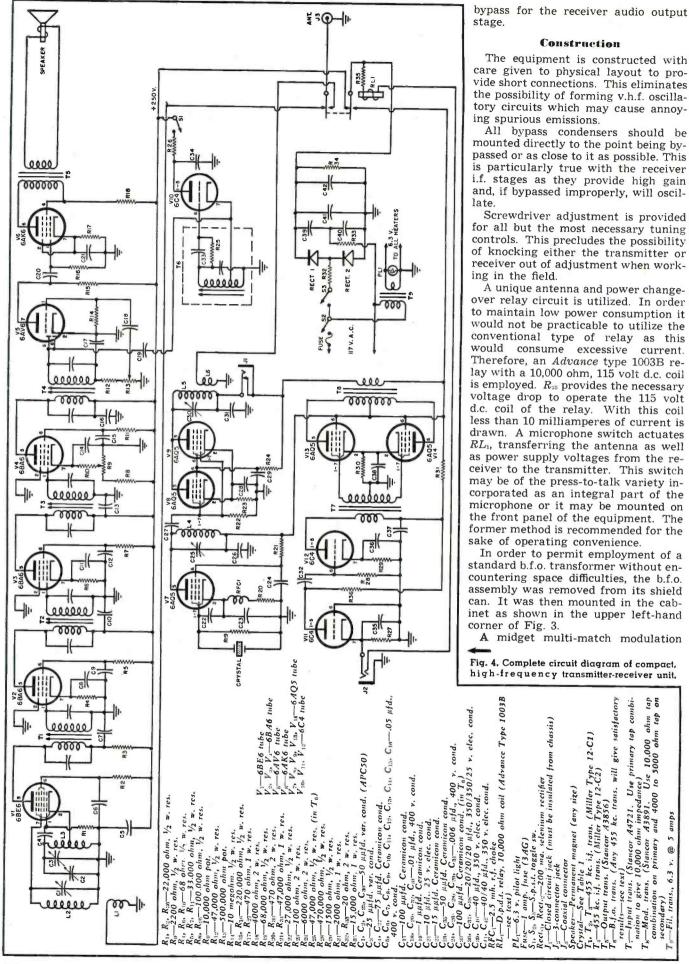


Fig. 3. Bottom view. Note the antenna changeover relay next to filament transformer at bottom of photograph. The b.f.o. assembly can be seen alongside the output transformer at the top.





transformer is used. Primary taps are chosen to give 10,000 ohms impedance and secondary taps to provide 4000 ohms impedance.

Operation

The i.f. alignment may be accomplished using standard procedures with a 455 kc. signal source, although tuning each i.f. transformer for maximum noise will give satisfactory results.

Receiver r.f. alignment is best accomplished with a grid dip oscillator. If coils are wound to the exact specifications outlined in Table 2 no difficulty will be experienced in r.f. alignment. The 75 meter band should be aligned first as it is the simplest of the three. The appropriate coils are placed in their sockets and the grid dip oscillator is adjusted to a frequency in the center of the desired band. Holding the grid dip oscillator close to L_2 , tune C_1 with a screwdriver for a dip in the meter reading. The r.f. section of the mixer is now adjusted for the center of the band. Indicate the condenser setting by placing a spot of colored pencil (each band to have a different color) on the chassis to facilitate resetting the mixer r.f. condenser when changing bands. It is not necessary to change the tuning of this condenser unless bands are changed. The grid dip oscillator is next used as a field strength meter so the grid dip oscillator plate switch should be turned off. The frequency is then set approximately 455 kilocycles higher or lower than the original or mixer frequency. With the bandspread condenser C_3 half-meshed the oscillator padding condenser C_2 is tuned with a screwdriver until maximum reading is obtained with the test instrument held near L_3 . This indicates proper tuning of the oscillator and mixer for the center of the band. Calibration of C_{s} and the main tuning dial may now be effected using a signal generator or other accurate signal source.

The aforementioned operations are then repeated for each of the other

Initial transmitter tuning should be done with a grid dip oscillator to make certain that the stage is tuned to the correct frequency or harmonic. Changing bands may then be accomplished readily with the use of a ½ watt neon bulb to indicate resonance.

For most efficient operation, the chart in Table 1 indicates the recommended manner of operation for each stage. Refer to this chart before tuning the transmitter.

It might be well to note at this point that an overtone crystal should not be used. The modified Pierce circuit will not operate with anything but a fundamental cut crystal.

With appropriate crystal and coils in the transmitter, set the grid dip oscillator at the crystal oscillator stage output frequency (as noted in Table 1) and hold it near $L_{\rm L}$. Tune the crystal oscillator tank condenser with a screwdriver for maximum output. The condenser setting should then be noted on

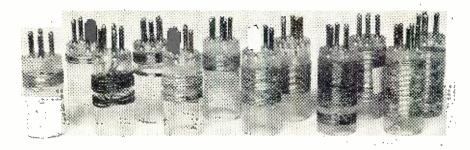


Fig. 5. Midget plug-in coils provide full coverage of the 75, 20, and 10 meter bands.

CRYSTAL OUTPUT	CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR OUTPUT	FINAL AMPLIFIER OUTPUT
75 meters	75 meters	75 meters
80 meters	40 meters	20 meters
40 meters	20 meters	10 meters

Table 1. Recommended transmitter operation for the miniature transmitter-receiver.

the chassis with a spot of colored pencil to enable approximate resetting when changing bands. Next, set the grid dip oscillator on the output frequency as indicated in Table 1. Holding the instrument near L_5 , tune C_{30} with a screwdriver until a maximum reading is again noted on the meter. The condenser setting should be indicated on the chassis with colored pencil as was done in the case of the crystal oscillator. The transmitter is now in resonance for one band. The two remaining bands may be tuned in the same fashion.

With an antenna connected to the equipment and a milliammeter plugged into J_1 the antenna coupling (L_6) is adjusted for optimum output. When operating mobile or portable, using a miniature vibrator power source, the final amplifier should not be loaded to a current greater than 35 milliamperes. A half-wave dipole fed with 72 ohm line or a folded dipole fed with 300 ohm line provides the best antenna match. However, any random length of wire will provide satisfactory local communication.

It is probable that results would be improved somewhat if an antenna tuner were used with wires of random length as this would permit the optimum loading and probably result in better over-all performance.

Tuners that would serve satisfac-

torily have been described in many magazine articles, or may be found in the amateur handbooks.

Another possibility that would permit the feeding of almost any piece of wire is the use of the *Collins* system.

The final tank circuit of the transmitter may be readily converted to this system by using parallel feed on the final, and substituting a 250 $\mu\mu$ fd. midget variable for C_{31} . The rotor plates of C_{30} should be returned to ground in this case, with the connection to the antenna made to the bottom end of the final tank coil L_5 . Tuning of this type of network is covered in the amateur handbooks.

Operation with this unique and serviceable transmitter-receiver has given very satisfying results. Although the equipment was designed for shortrange operation, exceptional signal reports have been received on all bands. Considerable distances have been covered using the simplest type of antenna installation.

This transmitter-receiver combination is an excellent adjunct to the high power station. Extremely compact and easily portable, the "Miracle Miniature" is an attractive package, not only for use in Civil Defense and emergency operations, but also for Field Day or summer vacation "hamming" away from home.

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Table 2. Complete specifications for winding the plug-in coils for portable unit.

	75 METERS	20 METERS	10 METERS
L ₁	12 t. #28 en.	6 t. #24 en.	3 t. #24 en.
L_2	55 t. #28 en.	15 t. #24 en.	7 t. #24 en.
\mathbf{L}_3	44 t. #24 en., tap 7 t. from gnd. end	10 t. #24 en., tap 3 t. from gnd. end	4 t. #24 en tap 1 t. from gnd. end
L,	44 t. #24 en.	25 t. #24 en.	12 t. #24 en.
L_5	42 t. #24 en.	9 t. #24 en.	5 t. #18 en.
L_6	8 t. #24 en.	4 t. #24 en.	3 t. #18 en.

Notes: All coils are closewound on Amphenol 34" dia. Type 24-5H coil forms.

 L_1 is spaced $\frac{1}{4}$ " from L_2

 L_6 is spaced $\frac{1}{4}$ " from L_5 (see text)

TRIPLE YOUR PHONE POWER FREDE, EVERETT While the schematic of the circuit is more or less self-explanatory, a few points should be emphasized. It will

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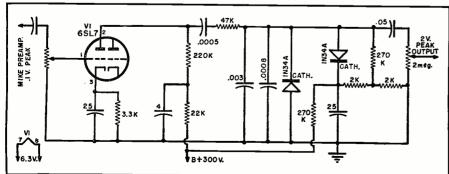
Simplified version of an old idea—a low level peak clipper which can be used with any ham transmitter.

■HE following is not a particularly new idea, but rather a simplified version of an old one. Yes, it's simplified and it works! As seen from the schematic diagram, the idea is a shunt-type, low-level peak clipper and associated filter. The simplifica-tion evolves from the use of crystal diode rectifiers and a simple capacitive roll-off filter. The writer has previously shied away from speech clippers, even with their known advantages, mainly because of the rather elaborate sharp cut-off filters believed necessary. Recent articles and experiments have led to considerable doubt as to the need for such sharp cut-off filters, hence it was decided to try the simplest type—a straight capacitive bypass to ground in conjunction with a simple shunt peak clipper. Before continuing, it is pointed out that the circuit as shown has been thoroughly tested for narrow bandwidth, effective increase in modulation level, distortion, etc., in the writer's 100 watt. 10 and 20 meter amateur transmitter, with gratifying results. Local and distant contacts are unanimous in the effectiveness of the clipper.

A few words of caution before trying this, or any other low-level clipper circuit, are in order. The audio stages AFTER the clipper stage must be first rate, with good response, low distortion, and low phase shift, if maximum benefit of peak clipping is to be ob-

tained. This requirement is particularly demanding of audio transformers, so it behooves one to use resistance coupling where possible, to use good driver and modulation transformers. and to use tubes of adequate capacity to prevent overloading at clipping levels. Technical reasons and theory for this are published in various manuals and will not be detailed here, but to sum up: First, if low frequency phase shift is present, and it will be, the flat tops of the clipped wave peaks will be slanted, or canted, to a degree depending upon the amount of phase shift present. The more the cant of the flat top, the greater the output level of the clipper stage must be reduced to prevent overmodulation on peaks. Second, the more the distortion following the clipper stage, the wider the bandwidth taken up by the transmitter output, regardless of the efficiency of the clipper filter constants. Third, if your driver and/or modulator stage is working at maximum peak power output before clipping, there obviously will not be enough audio power available to faithfully reproduce the flat, clipped waveform output from the clipper stage. If you must compromise on any of these basic requirements, expect a similar compromise on the results obtained. If you must compromise on all of them, unsatisfactory results will be obtained with any type of low-level clipping circuit.

Schematic diagram of low level peak clipper. The input coupling condenser and the gain control should be standard values. A .1 μ fd. and $\frac{1}{2}$ megohm pot are customary.



more or less self-explanatory, a few points should be emphasized. It will be noted that a .0005 µfd. condenser is used at the input of the clipper stage. There are two primary reasons for using such a small size condenser, the first of which is to reduce the bass response to the clipper and following stages, since that bogey, phase shift, will be most troublesome at the lower audio frequencies. In addition, since the capacitive roll-off filter gives an increasing attenuation above 3000 cycles per second, a reduction in bass response is necessary to prevent bassy sounding modulation. The value chosen, in conjunction with the roll-off constants used, seems to give good balance for the average male voice. In regard to the .003 μ fd. filter, the writer used a .003 μ fd. paper condenser, paralleled by a .0008 μ fd. mica condenser which, in addition to giving the desired audio roll-off, makes the circuit relatively insensitive to r.f., a very desirable condition, need it be said.

The cathode of the first rectifier is biased to about 2 volts positive which is also applied to the plate of the second rectifier. Therefore, it is necessary to apply about 4 volts positive potential to the cathode of the second rectifier as shown. This value of bias will cause clipping and limiting of both positive and negative peaks to about 2 volts maximum. The 25 μ fd. bypass condenser from the cathode of the second rectifier to ground was found necessary for good flat top waveform on both peaks and should not be omitted.

It was found that the addition of loading across the output of the clipper, such as too low a value of grid resistor on the following stage, led to an uneven clipping level on positive and negative peaks. Likewise, variations in the crystal rectifiers were found to cause uneven clipping, but this was corrected where it developed by slight adjustment of the bias voltage on one or the other of the crystals. If matched crystals are used (1N35), and reasonable care in handling and soldering (don't overheat the crystals) is exercised, the voltage divider values given will result in well balanced clipping.

The circuit is easy to adjust for the desired amount of clipping and percentage of modulation if the input voltage is adequate and if the audio gain following the clipper is designed for a minimum input of about 2 volts peak. In making the adjustments, it

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MARS' PENTAGON amateur radio to national device are nowhere more in evililitary Amateur Radio System. Air Force project designed to: HEADQUARTERS

▼HE contributions of amateur radio to national defense and public service are nowhere more in evidence than in the Military Amateur Radio System. MARS is a joint Army-Air Force project designed to: Create interest and further training in amateur radio; coordinate practices and procedures of amateur radio operations with those of military radio communications; and provide an additional source of trained radio communications personnel in the event of a local or national emergency.

The Headquarters stations for Army and Air Force MARS are housed in a single building, specially constructed on the concourse of the Pentagon, Washington, D. C. The custom installation was built by *Transmitter Equipment Manufacturing Company*, according to MARS specifications. Engineered by Al Hart (W3AX), WAR and AIR (military call signs of K4USA and K4AF, respectively) are geared to serve the present needs of amateur radio, but are planned so as to be adaptable to flexibility requirements of modern warfare and modern defense.

Each station has a 1000 watt transmitter and associated equipment, a master console, and two individual operating (QSO) booths.

Two equipment racks, one on either side of the transmitter, are mounted into the wall in each of the master control rooms.

Rack 1 contains an antenna multi-coupler, a *Magnecord* recorder and control panel, a beam control panel, transmitter control panel, and a BC 221 frequency meter. Rack 2 contains a *Hallicrafters* S-36A receiver, a *Hammarlund* SP 600JX receiver, patching panel, *Collins* 32-V1, and a *Plex*-10 (expander compressor) amplifier.

The Master Control consists of a nine-position, twochannel audio mixing amplifier capable of utilizing imputs from microphones, turntables, remote lines and recorders; two Collins 75-A receivers, each with its own "Panadaptor"; a Collins 32-V2, used as driver for the local transmitter; single sideband selector which may be used with either of the receivers; and a control panel with controls providing beam rotation and indication, speaker selection, speaker volume control, transmitter control, remote control of tape recorder; and associated items such as "mike" receptacles, plug receptacles for keys, etc. MARS' new, custom-built installation is geared to serve present amateur radio needs, yet it can be easily adapted to meet the flexibility requirements of modern warfare and defense.

Cpl. Lafler patches a keying line from the local transmitter (center bank) into an adjoining studio at headquarters station.



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HOWARD G. McENTEE, w2si

This 55" span plane carries the proportional equipment. Power is .199 cu. in. engine. A vertical antenna works well in this case.

Construction details on the radio control equipment for a model airplane. Precision flying is possible with this novel, 50 mc. transmitter and control unit.

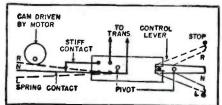
ADIO control of remote objects, particularly model airplanes. has increased by leaps and bounds since 1945, but even today, with all the radio control activity, most builders stick to the rubber-driven magnetic escapement to operate their model control surfaces. While the escapement is simple and reliable, it has several drawbacks, one of which is that the control is an "all or nothing" proposition (some escapements allow a halfway position, although not many modelers make use of it)—you either have neutral or 'hard over." Also, of course, there is the disadvantage of remembering the escapement sequence; it must be stepped from neutral to right, back to neutral, to left, then back to neutral, right again, and so on.

While many hundreds of model plane fliers have mastered the escapement and flown beautifully with it, some of them have wished for something more flexible—a system, for example, where you could get a little right rudder, lots of left, then a little left, etc.-in other words, right or left rudder in any desired degree, and not in any predetermined sequence. Well, there is such a system. It's called proportional control, and the action is simply that the controlled surface exactly follows the movement of the ground station control stick. If you hold the stick at center, the plane rudder will remain neutral; move the stick a little to the left and the rudder follows; push it way over to the left and the rudder flaps over to its limit. It hardly needs to be pointed out that this allows real precision flying. This smooth and accurate control is appreciated when you are trying your hand at "aerobatics."

You can have all this and it isn't too difficult either. The main equipment difference between escapement control surface operation and proportional control is that a motor driven control box is required at the transmitter, and a special device is needed to move the rudder or other control surface in the airplane. The radio link, that is, the transmitting and receiving equipment are the same in either case, and proportional control can be adapted to almost any existing radio control system. Even the motor-driven ground control box might not be included as an extra requirement in the shift from escapement to proportional control; many advanced fliers are already using what is generally called a "beep box" for their escapement operation. This unit is a "motor-driven memory" which automatically counts out pulses to the escapement. It still doesn't allow the infinite variation of control positions as does proportional operation, however.

A control system, affording an ap-

Fig. 1. Simple motor-driven pulser.



proach to proportional action, was described in the August, 1950 issue of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS. The author pointed out that his system would give right or left rudder at will, and the rudder could be held in neutral or any other position as desired. This arrangement could be advanced to true proportional control by a simple addition to the rudder drive, and by changing the transmitter pulsing system so that the length of "on-signal" to "off-signal" pulses might be varied at will. One extreme would be a steady signal and the other no signal, while neutral would be pulses and spaces of equal length as in the arrangement referred to above. A simple motor-driven pulser similar to that outlined in Fig. 1 would do the trick. Pushing the control lever full right or left would give full rudder motor speed in either direction; placing the stick at any intermediate point between neutral and hard-over would give various slower speeds of rudder motor action.

To change over to true proportional action, the rudder motor and gear train require the addition of a pair of springs, so arranged that as the rudder moves farther away from neutral in either direction, the spring pressure tending to push the arm back to neutral increases. (It's best to have no worm gears in the train, as the back pressure causes a binding action.) When the springs are properly tensioned this system will give you real

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proportional control. Move the stick a little left and hold it there—the rudder will move a little left and stop, returning to neutral when you center the stick. The springs can be set so that the rudder follows the stick very closely.

The motor-driven and geared down rudder-operating unit has been used successfully by several experimenters with proportional control. In fact, Jim Walker, who holds several patents on proportional equipment, won the Radio Control event at the Nationals in 1946 with a geared-down motor drive rudder control, and almost repeated again in 1947. However, a much simpler and lighter control unit for model airplanes was developed by George Trammel, who used it with great success at the 1948 Nationals. George calls his development simply an "actuator." It can be likened to a permanent magnet motor without a commutator. For ease of construction, the position of magnet and winding is usually reversed, so that the rotor is a magnet and the winding is placed on the stationary field core. Such a gadget will turn about 180° with a complete reversal of current direction. Its action is naturally much faster than that of a geared-down motor, and although its power is not as great, it is adequate for control surface operation, even with very low input power. The unit we use is shown in simplified sketch form in Fig. 3. A frame of iron (F, G)has a winding (H) on an iron core, and semi-circular iron pole pieces (D, E)above. A disc permanent magnet (C), magnetized across the diameter, turns freely with shaft (B), supported in two brass bearings (J, I). Arm (A)has several holes along its length to drive the rudder through a wire link.

This actuator has been found more than adequate to drive a rudder of about 6 sq. in., when supplied with only 100 ma. current. It is quite a bit heavier than need be, and in fact, was made in a great rush out of available parts. The basic element was the disc magnet (C) which had a bronze center bushing; the unit was built around this magnet and weighs 2.9 oz.

Although the photograph of Fig. 3 shows separate magnet coils, and would normally be used with two batteries, we felt it more practical to use two windings as shown by (H) in the drawings (Fig. 3); this way only one battery is needed. Two sets of batteries seldom "run down" evenly in use, and if they are uneven, the center or neutral position will drift badly. The single battery (two medium flashlight cells) with double-coil actuator gets around this nicely, and with the 100 ma. intermittent current drain, lasts a long time.

Full dimensions are also given in Fig. 3. The iron parts of the unit are all of special magnetic core iron, but any soft iron should work well. Before you start work on such a unit, procure the magnet disc (C) first. Be sure your disc is magnetized with only two poles—some of these discs have as many as

six poles! The pole pieces should fit the disc closely with only 1/32" to 1/64" clearance. If you can get a disc with a center hole, you are lucky—these Alnico discs can't be drilled. A plain disc with no center hole can be used by fastening a stub shaft to a brass disc soldered on each side of the magnet. Suitable disc magnets ¾" x ¼" can be obtained (from Ronald Eyrich, Box 849, Milwaukee, Wisc.) for about 25c each. They have no center hole, but make up into an actuator of ample power. Be sure to use only brass for the bearing pieces.

We fastened all joints of the unit shown with 2–56 screws, and after assembly, when all parts were adjusted satisfactorily, every frame joint was made permanent with soft solder.

The bakelite coil form (H) came from a defunct relay. The double winding is put on a form built up from 5/16'' i.d. bakelite tube with three fiber washers held on by Duco cement. Each coil has 780 turns of #32 enamel wire and both are wound in the same direction.

The disc magnet (C) is soldered to

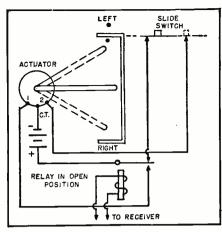
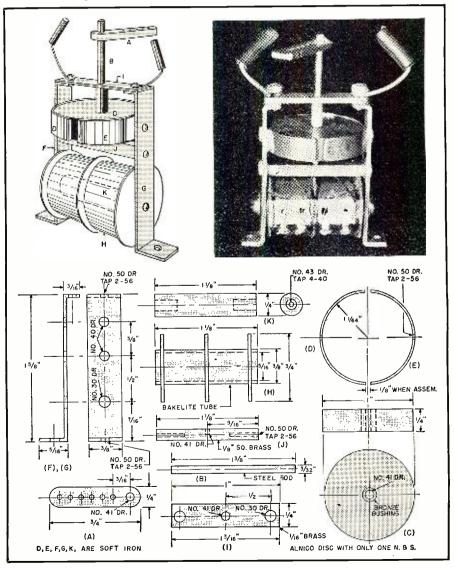


Fig. 2. Actuator wiring diagram. A 3-volt battery is suggested; however, depending on size of plane, this may or may not be too high. To obtain smooth rudder action a resistor of 10 to 20 ohms may be tried in series with the battery. The relay shown is the same as RL₁ in Fig. 6.

the shaft, but the arm should be left loose until you have checked the actuator to find out the exact center posi-

Fig. 3. Complete details on construction of actuator built by the author. The stop arms are made of soft copper wire with rubber tubing bumpers.



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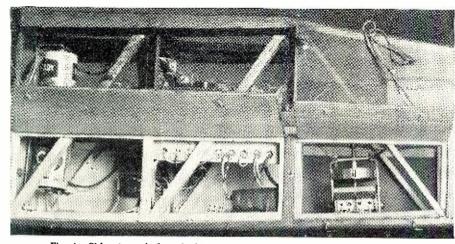


Fig. 4. Side view of plane looking into the hull. The actuator is mounted on the plywood cabin floor. Its power supply consists of the flashlight cells shown at left. Receiver is just visible above the large hatch cover of unit.

tion; then it can be soldered fast. To locate center, remove the winding (H)and its core (K) and you'll find the rotor (C) snaps to one position—this is neutral, or center rudder; this position is not as pronounced with the winding core in place, for the latter acts as a sort of magnetic shunt.

Two stops are held by the 2-56 screws on the top bearing. These stops are bent back so that they are not touched by the arm during its normal range of movement. They simply prevent the arm from snapping around to the wrong side.

As noted before, this is a heavy duty unit and would swing a much larger model plane rudder, or even a boat rudder. We drive it with a 3 volt battery (see Fig. 2). The two windings (H, Fig. 3), of course, must be connected to give opposite reaction as the relay (Fig. 2) shifts.

It is only fair to warn the reader that proportional control has one bad feature. If some link in the radio system fails, the rudder immediately assumes a hard-over position. In boats

or cars this might be nothing but an annoyance; in model aviation it is usually fatal! When proportional control is fitted, model airplanes are normally rigged with more than ample rudder action. When a plane is flying under power, however, if the rudder is held hard over-especially to the left-the plane usually winds up in a screaming spiral dive that can have but one ending-utter disaster! There is a way out of this, though, and Fig. 2 shows you how. The most dangerous condition in most model planes is full left rudder, as propeller torque accentuates the left turn. We set the system up so that loss of signal will cause the failure in the receiver circuit. The actuator arm will fly over to the full left position, forcing the yoke against the upper (left) pin and mechanically ways closed under normal operating conditions. No power reaches either actuator winding now, and the normal

sensitive relay to open, as will any opening the slide switch, which is alcentering action of the actuator, plus airstream on the rudder, will force the

latter to a near-center position and save the ship from spinning-in. Should control be regained, full right on the stick will restore the yoke to normal (downward) position and control may then be resumed. Of course, with this type of safety device you must take care not to push the control stick to the full left limit, or the device will operate even though your control system is functioning satisfactorily. Unexpected operation of the safety cutoff could be very disconcerting if you were engaged in some tight maneuvers. This can be prevented by setting up your control box stops so that you cannot reach the full no-signal position. The actuator type of proportional

control is self-centering. After you have the system properly balanced, the rudder will always return to neutral if the ground control stick is centered. This makes flying a real thrill and is a safety feature, too. If your plane gets into some unwanted maneuver, you just let the control stick snap to center position, and, with its rudder neutral, the ship's inherent stability will right it. This feature is great for beginners suffering from "pilot trouble"!

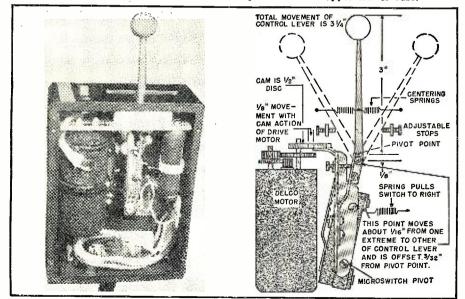
It must be admitted that most fliers using proportional control—the writer not excepted-don't use the safety system we have described. However, our particular ship is grounded until the arrangement shown in Fig. 2 can be added. We feel it's foolish to tempt fate any longer!

Now, let's see what kind of a control box is needed to pulse the transmitter and provide variable pulse width and spacing as required. The control box is illustrated in Fig. 5. The drive motor is a surplus job labelled "Delco 5069625—120 rpm—27 v. d.c.." It's a series type motor with a governor system designed to hold speed constant over a wide voltage range. The governor doesn't operate below about 15 volts but we left it intact. The motor runs nicely on as low as 41/4 volts and we use it this way in the control box pictured; some experiments were made with different pulse speeds which were secured by the wirewound resistor at the right of the unit. The pushbutton to left of the "stick" shorts out the resistor and applies 5% volts to the motor. The motor turns at about 5000 rpm on the normal 41/4 volt input, giving about 380 pulses per minute; when the resistor is shorted out, the pulse rate goes up to about 690. A rate of from 300 to 400 pulses per minute is adequate. The rudder can be seen to wiggle a little, though the movement is so fast the plane doesn't follow it, but pursues a perfectly smooth course.

The output shaft with bearing and gear was discarded, as was the next gear in the train; this left two gears in the case, and the final ratio was about 13 to 1. On the shaft of the larger gear a brass disc ½" diameter and ½" thick was pressed. The hole in the disc was bored 1/16" off-center, so the disc acts as a cam with 1/8" total movement.

A Micro-Switch provides the contacts; the one we used came with a

Fig. 5. Complete details on constructing the control unit. The resistor for varying the speed is shown at the right in the photograph. The pushbutton switch, used to short out this resistor, protrudes from upper left of case.



long spring bronze arm that projects about an inch beyond the end of the switch case. This arm was bent over at the end and a ½" diameter ballbearing riveted on. The ball-bearing rides on the brass cam. This Micro-Switch is pivoted by a close-fitting pin through one of the mounting holes (the lower of the two screws in the photo, Fig. 5). Bolted firmly to the Micro-Switch is an adjustable arm bearing upon the control lever. A light spring keeps them in contact at all times.

Since this control box was intended for experimental purposes, every possible part was made adjustable or movable. We certainly wouldn't suggest that anyone copy this unit exactly. However, as a guide to other builders, Fig. 5 gives the essential details and ranges of movement. It will be noted that the cam action between control lever and Micro-Switch is "off-center" -the contacts are moved much more on one side of center than on the other. It was found, with the original set-up where the movement was equal both sides of center, that right rudder could be had in any degree from just offcenter to full-over. Left rudder, however, was pretty abrupt and virtually jumped from just off-center to hardover. Offsetting the action cured this nicely, although we intend to find out just where in the system the lag, or whatever causes the effect, is located. It's in the radio system somewhere, and all r.f. systems will probably differ in this respect—so just remember the offset trick.

It goes without saying that all moving parts of the control box must be well fitted, with minimum "sloppiness." If they are not, you will find your neutral position shifts every time you move the lever, a positive preventative to accurate or even enjoyable flying.

While a s.p.s.t. contact arrangement is all you need in the control box, it's helpful to have s.p.d.t. contacts, for then you can check results with an actuator connected directly to the control box and a battery, without wasting radio batteries. The proportional system will work with any radio equipment now on the market for radio control purposes, although we presume most readers of these columns will dream up their own radio apparatus. The point is, you can adapt any existing radio plane and r.f. equipment to proportional control; just substitute the control box and actuator for the present pushbutton and escapement.

Having used the RK-61, and its predecessor, the RK-62, for some years, we have often thought of going back to a receiver system that was popular before the miniature gas triodes were developed. It was felt that with "hard" tubes we could obtain the desired control action with less critical adjustment, less sensitivity to dropping battery voltages, and greatly extended tube life. A receiver we had built back in 1939 was dragged out and put through its paces again. The second a.f. tube has a rather high grid leak,

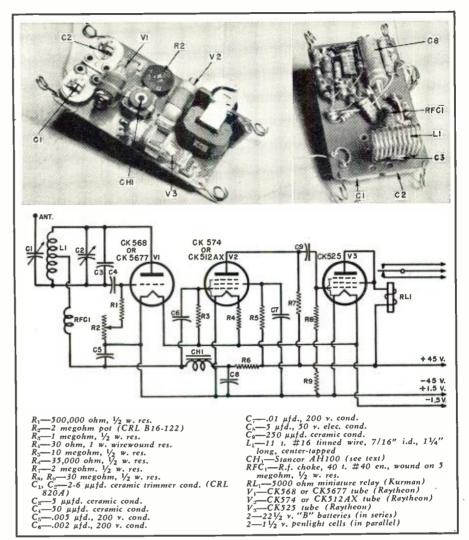


Fig. 6. Top and bottom views and the complete schematic diagram of the receiver.

and the normal rush noise of the detector, amplified by the first audio stage, is sufficient to drop the plate current of this last tube to a low value. When a signal comes in, the rush stops, the bias is reduced, and the last tube draws much higher current, closing a relay in the plate circuit.

An up-to-date version (Fig. 6) of this old idea was worked up using modern subminiature tubes and other midget components, and is illustrated here. Using the lightweight Kurman sensitive relay, and the tiniest parts available from the usual radio supply sources, the finished job measures $3\frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" x $1\frac{1}{2}$ " and weighs only 3 oz. These figures are not much higher than those of current commercial one-tube radio control receivers, and the little 3-tuber has worked without a hitch.

Besides the advantages mentioned above, this receiver ties in with proportional control particularly well, since, unlike most present day radio control receivers, the plate current is low with no signal. Thus the relay, RL_1 , is open (or making on the upper contact) until the transmitter goes on, whereupon it closes. This is ideal for the safety system in Fig. 2; the actuator is connected so that no-signal gives left rudder. The rudder also

moves left if either the transmitter or receiver (also batteries, wiring, etc.) fails, thereby actuating the left cut-off-switch and allowing the rudder to return to neutral.

The tube sockets (Fig. 6) are cemented into oblong slots, and the tubes themselves are held in small fuse clips. Eyelets are employed to hold on many parts, including the fuse clips, ceramic trimmers, L_1 and CH_1 , etc.

Inductance CH_1 is a hearing aid output choke with the entire core removed. Four of the "I" strips from the discarded core are inserted through the winding bobbin and bent around the outside; thus providing four individual closed cores.

To save the last fraction of an ounce, we even removed the mounting bracket on the *Kurman* relay and tapped into the iron core to fasten it to the "chassis." This work wasn't worth the trouble, but another modification is definitely required. The two curved contact arms are rather flexible, and under certain conditions of receiver operation, a strong audio vibration could be noted in the relay. A strip of brass, soldered from the lugend of each contact and running out to as near the end as possible, completely cured this difficulty.

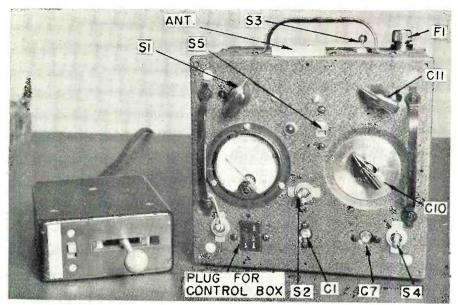


Fig. 7. Over-all view of transmitter with the control box shown at left. The vertical antenna plugs in through the plastic disc at the top of the case. For identification of component parts see transmitter schematic, page 90.

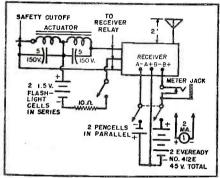


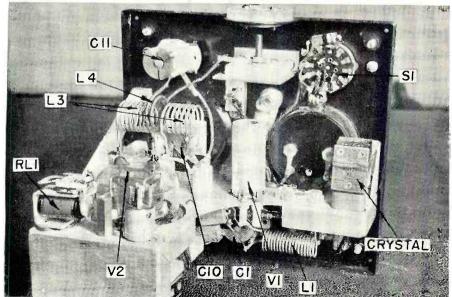
Fig. 8. Wiring diagram showing how miscellaneous equipment in plane is connected.

It will be seen that an electrolytic condenser, $C_{\rm s}$, is incorporated; this was found necessary to cure a.f. oscillation when the "B" battery internal resist-

ance increases with age. Unfortunately properly. The relay is adjusted to op-

the leakage current of C_s is as high as the whole current drain of the receiver under the no-input condition. However, as the receiver was intended to be relatively unfussy over lowering battery voltage, this condenser is a necessity; R_6 drops the leakage current considerably. It was found that if R_2 (which establishes operating conditions for the whole receiver) were set properly, the "B" voltage could drop to 38 from the original 45 volts, and the "A" to 1 volt from 1.5, and the set would still operate reliably. The plate current for the entire receiver normally is set at .4 ma. by adjusting R_2 and C_1 ; the latter never requires change once it is set erate at about .7 ma. and open at .9; the plate current goes up around 1 to 1.7 ma. depending upon transmitter

Fig. 9. The large cutout in the chassis is provided to permit clearance of vertically mounted dynamotor. Note two crystals in double socket at right. See transmitter diagram, Fig. 10, page 90, for identification of parts.



proximity. Distance checks up to 1/4 mile on the ground have proved entirely successful.

There are no tricks required to put the receiver into use. After the input is tuned to the transmitter (the latter operating with very low output and no antenna), condenser, C_1 , is decreased until it tends to cause a rather rapid plate current rise; a 0-2 ma. meter is used in the receiver "B+" lead for convenience-not in the plate circuit of V_3 . The antenna may have to be altered in length so that C_1 will cause the proper loading at mid-range. R_2 is then varied to bring the plate meter to .4 ma. That's all there is to it. If R_2 is set to raise the plate current too high, the meter needle will waver quite a bit, while if too low, the plate current with signal will not increase enough to work the relay reliably.

This receiver has proven very satisfactory, and has given no trouble whatever. It has survived several crack-ups that tore it loose from its mountings (it is suspended by rubber bands as is common radio control practice). We feel sure it will work well on the higher ham bands, as V_1 is rated by the manufacturer as operable up to "several hundred mc." V_1 can be replaced by Raytheon's CK5676, a very similar tube using a 120 ma. filament, which is said to be usable as high as 350 mc. Total filament drain of the receiver, as we show it, is about 100 ma.

The three tubes in this receiver total up to considerably more in cost than a single RK61, as used in the majority of radio control receivers, but their life is measured in hundreds of hours. rather than the under-ten hour life of the 61. Furthermore, they have recently appeared on the surplus market at around \$1.50 each! (TAB, N.Y.C.).

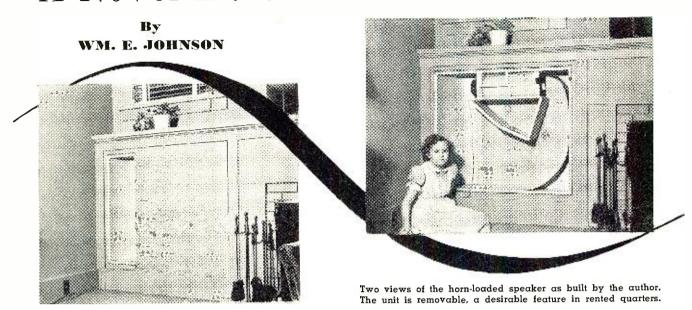
The complete circuit of the airplane equipment is seen in Fig. 8. The only unusual feature is the use of 5 μ fd., 150 volt electrolytic condensers across the relay contacts. The relay requires quite a sensitive setting and during first trials it would often unaccountably "stick." No arcing could be seen at the contacts, nor did they show any pitting. The inductive kick of the actuator coils was the cause, and the electrolytics cured the trouble. They must be properly polarized, of course.

The transmitter (Figs. 7, 9, and 10) does not require a great deal of description as it follows regular amateur practice. It is entirely self-contained in a case $7\frac{1}{4}$ " wide by $7\frac{1}{2}$ " high by $6\frac{1}{2}$ " deep. Practically every part in it was gleaned from the surplus markets, including the dynamotor-a 9 volt type that gives 275 volts under full load of the set, with about 51/2 volts at the input brushes. It measures about $3\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter by 6" long and is placed vertically in the case on small shock mounts. The chassis is cut out to fit and it must be admitted that some juggling was needed to get the transmitter parts in the space left!

All components associated with V_1 are under the chassis except the crys-

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A Novel HORN-LOADED SPEAKER



For those who have a fireplace-bookcase combination of this type, it is an easy task to build this inconspicuous unit. Add a horn to your present speaker to provide smoother performance. It will extend the unit's low frequency response considerably.

S MOST of you know by now, there is no substitute for a horn for true sound reproduction. The corner horn has been developed to achieve the necessarily heroic dimensions while providing something you can stuff in your living room.

I had to be convinced of the value of a corner horn, but after listening to two of them, the convincing was done. All I had to do was find a corner to put one in. We recently moved, and one of the things I looked for in our house-hunting was a corner in which to put a speaker. Houses aren't usually built with such specifications in mind so we had to settle on a house that met our other requirements.

We now had a house that was unsuited for a conventional corner type horn and, in addition, we didn't have the money to spend on the high-priced woofer and tweeters for a two- or three-channel system. We did have a fireplace at one end of our living room with bookshelves on each side that extended to the corners and we also had a very fine eight-inch speaker, the Western Electric 755-A. A little plywood, a little linoleum, a little imagination, and a lot of work, and there was our corner horn.

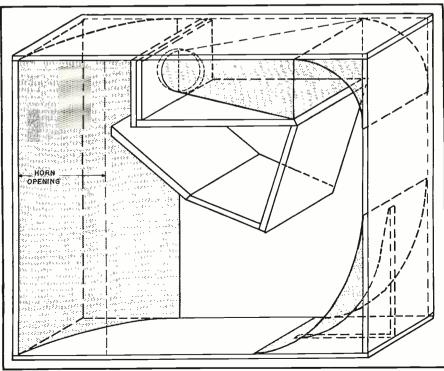
It probably isn't the master, or even the equal, of the more elaborate jobs but it provides substantial improvement for an already fine speaker. Horn loading smooths and greatly extends the bass response. High frequency radiation is largely from the rear, through the center pole piece,

and wide dispersion is accomplished by reflection from the curved, vertical piece of linoleum. Those of you who are familiar with this speaker know that its normal high frequency radiation is confined to quite a tight beam directly on its axis. The difference in various parts of the room is now almost undetectable. Tests with the younger members of the family show very good response well beyond my cut-off of about 14,000 cycles. As shown in the photograph, the high frequency source is above chair height, so furniture arrangement is quite independent of sound considerations.

Room appearance and flexibility of furniture arrangement were important considerations in designing this system. It was decided that a compromise in sound quality would be more desirable than a perfect sound-

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Details of construction. Linoleum and plywood are the only materials required.



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TV TEST EQUIPMENT For Outside Service Work

By M. B. LONG

About 75% of all house calls involve tube replacement. For the balance, a 20,000 ohms-per-volt voltmeter or a v.t.v.m. is the most practical unit.

OST outside television service work can usually be handled with just a tube replacement kit. It can be fairly stated that approximately 75 per-cent of all TV service calls are a result of tube failure. As for the 25 per-cent that do not respond to the tube "treatment," these are the ones that cause the grey hair. To service these sets efficiently in the customer's home, since the removal of a set is both time consuming and costly, a good vacuum tube voltmeter or at least a 20,000 ohms-per-volt meter is a necessity.

A v.t.v.m. is the ideal instrument to cope with sets exhibiting characteristics of component part failure, where condensers short or open, resistors burn or change value, etc.

Let's discuss a few typical examples. A particular set boasts of a bright horizontal line across the center of the picture tube; the rest of the screen is dark. Obviously this is an indication of "no vertical sweep." After replacing tubes the technician should turn his attention to the vertical sweep circuits. What are the possible sources of this trouble? The parts of the circuit involved are the vertical sweep oscillator, the vertical amplifier, the vertical output transformer, or the vertical coils in the deflection yoke. With sets having electrical centering controls, a quick check can be made before the chassis is removed from the cabinet to determine whether the trouble is in the vertical output transformer or deflection yoke. The centering control is used to vary the amount of d.c. flowing through the deflection yoke, which

produces the centering action. If either the secondary of the vertical output transformer or the vertical coils in the deflection yoke are open, there won't be any vertical sweep, nor could the amount of centering current through the yoke be varied. As a result, when the centering control is turned, it won't affect the position of the bright horizontal line. If the line moves up and down when the control is turned, this indicates that the output circuit is complete and that the technician can go on to the vertical oscillator and amplifier.

A quick test to see if the vertical oscillator is working would be to check for negative voltage between grid and cathode. All oscillators-whether vertical sweep, horizontal sweep, local oscillator, Hartley, Colpitts, etc.-have one important characteristic in common. When oscillating, they always produce a negative voltage on the grid with respect to the cathode. To measure this voltage a meter that will not load the circuit and upset it is required. This means a 20,000 ohms-per-volt unit or a vacuum tube voltmeter. Loading the circuit with a 1000 ohms-per-volt meter may cause the circuit to stop oscillating as long as the meter leads are connected, thereby giving the impression that the circuit is inoperative.



the key to successful servicing is a technician who can diagnose the trouble quickly and make necessary repairs systematically.

A word of caution-be sure to check between grid and cathode, rather than to ground, because quite often the grid and cathode may be tied to a point that is negative with respect to ground and, as a result, a negative reading would be obtained whether the circuit was working or not. If the oscillator is not working, a few quick checks with the voltmeter for plate or screen voltage would probably indicate the source of trouble. Assuming the oscillator is working, the next step would be to trace the signal to the vertical amplifier. Since the signal generated by the vertical oscillator is low in frequency (60 cycles) it can be measured and traced with the a.c. ranges of the v.t.v.m. This signal must eventually be applied between the grid and cathode of this stage, so the ground lead of the v.t.v.m should be clipped to the cathode. Moving the test lead from the plate of the oscillator through the coupling circuits and then to the grid of the vertical amplifier permits actual "signal tracing" of the complete vertical sweep circuits with the v.t.v.m. Loss of signal along the line might indicate an open coupling condenser. So much for the vertical sweep circuits.

Suppose the complaint indicates trouble in the sync circuits. If replacing tubes doesn't cure the fault, the

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average outside technician is inclined to pull the set in to the shop, because trouble in the sync circuits usually requires signal tracing with a scope. Actually, a good percentage of these troubles could be located and repaired in the customer's house with the aid of the v.t.v.m. Most sync clippers, sync levelers, and sync separator stages are grid-leak biased. That is, the grids of the tubes used in these stages are usually driven positive by the signal, causing grid current to flow, thereby producing a bias which adjusts itself to the amplitude of the applied signal. No signal—no grid current—no negative bias voltage! Simply check for negative bias voltage with the v.t.v.m. It is as easy as that! To be sure that the voltage being measured is due to the signal, the preceding tube should be removed. If the voltage disappears, we can be reasonably certain that it is produced by the signal. This method permits the "signal tracing" of the sync circuits and the location of open coupling condensers or stages that aren't working.

Horizontal automatic frequency control circuits are usually serviced with a scope in the shop, but they can be handled quite easily in the home with a v.t.v.m. Fig. 1 is a block diagram of a typical "syncrolok" circuit containing three stages. Basically, these stages function as follows. The horizontal oscillator generates the sweep signal. Some of this signal is applied to a discriminator or "comparer" circuit. Horizontal sync pulses received from the transmitter are also applied to this circuit. The two signals are compared as to their frequency and phase. If they are "in step," the output of the discriminator is zero. If the frequency of the oscillator is higher than that of the sync pulses, the discriminator output is a small negative voltage. If the oscillator is lower, the output voltage is positive. These "control" voltages are applied to the grid of the control tube. This control tube acts as a variable inductance in parallel with the oscillator coil. If the grid is made positive, its effective inductance is increased. If it is made negative, its inductance would appear to decrease. This change in effective inductance varies the frequency of the horizontal oscillator. If the horizontal oscillator frequency were to drift from its correct value, the discriminator would produce a control voltage which would affect the control tube which, in turn, would correct the frequency of the oscillator. As a result, the frequency of the horizontal oscillator is kept locked in step with that of the sync pulses.

A breakdown in the discriminator or control tube circuits would result in "no horizontal sync." Now let's see how the v.t.v.m. could be used to localize trouble in this circuit. Referring to Fig. 2, it will be noticed that the grid of the control tube has two volts of negative bias applied from the negative power supply. This, then, would be the normal operating voltage if the discriminator output was zero. Assum-

ing that the system isn't operating and that the picture can't be "locked" horizontally-the first problem would be to isolate the defective stage. Since there is a picture, the horizontal oscillator is operating. Thus, the trouble must be either in the discriminator or control tube circuits. The first step would be to short the grid of the control tube to ground and note the effect on the picture. Let's stop to see what shorting the grid to ground does. Normally there should be two volts negative on the grid. Shorting it drops this voltage to zero. The control voltage on the control tube has been changed and this should produce a change in the horizontal oscillator frequency. The visible effect on the picture should be the same as if the setting of the horizontal hold control were changed. If a change is noticed, it indicates that the control tube circuit is working and the trouble lies in the discriminator circuit. No visible change would indicate that the control tube circuit is at fault. Now the v.t.v.m. can be used to verify these findings. The v.t.v.m. should be connected from the control tube grid to ground. Set the horizontal hold control to the middle of its range. Note the voltage on the grid. Then rotate the hold control from one extreme to the other. Doing this increases the frequency in one direction and decreases it in the other direction. This should produce a changing control voltage at the output of the discriminator, which should appear on the grid of the control tube. If the grid voltage changes when the control is rotated, it indicates that the discriminator circuit is operating and the trouble lies in the control tube circuit. If

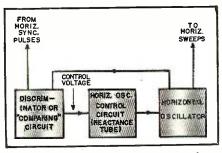


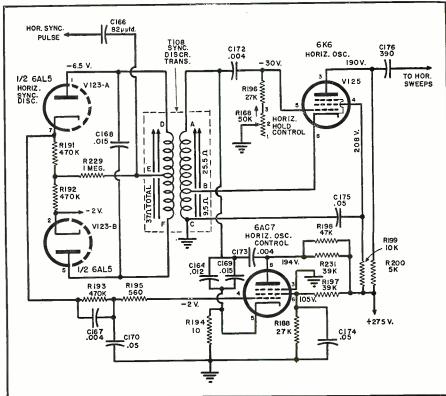
Fig. 1. Block diagram of conventional automatic frequency control circuit.

the voltage doesn't change, the trouble is in the discriminator circuit. Once the defective stage is isolated a few quick checks with the v.t.v.m. "plate voltage, screen voltage, bias, resistance" should spot the defective component.

These are just a few examples of what can be done in TV service work in the home with just a replacement tube kit and a v.t.v.m. The 20,000 ohms-per-volt unit has one possible advantage over the v.t.v.m. in which the outside service man might be interested. It is self-powered. Whether or not this is a real advantage would have to be decided by the individual, bearing in mind the cost and inconvenience of battery replacement.

Additional service equipment that the outside technician might want to carry, which could be classed as "not absolutely necessary, but nice to have," would be a scope. With a scope he could actually see the picture signal and trace from the video detector, through the video amplifiers, right up to the grid of the picture tube. He (Continued on page 94)

Fig. 2. Diagram of a conventional discriminator and horizontal oscillator of a TV receiver.





UDDENLY Barney, the "hired hand" of Mac's Radio Service Shop, slammed his solder gun down on the bench and demanded of his boss: "Mac, what's so doggone funny? You've been grinning like a television toothpaste commercial ever since you came back from lunch."

"Well," Mac explained, "by the time I got over to the Dutchman's this noon, all of the counter stools were taken, and I had to sit in a booth. While I was eating I couldn't help but overhear a hot antenna argument going on between a couple of rabid TV fans in the booth behind me. Each guy was whooping it up for his antenna system and using as evidence the distant television stations he pulled in during that 'opening' we had around last Decoration Day. Number One gave all the credit to his battery of yagis, while Number Two was convinced that his colinear array was what enabled him to yank in the DX."

"And that's side-splittingly funny?" Barney questioned with arched eyebrows.

"In a way it is. I kept thinking how amusing it would be if I butted in and related my own experience during that period. You will remember that I had just received my new television chassis at the time and was waiting on a cabinet. However, I was so eager to try out the high-fidelity amplifier on a couple of speakers I had at home that I unpacked the chassis and set it on top of the shipping carton, cut a twin-lead folded dipole roughly for the FM band and tossed it on a desk beside the set, slid in a picture tube, and turned on the set.

"While I was adjusting the ion trap on the seventeen inch tube I was using, I began to notice pictures on the screen. In the next couple of days, using that very poor antenna, a yardstick for an antenna tower, without any booster of any sort, and at this Northern Indiana location seventy miles from the nearest TV transmitter, I logged Cuban stations on Channels 4 and 6; Miami and Jacksonville, Florida, stations on 4; Chicago stations on 4, 5, 7, and 9; San Antonio, Texas, on 4 and Houston on 2; Milwaukee on 3; Louisville, Kentucky, on 5; and Indianapolis on 6. While there was fading on some of the signals, both sound and picture were received in each case with sufficient clarity to make identification easy and positive. In many cases, the reception was perfect, without the slightest snow or noise.

"You don't suppose you could have stumbled on some kind of a super antenna in that twin-lead job, do you?" Barney suggested hopefully.

"Not a chance," Mac replied with a chuckle. "Just to make sure, while Cuba was rolling in on Channel 4, I took off the antenna and touched one of the terminals with a screwdriver. "Television Para Todo' came in almost as well as it had with the antenna.

"No," he continued, "the point of

"No," he continued, "the point of the whole thing is that the antenna efficiency seems to mean little during these periods of freak reception. In fact, a low antenna may actually do a better job of picking up DX at such a time than will an antenna mounted on top of a high tower. Either refraction or reflection causes the distant signals to come in at pretty steep angles. The fact I could pick them up down in the bottom of this river valley proves that. Signals from fairly close stations, on the other hand, are usually not subject to so much distortion and continue to be picked up better by more elevated

antennas. As a result, an antenna that is really up in the air picks up enough signal from a nearby station to interfere seriously with a DX signal. A low antenna, on the other hand, gets the distant signal just as strongly and without the interference from the close station."

"Then you think that when one of these freak DX periods start, the thing to do is to start looking for faraway stations with a tuning knob in one hand and a folded dipole in the other."

"It's worth a try, anyway," Mac said, smiling at the graphic picture Barney's words evoked. "One thing in favor of such a system is that it allows you to switch the antenna around much quicker than can be done with a rotating motor, and that is a distinct advantage in this freak reception. The signals from Texas were received best with the ends of my folded dipole pointing southwest and northeast-exactly opposite to what a person would normally expect and indicating that the signal was arriving by way of a most devious route. Furthermore, I counted as many as five separate ghost images on the signal from Houston, some displaced from the main signal by as far as three inches on the sixteen-inch screen. These ghosts kept moving back and forth behind the main signal, and by turning the antenna, the chief signal and one of the ghosts could sometimes be made to exchange roles. Often the signal arrived in the of closely-spaced waves of strength, and being able to whirl the antenna about quickly during the peak of the wave permitted the best position to be readily determined.

"Next time, though, I intend to use a special antenna I am making up just for freak DXing," Mac continued. "It consists of a folded dipole with end sections that telescope like the slide on a slide-trombone. A telescoping reflector is also used, and both units are mounted so that the space between them can be easily varied without upsetting their relative alignment. The element sections and the 'boom' are marked so that the array can be quickly set up for any channel."

"Why go to all that trouble when you say the efficiency of the antenna is unimportant when the DX signals are really piling in?"

"I'm not trying to increase the effi-ciency of the antenna," Mac explained. "What I want is an antenna that is more one-directional to help in establishing more accurately from just which direction the signal arrives; furthermore, by being able to tilt the simple array, I hope to get a rough idea of the angles at which the signals come in. Still another hoped-for advantage lies in the possibility of doing a better job of separating several stations likely to be found occupying a single channel during one of these unusual periods. You should have heard five different stations battling it out on Channel 4 like cats fighting over a fishhead as I did last May 30th.

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Compiled by KENNETH R. BOORD

T IS A pleasure this month to dedicate the ISW DEPARTMENT
- to radio in Canada. Thanks go to F. P. Johnson, Senior Engineer, International Service, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, for this fine data.

In November 1936, when the newly-formed Canadian Broadcasting Corporation took over the Canadian Radio Broadcasting Commission facilities, with its establishment of 20 employees in Montreal, network broadcasting consisted of six hours of programming daily. Today, less than 15 years later, the CBC's new Radio-Canada Building in Montreal, Quebec, represents the latest link in one of the largest radio systems in the world. From its 26 ultramodern studios flow programs in 14 different languages to Canada and the world 18 hours a day.

In an average year, the Radio-Canada Building supplies nearly 6000 hours of network programming within Canada—more than any other *CBC* production center. These are carried on the *CBC*'s Trans-Canada and Dominion Networks to *English*-speaking Canadians across Canada, and on the French network (which has its headquarters in the building) to French-speaking Canadians.

The International Service also has its headquarters in the Radio-Canada Building and shares studios with the National Service. From these studios, then, the *Voice of Canada* is carried over 600 miles of land line to the two powerful IS transmitters at Sackville, New Brunswick, which sends it around

the world. The total output from the 26 studios goes to eight separate transmitters.

Out of the Radio-Canada Building, too, come recordings of *CBC* programs for a number of French-language stations across Canada and for foreign countries.

Soon the new building will be the center of still another service—television. In the building's five-story television wing, TV programs from three studios for *English* and French audiences in the Montreal area will be produced. These programs will be broadcast from atop Mount Royal.

In addition to all of these outgoing services, the Radio-Canada Building also is the center of seven incoming radio networks.

These are the radio activities which make *CBC*'s new Radio-Canada Building one of the busiest—as well as the most modern—radio centers on the North American continent.

Despite problems of scattered population and vast distances, the *CBC* has established itself as the largest operating entity of its kind in the world. Today, the *CBC* operates more extensive networks and broadcasts in more time

zones (6½ of the world's 24 are in Canada) than any other radio system in the world.

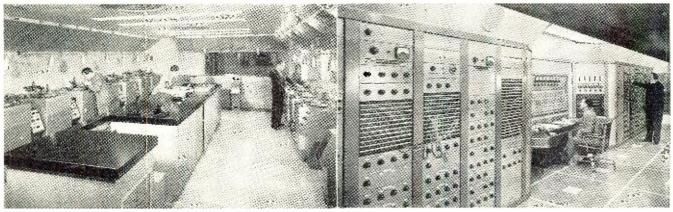
The CBC operates a total of 55 transmitters for its National and International Services. In Canada alone, these transmitters help to make it possible for more than 95 per-cent of the country's population to hear network radio programs. Of these 55 transmitters, 20 are standard band AM stations (8 with a power of 50 kw. to give adequate service in rural areas); five FM stations are operated (in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, and Vancouver). Four short-wave transmitters (on 11 frequencies) carry service to remote areas in Canada, and 24 low-power relay transmitters have been installed to serve listeners in sparsely-populated sections along the Trans-Canada network. Four more of these relays now are being installed. The International Service employs two 50 kw. transmitters (on 15 frequencies) to beam programs abroad. These transmitters broadcast the strongest signal reaching Europe from this side of the Atlantic, CBC reports.

The short-wave transmitting station at Sackville, New Brunswick, is a modern two and a half story structure of reinforced concrete. The main equipment—for the two short-wave transmitters and for the standard broadcast band station CBA—is installed in separate rooms on each side of the main control room and the standby power supply enclosure. In the right (Continued on page 127)

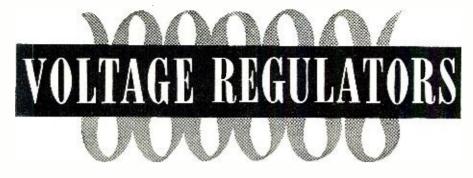
(Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all time is expressed in American EST: add 5 hours for GCT. "News" refers to newscasts in the English language. In order to avoid confusion, the 24 hour clock has been used in designating the times of broadcasts. The hours from midnight until noon are shown as 0000 to 1200 while from 1 p.m. to midnight are shown as 1300 to 2400.) The symbol "V" following a listed frequency indicates "varying." The station may operate either above or below the frequency given. "A" means frequency is approximate.

Radio-Canada's modern soundproof recording room where any of 50 programs passing through master control can be chosen automatically for recording. Each recorder (disc or tape) has its own control panel, clock, light, and overhead speaker. All fourteen of these machines can be used to record program material simultaneously or separately.

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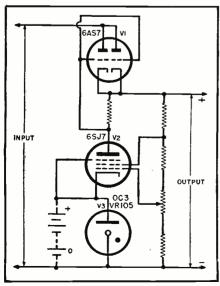
Ideas on designing your own voltage regulators.

There is a choice of designs that will handle reasonable loads at any desired output voltage.

N COMMON with many radio amateurs and experimenters who - enjoy trying out new electronic circuits, the writer has often required power supplies for different voltages. Often, when the right voltage was obtained, the regulation was so poor that the characteristics of the circuit under test were severely affected. A power supply capable of handling a reasonable load with good regulation over a continuously variable, wide-range choice of output voltages would have been particularly valuable during such experimentation. A review of the subject indicated that such a unit was both possible and practical. This article has been written with the thought that others might get useful ideas from the writer's attempts to answer this problem, even though they do not actually construct either of the two units described.

Among the power supplies having regulation of a sort, one has a choice of batteries, ballast tubes, choke input filters, voltage regulator tubes, and electronic voltage regulators. Of these, the electronic voltage regulator showed

Fig. 1. Basic diagram of an electronic voltage regulator. See text for explanation.



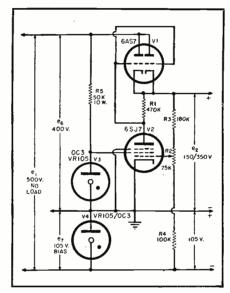


Fig. 2. Modified form of the electronic voltage regulator circuit shown in Fig. 1.

the most promise. Actual use of this type of equipment produced amazing stability. Voltage variations of less than 1% are usually realized and the power limits can be quite high, depending on the number and type of regulator tubes used. The main trouble encountered was the voltage range available, usually from 150 to 350 volts, or from 250 to 450 volts. If the unit is capable of covering these ranges why not regulation for voltages below 150?

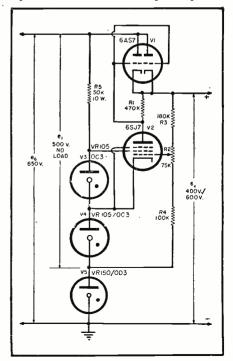
The basic circuit for the electronic voltage regulator is shown in Fig. 1 while a modification is shown in Fig. 2. In these circuits the regulation and choice of output voltage are obtained through changes in the series resistance of the low-mu regulator tube, V_i , which occur with changes in grid bias. The grid bias of V_1 is controlled in turn by a high gain, sharp cut-off pentode, V_2 , which is connected so that any variation in the output voltage of the regulator is reflected on the grid of that tube. The control tube, V_2 , has its cathode held at a fixed reference potential by a battery, or as in this cir-

cuit, a voltage regulator tube. Any tendency for the output voltage to rise swings the grid of the control tube in the positive direction, causing it to draw more plate current thereby increasing the voltage drop through resistor, R_1 . R_1 is in the regulator tube V_1 grid circuit and the resulting increase in bias increases the series resistance of that tube and opposes the tendency for the output voltage to rise. The tendency for the output voltage to drop below the chosen setting causes reverse action. The action takes place either with changes in supply voltage or in load.

The factors which determine the voltage range of the circuit in Fig. 2 work out as follows:

- 1. The maximum output voltage, e_2 , will generally be 50 volts less than the input voltage, e_1 , due to the minimum voltage drop through the regulator tube, V_1 .
- 2. The maximum range for the output voltage, e_2 , is limited by the maximum plate voltage which can be applied to the regulator tube, V_1 . This will be around 250 volts for tubes ordinarily used in this service.
- 3. The minimum output voltage, e_2 , is limited to the total of the reference voltage, e_4 , plus the bias voltage, e_5 , necessary for cut-off bias for the regulator tube, V_1 . It will be around 250 volts if a VR105 is used for V_4 .
- 4. The maximum input voltage, e_i , is limited to the total of the minimum output voltage plus the maximum plate voltage for the regulator tube, V_i . It will be around 500 volts for this circuit. Also, it should check reasonably close to the total of the reference

Fig. 3. Voltage regulator design for 650 volt input. The input voltage (e_0) is the sum of e_1 plus voltage rating of V_5 . More than one VR tube can be used in series with V_5 for higher voltage. Circuit is grounded at its lowest negative point.



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voltage, e_i , plus the maximum rated plate voltage for the control tube, V_2 , plus the minimum voltage drop through V_1 . If a 6SJ7 is used for V_2 that total is also 500 volts.

5. The maximum load current is limited to the maximum rated plate current for the regulator tube, V_1 , and its plate dissipation. The 6AS7 is designed specifically for this service. It is very low-mu and will deliver from 125 ma. continuous service to 200 ma. for short periods. These limits may be increased by connecting additional regulator tubes in parallel as required. The input power supply must have a corresponding power capability.

The circuit of Fig. 2 is a unit which can be inserted in series with the load and across the output of a power supply to obtain a regulated 250 volt adjustable variation in the output voltage. If the power supply delivers 500 volts it is a natural match for the regulator as that total voltage is required by the circuit with the components ordinarily used.

If the power supply is rated at more than 500 volts it becomes necessary to make up the difference by adding a stabilized voltage element, such as a voltage regulator tube, in series with the regulator unit across the power supply. Fig. 3 shows the regulator unit adapted for use with a 650 volt supply by the addition of a VR150 regulator tube. A 200 volt regulated range can be obtained from higher voltage supplies by adding more voltage regulator tubes in series with the regulator unit.

The same principle applies for power supplies of lower voltage. The difference between the 500 volts required by the regulator unit and the power supply voltage must be made up by a stable voltage element.

The circuit of Fig. 4 is a familiar one which can be found in most texts and manuals. A 400 volt supply is used with the negative lead connected to the cathode of the control tube, V_2 . The additional 100 volts required for the regulator circuit is supplied from an auxiliary bias supply. The output voltage is regulated over a range from

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 R_1 —50,000 ohm. 10 w. res. R_2 , R_3 —470,000 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 , R_3 , R_1 —2500 ohm, 10 w. wirewound res. R_7 —150,000 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_7 —200,000 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_7 —50,000 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 00,000 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 00,500 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 0,500 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 0,500 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. R_1 1,525 v. elec. cond. R_1 1,640 v. elec. cond. R_2 1,14d, 200 v. cond. R_1 1,515 s.t. toggle sw.

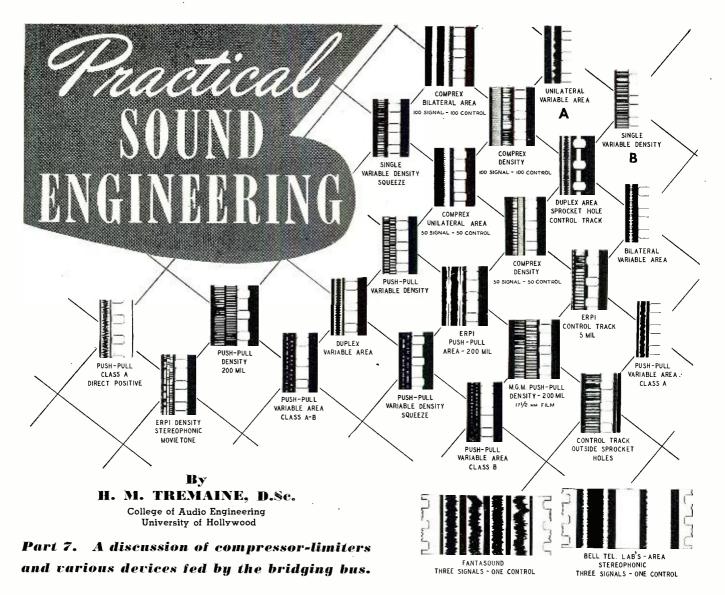
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2—Fil. trans. 6.3 v. @ 2.3 cm.p.; 6.3. v. @ amps.
3—Fil. trans. 6.3 v. @ .3 amp.; 6.3. v. @ .3 amp.; 6.3. v. @ current to be determined by equipment used [1,—250 ma. d.c. milliammeter 1,—500 v. d.c. voltmeter 1,—504 tube 2,—685 tube 3. V.—6457 tube Fig. KIS tube liver

400 V e, 000 V NO LOAD VR 105 V3 250/450 V 210 V BIAS ≩ R4 ≶ 100 K Fig. 5. Voltage regulator grounded at the Fig. 4. Circuit diagram of a voltage regucontrol tube screen level. Output voltage lator grounded at the control tube level. range is 100 volts below that of Fig. 4. Both power and bias supplies are required. R5 50 K 10 W Fig. 6. Diagram of a voltage regulator for use with R3 OUTPUT power supplies delivering 180K 300, 400, 500, and 650 volts. 6SJ7 VR 105/003 VR 105/0C R4 100K 0000 300 v VR 105/0D3 5K 10 W 2500 10W 300 2500 IOW ₹. č. 105 V

V₄—6AS7 tube -6J5 tube -6SJ7 tube V₈—VR105/0C3 tube

Fig. 7. Schematic diagram of a voltage regulator delivering 125 to 150 ma. at a voltage from 0 to 450.



ARLY in the development of the art of sound recording it was recognized that certain types of recording, such as dialogue or sound effects, are of such a volume range that they cannot be reproduced to the best advantage. When reproduced, the loud passages are too loud, and the low passages too low. Under such conditions, the low level sounds are lost in the surrounding ambient noise level of the auditorium, and the high level passages appear to be exaggerated, thus giving unnatural reproduction.

Manual compression of the program material by the mixer during the recording has not been too successful. This led to the development of an automatic electronic device for controlling the gain of recording circuits. Such devices are known as "compressors", or "electronic limiters." Experience has proved that when a compressor is properly adjusted and used, a definite improvement in the intelligibility of the dialogue and volume range is obtained. This is the result of the smoothing effect of the compressor.

A compressor will allow a higher average level to be recorded, thus improving the signal-to-noise ratio. Although the compressor restricts the

volume range, it also flattens out peaks and dips in the program material.

A block diagram of a typical compressor-limiter amplifier used by the motion picture industry is shown in Fig. 1. A compressor amplifier may be likened to an automatic volume control in a radio set, and accomplishes its purpose in a similar manner. The compressor consists of two push-pull stages in tandem. The first stage is a pair of 6SK7 tubes operating as a variable gain stage. This is followed by a fixed gain stage using two 6SJ7 tubes. Across the output of the fixed stage is bridged a single triode stage which drives a diode rectifier. This stage rectifies the audio signal which is then used to bias the first push-pull stage.

As the input audio signal varies in amplitude, so will the bias on the first stage. Therefore, the gain of the first push-pull stage is made to vary in accordance with the amplitude of the incoming signal. An initial adjustment of the bias will allow the gain to be set to a point where the output signal level will not increase as much proportionately with an increase of input signal level, *i.e.*, the signal will be "compressed." The point where compression

starts is called the "breakaway" point. A fixed amount of bias is always present in the first push-pull stage to prevent an increase in plate current until the signal voltage exceeds the initial bias.

The d.c. voltage obtained from the rectifier circuit is filtered to reduce the ripple voltages. The acting and release time of the compressor is controlled by the amount of capacity in the filter circuit. Since it is necessary that the output reduction in gain take place in the shortest possible time, the filter capacity must be kept small. The average operating time is 1 to 10 milliseconds, and approximately 100 milliseconds for release.

Balancing pots are included in both push-pull stages to reduce the effect of ripple voltages from the rectifier circuit. It is imperative that the tubes in both push-pull stages have *identical* electrical characteristics, and be aged at least 50 hours before being put into use.

Two types of compression are in general use, gradual and limiting. See Fig. 3. Gradual compression is set to give a slope of 2 to 1 as shown by the curve *A,B,E*. A limiting curve is generally set for a slope ratio of 4 to 1,

similar to curve A,C,F. A switch is provided in the circuit to remove the compressor action if desired, allowing the device to be operated as a conventional amplifier. This is shown as the "manual" curve, A,B,C,D.

Compression ratios are expressed by stating the breakaway point, as shown by the points B and C, which are relative to 100 per-cent modulation of the system.

The 100 per-cent modulation of the system is defined as being the level for 100 per-cent modulation of the light valve, recording galvanometer, cutting head, or magnetic recorder when the bridging bus is a plus 4 dbm.

The compressor breakaway point is defined as the point where compression can just be detected, or where it affects the system 0.50 db.

Curve *A,B,E* of Fig. 3 represents a compression ratio of 20 db into 10 db at an output level of plus 4 dbm. Curve *A,C,F* represents a compression ratio of 17 db into 3 db at an output level of plus 4 dbm. The expression "20 db into 10 db" means that the output signal level will increase only 10 db above the breakaway point for an increase of 20 db at the input of the compressor.

Compressors are generally of the no gain type, and may be inserted in the system without disturbing previously set levels. However, some manufacturers provide means for increasing the gain if required, thus eliminating the line amplifier and combining both into one unit. This is quite satisfactory if the device is to remain a permanent part of the system. Due to the flexibility required in a large installation, it is better to keep it a separate piece of equipment.

When compression is used with dialogue recording, equalization of high frequencies may be desirable to prevent extreme sibilance. Compressors used without equalization show an excessive amount of sibilants. This is caused by the fact that the sibilants, due to their low inherent energy, do not actuate the compressor to the same extent as do the vowels or consonants. Therefore, equalization is included in the rectifier circuit to increase the high frequency response, thus increasing the compression above 1000 cps where the greatest sibilance occurs. This results in a smoother recording. The required equalization will fall between 3 and 8 db at 6000 cycles.

When recording straight dialogue with the compressor, the low and highpass filters are placed after the compressor, to prevent a change in their frequency characteristics, caused by the action of the compressor. This is accomplished by patching from the master gain control to the compressor, to the filters, and then to the line amplifier, which will then feed the bridging bus.

The low frequency equalization used with dialogue recording provides protection for the compressor, as it suppresses the low frequencies and prevents thumping due to any unbalance

in the compressor push-pull stages.

Compressors have a tendency to smooth out the frequency characteristics of the system, resulting in an automatic effort equalizer, because when voices are raised in volume, the amount of low frequency attenuation is reduced, thus helping to prevent the voices from becoming harsh.

A variable pad referred to as a "ceiling control" is connected in the output of the compressor to provide a convenient means of controlling the compression ratio. Increasing the loss in the ceiling control changes the gain following the compressor and will control the amount of compression to the recording system. As the loss of the ceiling control is increased, the signal at the input of the compressor has to be increased to obtain the same output level at the bridging bus; thus the amount of compression is increased. The ceiling control is generally placed at the mixer console for convenience of operation.

Most compressor amplifiers may also be operated as limiter amplifiers. This characteristic is obtained by the adjustment of the bias control to the first push-pull stage, and the gain control of the rectifier amplifier. As a rule compression is not used when recording straight music, as it restricts the dynamic range; however, limiting may be used to a good advantage.

When dialogue is to be recorded and only one compressor-limiter amplifier is available, the compressor may be patched ahead of the mixer as shown in Fig. 2. The line amplifier then feeds the bridging bus.

It will be noted the compressor is placed *after* the mixer pot and followed by the ceiling control, which is patched into the mixer combining network in place of the mixer pot. Connecting the compressor in this manner

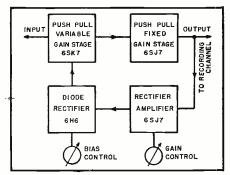


Fig. 1. Simplified block diagram of a typical compressor-limiter amplifier as used by the motion picture industry.

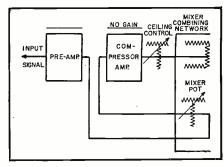
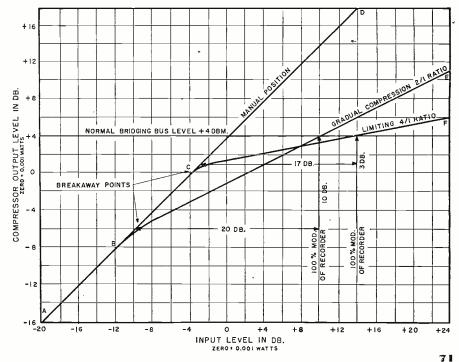


Fig. 2. Arrangement for recording dialogue when only one compressor is available.

prevents the mixer pot from acting as a ceiling control, which would be the case if the compressor output was fed directly into the mixer pot.

This connection requires that at least one of the mixer pots in the mixer console be connected through "normal" jacks so that the pot may be "lifted" out of the network for use with the compressor. When the compressor is used in this manner, low frequency attenuation is supplied by the low frequency attenuators in the mixer network as shown in Fig. 5. If a sec-

Fig. 3. Graph showing the two types of compression generally used—gradual and limiting.



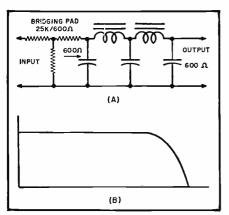


Fig. 4. (A) Circuit diagram and (B) frequency roll-off characteristics of the monitor low-pass filter network.

ond compressor amplifier is available it may be set for limiting, and patched in a normal manner.

Referring again to the block diagram, Fig. 5, leaving the compressor output we now come to the "bridging bus," the point of signal distribution for the system. Here the signal takes two routes, one to the monitoring

equipment and one to the recording equipment.

The bridging bus is, in reality, a load impedance for the amplifier driving the bus. This load consists of the several devices to the right of the bus, and the two vu meters to the left. In parallel with these devices is a bridging bus terminating resistor. The value of this resistor is such that when it is paralleled with the devices constituting the load, the correct load impedance is seen by the device driving the bus.

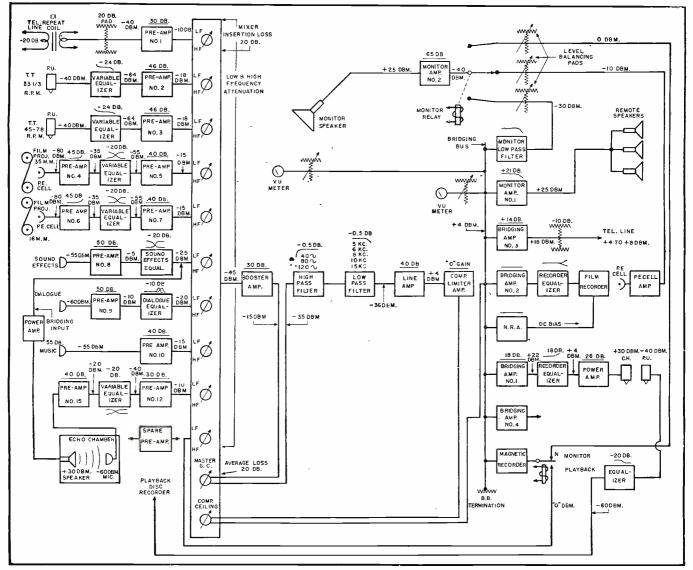
Devices designed for bridging purposes generally use an input impedance of 25,000 or 30,000 ohms, which has been standardized by the industry. The bridging bus terminating resistor is calculated for the minimum bridging load requirements. This will then allow several more pieces of equipment to be paralleled across the bus without lowering the load impedance to a dangerous value. If the device driving the bus requires a load impedance of 600 ohms, a terminating resistor is used that will present a load of 600 ohms with the minimum bridging load. When additional equipment is paralleled across the bus, the impedance presented by the bus should not be allowed to drop more than 10 per-cent of normal, or 540 ohms. The use of 30,000 ohm input circuits will allow quite a latitude. Devices of higher impedance may be patched across the bus if desired, but not lower.

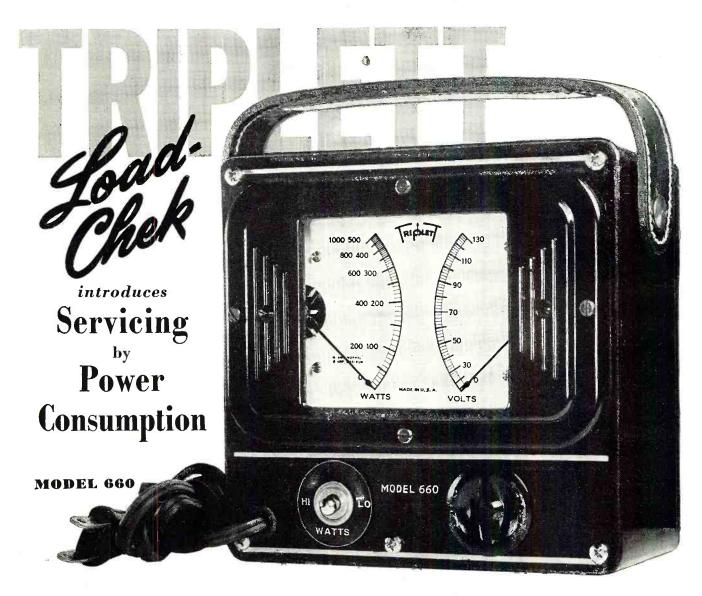
One device shown connected across the bus requires special mention relative to its input impedance. This is the monitor low-pass filter. This filter is employed when monitoring directly from the bridging bus, and is desirable if certain definite listening characteristics are required. It can be used to establish the average listening characteristics for whatever product is being recorded.

At the input of this filter is a bridging pad with an impedance ratio of 25,000 to 600 ohms, which allows it to be connected directly across the bridging bus. Of course this introduces a loss ahead of the filter, but is compensated for by increasing the monitor amplifier gain. The circuit for this device is shown in Fig. 4A, and its frequency characteristics in Fig. 4B.

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Fig. 5. Block diagram of a composite sound channel for recording and reproducing. Disc, magnetic tape, and film recorders are included.





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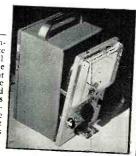
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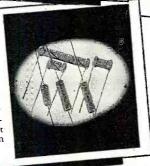
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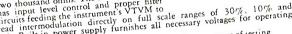
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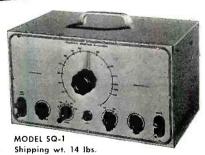
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A simple solution to this difficulty is to use the second harmonic of the local oscillator in the BC-453 as the mixing frequency. To do this connect a lead from the last i.f. stage of your amateur band receiver to a 7-45 $\mu\mu$ fd. ceramic trimmer condenser. Connect the other end of the condenser to the top cap of the 12K8 mixer in the BC-453 as shown in Fig. 1. Leave the regular contact to the 12K8 tube cap in position to provide a grid return. Unplug the 12SK7 r.f. amplifier tube located right next to the 12K8 in order to reduce stray pickup from the antenna terminal of the BC-453. Wire the tube filaments in parallel for 12 volt operation, otherwise removing the 12SK7 will also-disconnect the filament on the 12K8 mixer tube.

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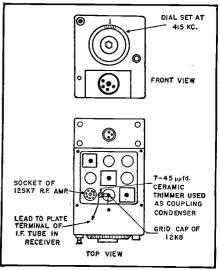
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The BC-453 does not have a.v.c. and as the normal receiver i.f. is not in use in this application, the reception on phone signals leaves something to be desired.

A worthwhile change is the addition of a.v.c. to the BC-453. An examination of the circuit will show that this may be easily accomplished. Briefly the operation consists of using the 12SR7 second detector to furnish the a.v.c. bias in the conventional manner.

For exact details as to the method for accomplishing this refinement the reader is referred to the article, "Conversion of SCR-274N Receivers," which appeared in the June, 1948 issue of RA-DIO & TELEVISION NEWS.

Fig. 1. The correct method for connecting Q5'er (BC-453) for a receiver i.f. of 915 kc.



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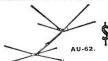
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It is desirable to provide a true bass and/or treble boost. The usual "cut" or "droop" action of the typical *R-C* network fails to provide the true psychological effect of "boost." Often this factor is overlooked and yet it seems to be extremely important. Objective operating and listening tests by nontechnical listeners have proved this point. However, the answer seems to lie in human engineering and not in audio engineering. Technicians and engineers may love to argue the point but the bald fact is that people like boost-type tone control circuits.

It is desirable to provide separate adjustment of bass and treble boost without interaction between the two controls. But several common circuits that provide for separate adjustment have annoying interactive effects.

It is desirable that the input impedance be reasonably high. Several of the well known circuits will cause severe loading of normal vacuum tube amplifiers and they may require special circuits to drive them.

It is desirable that the resultant response curve be smooth and free from "steps." Many common circuits cause a step in the response curve when they are adjusted for flat response.

It is desirable that the tone control circuit provide an easily identified flat position. This factor is often overlooked but cannot be over-emphasized. Twin tone controls can lead to an almost infinite combination of settings that leave the operator hopelessly confused.

The circuit presented in this article has been designed with all these points in view and meets all of the requirements to an unusual degree. The circuit values shown allow a boost of up to 15 db for both bass and treble. The bass and treble controls are independent and do not interact. The response

is flat when both controls are set at the full counter-clockwise position. The response curve is free from steps. A true boost effect is noted when one or both of the boost controls are advanced. The input impedance is around 100,000 ohms and the circuit can be driven easily by any of the common low-mu triodes. The circuit values shown are for a maximum boost of 15.6 db and for high and low boost frequencies of 200 and 2000 cycles respectively.

The following relations may be used to design the circuit for any specific application.

Choose the desired amount of boost in decibels. This will also equal the insertion loss of the network.

Next, a reasonably large value of R_1 should be chosen. The input impedance over most of the range will be very nearly equal to R_1 .

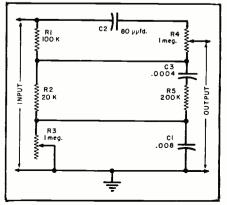
Then R_2 is calculated from the desired amount of boost and the chosen value of R_1 .

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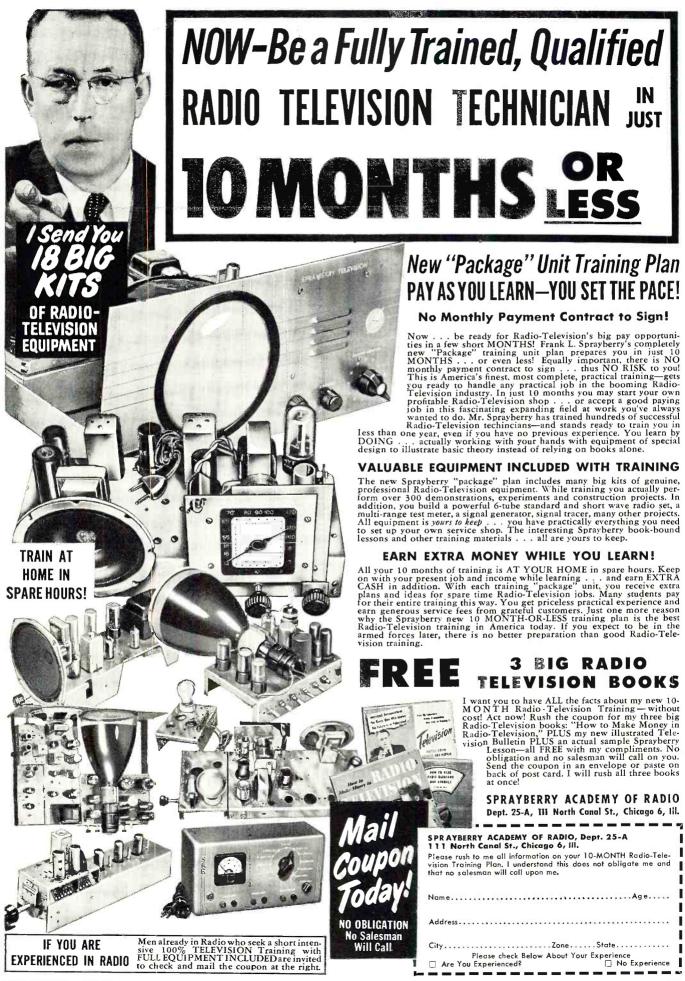
 F_L is the low frequency at which the boost will be 3 db from maximum and F_H is the corresponding high frequency.

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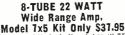
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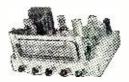




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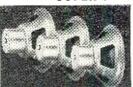
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tals (there are two of them with a selector switch not shown on Fig. 10. The second crystal is used as a spare to permit operation on another frequency in case of interference by another operator), while L_3 , L_4 , C_{10} , and C_{11} are above deck. The crystal oscillator is of the harmonic type and the frequency output is triple the crystal frequency: the second section of V_1 doubles this and the final works straight-through. The only tricky points in getting V_1 to operate are in setting the tap on L_1 , and making sure you are feeding the 3rd crystal harmonic to the doubler. If the tap is too near the plate end, the tube will self-oscillate without benefit of the crystal; if too far the other way, harmonic output will be low or the crystal will refuse to oscillate. The unbalanced input to V_2 works perfectly if the rotor of C_7 is left floating. Purists can add capacity to the lower end of L_2 , to balance it up, but this isn't really necessary. A shield was fitted around the lower part of V_2 as the tube people recommend. The 832A works nicely and is perfectly stable.

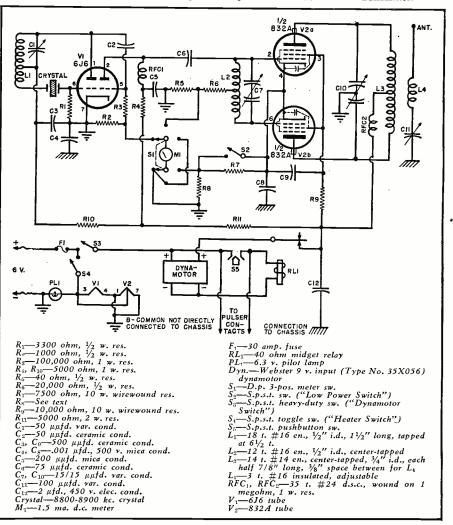
Switch S_1 puts the 1.5 ma. meter in

the doubler grid return (scale is 1.5 ma.), in the final grid return (shunted to read 3 ma. full scale), or the final cathode. $R_{\rm s}$ was made of rheostat wire, of the proper length to give 75 ma. full scale reading, and the meter indicates combined grid, screen, and plate current of $V_{\rm s}$ in the third position.

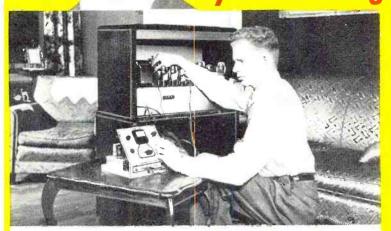
 S_2 is a "Hi-Lo" power switch that puts R_7 in series with the V_2 cathode; power output is practically nil, but still is plenty to check the receiver within a hundred feet or so. Incidentally, it will be noted the entire transmitter is keyed; attempts to key only the final, or the final and doubler, didn't pan out. Enough 50 mc. output leaked through to operate the receiver at quite a distance. The regenerative crystal circuit keys very nicely, though, even at a rate as high as 600 ppm.

The transmitter operating characteristics are: Osc., 155 v. at 10 ma.; doubler, 180 v. at 8 ma. on plate, 1 ma. grid current; final grid current 2 ma. (These figures with no plate or screen voltage on V_2 .) With the final showing 60 ma. cathode current—as it is normally run—the total battery drain is 9.2 amperes. Actual final plate current is about 50 ma., giving a final plate input of 13 watts. No close checks of power output have been made, but it has proven ample for our purposes.

Fig. 10. Complete schematic diagram and parts list for radio-control transmitter.



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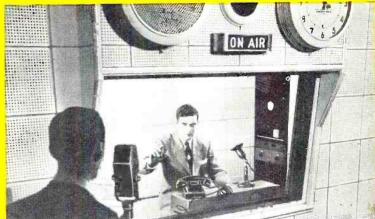


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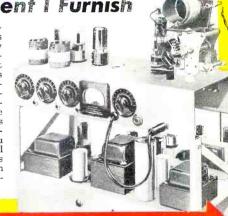
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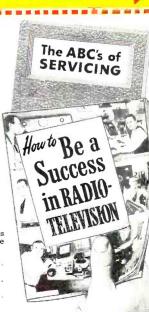
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HAM LICENSE RENEWALS

THE FCC has requested that we call your attention to the fact that hams who have filed timely applications for renewal of their operator and station licenses may continue operating their amateur stations beyond the normal date of expiration of these licenses pending receipt of formal Commission notice of action on their renewal ap-

This privilege is of importance to insure that hams can continue to participate in civil defense drills, field days, and other activities while the FCC processes pending applications. This general notice is issued in lieu of replying to individual inquiries that would divert personnel from the work

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The procedure is as follows: Any ham who files, in accordance with the requirements of Section 12.27 of Part 12, an appropriate and timely application for renewal of station or operator license and prior to the normal date of expiration of the license does not receive a new license or notification from the Commission that action has been taken on the application, may continue to operate in accordance with the terms of the license to be renewed until such a time as a new license or notification of action on the renewal application is received. Persons who file application for renewal after expira-tion of license but during the grace period provided by Section 12.27 are governed by that rule and may not operate pending action on the renewal.

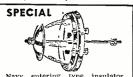
Amateurs are cautioned to make an appropriate notation in the station log at the time the application for renewal is filed, to keep a copy of the application, or to keep a copy of the letter transmitting the application with the station records as evidence of the timely filing, in good faith, of an appropriate application for renewal.

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is necessary to have available an accurate method of indicating overmodulation. An oscilloscope is the best instrument, but is not imperative. To set up for operation, the input gain control should be opened first to a fairly advanced position. Then the output control is opened until test voice peaks are reaching the desired percentage of modulation. Next, using your own monitor, or better yet, utilizing the help of a local ham, advance, or decrease the input gain control as required, until a discernible, but not too objectionable, distortion is heard. This will give, in the broadest of terms, 10 to 15 db of clipping. More or less clipping can be used as desired merely by changing the input gain control. Readjustment of the output control will probably be necessary to realize the desired modulation level which then will not be exceeded no matter how loud a signal enters the clipper stage. Although not tested, this limiting feature should be of value for frequency modulated rigs, in holding the deviation to the optimum level.

TV Test Equipment

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could check the actual gain-per-stage in the video amplifiers, trace the sync pulses through the sync circuits and check to see if the sync clippers are actually clipping the sync. No doubt about it, a scope is a handy thing to have around. Now, of course, the sixtyfour dollar question becomes: "What kind of a scope?" Since this unit has to be carried from the car to the customer's home, we can immediately cross off the list the 7 inch models with "cast iron" chassis. Portability is the most important factor. This automatically eliminates all types but the 3 inch or 2 inch "pocket-scope" variety. The smaller and more compact the unit is, the more attractive it is for this particular application. The deflection sensitivity should be good enough to produce a satisfactory picture of the signal at the video detector. This calls for a deflection sensitivity of at least one-half volt-per-inch at the vertical input terminals. Naturally, the greater the deflection sensitivity, the more desirable the unit, especially if the scope is also to be used in the shop for alignment work. The frequency response of the vertical amplifier is controversial. For about 90% of all TV service work, a scope having a vertical amplifier frequency response out to 100 kc. is adequate. Its only failing is in accurately reproducing the waveform of the horizontal sync pulses and some of the waveforms in the horizontal deflection circuits. Since the scope is going to be used for maintenance and not for design work, very accurate reproduction is not absolutely neces--30sary.



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WHAT'S

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LOW-COST MULTIMETER

To meet the demand by service technicians for low-cost test equipment, *Electronic Instrument Co., Inc.*, of 276 Newport Street, Brooklyn 12, New



York, has recently introduced a new multimeter which is available in both kit form and factory wired.

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GEIGER COUNTER

Precision Radiation Instruments, Inc., 4113 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, California, is currently marketing a low-priced Geiger Counter unit which has been designated "The Snooper."

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Newcomb Audio Products Co. of 6824 Lexington Ave., Hollywood 38, California, has recently added a new low-cost utility amplifier to its E-Series line.



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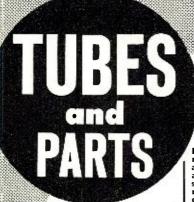
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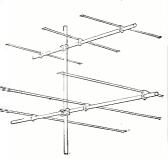


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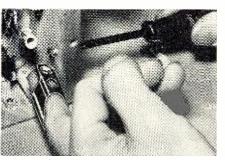
ing of the transmission line feeding them. They consist of two coaxially arranged elements, each cut to approximately one-quarter wavelength and center fed with 72 ohm transmission line. Bulletin 106, containing complete

construction data, detailed specifications, and operational information, is available from the company on reauest.

FINGERTIP WRENCHES

The Tube Department of Radio Corporation of America is offering a unique set of fingertip wrenches which have been especially designed to aid the radio and television technician in working "tight spots" in chassis.

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new tools are practical time-saving devices which help solve the problem of holding, placing, and adjusting nuts in receivers. The wrenches are worn on the finger and are used to steady the nut or bolt as it is tightened or loosened. Each set consists of five wrenches for the most commonly used nut and bolt sizes: 3/16", 1/4", 5/16", 11/32", and 3/8". The wrenches are made of steel and are nickel-plated for rust resistance. They are adjustable to individual finger sizes.

Local RCA tube distributors are handling these wrench sets.

METAL CUP CERAMICS

Herlec Corporation of 422 N. 5th Street, Milwaukee 3, Wisconsin, a subsidiary of Sprague Electric Company, is currently in production on a new line of metal cup ceramic condensers which are especially designed for applications requiring rigid frequency

According to the company, the outstanding advantages of these new units include capacitance stability, high "Q," and excellent retrace characteristics. They are small in size, hermetically sealed against atmospheric humidity, and are easy to mount securely against the effects of vibration and shock.

Bulletin No. 603, which provides complete details on these new ceramics, is available from the company without charge.

AMPLIFIER SYSTEM

Altec Lansing Corporation of Beverly Hills, California, is currently in production on a new amplifier system which has been designed especially for use in home music installations.

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The new system consists of the A-433A preamplifier and the A-333A power amplifier. These units are arranged so that all operating controls are located on the small, compact, portable preamplifier which connects to the power amplifier by 6 foot flexible cables. These controls include a three-step selection of record crossover frequencies, control of the rise and droop in both treble and bass, equalization for variable reluctance pickup, filter for 331/3 rpm recording characteristic rise, a three input selector switch, and a continuously variable volume control.

Frequency response is flat to plus zero, minus 1 db from 20 to 20,000 cycles and is within 3 db of flat response up to 100,000 cycles. The system will deliver 27 watts of audio power at less than 5 per-cent harmonic distortion, 20 watts at less than 2 per-cent harmonic distortion, and 15 watts at less than ½ per-cent harmonic distortion.

NEW PREAMPLIFIER

Fisher Radio Corporation, 41 East 47th Street, New York, New York, has designed a new quality preamplifier which can be used with G-E, Pickering, Audax, Clarkstan, and other low-level magnetic pickups. It can also be used as a microphone preamplifier.

The unit uses two stages of triode amplification and features a novel feedback circuit to produce low frequency equalization. The preamplifier is self-powered and comes in a completely enclosed chassis which measures 3¾"x3%"x3%".

It features a hum level of better than 60 db below 1 volt output on phono



and microphone. Frequency response is uniform within 2 db from 30 to 20,-000 cycles on both phono and micro-An installation and service phone. manual is furnished with each of these units.

METALLIZED PAPER TUBULARS

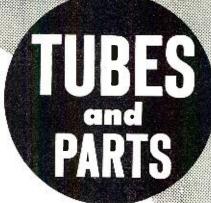
Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corporation of South Plainfield, New Jersey, has introduced an improved and complete metallized paper tubular line for general purpose use.

Among the features of this new line are compactness and light weight, combined with high insulation resistance, low power factor, and self-healing characteristics.

The new line is available in three basic types, the "Pup," "Sealpup," and "Metapup" which come in a wide range of capacities and operating voltages. Bulletins covering these units are available from the company. Ask for

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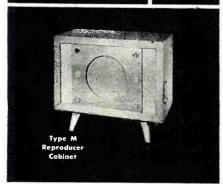


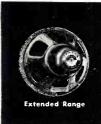














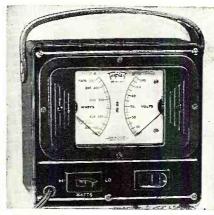


No. 142 on the "Pup" tubulars, No. 143 on the "Sealpup" units, and No. 144 for the "Metapup" condensers.

"LOAD-CHEK"

The Triplett Electrical Instrument Co. of Bluffton, Ohio, has recently introduced a new test instrument, the "Load-Chek" Model 660.

This unit facilitates servicing by



means of power consumption measurements. The instrument indicates shorts or opens in the circuit, localizes the trouble, yet requires no involved interconnections between the unit and the appliance being tested.

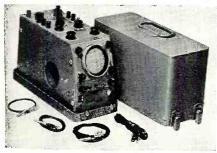
The Model 660 has ranges of 0-500-1000 a.c.-d.c. watts and 0-130 a.c.-d.c. volts. It is housed in a portable case which measures $6"x5\frac{1}{2}"x2\frac{1}{2}"$ and comes with a leather strap handle. The unit weighs just 2 pounds.

A data sheet on the Model 660 is available on request.

PORTABLE SCOPE

The Hickok Electrical Instrument Company, 10677 Dupont Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio, has announced a new portable 3" oscilloscope, the Model 380 "Miniscope."

The new instrument has a frequency coverage to 2.5 mc. and features a sensitivity of .1 r.m.s. volts per inch. The unit has direct connection to the cathode-ray tube elements, provision for Z-axis modulation, and a telescopic



light shield. It is shock mounted and housed in a strong moisture-proof aluminum case which measures 6'' wide, 9'' high, and $13\frac{1}{2}''$ in depth. The scope weighs 14 pounds and comes complete with leads.

COIL FORM KIT

Of interest to design engineers, laboratory technicians, and experimenters is a new coil form kit just released by Cambridge Thermionic Corporation of 463 Concord Avenue, Cambridge 38, Massachusetts

The kit contains representative samples of ceramic coil forms manufactured by the company. It contains three each of five different ceramic coil forms, each coil form in each group being provided with a different powdered iron slug. Extra slugs of silverplate brass for each coil form are provided as alternates to the iron slugs.

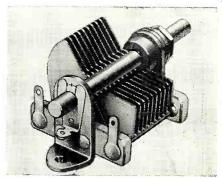
Coil forms vary in diameter from $\frac{3}{16}$ " to $\frac{1}{2}$ " and in over-all mounted heights from $\frac{19}{82}$ " to $1^{11}\!\!/_{16}$ ". Types included are LST, LS5, LS6, LS7, and LS8.

VARIABLE CONDENSER

The E. F. Johnson Company of Waseca, Minnesota, has announced the availability of a new, small-sized variable condenser which has been designated as the Type "R."

Plates are of brass with a highly corrosion resistant bright alloy plating. Standard spacing is ordinarily .0245" for maximum capacitance ranges up to .0715" can be obtained. Dimensions of the unit are 15%" wide by 111/16" high with the plates extended.

Although these new units are cur-



rently available only on special order in production quantities, full details may be secured from the company.

CLAROSTAT CONTROLS

Clarostat Mfg. Co., Inc. of Dover, N. H., has developed a volume control replacement unit with a $^{15}\!\!/_{16}{}''$ diameter shaft.

Prior to the release of these new units the company's Series G and AG controls have been available in the \$15\fmathbf{16}\sigma\$ "size but the "Ad-A-Switch" unit has not. Now the Series SWB or \$15\fmathbf{16}\sigma\$ "Ad-A-Switch" is obtainable in s.p.s.t.; three-way no "off" position s.p.d.t.; and d.p.s.t. A T-shaped section of the control's dust cap is simply pried off, turned 90 degrees and removed, exposing the switch-throwing mechanism.

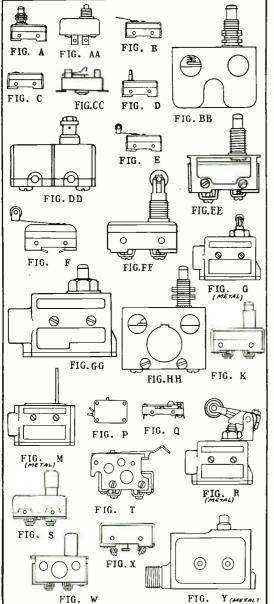
FM TUNER CHASSIS

Collins Audio Products Co., Inc., P.O. Box 368, Westfield, New Jersey is in production on a new FM tuner chassis, the RD-1C.

The tuner comes mounted on an aluminum plate measuring 7¼" x 4½" which can be fitted into any chassis of the user's choice. By proper placement

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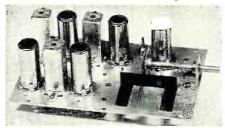
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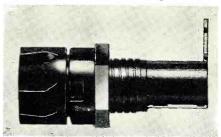
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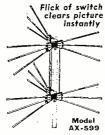


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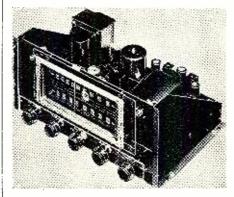
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DYNAURAL PREAMP

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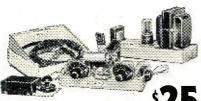


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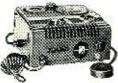
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The unfamiliar terminology of industrial electronics should not deter technicians. Here are the equivalent radio terms.

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HE increased use of electronic controls in industry has aroused the interest of many technicians. More and more, the radio service technician is encountering this type of equipment. It may be brought into his shop for repair, or he may be requested to construct an electronic device for a specified application. At this point, the service technician usually decides to check into the literature of industrial electronics. When he does, he is often unpleasantly surprised by the profusion of unfamiliar terms. Even the symbols on the circuit diagrams differ from those with which he is acquainted. The less-persistent technician often becomes discouraged by

the prospect of wandering over unfamiliar ground. Such discouragement is not at all necessary. Actually, the principles, the parts, and even many of the circuits of industrial electronics are "old friends" of the service technician. The difficulty lies in the fact that they are presented in a slightly different terminology. This confusion is rapidly dispelled when the technician learns to correlate the differing terminologies. He learns, for instance, that pliotron is the industrial name for an amplifier tube, that a gas-filled diode is called a phanotron, and that an induction heater is nothing but an r.f. oscillator.

The following is a listing of terms from the vocabulary of the industrial electronics technician. The radio service technician will recognize in these definitions many familiar concepts and

Symbols used in radio diagrams and their industrial electronic equivalents.

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Back-to-Back Circuit: Two tubes connected in parallel but in opposite directions, i.e., the cathode of one tied to the anode of the other and vice versa. This arrangement is used to control the flow of alternating current and is popular in resistance welding circuits.

Black Light: Ultraviolet is referred to as black light because the eye does not respond to its wavelength. An ultraviolet source is sometimes used in conjunction with a phototube in burglar and intrusion alarms.

Carrier Current Control: A remote control system in which the output of an r.f. oscillator is fed into the power lines. A receiver, located at a distance and operating from the same power lines, picks up the r.f. signal and actuates a relay.

Capacity Operated Relay: An oscillator containing a relay in its plate circuit. The grid circuit is connected to a pickup electrode such as a door handle, bank vault, metal plate, etc. When anyone approaches the pickup electrode, the grid circuit capacity is altered and the plate current is changed sufficiently to actuate a relay.

Dielectric Heating: An electronic method of heat treating any material which is a nonconductor of electricity. The material to be heated is placed between two metal plates so that it becomes the dielectric of a condenser. The output of a high power r.f. generator is applied to the metal plates. The rapidly alternating electric field produces molecular agitation in the work, causing it to heat. This technique is used for heating and molding plastics, curing rubber, drying lumber, bonding plywood, etc.

Electric Eye: Popular name for the phototube. The current flow through this tube depends upon the amount and color of the light striking its cathode. It is used for counting objects passing on a conveyer belt, opening garage doors when an automobile approaches, inspecting beverages for the presence of foreign particles, color matching, etc.

Electronic Micrometer: A thickness measuring device in which the material to be measured is held between two metal plates. These plates serve as the tank condenser of an oscillator circuit. With this arrangement, the frequency of the oscillator is determined by the spacing between the plates, which in turn depends upon the thickness of the material. A frequency meter connected in this circuit can be calibrated to read material thickness.

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Flame Failure Control: An electronic device used in conjunction with oil or gas burning furnaces. This device shuts off the fuel supply if the pilot burner should accidentally become extinguished, preventing a dangerous accumulation of unburned fuel. One type of flame failure control uses a phototube to "watch" the pilot burner. In another type, the resistance of the flame is used as part of the circuit. If the flame should go out, the circuit constants are changed sufficiently to actuate a magnetic valve.

Fluoroscope: An x-ray unit in which the image is formed on a fluorescent screen. This unit is used to detect the presence of foreign particles in packaged foods, to check the alignment of the conductor in insulated wire, etc.

Gas Amplification: The ratio between the current flow through a gasfilled phototube and the current through an equivalent vacuum phototube operating under the same lighting conditions. Gas amplification makes the former type more sensitive than the latter.

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Ignitron: A high-current type of tube capable of carrying hundreds, even thousands, of amperes. This tube uses a pool of liquid mercury as its cathode. The envelope of the ignitron is a double-walled steel jacket. The tube is cooled by circulating water between these walls. The ignitron can be used as a rectifier or, when connected in a back-to-back circuit, to control the flow of alternating current. Many types of resistance welding machines employ this tube.

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Kenotron: A vacuum diode rectifier

Magnitude Control: Same as "Amplitude Control."

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Phanotron: A gas-filled diode rectifier tube.

Phase Controlled Rectifier: A circuit employing thyratron tubes as rectifiers and whose output can be varied by shifting the phase of the a.c. applied to the grids.

Photocathode: The type of cathode used in phototubes. This cathode is covered with a light-sensitive material which emits electrons when illumi-

Photoelectric Pyrometer: A temperature measuring device which utilizes the color-sensitive properties of the phototube. The phototube "looks" into the furnace through a special window. As the metal inside heats, its color changes through various shades of red and white. The output of the phototube, as indicated by a meter, is therefore proportional to the temperature of the heated metal.

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Phototube: A light-sensitive tube employing a photocathode (see "Elec-

Pin-Hole Detector: A photoelectric device used to detect and mark the location of small holes in sheet steel.

Pliotron: An amplifier tube.

Pool Tubes: Those tubes employing a pool of liquid mercury as the cathode.

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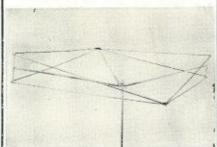
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Resistance Welding: The joining together of metals by passing a high current through them. The heat developed as a result of this current melts the metals together. Ignitron tubes, connected back-to-back, are often used to control the intensity and duration of the welding current. The metals to be welded are held between a pair of electrodes. If these electrodes are rod-shaped, the result is a spot weld. A seam weld is produced by using a pair of roller electrodes and passing the work between these rollers.

Saturable Core Reactor: An ironcore inductor containing two windings. Direct current is passed through one of these windings in order to saturate the core. The inductive reactance of the other winding depends upon the degree of core saturation. As the core becomes more saturated, the inductive reactance decreases. The saturable reactor is used in many control applications, in light dimming circuits for instance. In this application, the reactor is connected in series with the lighting system. The lights are dimmed by decreasing the current through the d.c. winding. This increases the inductive reactance of the other winding

and limits the current to the lights.

Sequence Timer: An electronic timing circuit which automatically applies and disconnects power at a controllable rate and for preset lengths of time. In resistance welding, for instance, the power should be disconnected for the length of time required to bring the work into position. Power is then applied for the duration of time required to produce the weld. This is followed by another "power off" interval during which the work cools while still under the pressure of the electrodes. The timing accuracy is extremely critical; in some cases, the welding current is allowed to flow for only a few cycles. The sequence timer accurately and automatically controls the "power on" and "power off" intervals (see "Time Delay Relay").

Stroboscope: A device which facilitates the study of rotating or reciprocating machinery by making it appear stationary. It consists basically of a high intensity light source which flashes on and off at a controllable rate. If the flashing rate is properly adjusted, the machine will always be in the same position when the light comes on. Since the machine is always seen in the same position, it appears to be stationary. This device is extremely useful for vibration studies.

Temperature Control: A device for

maintaining a constant temperature in a furnace or oven. In one type of temperature control, a thermocouple located in the furnace develops a voltage proportional to the temperature. This thermocouple voltage changes the bias on a tube whose plate current saturates the core of a saturable reactor. The altered reactance of the saturable reactor changes the value of current flow through the heating element of the furnace. In another type of temperature control, a material whose resistance varies with temperature is used as one arm of a bridge. When the temperature changes, the bridge is unbalanced and the resulting voltage is amplified and used to control the heating mechanism.

Thickness Control: A device for maintaining a constant thickness of a strip of manufactured material such as paper or steel. The material passes between two plates which serve as the tank condenser of an oscillator circuit. Variations of material thickness change the plate spacing and consequently the frequency of the oscillator. An FM type discriminator detects this change of frequency, and its output controls the thickness-determining portion of the machinery.

Time Delay Relay: A circuit in which a relay is actuated a predetermined length of time after a switch is opened or closed. Most types operate on the condenser charging principle. A condenser, charging through a resistor, varies the bias of a tube until the plate current has changed sufficiently to operate a relay. The length of the time delay depends upon the time required to charge the condenser which, in turn, depends upon the values of capacitance and resistance. Some types of time delay relays employ an initially charged condenser which is then discharged in the required length of time. The sequence timer is made up of a number of time delay circuits connected in cascade.

Vane Controlled Oscillator: An oscillator containing a relay in its plate circuit. A metal vane inserted between the coils impairs feedback and stops oscillation. When oscillation ceases, the plate current increases and energizes the relay. Some types employ a detuned tuned-grid, tuned-plate oscillator, and the metal vane passes between the turns of one of the tank coils. This changes the inductance sufficiently to bring the circuit into oscil-The vane controlled oscillator lation. can be used to sound an alarm when the liquid in a tank has reached a certain level. In this application, the vane is floated so that it will rise and fall with the liquid level, and the coils are mounted on the wall of the tank. The vane controlled oscillator can also be used in elevator leveling equipment. The metal vane is mounted under the elevator platform and coils are mounted at each floor level. When the elevator is properly leveled, the vane passes between the coils. At this time, the relay operates to release the door opening mechanism. -30-

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URING the spring and summer months while inventories of completed television receivers mounted as the slack market for new TV sets continued, trade association officials, manufacturers, and dealers all looked forward to the coming of the fall months for a resurgence of consumer interest in new video receivers.

The lack of buying interest was largely attributed to the restrictions on credit terms as imposed by Regulation W which, coupled with the sharply rising cost of necessities, dried up the market represented by the "average income" family. Those families that were financially able to pay cash for new TV sets already owned one or more receivers and no radical change in cabinet styling nor noticeable improvement in picture quality had come along to impel them to trade in their old sets for new models.

Excess inventories plagued set distributors, dealers, and parts distributors and many businessmen had good cause to ponder over the surplus stocks they acquired in 1950 in anticipation of the "critical" shortages of tubes, parts, equipment, and supplies expected in 1951.

In June the Columbia Broadcasting System inaugurated the first commercial color television broadcast which originated in New York City and was networked to stations in Boston, Philadelphia, and Washington. Since practically all manufacturers had taken a "wait and see" attitude on color television while the issue was in the courts, not many color-equipped receivers nor conversion and adaptation parts and accessories were available when the color telecasts started.

The Bureau has been in an unique position to gauge the extent of the interest in color television as more and more service operators were exposed to color telecasts.

Color TV Problems

It is obvious that color television will pose more problems for the independent servicing industry than any previous development in the radio or television industry. True, back in 1945, '46, and '47, the general opinion was that the independent servicing industry would be unable to cope with the problems of monochrome television installation, ad-

justment, and service. Yet the record shows that it was the independent television service operators, most of whom were previously radio service operators, who rapidly became the backbone of the television installation and service business. Many former radio service dealers who expanded their businesses to retail television receivers wisely developed their own TV installation and service departments, and have been able to weather the slump in set and appliance sales with income from their service departments.

But color is a new dimension in television that will present some distinctly new problems.

Neither color receivers nor adapter and conversion equipment will be available in quantity until late September or October. Once enough sets and conversion equipment become available to permit aggressive promotion of color video and public interest develops there will be a greater demand for color receivers than the manufacturers can supply. It is possible that there will be consumer "pressure" on television service companies for the adaptation and conversion of receivers. For instance, the successful color televising of one outstanding football game during September might create a demand that would swamp the industry with orders for color receivers. The general buying public is like that—they want what they see and like, and want it immediately.

Color TV Lecture Programs

In anticipation of the need for practical instruction in color television receiver circuitry, the Bureau, in cooperation with the Editors of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, has developed an extensive program of instruction both through general lectures and individual instruction which will be made available to the radio-television servicing industry beginning in September.

Starting in those areas where color telecasts are being given regularly, a series of lectures on the adaptation and conversion of present sets to reproduce color TV pictures will be given by the Industry's foremost service lecturers. It is planned to show actual color TV receivers in operation so that seasoned TV technicians can get the "feel" of color TV receiver operation and main-

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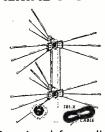
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It is hoped that through the medium of these programs the independent servicing industry will be adequately prepared to cope with the technical problems involved in the conversion, installation, and maintenance of color television receivers.

As was pointed out in this department in last month's issue, color television will be available to users in three ways!

First, by adding the necessary component parts to present monochrome receivers to *adapt* them to the *CBS* system scanning rates and then adding a color *converter* to reproduce the pictures in color,

Second, by adding a second unit which is equipped with and operates as a *slave* to the present receiver. This slave set is attached to the master receiver by means of tube adapters and is used only in viewing color television pictures. The user can view black-and-white pictures on the master receiver.

And the third method, of course, is by means of a complete, factory-built color television receiver.

The first method will add a tremendous dollar volume to the business of qualified television service contractors who have the facilities, personnel, and "know-how" to adapt and convert receivers for color.

The second will probably require more installation time than present black-and-white receivers while the third will be handled about the same as a good installation of a monochrome receiver.

In the independent service industry we are prone to consider new developments only in the light of the new technical problems they will present. Naturally, we must have available in any radio or television shop, men who possess the technical knowledge and practical servicing "know-how" to handle the technical requirements in the installation, maintenance, and servicing of receivers.

TV Service Business

The growing dollar volume of business in installation and service adds increasing emphasis to the business operating aspects of a service shop. Television service is now important, big business. The successful management of a television service business requires the practical operating "know-how" that is essential to the continued existence of any good retail business.

The numerous business "squeezes" that have been applied to the TV serv-

ice industry in major television areas during the past four years have washed out the bulk of the inefficient TV service contractors and service shop operators. The "shoe-string" television technician still poses many problems but only as a nuisance in causing user complaints against the service industry and not as a factor in the over-all service business handled by competent service business operators.

New Areas to be Opened by U.H.F.

It is in the new areas that will be created by u.h.f. television that many of the mistakes made by the service industry in the early days of television will be repeated-unless present independent service shop operators and service dealers prepare themselves in advance to cope with the problems of installation and service when telecasting starts.

The same pattern of almost non-interest in TV seems to prevail in potential u.h.f. television areas that was observed in present television areas prior to the start of telecasting. In almost all of the present major television areas there existed an attitude of "wait until television arrives and then we'll learn all about it." However, when the first station announced its official date to start telecasting and dealers started to sell receivers there arose a loud hue and cry from the independent service operators over their failure to study this new giant before he moved

When telecasting actually starts in a new area the business moves too fast for a dealer or technician to stop and study anything that he could have learned previously.

Recent announcements from the Federal Communications Commission indicate that the station freeze may be lifted early in the fall. Although many predictions state that the first u.h.f. stations probably won't be on the air until late in 1952, it is well to remember that v.h.f television moved ahead about three times as fast as was anticipated after it got started in 1946.

Licensing of TV Service

Efforts to pass legislation to license television servicing keep popping up in various parts of the country. In Milwaukee there has been a determined attempt to put through a service licensing ordinance that would require the payment of an annual license fee of from \$100 to \$500 to engage in television servicing. And in Pennsylvania two state bills seeking the creation of a State Board of Examiners for service technicians are before the House of Representatives.

The mad scramble of local and state politicians for new tax monies may result in some abortive legislation that would effectively close the door of television service to men who have the will, perseverance, and technical and business know-how to start in a small way and build up successful small businesses for themselves. And it wouldn't solve any of the problems of service—it



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Recently a distributor for one of the larger receiver manufacturers launched a program to encourage the trade-in of small screen sets for the later model large screen units. They reported an exceptionally good response from set owners.

The traded-in sets are reconditioned, with the exception of the cabinet and picture tube. Sales efforts in selling the reconditioned sets are directed toward placing them as second sets in TV-equipped homes.

The practice of trading in monochrome receivers may become a factor in color television areas when the supply of color television receivers requires aggressive retail selling campaigns. Such receivers may be reconditioned and channeled into non-color TV areas where they would become an important competitive influence to the sale of new monochrome TV sets.

Set Conversions for U.H.F.

It appears that the conversion of present monochrome receivers for the reception of programs telecast in the new u.h.f. channels will not present any serious problems.

In a recent demonstration sponsored by the RTMA for the benefit of the FCC Commissioners and staff members, eight of the leading set manufacturers demonstrated u.h.f. converters they have developed for their own receivers.

Unfortunately, however, receiver manufacturers are still tied to the philosophy that the service technician must be eliminated from the picture in order to interest buyers in new equipment. Far too much of the u.h.f. converter publicity reads like this, "The unit can be installed by the customer in just a few minutes," even though the chassis may have to be removed from the cabinet and the conversion strip mounted in the tuner assembly.

Service Organization News

The television service industry was well and ably represented at the recent annual meeting of the RTMA Service Committee in Chicago. Officers of recognized national and local associations were invited to attend the sessions of the Committee and to present papers on problems of the servicing industry, together with suggestions for their solution.

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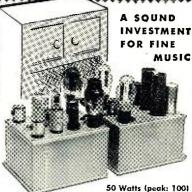
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tended the meetings and delivered papers on problems of the servicing Industry included Albert M. Haas, president of TCA of Philadelphia; Frank Moch, president of TISA of Chicago and NATESA; E. J. Barton, president of the Television Service Contractors Association of Detroit; and Dave Krantz, representing the National Electronic Technicians & Service Dealers Associations.

NATESA recently announced the formation of a new service association in St. Louis—the "Association of TV Service Companies of Greater St. Louis." Officers of this new association are Vincent Lutz, president; Jay Brown, vice-president; Dave Allen, secretary; and Art Monnig, treasurer.

NARDA Certified Service

One of the best programs for stimulating set owner interest in reliable, capable service shops that has come to the attention of the editors of this department is the one prepared and sponsored by the National Appliance & Radio Dealers Association (NARDA).

The NARDA plan is based on a Code of Ethics in service business operation to which each cooperating service dealer or contractor must agree before he is permitted to participate in the plan described as "Certified Television Installation and Service." The promotional and publicity material that is furnished to focus the attention of the TV set owning public on organizations participating in the NARDA program is excellent.

Information on the "Certified Television Installation and Service Program" may be obtained from: The National Appliance & Radio Dealers Association, Merchandise Mart, Chicago 54, Ill.

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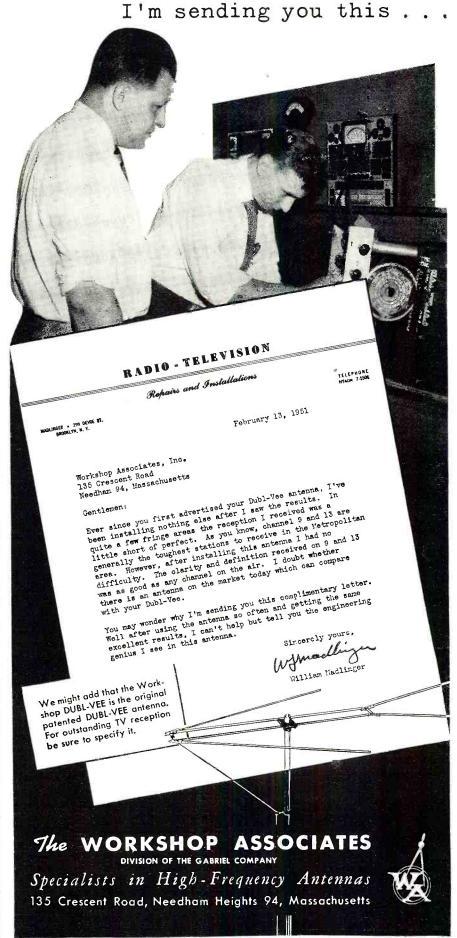
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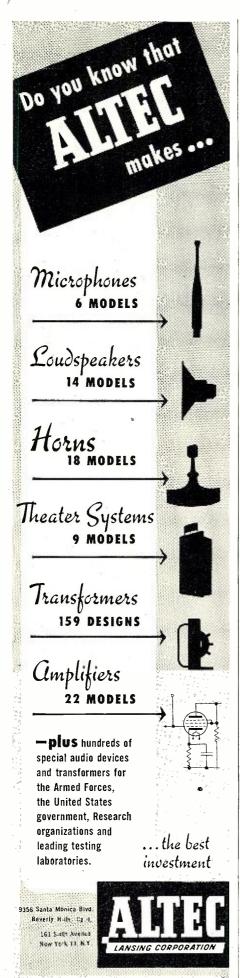
Reviewing the possibilities of color set production, RTMA's new leader said that . . . "It is only to be expected that large scale color cannot be achieved overnight. The situation is similar to the inauguration of black and white television. The standards for black and white TV were authorized on July 1, 1941. After only five months of work, Pearl Harbor came. The war ended in August, 1945. Yet, in the entire year of 1946, only 6476 sets were produced. And in 1947, only 178,000 sets were made. Even by 1948, the industry had failed to produce as many as a million sets. In the light of this experience, the estimate of 50,000 (color sets) would seem to be a remarkable feat of production (for the remainder of the year), if it is realized."

WITH THE APPEARANCE OF COMMERCIAL disc color, there has also appeared a revived interest in the patents, covering the techniques used in the CBS methods, and the royalty schedules set up for reimbursement to Columbia.

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According to the exhibits filed with the Commission, five transmitter and two receiver patents were cited as basic to the system. In the sending methods are involved a swept back segment color filter disc, color mixing, and color control for correct or desired color rendition, scanning so that color carryover or undesired color mixing does not occur in pickup tubes, multiple lens motion-picture film scanner and non-multiple relationship between number of colors and interlaced fields scanned. The receiver patents also involve the disc and color relationship factors.

The royalty plan provides for payments of twenty-five cents on receivers retailing at less than \$100; fifty cents on chassis priced at between \$100 and \$180; seventy-five cents on sets selling between \$180 and \$250; and one dollar on models selling for more than \$250.

FCC's legal authority to assign channels on a geographical block basis, challenged by the FCBA, has been upheld by the Commission who declared the prerogative was within their jurisdiction. The FCC noted that they had the right to classify stations, prescribe the nature of the service to be rendered by each class of stations, determine the location of classes of stations or individual stations, and establish areas or zones to be served by any station. This authority, they said, is expressly directed to be exercised from time to time as public convenience, interest, or necessity requires.

The argument that the proposed assignment plan was different and could be distinguished from other types of rule making activity was without merit, the Commission pointed out. In their opinion, the proposed table is clearly applicable generally to all persons wishing to establish a station in any given community. The fact that the assignment made to one city would not be applicable to persons wishing to apply for some other city was cited as no more depriving the rule of its general nature than the fact that rules relating to those applying for standard broadcast licenses on clear channels would not be applicable to persons wishing to apply for local stations on different channels.

Historic testimony on the floor of the Senate by ex-Senators Dill and White, who were chiefly responsible for the enactment of the Radio Act of 1927 and the '34 Communications Act, was also cited by the Commission to support their official decision on the allocation table. According to the report on these sessions, White had declared: ". . . One of the most difficult problems we had to deal with was whether there should be any preferences written into the law with respect to any particular character of service. At the time we were working on the legislation, the agricultural land-grant colleges were very insistent that they should have a privileged status. There were various other groups that were just waiting to advance their claims if we gave any recognition to a prior right. We had to write it in very general terms, vesting discretion in authority in the Radio Commission to make the best distribution they could or we had to undertake to make an allocation to services in the legislation, which would be rigid, and which would be fruitful of interminable discussion in the legislative body. It was hopeless to try and work it out in the legislation."

Commissioner Jones did not agree with his colleagues and in a dissenting opinion pointed out that the 82 channels allocated do not meet any of the five priorities substantially. (Priorities are: 1. To provide at least one television service to all parts of the United States. 2. Provide each community with at least one television broadcast station. 3. Provide a choice of at least two television services to all parts of the United States. 4. Provide each community with at least two television broadcast stations. 5. Any channels which remain unassigned under the foregoing priorities will be assigned to the various communities depending on the size of the population of each community, the geographical location of such community, and the number of television services available to such community from television stations located in other communities.) Jones noted that there are many communities without any service according to the plan: 909 cities have one station; 169 cities, two stations; 74 cities, three stations; 46 cities, four stations; 25 cities, five stations; 11 cities, 6 stations; and 11 cities, 7 or more. It is obvious, he declared, that the Commission violated its table of priorities so materially that by its own proposed criterion, it cannot be sustained in court. The Commissioner felt that the twothree- and four-channel cities, as compared to the five or more channel cities, spell mediocrity, if not doom, for two or more networks. "Although networks, according to the Act have no bearing on the grants of licenses," Jones added, "the television art and the expense of construction, maintenance, and operation has made net-working the backbone of TV station operation. . . . The Commission in its licensing policies has recognized this in the proposals of licenses to affiliate with networks rather than serve the communities in which they are located as local outlets of communications. . . . It is clear that an inflexible geographical assignment plan does not meet the criteria of the Commission asserted as a basis for it, and therefore it is illegal."

Continuing his blast at the ruling, Jones noted that the Commission's problem of assigning channels . . ." is based on factors so varying in nature that they are too difficult to be captured within the boundaries of a hard and fast pattern." Therefore, he said, if the geographical allocation plan can qualify as a general rule . . ." television is so specialized and its characteristics so varying in nature when applied city by city, with varying factors

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of terrain, tropospheric transmission, and areas of development of communities, the Commission cannot reasonably foresee their solution in the public interest." There is not sufficient scientific data on the books on reception or transmission in every city, he felt, to warrant . . . "rigidifying . . . tentative judgment into a hard and fast rule."

IF CONGRESS HAS ITS WAY, TV programs may be subjected to minute scrutiny in the future. During a recent hearing on a bill calling for the creation of a National Citizens Advisory Board on radio and television, one of the fathers of the bill, Senator William Benton, declared that he believed that now . . . "at the time when television is still in its resilient infancy, would be the best time to do some wise and thorough thinking about what we are going to do with television, so that we can now lay down the optimum guide-lines for its development. If we miss it now, we may not only miss it for a generation, but for keeps." Congress, he felt, should arrange for this planning through the offices of a special board, whose advice . . . "would include an annual review of how the licensees of radio and television stations are living up to their responsibilities for public service and education, on how they are performing in line with promises made when they applied for the licenses and how they can better perform . . ." Noting that there is no listeners' and viewers' lobby in Washington and that the FCC . . . "has neither the time nor the authority actively to seek out, marshal, and crystallize public opinion . . ." it is important that authority to provide such policing be provided by Congress.

An address before the NARTB program standards committee in Washington by FCC's boss, Wayne Coy, revealed that many others also were concerned about the content of programs and were considering steps which might have to be taken to provide control. Reviewing the contents of numerous reports he has received from groups throughout the country, Coy declared that the bulk of the opinions presented were not only extremely critical of the types of shows now being offered, but vowed that something will have to be done. The views were not being offered by inexperienced or biased persons, it was said, but rather by those charged with the responsibility of maintaining public health and general welfare. For instance, he de-clared, James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, who is also secretary of a section on criminal law of the American Bar Association, recently noted in a letter, describing the section's campaign for improvement in television programming, that the amount of crime material should be reduced and that its timing . . . "be such so as to occur during a period when juvenile viewers will not be sitting by their sets." He also said that much of the . . . "more gory incidents can be eliminated entirely . . ." and



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It was the opinion of this group and many others, too, that both radio and television stations are . . . "operating with a complete disregard for the welfare of the child audience . . . Children are being exploited at the expense of the security, dignity, and good taste which should be a part of every American home." . . . Solemn views which should be studied diligently by every broadcaster and sponsor from coast to coast, with immediate steps taken to remedy this extremely unpleasant situation L.W.

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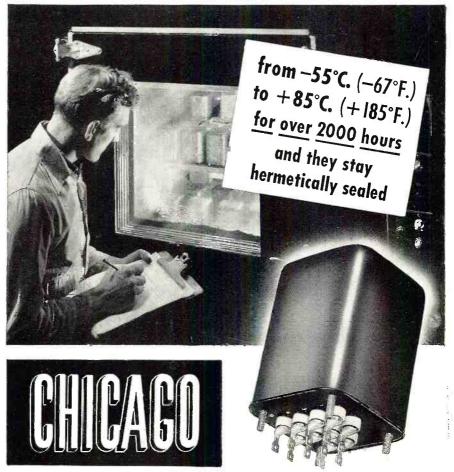
The antenna arrays used at Sackville are all of the multi-element curtain type; the European array is composed of four vertical stacks of four horizontal elements. Each element has an electrical length of one half wavelength and each element is provided with a reflector. The reflectors are identical to the radiators so that it is possible to interchange the two by means of a switch, thus reversing the radiated beam by 180 degrees in the horizontal plane. Furthermore, these arrays are all arranged for slewing or changing the direction of the beam by a limited amount on either side of its normal position. This is done by shifting the phase of the current in the two vertical bays of the radiating curtain. The European beam uses five distinct arrays-one array for each of the five frequency bands—6, 9, 11, 15, and 17 megacycles.

A separate antenna array is used to cover Africa which, in its reversed direction, covers Western Canada and Australia. A third antenna array is used to cover South America. Both the African-Australian and South American arrays consist of two vertical stacks of four horizontal elements and, with the exception of the 6 mc. array, are of the dual-frequency type; that is, one for 9 and 11 mc. and one for 15 and 17 mc. Separate antennas of the 4/4 type are used to cover Africa and South America on the 21 mc. band.

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While for normal operation, the programs of the International Service of the CBC are fed to the Sackville station by wire lines from Montreal, as a measure of protection, in case of line failure, sufficient stūdio facilities have been provided to permit program originations from the transmitter station itself.

Although Canada "aims" her short-wave broadcasts primarily at certain countries or areas, letters arrive at the Radio-Canada Building in Montreal from the earth's four corners, testifying to the strength of Canada's voice and the international interest in Canadian affairs.

Six years ago (in 1945), the late Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, inaugurated the *CBC* International Service and his first remarks were addressed appropriately to Canada's armed forces "serving on and beyond the seas." Mr. King spoke of the historic importance of the nation's new short-wave service, neatly summing up the reasons why it was brought into being: "It will bring the voice of Canada to her own sons and daughters in

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More than 150,000 letters from listeners the world over have been received since the International Service began; and the letters arrive regularly now at a rate of between 3000 and 4000 a month.

The amount of news, political commentaries, semi-political talks and general informative material varies with the country for which the broadcast is intended. This applies to musical and dramatic content, as well; but few of these straight entertainment programs go out. In the over-all picture, 30 per-cent of programs sent out daily by Radio Canada is news; 20 per-cent political commentaries; about 13 percent semi-political talks, and approximately 26 per-cent general programs projecting Canada and Canadians. The remainder, roughly 10 per-cent, is composed of programs for young people and children, music, drama, and audi-

ence-mail programs.

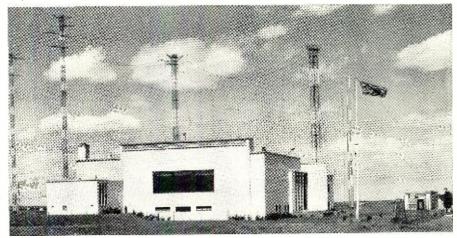
CBC's National Service depends chiefly on radio license fees for its livelihood, while the International Service depends entirely on special appropriations by Parliament. The International Service works closely with the Department of External Affairs.

Each month, Radio Canada publishes a program schedule—one for European listeners in English, French, Dutch, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish, German, Italian, Czech, and Russian; the other for Latin-American and Caribbean listeners in Spanish, Portuguese, English, French, and Dutch. The combined circulation of this free schedule is nearing the 100,000 mark and is still growing. The program schedule is available direct from International Service, P.O. Box 7000, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Latest schedule of the International Service of *CBC*, effective September 2, 1951, is as follows:

European Service—0850-1130, CKNC,

Transmitter building of Radio-Canada's International Service, located at Sackville, New Brunswick, is a modern two and a half story structure of reinforced concrete. Two 50 kw. short-wave transmitters are used and the antenna arrays are all of the multielement curtain type. For normal operation, the programs of the International Service of the CBC are fed to the Sackville station by wire lines from Montreal. As a measure of protection, in case of line failure, sufficient studio facilities have been provided in the transmitter building so that programs can originate on the spot.



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Our best wishes for the future go to the International Service as it sends the Voice of Canada, sounding loud and clear along the international channels of short-wave broadcasting, carrying a definite, emphatic message from a Western democracy-our Good Neighbor to the North!

Good ReportsArne Skoog, DX Editor, *Radio Swe*den, recently asked for comments from listeners in answer to the question: "What makes one reception report better than the other?" The first reply quoted by Radio Sweden was from the secretary of the Danish DX Club, Mr. Rabe

First of all, according to Mr. Rabe, the report should be readable—whether written in pen and ink or on a typewriter. And it also should be easy to survey. Another important point of the question, says Mr. Rabe, is the extent of a report. He points out that it should not be longer than necessary, as the staffs of radio stations seldom have the time to read "long novels' written by DX-ers. However, there should be adequate details concerning the date, time, frequency or wavelength, and some excerpts from the program itself to prove reception of the station reported; and some comments as to the technical quality, such as strength, readability, and interference. There also should be reference to the type of receiver used and number of tubes, and kind of antenna. Finally, Mr. Rabe believes radio stations also like comments on the program content heard, and probably also "suggestions and proposals."

Mr. Skoog cited on a broadcast that in Sweden almost every DX club issues printed report forms (in Swedish and English) which "make all reports from their members readable, easy to survey, complete in details, and yet limited in length; in other words, these printed forms will make 'perfect' reports, according to Mr. Rabe's outline," Mr. Skoog commented.

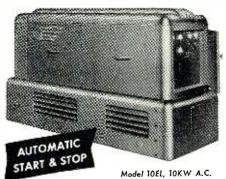
Anyone else having views on this subject can express them by writing direct to DX Editor, Radio Sweden, Stockholm 7, Sweden.

"Berne" List

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The United 49-ers Radio Society recently held its annual meeting at the home of President Edward Broome, Vincentown, N. J.

At the recent annual conventionouting of the Newark News Radio Club, "The Man of the Year" award was made to Vice-President John W. Reichert by Les Kraemer, chairman of the club's awards committee. The award is in the form of a handsome, engraved plaque, donated each year by Vice-President Harold Robinson. It goes to the member who, in the committee's opinion, has done the most for the club during the past year. Irving R. Potts, editor of NNRC's Bulletin, says: "Vice-President Reichert, one of the founders of the NNRC back in 1927, as a member, director, and officer has been an indefatigable worker for the club ever since its inception. John is the type of tireless and loyal member responsible for the club's success down through the years." Incidentally, NNRC has just announced the appointment of Ernest L. Norman, Pompton Lakes, N. J., and LeRoy Waite, Ballston Spa, N. Y., to the club's editorial staff; Ernest will assist Editor Carroll H. Weyrich of the Broadcast Band Section and will be in charge of members' reports, while Roy will cooperate with Editor Sheldon Dunham of the Amateur or Ham Section.

* * * This Month's Schedules

Albania—Radio Tirana is reported heard on 5.825 relaying m.w. service to closedown 1700; bad modulation (Short Wave News, London)

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan—A Swedish listener in NATTUGGLAN, Sweden, reports hearing Radio Omdurman on 17.950 around 1400.

Argentina - LRX, 9.660, Buenos Aires, heard after TGNA signs off 2230. (Cox, Ala.) This one noted around 1900 announcing "LRU, LRX, LRX1, Radio El Mundo." (Machwart, Mich.) LRT, 11.84, Tucuman, can be heard mornings to 0900 or later. (Stark, Texas) LRA, 17.720, noted with SIRA program in Spanish when tuned 1020. (Ferguson, N.C.) LRA, Radio del Estrado, 6.065, Buenos Aires, has been logged to closing 2355 with signature tune "Lights Out," followed by the Argentina National Anthem. (Cushen, N. Z.)

Azores-Ponta Delgada, 4.845, noted signing on 1600 with clock chiming the hour. (Pearce, England) Noted on the 11.090 channel from tuning 1439 to 1500 sign-off. (Machwart, Mich.)

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Belgian Congo-OTC2, Leopoldville, appears to have settled down on 9.767 again for its evening (EST) programs (English news at 2200), but at times may use approximately 9.745 during certain broadcasts.

OTM1, 6.295, Leopoldville, heard signing on 0000; news in French at start; weak lately. (Cox, Ala.)

Bolivia—La Paz, 9.497, recently was noted with English announcement, by woman, at 2115 closedown. (Stark, Texas)

British Guiana - Although ZFY. Georgetown, still lists its frequency as 6.000, it actually is heard on 5.985.

Bulgaria — Radio Sofia announces English for Europe for 1500-1515 and 1600-1630 on 6.070, and for North America 1900-1930, 0000-0015 on 15.330. (Pearce, England, others) Asks for reports to English Announcer, Radio Sofia, Sofia, Bulgaria. (Cox. Ala.) Has strong signal evenings (EST) when relaying Moscow's North American (English) programs over 15.330.

Burma-World Radio Society, Sweden, says Rangoon is heard on 6.035 around 0030-0050 with QRM from London, Monte Carlo, and Stuttgart.

Cape Verde Islands-Noted moved from 5.928 to approximately 5.885; signs on 1530 and closes 1700; news in Portuguese 1630. (Pearce, England)

Ceylon—Commercial Service of Radia Čeylon, 11.975, noted with "Voice of America" relay 1030-1100. (Pearce, England; Rosenauer, Calif.) Noted on the 15.12 channel 0100 with music. (Pearce, England) The 15.12 outlet signs on 2045 with recording of "Strike Up the Band;" good level in Wisconsin. (Shanahan)

Chile-CE1190 has moved from 11.900 to 11.938, heard mornings, afternoons, evenings (EST); has QRM at times from harmonic of the Dominican Republic station, 11.940; also CWQRM. (Stark, Texas; Bellington, N. Y.)

CE1174, 11.7435, Santiago, noted around 0730 with music and announcements in Spanish; CE960, 9.593, Santiago, heard 2050 with concert; identified in Spanish 2115. (Russell, Calif.) CE1515, 15.15, Santiago, noted 2058 with announcement of "Radio Corporacion, Santiago de Chile." (Machwart, Mich.)

China-Radio Peking sent letter and full schedule by airmail; schedule was listed English 0430-0500, 640 kc., 700 kc., 720 kc., 6.100, 10.260, 11.690, 15.060; 0830-0900, 700 kc., 11.690, 15.060; 1700-1730, 640 kc., 700 kc., 720 kc., 10.260, 6.100, 11.690, 15.060. Listed standard Chinese at dictation speed 1030-1200 on 640 kc., 700 kc., 720 kc., 6.100, 7.500, 9.040, 10.260, 11.690, 15.060, (Pearce, England)

Dilg, Calif., others, have noted a Communist Chinese on 15.17 (probably old Chungking?) . lately in parallel with Radio Peking with English 0430-0500; however, during the 0835-0900 English period, the 15.17 outlet has Chinese. Dilg reports the 9.040 channel recenly was at good level when tuned 0735: North Shansi?

Russell, Calif., reports a Communist Chinese on 5.989 (Nanking or Shanghai?) with woman commentator in Chinese 0800.

Chungking, 6.155, has fair signal 0800. (Dilg, Calif.) Nanking's 31-m. outlet was measured recently as 9.733. (Hutchins, Radio Australia) Unidentified Communist Chinese station noted recently on 10.670 at 0800-0950 signoff: some CWQRM but had good level in Calif. (Rosenauer)

Colombia-HJEX, 7.054, Cali, "Radio Pacifico," heard recently 2200-2230 with recorded music; identified 2200; verified by card in 30 days: usually has excellent signal. (Whitman, Ill., others) Relays m.w. HJER, 1030 kc.: QRA is Radio Pacifico, Apartado Nacional 559, Cali, Colombia, South America; is on until 0000 or later. (Sklenar, Cuba)

HJCX, 6.02, noted signing off 0302 with English announcement by man, followed by short announcement in Spanish, then anthem; strong and with no QRM. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Curacao—PJC, 5.010, Willemstad, noted on a Monday 2000 with Dutch folk songs and announcements in English. (Ferguson, N. C.) The 2.46 outlet, PJC2, is heard but at weak level. QSL lists frequencies as 2.46 and 5.017, both with 3 kw. (Bellington, N. Y.)

Czechoslovakia — Prague, 11.875, heard 1930-1958 with English. (Patterson, Ga.) Noted with English in progress 1607 on 9.55, 11.875. (Bellington, N. Y.) Prague is on a new channel of 6.095 at 1200 in German. (Radio Australia, others)

Dominican Republic-HI2T, 9.740, noted recently on a Wednesday with English in progress 2220. (Ferguson, N. C.) And on a Friday on both 5.97, 9.735; may also be on Mondays. (Bellington, N. Y.) This English feature usually starts 2200.

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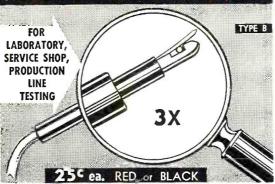
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Egypt—Cairo, 10.055, appears to have a religious (Arabic) service on Thursdays around 1915-2030; other days, too? (Bellington, N. Y.) Also heard by Oskay, N.J. SUX, 7.866, Cairo, heard 1618 by Cox, Ala., with native chanting; weak and much QRM.

Falkland Islands—Port Stanley is operating on 3.440 at 1300-1400; output is 300 watts. (WRH Bulletin) Can anyone confirm this and is the station actually ever "heard?"—KRB.

France—Paris noted signing off nightly 2030 or 9.560. (Lucas, N. Y.) Noted on 7.24 and 11.70 with Arabic 1700-1730; best on 11.70. (Bellington, N. Y.)

French Equatorial Africa—"Radio AEF" can be heard on 17.845 and 9.960 at 1300-1500 sign-off; programs consist of music and news in French. (Lundin, Sweden)

French Guinea—Overseas sources report Radio Guinea, Conakry, heard on 10.230 weekdays only at 0715-0730. Short Wave News, London, says has bad CWQRM.

French West Africa—Schedules from Radio Dakar lists 11.885 and 15.346 at 1400-1600 beamed to France; lists news in French for 0215, 0245, 0700, 0730, 1415, 1515, 1755; English for 1400-1415; lists morning program as 0200-0300, 0600-0830; evening program as 1300-1800. (Talbert, Australia) Machwart, Mich., says English news is now 1410-1420 instead of 1400-1410.

Germany—Baden-Baden, 6.320, noted 0020 with symphony music; weak, high noise level. (Cox, Ala.)

Radio Free Europe, 6.130, noted with call 1700 followed by broadcast in an Eastern European language; noted another day 1345 with bell tolling, call, then program in Bulgarian. Stuttgart, 6.030, heard with closing announcements in English and German 1809. "Hier ist Deutschlandsender Berlin," 6.115, noted 0045, German news 0100, at 1400 with symphony music; is heard parallel on 7.150 but that channel is jammed at times; is in Russian Sector and gives news and views of "the Deutsche Demokratische Republik." Hamburg, 7.29, noted 0810-0900 with light music; another day 0110 with early morning music; often has programs from Cologne when gives call "Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk Cologne;" ordinarily, call is "Nord-westdeutscher Rundfunk Hamburg." (Pearce, England) Hamburg, 7.29, and Osterloog, 11.795, noted parallel 1810 with piano music; 11.795 strong around 2300. (Bellington, N. Y.) Wants reports, especially on the 11.759 (Osterloog) outlet. (Pearce)

Leipzig, 9.728, seems to sign on regularly now around 2227; good level. (Ferguson, N. C.; Bellington, N. Y.) (Continued on page 149)

Pulse Generator

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of 0.2 microsecond is equivalent to a signal of $2 \times .2$ or

1,000,000/.4 = 2,500,000 cps

If the pulse is rectangular, as shown, it may contain harmonics as high as the tenth or twentieth, or to 25 or 50 megacycles, respectively, depending on the "sharpness" of the pulse.

Rise time is the time it takes a pulse to rise from 10% to 90% of its peak value, as shown in Fig. 10A.

Decay time is the time it takes a pulse to fall from 90% to 10% of its peak value, and thus is similar to "rise time" (see Fig. 10A).

Pulse width is the time of duration of the pulse, or of a rectangular pulse whose energy and peak power equal those of the pulse. (See Fig. 10B). For rounded pulses, such as those obtained from the pulse generator, the pulse width may usually be taken as the time of duration between the 70% points on the slopes of the pulse.

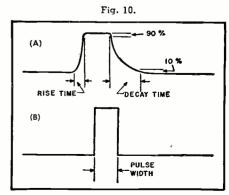
Pulse bandwidth is the bandwidth in a circuit necessary to transmit the pulse. As we have seen, if the pulse is considered to be a half-cycle of a square wave, this bandwidth may be equal to the tenth or twentieth harmonic of the equivalent frequency of the pulse, and may be quite high if the pulse width is small. Pulse bandwidth may also be determined by the following relationship:

 $F_{bw} = \frac{1}{2}t$

where F_{bw} is the bandwidth in megacycles and t is the rise or decay time. Either rise or decay time may be used, whichever is smaller.

Although considerable advanced mathematics may be required for a detailed analysis and study of pulsed waveforms, a basic understanding is quite easy to obtain without advanced mathematical explanations. Experimental work with pulses and pulse shaping and forming circuits offers a fertile field for the interested experimenter, and a pulse generator capable of delivering pulses suitable for even advanced experimental work is not too difficult to construct.

Construction details on a waveform clipper that can be used separately or in conjunction with this generator will be given next month. $-\overline{30}$



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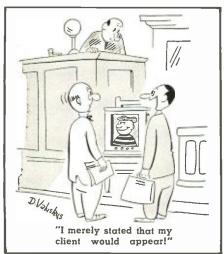
Present thinking is that the total harmonic distortion should not exceed 2 per-cent. From general experience it seems reasonable to rate an amplifier having 10 per-cent intermodulation with 2 per-cent harmonic distortion as fair quality, and one having 5 per-cent intermodulation with 2 per-cent harmonic distortion as good.

Although no standards have as yet been determined, it is known that a good system should have good transient as well as steady-state characteristics, and should have no undamped vibrations when a square-wave is applied to the input of the system. In general the system should have a smooth response with a minimum number of peaks and dips in the response curve, for good reproduction of transients. This factor is especially important in the electromechanical components of the system (particularly in the loudspeaker).

Flutter and wow in the reproduction of disc and magnetic recordings can be serious and annoying—the ear being quite sensitive to this type of distortion, since it seldom occurs in nature. Under some conditions the ear can detect the presence of as little as 0.001 per-cent flutter. The best systems which are being used in broadcast and recording studios at the present time maintain constant speed to about 0.1 per-cent or better. About 1 per-cent flutter or wow is acceptable for a home reproducing system.

The above distortion information is summarized in Table 1, which gives a list of the various electronic distortions and their acceptable limits, and also the type of signal with which the amount of this distortion may be detected. When these factors are taken into account in the design and setup of the reproducing system, and the various distortion limits carefully considered, the audio experimenter's aim of almost-perfect sound reproduction will have come a long way toward realization.

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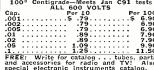
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separate filament windings. One of these provides power to the filament of the rectifier tube for the high voltage supply and the other furnishes the power to the filament of the rectifier tube for the focusing voltage supply.

The 227T1 produces a maximum of 14,000 volts at no load and has been especially designed for use with the 14GP4 and 17GP4 picture tubes. could be used, as mentioned before, with any other electrostatic focus picture tubes having a horizontal deflection angle of approximately 66 degrees. Fig. 1 is the circuit of the horizontal oscillator and deflection and high voltage system which uses this coil. The focusing voltage d.c. output obtained at no load, with the beam current and potentiometer adjusted for maximum output, is approximately 3800 volts.

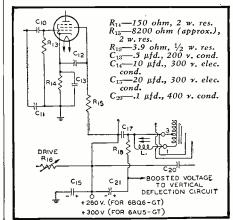
The 228T1 operates at 16,000 volts at no load and is designed for the 17GP4, 20GP4, or other electrostatic focus types having a horizontal deflection angle of approximately 66 degrees. Fig. 2 shows the required changes in wiring when this unit is used instead of the 227T1. However, in this case the focusing voltage d.c. output at no load is 4400 volts.

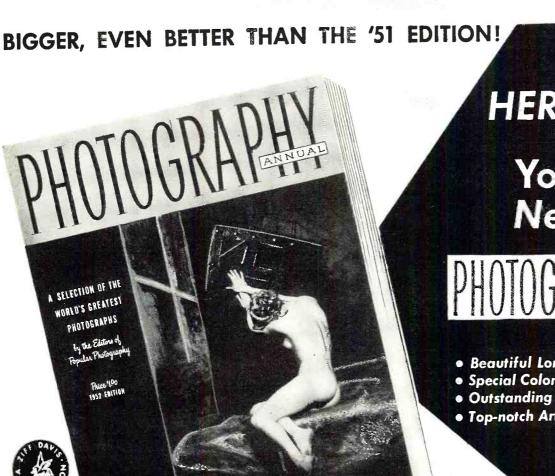
The horizontal deflection output tube may be either a 6BQ6GT or a 6AU5GT in this circuit. When the 6BQ6GT is used, the "B" supply must be 280 volts. When the 6AU5GT is employed, a 300 volt "B" supply is required.

The third new unit in this recentlyintroduced series of components is the 211D1 deflecting yoke. It is a magnetic type which has been developed for use with rectagular picture tubes having neck diameters of 17/16", horizontal deflecting angles of 66 degrees, and diagonal angles of 70 degrees. A wiring diagram of this yoke is shown in Fig. 3.

Among the features claimed for this yoke is improved side and corner res-

Fig. 2. Wiring diagram using the 228T1 horizontal deflection output and high voltage transformer. The balance of the diagram is identical with that shown in Fig. 1. The high voltage output obtained from this unit is 16,000 volts. Parts list shows the additions and changes in component values over those shown in Fig. 1.





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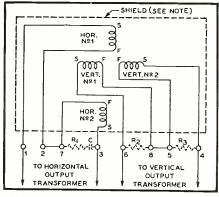


Fig. 3. Wiring diagram for the 211D1 deflecting yoke. Provision should be made for grounding the shield which is internally connected to the mounting bracket. The resistors and condensers shown are not supplied with the unit but the following values are suggested. $R_1 = 1000$ ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. $\pm 10\%$; R₂, R₃ ± 560 ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ w. res. $\pm 10\%$; and C=62 $\mu\mu$ fd., 1500 v. cond. $\pm 5\%$.

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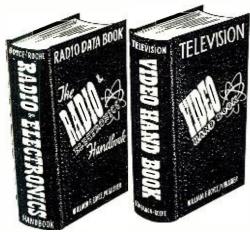
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DR. C. J. BREITWIESER has been named executive assistant to Dr. F. R. Hen-



sel, vice-president in charge of engineering at P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc.

He joins the company after serving as chief of electronics and head of the engineering laboratories for *Consoli*-

dated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, Lindbergh Field, San Diego.

Dr. Breitwieser, who is a graduate of the California Institute of Technology, has been associated with *United Sound Products Company*, *DeForest Research*, *Inc.*, and *Memovox Corporation* in addition to holding several academic posts and consulting engineering positions.

NEW ERA TELEVISION COMPANY has been formed recently to handle the national sale of custom-built television-radio-phonograph units with glass and mirror combined with wood, fabrics, and bamboo. The new firm, which is located at 315 East 47th Street, New York 17, New York, will serve as the sales organization for the NEW ERA GLASS COMPANY CONTROL INSTRUMENT COMPANY, INC., of Brooklyn, New York, designers and manufacturers of electronic instruments, has been acquired by BUR-ROUGHS ADDING MACHINE COMPANY. The instrument company will continue to operate as a separate corporation. *

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Francis F. Florsheim, president of *Columbia Wire and Supply Co.*, was named vice-chairman, and Helen Staniland Quam, *Quam-Nichols Co.*, was reelected for her sixteenth term as treasurer.

Kenneth C. Prince, Chicago attorney, was renamed executive secretary of the association.

Voltage Regulators

(Continued from page 69)

150 to 350 volts. This particular circuit has the added advantage that the heater supply for the control tube is at ground potential and can be used for other purposes.

The circuit of Fig. 5 carries the trend of the above modification one step lower in output voltage range. A 300 volt power supply can be used if its negative lead is connected to the screen of the control tube, V_2 . An auxiliary 200 volt bias supply is needed to supply the over-all total of 500 volts for the regulator unit. The output voltage in this case will be from 50 to 250 volts. This is a very useful range for testing and for use with any of the present-day low voltage miniature tubes.

It will be noticed that the basic circuit of Fig. 2 appears without internal change in the circuits of Figs. 3, 4, and 5. This suggests the possibility of a practical voltage regulator unit capable of being used with various power supplies. Fig. 6 diagrams such a unit. It combines a bias supply integral with the regulator unit. It will deliver up to 150 ma. from 50 to 600 volts with appropriate power supplies, in four ranges. Power supplies with reasonably good regulation should be used

While the regulator unit of Fig. 6 would serve many uses, it fails to accomplish the original requirement. It would not cover the full range without switching and it required several power supplies. It seemed that a unit which would have a single control and include its own power supply should be possible. It would be if the limiting factor of the maximum rated plate voltage of the regulator and control tubes could be raised. Series arrangements suggested themselves and the circuit of Fig. 7 was worked out. In this circuit two 6AS7 regulator tubes are used in series. The voltage divider, R_2 and R_3 , applies proportionately bias voltages on the regulator tubes so that the voltage drop across them is divided equally. A 6J5 is added in the control branch. Equal division of the plate voltage between the 6J5 and the 6SJ7 is obtained by the use of resistors R_6 and R_s . Control of this circuit uses a variable resistor, R_7 , instead of the potentiometer, R2, in Fig. 2. This was considered necessary because the output voltage now varies over a range of some 450 volts.

The voltage regulated power supply shown in Fig. 7 was constructed and tested. It was found to have a useful range from almost zero to a little over 450 volts and it can be set anywhere within that range by adjusting a single control. True, it is wasteful of power in the low voltages but that feature is more than offset by the flexibility of the unit. It should prove to be a very handy piece of equipment on the test bench.

"THE RADIO AMATEUR'S HAND-BOOK" by the Headquarters Staff of the ARRL. Published by The American Radio Relay League, West Hartford, Conn. 768 pages including catalogue section and index. Price \$2.50. Paper bound. 28th Edition.

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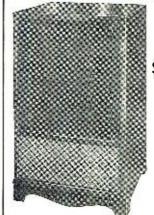
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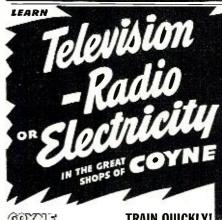
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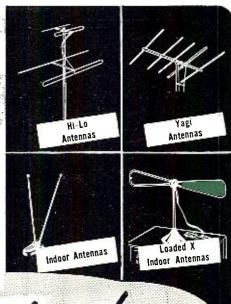
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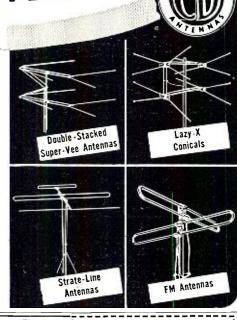


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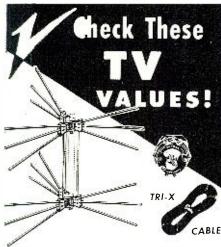
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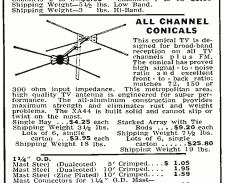
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Horn-Loaded Speaker

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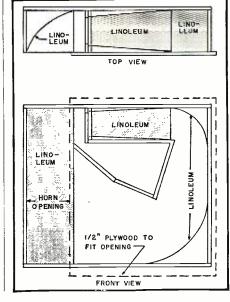
ing, obnoxious looking, bulky contraption. Of course, the "Better Half" had some influence in that decision! In this design, most of the construction errors are hidden. As it turned out, there wasn't much compromise. It is a source of considerable satisfaction to have other high-fidelity enthusiasts listen to it, then start figuring how they can build one like it.

The horn is made as a unit in a box. It slips in the opening where the shelves slipped out. Thus restoration of the original bookshelves is a simple matter when we move, an item that deserves consideration. Actual construction is really quite simple. Being anything but a master wood craftsman, it won't be hard to improve on my model. The size of the available opening in which the assembly is to be built will determine the length of horn which can be enclosed. That in turn will determine the rate of opening. In my case, the cross section area was doubled every two feet. This provides loading to 32 cycles. Intermediate cross sections were gauged by eye, and some improvement could probably be made by expending more effort to get more accuracy. For example, the basic unit could be divided by 3, then the rate of opening would be as follows:

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units of length	MULTIPLICATION CROSS-SECTION AREA
1	1.26
2	1.59
3	2.00
4	2.51
5	3.16
6	3.98
7	5.01
8	6.31
9	7.94
10	10.00

Considerable care should be used in

Two views of the horn-loaded speaker showing placement of linoleum baffling. Over-all inside dimensions are 41" wide, $35^{\prime\prime}$ high, and $10^{\prime\prime}$ deep. The front panel is made of 1/2" plywood cut to fit opening.



forming the curves of linoleum to insure good results. If this is not done, very objectionable reflections will occur and the results will be poor. Linoleum was chosen to form the curves because it is inexpensive, easily worked, and quite inert. Scrap pieces can usually be picked up at a furniture store at very low cost.

As would be expected, there is some interference between front and back radiation of the single speaker. This can be practically eliminated by loosely forming cotton around the rear of the speaker frame, being careful not to cover the central core opening.

The W.E. 755-A, now made by Altec-Lansing, is not the only speaker adaptable to this design, but whatever unit is used it must have an opening in the core for high frequency radiation from the rear.

SERVICE TIP

By NICHOLAS B. COOK

THE inner conductor of a 25-foot, I nearly-new mike cable was open. Inspection of terminal connectors showed no trouble at these points. Removal of connectors revealed nothing but apparently perfect mechanical continuity. Yet the line was open. Where?
The open was quickly found by the

use of an ohmmeter, a needle-pointed probe, and a technique learned from the celebrated Greek philosopher Zeno, who "proved" that Achilles could never overtake the tortoise.

The method is as follows: Call the ends of the line "A" and "B." Clip one probe on end "A." Push the sharp needle of the other probe through to the inner conductor at a point halfway between "A" and "B."

Assuming that there is only one

"open," this test shows either open or closed and eliminates one half of the entire length. If open, the fault lies in the "A" half; if closed, in the "B" half; if closed, in the "B" half.

The next test is taken in the bad section at a point halfway between test point No. I and the end. The probe clip may be left at "A." However, an open test from the "A" end can be verified as a closed test from the end. The double check is conclusive and takes very little more time.

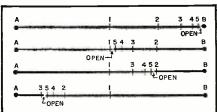
In this manner, halving the remainder each time, only five tests are required in a 25-foot cable to narrow the faulty section down to 9 inches.

In the actual case that inspired this "Service Tip," the open was found at a distance of 7 inches from the end. Lucky!

But the method works equally well if the open is near the middle. See Fig. 1 for details on how the operation is performed.

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Rapid method for locating an "open" in a length of microphone or similar cable.



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Manufacturers' Literature

Readers are asked to write directly to the manufacturer for the literature. By mentioning RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, the issue and page, and enclosing the proper amount, when indicated, delay will be prevented.

PICTURE TUBES

Zetka Television Tubes, Inc. of 131-137 Getty Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey is now offering a 12-page, two-color catalogue covering its line of 16, 17, 19, and 20 inch picture tubes.

Every tube described in the new catalogue is thoroughly detailed with descriptive copy and diagrammatic drawings.

Requests for the catalogue should be addressed to Murray Shindel, sales manager of the firm.

TIMER CATALOGUE

The Sessions Clock Company of Forestville, Conn., is currently offering copies of its new catalogue covering clock movements and switch timers.

Designed as a buying and engineering guide for specialty clock manufacturers, design engineers, and all users of clock timing movements, this 12page bulletin gives complete specifications and dimensional drawings on all of the units in the company's line.

Copies of Bulletin No. CM-11 are available from Dept. 16 of the company.

NEW NEWARK CATALOGUE

Newark Electric Company, 323 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois has just published a comprehensive parts catalogue which lists only current and readily available items.

The catalogue carries listings of test equipment; industrial equipment and supplies; high fidelity systems and components; television chassis; tape, wire, and disc recorders; phonographs; tools; books; p.a. and intercom systems; transcription players; and a large selection of ham equipment.

TV REPLACEMENT GUIDE

Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corporation of South Plainfield, New Jersey has just issued a comprehensive manual listing over 400 of the most important TV twist-prong electrolytics.

Known as the "Television Replacement Guide TVR 7", the new guide is divided into sections covering manufacturer, model number, and C-D replacement numbers in various forms for easy reference. Other listings show the physical and electrical characteristics of over 400 C-D replacements and a cross index of older twist-prong electrolytics and their present equivalent part numbers.

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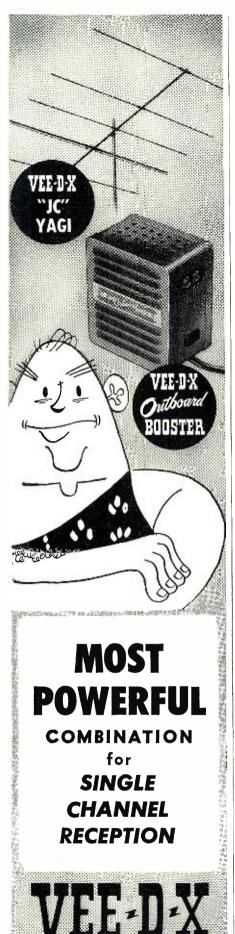
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Standard Transformer Corporation, 3580 Elston Avenue, Chicago 18, Illinois has announced the availability of a new television catalogue and replacement guide which lists more than 1500 models and chassis built under 79 brand names.

In addition to listing all replacement items by model number, manufacturer's part number and *Stancor* stock number, the guide identifies each part by code number which indicates the unit's function in the television circuit.

SHURE REPLACEMENT MANUAL

Shure Brothers, Inc., 225 West Huron, Chicago, Illinois has issued its replacement manual No. 66 which lists over 1500 phonographs, radio-phonograph combinations, and radio-television-phono combinations using Shure crystal and ceramic cartridges.

The manual refers to sets by manufacturer's name and model number with the *Shure* model number for each cartridge replacement. In addition to all the current models, the listing includes brands dating back to 1938.

AUDIO EQUIPMENT

Cinema Engineering Company, 1510 West Verdugo Avenue, Burbank, California has recently issued a 32-page catalogue covering its line of attenuators and related audio accessories.

The information included in the catalogue is concise but complete, in many instances the material is presented in tabular form for quick reference. The products are pictured and described and include such items as volume indicator units, db and vu meters, decade resistance boxes, jacks, patch cords, plugs, relay racks, terminal blocks, miscellaneous parts and supplies.

CONDENSER REPLACEMENTS

A new 16-page catalogue recently issued by *Sprague Products Company*, North Adams, Massachusetts contains a comprehensive listing of condensers for practically every radio and television service, amateur radio, experimental, laboratory, and other needs.

Of particular interest to television technicians are the sections covering the company's "Telecap" molded tubulars, the "Twist-Lok" prong mounting dry electrolytics, "Ceramite" disc ceramics, "Bulplate" multiple ceramics, and "Doorknob" high voltage ceramics.

Copies of Catalogue C-607 are available either from the company or from the company's parts distributors.

TUBE TESTING DATA

The Hickok Electrical Instrument Company, 10677 Dupont Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio is currently offering copies of a new 16-page booklet which illustrates and describes the different theories and the four basic methods of tube testing.

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VIBRATOR REPLACEMENTS

James Vibrapowr Company, 4036 N. Rockwell Street, Chicago 18, Illinois now has available a new vibrator replacement guide which is being offered to technicians and others interested in the application of vibrators.

The listing includes the company's complete line of vibrators, base wiring diagrams, and other pertinent information.

TUBE CHARACTERISTICS

Raytheon Manufacturing Company, 55 Chapel Street, Newton 58, Massachusetts has just issued a new 8-page bulletin covering special purpose tube characteristics.

Information on subminiature, magnetron, klystron, rectifiers, voltage regulators, radiation counter, transmitting, etc. type tubes is presented in easy-to-use tabular form. A terminal and basing connection chart is also included for reference.

MAGNECORD CATALOGUE

Magnecord Inc., 360 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois now has available for distribution copies of its new illustrated catalogue which describes the company's line of magnetic tape recording equipment and the facilities available for building special equipment to individual requirements.

"SLIDE-RULE" GUIDE

Jensen Industries, Inc., 329 S. Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois has developed a simplified phonograph needle chart and replacement guide for use by the retail and jobbing trade.

Designed to fit either pocket or service kit, the new needle guide provides the answer to the problem of the proper needle replacement for every make of phonograph and cartridge.

The guide resembles a graphic calculator type of slide rule and includes all the necessary variables and characteristics required in the absence of the exact model or replacement number.

RECORDING RATE CARD

Audio & Video Products Corp., 1650 Broadway, New York 19, New York is offering a pocket-size card covering its facilities and rates for tape recording editing, multiple tape recording, instantaneous, and master disc recording.

Copies are available without charge to those using recording media.

NEEDLE REPLACEMENTS

Electrovox Co., Inc., 60 Franklin Street, East Orange, New Jersey is currently offering copies of its new "Walco" phonograph needle replacement chart to jobbers and dealers.

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G-E REPLACEMENT GUIDE

The Receiver Division of General Electric Company, Electronics Park, Syracuse, New York is currently offering copies of a new publication, "Stylus and Cartridge Replacement Guide," which has been designed especially for dealers and technicians.

The new guide charts the complete use of styli and cartridges in G-E as well as competitive phonograph combinations and depicts the advantages of the company's variable reluctance cartridge with the baton stylus.

Copies of this guide are now available from the company's parts distributors

"HAM NEWS"

The Tube Divisions of General Electric Company have announced the availability of a cloth-bound volume of "Ham News" containing a copy of every issue published from May-June 1946 up through the November-December 1950 issue.

Hams and experimenters may obtain copies by writing the Tube Divisions of the company at Schenectady, New York. The price is \$2.00 per copy.

ASTATIC CATALOGUE

The Astatic Corporation of Conneaut, Ohio has recently published a general catalogue which covers all of the products manufactured by the company for the civilian market.

Included are illustrations of the products, descriptive information, and performance data on TV and FM boosters, microphones and stands, phonograph pickups and cartridges, needles, recording heads, and related equipment.

Copies of Catalogue 51 are available from the company's Sales Department. --30--

The success of this year's convention of the Audio Engineering Society and The Audio Fair was uppermost in the minds of these gentlemen who met recently to lay plans for these events. As in previous years the three-day session will be held at the Hotel New Yorker, beginning November 1st. Meeting with Harry N. Reizes, Fair manager (left), were (from left to right): F. Sumner Hall, acting secretary: C. J. LeBel, past president; C. G. McProud, executive vice-president; John D. Colvin, president; and Ralph A. Schlegal, AES treasurer. The Audio Fair will be open to the public but convention sessions will be closed.



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Noted at fair level in German with music around 2300. (Hoogerheide, Wisc)

Greece-Greek station noted near 7.580 with recordings 1330; signs off 1531 with Greek National Anthem. May be Kavala, (Pearce, England) Cushen, N. Z., lists Kavala on 7.580, 250 watts, scheduled 0000-0130, 0500-0515, 1130-1500. (Radio Australia) Larissa, 6.745. noted 0100; no English heard lately on Thursday 1530 as scheduled, but has had recordings to closedown 1600. (Pearce, England)

Current schedules from Radio Athens are 2000-2100 on 11.718 to USA; 2330-0830 on 7.300 Greek; 0915-0930 on 15.345 news in Russian; 1030-1300 on 7.300 Greek; 1300-1400 on 7.300 in Balkan languages; 1430-1445 on 11.718 English; 1445-1500 on 11.718 French, and 1530-1700 on 7.300 Greek; power remains 7.5 kw.; news in English nightly is around 2040 on 11.718. (Lucas, N. Y.) No longer uses 6.177 or 9.607. (Radio Sweden)

Guatemala-TGNA has moved from 6.040, by official permission, to 5.955 where is parallel with 9.660A; would like reports, especially on the new 5.955 outlet. (Boice, Conn., others) Has English 2200-2230.

Haiti-4VRW, 9.838, is heard with English Mon., Wed., Fri., around 2130 (may vary); announces "Voice of the Republic of Haiti;" bad CWQRM around 2130. (Lucas, N. Y.) 4VN noted on about 6.013, strong 2100 tune-in when gave call letters in French; classical music started 2101 (Bellington, N. Y.)

Holland-In the North American (English) transmission 2130-2210, "Letterbox" is Tuesdays 2200; frequencies arc 9.59, 11.73. (Shanahan, Wisc., others)

Hong Kong-ZBW3, 9.525, fair signal with Chinese 0645; BBC news relay 0700 (Stein, Calif., others)

Hungary—Budapest has English for Europe 1600-1630; 1710-1740 for North America; frequencies currently are 11.910, 9.833, 7.220. (Pearce, England) Relays Radio Moscow widely-afternoons and evenings (EST).

India-AIR, 15.29, noted with news 1045. (Russell, Calif.) This channel is widely reported with news 1930, good level. The 15.16 frequency continues with good signal in all-native musical program 2030-2200 daily. (Fuller, R. I., others)

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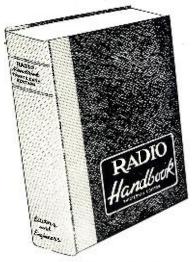
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Indo-China(Vietnam)—RadioFrance-Asie, 11.83, Saigon, noted with news recently 0500-0515 sign-off; fair level. (Rosenauer, Calif.) When this was compiled, Radio France-Asie listed its current channels as 11.78, 11.83, 7.23, 9.524, 9.754. (Gay, Calif.) Although listed 9.754, had been using 9.74 for the two weeks prior to this compilation. Is a "wanderer" lately. (Balbi, Calif.) Listed English broadcasts for 1730-1745 on 9.524; 1900-1915, 2030-2045 on 9.800; 0500-0515 on 11.830; 0900-0915 on 11.780; French for 1715-1730 on 9.524, 1815-1845, 1915-1930 on 9.524, and 9.800; 2045-2100, 2345-0000. 0615-0630, 0700-0730,1015-1030 on 9.800.

GETTING A.V.C. FROM A BIASED DETECTOR

By CHARLES E. COHN

THE advantages of the biased detector family, which includes the plate detector and the infinite impedance detector, have long been recognized. Both types have the major advantage of high input impedance, meaning that unlike the ubiquitous diode, they do not ruin the selectivity of their tuned circuit. In addition, the infinite-impedance detector has less distortion than the diode on highly modulated signals.

Given these major benefits, why is it that this type of detector has not been used more extensively? The answer is that it has always had a major drawback, which was the apparent impossibility of making it produce a signal for automatic volume control. Since a.v.c. is regarded as a necessity in the modern receiver, this has precluded the use of the biased detector in the majority of sets. Attempts have been made to overcome this obstacle, but the arrangements involved have either ruined the inherent selectivity of the system or necessitated unacceptable circuit complication.

However, the solution to this problem becomes quite simple if we merely remember that the biased detector is nothing but a form of r.f. amplifier. It is a very poor one, to be sure, but it is still an r.f. amplifier. Therefore, there should be r.f. voltage at the plate. In that case, why not use this r.f. voltage to provide a.v.c., instead of bypassing it uselessly to ground, as is usually done?

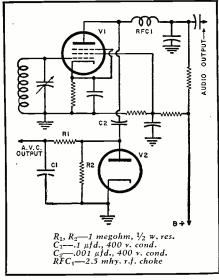
A circuit for utilizing this idea in the case of a plate detector is shown in the diagram of Fig. 1. It will be noted that the greater part of the circuit is conventional, with a few important additions. The r.f. choke, RFC₁, placed between the plate and the audio load resistor, acts as a load impedance for the r.f. component of the detector output. The r.f. voltage developed across RFC₁ is capacitively coupled by means of C_2 to an ordinary a.v.c. rectifier circuit. The rectifier (V_2) diode can be either the thermionic or crystal type. Many plate detectors already have in the position of RFC₁ an r.f. choke or resistor by-

passed at both ends for the purpose of r.f. filtering. In such a case, this can be used for the r.f. load impedance, with the plate bypass removed. The case of the infinite-impedance detector is also easily handled, the choke RFC₁ being placed between plate and "B+", with C_2 connected to the plate. If a set already has a biased detector with a separate a.v.c. circuit operating from an r.f. or i.f. plate, an improvement in performance can be realized by transferring the a.v.c. connection to the detector plate, in the manner here described.

Despite the simplicity of this circuit, it is an excellent performer. Not only does it maintain the high input impedance of the detector, but it also gives improved a.v.c. action, due to the amplification of the r.f. signal. In short, this system appears to be the key to effective utilization of the biased detector.

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Fig. 1.



(Cushen, N. Z.) Still noted with news 0900 on 11.780.

"Voice of Vietnam" noted on measured 9.619 concluding English session 0925, followed by native music to 0930

sign-off. (Russell, Calif.)

Iran-Radio Tabriz sent letter and schedules via registered mail: frequency is approximately 6.095; schedule is 2115-2315, 0315-0715, 1015-1315; on Fridays, second session starts 0015. (Pearce, England) Radio Teheran noted on 15.100 in parallel with 6.155 with news. (Pearce, England) Seems to have dropped the Russian news period at 1515 (which was jammed) and often closes now around 1508 to 1510 following English newscast. (Bellington, N. Y., others) EQB, 9.660. has been logged 0300 relaying the Home Service. (Radio Sweden)

Israel—Israeli Forces, 4X4EA, Tel Aviv, heard 1330 with recordings; woman announcer; signs off with bugle sounding "Lights Out" at 1400 (was 1500 earlier this year). Tel Aviv, 9.010A, still has "Voice of Zion" session in English daily 1615-1700 closedown; on some days, ends this period with a Hebrew Lesson. (Pearce, England, others) When this was compiled the new 50 kw. transmitter (due to have opened in May) was not yet reported

on the air.

Italy—Rome's 11.905 and 15.420 channels heard with news 1900-1915; also news 2145 over 17.800, 15.420, 15.120, 11.905, 11.810. (Lucas, N. Y.)

Japan—AFRS, Tokyo, has moved its 25-m. channel from 11.800 to 11.815 where it has improved signal, is in the clear now; noted around 0300; sign-off time is 0430. (Rosenauer, Calif.) In the 49-m. band has moved from 6.175 to 6.080, still parallels 4.86, and schedule is unchanged. (Balbi, Calif.) JKJ, 7.285, strong signal early mornings with NHK network programs; JKM2, 9.695, is especially strong mornings (EST). (Stein, Calif.)

Kashmir—The Indian Listener lists Radio Kashmir at 2130-2330 on 989 kc. and 4.860, news daily 2130 (presumably relayed from AIR, Delhi); 0100-0230 on 989 kc. and 7.270; and 0700-1200 on 989 kc. and 4.860, news 1030 (also probably an AIR relay). Location is Srinagar. Has talk in English scheduled 0900 on

Thursdays.

Kenya Colony-Nairobi, 4.855, noted with orchestra music and closing 1400. (Pearce, England) Dary, Kans., has received this data from D. J. L. Garbutt, Capt., R. Signals, Station Commander, Forces Broadcasting Station Number 2, P.O. Box 116, Mackinnon Road, East African Command, Kenya—"Lately we have not been using 7.180 but we are using 6.115 and we are on the air at the following times—2200-0000, 0430-0630, 0900-1400 weekdays; 0900-1500 on Sats., and 0100-1400 on Suns. The language in use is English with the exception of two 30-minute periods of Swahili each week."

Korea (South)—At the time this was compiled, HLKA, Seoul, was reported back on the air on 7.935; heard weakly 0715-0815; at 0730-0800 organ music,

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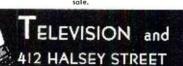
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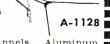


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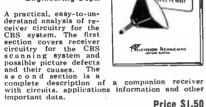
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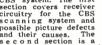
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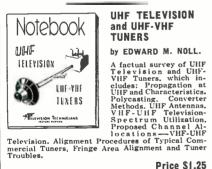
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Lebanon-Beirut, 8.035, is scheduled 0000-0115, 0515-0800, and 1000-1600; English 1000-1100. (ISWC, London)

Madagascar — Radio Tananarive. 9.515, still noted signing on 2233 with "La Marseillaise." (Machwart, Mich.) Sent schedule of 6.172 and 9.515 in French weekdays 2230-0030, 0400-0600, 1000-1430, Sundays 2300 (Sat. EST)-0245, 0330-0600, 0915-1430; on 7.374 and 9.693 in Malgache weekdays 2230-0000, 0330-0531, 0900-1200; Sundays 2330 (Sat. EST)-0000, 0330-0530, 0900-1200. (Kroll, N. Y.)

Malaya-At the time this was written, Radio Malaya, Singapore, Blue Network, had just moved from 7.200 to 7.210 where had fair level 0800 with news. (Balbi, Calif.) BFEBS, 15.300, noted recently 1030-1100 with strong signal; announced as coming on 17.755 at 1045 but this one could not be located. (Boice, Conn.) The 9.690 channel noted recently 0600 with BBC news relay. (Ferguson, N. C.)

Mexico-Call on short-wave of the 15.205A Mexican is definitely XESC; XEMC is the m.w. call. (Rastorfer, Bellington, N. Y.; Stark, Texas, others)

Received QSL card from XEBT, 9.625; power output listed 10 kw.; m.w. outlet is XEB on 1220 kc. with 100 kw.; QRA is Calle Buen Tone 6, Apartado Postal 7944, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. Also received QSL card from XEXE, 11.900: pictured transmitter and antennas; said "Many thanks for an ami-able report." (Kroll, N.Y.)

Mozambique - Lourence Marques noted near 4.820 with recordings, chimes and call 1445 followed by news in Portuguese; closed down 1500. Heard over CR7BU, near 4.92, with sponsored English program 1515; at 1555 gave closing announcements in English, times of re-opening, followed by playing of Ted Lewis' "Good Night Song;" after announcement in Portuguese, closed 1600 with "A Portuguesa." (Pearce, England) The outlet on approximately 9.840 has been good lately in Portuguese programs around 0000-0100. This one noted in Texas to after 0630: the 9.775 channel heard in English to after 0630. (Stark) The 11.764 channel still heard with English (commercial) programs from 2300 but is much weaker now; 4.92 which should parallel not audible lately. (Cox, Ala.)

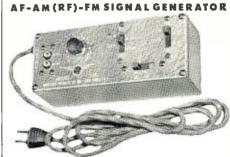
New Caledonia - Noumea, 6.035, noted signing off 0530 with "La Marseillaise." (Stein, Calif.)

New Zealand-Wellington noted recently 0200 on 9.620 and 11.780, good signals in Ky. (Baughn) Heard signing off 0552 on 9.54 and 9.62; weak. (Guentzler, Ohio) ZL4, 15.28, noted recently 1800-1845 with music; seldom audible that early. (Sutton, Ohio)

Northern Rhodesia-Lusaka is now on the air daily 1100-1430 and Sundays 0600-0800 on 3.914, 7.220. (Radio

Norway—Oslo uses 9.61, 11.735. 15.17, and 190 meters daily 2000-2100

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for North America in Norwegian with English announcements; on Sundays an English program called "Norway This Week" extends the broadcast 2100-2115, sometimes to 2120. (Bellington, N. Y., others)

Outer Mongolia-Stations noted on 5.265 and 6.390, in dual, around 0700, are believed Ulan-Bator. (Dilg, Calif.)

Pakistan—Radio Pakistan noted with news 0110-0120 and 0210-0220 on 17.770; at 1015-1030 on 11.725; also news at dictation speed 1210-1230 on 11.725; recently said that (announced) 11.726 is now being used instead of 11.650 but that there is no change in the 41-m. band (possibly 7.010 or 7.263?) for the Overseas Service. (Pearce, England)

Panama-HOJA, 9.650, Chitre, "Radio Provincias," noted 2147-2203 signoff with all-Spanish program. (Patterson, Ga.) The outlet on 9.607 opens 0700. (Stark, Texas) Bellington, N. Y., reports Radio Programas Continental on a new channel of 5.995A, noted around 2100 to 2359 sign-off with an-

Peru-OAX4J, Lima, still noted on old channel of 9.330; heard on a Sunday 0014 and again 0215; announces "Radio Colonial" after almost every musical number. OAX4W, 9.405, also Lima, heard 2340 to 0001 when left air abruptly without announcement; this one announces "Radio America, La Voz del Nuevo Mundo." (Machwart, Mich.)

Philippines—DZH8, 15,300, Manila, noted 0500-0515 with news. (Rosenauer, Calif.) DZH7 was measured recently as 9.736. (Hutchins, Radio Australia) Manila, 9.500, seems to have Tagalog at 0650 but by 0750 is buried by XEWW, Mexico City, same channel. (Stark, Texas)

Poland—Warsaw has English for North America 1745 on 11.815, repeated 2315 on 9.570; at 1930 on 11.815, repeated 0030 on 9.570; sent attractive QSL from Polskie Radio, English-Language Transmission, Aleja-Stalina 21, Warsaw, Poland. (Drittler, N. Y., others)

Portugal-Lisbon is now on 15.130 (moved from 15.380), noted closing there 0900 and opening again 0915; uses 11.995 at 1230-1530 and 11.958 at 1600-1800. (Pearce, England)

Portuguese China-Unconfirmed reports continue on a new station "Radio Villa Verde" on 9.500, located at Macau; details lacking.

Portuguese India-When this was written, Graham Hutchins, DX Editor, Radio Australia, informed me that he believes Radio Goa is still using 9.610 instead of 9.260 where it had been reported as heard by (unconfirmed) overseas sources.

Roumania - Bucharest, 9.250 and 6.210, heard 1500-1530 in French; 1530-1600 in English. (Radio Australia)

Sao Tome-The 17.677 channel noted on Sundays around 0735-0800 when closes with "A Portuguesa." (Pearce, England) Heard opening 0702; faded out by 0730 in N. C. (Ferguson) The 4.8075 outlet noted 1500

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with news in Portuguese, then music; at 1557 gave call, closing announcements in Portuguese, interspersed with guitar music; off 1559 with "A Portuguesa." (Pearce, England)

South Africa—ISWC, London, reports Johannesburg, 9.870, has news 1500 prior to closing 1505. Bluman, Israel, in an ISWC bulletin, says that Pretoria, 17.748, is scheduled 0330-0700, 0900-1045 (Sat, and Sun. 0330-1045); also 1100-1505 on 11.940.

QSL card from SABC lists ZRH as call for its 11.937 outlet; power 10 kw. (Oskay, N. J.)

Southern Rhodesia—Salisbury, 3.320, heard with dance music 1445; at 1501 said end of transmission "until morning at 7:55" (local time); gave no frequencies; closed with anthem. (Pearce, England)

Spain—Radio SEU, Madrid, is now noted around 1630 on about 7.145 with Spanish program. (Pearce, England) Radio Nacional de Espana, Madrid, listed 9.369, has been varying in frequency a great deal; noted low as 9.335. (Wilson, Ill., others)

Sweden — SBT, 15.155, Stockholm, noted with much improved signal in "Sweden Today" (English) 2000-2015. (Ferguson) Currently, Stockholm lists active channels as SBT, 15.155; SBP, 11.705; SDB2, 10.780; SBO, 6.065. (Kroll, N. Y.)

Syria—Damascus calling Europe noted 1630-1730 in English; 1730-1830 closedown in French; frequency is 11.915. (Pearce, England) Heard in USA with some QRM from Budapest, 11.910, relaying Radio Moscow. Measured by Oskay, N. J., as 11.913. An-

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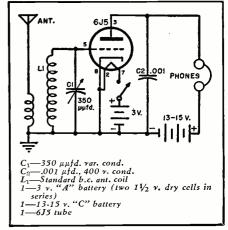
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Tahiti-Radio Tahiti, 6.135, Papeete, continues on schedule of 2300-0130. (Bellington, N. Y., others)

Taiwan - Recently received verie from "The Voice of Free China Calling the World, Taiwan Broadcasting Station Operated by the Broadcasting Corporation of China." The front of Taipeh's card has a Great Circle Map of the world centered on Taiwan. It is printed in blue, yellow, and white. Back of card had this data—BED6, 11.735; BED7, 7.130; BED29, 6.095; BED2, 670 kc.; BED3, 15.235, and BED4, 11.725. (Guentzler, Ohio; Stein, Calif.)

Tangiers - Radio Sweden reports Pan-American Radio logged on a new channel of 7.520 or 7.525 signing off 1700; however, WRH Bulletin lists this one currently as on 7.400 at 0700-1100, 1500-1900.

Trans-Jordan-The Hashimite Jordan Broadcasting Service, Ramallah, on 7.110, is scheduled daily 0000-0100 in Arabic; 0600-0630 in English; 0630-0730 in Arabic; 1000-1100 in English, and 1100-1530 in Arabic. (Radio Sweden)

Turkey-TAT, 9.515, Ankara, continues with strong signal in North American Service (English) 1815-1900; TAU, 15.165, heard 1430-1445 with Arabic music; 1500-1545 in English (some days to 1600). (Whitman, Ill., others)

USI - Menado, Celebes, noted on 9.840 with music 0812; identified in Indonesian 0815; no English noted. (Cox, Ala.)

USSR — Soviets noted 1657 with chorus singing on 7.245, 11.755, 11.78, then left air. (Bellington, N. Y.) Tiflis, 5.040, Georgia, noted 0900-1605 signoff. Kiev, Ukraine, noted on 9.665 at 1215 in Sweden. Asjhabad, Turkmenian, 6.180, noted 1200-1300 with native program and later with relay from Moscow. (NATTUGGLAN, Sweden) Stalinabad on 7.200 begins its broadcast 2000 with relay from Radio Moscow, but has own program after 2030. (Radio Sweden)

Vatican—HVJ now noted on 15.120 with news in English 1000. (Pearce, England)

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Dilg, Calif., notes an AIR outlet, location not definite, on 7.170A; seems to sign on 0815; identifies as "AIR" at 0900; has CWQRM.

A clandestine station, probably Bulgarian, is heard daily 1300-1400 on 6.300A. Radio de la Grece Libre is heard in French 1200-1212 on 9.455.

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WRH Bulletin says the Western Service (Home Service) of Radio Ceylon has begun relay of the Commercial Service programs on 6.075; scheduled there 2030-0030, 0130-0330, 0600-1230; the Commercial Service programs are relayed 0145-0030, 0130-0230.

The Home Service of the Israel Broadcasting Service (Kol Israel) is radiated on 6.830 and from 1245 (Mon., Fri. 1200, Wed. 1300) to 1430 on an additional frequency of 9,000 (actually 9.010A); news in Hebrew 2300, 0530, 1230, 1425; in English 0600, 1415; in Arabic 0000, 0615, 1115; in French 0700. Kol Israel also broadcasts a special program for new immigrants daily on 9.000 at 1100 in Yiddish, at 1120 in Juede-Spanish, and at 1140 in French. A program for overseas listeners called "The Voice of Zion" can be heard on 9.000 at 1515-1600 in French and 1615-1700 (sign-off) in English. (WRH Bulletin)

Dilg, Calif., flashes that the 4.775A South Korean outlet -believed Pusan—relays "Voice of America" program in Korean language 0745; that outlet is now parallel with 7.935, believed Seoul back on the air, signing off 0830; last 30 minutes is news in Korean at dictation speed; both transmitters have fairly good signals in Calif. A station heard by Dilg mornings (EST) on 4.285A is believed to be North Korea.

WRH Bulletin says "A station with callsign ZCQ on 5.770 is operated by the Seychelles Government; schedule not yet known; if anyone can favor us with further details about this station, it will be much appreciated." (Seychelles is a group of British islands in the Indian ocean; 153 square miles; capital is listed Victoria.—KRB)

A station heard with weak signal on 8.800A may be Indo-China; signs off 0830. One heard around 6.270A at 0800, weak to fair level, may be Radio Kashmir. A Communist Chinese outlet, location unknown, is noted on 6.650A at 0630 and later. (Dilg, Calif.)

Radio International Red Cross noted testing on 7.210 in several languages—including English—at 1700; reports requested to International Red Cross, Geneva, Switzerland.

Radio Australia reports Mauritius now on 24.75 m. (approximately 12.120) with general programs weekdays 2200-0015, 0300-0430, 0930-1230; Sundays 0115-0300, 0930-1230; Indo-Urasian programs weekdays 0800-0930, Sundays 0300-0345 (Thurs. 0430-0515), and "other" programs for Thursday 0730 to closedown 1230.

By this time, *Radio France-Asie*, Saigon, Indo-China (Vietnam), should have effected a series of "French by Radio" lessons on Tuesdays, Fridays 0515 on 11.83 and 0800 on 11.780; "guides" for the lessons are available on request (preferably via airmail) to the station. (Radio Australia) At press time, Stark, Texas, noted RFA signing on with French and *English* identification 0800 on 11.830.

At press time, I learned direct from Korea that HLKA, 800 kc., 500 watts, and HLKG, 4.7775, 300 watts, are the only two stations operating in the Pusan area of South Korea; scheduled 1530-1730, 2100-2330, 0300-0530; Radio Korea has no English programs. However, West Coast listeners report South Korea is heard lately on 7.933 (old Seoul channel for HLKA) in parallel with 4.7775A to 0830

At the time this was compiled, Radio Damascus, Syria, had just concluded satisfactory tests to North America on 11.915 (measured 11.913 by Oskay, N. J.) and 15.395 (measured 15.3636 by Oskay, N. J.) at 1900-2000 and on (announced) 15.395 for South America at 2000-2100. May soon have regular service to the Americas. During tests, the 19-m. channel was best, in the clear except for light CWQRM; the 25-m. outlet was good strength but had bad CWQRM and some QRM from Budapest on 11.910. Reports are desired by the Directorate-General, Syrian Broadcasting Service, Damascus, Syria.

Radio Teheran seems to have "reinstated" the Russian news period 1515-1530 sign-off on 15.100; English still at

1500. (Ferguson, N. C.; Bellington, N. Y.)

Radio Australia says that Samoa (probably Western Samoa) is to test shortly on 3.41 and 6.03.

"Choice of Vietnam," Saigon, Indo-China (Vietnam), has moved from 7.105 to 7.090; noted parallel with 9.620 in

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Srazil, do flisted of Guapore, Porto of Guapore, Brazil; strong QRM from HJCQ, Snannel, around 1900. To be on air soon is Radio Relogio Federal of Niteroi, Brazil, 4.905, with call ZYZ21 and 1 kw. power; will transmit only correct official time, every minute, and short commercials in Portuguese; on the air 24 hours a day; office QRA is Avenida Presidente Vargas, 417-A, 22 Andar, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. ZYK21 is call of Radio Tamandare, 3.265, Recife. (Serrano, Brazil)

At press time, Dilg, Calif., had just noted that *Radio Peking*, for the first time, was giving POW messages during the "late" (0830-0900) *English* period over 11.69A and 15.06A.

The "Mailbag" program of Radio Ankara, Turkey, on Sundays, now seems to be 1530 for Europe over 15.-165 and 9.465; for North America on 9.515 around 1845; is English. (Fer-

guson, N. C.)

4VEH, Haiti, is now verifying with a nice QSL card; uses 9.75 at 0600-1830 and from 1830 is on 9.756.

WRH Bulletin says a new "powerful" short-wave transmitter at Seville, Spain, will begin test transmissions in the near future.

In a recent newscast, Radio Australia said a new high-frequency transmitter is to be built at Suva, Fiji Islands, 500 watts, to be ready next year (1952). (Richards, Sask.)

An Indonesian outlet on 4.840, heard mornings (*EST*), is believed to be Denpasar, Island of Bali. (Dilg, Calif.) Rosenauer, Calif., reports a *new* Djakarta, Indonesia, outlet on 6.135 around 0630-0800; all-Indonesian programs; good signal.

Djeddah, Saudi-Arabia, noted with fair level 2300-2350A on 11.850. (Lucas, N. V.)

4V2S, 5.957, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, has *English* Mon., Wed., Fri., around 2130-2150. (Russell, Calif.) Managua, 6.055, Nicaragua, by now should have *English* at 2230-2400. (Callarman,

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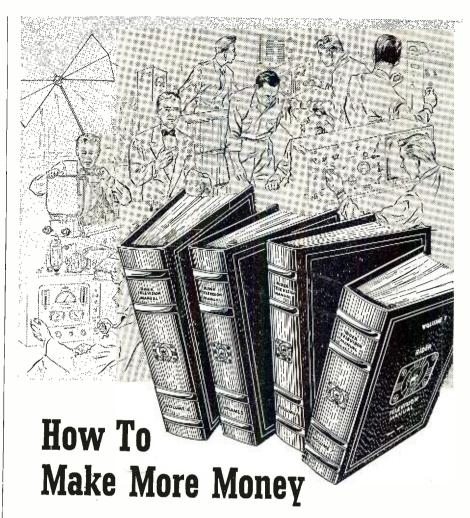
Direct from Tokyo, NHK confirms that JK14 has moved from 11.815 to 11.800. (Russell, Calif.)

Bucharest, Roumania, noted 1535-1555 with music on 6.215. (Rodger, Scotland)

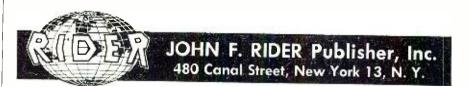
Radio Sweden reports Belgrade, Yugoslavia, has dropped 9.505 and is using only 6.100 now. WRH Bulletin gives new schedule as 2215-2315, 0000-0045, 0430-1630.

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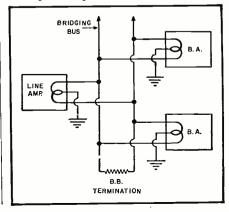
bus is shown in the diagram, the bus may be operated with a ground on one side, providing the inputs of the various devices patched across the bus are designed to work in such a manner. As a rule, large installations use an ungrounded bridging bus and symmetrical bridging input circuits to increase the flexibility of the system. If desired, the bridging bus may be balanced to ground as shown in Fig. 6. However, this again complicates the situation as each piece of equipment paralleled across the bus must have a symmetrical input or be balanced to ground. Circuits balanced to ground reduce the flexibility of the system and increase the possibility of the wrong type input circuit being patched across the bus, which may short out the bus completely or introduce an unbalance, resulting in a high noise level.

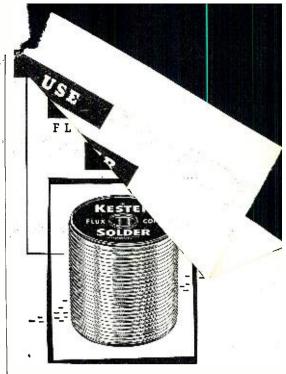
Below the monitor low-pass filter is shown a second monitor amplifier feeding additional monitor speakers. This monitor network may be set up with a series of switches and terminating resistors similar to a selective paging system, as the speakers are only used for general monitoring and cueing. The frequency response of this monitor amplifier is set for a characteristic that is acceptable for all purposes.

Bridging amplifier number 1 has a twofold purpose; first to isolate the recording equalizer for the disc recorder, and second to compensate for the insertion loss of the equalizer. The gain of the bridging amplifier when working from the bus must be equal to the insertion loss of the equalizer, which is 18 db for this problem. However, the output stage of the bridging amplifier must have sufficient power output to raise the signal level high enough to overcome the loss of the equalizer. As the bridging bus level is plus 4 dbm, the output level of the bridging amplifier will be a plus 22 dbm. Generally, bridging amplifiers will produce a power output in excess of plus 30 dbm.

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Fig. 6. This circuit shows how bridging bus may be balanced to ground.





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Shown near the cutting head is a pickup unit for making playbacks from the recorder. This is a standard pickup with an equalizer using a characteristic to compensate for the recording characteristic. The playback is patched directly into the main monitor amplifier, thus avoiding the compressor, filters, etc.

Bridging amplifier number 2 is also followed by an equalizer, which compensates for the light modulator characteristics in the film recorder. This equalizer may have one of two characteristics, one with a rise at the high end and the other with a drop at the high end, depending on the characteristics of the modulator unit. The level at the recorder input will vary from a plus 9 dbm to a plus 18 dbm, again depending on the light modulator design.

At the right of the film recorder is shown a "photocell amplifier." commonly known as a "P.E.C." monitor. This monitoring system is incorporated in the film recorder and consists of a photocell placed at the rear of the film where it picks up the modulations of the light valve directly through the film, or in the case of the galvanometer, the photocell picks up the modulations by a system of mirrors before it reaches the film.

The output of the photocell is amplified by a preamplifier which terminates at the monitor relay. The signal is then picked up by the monitor amplifier and passed on to the mixer monitor loudspeaker. The P.E.C. preamplifier is generally equalized for a response that will be comparable to that taken from the bridging bus.

Below bridging amplifier 2 is a "noise-reduction-amplifier," (N.R.A.) used in conjunction with the film recorder. This amplifier supplies a variable d.c. bias to the light modulator for reducing the exposure on the film during periods of low or no modulation. The gain of this amplifier will vary depending on the output level of the photocell.

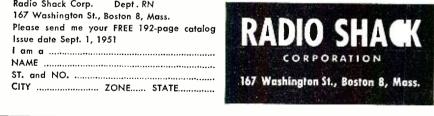
Among the many problems of the sound engineer in the early days of film recording was the problem of "back-ground noise." This was due (and still is) to small particles of dirt, scratches, and small pin point specks in the sound This problem indicated that some system of reducing the noise during periods of low or no modulation should be devised, and resulted in the development of the noise-reductionamplifier.

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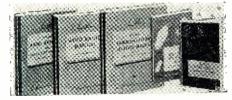
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system, the exposure of the sound track is held constant and the *area* of exposure varied. In the variable density system, the area is held constant and the *exposure* varied. The principles of noise reduction to be discussed are applicable to both methods of film recording.

Several different types of sound tracks are illustrated on page 70. The two we are most concerned with are the "basic" variable area at A and the variable density at B. These sound tracks are shown without noise reduction.

An elementary schematic of a noise reduction amplifier for variable density recording is shown in Fig. 7A. At the left, the signal from the bridging bus is applied to a bridging amplifier, which drives the light valve. The noise reduction amplifier below receives the signal at the same instant, which it rectifies to d.c. and uses to control the opening and closing of the light valve during periods of low or no modulation, thus reducing the exposure of the film. A centertapped transformer matches the low impedance of the light valve "ribbons" to the output impedance of the bridging amplifier. The resistor Ris equal to the light valve ribbon resistance and is connected in series with one side of the light valve to balance the circuit and reduce interaction between the audio signal and the bias current.

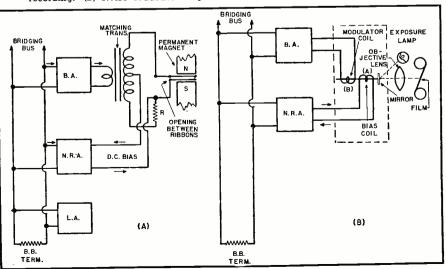
During periods of no modulation, a fixed d.c. bias is applied to the light modulator ribbons to reduce their opening to some predetermined amount. The rectified signal voltage is polarized to cancel a portion of this fixed bias. relative to the amplitude of the applied audio signal. This causes the light modulator to open wider, to accommodate a greater signal amplitude. In the rectifier circuit is a resistancecapacity filter for removing the ripple components of the rectified signal voltage. The time constant of the filter circuit will control the opening and closing time of the noise reduction system.

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The circuit of the N.R.A. in Fig. 7B is used with variable area recording, and is similar to that described for variable density except that it supplies the bias voltage to coil A in the recording galvanometer. The second coil, B, carries only the audio signal which actuates the recording mirror in the galvanometer. In some type variable area recorders, the N.R.A. bias voltage is applied to a pair of "shutters" placed in the path of the optical system in such a manner that they reduce the area of exposure during the periods of low or no modulation, thus obtaining a reduction in exposure of the film. When shutters are employed, the bias coil in the galvanometer is not used.

Figs. 8A and 8B are plots of the opening and closing times for a typical variable area noise reduction system using galvanometer bias. It will be seen why it is so necessary for the noise reduction system to get out of the way of the modulation to prevent clipping of the initial and closing modulations. However, regardless of the design or how the N.R.A. is adjusted, some clipping of the initial and closing modulations will take place.

Fig. 7. (A) Elementary schematic of noise reduction amplifier for variable density recording. (B) Noise reduction amplifier for use in variable area recording.



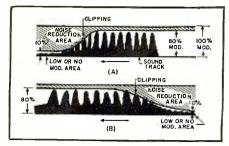


Fig. 8. Plots of the opening (A) and closing (B) times for a variable area noise reduction system using galvanometer bias.

When the N.R.A. is initially set up, the amount of fixed bias is adjusted to bring the light valve ribbons or galvanometer to about 10 per-cent of full track with no modulation. The gain of the N.R.A. is then set to cancel the fixed bias when the track is about 80 per-cent modulated.

Because of the time lag in noise reduction systems, a "margin" of safety must be included in the initial adjustment. After the fixed bias and the gain of the N.R.A. have been set, the gain of the N.R.A. is increased slightly to operate the noise reduction element. a greater amount than required by the signal, or given a "lead." The amount of margin will vary with the type system and program material. Generally, a margin of 2 to 3 db is used with variable area systems. For variable density, the margin for dialogue will approximate 3 db and for music and sound effects, 4 to 6 db. The frequency response of the N.R.A. should be uniform over the recording range.

The purpose of the margin setting is to prevent the clipping of the signal peaks thus causing distortion of the more staccato tones. During periods of no modulation in the variable density system, the light valve ribbons, being about 10 per-cent open, result in a light grey exposure of the film. This exposure is often referred to as "silent sound track." In the variable area system during periods of no modulation, a thin line of exposure approximately one-half mil in width appears and is known as the "bias line." This line of exposure is created by the setting of the fixed bias current, which allows a small amount of light to reach the film. The average signal-to-noise ratio is 40 db for 35 mm film and 38 db for 16 mm film.

Phasing is quite important for the proper operation of a film noise reduction system, therefore, manufacturers of complete film recording systems mark one terminal of the input and output circuits with a plus-minus mark to indicate that for an instantaneous voltage of a given polarity at the input, a corresponding voltage will result at the output terminals. If the recorder is to be used with existing equipment, the proper phasing between the N.R.A. and the light modulator will have to be determined by experiment. Complete phasing of the system from microphone to the light modulator is recommended to facilitate substitution of equipment.

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The magnetic recorder input is patched directly across the bus and requires no bridging amplifier, as the majority of such recorders are supplied with a bridging input. A relay operated from the mixer console is connected in the output of the recorder playback circuit for switching to either the monitor system or through the mixer, for re-recording purposes. The output level from the average magnetic recorder is zero dbm.

Two vu meters are provided, one at the mixer console for monitoring the levels, and a second at the bridging bus for "lining up" the channel. It is the practice in large installations to check the noise reduction system twice daily, and the levels at the disc and magnetic recorder before each recording session.

It has been assumed in the block diagram that the bridging bus level is plus 4 dbm. A 1000 cps signal of approximately minus 20 dbm is applied to the mixer through one of the pots and adjusted until the level indicated by the vu meters indicates a plus 4 dbm or, if the meter scale is calibrated in percentage modulation, at the 100 percent mark. (See November 1950 RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS, "Power Level and Volume Indicator Meters.")

After the bus level has been set, the levels are read at the recorders. If any variation in level is noted, the gain of the various amplifiers driving the recorders is adjusted. It is necessary that such measurements be made at the same frequency of 1000 cps each time, to avoid errors due to equalizer and filter characteristics.

With the signal still on the bridging bus, the level at the output of the monitoring amplifier is measured by patching a vu meter across its output. The level of each monitoring system is then adjusted for the same output within plus-minus 0.50 db. It is quite important that the monitoring level be measured daily if quality checks are to be made from day to day. Setting the levels to within 0.50 db will allow the monitoring system to be switched from one source to another during takes without disturbing the level. The monitor amplifier feeding the auxiliary speakers is not critical and is set for the best listening level.

A talkback system between the mixer console and the recording department should also be provided. This may be made a part of the auxiliary monitoring system, utilizing the speakers only; however, a separate system is desirable. The talkback system should be so arranged that "selective talking" is provided; that is, when the mixer talks to the recording department the talkback speaker to the stage is off, and vice versa. This is generally accomplished by the use of key switches and a group of relays.

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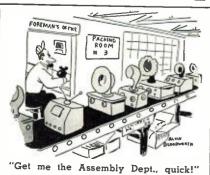
"What produces DX like that, any-

way?" Barney asked.
"I don't know," Mac readily admitted. "As a ham, you are, of course, familiar with the theory that clouds of ionization frequently appear about fifty miles above the earth and reflect back to earth high frequency signals that ordinarily would never be returned. This 'Sporadic-E Ionization' as it is called may happen any time, but it occurs most frequently during May, June, and July. That could explain my experience except for one thing: that the signals from Texas seemed to be arriving from either the southeast or northwest-exactly opposed to the southwest direction in which Texas lies from here.

"Some of my friends," he went on slowly, "who know a lot more about such things than I do, tell me that there is a growing theory that under certain favorable circumstances a current of air under exactly the right conditions of moisture, barometric pressure, and temperature can actually act as a huge waveguide and 'pipe' a high frequency signal from one part of the earth to another. Maybe that is the answer. At least it would permit the signal path to have a bend in it, as that one from Houston seemed to have.

"At any rate," he continued, "I'm going to do all the 'observing' I can every time one of these openings occurs. Hams have been doing that for years, but their numbers are very small compared to the millions looking at TV screens every day. If only a small percentage of these TV fans become interested in noting some of the factors that affect abnormal DX signals, perhaps we can learn enough about them to enable us to control these conditions.'

"Could be," Barney agreed with a shrug. "Today's miracle is tomorrow's normal occurrence. I keep remembering that at one time they gave the whole spectrum above two hundred meters to the hams because they thought these frequencies would never be of any practical value—the Indian givers! Next time the TV channels get hot, just let Old Barney know, and he will be right in there waving a folded dipole alongside you!"







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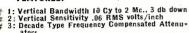


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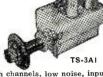


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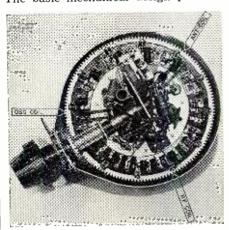
The material, which is sprayed by fingertip control from a pressurized can, forms a durable, transparent coating which protects television antennas against rust, corrosion, and pitting, and eliminates corona from high voltage connections.

The company also suggests the use of this plastic on all metal antenna parts which might rust and discolor outside paints.

NEW TV TUNER

Kingston Products Corporation of Kokomo, Indiana has announced the development of a new type of television tuner which differs mechanically from existing tuners.

While classified as a turret type tuner, the new unit retains the economy features of the switch type tuner. The basic mechanical design permits



the oscillator to be isolated from the r.f. and antenna circuits in order to reduce oscillator radiation.

The television switch has twelve indexed positions with continuous rotation, each index having its individual preset coils for the channel corresponding to the position. The tube complement includes a 12AT7 dual-triode used as a converter oscillator and a 6CB6 employed as an r.f. amplifier. The output i.f. transformer is included in the tuner which is completely shielded in a drawn metal case.

Manufacturers may obtain full details on this new tuner by writing the company.

SQUARE WAVE GENERATOR

Electro-Mechanical Research, Inc. of Ridgefield, Conn. has developed a new square wave generator which is designed for testing audio, video, and r.f. amplifiers and networks.

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For full details on the Model 43A, write direct to the company.

COLOR RECEIVER

Chromatic Television Laboratories, Inc., 1501 Broadway, New York 18, New York has announced the development of an automatic black and white color television receiver which incorporates a 16" or 21" direct view tricolor "Chromatron" picture tube.

According to the company, the receiver will automatically tune for reception of either color television transmissions based on the CBS type color field sequential standards or standard black and white transmis-

The heart of the new receiver is the tri-color "Chromatron" picture tube which features a single gun, standardshape cathode-ray tube containing a color grid capable of displaying television pictures or other electronic signals in color.

The company claims that the new tube will work in conjunction with any known color television system but that its use in color receivers operating on the CBS standard is significant inasmuch as it eliminates the need for the color disc or drum.

TV TUBE RECOVERY

H & A TV Picture Tube Co., 3547 West Montrose Avenue, Chicago 18, Illinois is now offering a new service to television technicians on a nationwide basis.

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FRINGE AREA TV

Mattison Television and Radio Corporation, 893 Broadway, New York 3, New York has recently introduced a



new television chassis which has been designed especially for super-fringe areas.

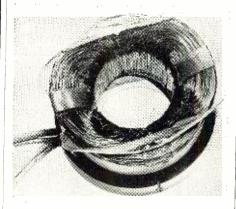
Known as the "Super Rocket Super Rural Chassis," the new set features a built-in booster which is designed to increase the signal strength on Channels 2 to 13 by a ratio of up to 10:1 without increasing noise or reducing the picture quality.

This chassis is available either with or without a cabinet and full details will be supplied by the company on request.

COSINE YOKES

MeritTransformer Corporation, 4427 N. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois is currently in production on two new cosine yokes, the MDF-70 and the MDF-30.

The MDF-70 is a newly designed unit with distributed winding for edge-to-



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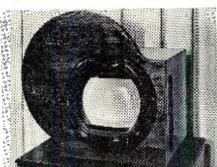
horizontal and low vertical inductance which permits its use with the HVO-8 air core flyback in direct drive systems.

Both yokes are equipped with networks and leads.

CROSLEY COLOR CONVERTER

The Crosley Division of Avco Manufacturing Corporation has recently demonstrated a color converter designed to be used with the company's standard television receivers.

The new unit is housed in a mahog-



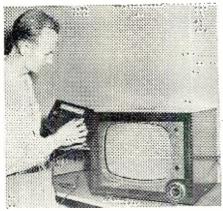
any finished cabinet and employs a 10" picture tube. The picture is enlarged by a magnifier to about the size larged by a magniner to about the size of those seen on a $12\frac{1}{2}$ " tube. The color wheel is $22\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter and is constructed of laminated plastic. Sound for the color reception is received through the master set.

Production of these converter units will be started when public demand and program schedules warrant it.

TARZIAN U.H.F. TRANSLATOR

The Tuner Division of Sarkes Tarzian, Inc., Bloomington, Indiana has developed a u.h.f. translator which is adaptable to any set now in use.

The full-band UT1 tuning unit does not interfere with the v.h.f. channels. It is self-powered and is easily connected to the receiving set by means



of a piece of 300 ohm line. The translator covers the full band from 460 to 900 mc. (Channels 14 to 52).

21" TRI-COLOR TUBE

Radio Corporation of America recently demonstrated a 21" tri-color picture tube at a technical symposium held in New York for 231 radio and television manufacturers.

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The company also announced the availability of samples of the 16" basic developmental model of the tri-color tube and kits of associated circuit components and parts for use by RCAlicensed manufacturers in laboratory work on color tubes and receivers.

COLOR CONVERTER KIT

Celomat Corporation, 521 W. 23 St., New York, New York is marketing a color converter kit which will permit the reception of CBS color television pictures.

Known as the "Vue Scope," the kit contains parts and instructions for home assembly. A deluxe kit which will produce a $12\frac{1}{2}$ " picture will also be available shortly.

The converter kit, which is intended for use with receivers which have been adapted to the CBS system, contains a color disc, a manual synchronizing unit, a fractional horsepower motor, assembly brackets, and complete instructions for assembling the unit.

TV BAR GENERATOR

Superior Instruments Co., 227 Fulton Street, New York 7, New York is currently marketing a television bar generator for servicing applications.

According to the company, it is only necessary to connect the bar generator to the antenna post of any TV receiver, plug the line cord into an a.c. outlet,



and throw the switch. The receiver under test will have a stable vertical or horizontal pattern projected on the screen which can be used for servicing when no station pattern is on the air.

The new unit is supplied with shielded leads and detailed operating instructions.

TV ROTATOR

Trio Manufacturing Company, Griggsville, Illinois has just put a new television rotator on the market which is capable of supporting the heaviest TV arrays, according to the company.

Designed for trouble-free and dependable operation, the rotator utilizes two heavy-duty 24 volt motors, one for clockwise and the other for counterclockwise rotation. This feature prevents motor burnout even if the rotator is left on accidentally. A positive acting electrical stop at each end of the 360 degree turn eliminates lead damage.

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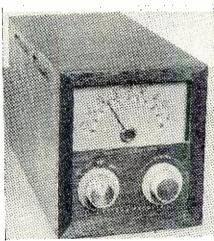
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In the article "The 'Childs' Custom-Built Amplifier" the circuit (Fig. 3, page 40, July 1951° issue), except for the loudness control and the cathode follower output stage, is identical to the "Drisko" preamplifier and equalization circuit which was first used in 1947 and described in 1949 by P. W. St. George and B. B. Drisko in their article "Versatile Phonograph Preamplifier" appearing in the March 1949 issue of "Audio Engineering" and reprinted in the "Audio Anthology" for the year 1950.

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The cross coupled phase inverter incorporated in the diagram, Fig. I on page 38, first appeared in the article "A Cross Coupled Input and Phase Inverter Circuit" by I. N. Van Scoyoc which was published in the November 1948 issue of the Radio-Electronic Engineering Edition of RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS.

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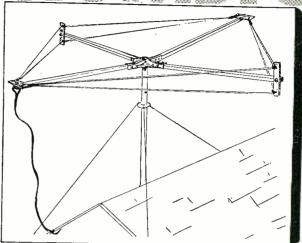
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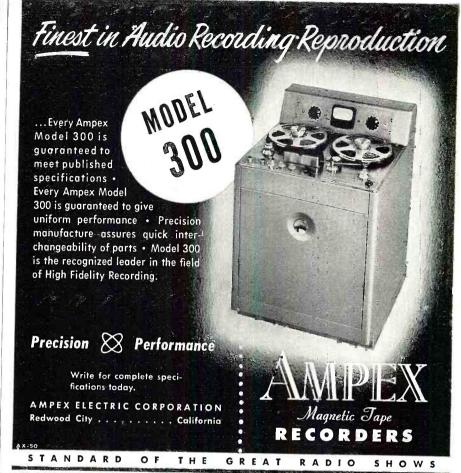
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