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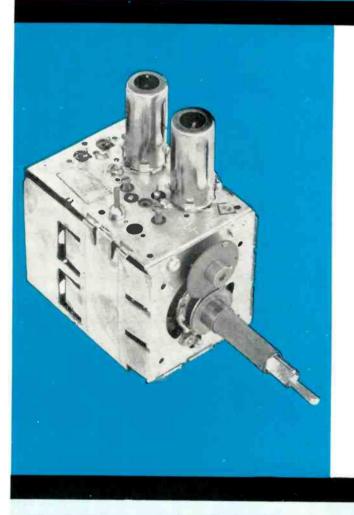
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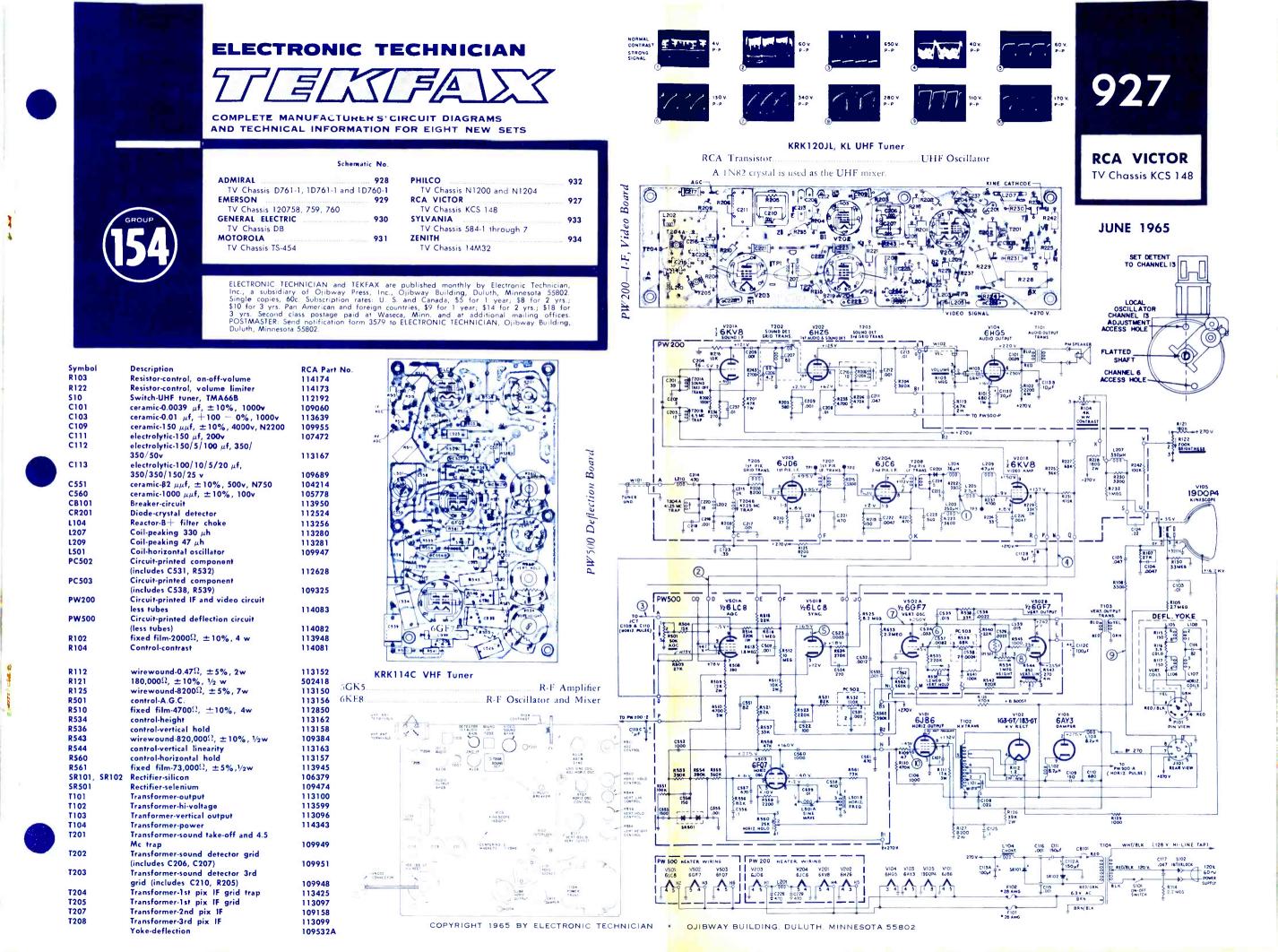


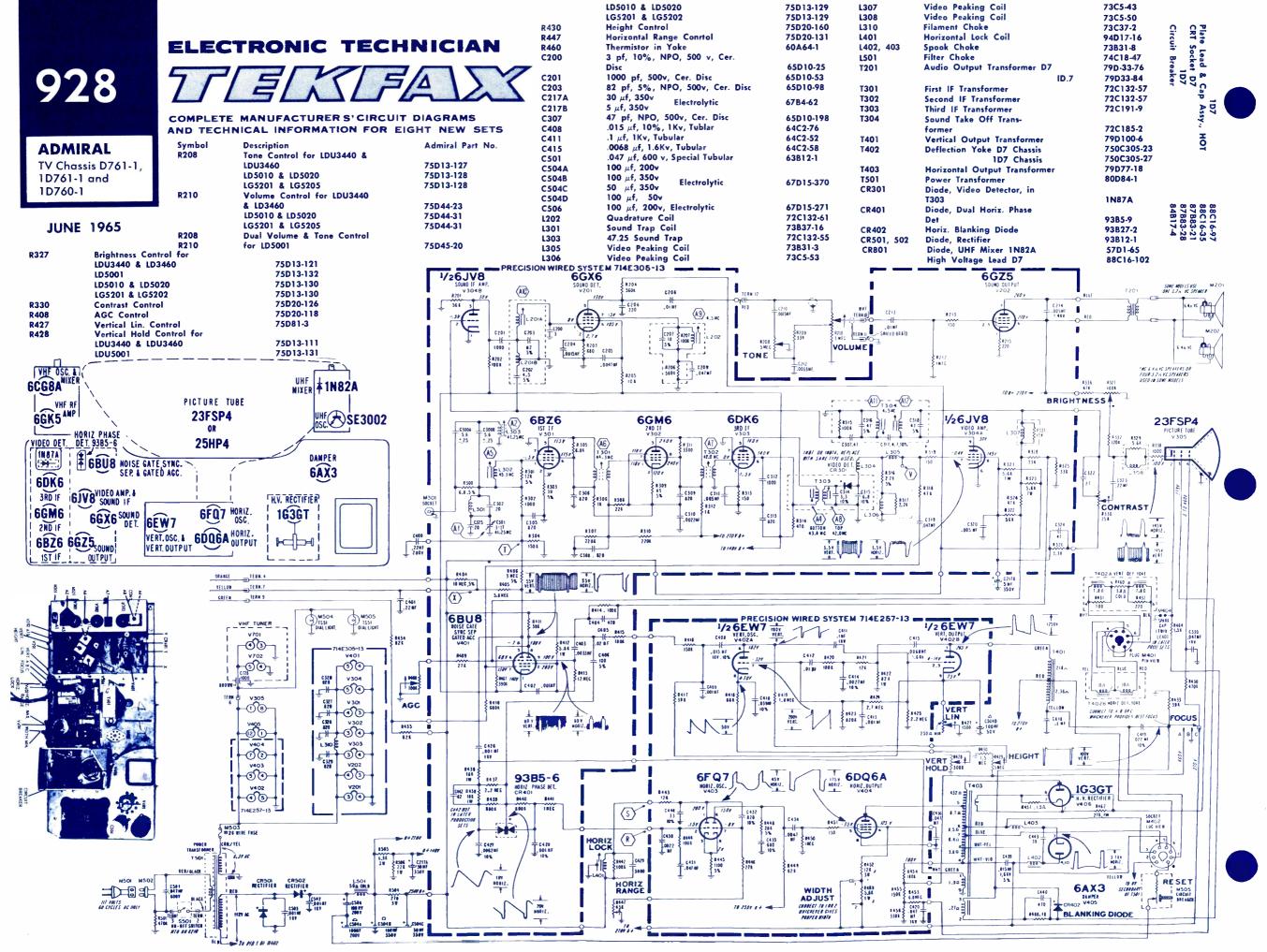
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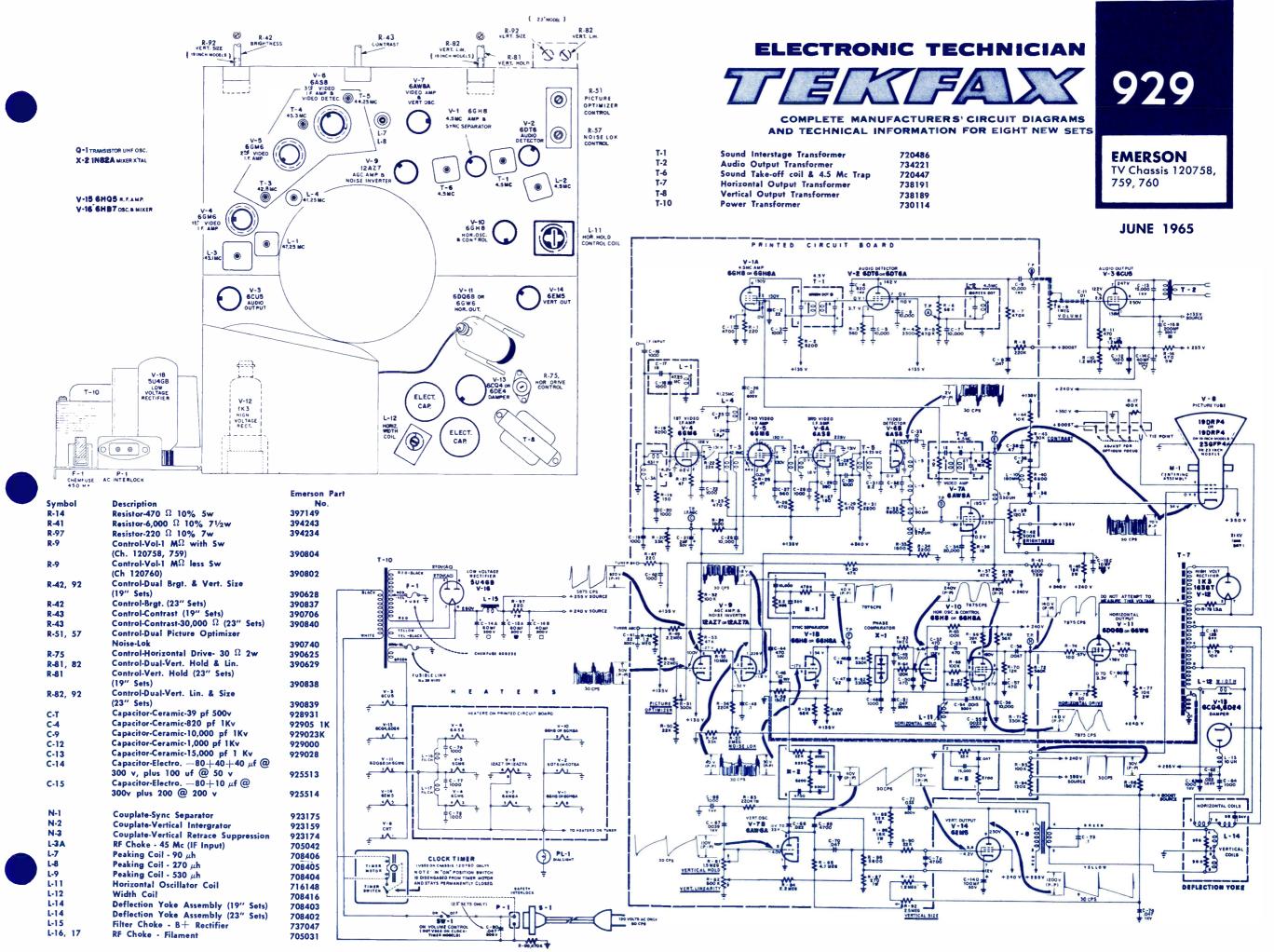
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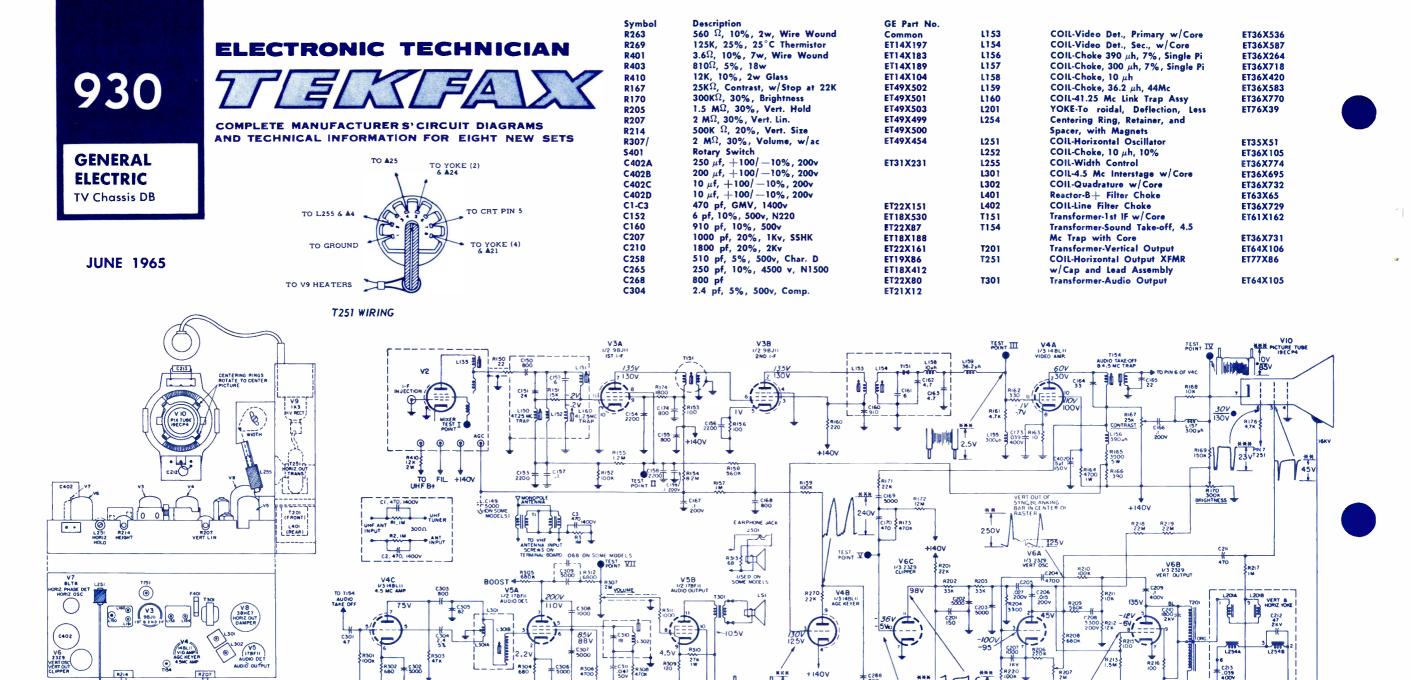
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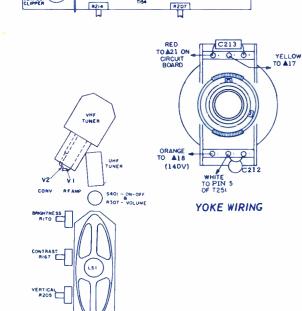




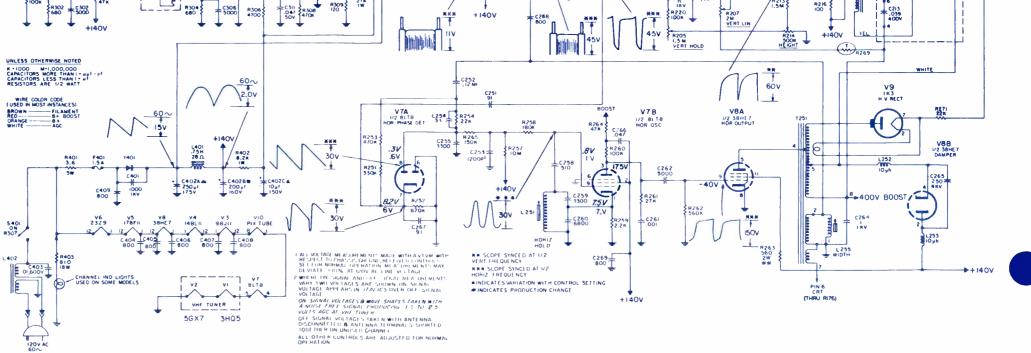


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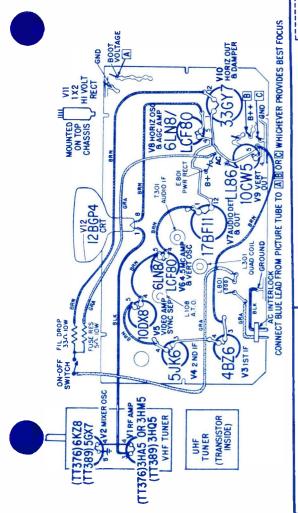
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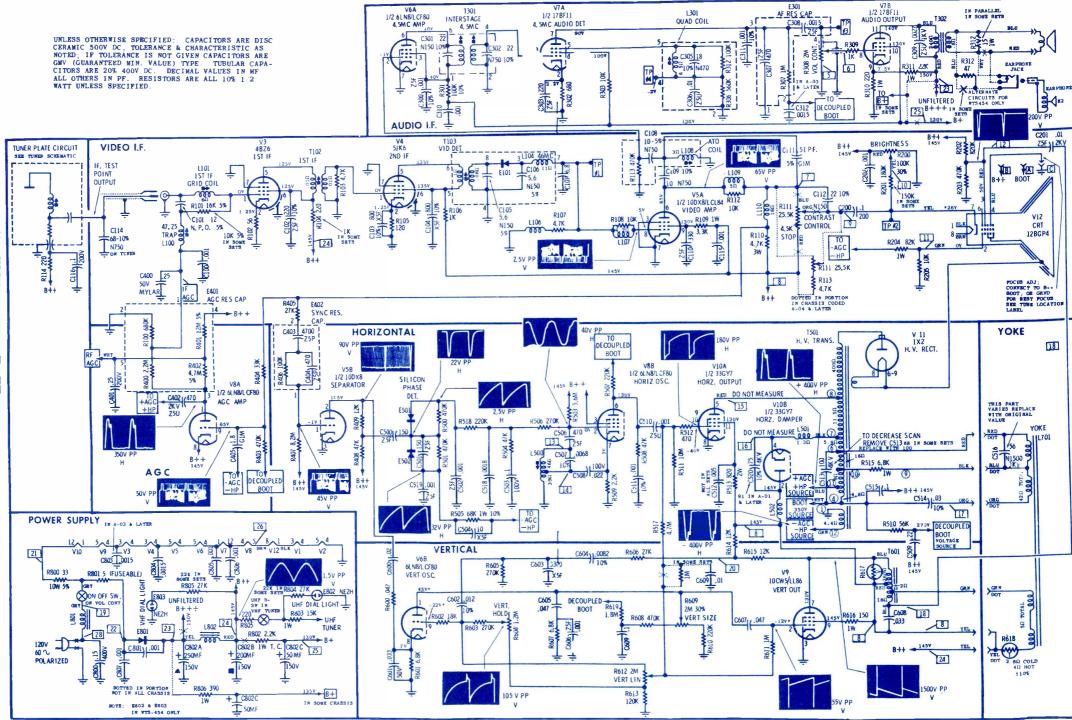
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E-801 L-100 L-108 L-500 L-501 L-701 L-801 L-802	phase det Diode, silicon: power rect 47.25 Mc trap Audio Take-Off & 4.5 Trap: incl cap & res Horiz Osc: incl mtg nut Choke, horiz suppressor Yoke, defl: 114 deg Line Choke: ac Filter Choke	R-200           48C66037A12         R-308           24D67754A01         R-604           1V66539A40         T-102           24D65853A08         T-103           24C66772A06         T-301           24C67534A02         T-302	Brightness: 100K On-Off & Vol: 2 meg Vertical Lin. Size & Hold: 2 meg 2 meg & 1.2 meg 1st IF 2nd IF & Video Det: incl cap, E101 & L104 Audio IF, 4.5 MC: incl cap & cores Audio Output	18D67559A10 18D67559A11 18D67678A01 24D67754A02 1V66539A39 1V66539A41 25D67552A04	COMPLETE MANUFACTURERS' CIRCUIT DIAGRAMS AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR EIGHT NEW SETS	<b>MOTOROLA</b> TV Chassis TS-454
R-110 R-153 R-617	4700K 10% 3w glass 820 10% 2w glass Varistor: vert trans	17K751479 T-501 17S10130A18 T-601 6C66263A01	Horiz Output Trans Vertical Output	24D67602A02 25D67749A01		JUNE 1965

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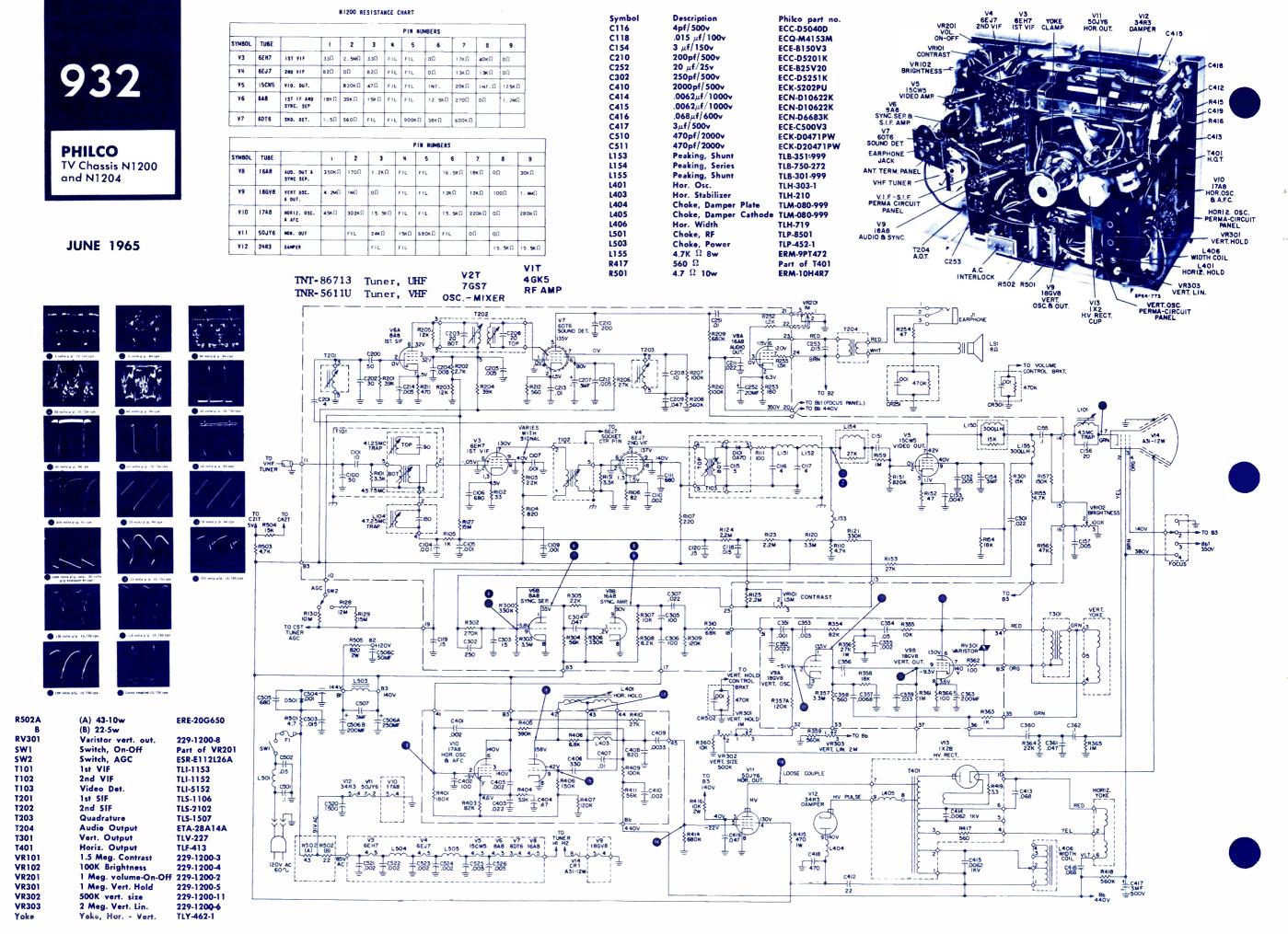
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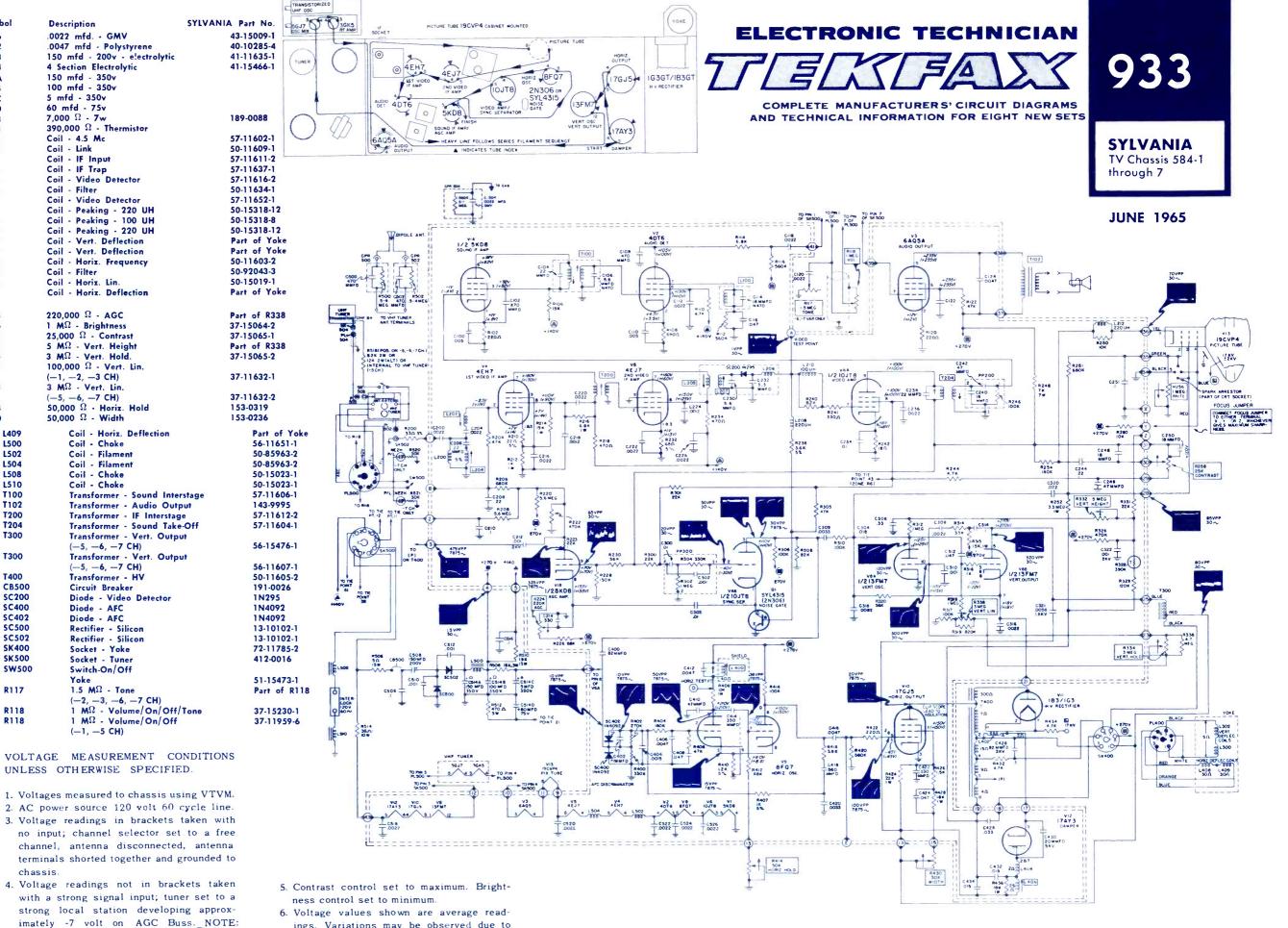
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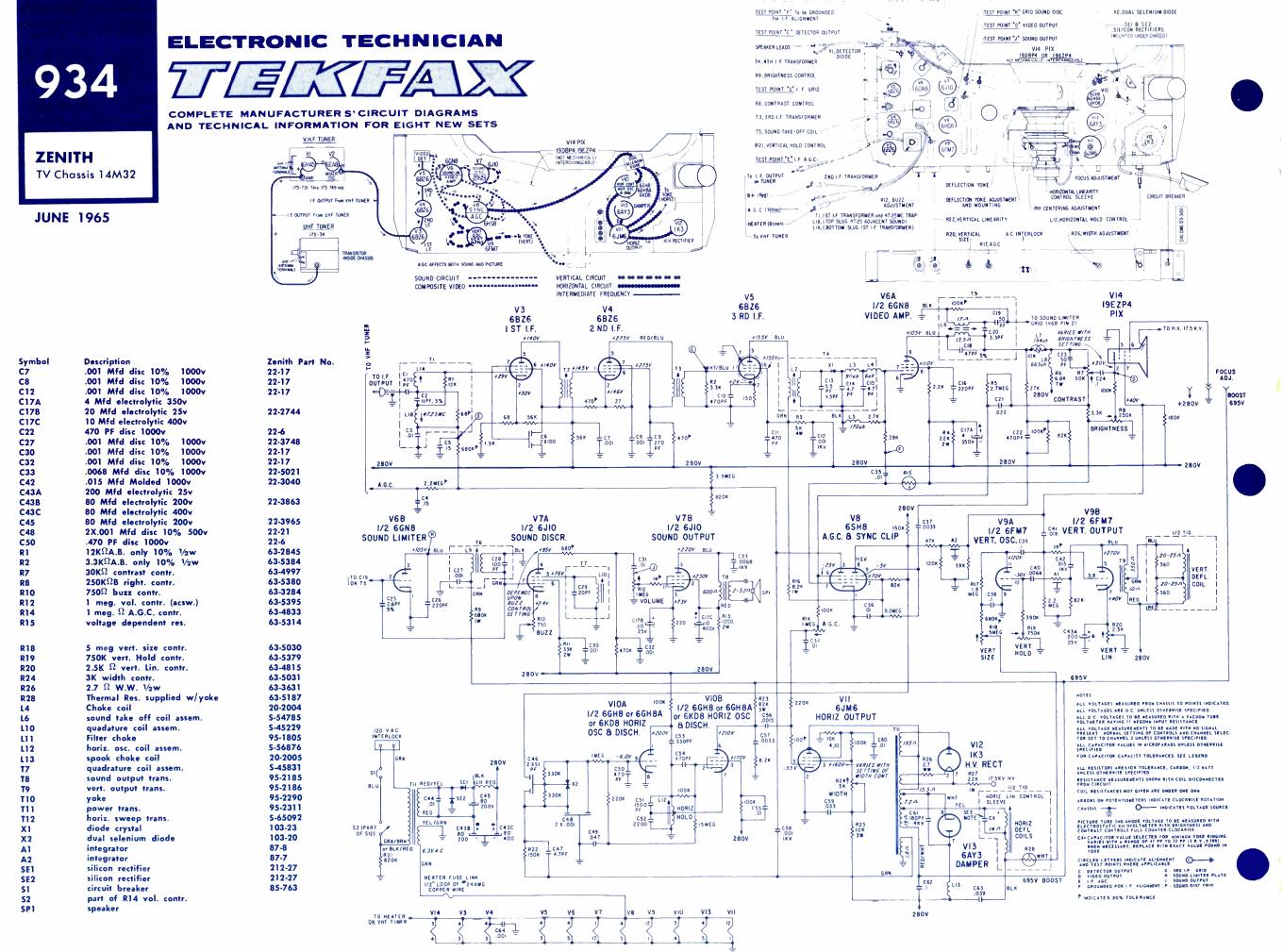
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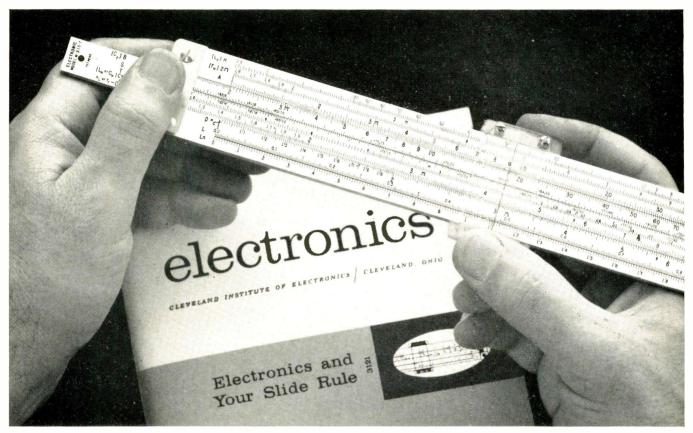
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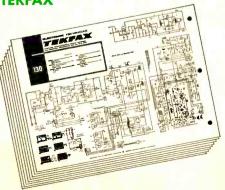
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Ever finish a convergence job to find the raster off center. Lose convergence when you re-centered? Can't happen with the new Amphenol Color Commander, battery-powered, solid-state color generator. A special, single-crossbar pattern consists of one horizontal and one vertical line, crossing just where the center of the raster should be. No need to guess when centering the raster with this new pattern.

See dots before your eyes when you want only one to start static convergence? The 860 gives you that single dot, right at center screen. You'll be switching back to this important dot during dynamic adjustment to make sure you haven't gone off the track.

Even the old patterns offer something new. Line spacing in the crosshatch pattern is rigidly maintained for the 4:3 aspect ratio. You can rely on it for linearity, height, and width adjustments. The pattern gives you finely etched line width at normal brightness levels. What good is perfect convergence at reduced brightness if you lose it when the set's readjusted for normal viewing? This special crosshatch also eliminates receiver

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fine-tuning error. Among the 860's nine useful patterns (most color generators have 5 or 6) are: multiple-dot, single vertical line, single horizontal line, vertical lines only, and horizontal lines only. Finally, the Color Commander's unique color bar pattern (just three bars—R-Y, B-Y and—R-Y) simplify color adjustments. First you can get a rapid, overall check of color circuits. Then you can adjust color demodulator phase or pre-set the hue control and check its operating range. In each step, you know precisely how the color bars should look and how they should change during adjustment.

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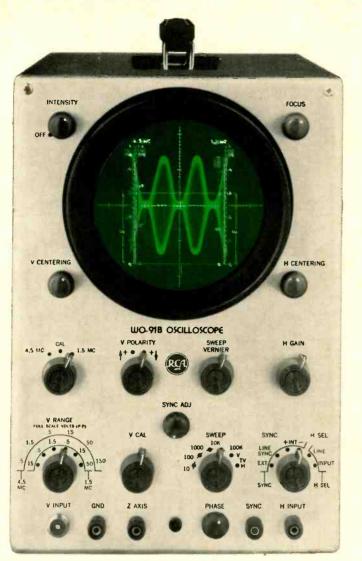
The new solid-state Amphenol CRT Commander, Model 855, checks all black-and-white or color CRT's with the same techniques used by tube manufacturers. Variable G-2 voltage and choice of bias voltages permit you to simulate conditions found in TV receivers. Adjust electron guns to exact cut-off characteristics, check for emission, continuity, shorts, gas, and expected tube life. In color tubes, check for gun balance. The 855 rejuvenates CRTs where others fail. Features-AC operated, completely portable in matching leatherette case. Built-in burnout-proof voltmeter uses 50-µa d'Arsonval movement. Screen and plate voltage and B+ distribution can be measured with direct probe on 1000-volt scale. Optional probe measures 2nd anode voltage to 50,000 volts. Filament voltage range, in 11 steps: 2.2 to 20 volts. Versatile 5-socket cable accommodates 7 different sockets, handles virtually every CRT without

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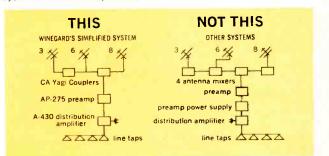
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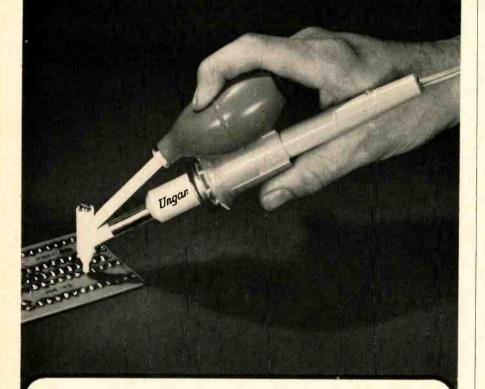
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#### **Piracy Again**

Please! The first 50 pages of my April ET was missing when the magazine was delivered . . .

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#### Help!

I have been a faithful reader of ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN since it began and there's no better magazine around. I need a schematic for an "Accurate" VTVM, Model 152. I have no other information on the instrument. Since I do not know the name of the manufacturer, or where they are located, I am calling on your readers for possible help. JOHN LIND

Flushing, N. Y.

#### Butoba Info

Please inform reader R. A. Pelletier (April letters) that Butoba is a German made machine presently being distributed in the U. S. by Stanford International, 1227 Laurel St., San Carlos, Calif. This brand has had several different exclusive importers in the past few years. Whether the aforementioned firm can help may depend on the age of the machine he has,

> ROBERT E. GERSON Japan Light Machinery Information Center

New York.

• We also received the same information from Mrs. Chris H. Leubner, of Leubner's Radio and TV, Killien, Texas.—Ed.

#### **Buck Passing**

I tried without success to get a schematic of a scope, Philco Model 7021. I was referred to the Canadian counterpart and then referred back to the U. S. again. I hope you can help me.

G. MCINTOSH Vancouver, B. C., Canada

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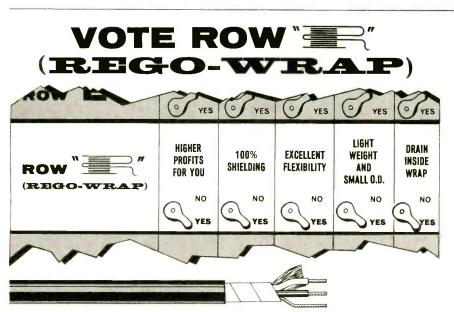
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#### A Cure For Ulcers

EDITORS' MEMO

A land-office business has been done in books describing how "rugged individuals" have carved out empires single handed. The writers of these books seldom reveal that this was possible only in a developing society. Although the romantic overtones always make exciting reading — especially for the young — these stories have initiated many harmful concepts.

Actually, the "lone wolf" disappeared on the first day that two cavemen pooled their individual clubs and wits and chased edible meat together. After that came clans and societies and governments of the people.

In today's business jungle, as consumers become more intelligent and discriminating, as the "profit-squeeze" becomes tighter, the lone wolf finds it even more difficult to survive.

There's a story about three "loners" three one-man TV-radio shopswhose owners came in out of the cold back in 1961 and joined forces. It happened in a small town in Iowa. They formed a corporation called A-C TV Electronic Clinic, Inc.

Now they work under one roof, keep their own individual service businesses and have incorporated the sales end. They can and do carry a large line of TVs, stereos and radios-and most important-the TV Clinic has become the largest service shop in their county.

Some of the details of the operation are interesting. The founders say it wasn't easy. But they first looked for, and found, a combination business manager and technician. Then they pooled some of their resources and began with one thing foremost in mind — to get along together — and forget about their lone-wolf instincts. The net result has been, according to a report published by the "Hoosier Test Probe," official publication of the Indiana Electronic Service Assn., that they eat better, dress better and sleep better at night than they ever did when they were going it alone. They can even take a week off without having to close the doors.

Oh, they made foolish mistakes for a while at first, they say, but they moved along smoother. They have four phone numbers — and one girl to answer them and keep books. Each technician buys parts from the Clinic—paying for them only after they are used.

They suggest that some of you "ulcer-ridden loners" try it.



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# Solid-State Color Generator

■ A solid-state color generator, called the "Color Commander," will help TV technicians cut receiver alignment time by 40 percent, according to the manufacturer.

Its outside dimensions,  $9 \times 5 \times 4$  inches brings it to a size capable of fitting into a tube caddy. Manufactured by the Amphenol Borg Corp., the instrument provides nine test patterns. These include single vertical and horizontal crossbars for accurately centering the raster before beginning convergence alignment.

A single center-screen dot pattern is also provided for static convergence. This system, it is said, makes it easier to reset static convergence because of interactions between adjustments.

The instrument provides three color bars; R-Y, B-Y and -R-Y, in 90, 180 and 270 degree color phases. It is said that an oscilloscope is not necessary for making some adjustments — reducing occasions when a set must be taken to the shop for alignment.

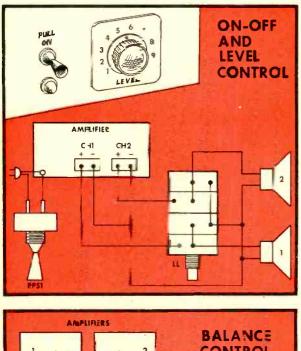
Other patterns available on the generator include: 1) Single horizontal and vertical line patterns; 2) 15 horizontal bars for dynamic convergence and linearity; 3) 20 vertical bars for dynamic convergence and linearity; 4) 300 multiple dots for critical inspection of convergence and 5) 20 x 15 crosshatch for dynamic convergence and proportioning adjustments.

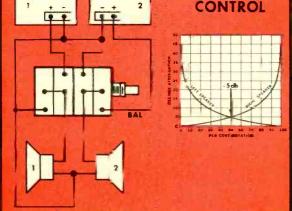


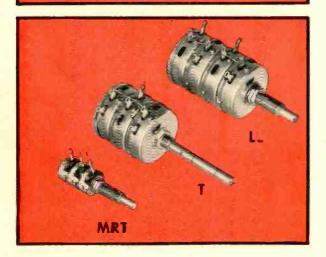
Amphenol's compact, solid-state color generator fits into tube caddy.

# MALLORY Tips for Technicians

# Where to use audio attenuators







Are volume control "twidgeters" upsetting the careful balance of your hi-fi rig? After you spend an hour or better setting "levels", "contour", "bass", and "treble" does your dear wife come along and goof the whole deal up because everything is too LOUD?

Why not maintain your balance, your temper, and your domestic tranquility by installing a simple on-off switch and an audio attenuator. In this way the dear girl can simply turn the music on at one place and control the sound with one knob. The drawing to the left shows a Mallory PPS1 push-pull switch and an LL pad controlling the whole works. It works great and looks fine. If you want to add a "Hands Off" sign on your amplifier, that's up to you.

Balance Control. We have a brand new control you'll be interested in (BAL8 and BAL16). It's a true stereo balance control. Consists of two L pads connected back to back so that when one level goes up the other goes down. Dead center loss is a tiny 5 db which you'll never miss. Saves a lot of time and gives marvelous flexibility to your stereo sound system.

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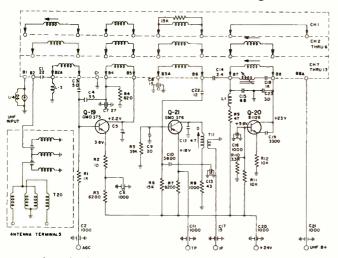
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#### EMERSON

#### TV Chassis 120771-Tuner and Video IF Circuit Description

**Tuner:** The VHF tuner uses two germanium (RF and Mixer) and one silicon (oscillator) transistor. The UHF tuner utilizes a silicon diode (mixer) and a silicon transistor (oscillator). Tuning shafts are concentric with the inner shaft as the VHF selector and the UHF and VHF fine tuning as well as the UHF coarse tuning. The outer-



Schematic of VHF tuner used in Emerson TV Chassis 120771.

most shaft is for the UHF dial. The UHF is switchedon in the channel "1" position, in which case the VHF tuner acts as the first stage of IF amplification. The oscillators of both the VHF and UHF tuners are carefully designed to minimize drift. Tuner B+ is 22 v and normal AGC is +5 v with stronger signals resulting in lesser AGC voltages. This decreased voltage is applied to the base of the VHF RF amplifier (Q-19) and results in an increase of collector current, thereby reducing both collector voltage and gain as the transistor approaches saturation. A LOCAL/DISTANCE switch (SW2) at the antenna input to the tuner places a 330  $\Omega$  resistor in series with each side of the 300  $\Omega$  balanced line, when switched to the LOCAL position.

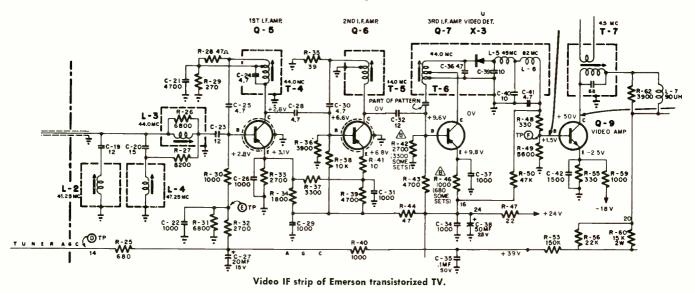
Video IF: The video IF section consists of three synchronously tuned (44 Mc) transistor stages and one diode detector. The first two stages are gain controlled by the AGC amplifier. Normal AGC is 3 v which decreases as signal increases, resulting in forward gain control for the first stage. This action is similar to that in the VHF RF stage, ie: the resultant increased collector current reduces both the collector voltage and the gain of the stage. This stage is initially biased by the emitter bleeder resistors R32 and R31.

The second video IF stage is gain controlled by reverse AGC applied by the first stage. As the collector current in the 1st stage increases, the voltage developed across emitter resistor R33 is applied to the emitter of the 2nd stage through R37. This acts to decrease collector current resulting in the reduction of gain. There is no AGC applied to the 3rd IF stage.

The reason for using forward AGC in the 1st stage and reverse AGC in the 2nd stage is to achieve greater bandpass stability with changes in AGC voltage. The 3rd IF stage is not gain controlled and is biased by the bleeder resistors R43 and R42.

Each of the video IF stages is tuned by a single resonant circuit in the collector of each of the three transistors. The tuned coils are tapped to permit the application of neutralization. T4, T5 and T6 are all tuned to the center of the IF band (44 Mc). The tuner output coil (T11) and L3 form an overcoupled system and together with the traps (L2 and L4 shape the IF curve). L2 and L4 supply the proper amount of attenuation at the 41.25 and 47.25 Mc sound carrier frequencies.

The video detector produces a sync negative signal which is directly coupled to the base of the video amplifier.



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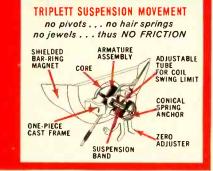
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#### ADMIRAL

Color TV Chassis G11-3.58 Mc Reference Oscillator-Circuit Description

The 3.58 Mc reference oscillator is an injection lock type. The circuit utilizes a quartz crystal as used in the past, and the oscillator continues to operate whether or not a color transmission is being received.

The burst is coupled to the oscillator by the burst transformer and by this means the reference oscillator is synchronized with the 3.58 sub-carrier at the transmitter.

The color killer cut-off bias and the ACC (Automatic Color Control) voltage is developed by CR501 (ACC Det.) and its associated circuit. CR501 is connected in the 3.58 Mc reference oscillator circuit and rectifies the oscillator frequency. When burst is present, the rectified voltage (-dc) increases and is sufficient to bias off the color killer. This voltage is also used to control the conduction of the 1st bandpass amplifier (V501A). The amplitude of the burst signal received determines the amount of -dc voltage produced; therefore, variations in burst levels are utilized to maintain a constant chroma level (ACC).

#### MOTOROLA

Color TV Chassis TS-908-Service Experience Information

Symptom: Color indicator light burns all the time. No color. Solution: capacitor C912, .01 in T902 shorted.

**Symptom:** Overheating or burn up of resistor R802 in 275 v B+ line. **Solution:** Shorted capacitor C920 plate circuit of V21A, the blue demodulator.

Symptom: Picture smeared - low brightness. Solution: Green drive control R137A open.

Symptom: Left side of raster turns purple. Set appears out of convergence. Solution: C924,  $.1\mu f$  in plate circuit of V27B. G-Y amp open.

Symptom: No R-G vertical amplitude dynamic control action. Solution: Lead to red convergene coil broken off.

Symptom: On color, can get only magenta. Hue control has little or no effect. Solution: Defective crystal oscillator tube or crystal.

**Symptom:** No channel 5. Other channels OK. **Solution:** Tuning slug not engaging drive gear because retaining spring on channel 5 strip missing.

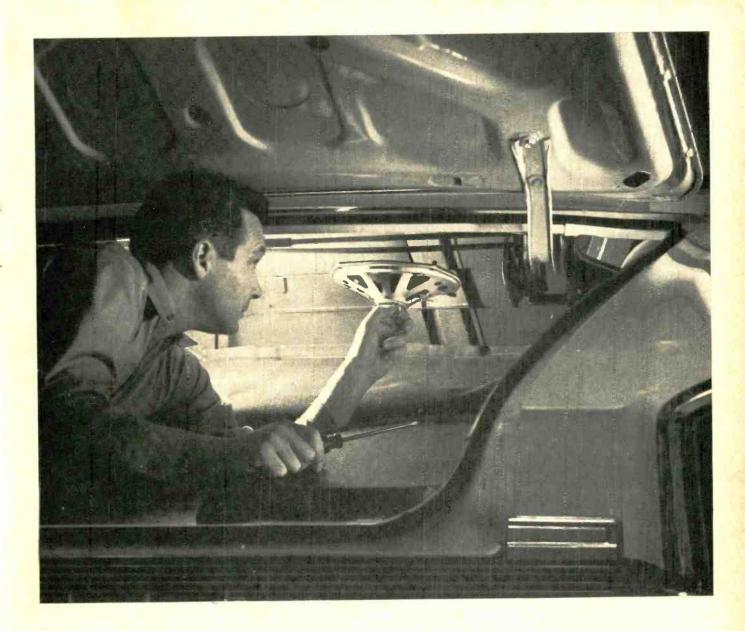
Symptom: Poor blue horizontal dynamic convergence. Solution: Open or poor connection in plug P3 which supplies pulse.

**Symptom:** No color. **Solution:** Lead from color intensity control to main chassis not plugged in at chassis or making poor connection.

Symptom: Poor focus, brightness, lack of width. Solution: Capacitor, C522, .015  $\mu$ f in regulator circuit shorted.

Symptom: Uncontrollable, excess brightness. Solution: V10 — 6BH6 tube shorted.

Symptom: Insufficient range of blue lateral control. Solution: Be sure the blue lateral assembly is properly seated and positioned on CRT neck. Remove and discard the small metal clip from around blue lateral magnet if set has one.



#### How to make some sound money

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### **Electron Tubes**

■ Space-age scientists in San Carlos, Calif. are fairly sure they have achieved an unpredicted breakthrough over their Iron Curtain competitors.

The Californians are now turning out the world's first pack of electronic tubes — preserved in cans.

The fragile electronic components, used in radar and radio transmission systems on the ground and in missiles, are valued at \$10 to \$40 each.

Until now, the unsolved problem was to find a quick-opening package to protect each tube against corrosion and breakage.

Brooding over the problem while sipping their morning orange juice, engineers at Eitel-McCullough Inc., hit upon the answer: pack each tube in a can with an easy-open tab-top, just like the cans used for frozen citrus juice.

The American Can Co. turned out several thousand cans of the proper type and size. Tests showed that, when each tube is nestled in soft polyurethane foam and the can is sealed, the tubes remain unharmed even when test-dropped on a concrete surface from the height of a three-story building.

Hurried electronics technicians working at remote missile bases, radar installations or radio communications centers, no longer have to fumble for knives or can-openers to get at the tubes. The easy-open tops on the cans peel all the way off, at a pull of the metal tab, making removal of the tube a chore requiring only a few seconds.

Paper labels applied to the cans clearly identify the exact type tube inside, eliminating the possibility of selecting the incorrect component.

Cans used to pack the tubes are similar in size to the familiar cans used for fruits and vegetables. The bodies of the cans are made of tin-coated steel plate, while the easy-open tops are made of aluminum. ■



Space-age canned electron tubes.

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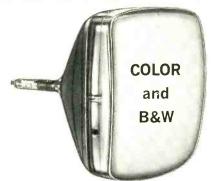
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SYNC ON BUSINESS

**Certified engineering technicians** from every state in the Union will be in attendance at the first annual meeting of the American Society of Certified Engineering Technicians (ASCET), to be held June 18-19 at the Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis., according to an announcement from the Society.

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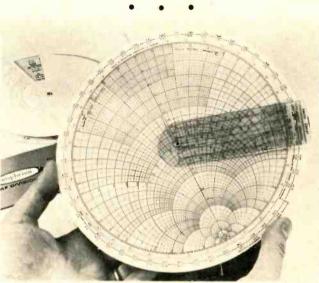
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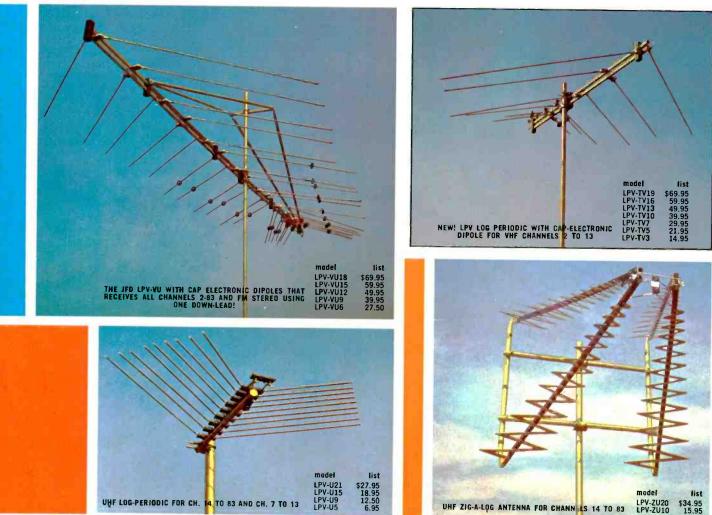
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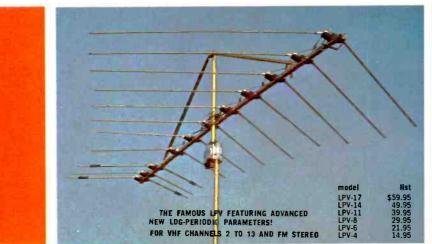
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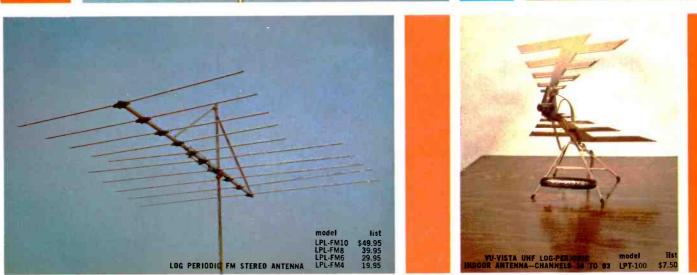


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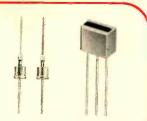
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**JUNE 1965** 

# THE EXPLÜSION IN UHF AND FM/STEREO

Be prepared when a station opens in your vicinity — don't allow the vagaries to confuse and confound you

■ A modest revolution in ultra high frequency TV telecasting and FM/stereo broadcasting has recently been superimposed on top of the knowledge, information and population explosions. And along with the general public-spending spurt which took place in the first three months of this year, UHF converters, antennas, preamplifiers, rotors, masts and new improved lead-in cable have been enjoying a brisk market. More income, in effect, has been finding its way into thousands of TV-radio service-dealer tills.

From coast-to-coast and from border-to-border in cities where new UHF stations are opening and FM stations are switching to stereo multiplex — reports indicate that service-dealers and technicians were hard pressed to handle the business.

An outstanding and significant example, perhaps, was the planned opening of Channel 47, WNJU-TV, in Newark, N. J. Meetings co-sponsored by Channel 47 and UHF converter manufacturers were attended by almost 250 electronics dealers. The station plans to program New Jersey-oriented shows throughout the daytime hours, while devoting its primetime, nighttime schedule to Greater New York's minority ethnic audiences, including Spanish-speaking, Jewish, Negro, Italian, Polish, German and Irish viewers.

Channel 47's president, Edwin Cooperstein, announced a contest which provides free trips to Puerto Rico for consumers as well as for retailers. He also told the dealer meetings of promotional activity by manufacturers, including the distribution of in-store displays and window streamers in Spanish and English, to promote the sale of UHF converters, as well as advertising in the program guide and various newspapers. It was also pointed out that the station had purchased over \$1,000,000 worth of color and blackand-white telecasting equipment. With telecasting antennas atop the Empire State Building in midtown New York, it was estimated that close to 170,000 or more UHF converters would eventually be sold as a result of the station's activities.

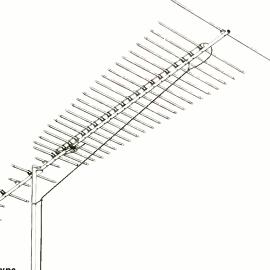
In Ann Arbor, Michigan, another report said that converters and UHF antennas had been moving at a rapid rate since Channel 50 and 56 had opened in that area. Extra technicians were being hired by some service-dealers. Many other similar reports from various sections of the country told the same gold-plated story. Manufacturers were kept busy dispatching trailerloads of converters, antennas and lead-in.

#### **Special-Interest Programing**

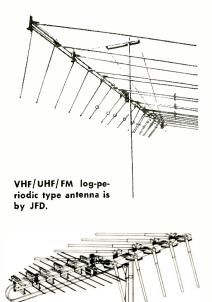
Many of the new UHF stations in larger cities were programing heavily for "special-interest" and racial groups. It is too early to say if this approach for winning viewers from VHF stations will succeed. But some stations, on the air for a year or a little longer, are already beginning to move out of the red into the profit area. A large group of operators who already have building permits to establish UHF stations are planning to follow suit with similar programs for racial groups. In addition, college sports, horse racing, wrestling, golf and a variety of off-beat programs, not generally available on most VHF stations, are being planned. Some UHF stations have even gone in for bullfights and dramatic programs in Spanish. If these techniques succeed, it is believed that further expansion, over and above the increase in straight educational TV stations, will be assured.

#### Sour Notes

One situation arose which some observers believed would "damper" UHF developments. A three-man FCC panel, fearing that UHF expansion in cities already having three VHF outlets, would result in financial failures among UHF stations, held that applicants for UHF stations in these areas must show that they have sufficient resources to remain on the air for at



Winegard's 'Planar-Grid' yagi-type antenna is said to give high gain on UHF and good gain on VHF and FM with built-in coupler.



Finney's combination UHF/VHF/ FM antenna.



least three years. A final decision on this point is up to the full FCC membership.

Another discouraging note came from one city where a UHF converter manufacturer held one of a planned series of seminars, ostensibly designed to "provide the public with accurate information on UHF." Unfortunately, this effort was not directed entirely through TV-radio service dealers and technicians who are better prepared than any other group to accurately inform the public about UHF. In the case of the Detroit area seminar, at least, the main effort was directed toward educating salesmen in large department and other stores.

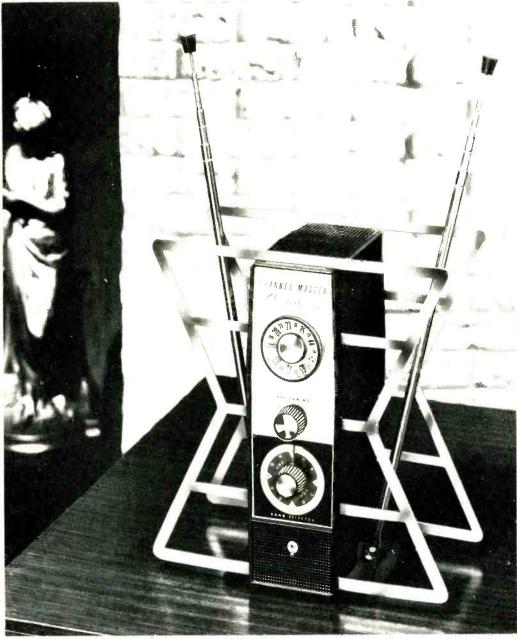
#### **Business and Technical Problems**

Because of the hectic situation in some areas, together with the particular characteristics of UHF, some service-dealers and technicians were running into problems.

Although the problems appeared to exist in two areas — both business and technical — a closer look indicated that they were primarily technical. Many technicians have not had experience with the peculiar characteristics of UHF: blocking and absorption of signals by mountains, hills, buildings and trees; lead-in losses and other problems.

In relation to FM/stereo, many technicians suddenly discovered that this broadcasting technique requires higher antenna gain for good reception.

Many found it difficult to reconcile manufacturers' equipment specifications and claims with results achieved under actual conditions. They began last minute "boning up" on UHF theory and requested further information from manufacturers on a variety of UHF



Channel Master's indoor UHF antenna has a transistorized UHF converter built in.

and FM/antennas, high-gain transistorized antenna boosters for fringe and far-fringe areas and UHF converters. Others were not sure whether they should recommend a UHF converter or put in channel strips to handle the UHF channel.

Still others were flabbergasted by certain events that appeared little short of "weird." For example, a number of installations — made in early spring ceased to give satisfactory reception when foliage developed on trees.

Lead-in that worked reasonably good when installed, ceased to operate properly in spring rains.

Despite the problems, a consensus of opinion indicated that more business was coming in and that the possibility existed for continued expansion of UHF with still more business for those who are thoroughly prepared to handle it.





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## **Converting VHF Sets**

Provide your customers with the best possible solution to their ultra high frequency reception problems

by Jerome Balash

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■ Until the new, all-channel TV sets are in wide use—which will probably take five or more years you will be called upon to convert VHF-only TV sets to receive UHF stations in many localities. And any TV set that now receives channels 2 to 13 can be adapted to receive one or more UHF channels.

As we already know, there are a number of approaches to converting VHF receivers to UHF. Most TV set manufacturers provide UHF "dealer conversion kits" for this purpose. Other UHF television converter kits are also available for in-cabinet installation.

In some cases, one or more UHF channels can be received by substituting channel strips in turrettype VHF tuners. But this system may not function satisfactorily except in strong signal areas.

#### Set-Top All-Channel Converters

It is generally understood that compact, set-top, all-channel UHF converters—somewhat smaller than most table-model radios—offer the best approach to UHF conversion. UHF converters of this type are quickly and easily installed and usually require minimum maintenance. They are available in both electron tube and transistorized types. The transistorized (solid state) converters are considered more reliable and provide longer life and lower noise ratios. Average life of solid state converters is conservatively estimated-under present state-of-the-art conditions-to be in the vicinity of 10 years. And, because they tune over the entire UHF spectrum, from channel 14 through 83, they provide full coverage at any time and in any locality. These converters are available with or without amplification. Amplifiedtype converters are generally recommended in many fringe and farfringe areas when the UHF signals are weak and below normal requirements. This is particularly true where color programs are being telecast.

Some modern solid-state converters, designed for prime signal areas, operate on an ordinary flashlight battery which may last from six to nine months. Some use tunnel diodes for high reliability.

#### Antenna and Lead-In

No matter what kind of converter you install for your customers, it is necessary to provide an adequate antenna. This may be a combination VHF/UHF or straight UHF type. In some localities, according to research done by the FCC, indoor antennas operate satisfactorily. But make sure the antenna is capable of providing satisfactory reception during all hours of the day and all seasons of the year. Except for indoor antennas, ordinary flat twin-lead should not be used. "Foam-filled" or open-line types should be used with outdoor antennas to guarantee reliable reception under all weather conditions.

#### **Maintenance Problems**

You should not encounter too many problems with well designed converters—especially the solidstate types. Tuner contacts may require occasional cleaning. A good aerosol-type contact cleaner should prove satisfactory for this.

Some converters are installed in sealed cabinets. If these units are not easily opened they should be returned directly to the factory for repair. If a converter begins to tune erratically or does not tune easily, it is best to return it directly to the manufacturer if you have not had wide experience in servicing UHF equipment. Manufacturers' warranty service is usually inexpensive and the factory can provide quick and efficient service because production line personnel and factory parts are readily available.

Some converters have been found to have what is known as "hot" numbers for certain UHF channels. These converters may pull in a very strong signal, or be "hot," for channels 72 through 80, for example, while giving weak reception on channels 14 through 56. It is almost impossible to predict the causes of this malfunction, but in general it is possible to compensate for this deficiency in certain sections of the UHF band by installing a higher gain antenna.

# To UHF



Costs of converters are approximately equal between the different brands currently on the market. And, it goes without saying, established manufacturers with brandname products generally offer the most reliable converters.

#### Let Them Know

Unfortunately, most technicians are not very good salesmen. But they can become much better salesmen with a very small amount of extra effort. For example, to sell UHF converters in areas where UHF stations are located, it is only necessary to inform prospective customers of the facts about UHF.

Besides the additional reception coverage, UHF is superior to VHF in a number of ways. Within its range, it produces a sharper picture because man-made electronic "noise" and atmospheric interference is much less on UHF than on VHF channels.

In addition, UHF is almost completely free from "airplane flutter," "ignition noise" and medical diathermy equipment.

In areas where UHF stations are now located or where stations are being planned, each home service call you make offers the ideal opportunity to inform your customers —and make more money for yourself by selling UHF converters and UHF antennas.

TV actress Zina Bethune ('The Doctors and Nurses,' CBS-TV) has added a converter to her set to receive UHF stations.



# TUNER TECHNIQUES

'Scoot' learns more about gassy and shorting tuner tubes

by Joe Hayes

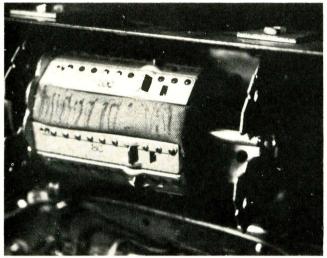


Fig. 1—Cloth sprayed with tuner cleaner and attached to spare channel strip keeps tuner fixed contacts clean.

• "Hey Bob!" Scoot yelled. "Somebody stuffed an old rag in this tuner."

Bob walked to Scoot's bench and looked over his shoulder.

"That's one I put there, Scoot. It keeps the tuner contacts clean when the tuner is subjected to more than an average amount of dust. Isn't that Murphy's set?"

"Yeah."

"Well, after they had the set about two months they called me in to repair it. Nothing was wrong except dirty contacts. I cleaned it and forgot it until they called me about two months later. The same thing was wrong. This time I noticed the chassis was covered with dust.

"When I cleaned the tuner this time I wrapped a piece of cloth around one of the unused channel strips. Each time the channel selector is turned, the cloth wipes the stationary contacts." (See Fig. 1.)

"Well, why does Murphy's tuner get dirtier than anyone else's tuner?"

"Oh, come on, Scoot. They live out on Turkey Pen Road. Every car that goes by kicks up the gravel and lays dust for half a mile. I put that cloth there about a year ago. Is that what's wrong with it now?"

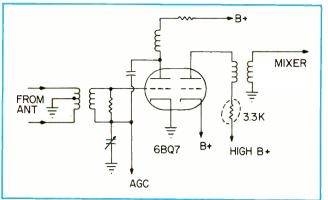


Fig. 2—The 3.3K resistor frequently overheats and changes value or burns open entirely.

"It doesn't act like it, Bob. To tell the truth I don't know what's wrong with it. It acts like dirt on the conacts or an intermittent connection."

"Did you check the tubes first?"

"Uhh-no. I thought . . .'

"I know. You thought you'd do something else first. Scoot, you just got your Journeyman Technician's certificate; I thought it might give you a little more incentive to do a better job but you still do the most difficult things first. What's so hard about checking a tube?"

"It's not that it's hard, Bob. But you've 'brainwashed' me to substitute tubes whenever in doubt and now that you've got me working on tuners you tell me that I have to test first and then substitute if necessary. I don't get it."

"It's really very simple, Scoot. Maybe I should have told you why instead of just 'do it.' You see, most tuner tubes on the sets that I've been giving you have a tendency to short or burn out because of a tuner malfunction. We can't afford to burn out a \$2 tube for the extra few seconds work-time.

"If a tube checks shorted or open, you should make a few resistance measurements before you substitute a new tube. It can save a lot of time and trouble."

"OK Bob. It just seemed kind of stupid without knowing why. I'll check 'em."

Scoot busied himself checking the tubes and Bob went back to a color alignment he was doing. The telephone jangled and Bob answered it since Saturday was his 'girl's' day off.

"Factory TV Service; Bob speaking. May I help you? Oh, Hi Screwy. What can I do for you? . . . Sure. Scoot is working on one now. By the time you get here he should be ready to start on another. OK. I'll see you then.

"Screwy, over at A-1 TV, is going to bring over a set that's giving him trouble. He thinks it may be the tuner and that maybe a fresh mind can do some good on it."

"You mean you're going to turn me loose on a 'tough dog' tuner when I can't even fix the easy ones yet?"

"Why not? Usually they aren't tough at all. Screwy probably has worked himself into a rut. You can fix it." Scoot wasn't delighted with Bob's confidence in his ability or enchanted with the idea that he would have to work on something that another technician had been 'playing' with. He finished checking tubes.

"There's a short in this 6BQ7 Bob. Now what?"

"Take resistance readings around the socket. If they're OK, put in another tube. If not, find out what's wrong."

A moment elapsed before Scoot announced that he thought the plate resistance was 'off.' Bob looked surprised.

"That's unusual. You've probably got a high resistance plate resistor in there. Tube shorts open them up sometimes but more often just increases their value slightly."

"Well, why do you say it's unusual then?"

"Very simple, Scoot. The total resistance for that circuit from plate to ground is about  $100,000 \ \Omega$  or so. If the plate resistor goes from 2700 to 5000  $\Omega$  it can rarely be detected. In this case it looks like the resistor has almost burned completely open." (See Fig. 2.)

"Hey, you can see this one! It's really burned. Guess I'll have to check the schematic to see what its value is . . ."

"Don't bother, Scoot. That series uses a 3.3 K resistor and they burn out frequently. Later sets have 'em mounted outside the tuner, so it really helps."

Scoot soldered in a new resistor, put in a new 6BQ7 and switched the set on. It looked good so he put it on one of the racks to cook.

Just then Screwy bounced into the shop struggling with a '56 vintage set with yoke and speaker dangling from the chassis.

"Ready for this one, Bob?"

"Sure. Let Scoot have it. Show him where you want it Scoot."

"I can't stay Bob," Screwy cut in. You'll have to tell me what you find later. I've got a couple of calls to make down the street. I'll pick up the set Monday if you have it ready then."

"Making calls in my territory huh?" Bob asked jokingly.

"Well, you know how it is Bob. We experts are in demand."

They both laughed and Screwy left. Scoot was already connecting the rat's nest but not very enthusiastically.

"Hey—he didn't even say what was wrong with the set!"

"That's good Scoot. It won't contaminate your thinking. You don't want *his* thinking anyway; if it were any good he would have located the trouble himself." Scoot switched the set on and a strong negative image showed on the screen.

"I give up," Scoot said.

Bob was getting used to Scoot's weird sense of humor and just laughed. A few months ago he would have flaired up, but Scoot had been working for Bob about a year now; full time for about the last three months.

"Come on, Scoot. You know where you're supposed to start. Check the tubes!"

"But Bob . . ."

"But nothing. Check those tubes. You have to start on a 'dog' like that just as if no one had touched it."

A few minutes later Scoot found a tube that was a 'little gassy' (Fig. 3). Substituting a new tube cleared the trouble.



Fig. 3—Negative picture caused by gassy tube.



Fig. 4 (A)—A 60 cps bar in picture — usually caused by cathode-heater tube leakage.



Fig. 5—Multiple images (ringing) caused by mis-match.



Fig. 4 (B)—A 120 cps ac signal causes two bars in picture — usually because of filter leakage in full-wave power supply circuits.

"I don't get it Bob, how can a gassy tube cause a negative picture?"

"By delivering too much signal to the CRT. That's another unusual problem Scoot. Most of the time a gassy tuner tube will drag the B+ down enough to kill the oscillator."

"I wonder why Screwy couldn't fix this one?"

"He probably checked the tubes in a tester which didn't have a good gas check. After they checked OK in his tester he probably thought it would be unnecessary to substitute."

"What's next, Bob. It looks like we've got everything fixed that we have parts for. Those two flybacks are supposed to be in Monday."

"Well, one of our loaners has a problem—interestingly enough it looks like a tuner problem too. Don't let it throw you though. It could be almost anything." Scoot switched the set on and waited for it to warm up. The picture came on with one dark heavy bar through it. The bar moved slowly through the picture. (Fig. 4A.) He knew this was 60 cps hum since 120 cps hum would display two bars. A 120 cps hum is usually caused by a bad filter in the power supply (full wave) where 120 cps ripple is present.

Scoot went through the procedure Bob outlined and checked the tubes first. The mixer had a cathode-toheater short. He replaced the tube with a good one and the bar disappeared.

Now that Scoot could see the picture more clearly he noted that the set had multiple images. (Fig. 5.)

"What do I have to do with this one, Bob, change the antenna or can I look at the set first?"

"I'll let you assume that the antenna is good on this one Scoot. I want you to take a good look at those images, though. They can tell you a lot about the problem."

'What do you mean?"

"The first thing you can do when you see ghosts is check some of the other channels. If the images are about the same on all the other channels, chances are it's a set fault. On the other hand, if it is different on each channel it's a real ghost, probably caused by signal reflections from high buildings or mismatch in the antenna system.

"Here, we know that the picture has the same type of ringing on all channels. This means then, that it is a set fault. Now, if you turn the fine tuning control you can isolate the trouble to one or another section of the set."

Scoot turned the fine tuning and watched.

"What do you see Scoot?"

"Well, the number of ghosts—reflections—change, their spacing changes and the first one turns negative."

"OK. That tells us that the trouble is not in the video amplifier. It would make it a lot easier if the images didn't change because we could pinpoint the trouble to the video amplifier. We've only narrowed it down slightly; we've got to narrow it still further but we do know that the trouble is in the tuner or the video IF."

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"That doesn't seem like much help to me."

"In a way it isn't, Scoot. About the only thing you can do with these things is check the alignment to see what's wrong with the RF and video IF response. Poor neutralization in the tuner and poor coupling between the RF amplifier and the mixer present the biggest problems.

"A lot of times you can get around this though, by taking a small bypass capacitor and shunting all the filament leads in the tuner. Poor bypassing is sometimes the trouble. One caution though, Scoot: Anytime you have to go into the tuner don't 'monkey' with the lead dress. Changing one of the leads may make an alignment necessary."

Bob once again went back to the color set and Scoot started shunting the filament bypass capacitors in the tuner.

"Hey by gosh. I found it. That's the first time I've ever fixed a tuner's 'inards'!"

Not so fast, Scoot. Wire a new one in before you get carried away."

Scoot wired in a new bypass capacitor (Fig. 6) and the ringing was gone. He noticed that the picture was a little snowy though and he reported it to Bob.

"Check all the channels and make sure they are all that way. If they aren't, you know you have a problem that can be caused by a dirty contact or a misadjusted oscillator slug. If the trouble is apparent only on the low or high band channels, the mixer section may be at fault; it may possibly be an alignment job.

"If the trouble is in all channels, the AGC, RF amplifier or any number of components could be at fault."

"It looks about the same on all channels to me." Scoot substituted all the IF tubes and both tuner tubes but the problem persisted.

"One thing you have to watch," Bob cautioned, "is component substitutions. Watch the lead length, dress and body capacity while you hold the capacitor in your hand.

"Well what do I do now?"

"Alignment is the best check. I've found there are a couple of easy checks which will help you spot the

trouble before you go that far though. First, of course, you'll want to make voltage measurements. Be particularly careful of AGC and B+readings. These are critical. In fact, one way to check AGC is to connect a bias box on the tuner and IF AGC lines. If adjusting the bias on either of these lines makes the picture considerably better, you have AGC circuit troubles.

"In fringe areas some technicians tie the AGC connection in the tuner to ground. Where local and distant stations both have to be received they put a switch on the line to reconnect the AGC for local reception.

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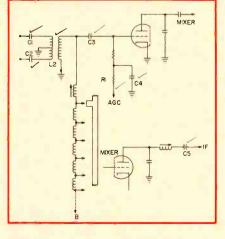


Fig. 7—Components in tuner checked off by Bob for Scoot to investigate.

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## You and Color TV

Understand the burst signal as the key to proper color reproduction

by Don R. Borden

■ In a previous article of this series we described some of the important chroma circuits. We will now review color synchronization circuitry. Color sync circuits are an integral part of a color receiver and technicians should thoroughly study their operation and learn how to troubleshoot and align them. If these circuits are not functioning properly the set will not reproduce true color hues.

In B/W transmission the vertical and horizontal sections are synchronized with the transmitter by timing pulses which are transmitted at proper time intervals. In addition to the vertical and horizontal sync pulses, a color TV set requires further sync information to keep it in step with the transmitter. This information is transmitted as a burst of RF energy at the local 3.58 Mc oscillator frequency. A number of special circuits are required in the receiver to process this burst signal.

Customer satisfaction and a fair and reasonable profit are the goals of every TV shop. Achievement of these goals depends wholly on the technician himself. He must get the job done quickly, thoroughly and accurately. And especially in color TV, he must thoroughly understand circuitry and color principles.

#### **Burst Sync Signal**

At the transmitter, the color signal modulates a 3.58 Mc subcarrier in quadrature (90 deg out of phase). This is done with a pair of balanced modulators. One modulator output contains sidebands of the 3.58 Mc subcarrier formed by modulating the subcarrier with the B-Y color signal. The output of the second modulator is also a series of sidebands which are the result of using the R-Y signal to modulate the same 3.58 Mc carrier after it passes through a 90 deg phase shift. Modulator outputs are then combined to form a *resultant* which modulates the main picture carrier.

Because the subcarrier is suppressed by balanced modulator action in the transmitter, a carrier must be reinserted at the receiver. This carrier must be locked in frequency and phase with the original transmitter signals. A local 3.58 Mc oscillator is used in the receiver to supply this carrier. Correct phase relationships are maintained by a synchronizing signal sent out by the transmitter. This signal consists of a burst of about 8 cycles of the 3.58 Mc color subcarrier frequency and is sent during each horizontal blanking interval. The burst is timed to appear on the "back porch" (following the horizontal sync pulse) of the horizontal blanking pulse (see Fig. 1). These 8 cycles of the subcarrier frequency become a part of the composite video signal and are used as a reference signal to insure correct color reproduction in the demodulators. And the burst signal rides along on the video signal which is finally applied to the burst amplifier stage.

#### **Color Sync Block Diagram**

As shown in Fig. 2, the composite video signal is routed to the burst amplifier. The amplifier is normally at cutoff and is keyed by a pulse from the horizontal section of the receiver and the stage is operative only during the horizontal retrace period. This coincides with the time the burst is received so only the burst signal is permitted to pass through this stage. It rejects

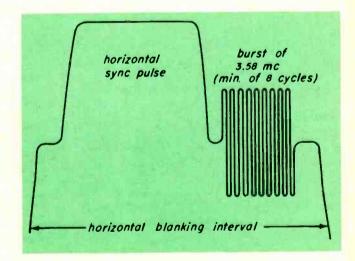


Fig. 1—The color burst is sent during the horizontal blanking interval following every horizontal sync pulse.

the remainder of the video signal. The burst amplifier, therefore, amplifies the burst signal and separates it from the composite signal.

The separated signal is then fed to a phase detector circuit together with a sample of the 3.58 Mc local oscillator signal. The phase detector circuit is very similar in operation to a horizontal AFC circuit employed in B/W sets. Here the two signals are compared and if a difference in phase or frequency exists, a correction voltage is developed. This correction voltage is applied to a reactance tube which acts as a variable capacitance with the varying correction voltage causing a capacity change in the stage. The reactance stage then varies the capacitance of the grid circuit of the local

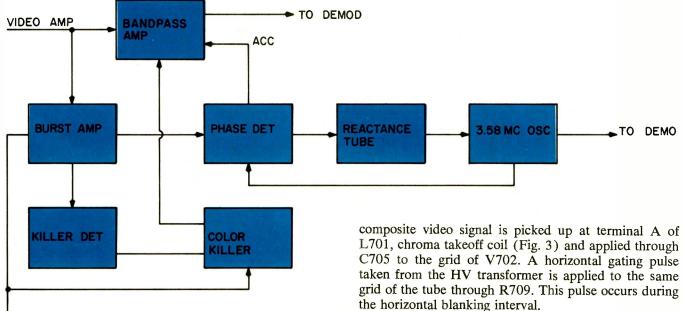


Fig. 2-Block diagram of color synchronization section of a color TV.

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oscillator which controls the oscillator frequency. Any variation in phase or frequency of the local oscillator is reflected back through the reactance stage to the oscillator grid. In this manner the frequency and phase of the 3.58 Mc oscillator are kept within very stringent limits. The oscillator is invariably a highly stable crystal controlled type which maintains practically a zero phase error and drift-free signal. Extreme accuracy is necessary for proper color reproduction.

In some sets an automatic color control (ACC) voltage is taken from the phase detector stage; this dc voltage varies with the amplitude of the burst signal and forms the bias voltage of one of the bandpass amplifiers. The gain of the bandpass stage is then dependent on the strength of the signal. This prevents signal amplitude changes from affecting the hue and saturation of the colors on the CRT screen.

A color killer detector circuit is very similar to a phase detector. Both the burst and a 3.58 Mc sample are fed to this stage. The circuit is designed so that the burst signal causes a negative voltage to be developed when color is being transmitted. This negative voltage is then used to control the following stage-a color killer control tube. A description of these circuits will be given later. The function of the color killer stage is to turn a chroma amplifier off and on.

During B/W transmission the dc voltage developed by the color killer disables one of the chroma amplifiers, thereby preventing noise and other unwanted signals from reaching the CRT. When color signals are received the color killer tube is "turned off," removing the bias voltage from the chroma amplifier and allowing color information to pass.

#### **Burst Amplifier**

Burst amplifiers (separators) perform much in the same manner as a sync separator in a B/W set. The the horizontal blanking interval.

We now have two signals appearing at the grid of the 6EW6, the composite video (containing the burst pulse) and the horizontal keying pulse. During conduction periods (horizontal blanking intervals) the positive keying pulse causes the tube to conduct heavily. While the tube is conducting, C706 charges and between pulses it begins discharging through R706. The time constant of this circuit is long enough to maintain cutoff bias on the tube until the next horizontal pulse. As a result, the tube conducts only when the burst signal is being transmitted. The amplified burst then appears across the primary of T702.

When the front panel control, R143, in the secondary of T702, is varied, the effective capacitance of the tuned circuit changes. This change in capacitance alters the incoming burst signal phase. A change in burst phase at this point will appear as a change in hue or tint on the CRT.

#### **Phase Detector**

The phase detector compares the incoming burst signals with a sample of the local oscillator signal. As shown in Fig. 3, the burst signal is coupled through T702 to one diode plate of V705A and to the second diode cathode. With the center tap of T702 secondary at ground potential, the voltage appearing at terminal B of T702 is equal in amplitude but 180 deg out of phase with the voltage at terminal C. The local 3.58 Mc oscillator signal is fed through C722 to common connection, pin 2 of V705A. The local signal is applied in equal amounts to the first diode cathode and to the second diode plate.

When the local oscillator frequency is 90 deg out of phase with the incoming burst, leading in one diode and lagging in the other, the instantaneous voltages across the two diodes are equal. When this situation exists, no voltage will appear at the junction of R716A and 716B. If the phase or frequency of the local oscillator should change, one diode will conduct more than the other and a correction voltage will be developed at the junction of the two resistors.

Polarity of this correction voltage will depend on

whether the oscillator phase leads or lags the burst and is also dependent on whether the frequency of the oscillator is high or low. A lagging phase or a lower frequency will produce a negative correction voltage. A positive voltage will be generated by a leading phase relationship or by a higher local oscillator frequency. This correction voltage is then fed to the reactance tube (V703A) which corrects the frequency and phase of the local oscillator.

#### **Reactance Tube and 3.58 Mc Oscillator**

V703A is employed as a reactance control tube in the circuit shown in Fig. 3 and the tube plate is coupled to the grid through C709. This 4 pf capacitor in series with R746, the 1500  $\Omega$  ac ground return, presents a high capacitive reactance to the 3.58 Mc feedback signal. This causes the current to lead the voltage by about 90 deg. The voltage across the grid resistor, R746, is in phase with the current. With the plate current in phase with the grid voltage, and the grid voltage leading the plate voltage by 90 deg, the plate current then leads the plate voltage by 90 deg. The tube supplies a leading current and therefore acts like a capacitor. The correction voltage applied to the tube grid changes the bias slightly and effectively changes the tube capacitance.

C717 and L702 are part of the frequency determining circuit of the oscillator (V703B). The reactance tube is in parallel with these components and when the capacitance of the tube is changed the frequency of the oscillator will be altered. The screen grid of V703B acts as the plate of the oscillator. Coupling to the plate takes place in the electron stream. The reactance tube in parallel with C717 and L702 in series with crystal Y701, form the frequency determining portion of the circuit. With the variable reactance tube and the crystal we have a very stable oscillator whose frequency and phase can be controlled.

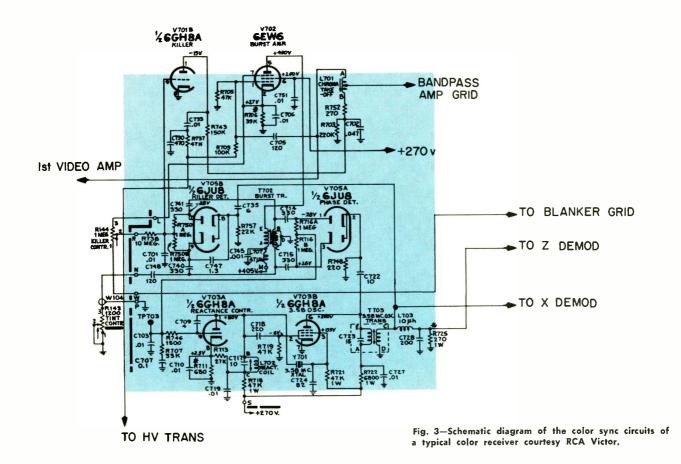
The oscillator output is taken from the plate of V703B and fed with the proper phase shift to the demodulators. A portion of the output is also applied through C722 to the phase detector circuit.

#### **Color Killer Circuits**

In Fig. 3, the killer detector stage, V705B, is very similar in operation to the phase detector (V705A). One major difference is that the 3.58 Mc signal is fed in phase with the incoming burst. To accomplish this, the local 3.58 Mc signal is taken from the secondary of T703 and fed through a divider network and applied in phase (with the burst) to the common connection, pin 8 of V705B.

The burst signal is applied through C740 and C741 to the cathode of the lower diode and to the plate of the upper diode (V705B). A 180 deg phase difference exists between the burst signal applied to the upper diode and the portion applied to the lower one.

The circuit is designed so that when normal burst is present a high negative voltage is formed at the junction of R750A and R750B. This negative voltage *Continued on page 80* 



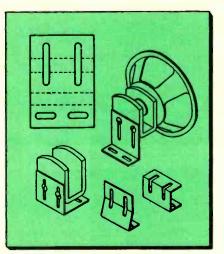


Fig. 1 — Universal type bracket can be bent to shape so it fits most installations.

by Herbert 7. Breit Quam-Nichols Co.

### **Replacement Speakers**

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Loudspeaker replacement problems are quite different today than they were a number of years ago. The electro-dynamic speaker, with wire wound field coils, was then in common use. Some loudspeakers used in TV sets required field coils of low resistance (60 to  $90\Omega$ ) and high current rating, as much as one third amp. Very few speaker manufacturers made this type of speaker for the replacement market so technicians had difficulty obtaining exact replacements.

Many odd shaped brackets were used for standard mounting methods and most were not available for replacement. The most successful substitute was the universal bracket (Fig. 1) which was available from several manufacturers of replacement speakers.

Loudspeakers today are quite different, with the great number of speaker types creating the major replacement problem. The large variety of round, oval and foreign types makes exact replacements difficult to obtain. Special speakers of shallow design, inverted magnet structures or other custom designs complicate matters further.

#### **Oval Speaker**

The oval speaker was originated by a speaker manufacturer for one of the larger radio set manufacturers who wanted something different to advertise. Most claims made for the superiority of the oval speaker were questionable. Although the first oval speaker was designed as an advertising "gimmick" it soon became a much needed speaker for the design of radio and TV sets. Because of their shape, oval speakers permit a reduction in cabinet size.

The response of an oval speaker, although not as good as from a round speaker, is quite satisfactory for most TV and radio uses.

#### **Radio Speakers**

Radio replacement speakers can be divided into several classifications: pocket size transistor type, larger transistor type, ac/dc, auto and Hi Fi types. In pocket transistor sets the major problem is the very small size. Since the parts in these sets are crowded together, the speaker diameter, depth and magnet dimensions become critical considerations. Foreign-made pocket sets use 2 in., 21/4 in. and 23/4 in. types with voice coil impedances of 8 or 12  $\Omega$ . American made sets use the same size speakers but voice coils vary from 8 to 100  $\Omega$ .

Larger transistor sets may have 3 in.,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 4 in. speakers and some may have 3x5 or 4x6 size

ovals. Many of these sets have conventional mountings while others have slotted mounting holes. Speakers with slotted mounting holes are usually not available from replacement speaker suppliers. In many cases, technicians can carefully drill or ream out mounting holes to utilize the standard speaker. In larger transistor sets the necessary voice coil impedance may be difficult to obtain since it may run from 3.2 to 130  $\Omega$ . Some replacement manufacturers will make up speakers with special voice coil impedances.

Speaker replacement problems are not quite as severe on ac/dc radios. We still have the slotted mounting hole problem which can be taken care of with a tapered reamer or by drilling. Voice coil difficulties are practically non-existent since these speakers all use 3.2  $\Omega$  voice coils, although an occasional 8  $\Omega$  voice coil may be found. Most sets are now using speakers with the smallest possible magnet, but if space allows it is advantageous to use a speaker with a larger magnet. Loudspeakers used for ac/ dc type sets vary in size from 3 in. to a 4x6 in. oval.

#### **Auto Speakers**

Just a few years ago auto radio speakers were either 4x7 or 6x9

types. Although these are still being used, more recent cars require either the 5x8, 6x10 or 4x10 with the 4x10 being the most popular. Practically all auto sets today are either hybrid or all-transistor with a rather wide range of voice coil impedances being used. For older sets we still need a 3.2  $\Omega$  voice coil speaker but the all transistor type uses 8, 10, 20, or 40  $\Omega$  impedances. Most manufacturers can supply exact replacement speakers for recent model automobiles.

An interesting development in auto replacement speakers has been

the introduction of the multi-tap speaker. This speaker is actually made with dual 20  $\Omega$  voice coils which, when connected in series, parallel or series parallel, provide voice coil impedances of 10, 20 or 40  $\Omega$ . This speaker appears to be replacing single impedance speakers on parts jobbers' shelves. Foreign auto radios require 4 in., 5 in. or 4x6 in speaker sizes which are not usually listed in replacement catalogs but many technicians indicate that replacements can often be made from existing stock on distributors' shelves.

#### sometimes difficult service problem



#### Hi Fi Speakers

The replacement of speakers in Stereo/Hi Fi equipment may cause some unusual problems because of the large variety of speaker sizes and types now being used. The price and quality of the speaker varies almost directly with the price of the unit. Quality speakers are seldom used in small inexpensive record players. A manufacturer may test many combinations of cone, voice coil and magnet weights to select the speaker that sounds best in the small cabinet or enclosure used. Speakers of general replacement quality may be used in repairing most lower priced equipment.

Larger Stereo/Hi Fi sets can be classified under several groups. Less expensive sets are classified under Group "A" and Group "B" includes the more sophisticated units. In Group "A" usually one and sometimes two speakers per channel are used. In most cases a replacement quality speaker will work satisfactorily. Group "A" sets. usually do not use an LC dividing network and the midrange speaker (if one is used), is connected in parallel with the woofer and the voice coil impedance might be several times that of the woofer so that its shunting effect on the woofer is lessened. In most instances this speaker can be removed from the circuit without injuring the performance of the set. Group "A" sets may also use tweeters which are either connected in parallel with the woofer or have a 2 to 5  $\mu$ f capacitor in one lead. Such tweeters are available on the replacement market in many sizes.

Group "B" Stereo/Hi Fi sets employ from three to six speakers per channel. In most Stereo/Hi Fi sets the speaker system is built around the larger speaker, which may be an excellent quality extended range speaker, a good quality speaker of standard range or a true woofer. Extended range speakers are readily available and a good quality standard range unit can also be found at most distributors.

Replacement of woofers presents more of a problem because of the large variety used. The better qual-*Continued on page* 74

## More About

by Harry Abramson

International Resistance Co.



A typical dealer kit from which approximately 88 percent of all TV, radio and Hi Fi replacement controls can be selected.



Fig. 1—Resistance element taper can be checked with a uniformly calibrated dial and knob.

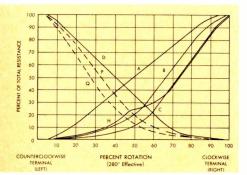


Fig. 2—The standard tapers are identified as: (A)—Linear taper for potentiometers or rheostats where uniform resistance change is required. (B)—Left-hand semi-logarithmic curve for tone control or audio circuit control. (C) —Left-hand logarithmic curve for audio circuit control. (D)—Right-hand semi-logarithmic taper used in contrast circuits in TV. (H)—Tapped left-hand logarithmic curve for audio level control for automatic bass compensation. (P&Q)—Right-hand semi-logarithmic curve—reverse taper used in contrast and picture control circuits in TV. (S)—Special taper—based on specific specifications. ■ Every service-dealer and technician knows by now that time is money! The faster you can handle control failures, the quicker you get on to your next job, and more jobs mean greater profits!

It's a sad moment when a technician doesn't have a replacement part. Running to a parts distributor every time a control is needed is just not practical; ordering from the original equipment manufacturer is usually too time-consuming!

To help you solve these problems, replacement control makers have developed kits from which high quality, economical controls can be readily assembled into duplicate units. These kits provide a broad, balanced assortment of front and rear resistance sections, mountings, shafts, switches and special accessories. They offer service technicians wide coverage and versatility at a modest price—not to mention on-the-spot replacements.

Complete information and instructions on how to assemble these replacements are provided in kits which are carried by most electronic parts distributors.

If you feel your replacement control volume does not justify a dealer kit, compromise! Stock the fastest moving universal controls. A good control inventory for the averagesize shop is shown in Table I.

#### **Universal Control Requirements**

Two features stand out in a versatile universal control. The shaft should be insulated as well as flatted, slotted, and knurled. This permits its use in receivers with hot chassis.

Terminals should be wire-wrap designed. This will double for the solder lug as well as the printedcircuit variety.

Occasionally, you may come across a control that has no part number for replacement information reference. Then you must go to the local parts distributor, or original equipment manufacturer, for a replacement. A handy check list which enables you to call-out the pertinent control characteristics is shown in Table II.

Before buying a replacement control, it is a good idea to measure the maximum depth available and the point of closest obstruction on the sides of the control. This information will help you select the proper size control, one that's not too large to mount.

A control's taper requirements are also important—just as significant as the resistance value. But you do not need to worry about duplicating the taper exactly to achieve satisfactory circuit performance. It's enough to know whether it's a lefthand, right-hand, or linear taper.

Here's an example of what we mean. A volume control having a 10 percent left-hand log taper (10 percent resistance at 50 percent rotation) can be substituted for a 20 percent left-hand log taper (20 percent resistance at 50 percent rotation). Substituting a linear taper, however, would crowd the selectivity into a small segment of the rotation.

Likewise, a right-hand log taper, when connected as a rheostat, provides greater wattage dissipation for contrast controls than a linear or left-hand log taper.

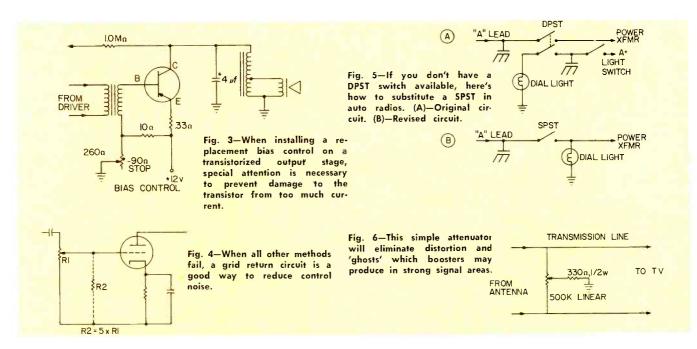
Tapers can easily be determined by using a dial and pointer knob set-up (Fig. 1) and measuring the resistance and plotting the curve of the control at 25, 50, and 75 percent rotation. Resistance measurements should be made between the left and center terminals. After plotting the curve, identify it from the standard tapers, (Fig. 2).

Most controls need no special attention after installation; but the "bias" control in transistorized output stages demands a great deal of precaution. (Fig. 3).

This control adjusts collector current by varying the bias. It should be installed with the contactor in the full clock-wise position. If set

## **Replacement Controls**

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at full counter-clock-wise or minimum resistance, a possibility exists that too much current will be drawn and the transistor damaged. For this reason, many bias controls have a fixed minimum resistance.

#### **Bias Setting Procedure**

Here's how to set the bias on automobile radios:

1. Connect the set to power supply and adjust to *exactly* 12 v. Radio should be at normal volume.

2. Watch the power supply ammeter and turn bias adjustment to point of lowest current drain.

3. The output should now be distorted. Advance bias control just beyond the point where distortion disappears.

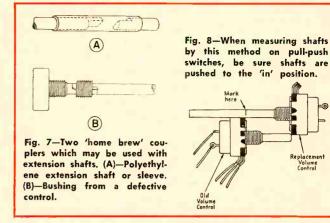
4. Check for distortion at different volume levels. If no distortion, bias is set at optimum point.

5. If distortion is noted at high volume, advance bias setting more. If no improvement, return to original setting.

This procedure should be followed whenever replacing an output transistor as well as a defective bias adjuster. Quite often, it is found better than the manufacturer's sug-

Table I Suggested technicians control stock							
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T E L E V I S I O N	1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 1 2 2 2 2 2 2	Volume Control Volume Control Volume Control Contrast Contrast Height or AGC Height or AGC Linearity, Hold, AGC, Centering, Locking and many others Focus	500 KΩ 1.0MΩ 1.0MΩ Φ 2.5MΩ 5.0MΩ 7.5MΩ 500 1000 1500 3000 5000Ω, 4 watts	L.H. Log R.H. Log R.H. Log S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S. S.	3/s"-32, 1/4" Bush. 3 3 4 3 4 3 5 3 5 3 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	SPST (Push-Pull) a a None a a a a a a a a a a a a a	1/4" Diameter 3/16" " 1/4" " 1/4" " 1/4" " Insulated, 1/4" Diameter Screwdriver Slot 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1/4" Diameter
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CHECK	Table II LIST OF CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS
SPECIFICATIONS	DESCRIPTION
Type of Control	Carbon or wirewound
Resistance	$ \Omega$ (give fixed minimum, if any)
Taper	Linear, Left-Hand Log, Right-Hand Log. (See Fig. 2 for Tapers)
Wattage	Carbon - ½ watt Wirewound - 2 to 5 watts
Mounting	Bushing (give diameter and length) Tab Mount, Spring Clip, Dog House, Grasshopper, etc.
Shaft	Give Diameter, Length (from mounting surface), and Trim
Terminals	Solder lug or printed circuit
Switch (if any)	SPST, SPDT, or DPST



gested procedure of simply measuring the collector voltage to ground.

#### **Control Failures**

Controls are replaced because they develop various defects—they open, short, ground, change value but most often because they become noisy. This happens for various reasons: worn resistance strips, dirty collector rings, noisy contacts, or loss of contactor tension.

An easy way to determine noisy volume controls in transformer operated sets is to remove the sound IF tube and rotate the volume control while listening for noise. In series string sets, the RF section can be made inoperative by grounding the IF grid or the oscillator capacitor stator and again rotating the control while listening for noise.

In video circuits—contrast or brightness—turn control full counter-clock-wise and rotate rapidly while watching picture. This action should produce no streaks, flashes, picture breaks, or jumps. If it does, the control is worn or dirty. In this event, clean or replace it.

Many noisy controls can be re-



Fig. 9—More about dimple, center punch outer shaft, will provide the necessary drag for friction-clutch controls.

stored by liberal application of a control cleaner. Simply squirt the fluid around the three terminals and the shaft "C" ring. Work the control back and forth—but if there's no improvement, after two or three treatments, replace it.

#### Switches

Many service technicians, seeking a higher current single-pole, singlethrow switch, will use a double-pole switch with the two switch sections connected in parallel. This is a rather widespread misconception and frequently leads to callbacks.

The rating of a switch is dependent upon several factors, among which are the voltage and current surges on contact "make" or "break." The higher the current rating of a switch, the greater is the provision for these surges.

If the two sections of a doublepole switch would continuously "make" and "break" at exactly the same instant, the rating of the paralleled sections would be substantially increased. In practice, however, this does not occur. One section will "make" or "break" contact before the other, resulting in early failure of that section.

Do not parallel switch sections for higher current ratings—use a higher-rated, single-pole switch. This is especially important on heavy current auto radio volume control switches.

The more popular switch configurations and their nominal current ratings are listed in Table III.

#### **Control Tips**

1. Auto Controls. To preserve

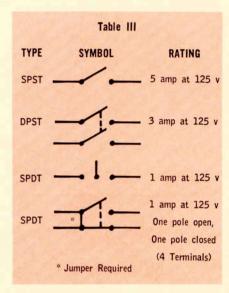


 Table IV

 KIT FOR REPLACING VOLUME CONTROLS

 Control Cleaner with Extension Tube

 Hacksaw Blade or Jeweler's Saw

 Small Ruler

 Set of Small Files

 Epoxy Cement
 Center Punch

 Small Vise
 Open-End Wrench with 1/2 & 9/16 inch Ends

the life of auto controls from dirt, especially in dusty country, it is advisable to cover the chassis plate ventilating holes beneath the control. The set may run a bit hotter, but it's better than frequent callbacks for control cleaning.

2. Bias-Adjuster Emergency Improvision. Because of component failures in the transistor output stage, the bias-adjuster frequently burns open. As an emergency improvision, a 2 w fixed resistor can *Continued on page 78*  • Our shop uses an inexpensive resistance/capacitance bridge for checking and troubleshooting various TV and radio circuits. The applications outlined here are in addition to those specified in the bridge manufacturer's instruction manual.

Small 455 kc IFs in ac/dc radios are often leaky because of a breakdown in the built-in capacitors shunting each winding. Sometimes a primary or secondary winding will fail because of insulation breakdown between turns within either windings.

Discriminator transformers can frequently result in a "tough dog" problem because of leakage in the capacitor connected from the plate side of the transformer primary winding to the secondary winding center tap (Fig. 1). Many intermittent or leaky transformers can be localized easily with the bridge. The procedures outlined here will apply to most bridges.

#### IF and Discriminator Transformers

Set the range switch of your bridge on TEST VOLT-AGE. The control is set at 500 v (or at 150 v when testing transistor or car radios). Disconnect the B+ primary lead from the IF transformer and connect the bridge voltage to the transformer as shown in Fig. 2. (The plus supply lead from the bridge is connected to the primary and the minus supply lead is connected to the secondary). Leakage between primary and secondary windings of an IF is indicated on our bridge by opening of a "magic eye" tube. Some bridges work in reverse.

If leaky capacitors are found in discriminator transformers, replace the capacitor rather than install a new transformer — if the capacitor is not molded-in the transformer.

#### **Other Transformers**

Power, audio, modulation, vertical and horizontal TV sweep and other transformers and coils are also

# Additional Uses For an R/C Bridge

Rapid transformer and diode checks can be made with this inexpensive instrument

#### by George Oberto





Bridge by Lafayette

EICO bridge





Conar bridge.

Knight bridge.

Heathkit lab-type bridge.



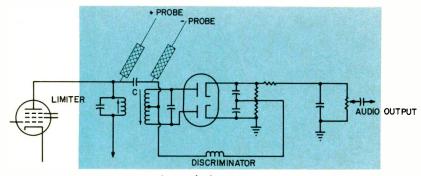


Fig. 1—Checking for leakage in discriminator transformer capacitor.

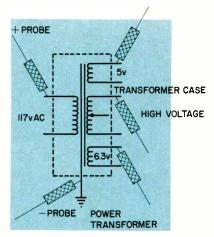


Fig. 3—Checking for leakage in iron-core transformers.

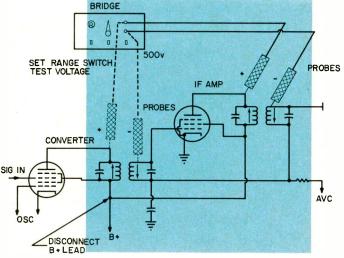
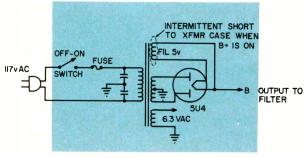
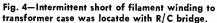


Fig. 2-Test set-up using R/C bridge.





checked for primary to secondary leakage as shown in Fig. 2. The same procedure described for checking IF transformers is used and the bridge voltage is set to 500 v.

Leakage from a winding to case or chassis is checked with the negative lead of the bridge connected to case or chassis (Fig. 3), and the plus lead is connected to one side of each winding on the transformer. Our bridge operates as a "megger" up to 20 M $\Omega$  and any leakage indicated in this range means a defective unit.

Several radios and TVs have come into our shop with the complaint of "blowing fuses" intermittently in the power tranformer primary winding. An ohmmeter check revealed all was OK. But, in all cases, when the bridge was applied as shown in Fig 2 and 3, the culprit was easily located as an intermittent short from rectifier filament to case (Fig. 4).

If power, audio or similar transformers have a shorted turn or turns, and since  $XL=2\pi FL$ , the in-

ductance and inductive reactance will be considerably lower than normal. Because the bridge power source is 60 cps, we can check this out by setting the bridge range switch to 0.5-500  $\Omega$  and the 50-50K range and measure the primary winding's ac resistance. If the transformer is bad, the resistance reading will be low.

Some transformers will indicate a reading on the bridge only when there's trouble with shorted turns. With experience, you'll have little trouble checking out a good or bad transformer.

#### **Rectifiers and Diodes**

To check silicon diodes, selenium rectifiers and germanium diodes which have at least a 50 v PIV rating, the bridge range switch is set to ELECTROLYTIC LEAKAGE TEST. Connect the negative terminal to the cathode of the rectifier or diode and the positive terminal to anode of the rectifier. With the bridge volt-

Continued on page 89

How to view the envelope without making connections to the transceiver

## **Measuring Milliwatt-Midget Modulation** by Elmer C. Carlson

Modulation measurements of handi-talkies is usually a problem. Small size, compact construction and low power output all combine to make measurements difficult.

At 27 Mc, power losses are possible in even the shortest lead length necessary for displaying a trapezoidal pattern on the scope (Fig. 1)-the usual method of measuring modulation.

The biggest problem is the low signal levels. These voltages are often too small to deflect the CRT beam directly. Scopes with 30 Mc bandwidth amplifiers are beyond technicians' budgets.

#### Bench Set-up

Direct connections do not have to be made between the scope and the transceiver, however. Besides, it is too easy to upset RF circuits with test leads. They produce stray capacitances that detune the circuits and introduce unknown losses along their length.

Modern service type scopes, suitable for color-TV servicing, can display 455 kc signals and most communications receivers use an IF at or very near 455 kc.

Connecting the scope to the communications receiver IF amplifier output-stage plate (Fig. 2) or to the IF side of the detector makes it possible to see the complete modulation envelope.

Modulate the transceiver with a normal speaking voice and you can see just how much the carrier envelope is compressed and expanded. It is not easy to determine any exact modulation percentage.

If frequent modulation tests are to be made, a permanent connection to the IF strip can be brought out to a convenient point on the front panel (Fig. 3) or rear-chassis apron. If the top of a cabinet opens, a jack can be mounted on the chassis nearer to the IF amplifier output. A low-value capacitor ("C" Fig. 2) must be used to isolate the scope lead from the IF amplifier to reduce IF transformer detuning. For occasional tests a low-capacitance probe can be used with little, but some effect on the tuning of the IF amplifier.

#### **Tone Modulation Technique**

Exact modulation measurements are easy to make by using tone modulation (Fig. 4). A steady tone can be made to stand still on the scope screen — voice patterns can't.

Feeding tone into a milliwatt transceiver can be just as difficult as trying to take signals out for measuring purposes. The best way to inject tone into the microphone circuit is through the microphone. Use an external speaker driven by a tone between 350 and 3500 cps. Higher frequencies are not needed

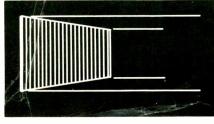


Fig. 1—Trapezoidal modulation scope pattern.

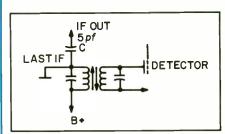
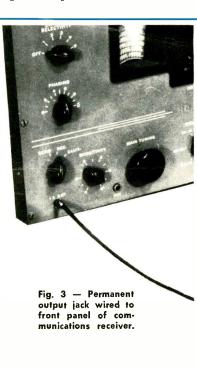


Fig. 2—Couple scope to communications receiver IF amplifier output-stage plate or to

the IF side of the detector to see modulation

envelope.



but can be used in some special tests that are helpful in increasing the useful range of the unit.

Any audio generator can be used. If it has an output tap that will nearly match the speaker impedance it makes connections easier, otherwise a matching transformer must be used (Fig. 5) to get sufficient power into the speaker to drive the transceiver modulator.

The speaker is put face down over that in the transceiver and connected to the generator. The ground lead of the generator is also connected to the ground lead of the scope and the chassis of the monitor receiver (Fig.6).

A second lead is connected from the high side of the generator output to the horizontal input. A short jumper goes from there (Fig. 7) to the scope's EXTERNAL SYNC input. A temporary lead from the external sync input to the vertical input is used to set up the scope for a stationary pattern using 1,000 cps. You are now ready to modulate the transceiver.

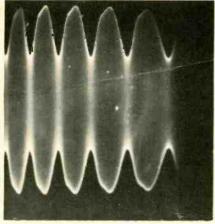


Fig. 4-Tone modulated scope pattern.

#### Practical Work

With the receiver, scope, audio generator and transceiver connected as in Fig. 6, key the transceiver and tune the receiver until the tone signal is located — key the transceiver ON and OFF several times to make sure it is the proper signal.

Now, when the transceiver is keyed, the modulation envelope, at 455 kc, should be seen. Increase the audio-generator output until the envelope shows distortion (Fig. 8). If it is not possible to distort the modulation envelope, the generator does not have enough output or the transceiver circuit does not have enough gain.

Try a voice transmission. If it is possible to get a greater percentage of modulation by voice (loud talking or shouting) the output of the generator is not high enough for further testing. Should the modulation envelope be no greater (or even less) with voice, the trouble lies in the modulator circuit.

The speaker volume used to drive the microphone need not be earsplitting to match the lung power needed to give the same amount of modulation. For one reason, the sound level is concentrated in one frequency and second, the speaker is so closely coupled to the microphone that there is much nearer 100 percent transfer of sound energy between the generator driven speaker and that used as a microphone for the transceiver.

Once you are sure the modulation is too low, there are several possible methods of increasing it. But before *any* circuit changes are made a more complete analysis of the modulator should be made.

#### Transmitter Interference

Transmitter testing should be done with the least interference to regular transmissions. Since the low power of the handi-talkie generally limits transmissions to less than one mile, the interference is low to begin with. You can reduce the possibility of generating interferring signals by using the transceiver (antenna too) in a horizontal posi-

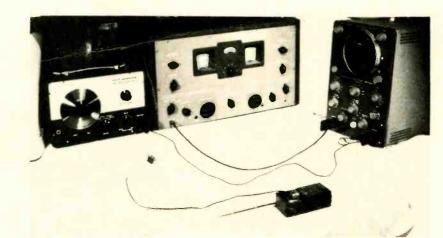


Fig. 6—Test hook-up using audio generator, communications receiver and scope. Milliwatt-midget with antenna extended is in the right foreground.



Fig. 5 — Matching transformer from audio generator to test speaker.

Fig. 7 — Closeup of scope connections.



tion as shown in Fig. 6. The antenna for the receiver must also be in a horizontal position.

With the transceiver antenna at a right angle to all other station antennas, your pickup of their signals is greatly reduced and interference to their transmissions is also greatly reduced. The communications receiver antenna should be 30 to 50 ft away from the transceiver to prevent overloading during modulation tests,

#### Wasted Side-Band Power

A check of the actual bandwidth of the modulator should be the first step. Vary the input frequency from about 300 cps up to the cutoff frequency where the audio no longer has an effect on the envelope.

For communications purposes it is not necessary to modulate with frequencies above 3,500 cps. All the needed sound frequencies for intelligible voice communications are contained between 350 and 3,500 cps. Cutting off much below

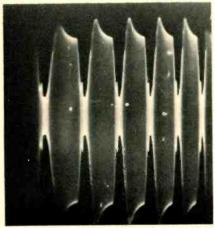


Fig. 8-Distorted envelope.

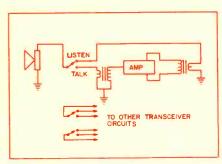


Fig. 9—Matching transformer may be wired into circuit for higher driving power.

3,500 will make speech less understandable and it becomes almost impossible to identify persons by voice characteristics. To allow higher frequencies to modulate the carrier wastes transmitter power in the side-bands which reduces the effective range and will interfere with units operating on adjacent channels. This affects units that can not be heard during the required listening period before transmitting. All efforts should be made to eliminate, or drastically reduce, frequencies above 3,500 cps. This will increase the range of the handi-talkie.

#### Improving Modulation

It is possible to increase the modulation percentage by increasing either the gain of the audio amplifier in the modulator or by increasing the signal pickup for the modulator.

For proper efficiency, the speaker used as a microphone must match the input impedance into the first transistor. For economy, this is often neglected — the speak-

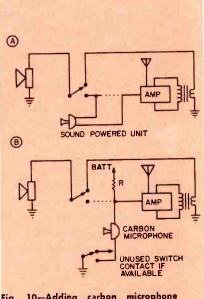


Fig. 10—Adding carbon microphone to transceiver.

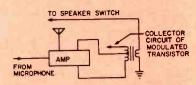


Fig. 11—Substituting modulation transformer to increase modulation.

er is connected directly into the first transistor-base circuit and the mismatch gives too low a signal to drive the modulator to its full possible percentage of modulation. It is easy to wire a matching transformer into the circuit. Basically, all the transceiver circuits are the same (Fig. 9). For some circuits it may be necessary to wire a capacitor in series to prevent a dc path from upsetting either the transistor or transformer circuits.

Sound-powered magnetic units are a better impedance match than a 10  $\Omega$  speaker. These too are generally designed for communications. Being small (3/4 x 11/4 in.) they are easy to mount.

#### Souping Up Equipment

It is possible to add a carbon microphone to the transceiver (Fig. 10). The carbon microphone is not the best all-around microphone but it has two features that makes it popular for communications work. It will give the highest output and generally has a cutoff frequency around 3,500 cps — the carbon microphone is designed for communications.

Sometimes the modulation can be increased by using higher gain transistors in the audio/modulator stage. This has a double effect it increases modulation and increases the level of the received signals too.

The audio/modulator gain can be checked like an ordinary audio amplifier — as far as voltage is concerned. Current gain is the factor in transistor circuits. So unless you have a second transceiver of the same model (that has greater range), to be used as a standard for comparison, it is best to rely on the scope pattern of the modulation for indications of greater output.

Changing the modulation transformer is another way of increasing modulation. Some transceivers use a special transformer don't change this type. For economy, an ordinary transformer may be used — (Fig. 11). This can be changed to a center-tapped type then autotransformer action will feed a higher and lower value voltage to the collector of the RF transistor for increased modulation. ■

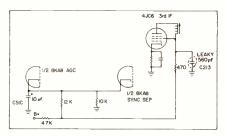
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### Difficult Service Jobs Described by Readers

#### **Faulty Bypass**

A Curtis Mathes Chassis TV-17-1 had symptoms which seemed to indicate sync trouble. Vertical and hori-



zontal sync were unstable with moderate to severe horizontal pulling. Clamping the AGC line with a bias box made no significant improvement. Connecting the scope to the sync separator plate showed sync coming through, but severely distorted with video information. Sync at the separator grid was practically non-existent. The composite video waveform at the plate of the video amplifier looked normal. This indicated that the trouble was probably in the sync separator stage. Voltage on the cathode of the separator was around 35 v when it should have been 80 v (on schematic). The resistance to ground also was somewhat low. After time was spent checking components in the separator I noticed that the AGC and separator cathodes were tied together and were connected through a 12K resistor to the B plus feedpoint for the 3rd IF screen. This led me to the 3rd IF stage. Resistance checks here disclosed that C213 was leaking.-Glen H. Bryant, Hoisington, Kansas.

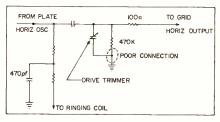
#### Intermittent Ground Connection Causes Hum and Poor Sync

A Hallicrafters TV, model 621-H-20, chassis 412M6, turned out to be more than a routine repair job. The complaint was poor horizontal sync.

After a few weak and gassy tubes were replaced and the tuner was cleaned, the set was put aside to cook. It worked fine for an hour or so, then the picture started to pull and bend horizontally. The symptom appeared like one caused by a gassy AFC or horizontal oscillator tube. The picture would then go out of horizontal sync and adjusting the hold control demonstrated that it was critical and would not lock the picture in solid. The conditions were intermittent, sometimes just pulling and weaving, other times slipping out of sync.

Waveforms and voltage measurements indicated the signal was good up to the oscillator output. The drive signal feeding the grid of the horizontal output tube indicated fluctuations on the scope.

I then decided to adjust the drive trimmer to see the reaction. There was none. But when I moved it gently with an insulated tool the trouble would be corrected temporarily. I disconnected wires from one side of the trimmer and checked it for leakage but it showed none. Since this seemed the source of trouble, I then clipped a jumper wire from the trimmer ground side to the chassis. This immediately corrected all my troubles, locking the picture solidly in sync, with no pulling or bending.



I then connected an ohmmeter in place of the jumper and a resistance reading of 15  $\Omega$ , sometimes varying as high as 25  $\Omega$  showed up when the trimmer was moved with the insulated tool. It was obviously not making proper contact to ground.

A short piece of wire soldered in place of the jumper cured the trouble for good.—Danny St. Onge, Lethbridge, Alta. Canada.

#### **Narrow Pix**

Several weeks ago I had a call regarding a Motorola color chassis, TS908. This set has a 23 in. rectangular CRT. It lacked about 3 in. of width on the right side. The left side was OK. I replaced both output tubes, the damper and the horizontal oscillator tubes. I even changed the high voltage rectifier for good measure. The problem still remained.

I then called the shop for another man and we turned the set on the side and removed the bottom plate. Without the set switched on, we made visual checks for possible bad solder joints and loose wires. Finding none, we then switched the set on. When the raster came on I was amazed to find that it almost filled the screen. I then turned the slug in the width coil and found that the coil worked fine but the width was still shy about a half in. I then noted that the coil was running hot. I shut the set off, removed the leads from the coil and checked its resistance. It was OK. At this point I decided to take the set to the shop. When the set was turned back to its normal position again and switched on, the width again decreased to the original 3 inches on the right side.

When the set arrived in the shop and was switched on it worked perfectly again! We again turned it on its side, and as we did so the width again decreased three in.

We now got a brain storm. By slowly turning the set from its upright position to its side we could make the picture shrink an in. to 3 in.

At this point the service manager remarked that, according to this, we should turn the set on its top side and it would work fine! We did just that. You can guess what happened. The set worked better than ever!

We then turned the set upright again, removed the chassis and mounted it on the jig. I also removed the high voltage shield. After probing for about ten minutes the trouble was located.

The black lead to the hi-voltage transformer had a rosin joint. After resoldering this and a few other places on the transformer to eliminate future possibilities, I switched the set on and had no further trouble. The lead in question connects to the Horiz. centering control, and this is also part of the width circuit.—*Elio J. Cavalet, Akron, Ohio.* 

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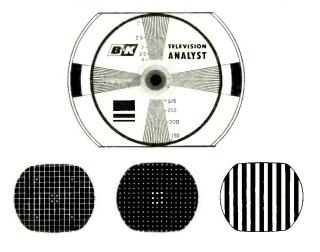
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# COLORFAX

#### RCA Color TV CRTs Employ "Rare Earth" Phosphor

RCA announces that all of its color television picture tubes are now being manufactured with improved phosphors, including a Europium red "rare earth" phosphor. Douglas Y. Smith, vice president, RCA Electronic Components and Devices, said the company has completed the conversion of facilities at plants in Lancaster, Pa.,



and Marion, Ind., for manufacturing all 25, 21 and 19 in. color tubes with the new phosphors. These phosphors are applied by an advanced slurry screening process. Mr. Smith pointed out that since January of this year, all 25-in. 90 deg rectangular color tubes shipped to set makers have utilized picture screens produced with the improved phosphors and process. He said the red Europium phosphor is being completely incorporated in the 21-in., 70 deg round color tube. These 21-in. "Hi-Lite" color tubes are currently being shipped to all customers. The 21-in. round tube is regarded as the present standard of the color TV industry, he added. RCA also employs the improved phosphors and screening process in making engineering samples of its new 19-in., 90-deg rectangular color tubes which are now being evaluated by manufacturers.

#### Increased 1965-66 Color Programing

NBC-TV has disclosed that, during its 1965-66 season, almost all its network programing — statistically, more than 95 percent - would be color.

The 95 percent color decision means an increase of 35 percent over

current season's color prominent schedules. It also means that excepting occasional B/W movies and news programs, network evenings will be 100 percent color Monday through Thursday. All 14 of returning nighttime shows will be color (four for the first time) as will most of the new programs. The only two exceptions, both first-timers: Convoy (8:30-9:30 p.m. Fridays), a war drama strongly dependent on stock B/W naval footage, and I Dream of Jeannie (8-8:30 p.m. Saturdays).

Come fall, then NBC-TV will be coloring 341/2 of its weekly 36 nighttime network hours, which accrues to a yearly volume of 3000 multi-hued hours. Annual total for NBC back in 1954, their first color year, was just 68 hours.

ABC TV, which so far hasn't emphasized its color equipment or programing, announced a step-up in its 1965-66 color season too. Its previously intermittent colorcasts will be converted to something like four and a half and six and a half hours of color per week. Expectedly multi-hued next season: Big Valley, Gidget, Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea, the animated Flintstones and most films on Sunday Night at the Movies.

CBS-TV, too, was riding the colorwagon. Danny Kaye and Red Skelton will be televised in color, as well as "most" Thursday evening movies, plus other programs.

#### Motorola Introduces New 23 in. Models

Motorola has broadened its 23-in. rectangular picture tube color TV line by adding five basic models with manufacturer's suggested list prices (optional to dealer) of \$499.95 to \$599.95. The five new color models, along with the 15 receivers that have represented the 1965 Motorola rectangular color TV line, extend the company's suggested list price spread from \$499.95 to \$1650 in this product category. The color chassis used in this line is a horizontal, hand-wired unit with power transformer and two solid state rectifiers. The chassis has three IF stages, a four-circuit VHF color tuner and solid state UHF color tuner. A push button demagnetizer is included on all models.

#### **Admiral Shows** 1966 Color TV Line

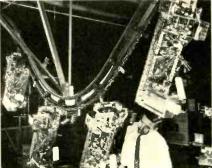
The 1966 Admiral color TV line includes 21, 23 and 25 in. screens. A. A. Medica, vice president-electronics division, said that the new color line is the most extensive introduced by the company. The line opens with a 21 in. table model priced at \$369.95. There are 18 21 in. models including three stereo theaters. Nine 23 in. and three 25 in. consoles are offered. Three 23 in. stereo theaters with solid-state amplifiers are also included.

### **General Electric to**

Manufacture Color CRT General Electric has begun pilot production of an improved type of color television picture tube. According to a statement made by William E. Davidson, general manager of the company's Television Receiver Department, the G-E CRT is an improved version of the industry's standard "three-gun" type, and incorporates the rare earth phosphors being almost universally used across the industry. Mr. Davidson noted that tube production will be limited in 1965 and that the company will continue purchasing tubes from outside sources for the next few years.

#### **Final Inspection** Of Color Chassis

Color television chassis manufac-tured at the RCA Victor plant in Bloomington, Indiana, receive their final inspection before being placed in new color receivers. Approximately



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# NEW PRODUCTS

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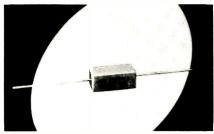
Two cone tweeters have been added to a line of high fidelity speakers. The Model T 3C208 is 3-in. square



and has a frequency response of 1800 to 17,000 cps. Its power handling capacity is 6 w. Model T 5C208 is 5-in. square, with a frequency response of 1000 to 17,000 cps. It has a power handling capacity of 6 w. Oxford Transducer Corp., 2331 N. Washtenaw Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60647.

#### **Fusible Resistors**

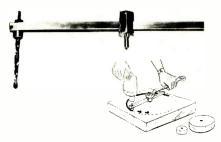
A line of fusible resistors in sizes up to 15 w normal dissipation, are introduced. They have application in surge limiting, missile ignition, short duration controlled time fusing, small photographs, ac-dc radios, and TV. Resistance range available: 0.1  $\Omega$  to 30K  $\Omega$ . International Resistance Co.,



401 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19108.

#### **Compass Cutter**

A cutter designed for cutting large diameter holes in thick wood, metal plate and plastic is announced. This



tool attaches to any electric drill and uses a hardened, tool steel bit with side-cutting action to make holes and circles from  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. to 20 in. diameter. The bit, so hard it can cut steel plate, turns in a heavy-duty needle bearing for smooth, positive action. With this tool you can cut holes, discs, circles, etc. in two in. wood,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. aluminum,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. cold rolled steel and in most plastics up to 1 in. thick. Nassau Shores H & G, Dept. 468, 5500 Merrick Rd., Massapequa, N. Y.

#### **Electrolytic Substitutor**

An instrument for substituting electrolytic capacitors in transistor and



vacuum tube circuits is introduced. The ES132 provides 10 dual electrolytics with values from 2 to 250  $\mu$ f and with potentials from 2 to 450 vdc. The electrolytics can be used singly, as duals or paralleled. The instrument is housed in a steel case and has a "push to test switch." The switch also discharges the substituting electrolytics, to prevent shock. Sencore, Inc., 426 S. Westgate Dr., Addison, Ill. 60101.

#### **Emergency Fuse Kit**

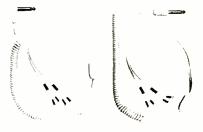
A kit containing fuses for most popular makes of English, German, French, and Swedish autos is announced. The kit, which can be stored in the car's glove compartment, contains both glass and ceramic fuses to replace "burn-outs" in all models of the Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, MG, Austin, Renault, Opel, Volvo, Fiat, Jaguar, Morris, Sunbeam, Vauxhall, Hillman, Saab, Triumph and others. Included in the kit are two each of the following ceramic-body fuses: 8 amp, 16 amp, 25 amp short, and 25 amp long. There is also a 35



and a 50 amp glass fuse in the kit. Littelfuse, 800 E. Northwest Highway, Des Plaines, Ill.

#### **Replacement Cords**

À line of coiled cords designed for replacement of most monaural headphone cords is announced. The coiled cords are available with either a twoconductor straight or right angle phone plug, with cable clamp, securely



molded to one end of the cord. Switchcraft, 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago, Ill.

#### **Color Generator**

A color generator containing a color vectorscope is announced. The unit provides crosshatch, dots, vertical lines only, horizontal lines only and keyed rainbow patterns. It has a vectorscope to check color phase angles. It is  $8\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{7}{8}$  in. and weighs 13 lb. Lectrotech, 1737 Devon Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60626.







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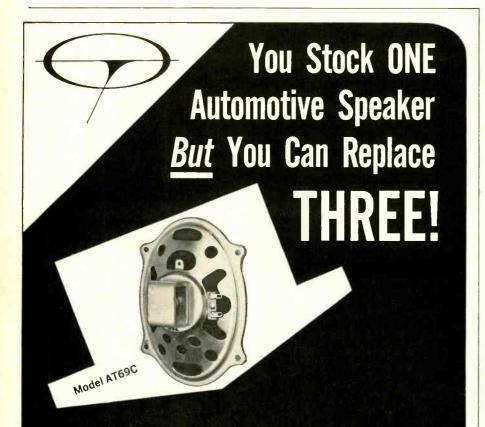


#### Portable Oscilloscope

An oscilloscope with solid state circuits, calibrated triggered sweeps, dc to 5 Mc bandwidth, line and battery powered, regulated power supplies and 5 in. CRT is announced. A low capacity (12 pf) probe is available as an accessory. The Model 055 is  $9\frac{1}{4} \times 7 \times 16$  in. and weighs 15 lb.



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be substituted temporarily. Here's what to do:

(A) Connect resistance substitution box across the open bias-adjuster. Set it at the resistance value of the bias pot.

(B) Reduce the resistance in small increments to get a distortion-free output. Make sure the power supply is set at 12 v.

(C) After the proper value resistor is found and installed, step the power supply up to 15 v to see if the resistor overheats or discolors. If it does, use the next higher wattage available.

3. Control Cleaning. Sometimes injecting control cleaner between the concentric shafts cures the noise without having to remove chassis.

4. **Minimum Resistances.** When replacing a control with a fixed minimum resistance, be sure to install a fixed resistor of the same value in series with the left terminal.

5. Noise. A unique method of reducing volume control noise, if all else fails, and if a replacement is not available, is to add a grid return circuit (Fig. 4). Its value should be five times the control.

6. Sensitivity Adjustments. Besides peaking the antenna compensating screws to receive distant stations on auto sets, many tube type auto radios have sensitivity or gain adjustments in the IF stage cathode circuit. This control should be adjusted whenever the IF tube is replaced.

7. Switches. Rotary switch type volume controls can be replaced with controls having pull-push switches for longer life. Naturally, the resistance element will not wear out as fast.

8. Switch Substitution. An easy way to install a SPST switch in place of a DPST switch on auto radios is shown in Fig. 5.

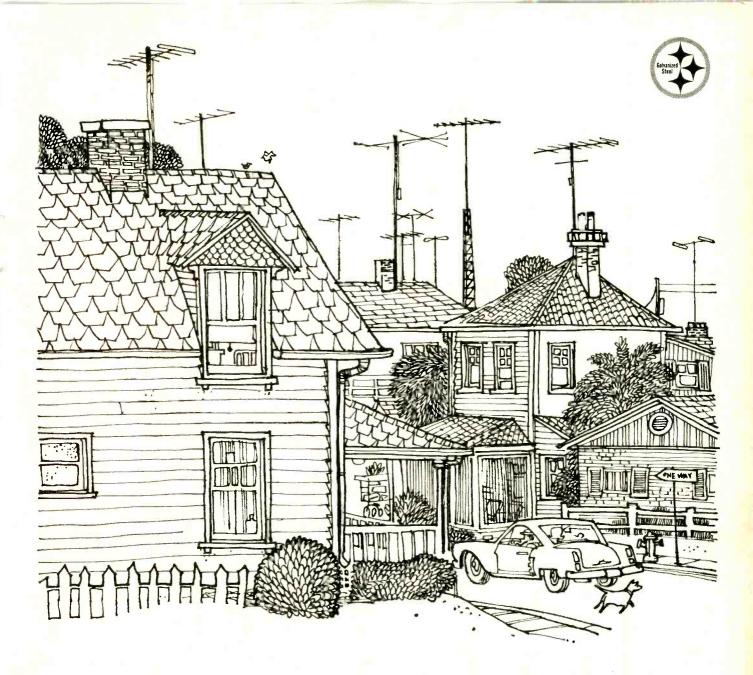
9. TV Attenuator. Boosters in strong signal areas may produce overloading, causing smear, distortion, pulling, and ghosts. An easy solution is to insert an attenuator as shown in Fig. 6.

10. Contrast Controls. Because of its high wattage dissipation, the contrast control is one of the most often replaced units in TV servicing. Many of these controls have linear *Continued on page 78* 

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ity sets all use a true woofer. It may have a large diameter voice coil, wound with several layers of rather large wire or it may be of "long throw" design with these features plus a treated cloth cone edge. Technicians should examine the unit being replaced to determine from the voice coil diameter, magnet size and cone design just what type of replacement unit is required.

Midrange speakers on the Group "B" sets are very likely true midranges, that is, they are designed to cover the midrange band only. The low frequency response is eliminated on many by using a closed back cone housing (basket) and the high end can be controlled by using a cone of proper design. In addition, the response of the midrange is often controlled by using a proper dividing network. An open back speaker of the proper size and voice coil can often be used if stiff chipboard is cut to size and cemented over the basket openings.

Some of the best quality sets in

the Group "B" class have horn type midrange-tweeter combinations and since these are available in a wide range from your parts jobber, no problems should arise in finding a replacement. The tweeters in Group "B" sets are made the same as in Group "A" except that they usually have larger and more efficient magnets. Most distributors keep a good stock of tweeters on hand. Many of these sets will have true dividing networks comprised of the proper inductances and capacitors. It is very important that replacements used in this equipment have exactly the same voice coil impedance.

An additional group, Group "C", contains component type equipment, usually high priced and well recognized. Little difficulty should arise in obtaining replacement speakers for units of this type.

Speakers for foreign made Stereo/Hi Fi sets, particularly of German make, are difficult to obtain because many are odd size ovals not made in the U.S. It may be necessary to substitute a larger oval or mask the baffle opening and use a smaller speaker. ■





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Once again Scoot started on Bob's outline that had already rewarded him with two quick tuner repairs only an hour earlier. Nothing was turned up and he asked Bob for the component check list. Bob had already marked them on the schematic.

"Here, Scoot, I've marked the components that can be easily checked." (Fig. 7.) Be sure to include the solder joints in your continuity checks. They can be a big headache."

After 20 minutes of struggling Scoot announced that he had the problem 'corraled,'

Bob came over to look.

"Bad balun, huh? Did you 'mess up' that terminal strip?"

"No. It was already broken."

"Scoot. What am I going to do with you? You should have questioned that when you first looked this set over. The reason that balun lead is broken is because its lead is pulled from the antenna terminal strip."

"I know, I know. If I would just look a little closer I could solve half of my problems just by looking."

"Precisely, Scoot. Maybe there's some hope for you after all!"



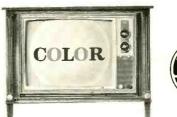
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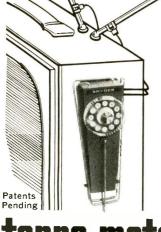
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tapers, and are wired as rheostats. When this is the case, a more reliable replacement would be a control of the resistance value but having a right-hand log taper—a design which uses more of the resistance element area.

#### **Mechanical Considerations**

1. Couplers & Extension Shafts. Extension shafts are useful when the original shaft is longer than the universal control shaft. These shafts are generally 4 inches long and are available in 3/16 and 1/4 inch diameters. They come complete with a coupler. Or, shaft couplers, which may be purchased separately, can be used with a portion of original shaft. Poly-extension shafts can also be used as couplers (Fig. 7A). Be sure to place epoxy on the ends of both shafts before inserting sleeve. This will prevent shafts from pulling apart. Bushings from defective controls make ideal couplers, too (Fig. 7B).

2. Measuring and Cutting Shafts. An easy and accurate way to measure the replacement control shaft length is shown in Fig. 8. When controls have a pull-push switch, make sure both shafts are in the "in" position. Metal shafts can be neatly cut with a jeweler's saw—especially after the control is installed.

3. Friction-Clutch Controls. On occasion, you may encounter a stereo control with friction coupled concentric shafts. This is a friction fit between the panel and rear shafts which enable both rotors to operate in tandem when either shaft is turned. Either section can also be adjusted independently by holding one shaft and rotating the other. Once set, turning either knob will maintain the preset relationship between the sections. The problem now, is how to duplicate this effect when replacing the control with standard replacement parts. Here's how! Form a small dimple with a hammer and center punch (Fig. 9) on the flat-milled portion at the rear of the outer shaft slot to provide drag (friction clutch effect) between shafts, then assemble control in normal manner.

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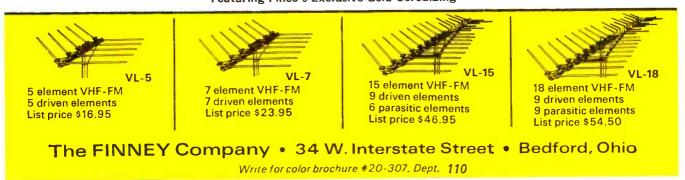
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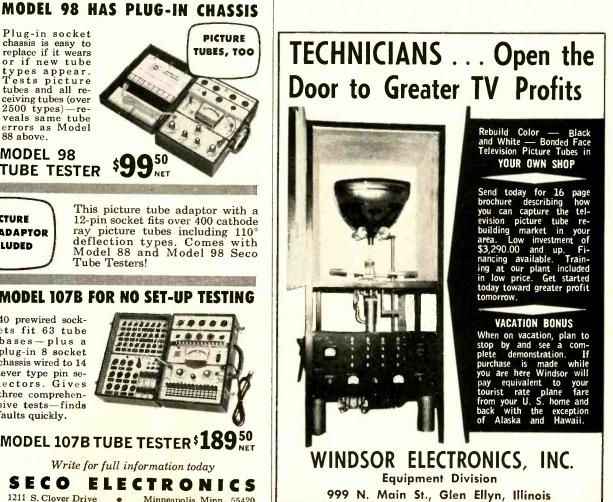
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is the result of unequal conduction of the diodes. When the burst signal is absent both diodes conduct equally so no voltage appears at the junction of the resistors. The negative voltage developed when the burst is present is applied to the control grid of V701B, the color killer stage, biasing it at cutoff.

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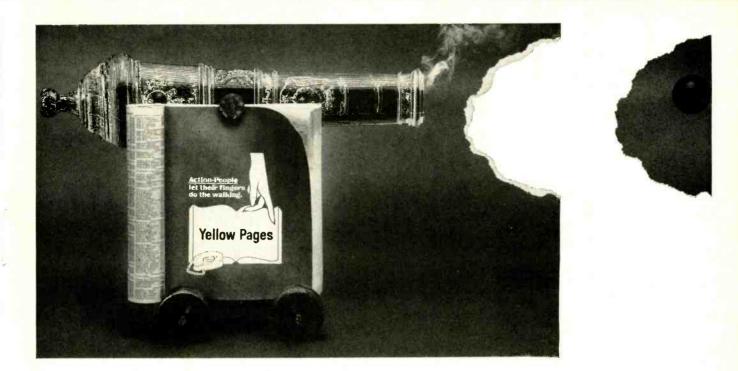
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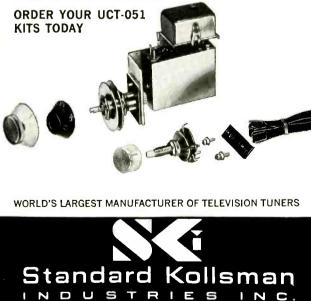
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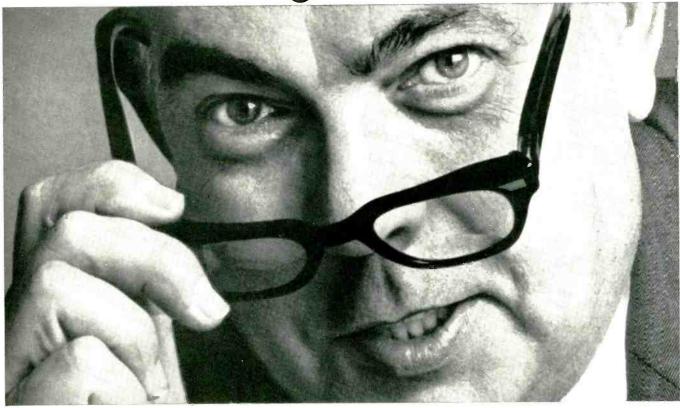


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#### Blonder-Tongue Files Suit for Patent Infringement

Blonder-Tongue Electronics and Isaac S. Blonder, chairman of the board, filed suit against Channel Master Corp. of Ellenville, N.Y. and Gavin Instruments, Inc. of Somerville, N.J. for patent infringement on Blonder-Tongue's UHF converters. The suit charges Channel Master and Gavin with manufacturing and selling ultra high frequency converters using tunable electronic circuit elements covered by U.S. Patent No. 2,778,943, issued to Mr. Blonder. An additional action is filed against Channel Master for infringement of transmission line connectors covered by U.S. Patent No. 3,154,362. The complaints, filed in the Federal District Court of the Southern District of New York, asks the court for preliminary and final injunctions against further infringement. It also asks for, "... accounting of profits and damages, attorney fees and, in view of the wanton character of the infringement, three times the amount of actual damages."

#### **RCA Reports Record First Quarter** Sales and Earnings

Sales and earnings of the Radio Corp. of America in the first quarter of 1965 set all-time records for the period, maintaining the upward profit trend that began four years ago, Chairman David Sarnoff and President Elmer W. Engstrom announced. Profits after taxes in the first three months this year amounted to \$25,000,000, a 16 percent increase over the previous first quarter high of \$21,600,000 established in 1964. This was the sixteenth consecutive quarter in which RCA profits ran above the comparable quarter of the preceding year. Sales of products and services rose 3 percent to a new first quarter peak of \$475,500,000 from last year's record \$461,400,000. Earnings per common share for the first quarter were 43 cents, an increase of 19 percent over the 36 cents per share in the comparable 1964 period, both figures adjusted for the 10 percent stock dividend declared in December, 1964, and paid February 1, 1965.

#### **Oxford Appoints Representative**

Oxford Transducer Corp. of Chicago announces the appointment of AES, Inc. of Aurora, Colorado to represent them in the Rocky Mountain States. Territory includes Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming, El Paso County, Texas and Eastern Montana.

#### **Olympic Appoints Four to New Sales Posts**

Olympic Radio & Television Sales Corp. announces four new salesforce appointments. W. E. Dodson was promoted to regional manager and will cover a territory including Louisiana, Arkansas and the southern half of Mississippi. In addition, Olympic named three new district managers. They are: Edward H. Therrien of Tampa, Fla., who will cover most of Florida and three counties in Georgia; N. C. Matlock of Charlotte, N.C., whose territory will include 22 counties in the western part of North Carolina; and Charles L. Highfill of Greensboro, N.C., who will also handle parts of North Carolina. Olympic is a division of Lear Siegler, Inc.

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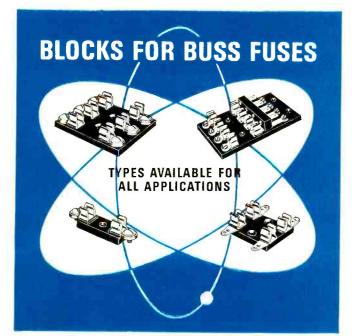
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Should CATV be required to carry the programs of nearby stations rather than leap frog those stations with the programs of more distant stations?

Should CATV be allowed to originate programs? If so, should they be placed under such FCC regulation as the equal-time law in political campaigns?

Should local television station owners be allowed to own local CATV systems?

The agency has asked Congress for clarification of its role in regulating CATV.

#### **Golbus Joins Hallicrafters**

Bernard J. Golbus has joined The Hallicrafters Co. as director of marketing and distribution, distributor products, it was announced by Ned S. Underhill, vice president and general manager of the commercial products division. In his assignment with Hallicrafters, Mr. Golbus will have over-all responsibility for all sales, distributor and marketing activities for that company's line of amateur, short wave listener and citizens band radio products.

#### Three New York Transmitters Moving to Empire State Tower

Three New York City FM stations, in cooperation with the Empire State Building, have signed an agreement to transmit their FM signals next fall from the nation's first master FM antenna atop the world's tallest skyscraper. The stations are WQXR-FM, operating on 96.3 Mc; WHOM-

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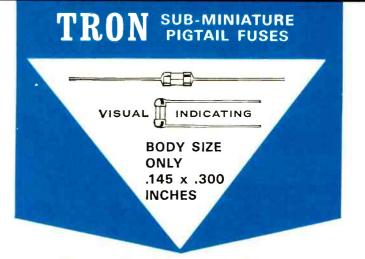
#### **IRC Reports Record Earnings**

IRC reports the highest earnings in its history for the first 15 weeks of a year. For the period ended April 18, 1965, the company reports net profit of \$1,047,600 or 70 cents per share on sales of \$11,067,000. The profit was 94 percent above the \$543,400 or 36 cents per share for the 15 weeks ended April 12, 1964. The sales figure was 27 percent above the \$8,701,000 volume of last year's comparable period. Per share figures are based on 1,491,662 shares currently outstanding.

#### FCC Assumes Control of CATV

The Federal Communications Commission has asserted control over the many present and proposed CATV systems. The FCC said that it is acting to protect local television stations from the mushrooming competition of Community Antenna Television (CATV). The FCC presented a number of unanswered questions to the general public and the broadcasting industry inviting suggestions and comments on which course it should take in the future.

What effect will CATV have on independent UHF stations in the large cities?



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were \$72,488,000, setting a record for any first quarter in the company's history. This compares with \$54,275,000 in the first quarter of last year. Speaking at a national sales convention attended by 700 distributor personnel, Barreca said that profits after taxes were \$1,543,000 or 63 cents per share compared with \$909,000 and per share earnings of 37 cents in the first quarter of last year. The Admiral official reported that March sales established a record high for any month, and added that the strong business momentum of the first three months has carried over into the second quarter. He said that while the outlook for the balance of the year appears favorable at this time, much depends upon a continued high level of the general economy and an easing of international tensions.

#### NEDA Honors General Sarnoff as Industrial Statesman of the Year

David Sarnoff, board chairman of the Radio Corp. of America, received the first annual Industrial Statesman of the Year award from the National Electronics Distributors Assn. NEDA board chairman, Sam Poncher, Newark Electronics Corp., Chicago, presented a special plaque to General Sarnoff in ceremonies held in the industrialist's Rockefeller Center offices. The inscription on the plaque reads: "The National Electronic Distributors Assn. awards the distinguished service citation to David Sarnoff, industrial statesman, whose vision and leadership in electronics have contributed profoundly to the strength of our nation—in grateful recognition from America's independent electronic parts distributors."

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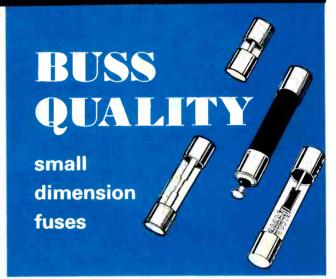
FM, 92.3 Mc and WLIB-FM, 107.5 Mc. The nation's first master FM antenna will provide potentially for the broadcasting of 17 FM stations simultaneously from the new antenna to be designed and built by the Alford Manufacturing Co. of Boston. It will be erected directly above the 102nd floor, known to millions as the observation floor, at the 1250 foot level of the structure. The new antenna will be omni-directional, providing a circular pattern with horizontal and vertical polarization. This optimum location will provide greater FM coverage and stronger signals throughout the New York area. Transmitter locations also are included in the project. The equipment will be installed on the 81st floor of the building and will feed the antenna 21 floors above through co-axial cables.

#### **Extended Warranty Survey**

A National Electronics Assn. (NEA) committee recently conducted a survey among TV-sales and servicedealers. The dealers were queried on their attitude toward Admiral's full one year service color TV warranty in the Chicago and New York areas. The NEA member dealers were allowed to voice their opinion of the warranty program. Out of 238 replies to the nationally conducted survey, 230 oppose the plan, 7 expressed approval and 1 had no comment.

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Vincent Barreca, president of Admiral Corp., announced that consolidated sales for the first three months



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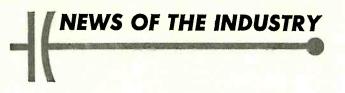
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#### Harris Introduces Bill on CATV Rulemaking

Rep. Oren Harris has jumped on the FCC for going ahead with its proposed CATV rule-making without first consulting with Congress. The House Commerce Committee chairman has introduced a bill to put the CATV problem in perspective of a whole new look at the "realities of television today." The Harris Bill, H.R. 7715, would authorize FCC to regulate all types of CATV systemsbut the commission would have to wait 90 days before making any rules effective, to give Congress time to review them. The Commerce chairman bitingly informed his fellow congressmen last week that the 90-day enforced waiting period is something new in the relationship of Congress to its regulatory agencies. But Rep. Harris feels that in cases of very broad rulemaking, this waiting period is and will continue to be necessary to keep agencies from deciding large matters on, for example, a 4-3 or 3-2 vote. The Harris bill calls for Congress to newly evaluate "all aspects" of television's future in the United States. The FCC is advised to wait for the whole policy picture to be clarified, before taking piecemeal action on the CATV aspect of TV service to the public. However, the FCC is directed to make "full inquiry" into all aspects of CATV, using subpoena powers when necessary. Rep. Harris says his bill would "give frank recognition to some of the reali-ties of television today." It would amend the "all too general" public interest yardstick used by the FCC. The statutory policy would be "to give the people of the United States access to the greatest practicable diversity of local, network, educational and other TV programs." On CATV, the Harris bill would establish FCC authority to regulate, but not license, all forms of CATV, wire or air-link, but never to consider them as common carriers. Federal control would preempt local control, but only where matters affecting national TV policy were concerned. The bill makes it clear that regulation of CATV is a necessary phase of national TV policy as part of interstate television. The Harris bill also knocks out the FCC's interim action requiring microwave-link CATV applicants to voluntary put themselves under rule to carry local stations and not duplicate local programing 15 days before or after station showing. Rep. Harris says this is just one more example of FCC's "freeze" on broadcast industries. The bill calls for full rulemaking proceedings on the microwave CATV requirements. The NCTA president Frederick Ford says CATV "welcomes" the bill. It will give Congress a chance to review the proposed rules (CATV had held FCC needed congressional authority to regulate). NCTA is happy about the promised "reappraisal" of the best TV service possible to the American public, and the role of community antenna in it.

#### LSI's Brooks Takes Chamber Seat

John G. Brooks, board chairman and president of Lear Siegler, Inc., and newly installed member of the board of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, is the first representative of the electronics industry to be elected to that body. Mr. Brooks took his National Chamber seat during the organization's convention. He was elected to the 62 member board for a two-year term. The electronics executive was proposed to represent the nation's fifth largest manufacturing group by the Electronic Industries. Assn., with support by a number of other trade associations and local Chambers of Commerce. He has served on the EIA board since 1958, representing the Consumer Products Div.

### Zenith Reports Record First Quarter Sales and Earnings

Record first quarter sales and earnings were announced by Zenith Radio Corp. Earnings during the three months ended March 31, 1965 amounted to \$6,682,000, or  $72\phi$  per share, after estimated provision for Federal income taxes of \$6,410,000. This represents a 14 percent increase over the previous record first quarter earnings reported in 1964 of \$5,845,000, or  $63\phi$  per share on the shares then outstanding. Sales of \$115,311,000 were at an all-time high for any quarter, up 12 percent from the record sales of \$102,663,000 in the first quarter of 1964 and 6 percent ahead of the previous all-time sales record established in the fourth quarter of 1964. This is the ninth consecutive quarter in which sales have increased from the preceding year.

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age control on zero, turn the control up until the magic eye closes (or opens, depending on your instrument). The control setting will be between 10 and 50 v. Reverse the connections to the rectifier. The eye should not close even when the voltage control is up to 50 v or a little higher with a good rectifier or diode. Closing (or opening) of the eye indicates a defective rectifier. Do not turn the voltage control so high that a good rectifier will be ruined, of course.

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#### **Electrical Applicances**

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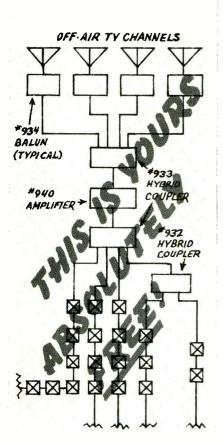
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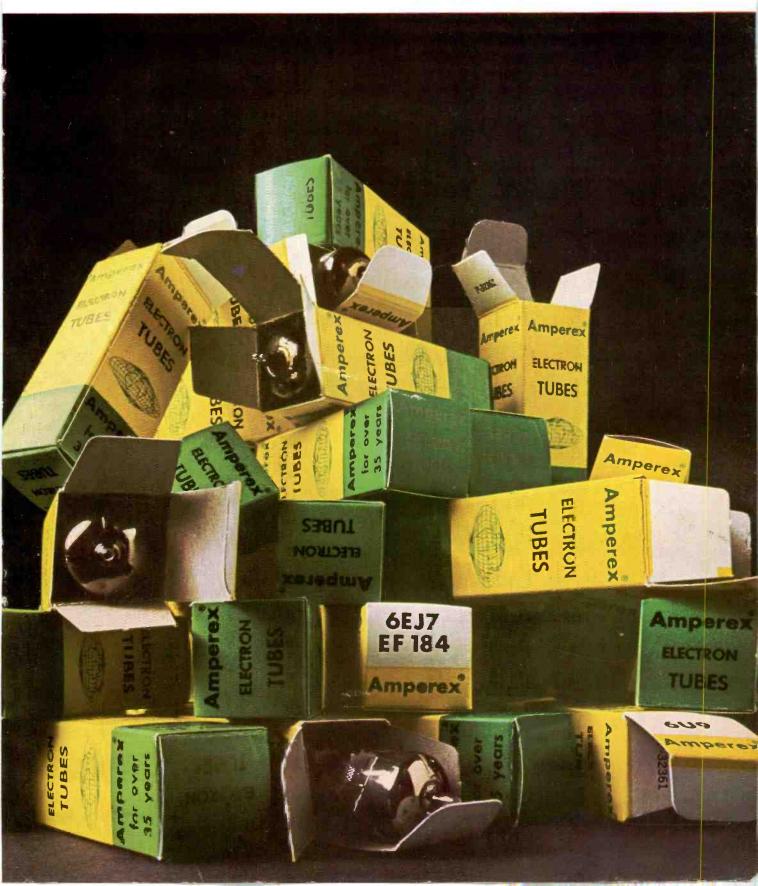
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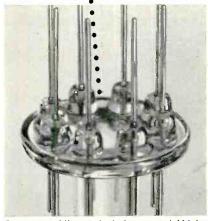
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