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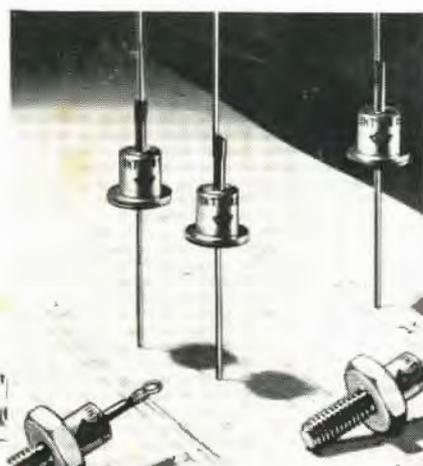


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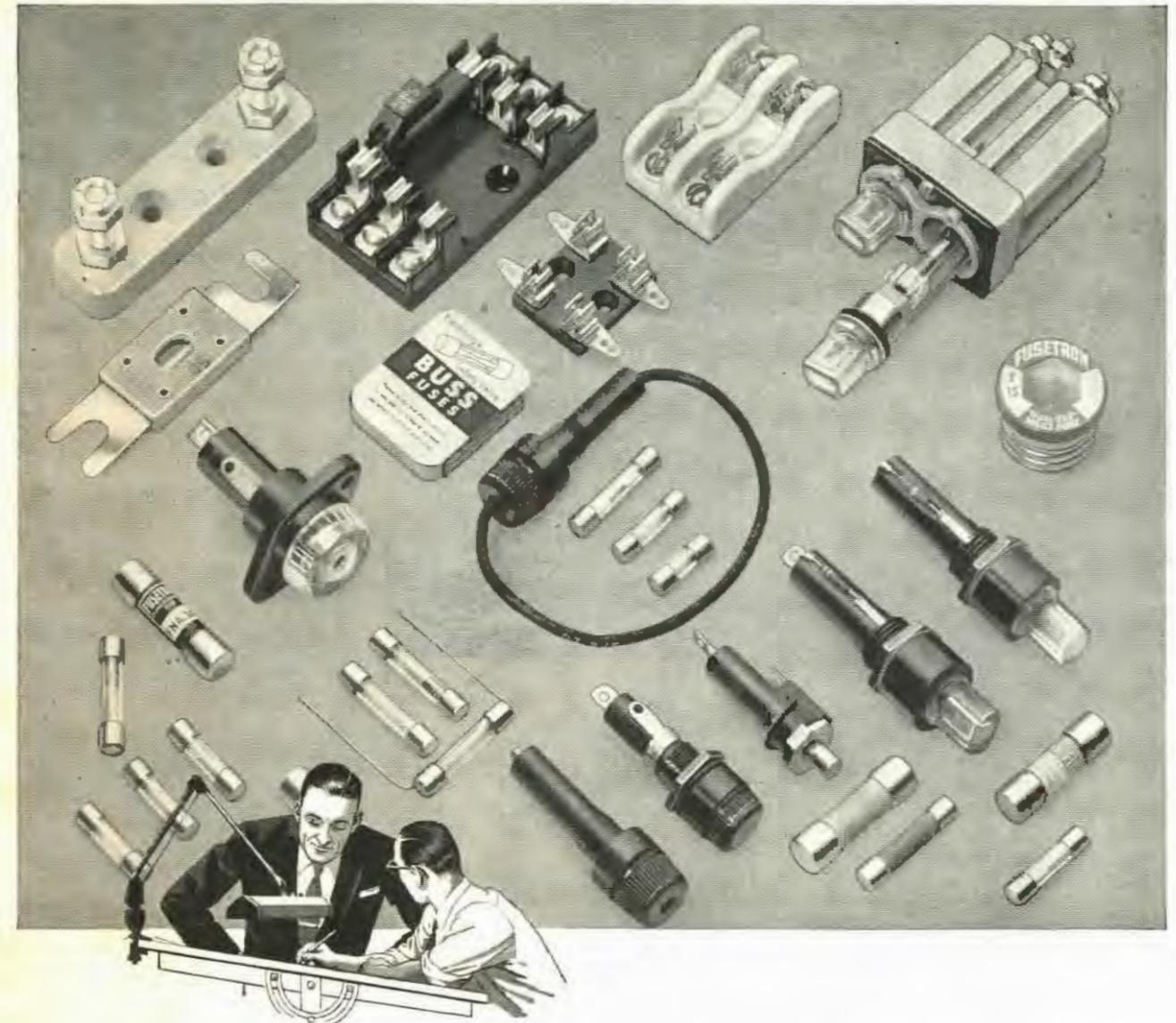


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by T. C. Pridmore

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TELEVISION manufacturers have recently been experimenting with silicon rectifiers for power supply circuits, the results being that all or most of their 1958 series television sets will be equipped with these new devices.

## Silicon Advantages

There are several reasons for using silicon in manufacturing rectifiers. The new silicon rectifiers do not age and, therefore, will give a continuous high *dc* voltage over an extended period of time. They have considerably lower forward drop than selenium or vacuum tube rectifiers, giving higher *dc* voltage output in the same rectifier circuits. They are hermetically sealed and not subject to corrosion. They can operate at elevated temperatures and, therefore, may be placed in any part of a conventional TV or radio circuit without harm to the rectifiers. They are very compact and with their pig-tail leads may be wired directly into a circuit in much the same way as a resistor or capacitor. Finally, in replacing selenium rectifiers with silicon units, it is not necessary to remove the old unit, but simply to clip the leads.

What does all this mean to the serviceman using these silicon rectifiers? Despite their extremely long life, it is possible for these rectifiers to fail in service, usually due to a short in the B-plus supply causing an excessive amount of *dc* to flow through the rectifiers. This type of failure is much the same as that observed in either selenium or vacuum tube rectifiers when the filter capacitor shorts, or when a shorted tube is connected in the circuit. Therefore, in TV sets originally equipped with silicon rectifiers, it is necessary to replace them with a new unit.

## Silicon Replacements

On those sets currently using selenium rectifiers, it is possible to replace the selenium rectifier with a silicon

rectifier during a normal service repair call. This replacement is very simple since it is not necessary to mount the silicon rectifier in a particular manner, and it may be wired directly into the circuit after clipping the selenium rectifier out. A word of caution—do not at any time place the silicon unit in parallel with the selenium unit since their characteristics may not match sufficiently to allow parallel operation.

The case or body of the silicon rectifier is the cathode terminal and should be connected to the B-plus side of the load—the input filter capacitor of the TV set. It is possible to retain the peak limiting resistor if it is a 4.7 ohm unit or by shunting the existing unit with an appropriate size resistor.

Along with an increase in B-plus voltage there is an increase in reliability, reducing the necessity of making frequent "call-backs" to replace the aging selenium. This increase in the B-plus voltage will usually increase the overall performance of the set by improving picture width, height and sensitivity.

Also, the silicon units may be used in voltage doubler circuits commonly found in TV sets by replacing each selenium unit with a silicon unit.

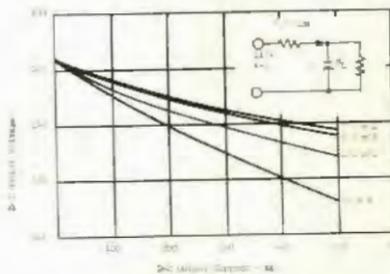
## Silicon Ratings

It is important to note that each of the silicon units is rated for a particular voltage application. The 1N1169 silicon-junction rectifier for TV-radio application is rated for normal residential input voltage, that is, up to a high-line voltage of 129 volts *rms*. It is rated as an "off-the-line" rectifier and not intended to be used in power transformer circuits. Like selenium, these units are rated for either an *rms* voltage or a peak inverse voltage of a particular value. For example, while the 1N1169 is rated for up to 129 volts *rms* input, it is also rated for 400 volts peak inverse. Since a TV

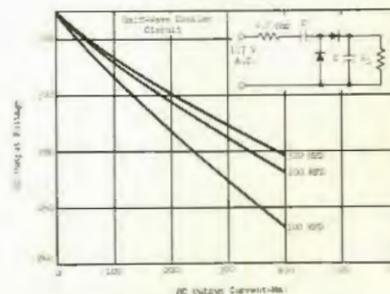
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The size comparison between selenium rectifiers and a silicon rectifier.



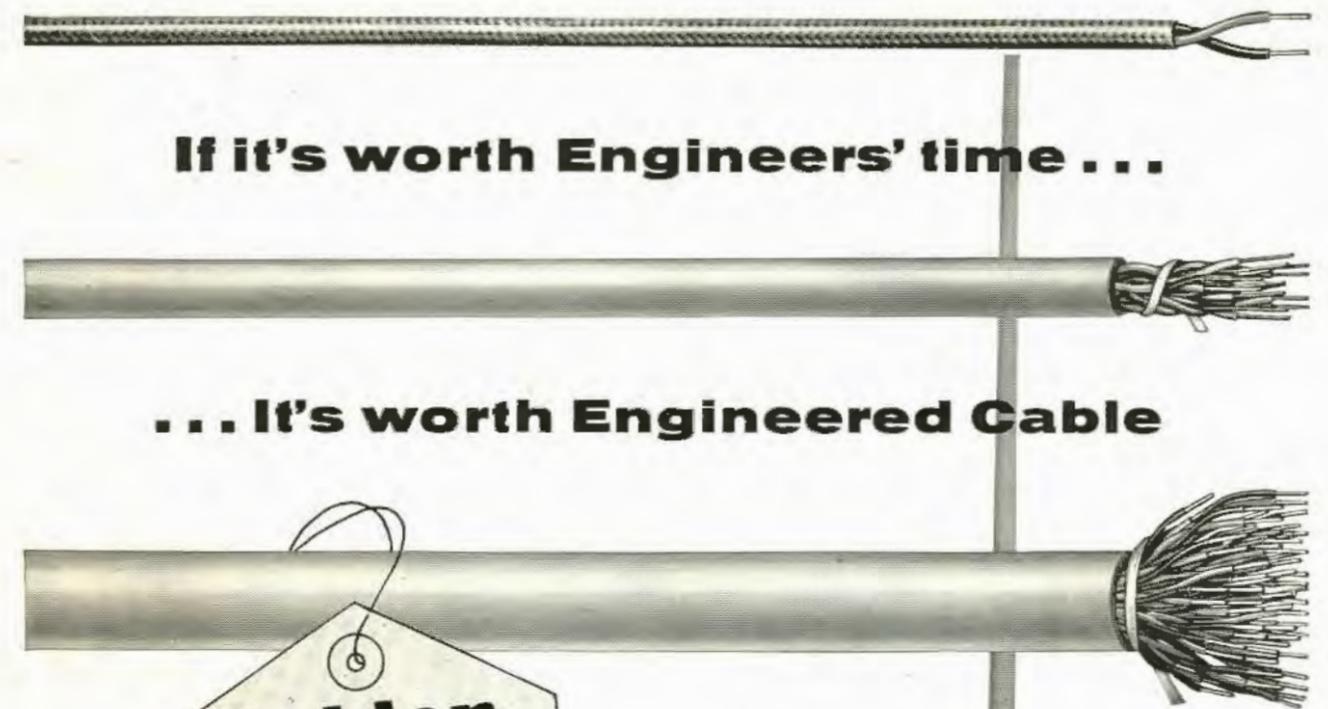
The regulation characteristics of the 1N1169 in typical rectifier circuits found in radio and T.V.



Operation characteristics of the 1N1169 in voltage doubler circuits commonly found in T.V.

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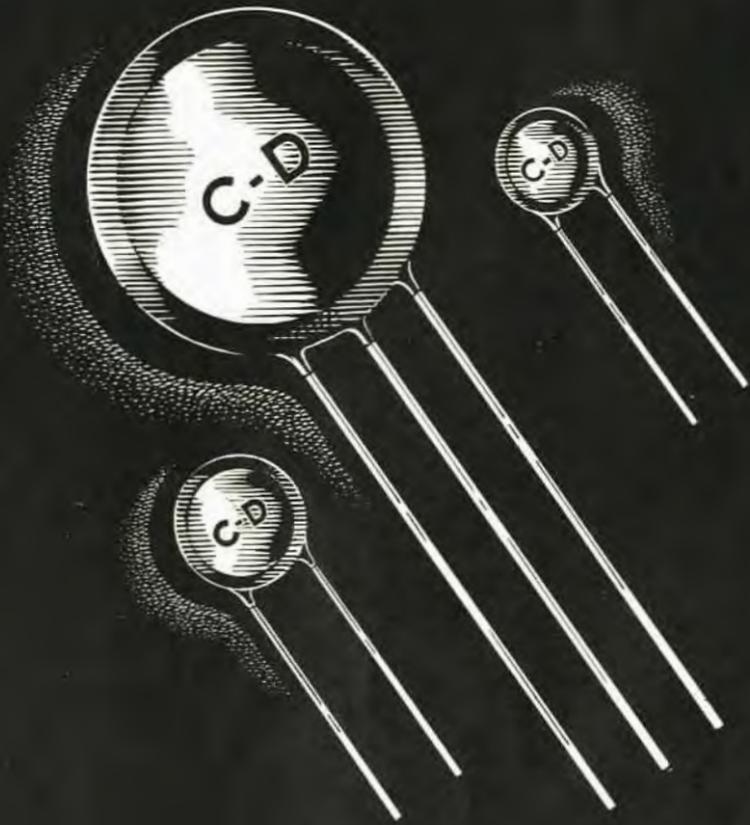


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## workbench

by Paul Goldberg



This month's installment is devoted to butchered sets. An important factor in solving these problems is getting from the set owner the receiver's service history. (Ed. Note—This is sometimes more difficult than the actual repair.)

### RCA KCS47B

The customer stated that a friend of the family had installed a power transformer and since that time the receiver had a critical horizontal sync condition. The receiver was turned on and it was observed that the receiver indeed had a critical horizontal sync condition. The power transformer circuitry was next examined and was found to be wired correctly. As a "sure" check the following tubes were replaced: V107, 12AU7, dc restorer and sync amplifier, 6SN7, V108, sync amplifier and V110, 6SN7 horizontal oscillator and control. These were all replaced individually, but had no effect. Voltage checks were next made at the horizontal oscillator and control tube V110, 6SN7. It was noted here that as we moved wires around in the oscillator circuit, the picture would lock in and move out of horizontal sync. Here was the clue! With an insulated alignment tool, wires in this circuit were moved around to determine which had the greatest effect. It was discovered that when the filament wires of the 6W4 damper were moved, the greatest effect on the horizontal sync occurred. These filament wires were passing directly over the horizontal oscillator V110 as shown in Fig. 1. We remembered that

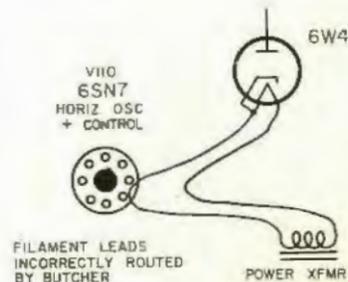
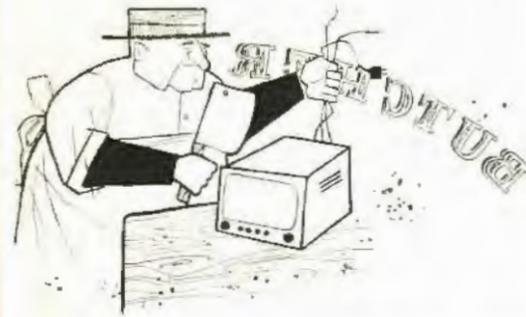


Fig. 1—The damper filament leads upset oscillator sync.



the 6W4 filament wires are usually wedged close to the chassis, away from the horizontal oscillator V110. We therefore re-routed the filament wires properly. When this was done there was no longer a horizontal sync problem. Because the 6W4 filament is tied to its cathode the filament wires carry high boost voltage. The pulses in the boost circuit were being coupled to the horizontal oscillator due to the proximity of the filament wires.

When the butcher had installed the power transformer, he had neglected to route the 6W4 filament leads correctly.

### Dumont RA-167

The customer stated that since a relative had repaired the receiver, there was no picture and no sound on channels 11 and 13. The receiver was turned on and it was observed that there was no picture and no sound on channels 11 and 13, while all other channels were normal. The tuner tubes, the 6J6 oscillator and mixer and the 6BK7, rf amplifier were replaced individually, but had no effect. As this was a standard coil barrel type cascode tuner, the #11 and #13 oscillator slugs were adjusted with no effect. Next the oscillator and rf coils #11 and #13 were replaced, but this also had no effect. A side flange covering the tuner circuitry was then removed. As this seemed to be an oscillator problem, a plate voltage check was made at pin #1 of the 6J6. The voltage measured about +45 volts instead of about +110 volts. Here was our clue! The coil barrel

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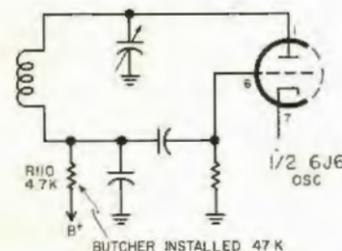


Fig. 2—Oscillator failed on high end due to low plate voltage.

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## ANSWERMEN

*Answerman:*

I am servicing a TV receiver which goes out of horizontal sync in less than half an hour of operation. The receiver cannot be brought back into sync with the tank circuit adjustment. The tubes have been replaced in the circuits that might possibly cause this trouble. Condensers C93 and C92 have been replaced as well as some resistors and condensers in the oscillator circuit. When the chassis is in the cabinet the difficulty is more prone to occur than when it is on my service bench. I have taken the chassis back several times thinking I had corrected the difficulty only to have it occur again. The thing is driving me crazy. Can you help me? The receiver is a Spartan chassis 15V215.

J. D.  
Reno, Nevada

In examining the schematic of the receiver, one component seems more likely to be the cause of the problem than the others. This component is condenser C124, a .082 mf condenser as shown in Fig. 1. The condenser is very likely developing an increasing amount of leakage as it becomes warmer in the cabinet. On the service bench this might be simulated by holding a heavy soldering iron or gun near the condenser so that heat can be radiated into the condenser. Of course, the heat could be applied with a heat lamp but this causes all the components to become warm and doesn't indicate which one is at fault. If condenser C124 develops a leak it will cause a positive voltage to appear at the grid of the multivibrator. This voltage check will indicate that the condenser is leaking. In replacing it, use a condenser with a voltage rating of 600 volts.

*Answerman:*

On a C.E. chassis "ST" the picture pulls through the middle. The pull is not great but sufficient to make the picture unsatisfactory to watch. Some of the voltages in the circuits are not normal, or, rather are higher than called for in the service literature. I haven't been able to

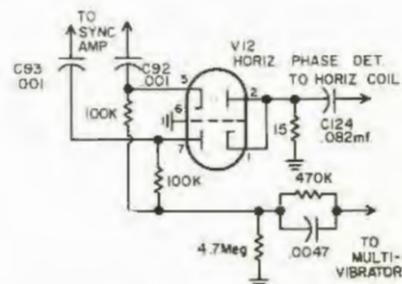


Fig. 1—Partial schematic of the horizontal *afc* system used in the Spartan 15V215 TV set.

find any reason for this as yet. Also, there seems to be a slight amount of distortion in the sound. I haven't bothered to investigate this distortion as yet as I can see no significant connection to my other more serious problems. Although the pull is not really bad there doesn't seem to be any cause for it that I can find. I sure would like somebody to help me with this one. Sync problems such as this type always have thrown me for a loss.

G. A.  
St. Louis, Mo.

The fact that the audio is slightly distorted may be the clue to the whole situation. In examining the circuitry it will be found that the audio output tube performs the additional function of voltage division. The resultant voltage obtained at the 6AS5 audio output cathode of 135 volts is fed to the 6BY6 sync clipper tube as well as other stages in the receiver. An increase in the voltage from the cathode of the audio output tube will adversely affect the sync clipping operation. It may even affect the video *if* amplification if the 135 volts has increased appreciably. There would most probably be an accumulative effect on the problem in that the video level from the *if* stages would be greater than it should be, thereby increasing the sync separation problem.

The cause of an increase of the 135 volts from the audio output tube may be a result of a number of possible causes. First, strange as it may sound, the 6AS5 audio output tube should be replaced. The tube itself may be at fault.

However, should this not be the case the bias arrangement on the 6AS5 grid should be examined. It is quite possible that one of the grid resistors, R308 and R309 shown in Fig. 2, has changed value.

There is one other possibility that should also be investigated should the trouble still remain elusive. This possibility is condenser C311, 80 mf. Should the condenser have developed leakage the 135 volt potential will be increased and thus account for the existing symptoms.

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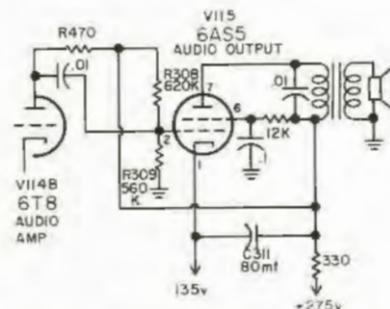


Fig. 2—Audio output stage of the GE ST line. Defect in R308 or R309 could cause distortion.

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# Ad Libs

by S. R. COWAN

Latest statistics: 47,251,400 TV sets are now in use here in the U.S.A. 83.1% of the nation's 42.4 million homes have 1 set or more. In some major cities 96.7% of the homes have at least 1 set and less than 3% of the population is situated where TV signals are still not receivable. In less than 2 years only 1%, about 5,000 homes, will still not be able to watch TV if they want to.

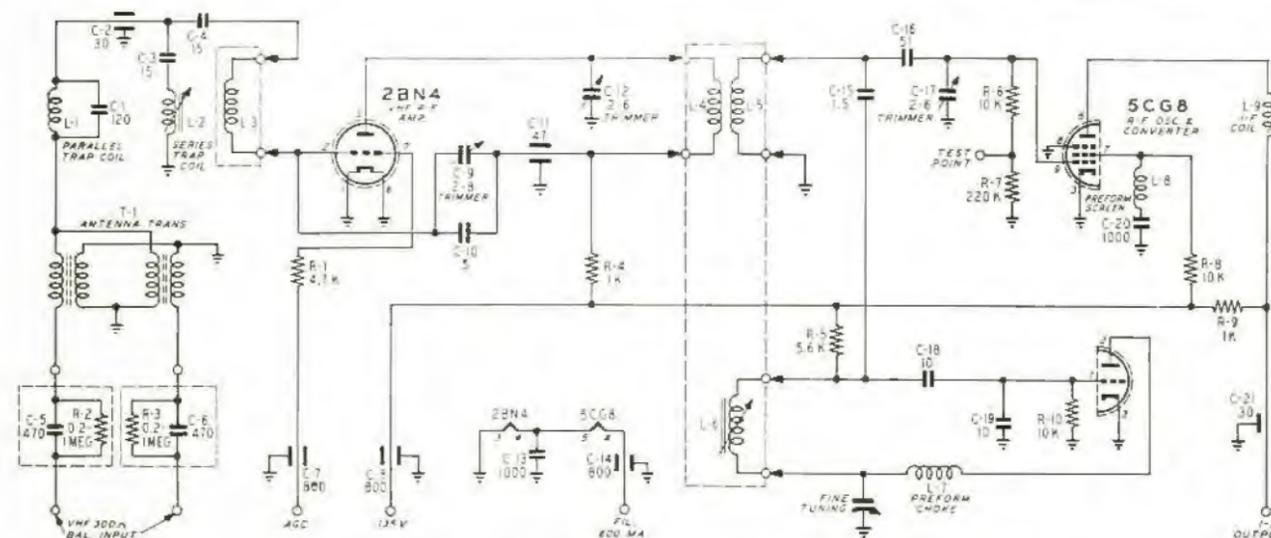
These figures must have a bearing upon any service shop owner's future calculations. Such a shop owner can now say to himself that his income potential is nearing optimum were competition to remain status quo . . . unless "something drastic" happens to change the outlook. There are two factors that fall into the "something drastic" category.

First of these is color TV. Slowly but surely color TV is making progress, but by no means fast enough to mean anything dollar-wise to 99.9% of the independent servicemen. Second is the hoped for introduction of "hanging" or "edge-lit" TV in the not too distant future. (These TV sets, in case you didn't know, at the outset would be transistorized types about 21 inches wide, 16 inches high and 5 inches thick, and just like any oil-painting or picture, would hang on the wall. Several major manufacturers have preferred not to develop color TV and instead are doing much research and developing on this type receiver, hoping to bring monochrome models out within two years.)

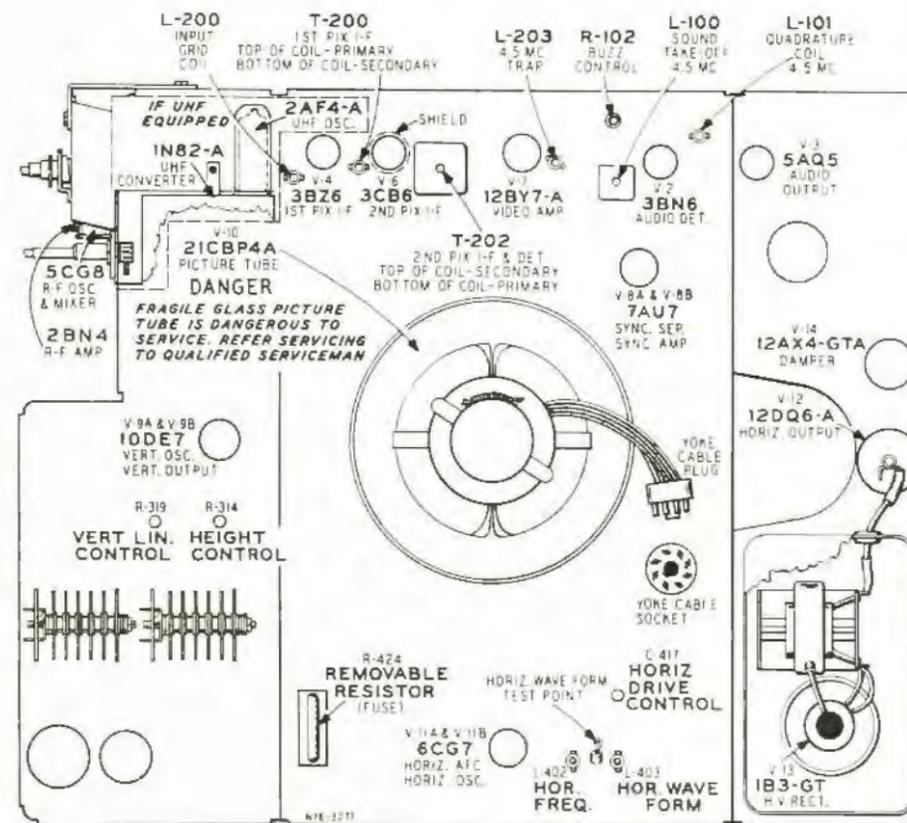


## Television Receiver Model WG-5040A

# AIRLINE



25A1165 TUNER STANDARD COIL PART No. FNS-031



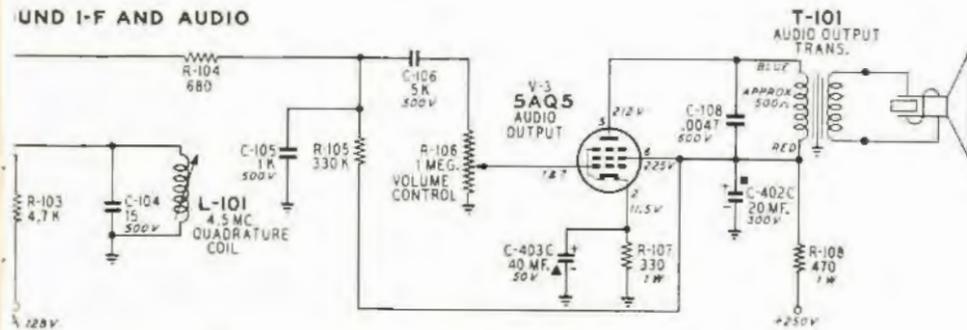
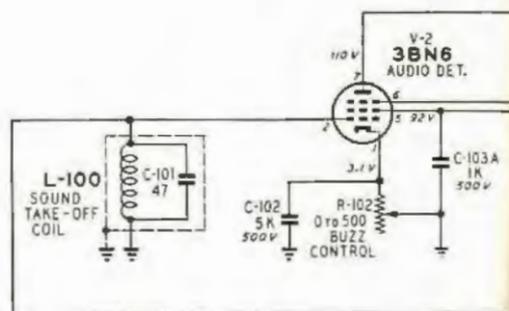
Chassis Tube Layout and Trimmers

### CAUTION

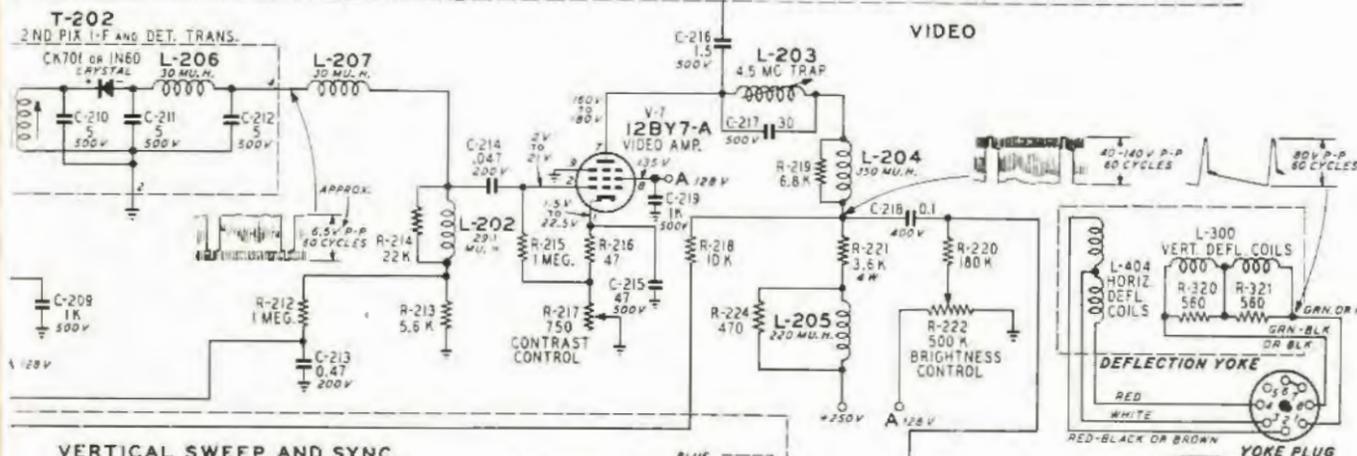
This chassis is connected directly to one side of the 117 volt AC line. Use an isolation transformer between the line cord plug and power receptacle when servicing this chassis.

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES IN OHMS AND  $\frac{1}{2}$  WATT UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.  
 ALL CAPACITANCE VALUES LESS THAN 1.0 IN MF. AND ABOVE 1.0 IN MMF. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.  
 COIL RESISTANCE VALUES LESS THAN 1.0 OHM ARE NOT SHOWN.  
 N=1000

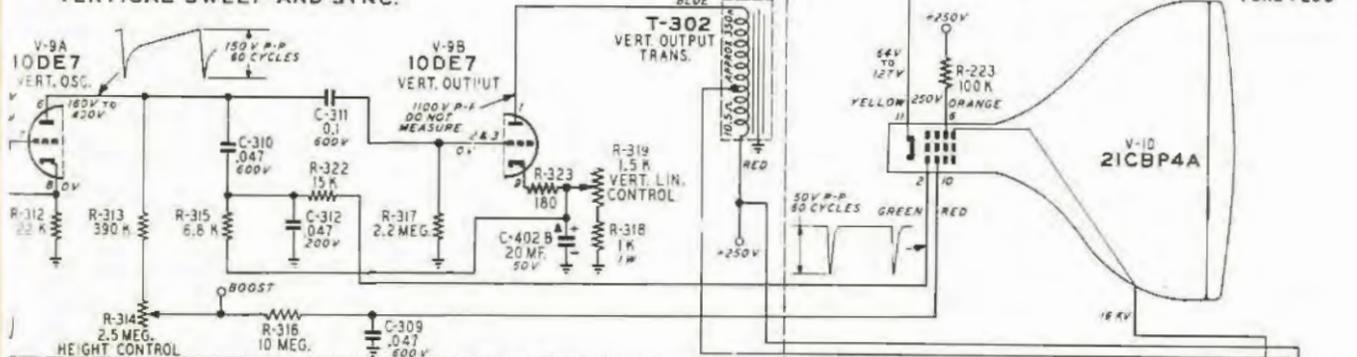
### SOUND I-F AND AUDIO



### VIDEO



### VERTICAL SWEEP AND SYNC.



### INSTRUCTIONS

#### CHASSIS ASSEMBLY REMOVAL

1. Remove knobs from the side of the cabinet.
2. Remove cabinet back.
3. Disconnect the antenna and speaker leads.
4. Remove screw used in mounting control bracket to side of cabinet.
5. Remove screw (painted red) at top of vertical output transformer.
6. Push entire control bracket assembly to the right until the shafts clear the cabinet.
7. Remove screws holding chassis brackets to top of cabinet.
8. Remove only 4 screws (2 at each side) from the bottom side of the shelf.
9. Gently pull the chassis assembly out from the cabinet.

**CAUTION - DO NOT LOOSEN OR REMOVE ANY OTHER SHELF SCREWS INSIDE CHASSIS COMPARTMENT.**

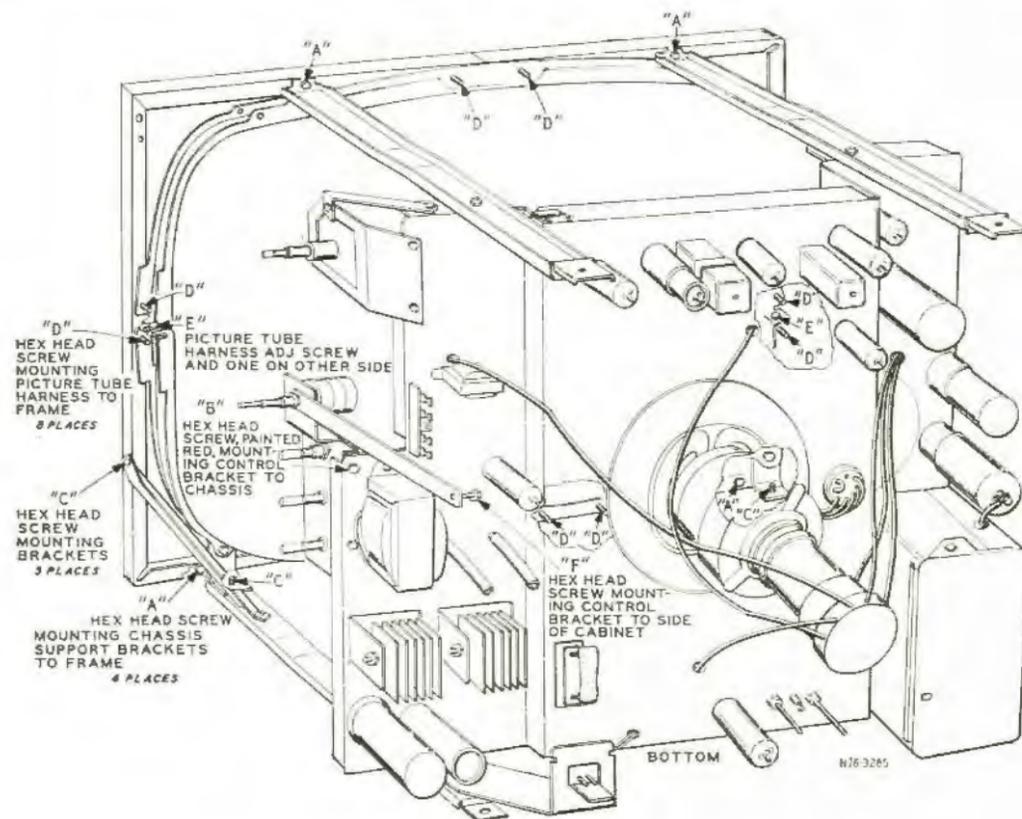
10. Place entire assembly face down on a cushioned surface which should be thick enough to allow for clearance of control shaft. Disconnect the yoke plug, picture tube socket, anode lead and remove the beam aligner magnet and deflection yoke.

#### PICTURE TUBE REMOVAL

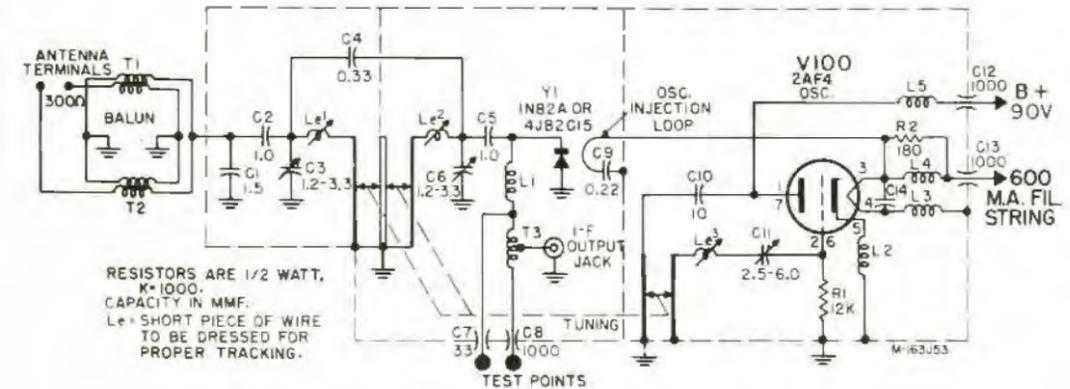
1. Remove 4 screws marked "A" on illustration.
2. Remove 2 screws marked "B" on illustration.
3. Remove 3 screws marked "C" on illustration and lift chassis from Pix Tube Frame Assembly.
4. Loosen 8 screws marked "D" and 2 screws marked "E" on illustration.
5. Remove old picture tube and install new tube reversing the steps outlined above, keeping the following in mind:

A. There is a mold match line on the picture tube. Assemble the harness to the picture tube, centering the harness over the mold match line on picture tube. Holes are provided in harness to check the centering. Then tighten the screws marked "E" until the picture tube is firmly in place on harness.

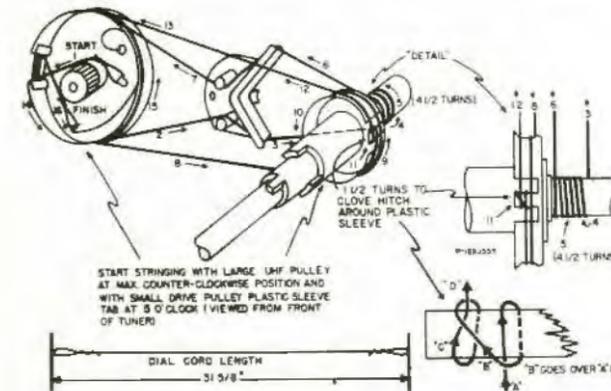
**NOTE** - If the above is not observed, difficulty may be encountered in replacing the entire assembly into the cabinet.



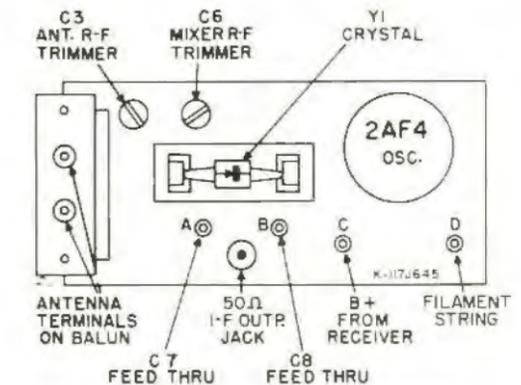
Picture Tube Replacement



Schematic Diagram for UHF Tuner, RUX-023



UHF Tuner Drive Stringing Diagram



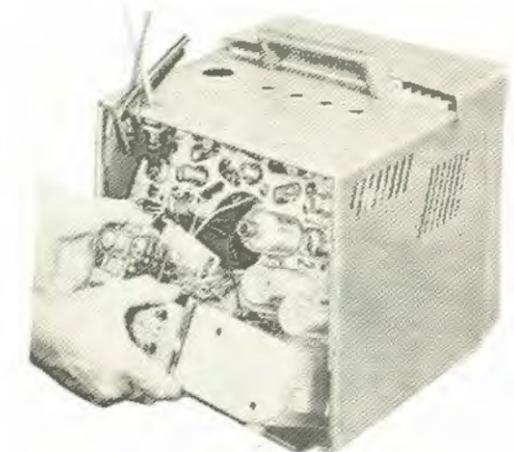
Top View UHF Tuner RUX-023

#### TO REMOVE THE CHASSIS FROM THE CABINET

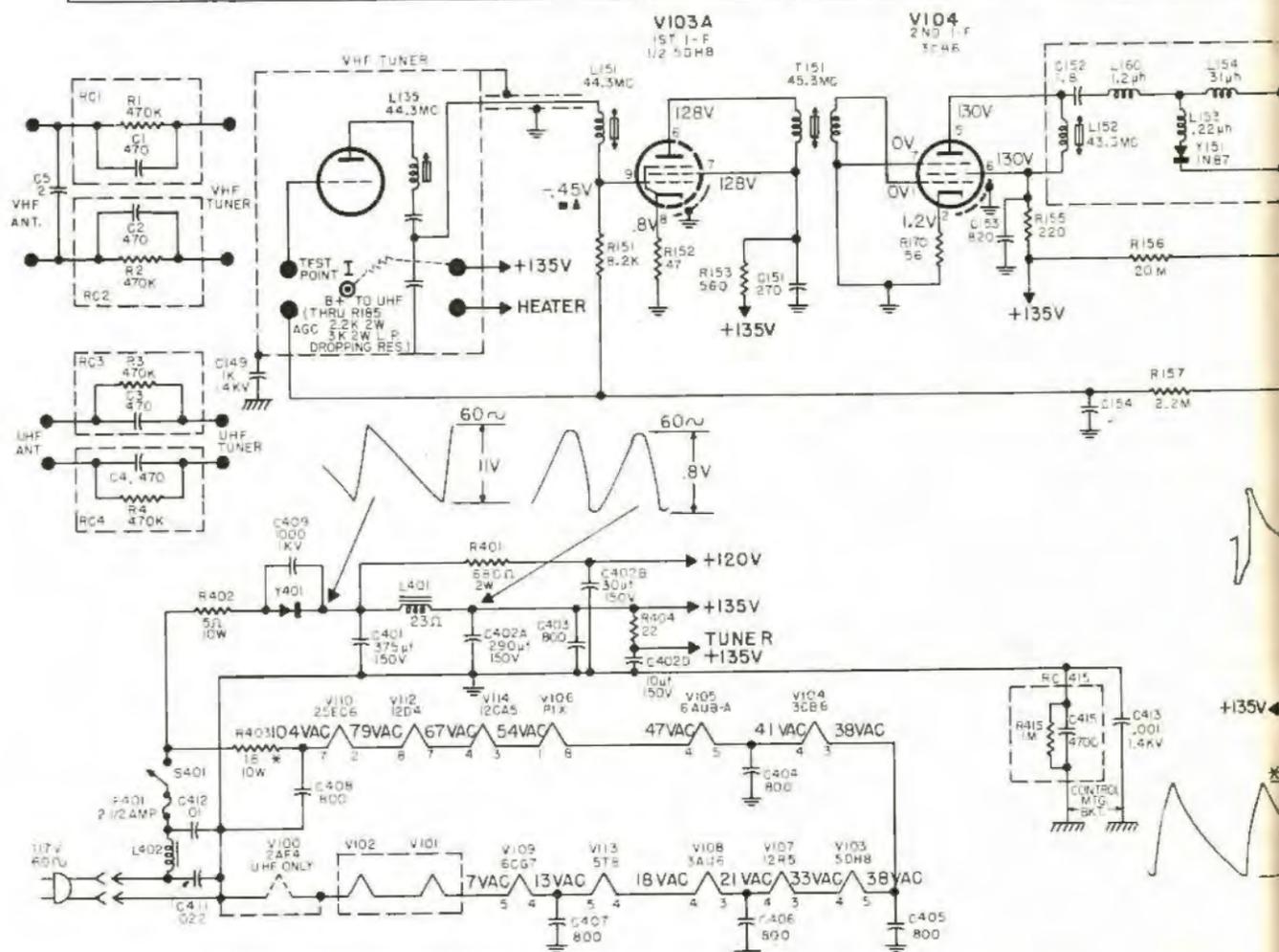
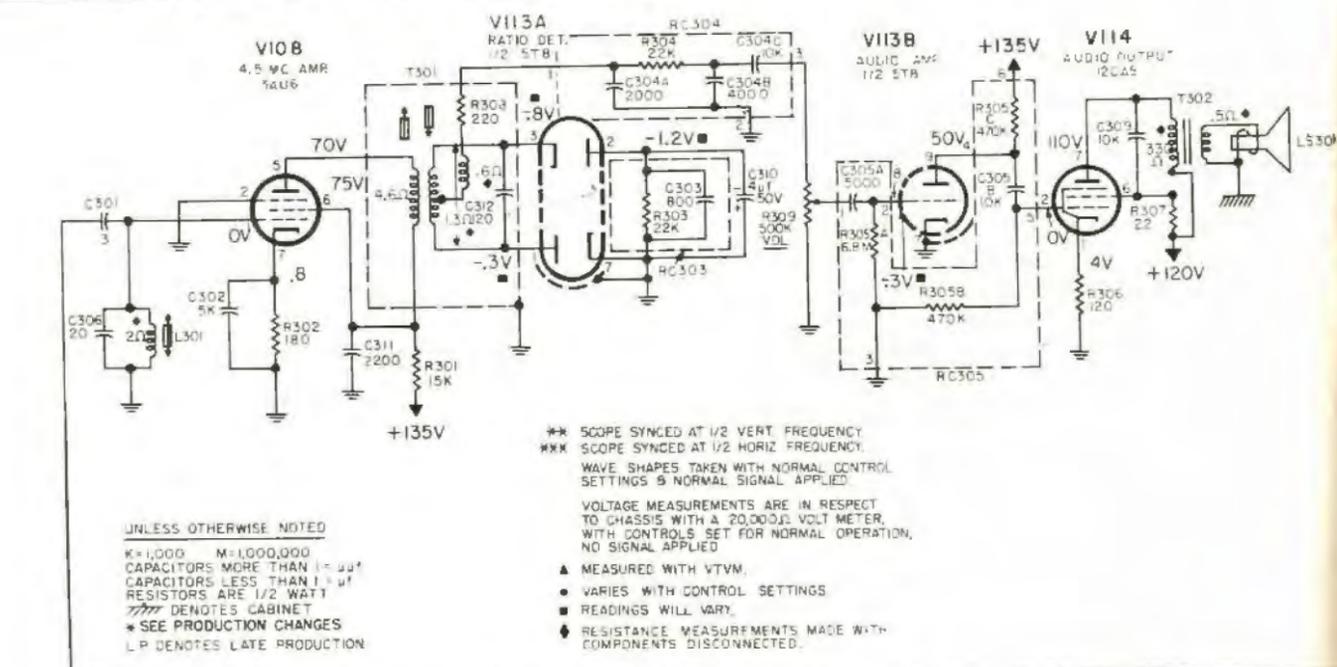
Disconnect any antenna connected to the antenna terminal board. Remove the cabinet back by taking out the screws securing the back to the cabinet and the interlock bracket. Remove the knobs from the shafts on the top of the cabinet. Take out the three bottom screws located at the middle and rear of the cabinet bottom. Remove the two Phillips head screws from the top of the cabinet located to the rear of the contrast and brightness control. Extend the outer section of the telescoping antenna to its full length. Disconnect the picture tube socket and remove the ion trap. Tilt the chassis out from the bottom as viewed from the rear, at the same time, slide the chassis out over the neck of the tube. Loosen the yoke clamp and slide the yoke back over the neck of the picture tube.

The anode should be discharged with a jumper connected first to the chassis. The anode lead is disconnected by squeezing the anode clip. The leads attached to the speaker can be unsoldered from the speaker terminals or the nuts securing the speaker to the cabinet can be removed and the complete speaker can be taken out.

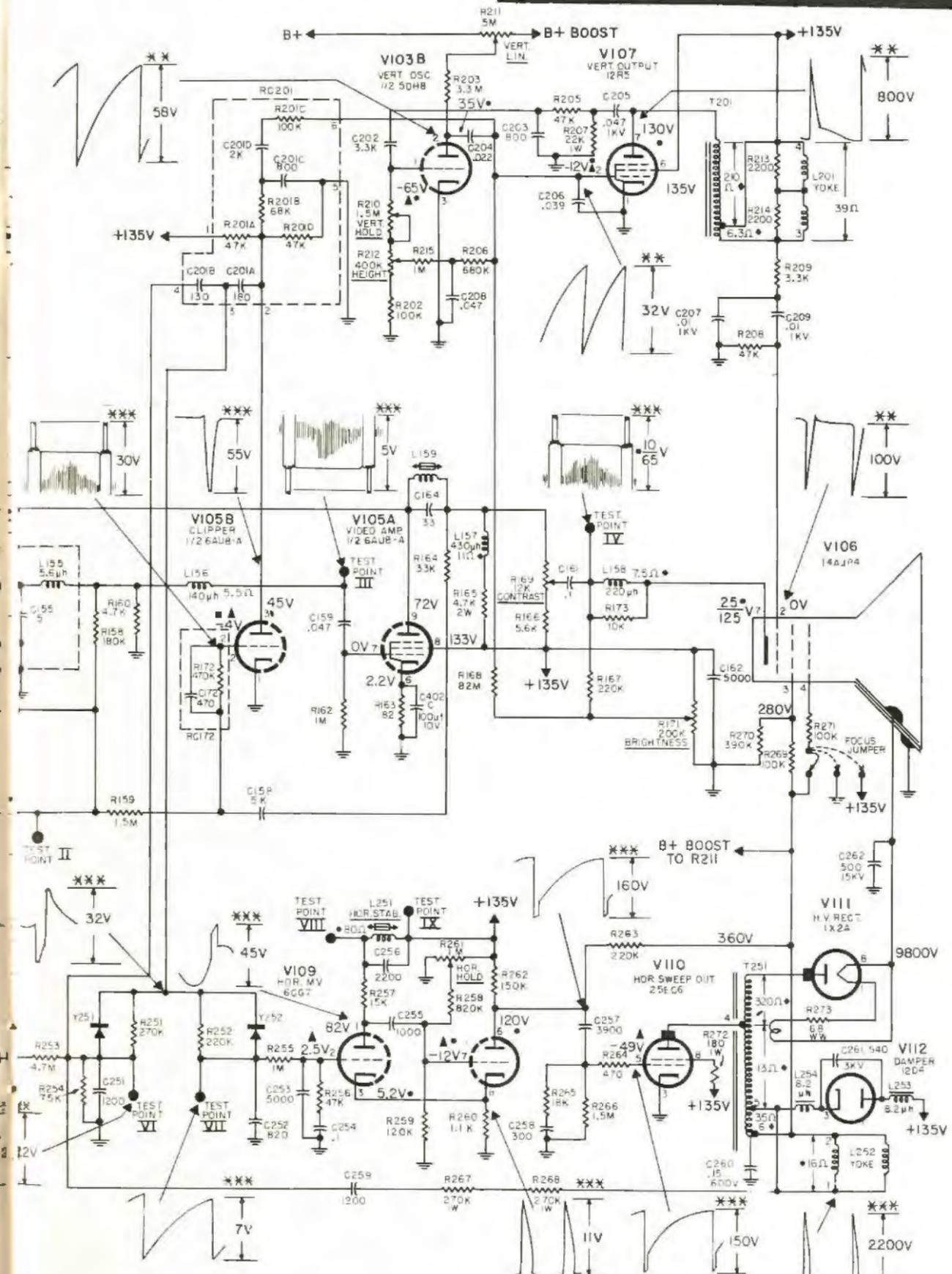
To install the chassis, reverse the above procedure, making sure that the anode and speaker leads are connected and the phosphor bronze terminal which is soldered to the by-pass condenser on the tuner is inserted in the bottom of the nylon nut so that the bottom screw secures the terminal to the bottom of the cabinet.

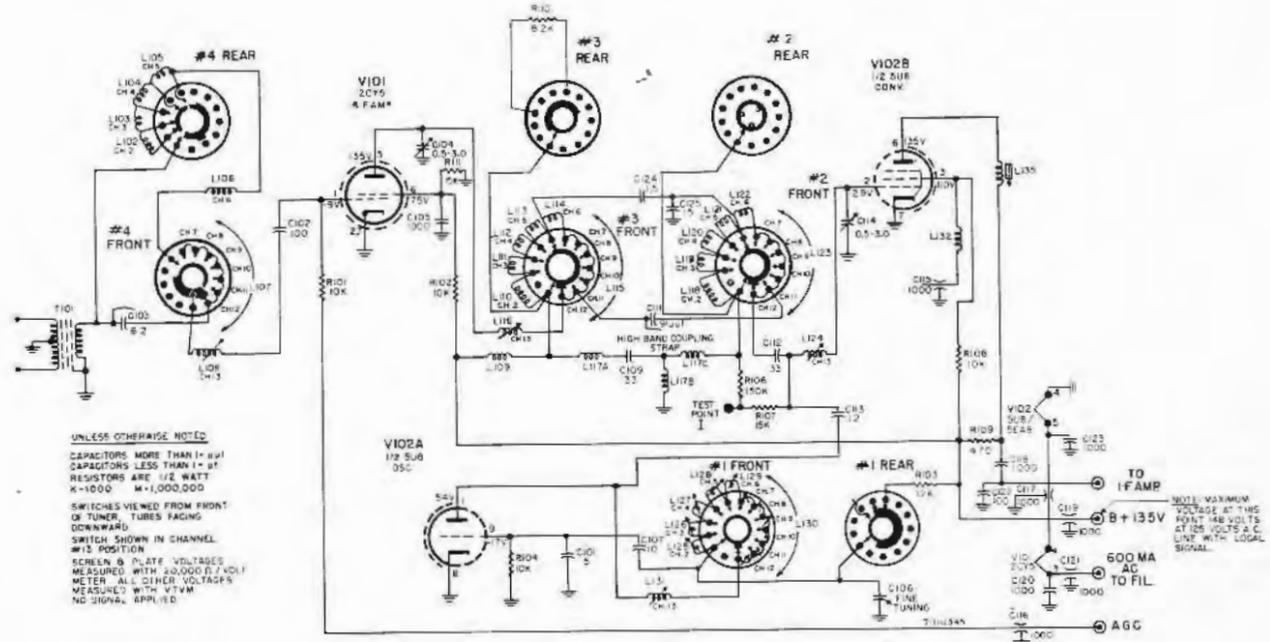


Chassis Removal

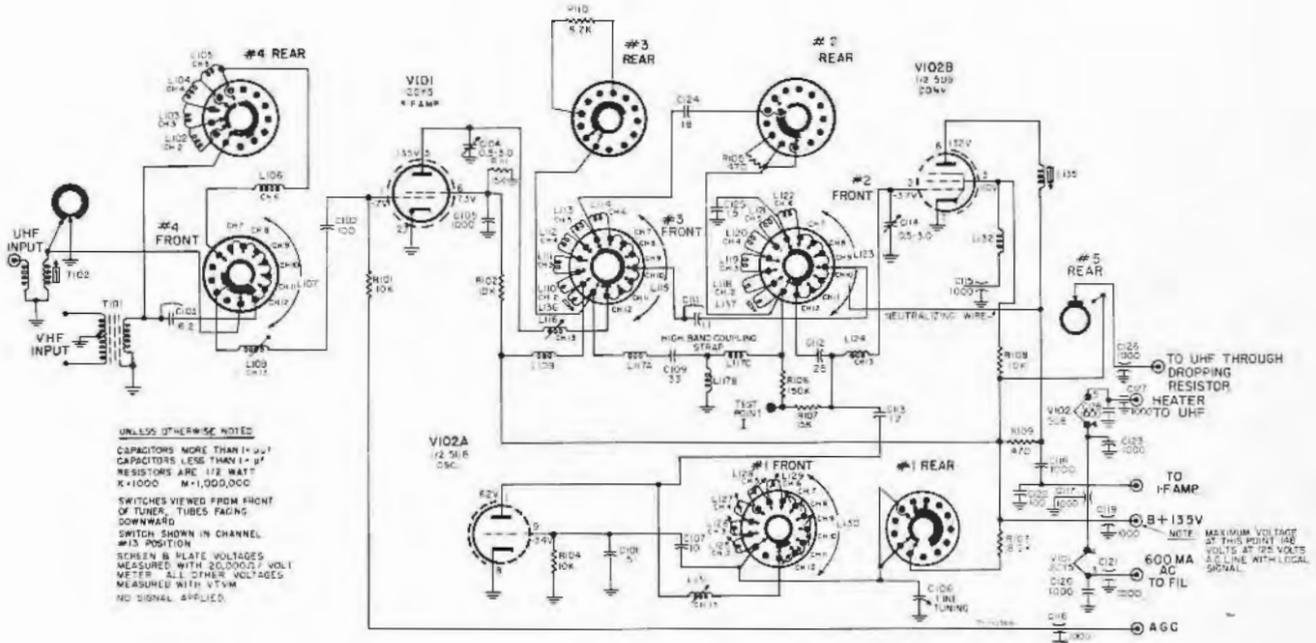


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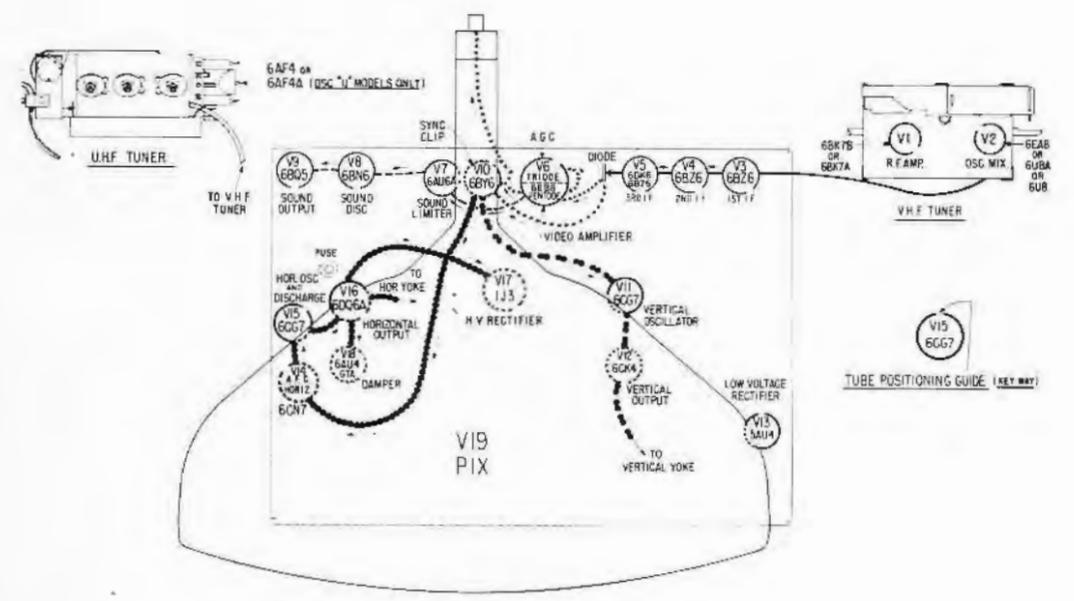
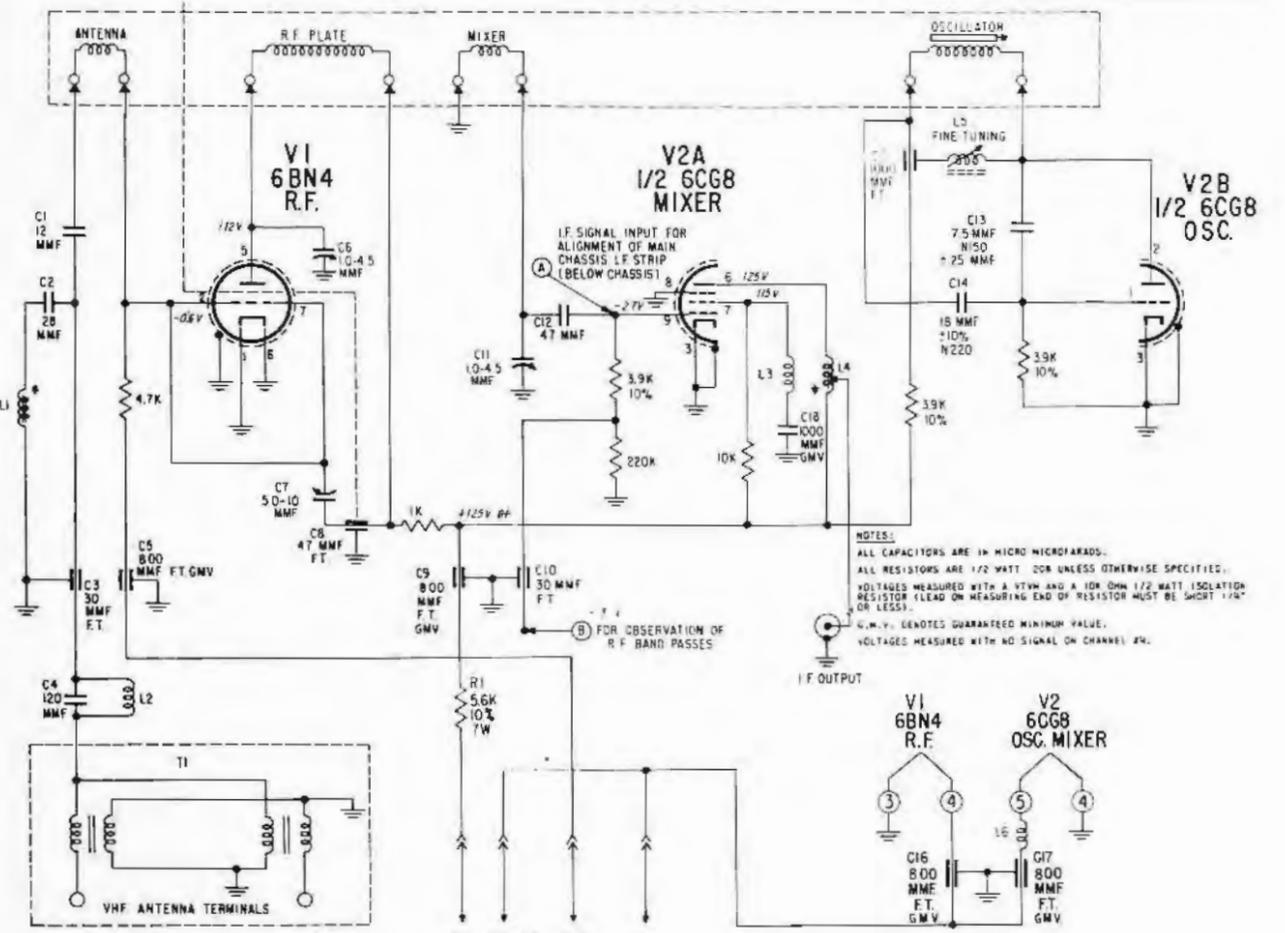




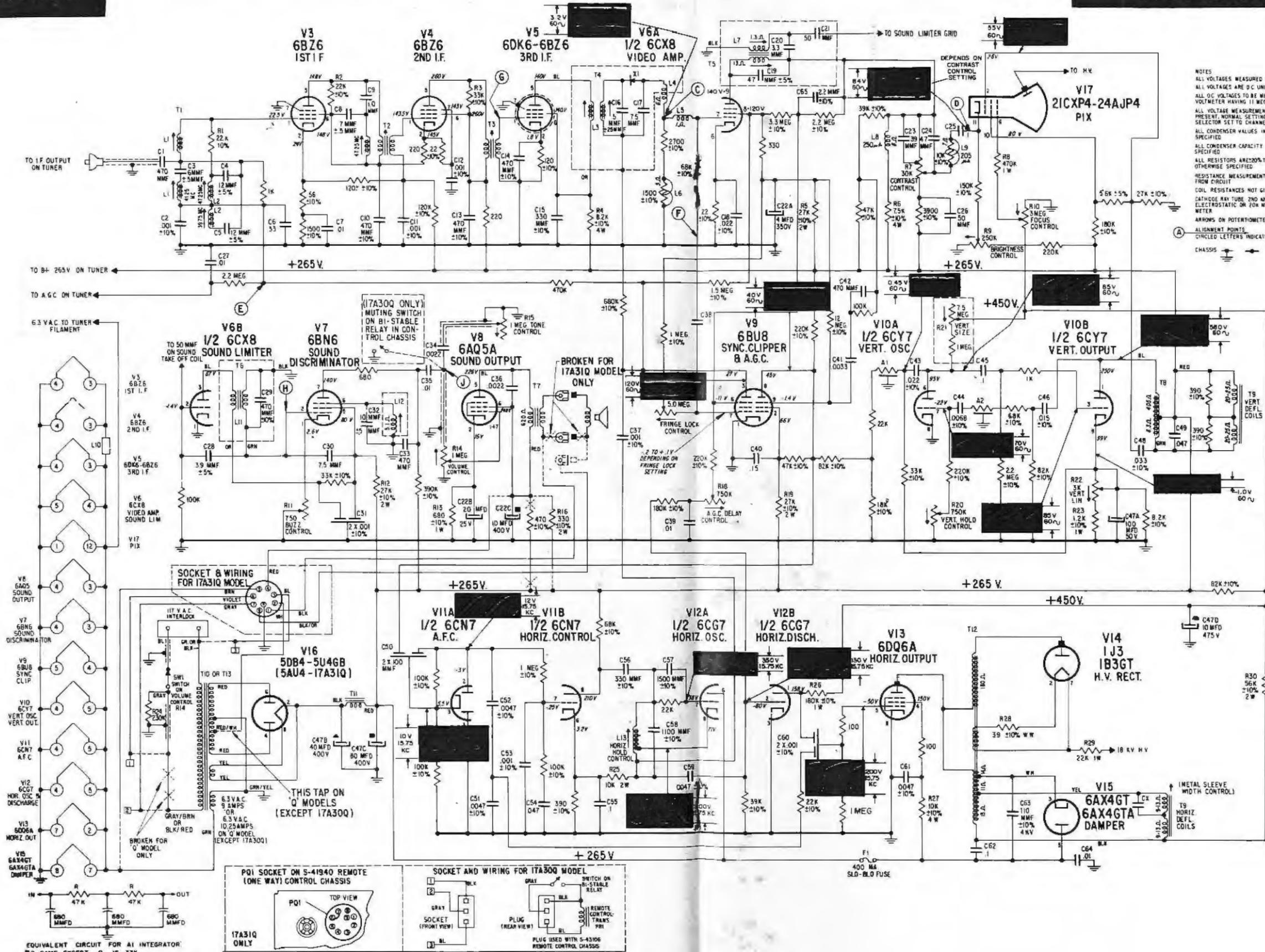
Schematic Diagram VHF Tuner RJX-099



Schematic Diagram VHF Tuner RJX-100



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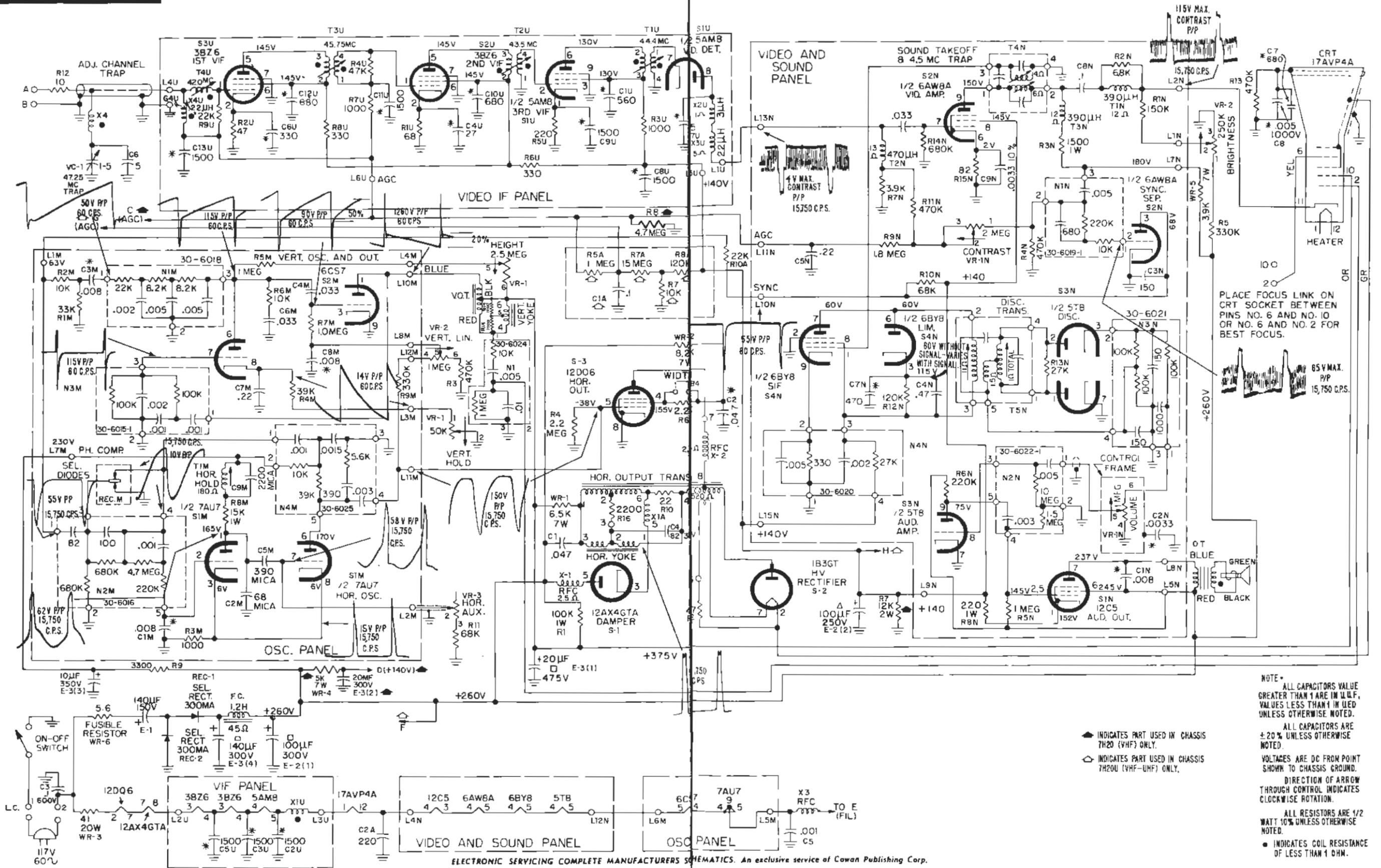
NOTES  
ALL VOLTAGES MEASURED FROM CHASSIS TO POINTS INDICATED  
ALL VOLTAGES ARE 0 C UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED  
ALL DC VOLTAGES TO BE MEASURED WITH A VACUUM TUBE  
VOLTMETER HAVING 11 MEGOHM INPUT RESISTANCE  
ALL VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS TO BE MADE WITH NO SIGNAL  
PRESENT, NORMAL SETTING OF CONTROLS AND CHANNEL  
SELECTOR SET TO CHANNEL 2 UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED  
ALL CONDENSER VALUES IN MICROFARADS UNLESS OTHERWISE  
SPECIFIED  
ALL CONDENSER CAPACITY TOLERANCE ±20% UNLESS OTHERWISE  
SPECIFIED  
ALL RESISTORS ARE ±20% TOLERANCE, CARBON, 1/2 WATT UNLESS  
OTHERWISE SPECIFIED  
RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS SHOWN WITH COILS DISCONNECTED  
FROM CIRCUIT  
COIL RESISTANCES NOT GIVEN ARE UNDER ONE OHM  
CATHODE RAY TUBE 2ND ANODE VOLTAGE TO BE MEASURED WITH  
ELECTROSTATIC OR 20K OHM PER VOLT HIGH VOLTAGE  
METER  
ARROWS ON POTENTIOMETERS INDICATE CLOCKWISE ROTATION  
ALIGNMENT POINTS  
CIRCLED LETTERS INDICATE ALIGNMENT AND TEST POINTS  
CHASSIS

TEST POINTS  
C- DETECTOR OUTPUT  
D- VIDEO OUTPUT  
E- IF A.G.C.  
F- TO BE GROUND FOR  
IF ALIGNMENT  
G- 3RD I.F. GRID  
H- SOUND 60MS GRID  
J- SOUND OUTPUT









NOTE - ALL CAPACITORS VALUE GREATER THAN 1 ARE IN  $\mu$ F. VALUES LESS THAN 1 IN  $\mu$ F UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

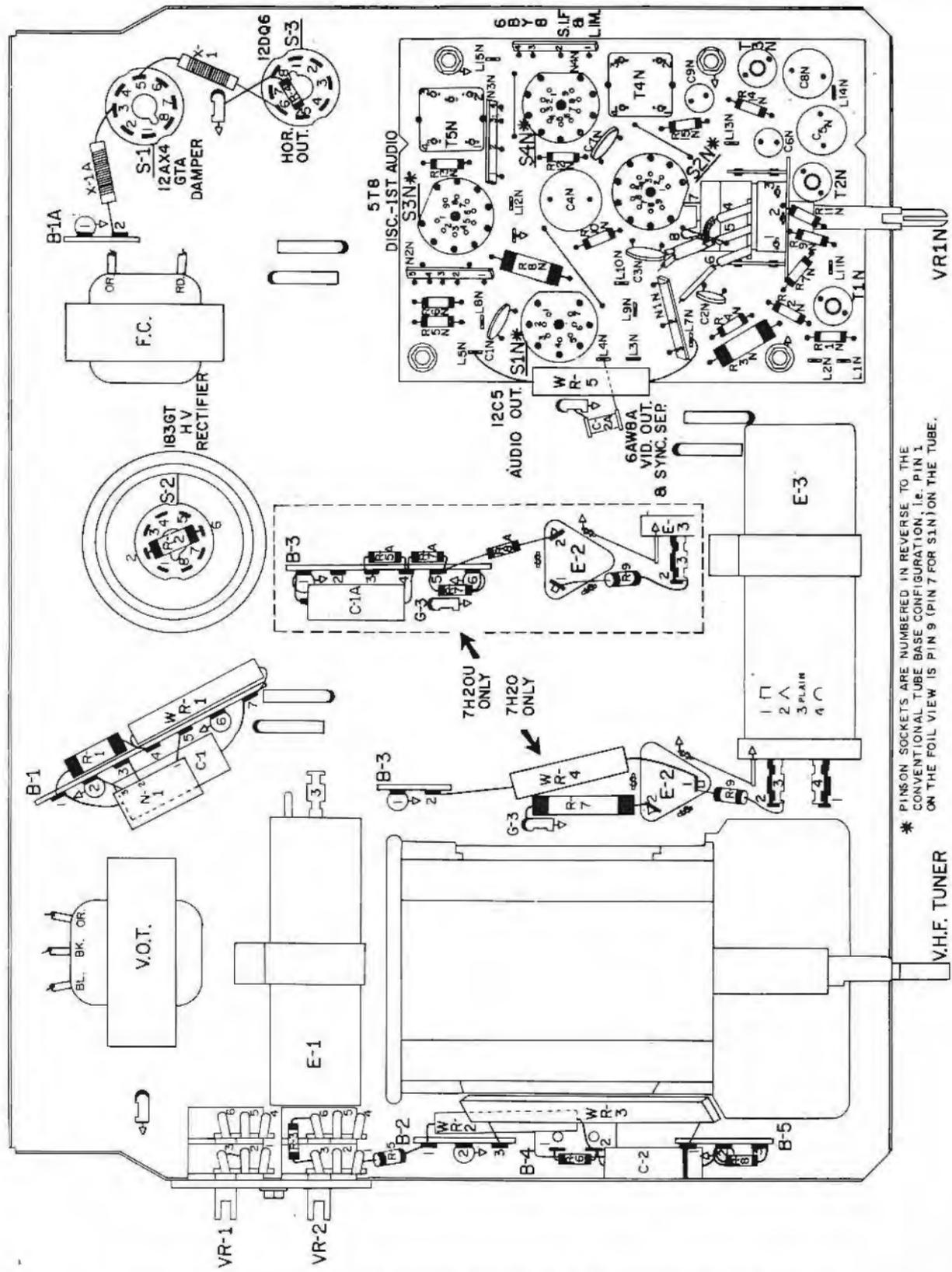
ALL CAPACITORS ARE  $\pm 20\%$  UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

VOLTAGES ARE DC FROM POINT SHOWN TO CHASSIS GROUND. DIRECTION OF ARROW THROUGH CONTROL INDICATES CLOCKWISE ROTATION.

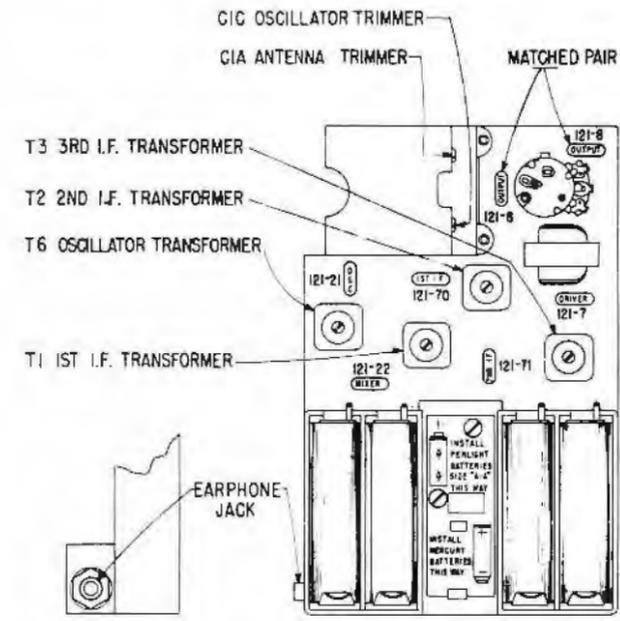
ALL RESISTORS ARE 1/2 WATT 10% UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

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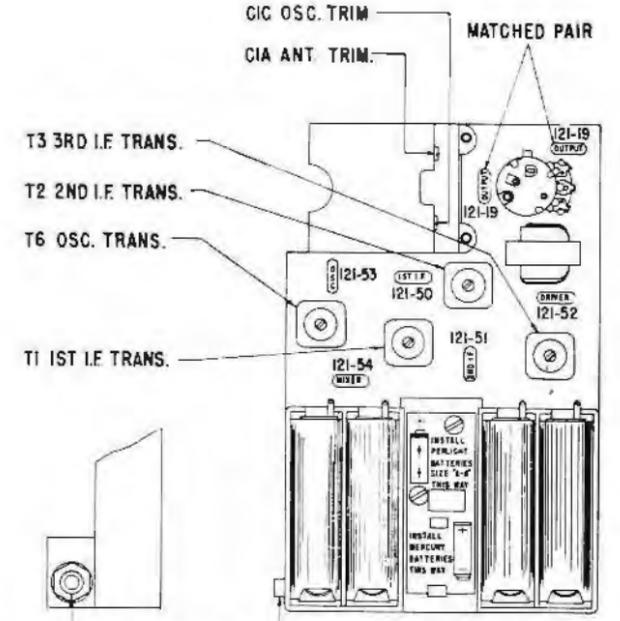
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\* PIN SOCKETS ARE NUMBERED IN REVERSE TO THE CONVENTIONAL TUBE BASE CONFIGURATION, I.E. PIN 1 ON THE FOIL VIEW IS PIN 9 (PIN 7 FOR 51N) ON THE TUBE.



TRANSISTOR & TRIMMER LAYOUT FOR 7AT42

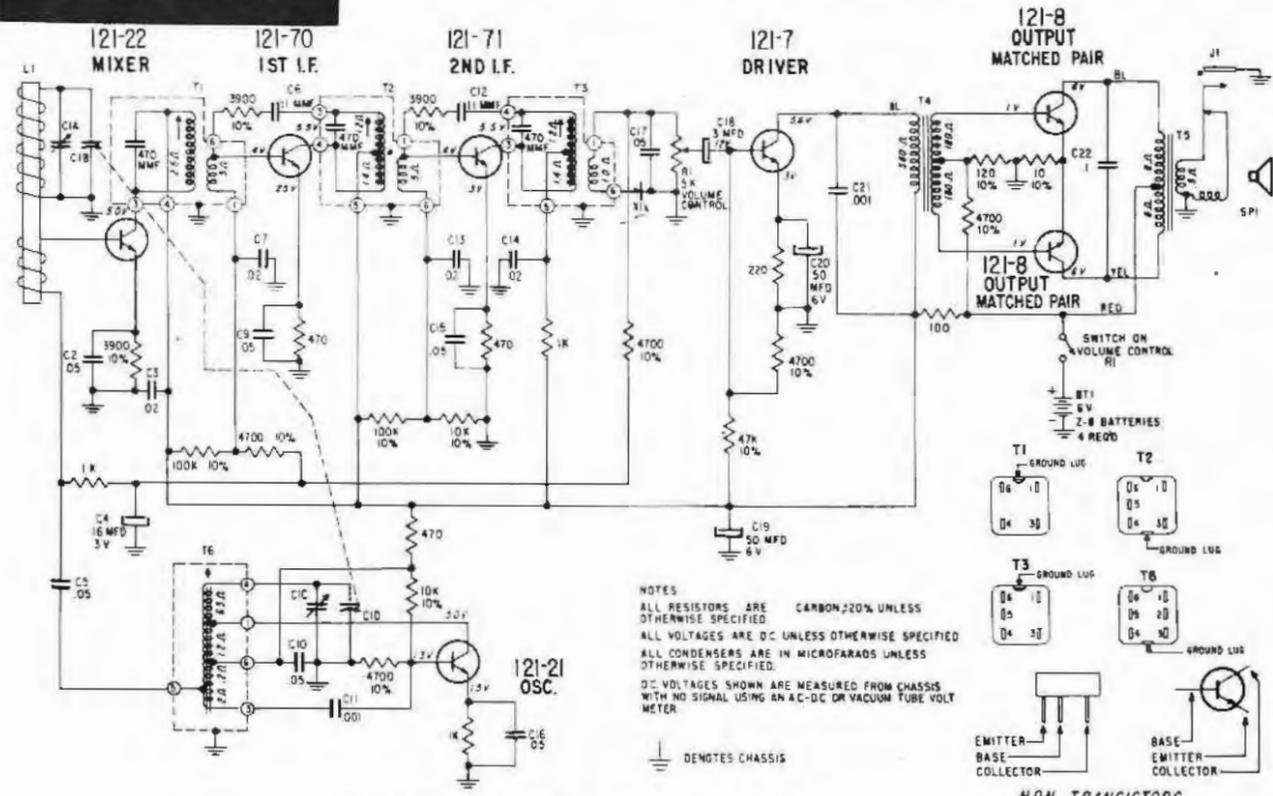


TRANSISTOR & TRIMMER LAYOUT FOR 7AT42Z1

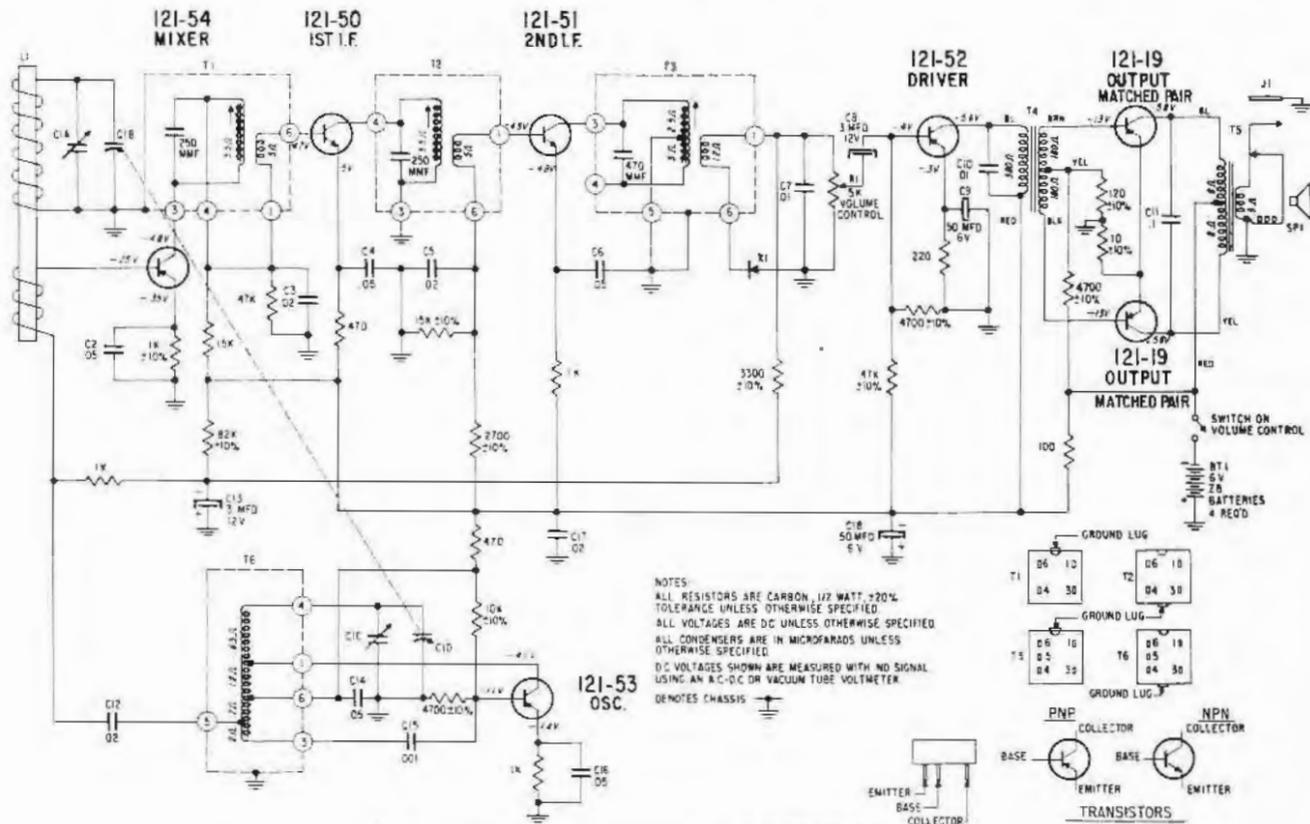
### Alignment Procedure

Operation	Input Signal Frequency	Connect Inner Conductor From Oscillator To	Connect Outer Shield Conductor From Oscillator To	Set Dial At	Trimmers	Purpose	
1	455 KC	ONE TURN LOOSELY COUPLED TO WAVEMAGNET	Chassis	600 KC	Adj. T1, T2, T3 for maximum output.	For I.F. Alignment	
2	1620 KC		—	Gang wide open.	C1C	Set Oscillator to dial scale.	
3	535 KC		—	Gang Closed	Adjust slug in T6	Set Oscillator to dial scale.	
4	REPEAT STEPS 2 & 3		—	—	—	—	—
5	1260 KC		—	1260 KC	C1A	Align loop ant.	

Chassis	Chassis Color Dot	Transistor Layout Label Color	Part No.	Mixer	Osc.	1st. I.F.	2nd I.F.	Crystal Diode Detector	Driver	Output-Output	Supplier
7AT42	Green	Green 102-3498	Zenith RETMA Type	121-22 2N194 NPN	121-21 2N193 NPN	121-70 NPN	121-71 NPN	103-19 1N87G	121-7 2N35 NPN	121-8 2N35-2N35 Matched Pair NPN NPN	Sylvania
7AT42Z1	Red	Red 102-3474	Zenith Type	121-54 PNP	121-53 PNP	121-50 NPN	121-51 NPN	103-19 1N87G	121-52 PNP	121-19 Matched Pair PNP PNP	Texas Instrument

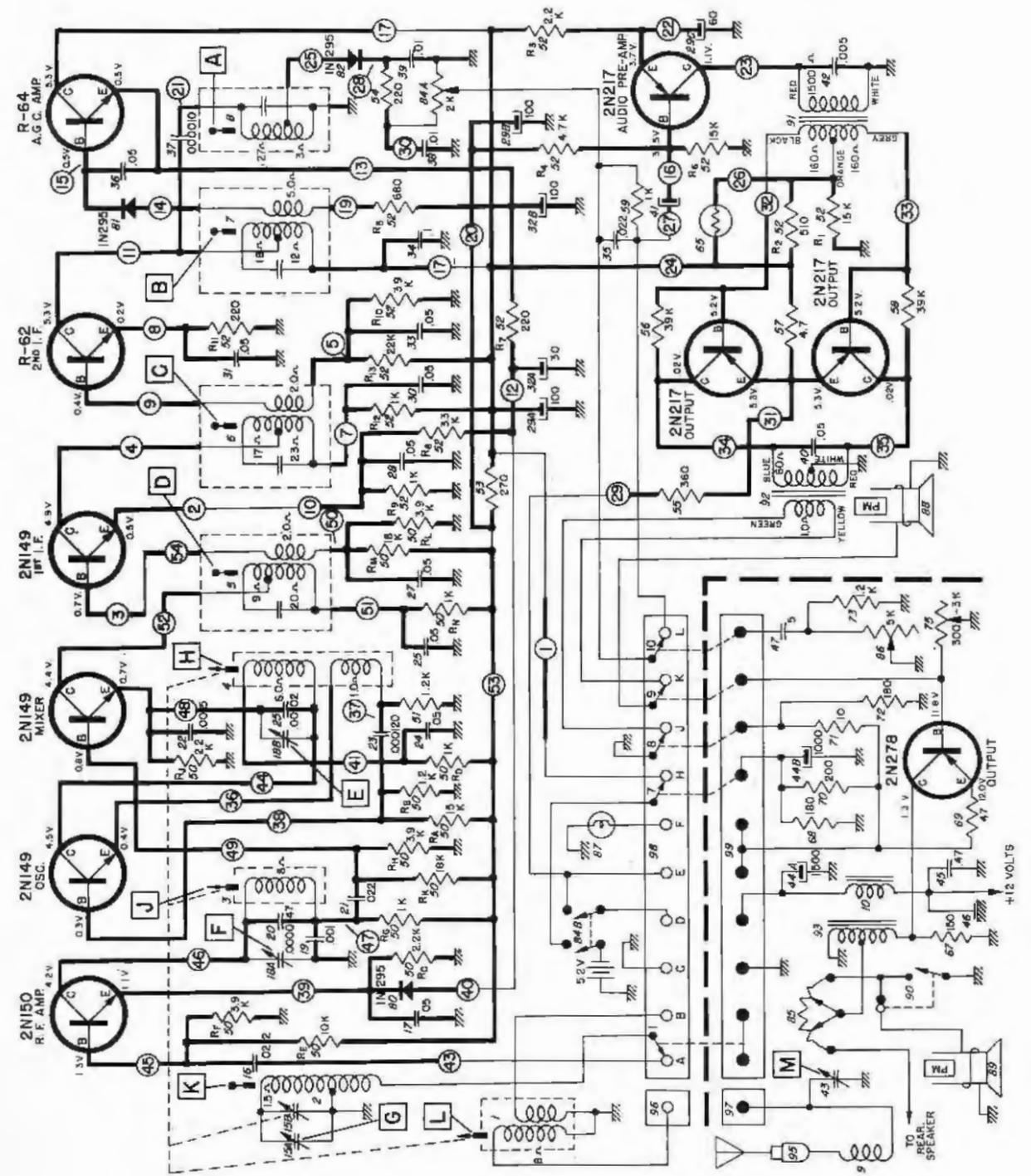


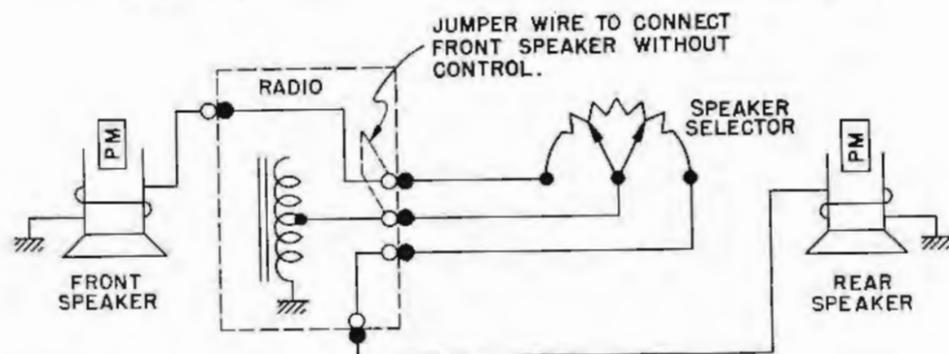
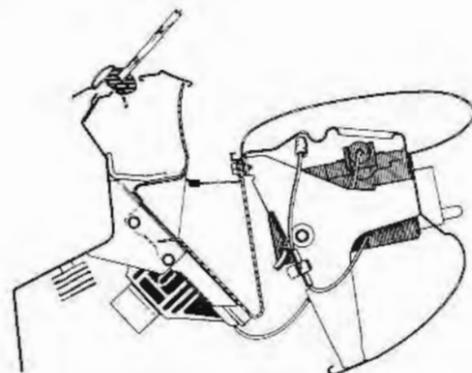
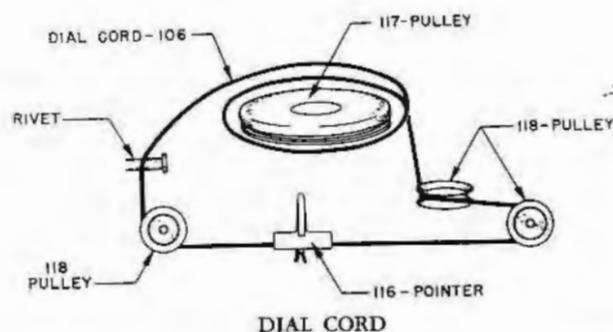
Schematic Diagram for 7A T42



Schematic Diagram for 7A T42Z1

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### 1958 Oldsmobile Model 989127

#### Suppression Equipment Used—

- Generator capacitor (Part #6030)  
.5 mfd.
- Distributor suppressor—Not needed
- Ignition coil capacitor (Part #6089)  
.3 mfd.
- Voltage regulator capacitor (Part #6030)
- Hood grounding clip (Part #555348)  
Mounts directly behind rear hood bumper on the front left hand fender.

#### Mounting—

This model is a one unit set with a separate speaker. The receiver unit is held in place on the right and left hand side by mounting brackets and mounted to the panel by the two control bushing nuts. The glove box should be removed before removing or reinstalling the receiver unit.

The speaker and baffle assembly are held in place to the finishing panel by four screws and to the speaker brackets on dash panel by four screws. It is mounted to the back side of the instrument panel between the panel and shelf by five screws. Before removing the speaker and baffle assembly, it is necessary to remove the clock and shelf.

Antenna lead-in plugs into the connector on the left side of the receiver unit. The antenna trimmer is located on the bottom

side and to the rear of the receiver on model 989127.

Dial light is replaceable without removal of the receiver unit. It is located on the left side toward the top of the set. To remove, pry out the dial light socket with a small screwdriver.

The fuse (Part #455640 7.5 amperes) is located on the fuse block on the fire wall.

The "A" lead (green) from the receiver unit is connected to the green lead from the wiring harness and the connector is clipped to the radio left hand support.

The speaker lead is connected to an interlock plug located on the bottom of the receiver unit next to the transistor radiator.

### 1958 Oldsmobile Model 989129

Same as model 989127 except a foot switch is used. The plug for this foot switch connects to a socket located on the bottom of the receiver next to the transistor radiator.

### 1958 Oldsmobile Model 989131

This model mounts the same as 989127. This is the Tran-Portable model which has the removable portable unit making this a two unit set. The antenna trimmer is located just below the antenna lead-in connector and the speaker lead is connected to the interlock plug on the right hand side of the rack unit.

Mfr: General Electric Chassis No. U

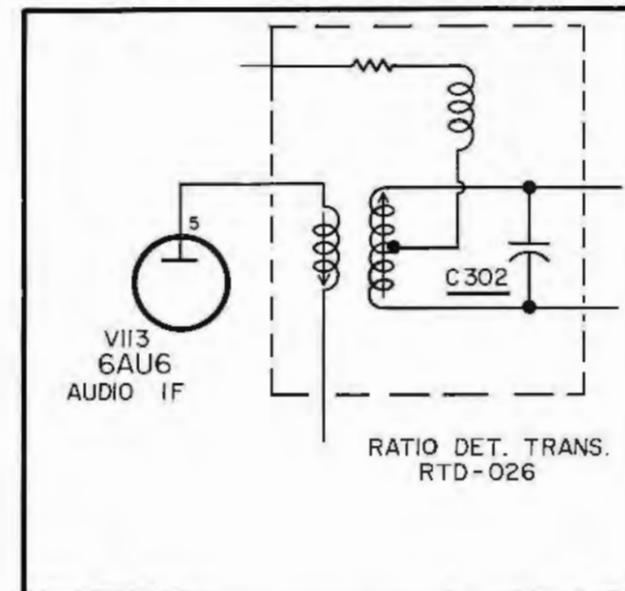
Card No: GE-U-1

Section Affected: Sound

Symptoms: Intermittent and distorted sound.

Cause: Intermittent leakage in C302 in base of RTD-026 ratio detector transformer.

What To Do: Replace transformer RTD-026.



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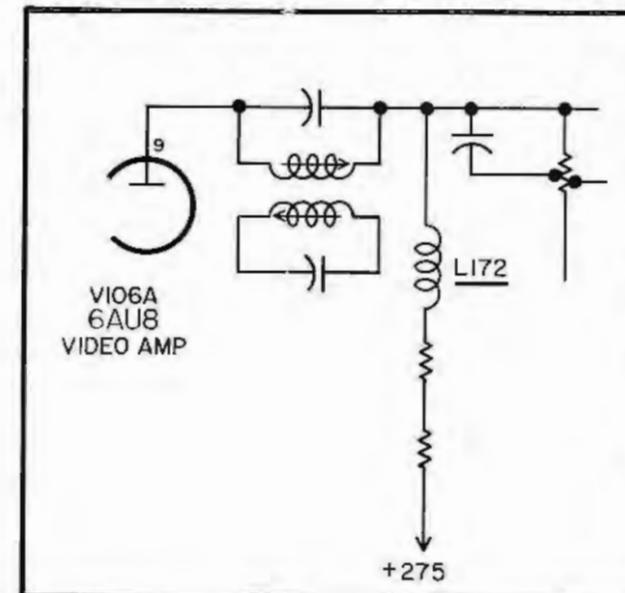
Card No.: GE-U-2

Section Affected: Pix

Symptoms: Video overloading.

Cause: Open video peaking L172. Capacitive coupling between coil windings passes signal, but of insufficient value to develop agc voltages.

What To Do: Replace L172, 390 mh.



Mfr: General Electric Chassis No. U

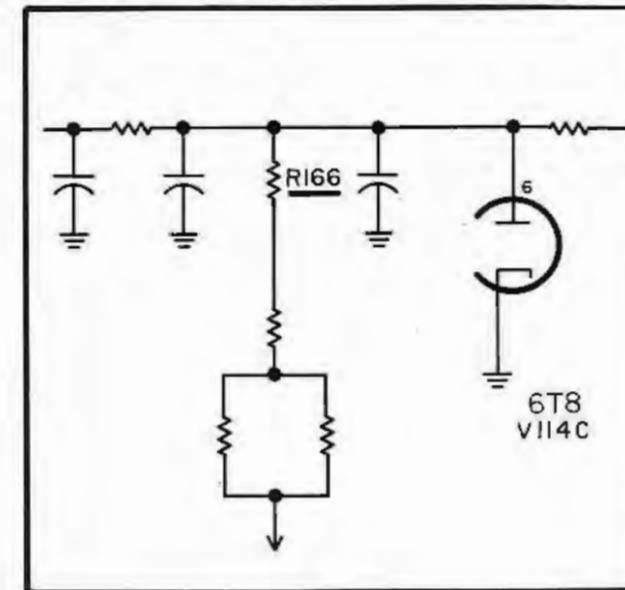
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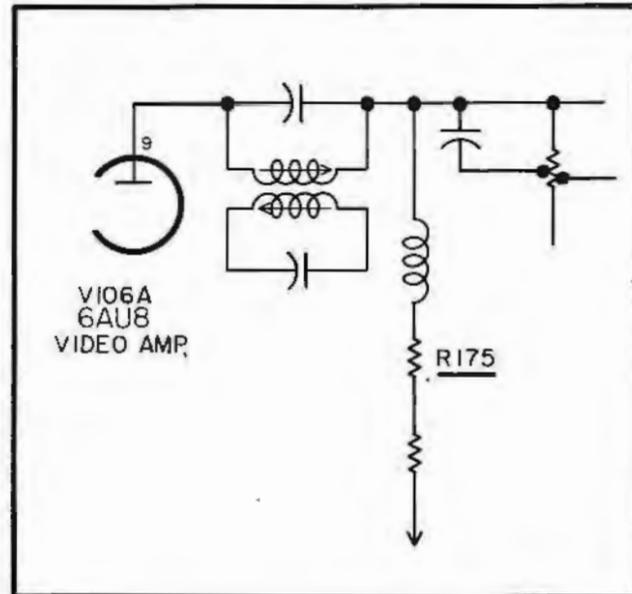
Section Affected: Pix

Symptoms: Reduced sensitivity, snowy pix.

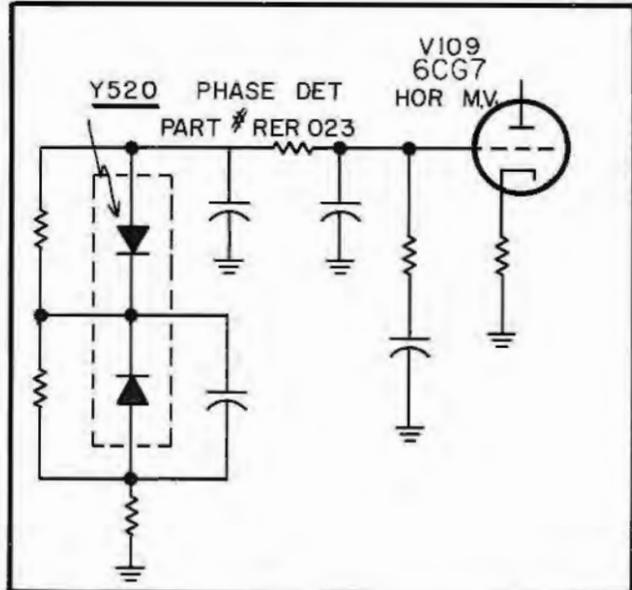
Cause: R166 changes value increasing the bias on the tuner agc line.

What To Do: Replace R166, 22 megohms.

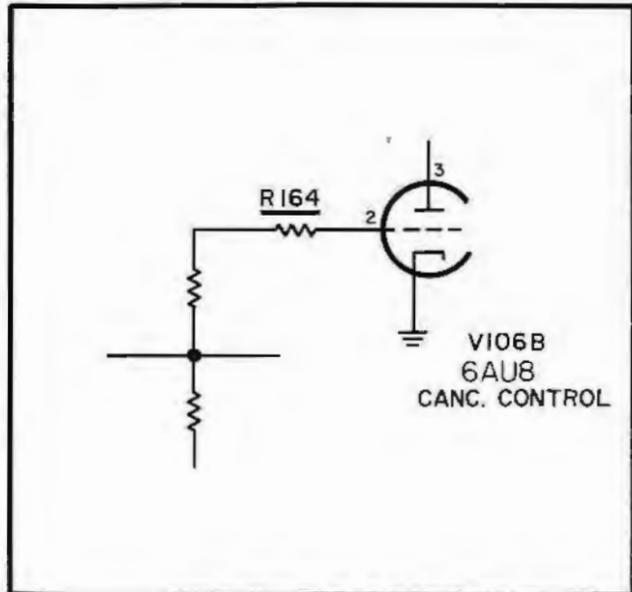




Mfr: General Electric Chassis No. U  
 Card No: GE-U-4  
 Section Affected: Pix  
 Symptoms: Negative pix.  
 Cause: R175 video plate load resistor open. B plus is still fed thru R173.  
 What To Do: Replace R175, 5600 ohm 2W.

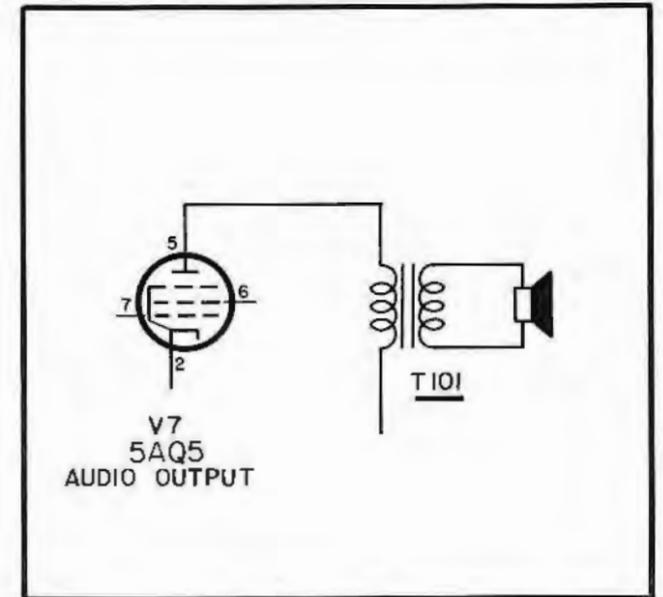


Mfr: General Electric Chassis No. U  
 Card No: GE-U-5  
 Section Affected: Raster and sync.  
 Symptoms: Intermittent loss of raster and horizontal sync.  
 Cause: Open, leaky or mismatched dual seleniums.  
 What To Do: Replace seleniums Y250 with part number RER-023. If not available a matched pair of germaniums will be satisfactory.

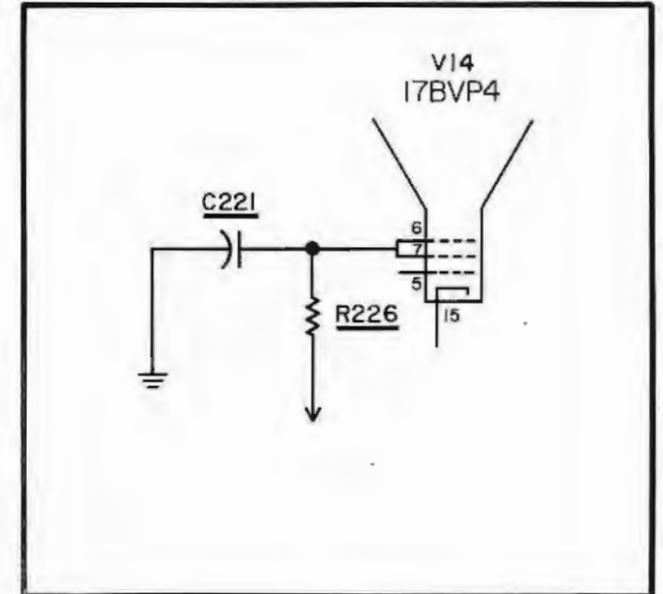


Mfr: General Electric Chassis No. U  
 Card No: GE-U-6  
 Section Affected: Pix  
 Symptoms: Intermittent overload and poor signal to noise ratio.  
 Cause: Gassy 6CF6 tubes in the first and second if stages.  
 What To Do: The circuit can be modified simply so that gassy tubes do not upset proper operation. Change R164 from 2.2 megs to 100K.

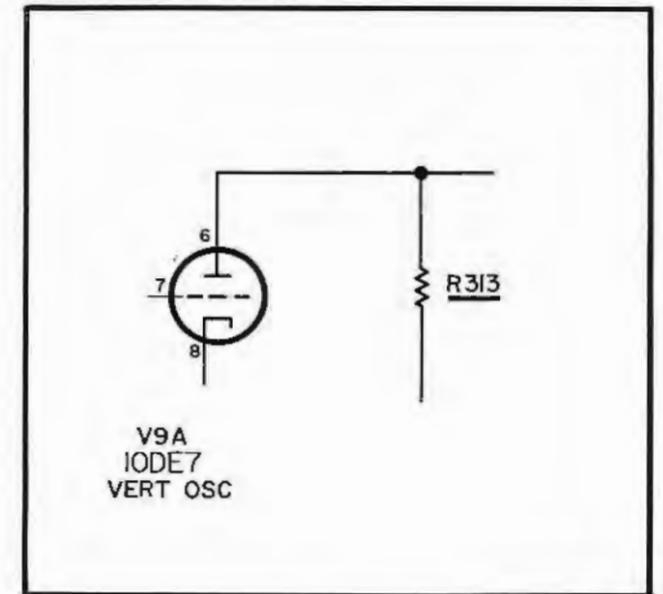
Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-1  
 Section Affected: Sound  
 Symptoms: Insufficient sound.  
 Cause: Shorted turns in T101, audio output transformer.  
 What To Do: Replace T101.

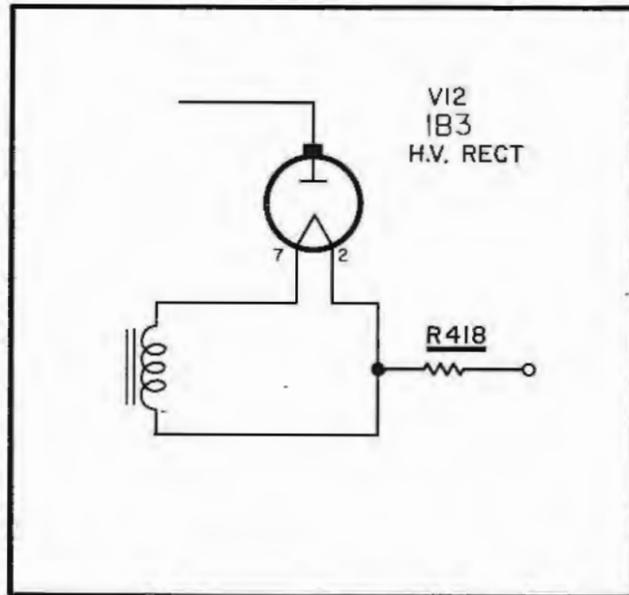


Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-2  
 Section Affected: Raster  
 Symptoms: No Raster  
 Cause: Shorted C221 and burned R226.  
 What To Do: Replace C221, .01 mfd. and R226, 470K.

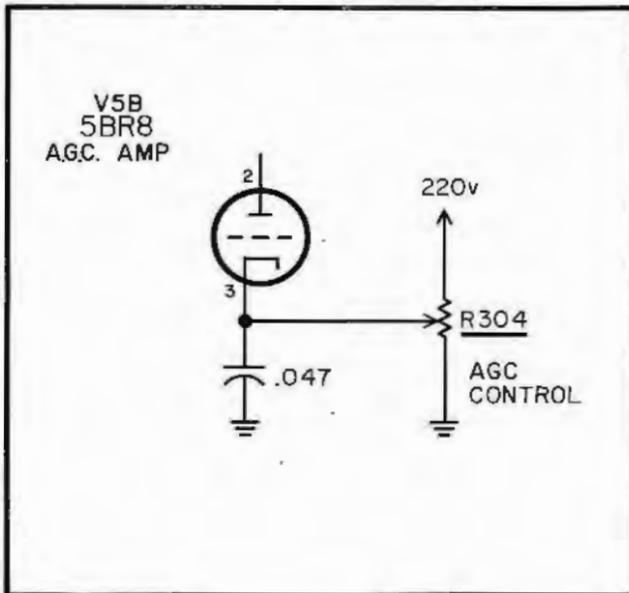


Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-3  
 Section Affected: Vertical sweep.  
 Symptoms: Height decreases after receiver plays awhile.  
 Cause: R313 increases in value.  
 What To Do: Replace R313, 1.2 meg.

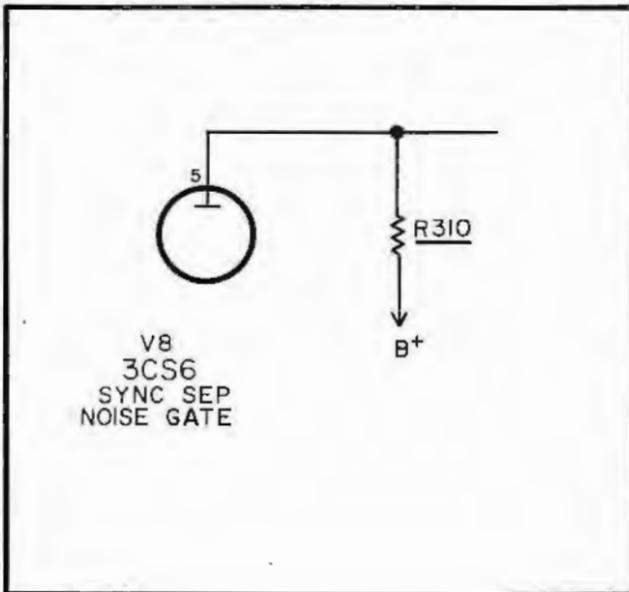




Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-4  
 Section Affected: Raster  
 Symptoms: Streaks in raster.  
 Cause: R418 is arcing internally.  
 What To Do: Replace R418, 4700 ohms.



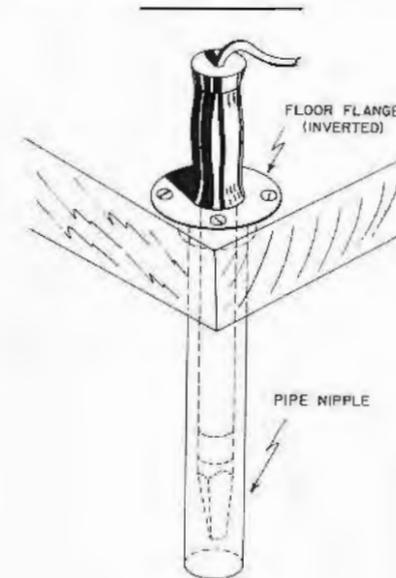
Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-5  
 Section Affected: Pix  
 Symptoms: Video overload.  
 Cause: R304, agc control is open.  
 What To Do: Replace R304, 150K control.



Mfr: Sylvania Chassis No. 1-537  
 Card No: SY-1537-6  
 Section Affected: Sync.  
 Symptoms: Horizontal tearing and intermittent vertical roll.  
 Cause: R310 has decreased in value.  
 What To Do: Replace R310, 220K.

# Shop Hints and Short Cuts

We would welcome hints and short cuts from our readers. ES will pay \$5 for each hint used. Sorry, but we cannot be responsible for unaccepted material. In case of duplication, first received will be accepted.



Store a hot soldering iron safely out of the way, but handy for use, by dropping it into a pipe nipple set in the workbench. Fit the neck of a floor flange in a hole in the bench; mount the flange upside down, then, from beneath the bench, turn a pipe nipple into the threaded flange.

H. J. M.  
Sarasota, Fla.

Use scotch #49 tape in place of bonding wire (from hood to chassis of a car). You don't have to look for bolts and nuts, just scrape the paint off and stick it on. Number 49 scotch is heavy aluminum tape with a conductive adhesive. It undoubtedly has many other shop applications.

R & M TV  
Elizabeth, N. J.

Here's a new use for the wife's clear nail polish. It makes an excellent  
 [Continued on page 44]

- 1 AVAILABLE LIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY  
by H. M. Kinzer  
... The most authoritative book on available light.
- 2 THE AMATEUR'S 8MM MOVIE GUIDE  
by Sid Norinsky  
... The one complete book on the art of 8mm movie making.
- 3 FLASH FOR BETTER PHOTOGRAPHY  
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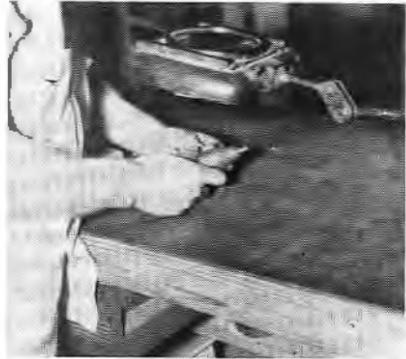
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R. G.  
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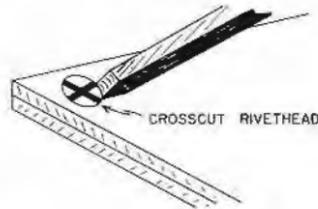
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Looking ahead to the tremendously growing need for 110° base tube briteners, Perma-Power Company, Chicago, has just added these units to its line. The new "C-Brite" Briteners work on series or parallel wired filament circuits as required by setting a selector switch. They are anto-former type briteners giving a full 7.8 v. output. The model C-211 "C-Brite" is designed for use with the Button Base (R.C.A.) type 110° pix tubes; Model C-221 "C-Brite" is designed for use with the Shell base (Sylvania-Dn-

Mont) type 110° pix tubes. Both units are already in stock at leading distributors everywhere.



An *fm* preamplifier which effectively extends the reception range of high-fidelity *fm* tuners has been announced by the Jerrold Electronics Corporation. Known as the Range Extender this Jerrold *fm* Preamplifier is designed for simple home installation between the antenna and the *fm* tuner. In addition to "pulling in" stations outside normal *fm* reception area, the Range Extender achieves full "limiting" on a weak station eliminating "hash" and noise. According to Walter Goodman, Sales Manager of Jerrold's Jobber Products Division which distributes the new unit, the Range Extender has been tested extensively in key *fm* markets where it has as much as

doubled the number of receivable stations.



Central Electronics, Inc., manufacturers of the original "Rejuvatube" *crt* rejuvenator, announces the new Model RE-2 "Rejuvatube." The model features a rugged, heavy duty steel carrying case; illuminated meter; new TV interlock power cords and a new "cube socket" selector and cable as a "one piece" assembly. The new "cube socket" and switch assembly enables the testing and rejuvenation of each gun of a color tube; 110° short tubes with miniature or medium bases and conventional black and white tubes. A new circuit and an additional direct reading scale on the meter allows the serviceman to check "gas content" of all popular pix tubes. A new four page brochure on the Model RE-2 is available by writing the manufacturer at 1247 W. Belmont Ave., Dept. ES, Chicago 13, Illinois.

## ANSWERMAN

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Dear Sir:

A Sentinel model 1U-1202 on my service bench exhibits interference in the picture on certain channels. The interference has the appearance of what I have seen pictured as Snivets. That is, a spasmodic line on the right side of the picture. Most conventional checks have been made such as tube changes, etc. Nothing seems to help or correct the condition.

S. F.  
Chicago, Ill.

The screen circuit of the horizontal output tube should be investigated as the most logical cause of this difficulty. The bypass condenser in the 6CD6 stage shown in Fig. 3 should

be reduced in capacity from .047 to about 1000 *mmf*, 500 volts. Resistor R85 may have to be eliminated for further improvement. In addition, the screen B plus supply resistor may also require a reduction in resistance if the width should be insufficient. Generally, it is not desirable to allow the

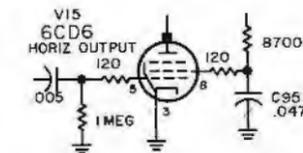
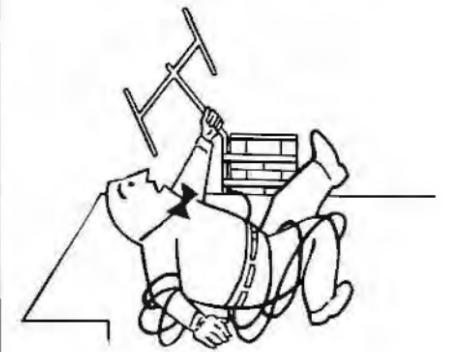


Fig. 3—Changing value of components may remedy snivets.

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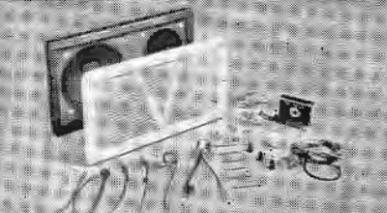
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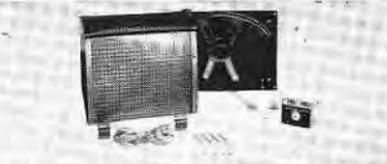
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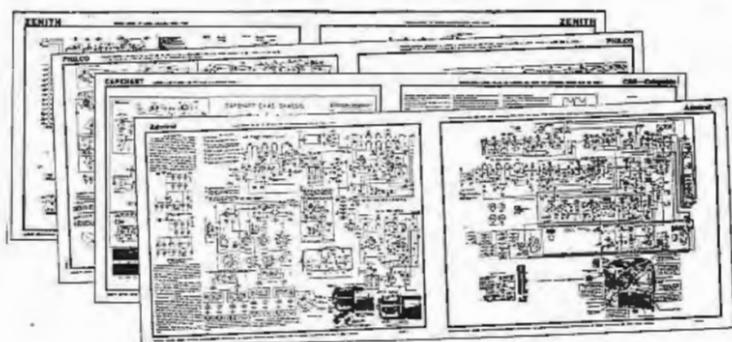
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screen voltage to be higher than 135 volts on a 6CD6 tube. Concerning capacitor C95, there have been cases where the reduction required to clean up the condition was down to 820 mmf.

Mr. Answerman:

I have a Raytheon chassis 21T42 which exhibits poor horizontal linearity across the picture. My circuit examination does not reveal anything wrong in the horizontal deflection system. Every component, the tubes and the flyback have been checked and even substituted for. In view of this do you know of anything I can do to improve the linearity of this receiver?

J. W.  
Baltimore, Md.

Anti-pin cushion magnets should be installed on the picture tube near the yoke assembly. This will improve the horizontal linearity. The anti-pin cushion magnets used by several manufacturers should provide the correction needed. The Raytheon part number for the magnet is 201-26614.

Dear Sir:

I always have trouble determining if a local oscillator in a radio is operating. I realize that in many cases I can measure the bias in the oscillator circuit and conclude that with the bias present the oscillator is working. However, with the transistor radios I find this difficult. What method would you suggest to be used with transistor radios in determining that the local oscillator circuit is operating?

E. P.  
Cleveland, Ohio

One of the best methods of quickly determining whether a transistor local oscillator circuit is working is to connect a high gain scope to the oscillator circuit and note if the oscillating waveform can be obtained.

Another method has been employed extensively with radios using vacuum tubes and generally it works well with transistor radios also. This method involves using a properly operating radio and holding the radio being serviced near it. The inoperative radio's dial is adjusted below the operating radio's broadcast band setting by its own *if* frequency. When the oscillator frequency of the defective radio is different by approximately the *if* frequency of the normally operating radio a squeal will be heard from the properly operating radio. Radiation from the radio under test will be picked up in the *rf* stage of the normally operating radio and

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handled in a manner similar to an ordinary radio broadcast signal. As a result a squeal will be audible which will be variable in pitch as the oscillator circuit in the radio under test is tuned. This check is possible even if the *if* and audio circuits in the defective receiver are inoperative since the oscillator circuit is independent of the other portions of the receiver.

Dear Mr. Answerman:

A serviceman friend of mine states that it is possible to damage a transistor by checking it with an ohmmeter as used in the resistance measurement method of electronic servicing. I don't quite see how this is true. It would make the servicing of small transistor radios quite difficult. Can you give me some information on this?

S. H.  
Richmond, Va.

As it undoubtedly is realized, transistor radios operate with very low potentials. They are in the order of 3 to 9 volts with only a few transistor radios employing slightly higher voltages. Connecting an ohmmeter, which also uses low voltage batteries or a vacuum tube ohmmeter, could be considered similar to connecting a battery to the transistor. Proper polarity connections of the battery are essential to prevent damage that could occur if the reverse polarity is applied. Improper connections would make the bias incorrect with a resultant excessive current flow. Likewise, incorrect ohmmeter polarities when connected to a transistor can cause excessive conduction through the transistor and permanently damage it. When the measurement of resistances is required in a transistor radio, the transistor should be removed or disconnected as the case may be. In addition to doing this to protect the transistor, it is also desirable so that the resistances of the transistor will not affect the measurement through parallel connections.

In line with the above is another caution concerning the insertion or removal of a transistor with the battery voltage applied. Always disconnect the battery potentials via the on-off switch or remove the batteries. Otherwise, instantaneous surge currents can ruin the transistor and make the servicing problem doubly difficult.

Perhaps the best method of servicing small transistor radios is to measure the *dc* voltages in the different circuits and only check resistors and condensers with an ohmmeter when there is no other way of locating the trouble.

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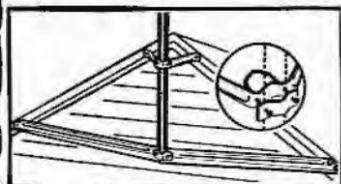
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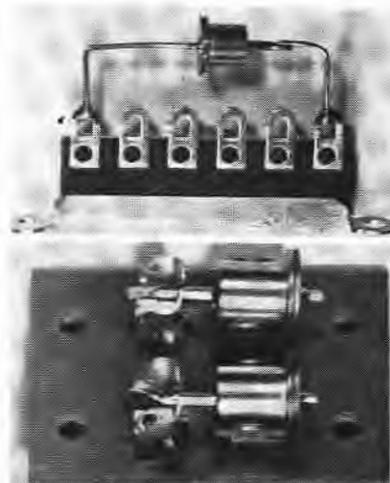
thus causing the critical horizontal hold. Resistor R442 was next replaced with a 22 ohm, 1 watt resistor and the receiver now functioned properly.

The butcher had found R442 burned and without referring to a schematic, he mis-read the color code and installed a 2.7 ohm resistor instead of a 22 ohm resistor. ■ ■

**SILICON RECTIFIERS**

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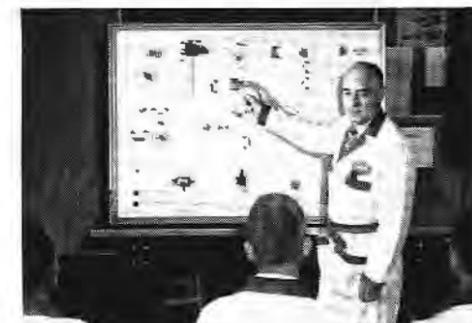
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