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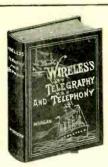
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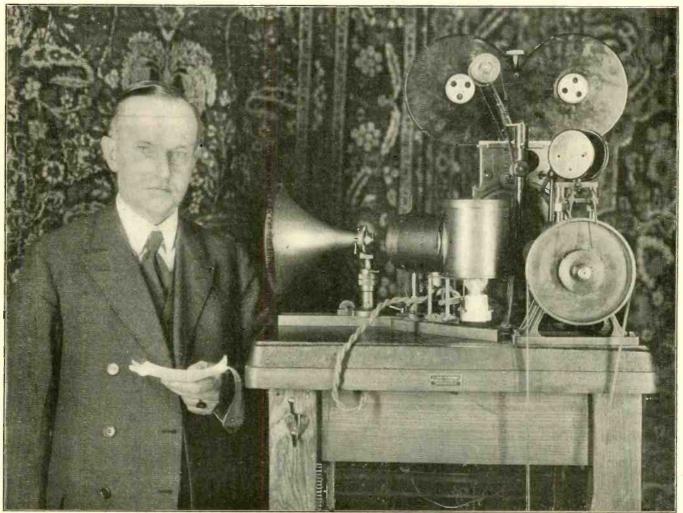
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# The Vice-President Talks by Radio



Vice-President Coolidge standing by the machine which enabled his voice to be broadcast over the country. The device is fully described in the accompanying text.

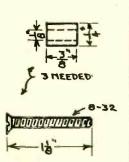
NE of the most notable radio events of recent date was the broadcasting of three important speeches to the people, by Calvin Coolidge, Vice-President of the United States; John S. Weeks, Secretary of War, and Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy. This was the first time that the spoken words of three of the nation's leading executives reached all corners of the country in one day. The broadcasting was done by WGY, of the General Electric Company, Schnectady, New York. This fact was made possible by use of the pallo-

photophone, a new device for photographing the voice and, later reproducing it with perfect clearness. The machine was set up in a hotel in Washington ten days prior to the speech-making. The Vice-President and the War and Navy Secretaries spoke into a small recording-horn. As they did, their voices caused a small diaphragm to vibrate to which is attached a tiny mirror, scarcely smaller than the head of a pin. This oscillation, or flickering, of the mirror reflected a beam of light upon a moving photographic film thus recording the

human voice accurately with the overtones, the delicate shadings of speech and other characteristics which make one voice sound different from another. The film was taken to Schenectady and was broadcast twice from the WGY studio, the first time at 7:30 P. M. and again at 10:30 P. M. for radio fans in the Western States. In reproducing, the film is passed before a strong ray of light and the zig zag markings on it which the sound waves photograph, create electric waves which pass through an arrangement of vacuum tubes.

# How to Make a Single-Blade Vernier

### By Ortherus Gordon



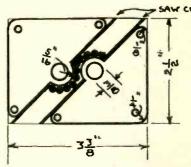


Figure 1 - Complete details of the stator plates, bolts, and bushings for the panel mounting of a single-blade vernier.

HE reasons for presenting the workshop plans for a single-blade vernier condenser are many. In the first place, some amateurs may prefer such an instrument over an additional swinging blade on the regular variable, as suggested in a previous article. The present instrument has the advantage of being entirely independent and may be shifted about from circuit to circuit as needed. It has appeared in this form on the market. I have made one for myself and am satisfied that vernier control is necessary for sharp and efficient tuning.

Incidentally, I was curious to determine whether or not the vernier being separate from the main instrument made any difference. Some local amateurs were loud in their insistence that the distributed effect would be greater than the tuned-capacity effect; but I found out that, if such was the case, it was

in no way noticeable.

The unit, as it is shown here, is a convenient and well-designed affair. Special pains were taken to make it as simple as possible. All the work may be done with the ordinary tool chest, vise and bench. finished, the vernier condenser mounts on a panel with the other parts of the receiving set. Mine cost 54 cents, not counting the spare washers and pieces of brass found in my scrap heap.

The stator was made first. I took a piece of brass sheeting (although aluminum or copper will do) about 1/16 of an inch thick and marked it as shown in Figure 1. Owing to the semicircular lugs it was impossible to economize on brass. I cut out the two stator triangles with hacksaw and drill, then smoothed the edges and rounded off the corners with a file. When sawing plate brass, put the brass deep into the vise so as to prevent chat-tering. Protect the brass with wooden blocks, so the teeth of the

The two stator blades were then put in the vise together and drilled in the center with a 3/8-inch hole, and at the corners with 1/8-inch holes, as shown in Figure 1. Since I was designing the instrument for

vise will not sink into the surface.

a panel, I cut three short lengths of brass tubing, 3/8 of an inch long, and large enough in inside diameter to take an 8-32 brass bolt with a flat head. In my case, with a panel 1/4

Figure 2-How to put the stator together.

of an inch thick, these bolts were 11/8 inches long. Then I took three aluminum washers (although brass or copper would serve just as well) 1/8 of an inch in thickness; and with these accessories, I put the stator together temporarily, as shown in Figure 2.

The rotor blade I cut out of thin brass with shears. It is semicircular, with a radius of 11/4 inches. A 1/8-inch hole is bored in the exact center of the blade, so that it will fit over the reduced diameter of the shaft, which is a 1/4-inch brass rod turned down to 1/8 of an inch at one end and threaded with the popular 8-32 die. The making of this shaft, by the way, is one of the jobs of the

instrument. There are three in all; the other two are the making of the fiber space-washers. Everybody isn't lucky enough to have access to a high-speed lathe, but that needn't discourage anyone. The shaft may be built without a lathe in this manner.

Take a short length of brass tubing, instead of brass rod, and tap one end for about 1/4 of an inch down. Then get hold of the ever-needed 8-32 bolt and screw it in until it is solid. Then saw off the head at the required length from the tubing, and presto! the job is done!

See Figure 3.

Now, the two fiber washers, or bushings, are problems. It is too bad they cannot be dispensed with entirely; but unfortunately, they are vital parts of the instrument. The rotor must be insulated from the stator. Fiber, or hard rubber, or composition of some other kind are the only materials suitable for making the bushings as shown in Figure 3. I worked many hours to redesign the instrument so that these washers could be omitted. Although I succeeded, I always returned to the washer idea as the easiest way in the end.

I rummaged around in my "odd bits" box and finally came across some old fiber-washers which could be patiently filed until they had something that resembled a shoulder on them. If I remember rightly, it took me two hours to fit those fiber bushings the way I wanted themto drill them so No. 1 would slide over the 1/4-inch part of the shaft and No. 2 over the 1/8-inch diameter.

The other details, such as the connecting lugs, explain themselves. The assembly was very simple. The washers go in place as shown in Figure 4, and the rest of the parts placed in the one and only way a variable condenser may be put to-gether. Then it is mounted on the panel as shown. A graduated dial,

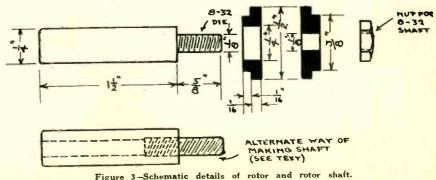


Figure 3-Schematic details of rotor and rotor shaft.

### The Ossiphone an English Device Not Sold Here

N RADIO WORLD No. 35, dated November 25, there appeared an article entitled "With the Ossiphone Even the Very Deaf May Hear Radio," by Ortherus Gordon. It described the invention of Mr. S. G. Brown, London, England—a simple instrument which, it is claimed, conveys sound to the brain by enlisting the aid of the bones in the body of the deaf person, hence its name.

So many inquiries have come to the offices of RADIO WORLD, since the publication of this article, from deaf persons who want to know where the device may be purchased, that the editors wrote Mr. Gordon for further information on this on this point. We publish his letter herewith.—THE EDITORS.

EDITOR RADIO WORLD: In reply to your query regarding the ossiphone, I am glad to give what further information I can about that instrument.

tion I can about that instrument.

The ossiphone was invented over a year ago by Mr. S. G. Brown of London. He designed it for use with an instrument which he called an "aural box" into which a person desiring to converse with a deaf person spoke. This aural box was nothing but a sound-box and microphone, which relayed its vibrations to the ossiphone which the deaf person held in his hand with the knob pressed tightly against a knuckle. Then it was discovered that a radio receiver could be discovered that a radio receiver could be substituted for the aural box with won-derful possibilities for the deaf.

As far as I know, the ossiphone has

### Radio-Wire Tables

By Frederick J. Rumford, E.E., R.E.

### No. 5—Double Silk-Covered Wire

Showing the Number of Feet in a Pound and Fractions of a Pound

PPENDED is the fifth of a series of five tables of radio wires which the amateur A PPENDED is the firm of a service of will find useful for many purposes.

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33	711	1422	2844	4266	5689
34	888	1776	3552	5328	7111
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36	1254	2508	5016	7524	10039
37	1333	2666	5332	7998	10666
38	1777	3554	7108	10662	14222
39	2064	4128	8256	12384	16516
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No. 1—Enameled Magnet Wire, Radio World, No. 34, dated November 18.
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No. 3—Double Cotton-Covered Wire, Radio World, No. 36, dated December 2.
No. 4—Single Silk-Covered Wire, Radio World, No. 38, dated December 16.

not yet appeared on the American market. I have reasons to believe that it is on the market in England; but an examination of English periodicals does not reveal an advertisement to that effect. I had some inquiries from readers of the Radio World in regard to the manufacture of the ossiphone, and I

cautioned all to be careful of patent in-fringements. Such an invention as the ossiphone is certain to be protected in

every civilized country in the world.

There is one man in England who, perhaps, could give information on the com-mercial aspect of the ossiphone. He is Mr. Philip R. Coursey, editor of "Wire-less Age," London. He may even put a correspondent in touch with the inventor.

I realize the immense utilitarian benefit of the ossiphone.

(Contniued from preceding page) or a plain knob, is added as desired. The instrument is connected either in series or in parallel, the result

being the same. I have no idea what the capacity of this home-made instrument is, but it is small enough to make tuning a critical function.

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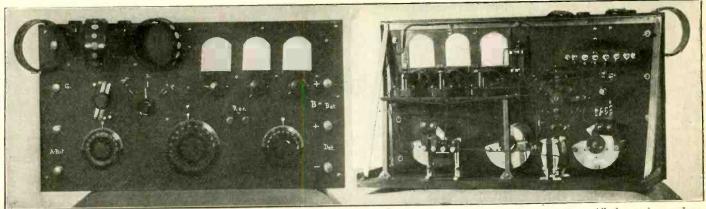
of the single-blade vernier condenser, as describer by Ortherus Gordon, showing also the manner of mounting on the panel.

### Damped Waves in Spark Sending Waves

By George W. May, R. E.

OR radio telegraphy, sending is accomplished with a highvoltage spark capable of producing from 150 to 200 sparks a second. Each of these sparks produces a radio-wave train having from 15 to 25 waves which have a frequency of about 1,000,000. Imagine a space of 300,000,000 meters containing 150 or 200 short-wave trains, equally spaced, the length of each little wave train being very short compared with the space between them.

The radio signals would then consist of dots and dashes containing a large number of noises made on the receiving apparatus by a larger number of these wave trains; while the dots would consist of a smaller number of wave trains which would produce the buzz for a shorter time.



Front and rear views of the set designed and constructed by Edward Pina. The utmost care was taken in its construction. All the work was done under conditions which might impel the average amateur to doubt. It is worthy of note that, in point of construction, there are few sets that can surpass it. Note the specially designed anticapacity directly above the amplifying transformer and between the two condensers. The honeycomb coils were designed and hand wound by the builder especially for short-wave work.

# Prize Set Built on Kitchen Table

OR originality and clever wiring there is much to admire in the set, described in this article, the work of Mr. Edward Pina, an amateur, residing at 326 West 20th street, New York City. All the work on this set was done on the kitchen table of his home, without the use of any tools except those generally found in an amateur's shop. It serves to illustrate how an amateur, if he is a careful worker and takes his time, can construct apparatus that is comparable to many of the manufactured sets in point of construction. The features of this set are:

### By John Kent

Original anticapacity switch controlling, independently, the detector and each amplifier without it and each amplifier without the use of jacks and plugs.

Specially wound honeycomb coils for reception on 360 to 400 meters, 600 to 800 meters, and so on.

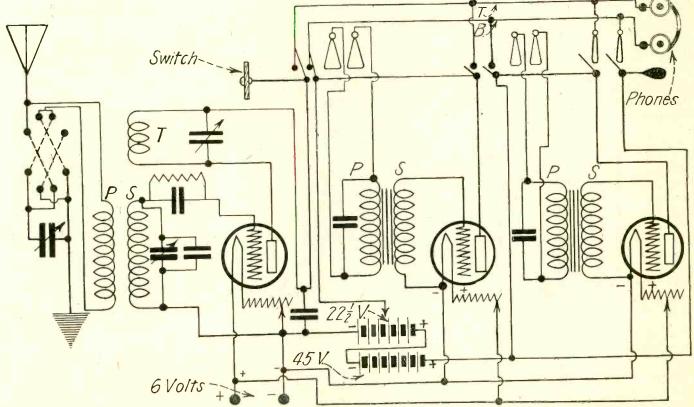
Flexibility by the use of series parallel switches.

In the rear view of the set may be seen the special anticapacity switch, located right over the transformer. It is constructed in such a manner

that the detector is connected at all times while the amplifiers are thrown in or out as desired.

All the variable condensers are equipped with clips which allow small fixed-condensers to be placed in parallel with them. This allows a fixed increase in capacity which, the builder has found, helps considerably in short-wave work.

This set won a prize at the Evening Telegram Radio Show, held in the 71st Regiment Armory, New York City, last May, before it was



Schematic diagram of the connections of Edward Pina's set. The anticapacity switch is shown on the upper portion. It is so arranged that the switch arms of the detector are connected either to the phones or the first stage of amplifier. By reason of the fact that the arms of the amplifier side are wider, they permit the second step to be connected in by just a slight turn of the handle. A fixed condenser is shunted across the regulation secondary-condenser and, also, across the primaries of both amplifying transformers.

# Construction of a 1½-volt Wet Cell

By Robert L. Dougherty

N the past few months, the 1½-volt tube has come into general use. One of the great drawbacks in using a dry cell in connection with this tube is its short and uncertain life. You may operate your set, to-night, on the dry cell and suddenly find that your battery is going "dead," and you will miss a fine concert just because you have no other battery on hand—and all the stores are closed.

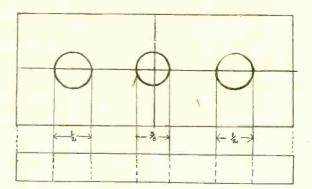
While the wet cell has its drawbacks, if it is placed in a conspicuous place it is not as attractive as a manufactured dry-cell with its nicely printed outside cover, but it has the advantage of being fairly constant. If care is taken to remove the elements after using the cell, and washing them in water—which is an easy matter—it will last many hours longer than any other dry cell. Its elements can be easily and cheaply replaced.

There are two kinds of batteries that will lend more readily to home construction than some of the others—salamoniac and sulphuric-acid cells.

In the salamoniac cell there is not the danger generally attributed to the sulphuric-acid cell, although the elements used in the construction of both cells are identical.

The necessary materials are 2 carbon rods, about 5 inches long and ½ inch in diameter; 1 standard wetbattery zinc; a small fruit jar, or

Figure 1. Diagram showing how the three holes should be bored in the block of wood in the construction of a 1½-volt wet cell. The correct measurements and guide lines are also given. The wood may be cut in circular shape, the exact fit of the jar, if a neater-appearing finished article is desired.



large tumbler; a few ounces of salamoniac, and a piece of wood.

Drill the wood in the same manner as shown in Figure 1, and put the three elements in the two carbon rods on the outside and the zinc in the center. It is best that the carbon rods be held in place by a couple of wood screws, as this will make it easier to connect them. The carbons may be connected by a narrow metal-strip. Fill the jar about three-quarters full with water and add the salamoniac until no more will dissolve. The completed element is then immersed in the solution and the battery is ready to connect up. Such a cell will furnish  $1\frac{1}{2}$  volts. Where it is advisable to make a neater-looking job, the wood may be cut in circular shape, the exact fit of the jar.

The second battery uses a sulphuric-acid solution, in connection with an element made identical to the one above. Sulphuric acid is a dangerous material if not handled carefully. If spilled on anything, it will eat in quickly. In case of such an accident, wash immediately with ammonia. Be sure that you don't mix any of the ammonia with the solution in the battery.

The solution should be made up as follows:

One part bichromate of potash, 1 part sulphuric acid (10 per cent solution) to four parts of water.

tion) to four parts of water.

Fill the jar about 3/4 full with this solution. Put in the elements and the cell is ready for use.

Always be certain to pour the acid into the water, otherwise the acid will spatter due to the heat generated in the chemical action.

The only replacements are occasionally a zinc and a carbon element, and a few drops of water as the solution evaporates.

Any number of these cells may be hooked up in series for any voltage

(Continued from preceding page) completed. It won on points of construction alone, as it was not completely wired when exhibited and could not be operated.

The panel is supported by upright brass standards fastened to the baseboard and running completely around the outside of the panel.

It took over three months to construct this set, Mr. Pina working from 7 until 10:30 every evening. This will give the reader some idea regarding the pains taken in order to perfect it. Every article used is of the finest make.

"Any amateur," said Mr. Pina to the writer, "with a little time and trouble, can construct apparatus. The only thing necessary is ability to handle tools and patience to do a good job thoroughly."

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# B. of S. New Radio Work Directive Radio-Transmission Tried on a Wave Length of Ten Meters

THE enormous increase in the use of radiotelegraphy and telephony during the past two years has created a demand for apparatus capable of being operated with a minimum of interference. Wherever the need is not for broadcasting but for point-to-point communication the case seems hopeless, unless directive transmission can make it possible. Directional transmission on very short wave lengths (below 20 meters) may offer a solution to this problem.

Recent reports by Marconi, Franklin, and others show that interesting and valuable data have been obtained on di

Recent reports by Marconi, Franklin, and others show that interesting and valuable data have been obtained on directive radio transmission using wave lengths below 20 meters. The Bureau of Standards has just completed a series of similar experiments, the preliminary results of which confirm the work of these investigators. The experiments conducted at the Bureau of Standards were made with a parabolic reflector (cylindrical type), which was designed for a 10-meter wave length. It was made by constructing a parabolic wooden frame with an aperture of one wave length. This frame

was suspended in the air and 40 wires spaced 1 foot apart were suspended from it. The source, located at the focus, consisted of a 50-watt electron tube. The output from this tube was coupled to an antenna, which was a linear oscillator of the Hertzian type, which was tuned to a wave length of 10 meters. The complete reflector system was arranged so that it could be rotated.

Numerous polar curves were obtained by rotating the reflector and taking readings of the received current at every 10° position of the reflector. The receiving apparatus was located 170 feet from the reflector in most of the work and consisted of a loop antenna (single turn) with a thermoelement in the loop circuit. A portable galvanometer was connected to the thermoelement.

With all adjustments correctly made at the reflector, good directional transmission was obtained. With the reflector turned 20 degrees from the direct line to the receiver, the received current dropped off to one-half of what it was with the reflector directed to the receiver. There was practically no radiation over an angle of 270 degrees, while the majority of the radiated power was confined to an angle of 30 degrees.

# 98 Stations Now Send Weather News

United States Government Radios 8,000 Words Daily of this Important Information. One Great Lakes Station Handled 150,000 Words from June to December

In order to get an idea of the immensity of the weather broadcasting carried on daily, an estimate of the number of words transmitted daily by the Governmental stations is fixed at 8,000. A reduction is made on Sundays, when approximately 6,000 words are handled. At the Naval station at Altena, Illinois, approximately 150,000 words are handled during the Lake shipping season between April 15 and December 15. This is one of the largest traffic schedules of the whole system of 98 stations.

Radiotelegraphy, although an invaluable factor for several years in receiving and sending data on weather to and from ships, was not recognized until recently as a medium for the general dissemination of forecasts, according to Professor C. F. Marvin, chief of the United States Weather Bureau, in his report to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.

The use of radio by the bureau, throughout the country, was limited because of the necessity of using code, he explains. "With the intro-

### By W. R. Service

duction of radiotelephony, which makes it possible for anyone to receive the messages in spoken words, the broadcasting of information over the interior has increased enormously," he declares. A year ago, the daily forecasts of the Weather Bureau were broadcasted from twelve stations in seven States, principally by radiotelegraphy; whereas, on July 1, 1922, ninety-eight stations in thirty-five States were carrying daily weather forecasts and warnings chiefly by radiotelephone.

### Government and Private Stations Used

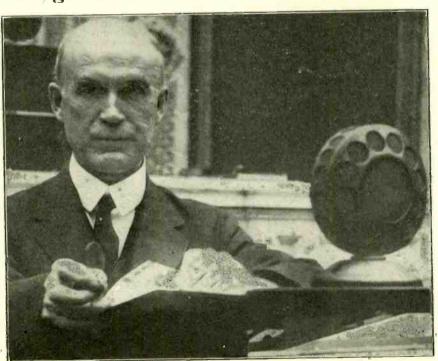
All broadcasts are sent out from governmental, commercial, and private stations, without expense to the Bureau. A special wave of 485 meters has been assigned by the Department of Commerce, and to avoid interference and duplication, only two stations in a city are licensed to transmit weather information, although many others

would gladly cooperate. It is estimated that, at the end of the year, 25 per cent. of the licensed broadcasting stations were engaged in distributing this valuable meteorological information. The broadcasts are supplied to the radio stations from neighboring meteorological stations by telephone. Undoubtedly the service could be placed on more efficient basis and materially extended, the Chief of the Burcau states, if funds were available for telegraphing information to radio stations not now included in the system, and engaging more employees.

The value of radiotelegraphy in this special service has been demonstrated, Professor Marvin declares, pointing out that its future usefulness "cannot be estimated." Hundreds of farmers who do not get a forecast service by the telegraph, or through the daily press, and for whom code broadcasting was of little use have installed receiving sets during the year. They now obtain the weather forecasts and warnings, so important in their occupations, as promptly as do business interests in urban communities. A great future increase in rural receiving stations is inevitable, the weather

officials believe. Another important accomplishment in radio work during the past year, was the inauguration of a program of broadcasting the twicedaily forecasts, cold wave, frost, and other warnings and information issued for the States lying in the Chicago and Washington forecasts districts. From April to November, a summary of weather conditions as they affect the crops during the week preceeding is also included. This service began in June, 1922. Radiotelegraphy and high wavelengths are utilized, as telegraphy is more reliable for long-range transmission. The radio-receiving stations, equipped for high-wave reception, receive a direct service thereby, and local radiophone stations are enabled to broadcast for their districts. Material extensions were also made during the year in the radio-bulletin service for the benefit of marine and aviation interests. The chief of the Weather Bureau is gracious in his thanks to the officials of the Naval Communications Service

# Congressman Fess Makes Radio Speech



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Congressman Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio, about to make a speech by radio, in the House of Representatives. At the right is the microphone to catch his remarks. This is not to be a regular Congressional "stunt." It was simply a "try-out." And it worked.

# Peanut-Tube Hook-Ups I Have Used Successfully

By P. F. Metzler

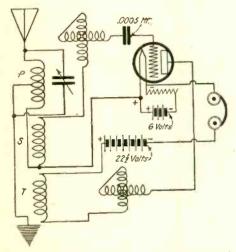


Figure 1—Schematic diagram suggested by Mr. Metzler. Note that the ends of the primary and secondary are connected for fine tuning. The use of the tickler coil, in conjunction with the variometers, gives a very selective circuit, and one that oscillates freely. Drawn by S. Newman.

ANY diagrams have been published of hook-ups employing standard makes of vacuum tubes—both detector and amplifying tubes. I will describe a few hook-ups employing the Welsh relay radion or "peanut" tube. The more I experiment with this little tube, the better results I have secured, especially using it as a detector tube.

The construction and arrangement of the coils used in these hookups were fully described in my article in Radio World, No. 26, dated September 23.

In Figure 1 accompanying this article, you will note that the end of the primary and the end of the secondary connect to the filament. I might suggest that a switch be placed here so as to disconnect the primary and the secondary at will, as with the connections shown it is more difficult to tune as it is much sharper. While the spark stations are not operative let this connection remain loose; but when one starts up, make this connection which practically cuts them out. Note that no grid leak is used with this hook-up.

In Figure 2 either a vario-coupler or a loose coupler, may be used. A variable condenser also may be used in the primary circuit to great advantage. You will note that this is a little different from the other hookups using two variometers. The one in the filament end of the secondary makes it much more selec-

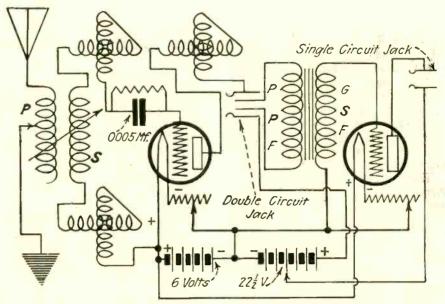


Figure 2-In the above circuit the third variometer in the filament gives stability of oscillation, making the circuit oscillate over the entire range of the coupler. Drawn by S. Newman,

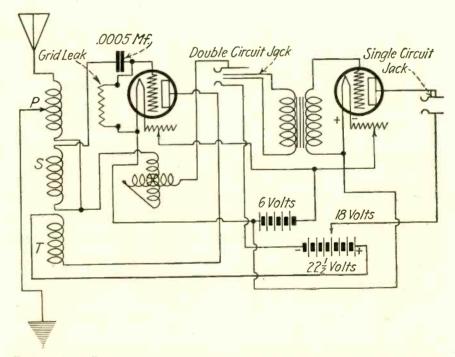


Figure 3—As in Figure 1, the end of the primary is connected to the end of the secondary.

Note also that the grid leak does not shunt the condenser but, instead, connects from the grid side of the condenser to the side of the filament.

tive and also helps to make the circuit oscillate more powerfully.

In Figure 3 the grid leak leads to the filament and does not shunt the condenser. This arrangement was found most satisfactory. In both Figures 2 and 3, there are but 18 volts used on the amplifying tube for the plate votlage. This is, of

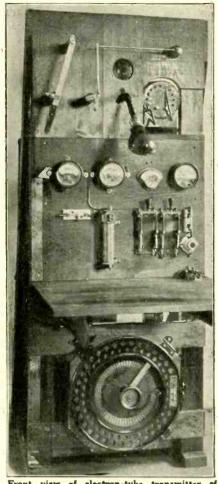
course, operated with Welsh radion

relay.

I have been successful with all of these hook-ups. For instance, on the night of November 29, I heard WZY, KDKA, WJZ, WBAP, WHK, WHAS, WMH, WGM, 2XC, WOC, 2XY, WSB, WFAT, WIGR, WJAH, and WMAB.

# Latest Device to Send Speech by Radio

By S. R. Winters



Front view of electron-tube transmitter of completely modulated waves, described in the accompanying article.

SPEECH modulation of radiofrequency currents is responsible for radiotelephony and
its fascinating applications. The
vibrations of speech are complex
and the task of any form of telephony is to faithfully copy, or reproduce, electrically, at the receiving
point the sound wave voiced at the
transmitting station. The telegraph
key, used in the transmission of dots
and dashes, is the visible difference
between radiotelegraphy and radiotelephony. In the latter mode of
communication, the telegraph key
is displaced by means capable of
varying the antenna current employed in transmission to harmonize
with the sound waves of the voice.
A carbon microphone is the device
commonly employed for this purpose.

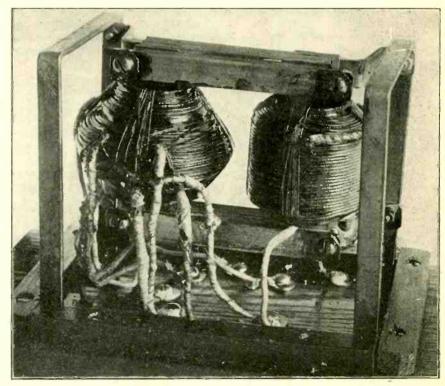
Credit for a new invention belongs to Lewis M. Hull of the Radio-Communication Section of the Bureau of Standards, United States Department of Commerce. The apparatus has been vested with such

structural features as to command attention in three particulars: The possibility of operating an electrontube transmitter from the exclusive sustaining strength of an alternating electric-current source which compares favorably in efficiency with similar sending apparatus utilizing direct current; the requirement of a high-voltage generator or battery is obviated; and, finally, it has the additional virtue over a continuous-wave transmitter in that the communications transmitted thereby may be received over a limited distance by use of a nonoscillating detector. The application of this apparatus in fog sig-nalling and direction finding experiments held at the Bureau of Standards have proved the above

This transmitter employs a type-P pliotron tube. The plates, as well as the filament, are fashioned of tungsten and the former are stamped with rings having a common center, to avoid twisting or bending when subjected to excessive heat. A companion unit of the type-P pliotron tube, in the operation of this transmitter, is a 500-cycle, 150-volt alternator. The power output of this storage-house of electric energy exceeds 200 watts in an antenna having from 8 to 15 ohms resistance and

a natural wave-length below 200 meters. The adjustible wave-length range extends from 500 to 1,000 meters. The result is the ability to radiate completely modulated electromagnetic waves, rendering feasible their reception by means of crystal detectors. The original experimental unit was designed to operate at short wave-lengths.

The compensating winding of the filament-circuit transformer, illustrated in one of the photographs, consists of 100 turns of No. 16 wire, with a tap every dozen turns from 30 to 100. The filament rheostat lends itself to service in adjusting the filament electrical-impulses for any steady value of primary voltage on the transformer. The series compensating winding also makes it practical to adjust the transformer to the source of electric supply in the circuit so that the filament strength may attain a safe maximum when the load is thrown on. The inventor of this transmitter suggests that if ample power is available from the generator it is advisable to overcompensate the transformer, thereby rendering it possible to heat the filament at curtailed electric consumption except when the key is pressed. The incorporation of the series compensating winding in the filament transformer was considered



Filament transformer showing compensated winding used in connection with the electron tube transmitter of completely modulated waves.

# Radio's Benefits for All Classes of Humanity

By J. Andrew White

Chairman of National Radio Week Executive Committee

ters from radio fans and, quite naturally, I am in position to know what radio means to the average person.

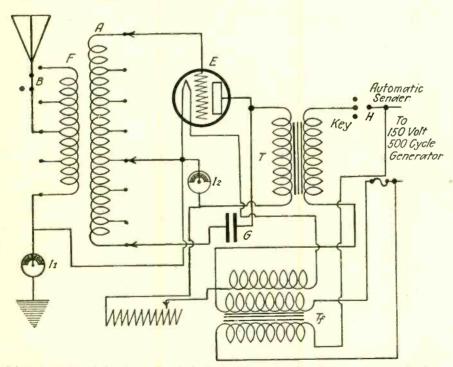
Take the blind, for instance, it has injected new hope into their lives; it has become a bright spot in the darkness that is their lot; it brings to the sightless the newspaper, the

S INCE broadcasting started, I book, the theater, opera, concert, have received thousands of let- and lecture platform, which, in the and lecture platform, which, in the ordinary routine of their lives, is denied them. True they may be led through the streets, but how much better it is to bring to them the things denied by others. A blind person must be unusually gifted, insensitive to public pity or annoyance and amply financed if he or she is to take advantage of the re-

(Continued from preceding page) essential by reason of the fact that the 500-cycle voltage, when employing a 2-kilowatt alternator, dropped enough to lessen the filament current to the extent of 15 per cent. when the electric burden was thrown on in the plate circuit.

An examination of the performance records of this transmitter reveals that communications transmitted through it were received through distracting interference at

a distance of 225 miles, when a 6foot coil antenna, detector and amplifier were in service. Signals from this transmitter, which supplied 5 amperes antenna current to an antenna approximately 50 feet high, in Washington, D. C., were copied at a range of 100 miles by employing an antenna 60 feet high, with an audibility of 10,000, using an autodyne receiving-circuit with two stages of audio-frequency ampli-



Schematic design of the circuit described by Mr. S., R. Winters: (A) Plate and grid coupling coils; continuous coil wound on fiber tube 51/2 inches in diameter; 80 turns No. 18 solid wire spaced one-eighth inch apart; end taps brought out every 5 turns on grid side and every 10 turns on plate side of coil. (B) Antenna switch. (D) Generator field rheostat. (E) Electron tube, type P pliotron. (F) Antenna coil; 30 turns, litzendraht, wound on fiber tube 6% inches in diameter; taps brought out every 2 turns; mounted so as to slide over coupling coil in order to vary mutual inductance. (G) stopping condenser; mica; C = 0.004 uf. (H) Automatic sender, driven by direct-current motor, which is supplied from the field circuit alternator. (1,) Antenna ammeter. (I2) Filament ammeter. (R) Filament rheostat. (T) Supply transformer, 2 kva.; ratio of turns 40/1; full-load voltages 160/6500. (Tt) Filament transformer, special construction, shown in detail in Fig. 5. The main windings consist of 200 turns No. 16 d. c. c., wire on the primary side, connected across the 180-volt supply, and 120 turns No. 16 d. c. c. wire on secondary side, connected to filament circuit. Drawn by S. Newman.

sources of modern society. Only the newest of these resources, radio, brings easily within the ken of the blind all that may be represented by the spoken word or musical sound. When we realize that there are

nearly 53,000 blind persons in the United States, we can understand that radio means a great deal to

them.

Take the case of Carlos Escalante, which came to my attention some time ago. He had been an active business man and had traveled widely. In 1920, he was attacked by a sudden illness and his eyes failed. For a year and a half, he sat in darkness with memory as his only muse. In the home where he once strode confidently, he could but stumble uncertainly with out-stretched arms. Last Christmas, one of his old friends gave him a radio set. It was a godsend to the man. Those of us who rush about daily can only dimly appreciate the joy that radio brought to him.

Take the shut-ins. Only those of us who have gone through a long seige of sickness can understand what the radiophone means to those confined to their beds day after day. It actually hastens recovery, since it tends to relieve the mind of worry. The mind has a powerful influence on the body, and often the patient's own mental condition is the chief obstacle in the way of an early

recovery

Dr. W. E. Jacobs, medical super-intendent of the Cumberland Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, recently commented on this subject: "Radio," he said, "deserves to be ranked with the best mental therapeutic agencies. In fact, for hundreds of cases the radio telephone can be prescribed as one of the best treat-

Broadcasting has brought the mountain to Mohammed; the bedridden may now enjoy the opera, the drama, and the lecture. Little sufferers may now be lulled to dreamland and relief from pain by the calming influence of lullabies

and bed-time stories.

In considering radio we must not forget its place in prison reform. Only recently was radio placed in Sing Sing. Warden Lawes made the following statement: "What the future will hold is difficult to predict. The radiotelephone cannot be an instrument for anything but good; for that reason, if no other, every effort will be made to find a permanent place for it in prison life. I believe its greatest value will lie along mass educational lines. The men hearing addresses made by prominent persons in many parts of the country will gain invaluable instruction.'

# Radiograms

# The Latest Important Radio News Briefly Told for the Growing Army of Radio Fans

THE "Missouri Broadcasters' Association" has been organized, seeking to eliminate radio interference in the interest of transmitting stations and owners of receiving sets. Their rearrangement of broadcast schedules eliminates practically all of the troublesome interferences which have been increasing for the past three months among Missouri broadcasting stations. This reorganization of radio programs doubles the value and service of the average receiving set, and marks a new boost resulting in increased demand for complete sets as well as for the assembling of home built receivers. The officers of the Missouri Broadcasters' Association are Jedell Mayes, president; Leo Fitzpatrick of Kansas City, secretary.

Radio will carry the inaugural address of Governor-elect Alfred E. Smith throughout New York State on January 1. Transmitting apparatus will be placed in the Assembly Chamber, where the ceremonies will be held, amplifiers in the Senate Chamber and on the Capitol steps will transmit the address to the assembled crowds, while thousands of private radio stations will receive the message broadcast.

A cable was sent recently to the amateurs in England to tune in their radio instruments on the 360 meter wave length to listen to H. Gordon Selfridge, jr., who broadcast from the Radio Corporation—Westinghouse Station WJZ at Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Selfridge, jr., assistant manager of the Merchandising Division of the Great London Store, is on a three months' tour in the United States investigating the methods of the American department stores. His father, Harry Gordon Selfridge, is a post-graduate of Marshall Field & Company, Chicago. Mr. Selfridge, jr., on his return trip from the Pacific Coast heard a concert from WJZ while he was in Kansas City. He hopes that this experiment will result in establishing really satisfactory reception of an American station in the British Isles.

Slackers in church contributions are not going to be able to hide behind the radio set. According to the size of a check received by a New York church after the broadcasting of one of its services the radio audience is more deeply touched than the church audience. From one little family which listened in

# The Beginning of a "Bug" By R. L. D.

(With Apologies to K. C. B.)

JUST THE OTHER night, I MET a friend of mine I HAVEN'T seen in years; AND, OF COURSE, we told each other JUST how much WE THOUGHT each had changed, AND HE invited me UP TO his house AND I ACCEPTED the invitation. I WAS introduced TO HIS wife \* \* \* AND his son \* \* AND LITTLE daughter. AND HIS RADIO SET-HE TRIED to get me INTERESTED in IT but I couldn't SEE HOW any grown man COULD SIT at a table LIKE HE did

AND FOOL with a lot of knobs AND FIDDLE WITH levers UNTIL I heard a man TALKING, AND he said: "THE NEXT selection played BY MISS SMITH will BE 'MEDITATION' from 'Thais.' " AND THAT IS my favorite PIECE OF music. AND IT WAS SO WONDERFULLY clear and NICE that when MISS SMITH finished I APPLAUDED loudly, AND THEY laughed at AND, anyway, next WEEK I'm going TO BUY A BIG one FOR MYSELF alone.

on the church service came a check for \$11.35. Multiplying this amount by the number of families to whom the radio church service has become an establishment it is seen that the total represents more money than is taken in by all the churches combined in a year's time.

President Scripps, of the United Press, has started out on a two years' cruise of the world, accompanied by radio. He will make the voyage on his 152-foot yacht, "Ohio," which has a cruising radius of some 9,000 miles. The first stop will be Jacksonville, Florida. A 2-kilowatt spark transmitter and a complete receiving equipment have been installed on board and are in charge of J. L. O'Connell, operator. Mr. Scripps wants to keep in touch with the world.

A young-lady singer participating in a broadcast concert at Anaconda, Montana, was heard by relatives at Alert Bay, 2,000 miles away. They were greatly surprised when, listening in, they heard her voice for the first time in five years.

Radio operators on ships in the Pacific tune in on Honolulu station for the midnight time-signals, and then by a quick adjustment catch the noon time-signals from Nauen, Germany.

The Public Health Service wishes to learn the extent of its radio audience through an appeal to all who "listen in" on its broadcasting programs to communicate by post card to the Surgeon General, Public Health Service, Washington, D. C. Officials of the service declare that they believe theirs is the greatest radio audience in the world, as health programs are regularly broadcast from ten different stations scattered from coast to coast, but they desire to back up their belief with facts.

A musical program, broadcast from WGY, Schenectady, New York, was plainly heard at Cherbourg, France, by the chief radio-operator and others on the steamer "America" while the ship was at dock in that port. Dr. W. R. Whitney, director of the General Electric Company's research laboratory, who is traveling abroad, talked with Chief Operator Black of the "America" and learned for the first time that WGY had successfully bridged the Atlantic. According to Dr. Whitney, Operator Black stated that a concert from the Schenectady station had come in so well that when he removed the telephones from his ears and laid them on the table in his room the music was plainly audible to those nearby. Cherbourg is 3,100 miles from Schenectady. This feat establishes a WGY record for transmission to the East only. This station has been heard in Hilo, Territory of Hawaii, which is 5,200 miles from Schenectady by direct air-line.

KGB, the Tacoma, Washington "Ledger"-William A. Mullins Electric Company radio broadcasting station, is inaugurating a novel feature. It is planned to broadcast weekly reviews of the current leading radio periodicals and books, published in the interim, reading these reviews over the radiophone on a regularly assigned day each week. The reviews will be prepared with care by a staff of three—two radio experts to digest the material and a newspaperman to write the reviews.

Radio added luster to the "Tree of Light," the huge Christmas tree annually given a place in Madison Square, New York City. The Radio Corporation of America installed a set in the branches, with several powerful voice projectors. The special program from WJZ was given, and thousands heard radio for the first time.

The present laws governing radio transmission in England and France prohibit their amateurs from using more than ten watts, which limits their range, but on December 21, when they began transmitting their signals to American amateurs, they were permitted by their governments to use 1,000 watts, which will enable them to participate in the tests involving two continents. The French amateurs transmitted on wave lengths between 180 and 300 meters.

As Coué Might Say:-

"Week by week, in every way, RADIO WORLD is getting better and better."

# Radio and the Woman By Crystal D. Tector

FRIEND dropped in the other day. Spying my radio set, she made a wry face and said: "Oh, mercy! has your husband one of those things, too? My Joe bought one about two months ago, and since it is working, he comes home, rushes through his supper and then goes and puts those phones on—and he doesn't budge until about twelve o'clock. He is as talkative as a stone; and every time I start to say something, he either shushes me or else looks with that faraway look. It's simply terrible! It's worse than living with a mummy." I wonder what she would say if he didn't have the radio "bug" and went out every night. She should be glad that she has something to keep him home. that she has something to keep him home.

WELL, who would have thought of it but a woman? I went visiting the other afternoon. It was raining and my hostess had a sore foot. No one had thought to bring knitting. Do you know what we did? We got out her son's buzzer-practice set and sat there all afternoon and learnt the code. And we formed a little club and intend to practice every Tuesday afternoon until we are all able to copy twenty words a minute. Then we are going down and get first-class licenses.

THINK it is just terrible! I refer to the way the average radio salesman imposes on the average customer. I was listenfor him, talking to a poor little confused woman who had the perfectly good intention of buying her cousin a set for his Christmas. Something like this took place:

"Well, madam, you see if your antenna hasn't sufficient length, you will have to add inductance into the primary circuit. Then

you will have to add inductance into the primary circuit. Then again if—" and so on for about fifteen minutes until the poor

again 11—" and so on for about fifteen minutes until the poor thing was so confused that I interrupted and said:
"Listen-here, young man! You aren't talking to Professor Steinmetz. Tell this young woman just what she'll need in order to set up a simple set."

He looked at me and blushed. Later, when in the subway to make a dinner engagement, I saw the same young man closely studying a book. It was a well-known volume on making radio simpler for the layman.

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RECENTLY bought a fairly large map of the United States, in order to keep a record of broadcasting stations, but found that putting ink and pencil marks on it didn't improve its appearance any. So I went out and bought a number of large colored thumb-tacks and printed the call letters of the stations on them. Then I took a piece of string and pasted small pieces of paper on it to represent distance. When I hear a new station, I apply another thumb-tack. I have a ready reference both as to stations received and the actual distance they are located from my town.

RIEND HUSBAND and myself went visiting last week—and we didn't enjoy ourselves one bit. Sonny had a nice radio set and there was a good program on; but he kept switching around all the time to see if he "couldn't get it in louder." The result was that it sounded like a Chinese cabaret.

VISITED the editor of Radio World last week to wish him Merry Christmas. I never knew that one man could keep so busy. I remained in his sanctum about ten minutes and then just had to get out. He made me ashamed of myself for loafing. He blamed it all on National Radio Week. I believe him. I think that National Radio Week has done more to stimulate radio than any one thing that has happened since Marconi became a "bug."

EVER since amateur radio communication has been established between France and the United States, Friend Husband has seriously considered "scrapping" the set. He is worried over the fact that the French stations might start broadcasting the latest fashions, and, he says, when they start doing so the American husband owning a radio set will be kept broke buying new clothes. How good of him to think of others!

H E was a neighbor of ours for about a week. Friend Husband met him on the train, and invited him to drop in and listen to a radio concert. During the intermission, like a lot of other "hams," I began to cut loose in all the latest radioese. of other "hams," I began to cut loose in all the latest radioese. I kept it up for about fifteen minutes—and all the time he was smiling sort of funny. Finally he and Friend Husband got to talking about business. F. H. confessed to being a lawyer, and then our guest sprung the surprise of my young life.

"I'm consulting engineer for one of the largest radio companies in the country," he glibly uttered.

Friend Husband is still alive. But he'll laugh himself sick if laise, to reful.

he isn't careful.

### Radio Adds Joy to Her Home



(C. Kadel & Herbert) That radio is filling an important and necessary place in the American home is indelibly proved by the photographs Miss Detector has selected to illustrate her page this week. The young lady who posed for the photograph is Miss Dorothy Knapp, who recently won first prize for physical-culture development. The upper photograph shows her radio set in her kitchen-she is an experienced housekeeper.

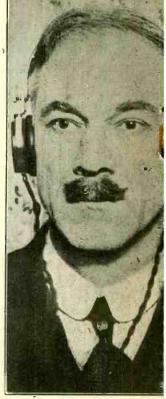


(C. Kadel & Herbert) The lower photograph is a cozy corner of her living room. Miss Knapp also uses radio to furnish music by which she takes her physical-culture exercises.

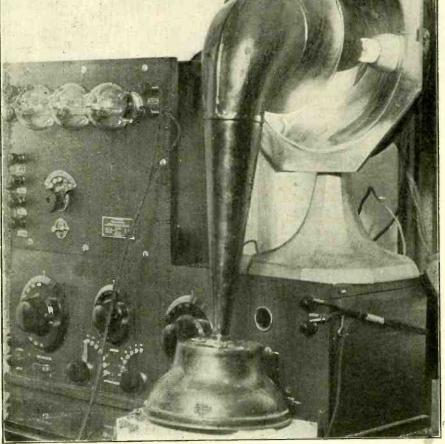
(C. Kade) & Herbert)
(Above) Huge inductance used at the College of the City of New York Radio Laboratories on the powerful transoceanic transmitter. This instrument was specially built by the students of City College for the circuits used. The tickler may be seen just inside the small coil.

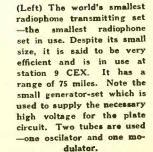
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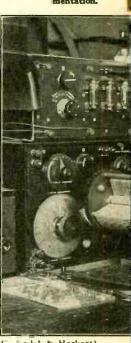
Captions
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(C. World Wide Photos)
(Above) Step right up, ladies ar men! Absolutely the only one in No, we are not referring to the the radio receiving set he is we scarf pin. C. Saunders, Beecham claims to have invented the smaset. Here he is shown wearing tie. This is the result of years mentation.







(C. halel & Herbert)
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the loud apeaker. If you don't happen to have a heater handy use a tin dishpan or a large bowl, which is even better than the pan.

(Right) If you want to make your loud-speaker more powerful, try the stunt shown here. It is a well-known fact in scientific circles that parabolic-shaped objects will throw sound waves, or heat- pr light-waves better than conical-shaped objects. For that reason, all powerful search-lights have parabolic reflect-ors. This is just what an object like the heater in the illustration will do if you place a loud-speaking horn before it. You will have to experiment as to the proper distance that the horn

must be placed from the

center, as the acoustic prop-

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rounding it have a great effect on it. This experiment

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(C. Kadel & Herbert)
(Above) Not every dog in the world is privileged to have his own Rolls-Royce and listen to radiophone music. But "Duke," prize Boston bull, being of the canine aristocracy, is not to be confounded with other dogs. In a special interview granted the photographer, this peer of dogdom remarked that he would rather listen to KDKA than gnaw a nice juicy steak-bone. But, of course, all dogs are not so well educated as "Duke," amd their thoughts run to more mundane matters.

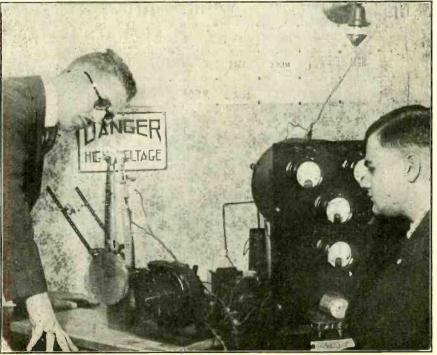


is conducted in the College of the City of New York. Abraham pe of transatlantic receiver. Notice the miliammeter on the panel see how much current is passing through the plate circuit. It s, that most of the leading engineers are constantly conducting experiments to improve radio.



(C. Kadel & Herbert)
(Above) The ideal set for the outdoor man. The set is absolutely water and weather proof. It was constructed by Wendell Kilmer to withstand any kind of weather. The set proper is regenerative, employing both radio- and audio-frequency. Excellent results have been accomplished using a barbod-wire fence as an aerial—and that in a pouring rain! As the photograph shows, the entire cabinet is shielded so that no capacity effect will be felt.

(Below) The first American amateur station to be heard in France during the official American Radio Relay League tests. Fred H. Schnell, at left, is the traffic manager of the league; at the right, is Perry Briggs. owner of the station. The photograph shows them testing out the automatic sender with which they called France. This was used so as to enable the operator to keep a constant watch on the apparatus. These radioists are to be heartily congratulated for being the first to actually get into communication with Great Britain and France.



(C. International News Reel)

# With the DX Nite Owls

A Canadian's Fine Work From Clifford Dafoe, 152 Patterson Avenue, Chatham, Ontario, Canada

HAVE read in RADIO WORLD a number of letters from different owners of receiving sets who claim to have "busted" a few records in receiving. If Mr. Weis is proud of his home-made set, I should be tickled pink with mine. I have a single-circuit regenerative set with one step of audio-amplification. Vario-coupler, 11-plate variable condenser, grid coupler, 11-plate variable condenser, grid leak, and condenser, phone condenser, point switch, dials, and panel are all home-made. It isn't very elaborate or imposing in appearance, but it sure works! I am inclosing a list of long-range stations I made last night, just as I heard them. I had a friend with me, with another set of phones, so the list may be proved. may be proved.

may be proved.

I have a letter of verification from KHJ, Los Angeles, as I heard him first on November 13: KHJ, KGN, CJCG, CFCN, CKAC, CFCF, WNAC, WAAC, DN4, WHB, WDAF, WBT, PWX, WBAP, WFAA, WSB, also 6XB, and 6BT in San Francisco. These last two carry off the long-range charmonship

6BT in San Francisco. These last two carry off the long-range championship for this locality. I have to share the honors with Mr. Collins, owner of the radio shop here, who, as well as myself, has heard all the above stations, using a Grebe CR 9.

You United States boys have it all over us in Canada on the transmitting end, but we'll make you step to keep up with us on the receiving end. I never log a new station simply by the call letters, but wait until the name of the company or wait until the name of the company or the town and State is given. I find this

the town and State is given. I find this the only accurate way.

The equipment of my set is as follows: English (Mullard) tube used as a detector, and Meyers R. A. C., No. 3, with Chelsea transformer as amplifier. I find either Brandes 2000-ohm or Sterling (English) 8000-ohm phones give almost equal results, though my favorite is the Sterling set.

Sterling set.

My aerial is a single wire, 80 feet long, 13 feet high at one end and 16 feet high at the other end, where a 4-foot lead-in is connected which runs through a window to my set. My ground lead is about 12 feet long and is attached to the water pipes.

pipes.
My set isn't a freak in any way. I use a standard hook-up and have built one for my sister and one for a friend. The three sets work just about the same. The secret is in the value of the grid leak and grid condenser, also the phone condenser. I don't know what value they are as I just experimented till they worked right. I wish to thank W. W. J. for the bole her when itself with the same and the same as I is a second to the same as I just experimented till they worked right. I wish to thank W. W. J. for the help he unknowingly gave me in

adjusting my set.

Hoping this may find space in our paper. paper.

### Aerial 200 Feet Long From M. P. Bailey, Moscow, Idaho

I NOTICE a letter in Radio World No. 35, dated November 25, from Kenneth F. Smith, Birmingham, Alabama, regardable to hear and which he claims is a record. I believe that I have him beaten, but do not consider that I have made a record as yet.

Not counting our local broadcasting station, the nearest station that I have picked up is at Portland, Oregon, about 400 miles away, while the farthest station The Editors of RADIO WORLD will be pleased to receive sketches of hook-ups of the various "DX Night Owis" sending in records, with a view of publishing them.

Other letters from the DX "bugs" will be published from week to week .- The Editor.

heard is Atlanta, Georgia, about 2,000 miles. However, I counted the stations on my log about two weeks ago, and had 59. Since that time, I have picked up several more. My long-distance ones include WOC, Davenport, Iowa; WHB, Kansas City, Missouri; KSD, St. Louis; Dallas, Texas; Fort Worth, Texas; Winnepeg, Manitoba; Minneapolis; Louisville, Kentucky Kentucky.

My set is a home-made single circuit with two stages of audio and no radio amplification. I have a single-wire aerial about 200 feet long and use a water pipe as a ground. The aerial is about 20 feet high. I do not count any station that I cannot understand through the Mag-

I have on file replies from most of the stations heard, as I usually write them of the reception. I was able to pick up St. Louis several nights ago broadcasting a dance program from the Hotel Statler. They were so loud that we could have danced by it. This is about 1,500 miles.

### Responds to the Hooting From Norman Peterson, Concord, Contra Costa County, California

H EARING the Hoot! Hoot! of the night owls, I respectfully submit what I think is a record. "Maybe they are and maybe they aint!" Here we go: WHB, Kansas City, Missouri, 1,300 miles; WBAP, Fort Worth, Texas, 1,400 miles; CFCN, Calgary, Canada, 1,400 miles. Detector tube, vario-coupler, variable condenser—that's all!

# With Detector Tube Only

From Perkins Bennegan, 637 Poplar Avenue, Fresno, California

SINCE everybody else seems to be doing it, I have decided to tell my receiving record. I have heard about 70 different stations, and usually get about

### A Real Nite Howl!



Ripley in "The Globe," New York

20 each night. My best record for 4 hours is 21 stations; 5 hours, 23; 6 hours, 26. The stations I get clearly and loud each evening range from KHJ, KFI and KWH, Los Angeles; KDPT, San Diego; KFAF, KLZ, DD5, DN4, Denver; KZH, KDYL, Solt Lake; KFC, Seattle; KGG, KGW, KYG, Portland, to KUO, KFDB, KDN, San Francisco.

For my DX work: WOC, Davenport, Iowa, 1,600 miles; PWX, Havana, 2,500 miles; KSD, St. Louis, 1,600 miles; WDAP and KYW, Chicago, 1,800 miles; WSB, Atlanta, Georgia, 2,000 miles. That's a pretty good record for one night's work!

on December 2, I heard all the above stations. I don't have such luck every evening, but nights similar to that are not so rare. I won't say that these stations came in loud enough to be heard all over

the house; but they do come in fairly loud. PWX came in very QSA.

My set consists of a detector tube only. I use a vario-coupler and variable condenser for tuning. My aerial is about 40 feet high.

### Accepts Mr. Smith's Challenge From Jack Cowan, 512 Cotton Avenue, West End, Birmingham, Alabama

I N RADIO WORLD, No. 35, dated November 25 is a letter from Kenneth T. Smith. It so happens that we are located in the same city but so far have not had the pleasure of meeting. However, I accept his challenge, so here goes to "get my

his challenge, so here goes to "get my feet wet."

I have a home-made set, also, with two stages of audio-frequency, aerial 125 feet long, 35 feet high. On Saturday night, November 25, the following stations were brought in clearly over my loud-speaker, which, by the way, is only a 6000-ohm phone and an ordinary Grafonola horn:

WCR, Buffalo; WBAD, Minneapolis; WDAP, Chicago; WNAD, Norman, Oklahoma; WEAP, Fort Dodge, Iowa; KHJ, Los Angeles; 8XAK, Springfield, Ohio; WSB, Atlanta; WOM, Atlanta; WOC, Davenport, Iowa; WBAP, Fort Worth; WKM, Memphis; KSB, St. Louis; WDAF, Kansas City, Missouri; WHAS, Louisville; WFAA, Dallas.

On other nights, I have heard up to eighteen stations. I make no record of stations received in my log unless they are audible enough to be heard over my loud-speaker. Within the last sixty days, I have heard sixty different stations, all of which are located over 250 miles from Birmingham, Los Angeles being the greatest distance.

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### In One Year!

### From Joseph Muntyan, 246 East 90th Street, New York City, N. Y.

I NOTICED an article in one of the papers the other day entitled, "Does It Pay to Assemble Your Own Set?" My answer is, "Yes!" I knew nothing about radio until about a year ago. I bought parts of a crystal set and assembled it myself getting as good results as bought parts of a crystal set and assembled it myself, getting as good results as may be expected from a crystal. But the results did not satisfy my wishes. Later I bought a blue print of a "long and shortwave honeycomb coil set with 2-step amplifier." I completed the set about three months ago. It took me two weeks to assemble the set as I took my time with it, making sure that all connections were made right and properly soldered. I have two cabinets, one for the receiver and the other for the 2-step amplifier. For

### With the DX Nite Owls

(Continued from preceding page)

loud-speaker, I am using a single Bald-win phone, type C, which brings in the music of the nearby stations clear and loud enough to dance by. Furthermore, it is a pleasure to tune in and out the different stations on this set, as I do not experience the hissing and buzzing sounds that so many complain of when they put their hands close to the set. In appear-ance and operation this set is as good if not better than some of the higher-priced sets on the market to-day. Following is a list of radiophone stations I have received to date with a wire connected to the fire escape as aerial. The landlord would not permit me to put an aerial on the roof:

the roof:
WJZ, WHN, WWZ, WOR, WAAM,
WEAF, WOO, WBS, WGY, WHAS,
WOZ, WRW, WOE, WHAZ, WWJ,
WOC, KDKA, WIP, WFI, WBZ, WVP,
WBAN, WNAC, WGI, KYW, WDAP,
WHB, WJAX, WAAC, WMAK, WGR,
WSB, WDAF, WBAP, KSD, WMAS,
WQAA and IXD.
I have letters and post cards from most

I have letters and post cards from most of the stations confirming my statements; and, furthermore, I keep a record of the time and date that I receive the stations. All the above-named stations were received by using 2 D-L 50 and 1 D-L 75 coils, including station WVP. I would like to know what results I would get by using an aerial 150 to 200 feet long.

This is another instance where it is not necessary to have an aerial in order to do good work. It is quite possible that if the writer were to put up an aerial such as he suggests in his letter, his results would be improved. Landlords must be landlords, and, evidently, the poor radio amateur is never appreciated until it is too late.—The Editors.

### Heard in New Brunswick From Hollis Baird, River de Chute, Carleton County, New Brunswick

HAVE noticed letters in Radio World regarding receiving records. With Giblin-Remler coils in a standard tickler-circuit using radiotron tubes, mica variable condensers and only one step of audio with 22½ volts plate-voltage I get the following stations: WJZ, WGY, WWJ, KDKA, WBZ, WEAF, WBAY, WNAC, NOF, WHAZ, WOR, WIP, WGL, WLW, WAAN, Columbia, Mississippi;

WOO, CKAC, Montreal; WFI, WGI, WHK, KSD, WDAP, CFCA, Toronto.
These stations are from 475 to 1,400 miles from here, with the exception of CKAC, which is only 275. The majority of them are heard regularly.

Of course there are better records than mine; but I think it is better than Mr. Merklein's.

### Mr. Miller Adds to His Set From W. Miller, Box 222, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas

L AST night (December 13) being a quiet night for Dallas, I was afforded the opportunity to do a little with my one-tube contraption. At variwith my one-tube contraption. At various intervals between the hours of 6 o'clock and 11 o'clock I received stations WPA, WWJ, WOAI, WDAF, WGM, WOC, WBAP, WHB, WOS, KSD, WNAV, KFAF, PWX, KDKA, WGY, KLZ, WCX, KLN, WSB, KZN, KHJ, WDAJ, WLAC, KDPT and enjoyed opera from KYW.

I submit this information as one night's

I submit this information as one night's results-not claiming a record. This per-

"night owl."

My circuit is as set forth in Radio World, No. 30, dated October 21, with several improvements.

Since adding these improvements.

Since adding these improvements, I have added six more States to my log, which now totals 33, besides Havana. Cuba; Tampico, Mexico; and several Canadian stations. Not so bad for a

### Without Any Grid Leak A Suggestion to Increase the Range of Mr. W. Miller's Circuit

R EGARDING the hook-up of Mr. W. Miller, published in RADIO WORLD, No. 30, dated October 21, which has attracted unusual attention among amateurs throughout the United States and Canada, RADIO WORLD has received the following interesting suggestion from Dr. Willis L. Hale, 47 North Washington Street, North Attleboro Massachusetts.

Dr. Hale writes:

"Increase value of Miller circuit 100
per cent by leaving out all grid leak and
use a vernier rheostat. It's a dandy!
Good for 1,000 miles any night."

### Transatlantic Tests Successful

France Copies Signals of American Amateurs for First Time, December 13

FIRST reports on the transatlantic tests of the American Radio Relay League, received at the league headquarters, Hartford, Connecticut, on Wednesday, December 13, show that twenty-five American amateurs were heard in England and thirteen in France. For the first time in the history of amateur radio the French were successful in copying the signals from American amateurs. December 12 marked the start of the tests, and they will continue until December 31.

December 31.

The following were heard in England:
1-BGF, Perry O. Briggs, 52 Girard avenue, Hartford; 1-YK, Polytechnic Institute,
Worcester, Mass.; 2-GK, A. G. Kastenmayer, Schenectady, N. Y.; 2-NZ, E. R.
Raguse, Tottenville, N. Y.; 2-XAP,
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy.
N. Y.; 2-ZK, George C. Cannon, New

Rochelle, N. Y.; 2-ZL, J. O. Smith, Valley Stream, L. I.; 3-ZW, Walter A. Parks, Washington, D. C.; 8-AQO, C. P. Meredith, Cazenovia, N. Y.; 8-AWP, S. Woolworth, Syracuse, N. Y.; 2-EL, H. H. Carman, Freeport, N. Y.; 2-BML, H. H. Beverage, Riverhead, L. I.; 2-LY, C. A. Wood, Port Richmond, N. Y.; 3-BGT, C. S. Risley, Atlantic City, N. J.; 3-IIC, G. L. Diechman, Baltimore, Md.; 3-ZY, L. A. Dunham, Washington, D. C.; 4-FB, A. Bush, St. Athens, Ga.; 4-PI, L. Rexach, San Juan, Porto Rico; 7-PO, G. E. Kensey, Seattle, Wash.; 8-GQ, R. Moore, Columbus, Ohio; 2-ZS, C. R. Runyon, Jr., Yonkers, N. Y.; 3-XD, University of Princeton, Princeton, N. J.; 4-BX, G. S. Smith, Wilmington, Del. The following stations were heard in France: 8-AQO, C. B. Meredith, Cazenovia, N. Y.; 1-YK, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass.; 1-BGF, P. O. Briggs, Hartford; 1-BCG, Minton Cronkhite, Greenwich; 2-XAP, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.; 2-ZK, George C. Cannon, New Rochelle, N. Y.; 3-HG, G. K. Deichman, Baltimore, and others.



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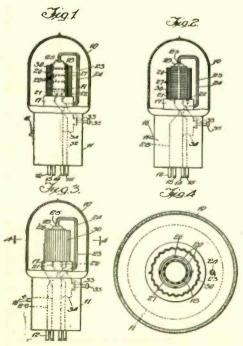
# Lee de Forest Discovers New Oscillion

No. 1,67,489. Patentee: Lee de Forest, New York
City, N. Y.

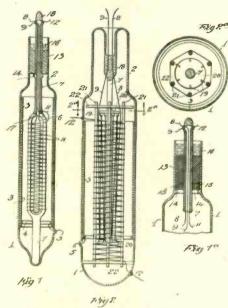
The latest radio invention of Dr.
Lee de Forest appears to have
a number of advantages over the
present types of oscillions. Told in his
own words, Dr. de Forest says:
"I provide a glass vessel containing the
usual three electrodes, the filament, or
glower; the grid; and the plate, or wing
the vessel being designated generally
by reference numeral 1. The vessel 1 is by reference numeral 1. The vessel 1 is preferably tubular in form ond constricted at one end to form a neck 2. In Figure 1 the neck 2 is open, as indicated. The plate or wing element 3 is preferably in the form of a cylinder, and is positioned close to the wall of the vessel. is positioned close to the wall of the ves-sel, or, preferably, plated directly on the wall of the vessel, and may be of any desired suitable material such as silver, platinum, tungsten or the like. Fitting in close contact with the plate is a band of tungsten, or nickel, or the like, indi-cated at 4, to which is connected a lead wire 5, sealed through the wall of the vessel as shown. The filament or glower vessel as shown. The filament or glower electrode 6, which is preferably carbon, tungsten, or oxide-coated platinum, is as shown, in the form of a loop or "hairpin," anchored at its lower end in a glass frame 7. The glass frame 7 is in the form of a glass rod which rests at its lower end against the bottom of the vessel. Intermediate its ends the forms in sel. Intermediate its ends, the frame is formed with yoke arms which form a space between them, in which space the

New Electron Tube No. 1,437,607. Patented December 5, 1922. Patentee: Eugene L. Mueller, Chicago

M.R. MUELLER'S invention relates to electron tubes and, more espe-cially, to electron tubes where in the source of electrons comprises an arc. Electron tubes are of general use as sources of high-frequency current, de-



Four figures, showing diagramatically the elements of construction in Mr. Mueller's new electron tube.



Four figures, showing diagramatically the most important parts of Dr. deForest's invention.

filament 6 extends. Above the yoke portion of the glass frame or rod the rod is hollow, and the respective leads 8, 9, of the filament extend upwardly in the hol-low rod and are sealed through the wall."

tectors of radio-frequent oscillations, and, also, as amplifiers of feeble currents.

These electron tubes comprise an

evacuated bulb containing a source of electrons, a metal "plate" member and a "grid" member consisting of fine wire or a perforated metal sheet interposed between the source of electrons and the "plate" member.

In the arts of space telegraphy, telephony and the like, the electron tube finds great application; but the particular method employed to enable the tube to function properly on one of its several uses is not a part of this invention. The specific requirements of the use to which the tube is put will necessitate adaption of the tube to meet these requirements. However, such adaption is only for the purpose of obtaining a certain capacity or obtaining some result which does not alter the fundamental characteristics of the tube. To cause the tube to function in any of its capacities as a detector, highin any of its capacities as a detector, high-frequency current generator, or as an amplifier, it is only necessary to properly place it in the circuit of which it is to be a part. The tube must have suitable coacting elements in the circuit. This fact is well known to experts.

The objects of this invention are as follows: To provide an electron tube having an arc for a source of electrons, this arc being confined in a tube con-

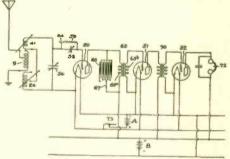
this arc being confined in a tube containing a vaporizable material; to provide an electron tube capable of sustained and prolonged usage. In continuous-wave telephone work, the filament of the oscillator and modulator is subject to a great strain from the high voltage and amperage of the grid and plate circuits so that the life of the tube is very short. In Mr. Mueller's device, the filament is done away with thus increasing the life done away with, thus increasing the life

of the tube.

### New System Applied to Coupling Apparatus

No. 1,437,772. Patented December 5, 1922. entee: John B. Nowlan, Denver, Colorado

HE object of my invention," says Mr. Nowlan, in his transcript, "is to pro-Nowlan, in his transcript, "is to provide a radio-receiving apparatus of high selectivity whereby signals transmitted on adjacent wave lengths may be received and isolated for reproduction without undue interference. Another object is to provide a circuit arrangement in a radioreceiving apparatus for securing extreme accuracy in the coupling of the tuned circuits of the receiving apparatus; also to provide a construction of coupler for securing accurate adjustment of coupling of the tuned circuits of the receiving apparatus; and to provide circuit connections and an arrangement of parts where-



Combination of a primary circuit including a primary winding, and a secondary circuit comprising a pair of windings, each directly connected in series and each cumulatively coupled to the primary winding, the secondary circuit beginning at one end of the windings and con-tinuing in a single direction through other secondary winding to the end. These ends form the sole terminals of the secondary circuit for connection with the radio receiving apparatus.

by simplicity in adjustment, compactness and selectivity in the different parts of the receiver circuits is secured, with means on a receiver panel whereby the apparatus may be protected against heavy surges and electrostatic charges, and may also be protected when not in use by direct connection of the antenna with ground."

The radio-receiving apparatus of this invention comprises an insulated panel carrying the radio equipment supported on the rear thereof and housed within a cabinet. The apparatus includes a radio-frequency oscillating circuit which may be an antenna ground-circuit, a coil-collector circuit, or a ground system balanced against a free ended extended conductor. The oscillation circuit includes a primary inductance tapped at calcated a primary inductance tapped at selected points to switch contacts whereby the desired amount of inductance may be included in the oscillating circuit.

### Coming Events

The editors of RADIO WORLD will gladly publish news items of all contemplated radio shows and expositions. Keep us posted by mailing full information.

SECOND NATIONAL RADIO EXPOSITION, direction International Trade Exposition Co., Chicago, January 13 to 20, inclusive, 1923, George A. King, director of publicity, 417 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

PERMANENT RADIO FAIR FOR BUYERS, Hotel Imperial, New York City. Open from September, 1922, to May, 1923.

AMERICAN RADIO EXPOSITION, Grand Control Palace, New York City, December 21 to 31.
Colwell & Korbell, Fisk Building, New York City, directors of publicity.

SECOND DISTRICT RADIO CONVENTION, Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, March 1, 2, and 3, 1923.

FIRST UNIVERSAL EXPOSITION OF IN-VENTIONS AND PATENTS, Grand Central Pal-ace, New York City, February 17 to 22, inclusive, 1923.

# NAA to Be Chief Government Broadcaster

Takes Place of NOF, Which Will Resume Its Experimental Work

NAA, the great Naval Radio Station at Radio, Virginia, near Arlington, D. C., becomes the United States Gov-ernment's chief broadcasting station for official information on January 3, 1923. On that date, all regular broadcasting previously handled by NOF, the radio experimental station of the Navy at Anacostia, will be transferred. Thereafter, NOF will resume its experimental and research work, which may include the broadcasting of the Navy and Marine Band music in the interest of modulation tests.

A special wave length of 710 meters from the Government and public broadcasting band was assigned to NAA by Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, on December 15, at the request of the Interdepartmental Radio Committee. Interdepartmental Radio Committee. This was done in order that the several regular circuits of the Army and Navy located there may be operated simultaneously without interference which occurred when phone broadcasting was undertaken on the lower governmental wave lengths from the main antenna.

wave lengths from the main antenna. The new radiophone transmitting set was especially made for NAA at the Naval Radio Laboratory at Anacostia. It is based on the master-oscillator, power-amplifier system, and employs six 250-watt tubes, giving an output of 1½ kilowatts. The apparatus is arranged so that the waves from 400 to 2,200 meters may be used in transmitting, and the power is derived from a 2-kilowatt generator. When transmitting on 710 mepower is derived from a 2-kilowatt generator. When transmitting on 710 meters, a special single-wire antenna, stretched from the top of one of the 400-foot towers, is used. This new circuit does not interfere with any of the other circuits, although used simultaneously. The height of the antenna gives practically the same efficiency as the multi-ple-tuned antenna used at Anacostia. When transmitting on the high-wave length, 2500

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ending December To medicating:

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Co., Mattoon, Ill.
WPAK—North Dakota Agricultural
College, Fargo, N. D.
WPAT—St. Patrick's Cathedral, El
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WPAH—Wisconsin Department of
Markets, Waupoca, Wis.
WOAY—John W. Wilder, Birmingham. Ala.

am, Ala. KFDH—University of Arizona, Tucson,

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meters, the large antenna will be used and The design of this special set will permit of excellent modulation for the sending of speech and even music, Naval radio engineers say. other circuits will be interrupted temporarily.

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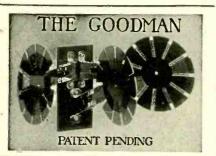
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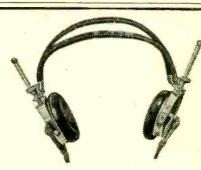
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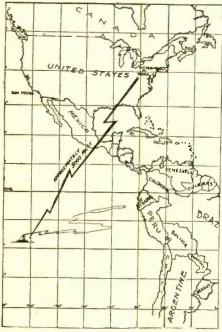


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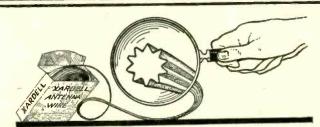
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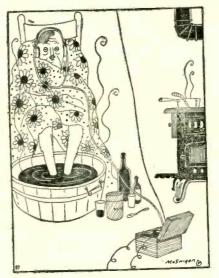
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an' jump to keep up circulation. Gosh! I hate to do the chores when its as cold inside the barn as it is out of doors. When Inside the barn as it is out of doors. When I get up these mornin's it's as dark as pitch outside an' 'fore I get the chores done I am almost froze beside. Last week I caught an awful cold, worst one I've had fer years. My nose wuz like an eight-day clock, an' eyes chuck full of tears; my back ached an' my head ached, I felt ninety-four years.old. I wish some doc could find out how such things could doc could find out how such things could be controlled. I soaked my dainty feet in mustard baths till they were pink—I'd in mustard baths till they were pink—I'd hate to tell you how much lemonade Min made me drink. All wrapped up in a comforter there's nothin' I could do but listen to my Radio an' I wuz feelin' blue because on every Tuesday night they broadcast singin' lessons which helps me find an outlet fer my musical expressions. While I don't need no lessons still it keeps me up to date on how to tell the other boys who ain't so fortunate. But Tuesday I wuz feelin' bad, it kinda got my goat—all stuffed up with that cold of mine I couldn't sing a note. mine I couldn't sing a note.
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By Dr. Frank Crane

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The Desert of Sahara, which is already dotted with radio stations from which French garrisons receive instructions.

Alaska. Recently the first station was es-

tablished at Fairbanks.

The Boy Scouts. Especially in England, the boys are using radio. With a radio out-

the boys are using ratio. William J. Flynn, former Secret Service chief, says that radio is especially valuable in broadcasting description of criminals.

The use of radio on ships in remote parts of the sea and on air vessels.

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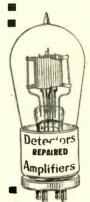


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ever, the Princeton operators managed to get

in touch with amateurs in England three weeks ago, establishing a record for sets of that power, it is believed. The club has twenty-five members.

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4—You would probably be successful in doing this if you used about 150 feet of wire, but an outside aerial is advisable wherever possible.

5—It is impossible to discuss the merits of various competitive radio tubes in these

I am constructing a 2-slide tuner according to enclosed sketch. Give me a hook-up for this.—George Cole, Sandusky, O.

If you will look in RADIO WORLD, No. 11, dated June 10, you will find an article and several hook-ups, "How to Construct One-and Two-slide Tuners," by George W. May. You mention using a flat board for your winding core. This is all right, but why not stick to the standard way and wind it on a round tube or core? round tube or core?

What size windings should be used in the regenerative set described by Harold Day in Radio World, No. 30, dated October 21.
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You should use No. 20 wire wound in the following manner: eight turns with taps taken off every turn, then seven groups of eight turns apiece. This will permit you to get what is known as single-turn tuning. The rotor should be wound full with the same size wire.

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Enclosed find diagram of superheterodyne with 5 tubes. When hooked up, as shown in diagram, I get nothing but howls. What is the matter?—William Charlman, Pottsville, Pa.

Your diagram is correct. A superhetero-Your diagram is correct. A superneterodyne is a very hard circuit to manipulate. We suggest that you consult anyone of the following back numbers of RADIO WORLD in order to learn the correct manipulation of this circuit: June 24, July 8, July 15, August 5, September 16. If you are not familiar with working sets of this type, it is better to construct a simpler set as this is an extremely hard set to work unless you an extremely hard set to work unless you understand it thoroughly, which very few people do.

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1—Can I use a radiator pipe for a ground? 2—Is an outside aerial necessary?

3-Can I use more than one set of phones

with a crystal set?

4—If so, will I have to use two condensers across them.—Inquirer, Youngstown, Pa.

1—Yes. A radiator pipe is all right for a ground. A cold-water pipe is better.

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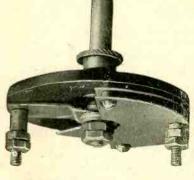
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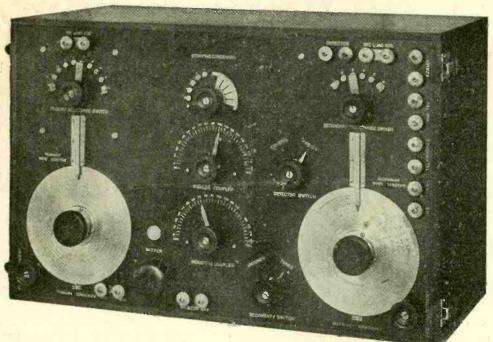
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