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The Improved **BROWNING-DRAKE**



FIG. 1

THE IMPROVED Browning-Drake, shown in electrical diagram, and representing the combined talents of Glenn H. Brown-ing, Frederick H. Drake, Arthur H. Lynch and Laurence M. Cockaday. Coils of almost incredibly low loss are used. The first four tubes are of the 99 type, while the last tube is a 171 power tube. Only one B+ lead is used, thus simplifying the wir-ing. The plate voltage is suitably dropped for the radio frequency and detector tubes by fixed metallized resistors. Tubes 1 and 4 are series connected, as are tubes 2 and 3.

Gain in Selectivity, Sensitivity and Tone

Scientifically Designed Coils Reduce Radio Frequency Resistance 40%—High-Grade Transformer and Metallized Resistors Give Superb 3-Stage Audio Channel—Four 99 Tubes and One 171 Power Bulb Used in Set-Neutralization Simplified

By Herman Bernard

Associate, Institute of Radio Engineers

PART I.

F OR the radioist who wants a 5-tube receiver of the tried and true variety, made of the best parts that the market affords for the partic-ular design incorporated, the Browning-Drake is highly attractive, especially in its new dress. The circuit itself is three years old, which is something decidedly in its favor, for no circuit is re-elected to popular favor

thing decidedly in its lavor, for no circuit is re-elected to popular lavor year after year without fully justifying the distinction. It was developed by Glenn H. Browning and Frederick H. Drake in the Cruft Laboratory at Harvard and first was published in "The Christian Science Monitor." Since then it has been published by every American radio magazine or supplement of any standing and by periodicals the world over. You will find the receivers in the missionary huts in Alaska, in the tea houses and pagodas of Japan, on the Bund in Shanghai, in the Raffles Hotel at Singapore, no less than in thousands of American, Cana-

A Compelling Circuit

T those who build their own sets the Improved Browning-Drake's appeal is compelling. Every angle of efficiency has been expertly con-sidered and the result is the present circuit—a model of efficiency. Selec-tivity, sensitivity, tone quality and volume are obtainable to a thrilling degree. The circuit is presented with suggestions to experimenters, some of whom perhaps will discover new means of refinement. Built as des-cribed, the set will prove extraordi-narily efficient. Whatever improve-ments time will produce will be duly recorded in these columns. Mean-while, however, all may accept the united findings of four noted experts as compelling. as compelling.

-EDITOR.

dian, Mexican, South American, British and European igloes, homes and haciendas.

The new model will have an even far-The new model will have an even far-ther flung fame and will be the electrical and aesthetic pride of many more thou-sands of abodes, because it represents re-finements that, while not changing the original design of the radio part of the receiver, make for better tone and greater efficiency and economy.

Outstanding Features

The outstanding features of the Im-proved Browning-Drake (Fig. 1) are: (1) Coil design. This is the contribu-tion of Messrs. Browning and

How Experts Improved The Browning-Drake



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PANEL VIEW of the set. The National dial actuating Cl is at left. Next to it is the filament switch. At right are the dial for C2 and the knob for L5. The name engraving and "Designed by Arthur H. Lynch" also appear on the panel.

Drake to the improved receiver. The coil construction is such that the radio frequency resistance has been decreased to 7 ohms at 300 meters, an improvement of about 40 per cent. over conventional coil design.

The inclusion of a superb audio (2) channel, consisting of a first stage of high-grade transformer coupling, fol-lowed by two metallized resistance-coupled stages. The output from the last tube is obtained through a filter choke and fixed condenser hookup that keeps the B battery current out of the speaker wind battery current out of the speaker which ings, which might be injured or ruined by long use with a high plate voltage power tube were not this tone-smoothing method used. The audio channel, as devised, is highly suitable even if a B battery eliminator is employed.

(3) A single lead is used for the B plus, the voltages for the radio fre-quency and detector tubes being suitably quency and detector tubes being suitably reduced by fixed metallized resistors, by-passed for radio frequency efficiency. The common lead considerably reduces the wiring for the B voltages and makes for greater effectiveness, due to shortened or omitted leads. This is the contribution of Arthur H. Lynch to the new design, which he worked upon in its entirety as modeller and collator.

(4) Economized filament wiring, in conjunction with the use of low filament consumption tubes. All tubes, except the last bulb, are of the 99 variety. The first (radio frequency) and the The first (radio frequency) and the fourth (second audio) tubes have their filaments in series with a 6-volt source, while the filaments of the second (detec-tor) and third (first audio) tubes likewise are in series. The last tube is a power tube, connected in the usual way, in parallel with the A battery, and has a fixed resistor to drop the 6 volts at the source to 5 volts at the filament. The method of filament wiring is the contribumethod of filament wiring is the contribu-tion of Laurence M. Cockaday, technical editor of "Popular Radio," the enterpris-ing periodical that has done much to give the Improved Browning-Drake the place it properly deserves in the hearts of the home constructors this season.

Thus it can be observed that no paucity of expertness has accompanied the design of the refined receiver.

Analysis of Circuit

These four men were responsible for selection of most suitable parts for the hookup, electrical and space requirements being taken into full account.

The circuit consists of a neutralized stage of tuned radio frequency amplificastage of tuned radio frequency amplifica-tion, a regenerated detector and the 3-stage audio amplifier, with filter choke and condenser hookup for the output. The antenna connection is made to a mid-tap on the single winding which com-prises the radio frequency transformer. This is in fact an auto-transformer, where Ll is the primary, connected to aerial at midtap, and to ground and minus A at one terminal. The secondary consists of the entire winding, L1L2, which is tuned by the variable condenser Cl.

This method of antenna coupling affords a very strong input, the energy being many times greater than by the in-ductively coupled untuned primary type of transfer. Owing to the effect of the antenna-ground capacity upon the tuned circuit, being like a parallel capacity across L1, the condenser C1 is .0005 mfd. This affords absolute safety in covering the wavelength or frequency band.

A higher inductance to capacity ratio prevails in the interstage circuit, the sec-ondary L4 being wound for tuning with a .00025 mfd. variable condenser (C2). The L3L4 inductance ratio therefore permits a greater voltage stepup, on account of the correspondingly larger number of turns on the secondary in respect to the primary

Moreover, the primary L3 is generously wound, the inherent coil efficiency and the neutralization of the radio frequency tube making it unnecessary to resort to the skinny primary device to avoid uncon-trollable oscillations. The Browning-Drake is completely in check at all times and the over-oscillation nuisance can be created only by clumsy mistuning of the tic'tler coil L5. The neutralization is made very effective

and simple by the use of a wide range, casily adjusted compensating condenser, known as the X-L Vario Denser, Model

The Tuning Units

The tuning units, about which the whole circuit pivots, include the famous BD-1B, for L1L2C1, and BD-2B, for L3L4L5C2. The tuning condensers are of necessarily The tuning condensers are of necessarily high electrical efficiency and mechanical strength. Suitable dials are included in the BD-1B and BD-2B units. The National Company manufactures these units consistent with the designs specially prepared by Messrs. Browning and Drake. While the coils are inst or affaint or While the coils are just as efficient, as

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LIST OF PARTS

One National antenna unit, type BD-1B (one single tapped coil, one Equicycle variable condenser and one dial); L1L2, C1.

One National detector tuning unit, type BD-2B (one triple coil, one Equicycle variable condenser and one dial); L3L4, L5, C2.

One Jefferson Concertone sealed audio frequency transformer; PBGF. One Thordarson 30-henry filter choke,

One Tobe paper filter condenser, 4.0 mfd.; C8.

One Sangamo, Aerovox or Dubilier mica fixed condenser, .002 mfd.; C4.

One Sangamo, Aerovox or Dubilier mica fixed condenser, .006 mfd.; C5. One X-L Vario Denser, model N; NC.

Three Lynch double mountings for the resistors R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6.

Two Tobe paper filter condensers, 0.1 mfd. each; C6, C7.

Three Lynch metallized resistors, 0.1 meg. each; R3, R5, R6.

One Lynch metallized resistor, 0.5 meg.; R4.

Five Benjamin push type Cle-Ra-Tone sockets; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. One Lynch metallized resistor, 6.0 meg.;

R8

One Lynch metallized resistor, meg. (25,000 ohms); R1. One Lynch metallized resistor, .09 meg.

One Brach-stat, code 2B, with mounting; R7.

One Carter battery switch; S. One Sangamo, Aerovox or Dubilier mica fixed grid condenser, .0005 mfd., with

clips; C3. One Bakelite decorated panel, 8x22" (Cortlandt Panel Co., Insulating Co. of America or Pausin).

One pair of Tait brackets.

One Corbett sloping panel cabinet for 8x22" panel.

One bracketed antenna connection block (Ant. Gnd. Eby binding posts thereon).

One bracketed battery connection block (A-, A+, B-, B+, C- Eby binding posts and one Frost Gem-Jac No. 954

thereon). One 9¼x21¾" hardwood baseboard (furnished with Corbett cabinet).

Four Ce-Co type C tubes.

One 171 power tube.

[Note: The National Velvet Vernier type A dials are furnished with the BD-1B and BD-2B units, unless the variable ratio type is specially requested.]

coils. no matter what circuit is used, and are suitable for wave traps, crystal sets, absorption circuits, inductively compenor volume-controlled hookups and sated the like, the home constructor, in the in-terest of scientific experimentation, will be glad to judge their high efficiency in the Browning-Drake circuit, and if he is so minded it is up to him to adopt the coils to the circuit.

Without constant experimenting with factory-made and other apparatus there would be little or no advance in radio, and the Improved Browning-Drake is offered

Filaments Economized **By Series Connections**



FIG. 2

DETAIL OF the filament wiring, showing the first and fourth tubes series connected, and the second and third tubes similarly joined (accented by heavy lines). The final or power tube is filament wired in the conventional way. With a 171 tube in socket 5 suitable B batteries for the receiver would be Eveready Layerbuilt No. 486. A 45-volt battery (not shown) may be used for grid biasing, as explained in the text.

Ohm's Law Applied **To Get Tube Voltages**

to all, and especially to those who have a laboratory comprising precision instru-ments, so that the voltage development in successive stages may be measured, as well as the sensitivity and selectivity. All these are inordinately high, but it is not to be expected that every one scientifically some, like Charles P. Steinmetz, may doubt everything until they prove it to their own personal satisfaction, and as to them, the laboratory experimental method, with precise measurements at every step, will prove doubly attractive, and, incidentally, corroborative of the findings of other engineers. Besides the research may lead to further improvement in the art.

Attractive to Eye

In keeping with the excellent design of the radio and audio features-that is, the the radio and audio features—that is, the set itself—a panel and cabinet arrange-ment has been selected that will make the receiver very attractive. The sloping panel type cabinet used is a Corbett 8x22", with which a baseboard is supplied. The panel is suitably drilled and engraved. Many will find it convenient to use this decorated type of panel, but for those otherwise inclined, the drilling dimensions will be given. will be given.

The filament drain is .06 ampere for a 99 tube, with a filament voltage of 3. The The filament resistance equals the voltage divided by amperage, usually expressed as

$$R = \frac{E}{I}$$

this is

$$R = \frac{3}{00} \frac{300}{100} = 300$$

Numerically

$$=$$
 or $-$ = 50 ohms.

Thus by connecting the positive leg of the filament of a 99 tube to A battery plus, and the negative leg of the filament

of that tube to the positive leg of the filaof which second tube is joined to A bat-tery minus, we have effected series con-nection, have added the resistance of one filament to that of the other, but have not increased the drain. It is still .06 ampere, though two tubes are used, for the series connection reduces the voltage while allowing the amperage to remain unchanged.

Potential Difference

Potential Difference Another way of looking at it is to regard the filament of one of the tubes as being used as a fixed resistance to drop the voltage. Thus in Fig. 1 or Fig 2, with a 6-volt source, be it storage battery or an A battery eliminator, the voltage at the negative filament leg of tube 2, con-nected to A minus, is zero. At the plus post of this tube it is 3 volts positive, at the minus leg of the filament of tube 3 it the minus leg of the filament of tube 3 it is 3 volts positive and at the positive post of tube 3 it is 6 volts positive. As positive and negative are purely relative designations, used for convenience, and as direct current flows only one way, from low to high potential, the minus post of tube 3 is really zero and the plus post is 3 volts 3-volt potential difference between these two posts. Graphically, the minus leg in tube 2 and the positive leg in tube 3 are connected across the A source, the filament of tube 2 dropping 3 volts and the filament of tube 3 dropping 3 volts. The same series system of connection is used in respect to tubes 1 and 4.

Hence the filament drain in amperes is a total of .06 for tubes 1 and 4, a total of .06 for tubes 2 and 3, and for the power tube is .5, a grand total of only .62 ampere.

The Power Tube

The constructor has a choice of power tubes for the last socket, 5. He may use the recommended 171, which has a maxi-

mum undistorted output of 700 milliwatts mum undistorted output of 700 milliwatts at a positive plate potential of 180, with the grid negatively biased $40\frac{1}{2}$ volts. Under these conditions the B battery drain of the tube is 20 milliamperes. The negative bias is readily obtainable if a 45-volt B battery is used as the C battery, and the C plus (45) post is connected to A plus, instead of to A minus. This starts off the C battery with 5 volts positive off the C battery with 5 volts positive (A plus as compared with filament minus of tube 5), so that the minus post of the C battery is really + 5 - 45 = minus 40volts

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The plate current drain of the receiver will be about 28.5 milliamperes from a 180-volt source. This is not extraordinarily high, but unless one uses heavy duty or layer built B batteries he will find that his choice of B batteries has not been tinctured with economic wisdom. I used Eveready Layerbuilt No. 486 with four 99 tubes and one 171. With two hours aver-age daily use of the receiver these batter-ies last about eight months.

Use of 112 Tube

An alternative is to use a 112 tube for the fifth socket, and if 180 volts are ap-plied to FC, then the grid bias should be about 12 volts negative, and the plate drain will be about 11 milliamperes. An-other possibility is to use only 157½ volts for B plus, still retaining the 112, but using 10½ volts negative bias, the plate drain being 8 milliamperes, or a total drain of 16½ milliamperes for the set, which drain is comparatively low, and well within the economy range of the

set, which drain is comparatively low, and well within the economy range of the run of B batteries used in the home. (Eveready 770). But if less than 180 volts are used for the B plus lead, then R1 and R2 may have to be of smaller resistance than prescribed in the list of parts, so the drop will not be so great across them, and the effective be so great across them, and the effective voltages on the RF and detector plates consequently will be higher than if the RI and R2 values were retained as specified.

[This concludes Part I of the article. Part II, dealing with layouts and wiring, will be published next week, issue of August 21.]

Heat Causes Drop In Wave Efficiency

Effect Noted by Standards Bureau on Sky Component. Although Ground Wave Seems Immune From **Effects of Temperature**

That temperature influences the strength of radio signals is the conclusion reached by L. W. Austin and Miss Wymore of the Bureau of Standards, Depart-ment of Commerce. This work is a part

ment of Commerce. This work is a part of the program of the International Union of Scientific Radio Telegraphy, which was adopted at Brussels in 1922 and is now being carried on in the various coun-tries belonging to the Union. Two years ago Dr. Austin described a decided increase in the signals received at Washington from the Radio Corpora-tion trans-Atlantic stations at Tuckerton and New Brunswick, N. J., during the passage of severe cold waves over the Eastern States. Further study now indi-cates that whenever the temperature rises cates that whenever the temperature rises along the signal path there is a tendency for the signal to drop, and conversely, a falling temperature tends to produce a stronger signal, though these temperature effects are often masked by other un-known influences.

Experiments on the relations existing between meterological phenomena and radio transmission require preferably at radio transmission require preterably at least fairly uniform meterological con-ditions between the sending and receiv-ing stations. For this reason, stations between 125 and 190 miles distant were chosen for the experiments, rather than stations at great distances. On the other hand, stations much less than 125 miles distant would prohably not have shown distant would probably not have shown the influence of weather changes to so marked an extent.

There seems to be no doubt that the temperature changes influence the waves temperature changes influence the waves which are reflected or refracted from the Kennelly-Heaviside layer, 60 miles or more above the earth's surface, rather than the waves which glide along the ground, since no marked change is ob-served in signal intensity due to long continued rain or drought, the presence of snow, or the presence or absence of frost in the ground.

Neutralization Used In An Audio Hookup

Hazeltine Method Is Employed in Conjunction With **Push-Pull Transformers**



The circuit diagram of a neutralized audio-frequency amplifier.

The use of push-pull transformers, in conjunction with the regulation neutraliz-ing condensers employed for radio circuits, enables one to experiment enjoyably with a neutralized audio hookup. Even three stages may be tried. The push-pull trans-

former lends itself to this system because of the midtap. This goes to F minus in the diagram. Note that the neutralizer connects from plate to grid of the same tube, through the secondary winding of each transformer.



AS SIMPLE

CELL USED

(Hayden) PHOTO ILLUSTRATING the hooking up of a trickle A charger.



DIAGRAM ILLUSTRATING the hooking up of the same parts in a B eliminator (without filter).

Chemical cells are very useful when used as rectifiers in conjunction with eli-minators and trickler chargers. They are minators and trickler chargers. They are compact, will pass much current at a high or low voltage and are quiet in operation. They can be used in single or double wave rectification systems. If pure aluminum and lead plates (before their forming) are employed, pure DC can be obtained, thus obviating the use of a filter, when used in a B eliminator circuit. In a trickle charger circuit the filter is unnecessary. In the diagram and photo, a B eli-minator hookup shown, a lamp being used in series, with no filter at the output. It must be remembered that unless the ele-ments are very pure, the rectification will be poor. To get chemically pure plates is a difficult task. It is therefore sug-gested that the above hookup be used to is a difficult task. It is therefore sug-gested that the above hookup be used to supply plate voltage for the amplifiers, a regulation B battery being used for de-tector plate voltage. The secondary of a Ford spark coil shunted by 2 mfd. fixed condensers can be used as a filter, if the detector plate is to be supplied. For A trickle charger the above circuit, with a resistance in series with the AC lead, may be used with great success. The plates, already formed, may be purchased, while the borax solution may be made at home. An ordinary fruit jar may be employed as the container. The number of milli-amperes that the plates will pass, depends upon the number of square inches of the plates beneath the solution, allowing about 41 mills to the sq. in.

One WJZ Generator Would Light All Tubes In New York City Sets

Huge motor generator units are used to supply the current to light the filaments of the transmitting tubes of Station WJZ in Bound Brook, N. J. The current out-put of one of these generators alone is sufficient to light the tubes of all the re-ceiving sets in New York City simul-taneously. taneously.

Storage Batteries Live 4 to 6 Years

How to Gain This Result-Comparison of Dry and **Rechargeable Sources Made by Expert**

By John A. White

Vice-President U. S. Light & Heat Corp. The storage battery and the dry battery are alike in one important particular. The two devices have a common characteristic, unique and peculiar to the supply of electrical energy by chemical means, that this supply is true direct current. There is no ripple or fluctuation in voltage corresponding to commutator hum or due to incomplete rectification or to fluctuation of voltage of supply mains.

Over intervals relatively long as com-pared with the frequencies used in radio, that is to say from second to second and from minute to minute, under a maintained condition of constant current, the voltage of the storage battery or dry battery

remains absolutely constant. This point is important in amateur radio transmission. It is not going too far to say that any amateur can identify a storage battery operated station, as soon as he hears the note. Interference from stations on adjacent wavelengths using bad alternating current supply is more or less eliminated, as the signal is sharper and more confined to its operating wavelength. It is easy to copy the direct-current note through interference and at remarkable distances.

This has been many times demonstrated during the past winter in the records made by low power direct current operated transmitters.

Four Differences

Between the storage battery and the dry battery, however, are four outstanding differences in operating characteristics

First, the storage cell is rechargeable. Following the change cell is rechargeable. Following the change of lead peroxide and sponge lead to lead sulphate in the normal discharge of the cell, this lead sul-phate may be converted again to the original condition of peroxide on the positives and sponge lead on the negatives by connection to a suitable source of charging current, the cell then being again ready for another period of service discharge.

In other words, the discharging process is reversible, and the succeeding opera-tions of discharge as a source of electric power supply and charge to bring back the conditions under which the storage cell may again furnish electric current may be repeated indefinitely until the cell wears out in service.

The primary or dry cell, however, may act but once, continuously or intermit-tently, as a source of electrical current. When discharged it is useless.

Second, the difference in voltage of the storage cell between the state of full charge and that of nearly complete dis-charge is relatively slight. The voltage charge is relatively slight. The voltage is well maintained under given conditions of discharge rate for the larger portion of the discharge period, dronping down less rapidly at the start and holding well up until nearly at the end. With the dry cell the voltage drops in more or less of a straight line from beginning to end of discharge and over a considerable range. Third, the virtual internal resistance, that is, the resistance factor which pro-

duces variation in voltage with change in current rate, is extremely low in the storage cell. Both storage and dry cells increase in internal resistance as discharge progresses. Not only is this in-crease in resistance less marked in the storage cell but the initial value of resistance is so low that this effect is prac-tically nil. The dry cell, however, gives a voltage somewhere near its initial volt-age for only a small portion of its rated capacity in terms of rate and time and exhibits more and more as discharge progresses variation of this voltage with current change.

Fourth, the storage cell has to a marked extent the property of recovery. In in-termittent operation, as usual in radio service, it gives at the beginning of any short discharge period a voltage higher than that given at the end of the previous discharge, and until the intermittent dis-charges have integrated nearly to the rated capacity, the storage cell gives under these conditions of intermittent use the voltage of a nearly charged condition.

Why Life Is Shortened

Reverting for a moment to the first outstanding characteristic of the storage cell, the type of plate used in both A and B radio batteries will give in laboratory practice from 400 to 600 cycles of charge and discharge before disintegration. This would indicate a service life in radio of many years. Actually, this service life is greatly shortened, due to abuse, over-charging and overdischarging, idle periods in a discharged condition, lack of atten-tion to the necessity of refilling to re-plenish evaporation and other causes. In farm lighting plants, where the same type of plate is used and the battery is given a more or less complete charge, usually weekly or twice a week, a service life of ten years is not unusual and six to eight years something like the average. A good radio A battery should give dependable service over a period of at least four to six years.

In our second consideration, the open circuit voltage of the storage cell of the pasted plate type may be taken as 2.15 volts at full charge and initial operating voltage at low rates as 2.1. Radio batteries are usually of sufficient capacity for several weeks' intermittent operation. The final discharge voltage may be as low as 1.80.

Greatest Discharge

By far the greater portion of the dis-charge at radio rates, whether continuous or intermittent, is between 2.05 and 1.95 volts. The final voltage is approached volts. The final voltage is approached only as the cell nears complete discharge. This variation from 2.05 to 1.95 represents only 5 per cent. lowering in voltage over most of the discharge period. In com-parison, the initial voltage of the dry cell, 1.5, drops down from the start, going to about 1.13 at the practical end of its use-ful service life, a variation of 25 per cent. Now, again if partially charged at more frequent intervals than would be repre-

frequent intervals than would be repre-sented by the full discharge period. or installed with a so-called trickle charger. the available voltage of the storage cell

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A Charging Precaution

ALWAYS TAKE on the caps on your storage battery during the charging process. Hydrogen gas is formed and when held within the walls of the battery will tend to ex-pand. Matches lighted near it would be dangerous. Take off the caps for absolute safety.

may be considered as constant at or near the 2.1 voltage or full charge, whereas the continual loss in voltage of the dry cell is unavoidable.

Storage batteries for radio service are almost universally in the lead-acid type of the so-called Faure plates. These are made with grids or lattice frameworks of lead antimony alloy, on which by special machine processes are pasted mixes of lead oxides, constituting the active material.

After pasting, the plates are converted respectively into positives and negatives in the forming process, that is, by contin-ued charging. They are then in A bat-tery manufacture, assembled into groups by lead burning the plate lugs to so-called post straps, then assembled with the separators, usually of wood, Port Oxford cedar, in compartment type rubber or glass containers.

Cells are joined together by lead links, integrally lead burned to the posts of the positive and negative groups, and to gas and acid tight lead bushings moulded in the rubber covers. When finished, the the rubber covers. When finished, the batteries are shipped either with the acid, charged and ready for use, or more often in what is called the Add-Acid type. In this form the batteries are without acid, but completely charged and ready for service upon the addition of the necessary acid electrolyte.

Sizes of Batteries

Radio A batteries range in size from 18 Radio A batteries range in size from 18 ampere hours capacity at four volts for Super-Heterodyne receiving sets, and 35 ampere hours at six volts for so-called trickle charge batteries, up to the larger A sizes of 75, 93½, 105 and higher am-pere hour capacities. B batteries are usually in two plate types, in glass jars, of capacities 2500 to 4500 milliampere hours and in assemblies of 12, 24 and 40 cells, giving nominally 24, 48 and 80 volts, and covering the voltage range of standand covering the voltage range of stand-ard 22½, 45 and multiples of these figures in dry batteries. Both the A and B types find application in broadcasting stations as well as for home receiving sets and amateur transmission.

amateur transmission. A set is just now being installed for the new Palisades Station of WHN, New York. In this thirty 6-volt A batteries of 105 ampere hours capacity will be used for the filament circuits. in two duplicate sets of 15 batteries each, arranged in series parallel to give up to 60 amperes at various voltages up to 14. The B bat-teries are of special design, 1280 cells of 34 ampere hours capacity. to give plate currents up to 2½ amperes at nominal 2500 volts. Standard 4500 milliampere hour B batteries are provided for grid bias. bias.

Science Requires Reasonable Aims

Tone Quality Preserved Only When Selectivity Is Not Pressed Too Far—To Fill a Hall Use Power Amplifier

By Arthur H. Lynch

Remember, the last time you attended a symphony concert, how you watched the fellow with the bull fiddle saw the ropes all evening and how the bosom of his dress shirt had a habit of sneaking up to meet his chin? There was something pungent and mellow about the cavernous cadences his energetic bow drew out, wasn't there? Remember how, at the end of a very lively martial phrase, his deep voiced rhythm blended with the booming of the heavy drums while the shrill tones of many violins made your pulse quicken and little shivers run up and down your spine?

The rest of the music was there, but it was pleasing because it was blended masterfully. Without the deeper tones it would have lacked that peculiar something which gives the symphony orchestra its roundness of tone color, so pleasing to the cultured musical ear. Well, it is the effort to reproduce the lower registers as well as the very high

Well, it is the effort to reproduce the lower registers as well as the very high registers which is a problem being fought by both engineers in charge of broadcasting and those who design radio receivers. If you are to have great symphonies reproduced faithfully in your homes the broadcast engineer must see to it that the waves leaving his antenna for their journey to your home are truly replicas of the waves produced by the orchestra in the auditorium.

This does not sound like a very complicated problem, but it is. In order to solve it, the engineer must provide himself with some means of picking up the faint call of the violins, flutes and other wood winds as well as the extremely powerful sounds produced by the French horns and your friend the bull fiddle.

Limitations at Every Hand The first thought of the broadcaster, then, centered upon a diaphragm which

UNIT ADJUSTMENT



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YOU CAN make your phone or loudspeaker unit adjustable, by soldering a 2" screw on the internal casing and placing a bent piece of hard copper over it. A nut can vary the pressure, causing the magnets to go nearer or further from the diaphragm. would be placed in a position when it would be struck and made vibrate by the sound waves leaving the instruments in the orchestra. To do this work properly the single diaphragm or disc would have to be sensitive enough to pick up the faint harmonics of all the notes produced by all the instruments and transmit these tone shadings to a point at its center where the sound vibrations on it would cause similar vibrations in an electrical contact which would control the remainder of the transmitting apparatus.

Various types of pick-up devices have been used for this purpose and not a single one can actually encompass the entire musical register, but they are approaching this goal all the time. The most common fault of the microphone, as such a pick-up is called, is its susceptibility to sounds in the upper register and its failure to properly pass sounds in the lower registers. In order to overcome this difficulty

In order to overcome this difficulty there are two general methods of attack. By placing the deep voiced instruments near the pick-up device their pressure on it is increased to a point where it is forced to carry or pass the vibrations. There is a physical limit to which this scheme may be carried because the sensitive microphone may be so heavily shocked at to cause blocking or rattling. The other means of accentuating the lower tones is to reduce the energy in the high and middle registers by designing the amplifier portion of the transmitter to pass the low tones more readily than the higher ones. This system means, therefore, that the over-all amplification. if it is to include the bass notes, must be much greater than would be necessary if the bass notes were not important.

Microphone's Limit

Most present-day microphones have what in radio parlance is called a rising characteristic. That merely means they will respond most easily to notes in the upper register. Many amplifier systems share this characteristic and the result, if proper precautions were not taken, would be the sending out from the broadcasting station a series of waves in which the higher notes were not only reproduced, but their volume, with relation to the remainder of the music, would be all out of proportion and what is commonly called distortion would be introduced. The result would be anything but pleasing.

result would be anything but pleasing. The broadcast engineer, then, has a very difficult job on his hands and the high quality now radiated by an increasing number of stations bears witness to the excellence with which he has done it. These are only a few of his many and complicated problems, but, for the time we may as well let him rest with his worries and strive for a few minutes to learn some of the problems we will have in attempting to reproduce what he has been able to satisfactorily provide.

Most of us demand of radio receivers more than is physically possible. For instance, we want tone quality first, last and all the time. Sometimes we want to be able to reach out for distant stations

and even on such reception we continue to demand tone fidelity. Where we live in sections provided with many broadcasting stations we sometimes demand that our receivers be capable of cutting through the local stations with knifelike precision and bring in the distant stations and still deliver a true tone picture of what is taking place at the distant station.

To accomplish all these things is, with our present knowledge of radio and acoustic fundamentals, a practical impossibility. It would still be impossible even though we were able to cut out all interfering electrical disturbances produced by other systems than radio, but which do affect radio receivers when they are operated in the sensitive condition necessary for extreme distance and sharpness of tuning.

Limit of Selectivity

In order to have our receivers capable of cutting in the desired stations and cutting out all the undesired ones, it must be designed so as to cover a very narrow band for any given setting of the dial or dials. There is a definite limit to which we may go in this direction and just as soon as we pass this limit we must sacrifice some of the tone quality. Radio men call a procedure of that kind "cutting side bands." It amounts to cutting off some of the speech or music tones and results in producing a sort of rhythmic discord at the loud speaker and this reproduction is commonly referred to as being "tinny." The tones are sharp and nasal and lack that full roundness which characterizes good music and a cultured voice. Listening to music (if it may be called music) of this sort, for any length of time, becomes monotonous and boresome.

Therefore we must compromise, and many manufacturers are now appreciating the necessity of this compromise. A few years ago almost anything of a rhythmic nature coming from a distant station was considered wonderful. It was indeed wonderful, but hardly wonderful music. Its musical properties were so poor that many true music lovers would have nothing to do with radio and would not permit a receiver in their homes.

Rich Tone Today

This is not true today, because there are now available any number of radio receivers capable of rich tone quality on stations where extreme selection power is not necessary. Most of them are capable of getting distant stations when they are desired, but they must not be expected to deliver the same high class music from a station several hundred miles away when that station is found directly between two local stations on the dials and the separation between the three is very slight. There are some limitations even to radio.

even to radio. Within the past two years more attention has been paid to reproducing true tone quality than ever before, and more engineers have come to realize that much of their work would be in vain, if they attempt to produce tone with finesse from receivers which would, because of their very sharpness, prevent some of the tones from passing through.

Even the public is coming to realize that radio, as wonderful and as satisfactory as it is, cannot yet be considered as a perpetual motion device. In order to get something out of the loud speaker we must have some energy to operate it.

More Volume, More Current

Most of this energy comes from the batteries we use at the receiving end. If we require great volume we must expect to use more current from the batteries than is necessary for little volume. It should be remembered, however, that

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receiving engineers have gone to great lengths in saving this current by improvim the vacuum tube and methods of using it, just as illuminating engineers have been able to give us the same amount of light from much less current by im-proving our lamps. However, for a given producing system we will require more current for more volume. And the question of volume in radio is a very important one, because about nine tenths of us operate our receivers at a point where the volume produced is

at a point where the volume produced is beyond the limit of the units employed in our receivers.

There are physical limits to the capa-city of our tubes just as there are to our appetites or the speed our car will develop without also developing trouble. Very few machines of any kind are efficient when overloaded. If we eat beyond our normal requirements we suffer all manner of disagreeable conditions—indigestion, fatigue, sleeplessness, et al; if we drive our motor beyond its normal capacity we lose traction, are bounced about and are as likely as not to burn out a bearing or two. If, in our radio receiver, we are using small tubes and we turn out enough volume to fill a dance hall we cannot expect music, because we are sure to get noise instead. Overloading our tubes-and such operation is surely doing just that-results in a heavy drain on our batteries and produces distortion which almost any ear will detect.

Do Not Overload Tubes

Where small tubes are employed we may well be satisfied if our load supplies volume enough for a medium sized room. Where semi-power tubes are properly used we may expect enough volume from our speaker to fill a large room without sacrificing tone quality, but where music loud enough for dancing in a fair-sized ball room is required ordinary tubes will not do. We must use a power amplifier,

equipped with power tubes. The idea that an ordinary receiver may be used in a club or hotel dining room without such a power amplifier is doing much more to hurt radio than to make it popular. In almost every cast of this nature the receiver is cranked up to the last notch in order to have it heard above the rattle of dishes and buzz of conver-sation. The result is bedlam. Radio re-ceivers, when properly designed and properly operated, are capable of tremendous volume accompanied by beautiful tone color. They may be called upon to serve where every other means for providing entertainment would fail and they will produce music in a most satisfactory manner if we employed them with some regard for their limitations and do not look for Cadillac performance from a flivver.

Better Chance to Hear Seven Foreign Stations

WASHINGTON.

A number of foreign stations have increased their power sufficiently to enable them to be heard in the United States under favorable conditions, according to reports to the Department of Commerce. Here is a list of foreign stations of high power:

Call	Meters	Watts	Loca	tion
ORV	- 488	10,000-A	ustria,	Vienna.
OKP	- 513	5,000-P	rague,	Czechoslov-
			akia.	
5X X-	-1600-1	16,000—D	aventry	, England.
2FC-	-1100-1	0,000-S	ydney, .	Australia.
3LO-	- 371-	5,000-M	elbourn	e, Australia.
4QG-	- 385-	5,000-B1	isbane,	Australia.
5CL-	- 395-	5,000-Ad	delaide,	South Aus-
			tralia.	

Broadcast Thunder **Outraces** Original

Picked Up by Outdoor Microphone, It Arrives Through Speaker Earlier Than Through Window, **Proving Radio is Speedier**

The broadcast listeners who doubted the statement of engineers who doubted the statement of engineers that radio waves travel more rapidly than sound waves had a splendid opportunity to prove themselves wrong when Station WJZ was broadcasting the Carillon of the Park Avenue Baptist Church one Sunday evening recently.

The broadcast was unusual in that it was one of the first times that thunder had been broadcast, it usually being the case that when a thunder shower comes up, any outdoor broadcasting is discon-tinued, and furthermore, it proved con-clusively to thousands of listeners that radio waves actually do move faster than sound waves.

Shortly after the broadcasting began, a severe thunder storm arose in the South-east, moving rapidly toward the church where the microphones were in an exposed position picking up the sounds of the bells. As the storm approached, the crashes of thunder became louder and louder, finally drowning out the bells in their intensity.

Change of Conditions

Broadcast listeners at points to the north, northwest, and west of the church were able to look out of their windows, see a flash of lightning, which they heard simultaneously as a crash of static in their loudspeakers, and shortly afterwards would hear the roll of the thunder, which accompanied the flash of lighting, come through the loudspeaker as transmitted by the microphones at the church. Several seconds later, the same crash of thunder was again heard, but this time it was heard coming through the window, having reached the listener direct from the clouds by the sound wave route. Broadcast listeners who were situated

between the storm center and the microphones at the church had the same opportunity of hearing the thunder twice, but they heard it in the reverse order, hear-ing the direct crash first, and a few seconds later hearing the same crash after it had "travelled on" to the church microphones and then been transmitted back to them.

As the storm moved away to the northwest, conditions reversed themselves, those living in that section hearing the direct crash first and the radio transmitted crash later, whereas the listeners living in the southeast, where the storm originated, were hearing the crash from the loudspeaker first and a few seconds later, the direct crash. There was a point of balance for each listener, which lasted only a few seconds, at which time the direct crash and the radio transmitted rumble arrived simultaneously

Did a Little Good

They say that "it is an ill wind that blows nobody good," and while the storm that caused this phenomenon took the toll of several lives and thousands of dollars in property damage, and finally tore down the power lines which supplied WJZ with electrical current for transmission and thereby forced the super-station to shut down for several hours, it did

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several good turns. Outside of offering the listeners the opportunity of hearing such an unusual broadcasting event, it also demonstrated to the owners of sets whether their receivers were capable of reproducing the low frequencies. Thunder is one of the lowest frequency

sounds which can be heard, and some of the receivers in the metropolitan district were not able to participate in the fun of the broadcast because their reproductional qualities were such that only the high frequencies were reproduced and the sound of thunder did not percolate through.

Attention to Set **Brings Summer DX**

"Summer radio is like charity—both begin at home," says Earle C. Anthony, owner of KFI. "Except in the rarest of instances, Summer heat does not interfere with the transmission and reception of programs between stations and their legit-"It is said by some," he continues, "that

the effective range of Summer broadcastthe effective range of Summer broadcast-ing is slightly less than half of the Winter range. Sjnce KFI was and still is a night-ly visitor to thousands of Atlantic Coast receiving sets, by accepting this ratio be-tween cold and warm weather, we may naturally expect this Summer to cover the Western states quite thoroughly in spite of atmospheric disturbances. "There are three or four things, how-ever, that no listener can afford to over-look if he wishes to get the maximum re-

look if he wishes to get the maximum re-ception during the Summer. He should tighten all loose connections, replace any broken wires in his antenna system; re-place any batteries that are below full voltage; test all tubes and replace those below normal strength, and put his receiving set in the best possible condition."

EQUALIZATION



(RADIO WORLD Staff Photo)

IF YOU are the owner of a receiver (wherein the dials are supposed to read alike, but do not) having coils which cannot well be tampered with, you may use the extra plate type of condenser to balance tuning. This condenser to balance tuning. This end plate, once set, can not be moved independently.



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THE ELECTRICAL diagram of the 1-tube receiver, employing a regenerative RF tube and a crystal detector.

PLEASE GIVE the circuit diagram of a 1-tube receiver employing a regener-ative RF tube and a crystal as a detector. The antenna coil should be of the im-pedance type. The wiring directions with the constants of the parts, would be ap-preciated.—Henry Strand, Hurleyville, N. Y.

Fig. 407 shows the circuit diagram of this receiver. A 3-circuit tuner may be employed in the RF stage. L1 consists employed in the RF stage. L1 consists of 50 turns tapped at the 8th turn from the beginning of the coil. This is wound on a tubing $3\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, using No. 22 double cotton covered wire. L2, the tickler, consists of 36 turns, wound on a tubing $1\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, using No. 26 single silk covered wire. The tickler coil is placed near the 42 turn portion of the antenna winding, so as to obtain feedantenna winding, so as to obtain feed-back of plate to grid. Cl is a .0005 mfd. variable condenser. L3 consists of 10 turns. L4 consists of 45 turns. These turns. L4 consists of 45 turns. These windings are made on one tubing, which is $3\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " separation between them. No. 22 double cotton cov-ered wire should be used. A variable condenser (C2) having a capacity of .0005 mfd. shunts the secondary of this latter RFT. C2 is a .0005 mfd. fixed condenser. CD is the crystal detector, which may be fixed or variable. R1 is a 10-ohm rheo-stat. The -01A type tube is used. This stat. The -01A type tube is used. This set should be used when listening to local stations only. The antenna is connected to the 8th turn from the beginning of the coil L1. The beginning of the coil is brought to the ground. The end of this coil is brought to the stationary plate post of Cl and to the grid post of the socket. The rotary plate post of Cl is brought to the beginning of L1 and to the minus post of the A battery. The movable arm of the rheostat is now con-nected to this same joint. The terminal carrying the resistance wire of the rheo-stat is brought to the F minus post on the socket. The F plus post is brought to the A plus post. The B minus post is also connected to the A plus post. The beginning of the tickler winding is brought to the plate post on the socket. The end of this winding is brought to the beginning of the primary winding L3. the beginning of the primary winding L3. The end of this winding is brought to the

B plus post. The beginning of the sec-ondary winding L4 is brought to the rotary plate post of C2, to one terminal of the fixed condenser C3 and to one phone tip post. The end of this wind-ing is connected to the high potential point of CD. The low-potential point is brought to the other terminal of the fixed point of CD. The low potential point is brought to the other terminal of the fixed condenser C3 and to the other phone terminal. The high potential terminal of the crystal is also connected to the sta-tionary plate post of C2. The low po-tential point is connected to the A minus post. This connection is experimental and will work best with fixed detectors. About $67\frac{1}{2}$ volts may be supplied to the plate of the tube. Any form of AF am-plification may be added to the output of the crystal detector, transformer coup-ling being advised. ling being advised.

I RECENTLY built a 5-tube Neutro-dyne for use with 5-volt tubes. However I found that I did not wish to use these tubes. Instead I tried the 99 type. I found that the volume decreased to a great extent, also the neutrodons had no effect. The tubes will not oscillate even when the neutrodons are taken out of the circuit. What can I do to rectify this fault?—Jonas Grant, Pawtucket,

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R. I. The RFT you are now using were de-signed for use with 5-volt tubes only. The internal capacity of the 99 tubes is low in comparison to the 5-volt tubes. Therefore, to get equal results, add about 5 turns to the primaries. Be sure to have the bypass condenser in the detector cir-cuit connected properly. This is concuit connected properly. This is nected from the plate to the A plus.



of connecting condensers.

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HOW CAN I find out the mutual conductance of a tube in mircomhos, when the amplification constant and the plate

the amplification constant and the plate resistance are known?—Carlos DeKohnes, Tannersville, N. Y. To obtain the mutual conductance, divide the amplification constant by the plate resistance, e.g., 6.25 divided by 16,-500 equals 380. This 380 is the mutual conductance in micromhos. Either the plate resistance, or the amplification plate resistance or the amplification factor may be found out with this for-mula, also, if these are the unknown quantities to be obtained.

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I HAVE two 4.0 mfd. fixed condensers. How will I connect them so as to obtain a capacity of 8.0 mfd.?—George Cram, Roscoe, N. Y.

Connect them in parallel. That is, con-nect one lead of one condenser to a lead of the other condenser and then connect together the other two leads. You have two leads, each lead coming from joined terminals. Fig. 405 illustrates the parallel method, which you should use, while Fig. 406 shows the series method (decreasing capacities), which you should not use for your purpose.

PLEASE GIVE a description of the internal wiring of the Carborundum Stabilizing Detector Unit and characteris-tics.—William Varks, Larchmont, N. Y. The unit consists of a high resistance center-tapped potentiometer. A 400 ohm type may be used for tests in the labora-tory. Also the Carborundum detector and bypass condenser are employed. The by-pass condenser is used to kill the induc-tive reactance of the portion of the potentive reactance of the portion of the potentiometer, included in the detector circuit. By tapping the potentiometer at the cen-ter tap, a so-called biasing voltage of a negative $\frac{3}{4}$ and a positive $\frac{3}{4}$ volts is ob-tained. The battery which supplies the original voltage is of the $\frac{1}{2}$ type. It is possible, with the great number of turns in the high resistance to obtain minute voltages impressed upon the crystal. In this way, the resistance of the detector may be made so high, that the detector will have very little damping effect on the tuning circuit. This gives more selectiometer, included in the detector circuit. tuning circuit. This gives more selec-tivity. Also the sensitivity point of the crystal may be obtained with greater ease. One side of potentiometer is connected to the plus post of the $1\frac{1}{2}$ volt battery. The minus post is connected to the other terminal of the potentiometer. The center tap is connected to one terminal of the bypass condenser. The slider of the po-tentiometer is brought to the other terminal of the condenser, making contact with the resistance wire. The center tap is also brought to the low potential point of the crystal detector, with the high po-tential point going to the detector input (from secondary). The slider contact goes to the return of the secondary. This wiring description of the external connec-tions serves for example only. That is, tions, serves for example only. That is, there are many circuits, where it may be connected otherwise.

WILL THE set described in the Radio University columns of the July 17 issue of RADIO WORLD, and shown diagrammatic-ally in Fig. 375, work satisfactorily with dry cell tubes? If so, please state the best tubes to use. Please state the exact ratio of the audio frequency transformers employed.—J. H. Mallery, Farmerville, La

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Yes, using the 99 type tubes. The B voltages remain the same. The AFT used in the reflex stage should have a 6-to-1 ratio, while the AFT used in the regular AF circuit, should have a 3-to-1 ratio.

HOW MANY feet of wire (No. 20 dcc wire) are used to wind the honeycomb coils having 1,250 and 1,550 turns respect-



FIG. 408

The circuit diagram of the 5-tube impedance set.

ively? — Samseon Freighton, Catskill, N. Y.

N. 1. The 1,250 turn coil consists of about 800 feet, while the 1,500 turn coil consists of about 950 feet.

PLEASE DESCRIBE the different methods of the use of the loop in conjunction with a Neutrodyne.—Charles Clauson, Pelham, N. Y. The loop may be used in the same fash-

ion as an antenna or a regular loop. The following methods are illustrative of the antenna methods. (1)—One end of the antenna methods. (1)—One end of the loop may be connected to the antenna post and the other terminal left open. The regular ground is left on. (2)—Both terminals of the loop may be connected together and thence to the antenna post. The ground is still left connected. (3)— One terminal of the loop may be con-nected to the antenna post. The other terminal of the loop may be connected to the stationary plate post of a known variable condenser. The rotary plate post of this condenser is then connected to the ground post. The ground may or may not be connected. The last method when using the loop as an antenna, is to connect both terminals of the loop to the antenna and the ground posts, shunting the terminals with a known variable condenser. Again the connection of the ground is optional. Now as to the conground is optional. Now as to the con-nections which to employ when using the loop as a regular loop. Either four bind-ing posts or a double circuit jack will be needed. When using the posts, connect the beginning and the end of the second-ary winding to two posts. Connect the stationary and the rotary plate posts of the condenser that originally shunted this the condenser that originally shunted this secondary, to another pair of posts op-posite to those, just installed and con-nected. When desiring to use the loop, connect the loop terminals to the posts connected to the condenser posts. When desiring to use the antenna and ground, short these posts with strips of bus bar. When using the jack, the inner terminals are connected to the beginning and the end of the secondary winding. The top end of the secondary winding. The top terminal (should be near the end of the secondary winding), is connected to the grid post. The bottom terminal (near the end of secondary winding) is brought to the A minus post.

WHEN SIX volts are impressed upon the primary windings of a Ford coil, what is the approximate secondary voltage obtainable? (2)—Please give a list of the various sizes of copper wire from No. 14 up to No. 40 accompanied with the resistance of each in ohms per thousand feet.—Thomas Crader, Lakeview, N. J.

(1)—It is possible to obtain as much as 8,500 volts at about ½ milliampere, when that voltage is impressed upon the primary. This, of course, could be stepped down through a resistance or transformer, if you contemplate using it as a B battery supply in a transmitter. (2)— No. 14 equals 1.580 ohms; No. 15 equals 2.504; No. 16 equals 3.172; No. 17 equals 5.04; No. 18 equals 6.36; No. 19 equals 8.25; No. 20 equals 10.12; No. 21 equals 12.76; No. 22 equals 16.76; No. 23 equals 20.30; No. 24 equals 24.60; No. 25 equals 32.2; No. 26 equals 40.7; No. 27 equals 51.3; No. 28 equals 64.8; No. 29 equals 81.6; No. 30 equals 103; No. 31 equals 130; No. 32 equals 164; No. 33 equals 206; No. 34 equals 260; No. 35 equals 328; No. 36 equals 414; No. 37 equals 523; No. 38 equals 660; No. 39 equals 832; No. 40 equals 1049.

I HAVE three 50-turn honeycomb coils, which I would like to use in a 5-tube tuned impedance receiver, wherein two stages of RF amplification, a non-regenerative detector and two stages of transformer coupled AF amplification are employed. The circuit diagram, constants and wiring of the RF stages, of this set is desired.—Quentin Humbult, Mineola, L. I., N. Y.

L. 1., N. Y. Fig. 408 shows the electrical diagram of this receiver. L1, L2 and L3 are the three honeycomb coils. C2, C3 and C4 are .0005 mfd. variable condensers, tuning these coils. C1 is another .0005 mfd. variable condenser. This is used to tune the antenna. It may also be used to ob-tain lower wavelength stations, that it is possible to receive if a long antenna is used. A switch is provided to cut this condenser out. One rheostat R3 is used to control the filament of the two RF tubes. A single rheostat R4 controls the filament temperature of the detector tube. Both these rheostats are of the 10 ohm type. R5 is a 10-ohm rheostat which controls the filament temperature of the AF tubes. R1 is a 1 megohm fixed the AF tubes. R1 is a 1 megohm fixed resistor. R2 is a variable grid resistance. C5 is a .0005 mfd. fixed condenser. C6 is the regular .00025 mfd. grid condenser. DCJ is the double circuit jack, which may be used for listening in on earphones from the detector output. SCJ is a single circuit jack used for connecting the out-put of the AF circuit to the speaker. AFT1 and AFT2 are low ratio AFT (3 to 1). R6 is a 400 ohm potentiometer used to control the oscillatory action of the second RF tube. The antenna is con-nected to the stationary plate post of C1 nected to the stationary plate post of Cl and to one terminal of a switch. The other terminal of the switch is connected to the rotary plate post of the condenser and to the beginning of the primary winding L1. This same connection is also brought to the stationary plate post of C2 and to the grid post of the first socket. C2 and to the grid post of the first socket. The end of this winding is connected to the rotary plate post of C2 and to the ground. It also is connected to the term-inal of R3 going to the arm and to the A minus, C plus post. The terminal carry-ing the resistance wire of R3 is brought to the F minus post of the socket. This same connection is brought to the F minus post of the second socket, carrying same connection is brought to the F minus post of the second socket, carrying the second RF tube. The beginning of L2 is brought to the plate post of the first socket and to the stationary plate post of C3. The end of this coil is con-nected to the rotary plate post of C3 and to the B plus $67\frac{1}{2}$ -volt post. The plate

post of the first socket is connected to one terminal of C5. The other terminal of this condenser is connected to the grid post of the second socket and to one terminal of R1. The other terminal of R1 is connected to the terminal of the potentiometer connected to the arm. One resistance terminal of this potentiometer is connected to the F plus post, while the other is connected to the F minus post. The plate post of the second socket is connected to the beginning of L3, to the stationary plate post of C4 and to one terminal of C6. The end of the plate winding L3 is connected to the B plus 67½ post. The other terminal of C6 is connected to the grid post of the third socket and to one terminal of the variable resistor R2. The other terminal of the resistor R2. The other terminal of the resistor R3. The rest of the circuit is hooked up in standard fashion. A C battery is used in the grid circuits of the AF tubes. This should be of the 4.5 volt type if a 90-volt B battery is used to supply the plate voltage to the AF tubes. About 45 volts should be applied to the plate of the detector tube. The honeycomb coils can be mounted on back of the condensers by means of angle irons, or on the baseboard in their original mountings. They should each be placed so that no magnetic field exists between them. The C plus is connected to the A minus post. Bypass condensers, having a capacity of 001 mfd, may be connected from the plate to the A minus posts, in the RF and detector stages, for otaning louder signals.

RECENTLY I have noticed that I must turn the rheostats controlling the filaments of the RF and Det. tubes in my 5-tube set all the way up in order to get satisfactory volume. These tubes have been in the set for the past year. Is it possible that the filament of these tubes are worn? My A and B batteries are fully charged. I also notice that the A battery discharges much quicker than heretofore. The voltmeter, when connected in the rheostat circuit, shows that 6 volts must be placed on the filament, to get any kind of volume.—Turner Smert, Larchmont, N. Y.

The filament is worn. Suggest that you get new tubes or try reactivation. At 6 volts, the filament is drawing more than ¼ ampere, therefore causing a quicker discharge of the battery. If you find that it is necessary to burn the filament of the tube above 5 volts, which is the rated voltage given by the manufacturer, then you may be sure that the tube is deficient. The filament of the tube must not be heated with less than 5 volts, either, as this causes it to become brittle. In other words, to get absolute satisfaction from a tube, with correct plate and grid voltages, the filament must be heated with the voltage stated by the manufacturer, no higher or lower.

PLEASE GIVE the circuit diagram, electrical constants and RF wiring directions of the Super-Pliodyne, which employs the Ferrand system of controlling the oscillatory action of the RF tubes. This set. I understand, employs 6 stages of tuned RF amplification, a non-regenerative detector and two stages of transformer coupled AF amplification.—Fred Bungster, Monticello, N. Y.

of tuned RF amplification, a non-regenerative detector and two stages of transformer coupled AF amplification.—Fred Bungster. Monticello, N. Y. Fig. 409 shows the electrical diagram of this receiver. All the variable condensers, Cl. C2, C3, C4, C5, C6 and C7, are .0005 mfd. capacity. These condensers are all geared together, thus giving you one dial for control. The transformers employed allow broad tuning. This is the reason for the use of so many stages tuned simultaneously. The primaries, L1. L3, L5. L7, L9, L11. L13, consist of 25 turns, wound on tubings 13/4" in diameter.



The circuit diagram of the Super-Pliodyne, a 9-tube super-sensitive receiver.

The secondaries, L2, L4, L6, L8, L10, L12, L14, consists of 100 turns wound on tubings 2" in diameter. No. 26 double cot-ton covered wire is used. The primary ton covered wire is used. tubing is placed inside of the secondary The primary winding is spaced. tubing. Between every primary turn, allow a space equal to three turns. This is equal to about 1/8" space between turns. The resistors in the neutralized stages are variable, although not indicated as such. They vary from 20,000 to 120,000 ohms. The condensers in these stages are also variable, they being of the regular midget type. C14 is the grid condenser, having a capacity of .00025 mfd. R10 is the grid leak, having a resistance of from 1 to 3 megohms. The filaments of all the RF tubes are controlled by a single rheostat, R6. The filament of the detector tube is controlled by a rheostat R8 having a resistance of 20 ohms. The RF rheostat has a resistance of 6 ohms. It should pass $1\frac{1}{2}$ amperes. The filaments of the AF tubes are controlled by a single rheostat R9 having a resistance of 10 ohms and being able to pass 1/2 ampere. The -01A type tubes are used throughout, thus a 6-volt A battery for filament sup-ply. C13 is a .003 mfd. fixed condenser. ply. C13 is a .003 mfd. fixed condenser. R7 is a 400 ohm potentiometer used to control the oscillatory action of the tube. As to the wiring. The beginning of the primary winding is brought to the an-tenna post. The end of this winding is brought to the ground post and to the beginning of the secondary winding L2. This same lead is extended to the arm of the rheostat R6 and to the A minus C plus post. The rotary plates of all the variable condensers and the beginnings of the secondary windings of all the coils except L12 are connected to this same lead. This gives all the tubes in these circuits a negative grid return. The becircuits a negative grid return. The be-ginning of the secondary winding L12 is brought to the arm of the potentiometer. The resistance terminals of this potentiometer are brought to the plus and minus posts of the A battery. Although the grid return through the secondary wind-ing, L14, is to minus, a positive bias is obtained on this detector tube by connecting the grid leak in shunt to the grid and F plus. The beginnings of the sec-ondaries, L2, L4, L6, L8, L10 and L12 are ondaries, L2, L4, L6, L8, L10 and L12 are brought to the grid posts of their respec-tive sockets. The beginning of L14 is brought to one terminal of C14. The other terminal of this condenser is brought to the grid post. The beginnings of the secondary windings, L2, L4, L6, L8, L10, are also connected to one terminal of the resistors in their stages. The other terminals of these resistors are con-nected to one terminal of the condensers. nected to one terminal of the condensers. The other terminals of these condensers are brought to the plates of their respec-tive tubes. No such resistor and condenser is included in the 6th tube, the potentiometer taking its place. The rheo-stats are all connected in the negative legs of their respective filaments which The variable condensers they control. are connected in shunt to the secondaries, the rotary plates going to the filament

side and the stationary plates going to the grid side. The plates of the RF and the AF tubes should receive about 90 volts (B plus 2). The plate of the detector tube should receive about 45 volts (B plus 1). A 4.5 volt C battery (C minus 1) should be used as a grid bias in the first stage of AF coupling. A 9-volt C battery stage of AF coupling. A 9-volt C battery should be used as a grid bias on the sec-ond and last stage. The first condenser can be controlled individually of the other 6 condensers, which may be ganged. This may lend to easier synchronization of dials and louder signals. The complete set is placed in a totally shielded cabinet, with the coils placed so that practically no field exists between them. This is to prevent interstage coupling and con-sequent uncontrollable oscillations of the tubes in these circuits. The signals obtained from this set on locals are so strong, that it is a good plan to place a single circuit jack at the detector output, so that the local stations may be heard with comfortability. This set is a wonder on DX reception. As a matter of fact, many DX stations can be tuned in, using the speaker. A ballast resistor may take the place of the rheostat controlling the filaments of the AF tubes. This may be of the $\frac{1}{2}$ ampere type, unless you wish to use a power tube in the last stage.

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PLEASE PUBLISH a wiring description of a 4-tube receiver, employing two steps of tuned radio frequency amplificaa non-regenerative detector and one stage of transformer coupled audio frequency amplification. The first stage of tuned RF amplification should be reflexed. That is, this tube should act both as an RF and AF amplifier. The antenna circuit proper, should be tuned. A single winding should be used as the antenna coupler. The constants of the coils and condensers would be appreciated also.-Oram Mar-wold. Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

A 35-turn coil wound on a tubing, 3¹/₄" in diameter, using No. 24 double cotton

covered wire and shunted by a .0005 mfd. variable condenser, is connected in series with the antenna and used to tune the antenna. A switch is connected across out of the circuit. The rotary plate post of this condenser is connected to the 8turn portion of a 50-turn coil, wound on a tubing 3¼" in diameter, using No. 22 double cotton covered wire. The end of this winding is brought to the ground. This means that the antenna-ground system will be connected in the 8-turn portion of the total winding. The beginning of this coil (42 turn portion) is connected to the grid post and to the stationary post of a .0005 mfd. variable condenser. The rotary plate post of this condenser is con-nected to the G post of a 6 to 1 ratio AFT and to the ground post. The F post on this AFT is connected to the arm of a 10-ohm rheestat. The resistance post of 10-ohm rheostat. The resistance post of this rheostat is connected to the F minus post of this socket. The beginning of the primary winding of the first RFT, which consists of 10 turns, wound on a tubing consists of 10 turns, wound on a tubing $3\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, using No. 22 DCC wire, is connected to the plate post of the first socket (1st RF tube). The end of this winding is brought to the P post on a second AFT, this one having a ratio of 3 to 1. The secondary of the first RFT consists of 45 turns, wound on the same tubing as the primary with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " separation between the two, using No. 22 DCC wire. The primary and secondary windings of a second RFT consist of the same number of turns, using the same kind of number of turns, using the same kind of The beginning of the secondary wind-ing of the first RFT, is connected to the rotary plates of another .0005 mfd, vari-able condenser and to one terminal of a 4 more resistor. 1/4 ampere ballast resistor. This same terminal is brought to the A minus post. This same The other terminal of the A minus post. The other terminal of the ballast is brought to the F minus post. The end of this secondary winding is brought to the stationary plate post of the variable con-(Continued on page 27)

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Eight Alluring Hookups



THE ELECTRICAL diagram of the Flewelling circuit, which employs super-regeneration. A 50-turn honeycomb coil is used in the antenna circuit, while a 75-turn honeycomb coil is placed in the plate circuit.



THE SCHEMATIC diagram of the DeForest D17 reflex receiver, using a tube as a detector instead of a crystal. Five tubes do the work of six, the first RF tube acting also as an AF tube.



THE AERIOLA, SR., is diagrammed above. Variometers are employed in the antenna grid and plate circuits. A short wave condenser, C1, with switch is employed.



A 50 turn coil wound on a 3" diameter tubing, using No. 22 DCC wire, shunted by a calibrated .0005 mfd. variable condenser and connected with a buzzer and battery as above, can be used both as a damped wave gener-ator or a wavemeter. The coil is placed in inductive relation to input circuit coil.



THE ELECTRICAL diagram of the Federal Type 59 receiver. A tuned stage of RF amplification, untuned non-regenerative detector and two transformer AF stages are employed.



THE CIRCUIT diagram of the Crosley XJ, 4-tube receiver. Impedance tuning is employed.



METHODS WHEREBY your voice may be heard through a loud speaker are illustrated above. The top shows shows the jack connection. Bottom

a direct connection made as per dia-gram below to left. Diagram to left diagram shows use of a double jack in input circuit.

Audibility 5 70



HOW TO calibrate the actual output of a receiver with the aid of an audi-bility meter is shown above in an electrical diagram. Note that two resist-ance units are employed. The lower the value of the phone resistance, the greater the original flow in the phones. But the impedance of the circuit must be kept constant, while the other resistance is employed, therefore the other series resistance. The meter is usually calibrated in arbitrary values of audibility of from 1 to 2000.

Hoover Is Accused **Of Inviting Chaos**

Has Power to Prevent Wave Piracy, Says Head of Broadcast Listeners—Wants Him to Keep on **Exercising Authority**

"Is Hoover Trying to Create Chaos in Radio?" is the caption of a comprehen-sive article which appears in the current issue of "The Broadcast Listener," official publication of the Broadcast Listeners' Association of America. "Failure of Congress to enact any radio legislation during the session ending in July has stirred up much discussion in the radio world as to what the results will be," says Frank H. McDonald, presi-dent of the Broadcast Listeners' Associa-tion of America, author of the article. Continuing, the article says: "Secretary of Commerce Hoover admits that Government regulation of radio has

that Government regulation of radio has broken down. Mr. Hoover's announce-ment followed expression of an opinion by Attorney General Sargent that the Secretary of Commerce is without power to enforce or deny the use of particular wavelengths or fix the power of individual broadcasting stations.

Quotes Law

"The Broadcast Listeners' Association of America differs with the Attorney General. Quoting the law as enacted in 1912:

"No private or commercial station not engaged in the transaction of bona fide commercial business by radio communication or in experimentation in connec-tion with the development and manufac-ture of radio apparatus for commercial purposes, shall use a transmitting wavelength exceeding two hundred meters, or a transformer input exceeding one kilowatt, except by special authority of the Secretary of Commerce contained in the license of the station."

"The officers of the Association maintain that any station committing air piracy by appropriating or interfering with existing licenses and wavelengths can be legally punished, even though new legislation was not enacted by Congress. The same act under which the Secretary of Commerce was empowered to regulate The same act under which the Secretary of Commerce was empowered to regulate issuance and renewal of broadcasting licenses still stands and has lost none of its effectiveness despite the efforts to make out that it was undermined and wiped out by the decision against the government in its air piracy suit against The Zenith Radio Corporation, Radio Station WJAZ. Chaos of radio can be prevented if Mr. Hoover will continue to function under the powers vested in him under the laws of 1912.

Buying a Law Suit

"Any station committing an act of air piracy tending to create chaos would only be buying a law suit. Any station that has been functioning satisfactorily on the wave band and power allotted it would be the injured party—the one who would suffer financial loss and have its property interests damaged.

"Irrespective of the opinion rendered by Attorney General Sargent prompting the stand Mr. Hoover has taken, under common law such injured parties could easily obtain an injunction against offend-

ing stations and recover damages. That Hoover still holds the reins of radio was ruled by Federal Judge A. L. Reeves in the United States District Court, Kansas City, Mo., July 19, when he issued a per-manent injunction restraining station WOS, Jefferson City, Mo., from monopo-lizing time from KLDS of Independence, Mo.

lizing time from KLDS of Independence, Mo. "The listeners, who are the all-import-ant factor in radio, will have considerable to say in preventing any interference in radio that Mr. Hoover's actions might bring about. The listeners are the people of the United States who govern the country. Any station that enters this class of offenders by broadcasting on a wave band other than that originally as-signed it by the Department of Com-merce or using greater power than given merce or using greater power than given it, or any new stations going on the air on a wave band of their own selection, will lose the support of the listeners, whose good will and support are absolutely necessary to the existence of broadcasting stations.

Intends to Fight

"That the listeners' rights will and must be respected and that they are the dominant factor in radio was proven last year in the stike for silent night in the Chicago area, in which they were successful. Radio listeners in twenty-three states and a part of Canada cooperated with listen-ers in the Chicago area who struck against unfair stations by refusing to listen to them under any circumstances. The Broadcast Listeners' Association of America was powerful enough at that time to protect the rights of the listeners and today is even more powerful, as its membership extends from coast to coast. The same means can be employed against pirating stations that were used to win the fight for the Chicago area silent night.

The listener has a right to decide what station he will or will not listen to. "The ruination of radio reception by piracy will be a vital injury to the inter-est of the industry. If the Department of Commerce will not function under the authority vested in them under the laws of 1912, the Broadcast Listeners' Associa-tion of America will fight for the pro-tection of the industry, the science, and the fair broadcasting stations."

STATIONS WARN OF **BIG RISKS**

The National Association of Broadcasters issued the following statement:

One of the greatest romances of American industry is being written by the broadcasters of the country. In response to the appeal which we made to all broad-casting stations on July 19 to sign a Certificate of Promise assuring this Asso-intion that the station would continue to ciation that the station would continue to cation that the station would continue to operate under the assignments made by the Department of Commerce prior to the Attorney General's opinion, more than 150 stations have returned the signed agreement already, and each mail brings more. Many of them are doing so at the sacrifice of their individual interests, which are born of deep convictions.

Great Response

So fine has been the immediate re-sponse to this call, that so far as exist-ing broadcasters are concerned, we feel assured that the situation is well in hand, and no one needs to fear any kind of chaos due to the operations of those now in the field. However, attention should be directed to the long list of applicants who desire to get into the broadcasting business.

It costs from \$50,000 to \$250,000 to build, It costs from \$50,000 to \$250,000 to build, equip and place a broadcasting station in operation. There are already 536 stations operating on the 89 available wavelengths. Simple arithmetic shows how these sta-tions must be dividing time to avoid in-terference. Obviously, it is impossible to put 600 more stations on the available wavelengths and justify even the minimum investment. It becomes necessary for investment. It becomes necessary for someone to say who may and who may not broadcast, and there is no doubt that as soon as Congress convenes in De-cember adequate legislation will be provided, placing this power in the hands of either the Secretary of Commerce or a separate radio commission. When this takes place, many will certainly be shut out, and it is logical to believe that those who have pioneered in the art, and who have maintained adequate and improving service, should be given prior consideration.

Wild Risk

Some may say that they will take their chances and go ahead with the erection of a station, gambling entirely on what their position may be after the passage of the new law. This would prove to be the wildest kind of speculation, and it is believed that very few, if any, will take the risk the risk.

STATIONS STATE THEIR POSITION

KFWI, San Francisco, Calif., by Tom atton: "Col. Dillon, former supervisor Catton: of this district, has the pledge of broadcasters of this vicinity that they will abide by his future decisions as when he was in control. Tom Catton KFWI is member of committee of five stations represented to act with Dillon."

WJJD, Mooseheart, Ill.: "WJJD is con-templating no change in wavelength, power or operating schedule.

KFWM, Oakland, Calif.: "With approval of Radio Commissioner's Office we

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have accepted change from 207 to 325 and from 250 to original wattage of 500. Broadcasting on this change now. Change is not result of present condition, which is regrettable, but transfer of established

wave." WBAL, Baltimore, Md., by Fred R. Huber: "My plan is to go along with the Government in an orderly way and co-operate with it in every way possible. The station is now broadcasting at its full capacity 3,000 watts. Intend to stay on present wavelength until change is made by Washington."

12 Out of 600 Seek Station Licenses

Requirement That Actual Erection Must Precede Grant of Permit Causes 588 to Become Disinterested

By Thomas Stevenson

WASHINGTON. Chief Radio Supervisor W. D. Terrell finds a bit of grim humor in the new radio situation developed through the situation developed through the break-

down of radio regulation. Prior to the adjournment of Congress, more than 600 applicants were clamoring more than our applicants were clamoring for licenses for stations. Most of them claimed they had their stations ready for operation. The refusal of the Depart-ment of Commerce to grant the license sometimes resulted in denunciations and protests of a heated character.

About a month ago the Department of Commerce announced it would no longer attempt to withhold licenses from appli-cants for stations. The only proviso was that the station must be ready for oper-ation before the license would be granted. A neat announcement was made to all of the 600 applicants that just so soon as

of the 600 applicants that just so soon as their stations were ready for operation a license would be granted them. To date, only around a dozen have taken advantage of the situation. In a given

week not one station applied for a license. Mr. Terrell does not expect that the public will suffer from interference to any considerable extent this summer.

Different In Winter

When cool weather starts and distance when cool weather starts and distance reception is easier, Mr. Terrell expects a prolonged "howl" from fans in several cities and communities. With a number of stations changing to new wavelengths, giving regard only to the problem of local interference, and with a number of new stations coming in, it is not believed that many of the DX stations which ordinarily come in quite strong would be picked up with sufficient clarity to enjoy their pro-

grams. It is believed that the situation will demonstrate the absolute necessity for some directing head who can assign wavelengths with due regard to the entire country rather than to the needs of any

The general opinion is that distance re-ception has received a blow from which it can recover only through the administration of iron-bound regulations. Until Congress enacts such regulations and grants the authority for their enforce-ment, local programs will probably con-stitute the major part of broadcast reception.

Aside from regulations, Congress is ex pected to have a new problem which did not enter into consideration of radio legislation at the last session. Some pro-vision must be made for the disposition of new stations which were licensed after the adjournment of Congress.

Crowded Prospects

Mr. Terrell will not attempt to predict how many new stations will be licensed between now and the first of next year, before which time radio legislation can-not be expected. The general guess is that there will be from 50 to 100 new stations, or around 10 per cent. of those who have applications on file.

Sixty new stations would bring the total number of broadcasters up to around 600. With only 89 wavelengths available it can be seen that most of the stations will be compelled to divide time two or three ways or else several stations must use the

same wavelength simultaneously. Secretary Hoover hopes that good business judgment will prevent the erection of many new stations. He does not think many new stations. He does not think the uncertainty of getting a satisfactory wavelength justifies the large expenditure necessary for the construction and up-keep of a station. Mr. Hover also expresses pleasure at steps taken by the broadcasters to pledge themselves to stick to the wavelength assigned them but the Department of Com-

assigned them by the Department of Commerce. He thinks such cooperation will be absolutely necessary to prevent the temporary collapse of the broadcasting structure.

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WHN Reunites **Minstrel** Team

Wright and Wrong are together again and WHN did it. Wright played the piano and sang at this station while Wrong, who is a real estate man now, was listening. Wrong recognized the voice of his old partner in the George Primrose Minstrels and on the vaudeville stage of 20 years ago. It thrilled him and he made haste to find Wright. Next they sang and played together for radio fans at the sta-tion. tion.

CRISIS PAST. **IS HOOVER'S** VIEW NOW

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON. "There has been a tendency already," said Mr. Hoover, "on the part of those stations which have gone off their regular wavelengths to get back to those which had been assigned to them." So said Secretary Hoover in an inter-view. There will be no serious complica-tions, he believes

tions, he believes.

WCAP Sold to R. C. A.; United With WRC

WASHINGTON. The Chesapeake and Potomac Tele-phone Company at Washington sold WCAP to the Radio Corporation of America and the station was consolidated with station WRC. The reason given for the sale was that it would make possible more economical operation of the stations with the same personnel for both. The last day of operation for WCAP was July 31. July 31.

Under the new arrangement, the New York programs which formerly came to Washington through WCAP, are con-tinued through WRC. Other features of WCAP also are continued. WRC under new plan operates 7 days a week.

NEW SWEDISH STATION The Swedish Government has appropri-ated \$287,500 for the erection of a large broadcasting station in Motala in Central Sweden, according to advices to the De-partment of Commerce.

Five New Stations; Seven Wave Changes

Some Interference Expected as Waves Are Same as or **Near Those of Existing Stations**

WASHINGTON

Five new stations were licensed by the Department of Commerce while seven stations changed their wavelengths.

NEW STATIONS

WJBV, Union Course Laboratories, Woodhaven, N. Y., 469.9 meters. KGBS, A. C. Dailey, Seattle, Washing-ton, 209.7 meters. KRCA, Radio Corporation of America, Portable, San Francisco and Los Angeles, Calif., 305 meters. WMBI, Moody Bible Institute, Chi-cago, Ill., 288.3 meters. WJAF, J. A. Fenberg Radio Co., Fern-dale, Mich., 400 meters.

STATION CHANGES

WGBH, Clearwater, Fla., 265.5 meters, is now owned by the Fort Harrison Hotel. The station was formerly owned by the George H. Bowles Developments. WNAC, Shepard Stores, Boston,

changed from 280.2 meters to 430.1 meters. WNAB, Shepard Stores, Boston, changed from 250 meters to 280.2 meters. WRNY, Experimenter Publishing Co., New York, changed from 258 meters to 374.8 meters. WRNY Dependence Control of the store of

374.8 meters. WBNY, Baruchrome Corporation, New York, changed from 209.7 meters to 322.4 meters. This station was formerly licensed in the name of Miss Shirley Katz. WEW, St. Louis University, St. Louis, changed from 247.8 meters to 360 meters. KFNF, Henry Field Seed Co., Shenan-doah, Lowa, changed from 263 meters to

doah, Iowa, changed from 263 meters to 461 meters. The stations newly licensed or changed

may cause interference to the following

KOA. Denver, Col.; WRC, Washing-ton; KFKX, Hastings; WLWL, New York; WCAE, Pittsburgh; WSB, Atlan-tic; KTHS. Hot Springs; KVOO, Bris-tow; WJAZ, Chicago; and WQAO, New York.

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Refinement Stage Reached In Radio

No Revolutionary Invention in Sight—Heterodyning Evil Lacks Solution—Eliminator Year Forecast

By Hugo Gernsback

During the course of conversation with many people in all walks of life, the question is frequently asked me if radio has now settled down, in the same degree as the automobile industry, and whether it has become stabilized?

I have answered, a great many times during the past few years, that we need not look for any revolutionary improvements in radio at present. The chances are against any invention that will entirely upset the radio industry. Just as in the automobile industry, we may not look for any revolutionary invention that will upset the entire trend of the automobile—unless it should be a flying attachment, which might be applied to any auto mobile—and this, while not impossible nevertheless will not appear in the immediate future.

Finer Touches Now

It is the same with radio. Television, to be sure, is in the offing, but several years will elapse before you will be able to sit before your radio at home and witness a baseball game 100 miles distant. On the broadcasting end, no great and epochal improvements need be expected shortly.

While improvements are being made right along, these are now more in the nature of finer touches rather than revolutionary; but we can expect better and better transmission and greater clarity.

better transmission and greater clarity. One of the great troubles in the United States at the present time is the heterodyning between different stations nearly on the same wavelengths. This is particularly true of the low wavelengths where there is serious congestion, and there does not seem to be any immediate remedy for this. Technically, there seems to be no possible way to separate two stations less than 1,000 miles apart and operating on the same wavelength. As Congress has adjourned for some six months, and the Department of Commerce is left with little authority, there seems to be little hope that the heterodyning evil can be done away with in the immediate future.

5 and 6 Tubes Popular

On the receiving end it does not seem that sets will be altered radically during the next few years. Five and six tube sets probably will prevail for quite a long time to come; although there is always the possibility that a single-tube superregenerative set, which in output may equal the present 4 and 5-tube set, can be developed. So far the super-regenerative circuit, while admitted to be one of the great possibilities, has been and remains nothing but an experiment. It is, as yet, too tricky and has never left the laboratory stage.

From these remarks no rash conclusions should be reached that radio is stagnant and does not progress. Quite the contrary. During the entire year of 1925 more than 900 radio patents were issued by the Patent Office; and during the first six months of 1926 almost 600 radio patents have been issued. As a matter of fact, it will be seen from these figures, our inventors in the various laboratories all over the country are still tremendously busy devising new and better things in radio. It would seem that this activity should keep on increasing rather than decreasing in the immediate future.

Radio in this country goes through various strange cycles. When broadcasting started off with a rush we were in the crystal-set stage. That prevailed during some six months, until the singletube epidemic set in, which lasted for a year. With one bound we jumped from the single-tube to the 5-tube set which, even today, is more or less standard. At first the sets were built in a box to put on the table. That continued for about a year, when the industry was affected with the console-set fever, which does not yet seem to have abated.

An Eliminator Year

As to the parts, conditions were much the same. Last year we saw a small epidemic of straight-line-frequency condensers, which have practically displaced the old straight-wave type. Then came the vernier-dial tempest, which is still blowing strong.

This year seems to be an A and B eliminator year, because more firms are becoming engaged in the manufacture of eliminators than in possibly any other single radio accessory. There are several million radio sets in use today, and the market for batteries and A and B eliminators is therefore very large. As in all such phenomena, there is sure to be a race for supremacy between the manufacturers of eliminators and those of batteries. And we may be certain that the battery people are not standing by idle.

idle. When radio first came along it seemed that the deathknell of the phonograph had definitely been sounded; but the phonograph people merely rolled up their sleeves and went to work producing such phonographs as they had never before believed it possible to build. The immediate result was that the phonograph today is in far greater demand than it was before the advent of radio; and, whereas in 1922 every phonograph manufacturer had "nerves" every time the word "radio" was mentioned, he sits back today, complacently, and is not worried at all. So it will probably come about that the battery manufacturers will be spurred on to meet the invasion and give the elim-

So it will probably come about that the battery manufacturers will be spurred on to meet the invasion and give the eliminator people a stiff battle. Already the storage-battery folk have seen the light, and are putting out radio power plants that connect right to the lighting circuit. These miniature power plants give A and B battery current with a minimum of attention from the owner. No longer is he required to lug around heavy A and B storage batteries; now he leaves the

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Change In Affects t

Many Listeners Mistakenly Is Merely Meetin

Many fans attempt to retune their set when one program number gives way to another. They notice a decline in volume and assume that the set needs adjustment. If the dials are not turned the volume control is adjusted, or perhaps both are tinkered with, on the assumption that this is necessary.

Nearly always there is no occasion for touching the set. The volume change is due entirely to conditions at the broadcasting station. Perhaps a soprano has just given way to a brass band. The operator in the control room of the station takes care of the volume by adjust-

unit in the cellar and it is charged automatically.

Matically. As to the radio sets, they are getting better and better as time goes on. More attention is being paid now to reduction of losses, shielding, and mechanical perfection, than at any time during the history of radio. It is safe to say that an up-to-date set bought today will be in service for many, many years to come. In the meanwhile, the sets are becoming more sensitive as well, and will have better and better range, by virtue of the improvement in vacuum tubes, which are



Stood Up Before American Institute of Electrical Engineers and Disclosed Solution of Hysteresis Loss.

[The first instalment of a short biography of Charles P. Steinmetz, published last week, told of his college career, his arrival in America and his fruitless search for a job. The second chapter follows.]

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By John W. Hammond

He did not grow discouraged because he could not find a position right away.

He kept on looking. As soon as he could do so, he started out to find the manufacturing establish-ment of Rudolf Eickemeyer, to whom his editorial iriend in Germany had given him a letter of introduction. Eickemeyer's place was in Yonkers, about fifteen miles north of New York.

His First Job Here

Steinmetz reached Yonkers and after making a number of inquiries found the Eickemeyer factory. He was granted an interview with Mr. Eickemeyer.

Eickemeyer found out at once that this young fellow was no ordinary floater. looking for a chance job. He discovered that Steinmetz possessed a fine technical education. He at once treated Steinmetz almost as an equal. He was nuch inter-ested in what Steinmetz knew about electrical matters.

Finally, on Monday, June 16, 1889, Stein-metz was put to work in Eickemeyer's factory as a draftsman at \$12 a week. Almost the first thing that Steinmetz did after obtaining work was to take steps to become an American citizen. He had instinctively decided that he wanted to live in America the rest of his life. So he appeared that very year be-fore a naturalization court and took out his first papers.

Steinmetz Rises

During his first year in America he rapidly began to establish himself as an electrical mathematician.

He joined the New York Mathematical Society, now the American Mathematical Society, and was admitted a little later to Society, and was admitted a little later to membership in the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. His first public appearance was at a meeting of the lat-ter organization, early in 1890, when he took part in a discussion of a mathematic-al paper presented by Thorburn Reid. He attracted a good deal of attention, in this discussion, by the surprising skill which he showed in handling the most complicated mathematics. The other engineers realized that there was unmistakable genius in this keen,

was unmistakable genius in this keen, friendly, crippled young fellow, who still spoke English with a foreign accent. For Steinmetz was not yet thirty years of age. By this time, he had made a home for himself in Yonkers, and was beginning to enjoy his work. His faithful friend, As-mussen, meanwhile, had returned to Europe.

Steinmetz was now almost ready for the first big achievement of his life—a difficult and brilliant mathematical investigation which resulted in a new law regarding the design of electric motors. As a young draftsman at the factory of Eickemeyer & Osterheld, Steinmetz was put to work making complete draw-ings of a motor for electric street cars. Such a motor had been designed by Rudolf Eickemeyer and Stephen D. Field, but it was comparatively crude Field, but it was comparatively crude.

First Practical Work

Never before had Steinmetz worked on practical electrical apparatus. Never before had he come so close to the actual use of electricity in commercial affairs.

All through these busy months he was brought into constant contact with both Eickemeyer and Field. These men were skilled inventors, particularly interested in electric street cars. Field had invented a "system" of electric car propulsion, and Eickemeyer had agreed to manufacture the motors.

This was in 1885. By the time that Steinmetz began working for Eickemeyer, Field had given up his experiments on the elevated road and had designed a motor for street cars. With this motor he used an overhead trolley to conduct the cur-rent from the wire to the armature. This was the motor on the drawings for which Steinmetz worked. It was an improve-ment on the Field-Eickemeyer motor of 1885 was wound for only obset held the 1885, was wound for only about half the voltage, and was geared to the traction wheels.

Down Crashed the Trolley

Trouble was experienced with the over-head trolley. Contrary to the present ar-rangement, the trolley wheel ran on top of the wire, not underneath it; and it would keep falling off. Field finally tried magnetizing the wheel, so that the wire would be attracted to it. But the first time an attempt was made to operate a car in this manner the wheel came off and pulled the whole trolley mechanism down

car in this manner the wheel came off and pulled the whole trolley mechanism down upon the roof of the car. Before long Eickemeyer began to ob-serve how much personal interest Stein-metz was taking in his work. It was about this time, too that Steinmetz un-expectedly revealed to his employer how much he knew about chemistry. Eickemeyer, one morning suddenly en-tered the drafting room, where Steinmetz was working, and said:

was working, and said: "Does anyone know what will take an aniline stain off my fingers?" "Yes," replied Steinmetz, without hesi-tancy, "sulphuric acid will do it."

Enters a Mansion

Then he told Eickemeyer just how to apply the sulphuric acid; and the two had quite a chat for a few moments. Eickemeyer, who lived in a stately man-

Eickemeyer, who lived in a stately man-sion, with extensive grounds and a num-ber of servants, soon afterward began to invite Steinmetz to call at his home on Sunday afternoons. They would spend the time talking over the work they were doing at the factory. Men who become as much fascinated as that by the work in which they are engaged almost always become unusually successful.

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About this time, Eickemeyer felt that he needed an experimental laboratory, so he asked Steinmetz to establish such a laboratory at the factory. This was just the sort of work that Steinmetz enjoyed. A small room on the second floor of the building next to the Eickemeyer factory was turned over to him for his use. He had a man to help him; but only for part of the time. Most of the work consisted of investigations requiring the uses of mathematics. A number of new ideas was worked out; and the friendly teamwork between Steinmetz and Eickemeyer

grew more pronounced. Steinmetz used to recall this laboratory with much vividness, revealing how really barren and crude it was. "The laboratory," he said, "came about as a matter of course. When I first began to work at Fickenever's there was one

to work at Eickemeyer's there was one other draftsman there, Mueller, at whose home I finally boarded.

Growth of Laboratory

"Later the second floor of the next building to Eickemeyer's factory was obtained, a door was cut through, and that became my own room. At first I had a shop man working under me, and later a draftsman. The shop man did the me-chanical work of the laboratory. He was chanical work of the laboratory. He was not there at all times, as he was an expert machine repairer, and if anything went wrong with any of the machines in the factory, he was sent for immediately. Then he would disappear from my room

for a day or two at a stretch. "This was the room where Stephen D. Field used to sit by the fire. It was a cold room in the winter, so I bought a good-sized stove. It took a big fire to keep the stove going and that made the room stove going, and that made the room roasting hot. When I tried to check the fire, it would go out."

Late in the summer of 1891, somewhat more than two years after young Carl Steinmetz landed in America, Eickemeyer gave him an important piece of work to do. He asked Steinmetz to make calcu-lations for the design of an electric railway motor of the same type as those now in use on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and other railroads.

Different Motor Types

Electric motors, as designed and built today, are wonderfully capable machines. They deliver a high percentage of power, are made in many sizes, and are of many types, each type suited to some particular sort of work.

One kind of motor is especially designed to run electric elevators; another kind is built to drive textile looms; still another, for use in steel mills; another to run an electric sewing machine, or a clotheswashing machine.

Some motors are traction motors—that is, they provide the motive power for electric street cars or electric locomotives on railroads. Still others, and some of the

very largest, propel the battleships of Uncle Sam's navy. These last—marine-type motors—tower thirty or forty feet into the air. They stand as high as the second story of an ordinary dwelling house. And there are little bits of motors, so small that one of them seems almost lost in the palm of the hand, which operate electric clocks.

Hysteresis Law a Problem

The engineers of that day knew, of course, that magnetic flux would produce a current of electricity whenever a con-ductor of electricity, connected to a closed tion was being successfully used from 1880 on, both in generators and motors.

Early in the progress of electrical devel-opment, inventors had discovered that every electric generator is essentially a source of alternating current. They had also found that they could change this

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Marconi, radio inventor. He is shown in

Program he Volume

Readjust Dials, But Station g New Conditions

ing resistances connected with the speech amplifier—an audio channel used for regulating the amplification of everything broadcast. A different adjustment is needed for a band than for a soprano and it may take a few moments before the transmitter is properly settled for the new conditions.

Therefore when a station seems to be suffering from an odd form of fading at the time of program change, keep in mind the probable cause and let your receiver alone. No attempt should be made at readjustment until a few minutes have elapsed.

being made more sensitive every month. Not only are they more sensitive, but they are being made more economical as well. The 5-tube set in 1920 required 5 amperes at 6 volts, which is 30 watts, to light its filaments. It meant, then, re-charging your storage battery every few days, The like set today uses only about 1¼ amperes at 5 volts, or 6¼ watts. It is safe to say that the consumption of current-by the average radio set, at the end of the next five years, will not be even half what it is today. (Broadcast from WRNY) being made more sensitive every month.

(Broadcast from WRNY)

Three Contributed To Birth of Tube

Edison Discovery of Space Current Was Forerunner, Fleming Applied It to Radio and DeForest Added the Vital Grid

By Leon L. Adelman

The Chas. Freshman Co., Inc. "What is the greatest radio invention?" Surely not a difficult question, yet some would hesitate to answer it. And not only is it the greatest radio invention, but also the greatest electrical invention It is the vacuum tube-the three-element tube without which our progress would be greatly handicapped. Our transcon-tinental telephone, our radio broadcast stations, public address systems, trans-mission of photos by radio and other very important developments of modern life depend upon it. And to think that at the base of all these wonderful in-ventions lies the so-called Edison effect, a discovery made many years ago and little thought of for several years later! Thomas Alva Edison, the electrical

wizard, in his pioneer work in investigating the peculiarities and behavior of the incandescent lamp, came upon a pheno-menon which was termed the Edison Effect. His work led him into the study Effect. of the physical and chemical actions which take place in highly evacuated glass builds containing an incandescent filament.

What Effect Is

By the term "effect" physicists have long designated phenomena or groups of phenomena which are new in themselves and which fail to arrange themselves into any given theoretical classification or to admit of an explanation under existing theories. Thus we have in physics a large number of effects to which have been given the names of their discoverers, all of whom have been distinguished in the field of pure science, such as for instance, the Peltier effect, having to do with the absorption and evolution of heat at the junction of two metals carrying a cur-rent; the Thomson effect, having to do with thermo-electric currents in a given metal; the Hall effect, having to do with the doubtion of currents in the form the deviation of currents in a thin film under the influence of a powerful mag-netic field; the Purkinje effect, having to do with the variation of sensibility of the eye for the red and blue ends of the spectrum with high and low illumination; the Zeeman effect, having to do with the dis-placement of spectral lines when a radiplacement of spectral lines when a radi-ating gas is submitted to a powerful mag-netic field, etc. Of all these effects, none has been so prolific in practical conse-quences as the Edison effect. What is the Edison effect? It is best answered in Edison's own words which appear in a patent filed by him in October, 1883: "I have discovered that if a conducting substance is interposed anywhere in the yacuous space within the globe of an in-

vacuous space within the globe of an in-candescent lamp, and said conducting substance is connected outside of the lamp with one terminal, preferably the positive one of the incandescent conductor, a portion of the current will, when the lamp is in operation. pass through the shunt circuit thus formed."

In other words, Edison was the first to notice that a current flowed through the space in the evacuated tube, but since at that early date electrons were unheard of, no satisfactory explanation was available.

Clearer Idea Now

Today, in the light of Richardson's formulas governing the laws of emission and Langmuir's supplementary work showing the so-called space charge effect, we are able to give an accepted hypothesis show-ing that the Edison effect is simply this: that negatively charged particles of elec-tricity, called electrons, are shot off from an incandescent conductor, such as a heated filament, and that these electrons are attracted either by the positive leg of the filament or by a second conductor called a plate. The thermionic current which flows is unilateral. We then have the substance of a rectifying valve which will conduct currents in one direction only. And due only to the fact that Edi-son was too busy with the development of the electric lamp, his discovery was not able to give an accepted hypothesis showof the electric lamp, his discovery was not practically applied until Fleming took ad-vantage of it and applied it to the recep-tion of wireless signals, eleven years afterwards.

afterwards. Fleming in "Principles of Electric Wave Telegraphy,' states: "A third method of utilizing the properties of rarefied gases for the purpose of a cym-oscope was discovered by the author in 1904, based upon a fact discovered by him in 1900 in the course of come investor in 1890 in the course of some investiga-tions upon incandescent electrical lamps." This statement would lead one to be-lieve that Fleming was responsible for the discovery of the fact that electronic emission takes place when a filament is heated and that the electronic stream is conductive in one direction only.

Credit to Edison

Instead, the full credit belongs to Edi-son, since what Fleming merely did was to apply the known principle to the rec-tification of wireless waves. The fact that no mention has been made by Fleming on the Edison effect has been erroneously construed by some to indicate that Fleming first came upon the principle. From the Fleming valve, which was not

From the Fleming valve, which was not particularly effective as a wireless detector the next advance made was the 3-elec-trode tube as conceived by De Forest. This remarkable step forward was the introduction of a third element—the grid —which could regulate the passage of the electrons, between filament and plate.

-which could regulate the passage of the electrons between filament and plate. The audio or 3-electrode tube, in its property of operating as a detector or rectifier of signals, as an amplifier, and generator of alternating currents of any generator of alternating currents of any frequency, is a most wonderful and ver-satile piece of apparatus. Since its in-ception by De Forest it has undergone some remarkable development work and from the unpretentious "oscillion valve" to the 100 kilowatt water-cooled power tube is a tremendous stride.

The simplicity of the direct current and the lack of suitable devices for using the lack of suitable devices for using the alternating current in practice caused most of the early electrical supply systems to be planned as direct-current circuits. Hence, up to about 1890, men were somewhat more familiar with direct-current characteristics than with those of the alternating current.

Science Applied to Problem

A year or two later, when the transformer and the multiphase system of gen-erating electrical energy led to more interest in the alternating current, engineers were to find themselves facing several intricate problems which are involved only in the alternating current. And in solving these, also, the mathematical genius of Steinmetz was to prove itself of immense value.

At the earlier period of 1890, however, it was already realized that in the case of motors, whether designed for direct current or alternating current operation, the magnetism of the magnetic circuit alter-nates; that is, it moves first in one direc-tion, then in the opposite direction. This tion, then in the opposite direction. This alternating movement produces a certain loss of magnetic flux, caused, it is sup-posed, by the friction of molecules. It makes itself apparent by heat in the elec-tromagnets of the motor. Until the time of Steinmetz no one knew with every continue whet the ratio of this

with any certainty what the ratio of this loss of magnetic flux might be to the magloss of magnetic flux might be to the mag-netism produced in the motor. They simply knew that there was a loss; but not being able to determine in what pro-portion it increased as the capacity of the motor was increased, they could not design motors of high efficiency. Furthermore, they did not know which mineral substance would produce the greatest amount of magnetism.

Steinmetz's Objective

The motor which Steinmetz was trying to design for Eickemeyer was an alternating current single-phase motor with compensated windings. Steinmetz knew very well that the magnetism in the motor would alternate, and therefore would con-sume power. This consumption of power within the motor itself, caused by loss of magnetic flux, is called the "hysteresis loss

As it is necessary to keep this loss down to the smallest possible point, Steinmetz began to make calculations to see how he could do this and at the same time have the motor produce the greatest possible volume of power.

volume of power. Before long he discovered that there was no information in existence which would tell him just how much power loss would occur for a certain amount of magnetism in the iron of the motor. To discover this rule-or law, as electrical en-gineers call it-he found it necessary to make some profound mathematical calcu-lations. It was a problem that could be solved only by mathematics.

He Solves the Problem

He worked at it for weeks-and finally he found the answer. When he had finished his calculations,

he drew up a table, similar to a multipli-cation table, which showed, without any further figuring of any kind, the amount of power loss for each particular volume of magnetism.

Dr. Steinmetz once told his own story of how he grappled with and conquered this problem, in the following simple, un-

boastful language: "I knew there would be a loss of power in the alternating magnetism of the motor, in the alternating magnetism of the motor, and I wished to calculate this hysteresis loss, to get the efficiency of the motor. I therefore looked through the literature obtainable and found two tables of hys-teresis losses given, one by Ewing, in his

Kent Donates 200 Lighthouse Sets

Manufacturer Acts on Hoover's Appeal That Lonely Keepers Need Receivers in Isolated Places-Speakers Included in the Gift

WASHINGTON.

Secretary Hoover's plan to equip all the more isolated and remote lighthouses with radio receiving sets, although Congress has made no appropriation for such equipment, has succeeded. With the gift by A. Atwater Kent, of Philadelphia, of 200 5-tube sets and speakers, a sufficient number of sets to outfit all major sta-tions at which the men are cut off for long periods from the outside world, is assured.

Secretary Hoover believes that radio can do more to relieve the monotony, the loneliness of the life to which their work subjects lightkeepers and their families than anything else that could be given them. Particularly during the Winter, when heavy weather sets in, these given them. stations are often cut off from any outside contact whatever for months at a time. Radio, which can bring to even the most isolated lighthouses a variety of

entertainment and information-concerts. lectures, sermons, news and weather re-ports—is expected not only to benefit the men, though relieving the monotony

the men, though relieving the monotony of slowly dragging days, but to be a di-rect aid to the service through the im-proved morale that will result. In offering his contribution of 200 sets, Mr. Kent wrote Secretary Hoover: "I can think of no group of people to whom radio would mean more than to these keepers and their families, cut off as they are for long periods from either contact are for long periods from either contact or communication with the outside world. I consider it a privilege to do my bit to-ward relieving their isolation and loneli-ness."

George R. Putnam, Commissioner of Lighthouses, will direct the distribution and installation of sets, giving precedence to those that are most rarely reached by the tenders which carry supplies and mail

book on magnetism, and one by Kapp, in

"Unfortunately, the two tables disagreed with each other, and the curves given by the tables differed in shape from each other. I then studied both tables and other. I then studied both tables and found that Kapp's table must contain a typographical error. From Ewing's table, however, I derived mathematically a law, the 'law of hysteresis,' showing how the hysteresis loss increases with the increase of magnetization. Roughly, it is that every time the magnetization doubles, the hysteresis loss trables."

hysteresis loss trebles." Steinmetz announced the new law before the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in 1892. He immediately became recognized as a "powerful thinker," a profound mathematician—and he had been in the United States only two years and a half, not even long enough to speak English perfectly! He was only twenty-six years of age.

It is quite likely that the year 1892 was one of the most important in the career of Charles P. Steinmetz. There were sev-

or Charles P. Steinmetz. There were sev-eral events in that year which set it apart from other periods of his life. One of these was his final decision to make his name an American, instead of a German, name. Until then, his actual name had always remained just as it was given him at his christening—Carl August Rudolf Steinmetz Rudolf Steinmetz.

But since he had been living in America he had become enthusiastic about being an American. He decided that if he were going to be a real American he must have an American name. He therefore changed the "Carl" into its English equivalent, "Charles."

And he gave up his two German middle names. In their place he decided to have a single initial, like the many American names that he saw almost every day in the newspapers, magazines and letters. The only thing that gave him special thought was what his middle initial should be and what it should stand for. initial . While he was thinking this over, he re-

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ceived a visit one day from a man with whom he had studied at the University of Breslau—one of his old college chums, whom he had not seen for several years. This friend came into Eickemeyer's labor-atory quite unexpectedly, and upon catch-

atory quite unexpectedly, and upon catch-ing sight of Steinmetz he stepped up, gave the young mathematician a friendly slap on the back, and cried out: "Well, Pro-teus! How are you?" The sound of the familiar college nick-name gave Steinmetz a thrill of delight; and almost on the spur of the moment he made up his mind that the middle initial of his American name should be "P," and that it should stand for Proteus From From that it should stand for Proteus. that moment he always signed himself "Charles P. Steinmetz." In 1892 the General Electric Company,

which had just been organized, heard about the electrical work of Eickemeyer, and also heard, of course, about the remarkable mathematical work of Steinmetz. The General Electric Company was anxious to obtain the patents of Eicke-meyer; and at a meeting in New York, satisfactory terms of sale were agreed to. It was especially stated, however, that the young German engineer Steinmetz, was to become associated with the General Electric Company in connection with the purchase of Eickemeyer's business. To arrange for this, one of the engineers of the General Electric Company, E. Wil-bur Rice, Jr., went to Yonkers to talk with Steinmetz.

with Steinmetz. It is true that Steinmetz agreed imme-diately to become an employe of the Gen-eral Electric Company. He did not ask for a large salary, although his pay was as high as that given any one on the staff of engineers which the company had company had gathered together.

gathered together. Early in 1893, after he had helped to transfer the records, patents and engin-eering data of Eickemeyer & Osterheld to the new owners, he left Yonkers for Lynn, Mass., which was then the head-quarters of the General Eelctric Company. (Broadcast from WGY)

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

THE radio trade is constantly discussing the question of whether or not there are. too many concerns in the set and parts busi-ness. It should be remembered that the automobile trade has been stabilized only during the past few years. In radio, as in every other line of business activity, it be-comes a matter of the survival of the fittest.



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Distinctive Announcers

THE successful announcer must be proof against censure and praise, for to the best of the announcers come tri-butes that may easily convert them to the belief that the transmitter is simply the medium by which they, the announcers, charm the human race and lift its burden of suffering. When one is blazing paths in a new profession there is no standard by which values may be calibrated. It is quite natural for one to assume that the ability to address anywhere from 200 to 2,000,000 people exalts one to first rank among the seven wonders. One of the traits that makes an announcer good is the ability to absorb flattery and denun-

ciation and remain serene and unruffled. Stations are distinguished by the quality of their transmission, their signal of their transmission, their signal strength, the quality of their programs and the sound-personality of their an-nouncers. A good program may be mar-red by poor announcing and in poor announcing may be included not only un-grammatical phrasing and mispronunci-ation, but gratuitious and wordy explan-ations and light comedy by-play that may

My First Adventure With a Radio Receiver



"I WAS REWARDED by hearing just the faintest suggestion of dots and dashes, which I surmised were the signals of some ship far out on the ocean.

"Back in 1913 a Boy Friend Introduced Me to Code Reception," Says Author, Citing Dots and Dashes that Originated Two Blocks Away

By J. Gerard Sheedy

Illustration by the Author

Numerous radio engineers and others affiliated with the radio game have at some time or other felt the urge to write their memoirs so that their records of trial and tribulation will go down in his-tory. With this thought in mind I will

write mine in one brief snatch. It was way back in 1913, the year before the big war, that I received my introduc-tion to a radio set. I call it a radio set out of kindness to my chum at the time, because of his great sacrifice in depriving himself of ice cream sodas, baseball gloves, moving pictures and other essentials of youth, to save enough to purchase a loose coupler, a crystal, phones and three dry batteries.

This elaborate collection of apparatus was stored in the attic, far from the pry-ing eyes of the skeptical and safe from his mother's vigorous dustbrush, as the slight-est jar would have thrown the crystal out of adjustment for weeks.

DX Around the Corner

I was led into the attic amid whispering I was led into the attic amid whispering on the part of my friend, for to let me hear the set he was "cutting" his home-work, which was considered a grievous offense in those days. After having taken all the necessary precautions against noise, I finally managed to find an old soap box, upon which I sat while he untangled many mysterious wires and put the contraption

on my ears known as a pair of phones. As many realize, there was no broad-casting at this time, only code. Even bringing in code, according to my

friend, was a feat in itself. If we were lucky, I was informed, we might be able to hear the New York Navy Yard station, in Brooklyn, which was nearly two blocks away

After a siege of pulling, scraping and breathless waiting on the part of my col-league, I heard a very faint click. Sud-denly the face of my youth of mystery lighted up with a superior smile.

Mystery Unfolded

"Did you hear that?" he cried. "Yes," I replied, "What was it?" "That," he exclaimed, "was the auto-matic switch in the car tracks down at

the corner. After another hour of patient waiting I was rewarded by hearing just the faintest sugggestion of dots and dashes, which I surmised were the signals of some ship far out on the ocean. These signals lasted for almost thirty seconds. I then asked my friend what ship it might be. He replied that it was no ship, but was the Naval Station two blocks away, the antenna of which was plainly visible through the window.

Glancing at my friend's face I concluded from his expression that the demonstra-tion was at an end. I then thanked him most heartily and bade him good-night, feeling that he was indeed making prog-ress in the world of science.

be understood and appreciated in the studio but is sad and flat to the rest of

the world. The average listener holds that it is The average listener holds that it is the duty of the announcer to convey by word the personality of his station, to let the listener know the call letters of the station, the name of the performer and the title of his selection. After he has done that he is no longer necessary in the picture. The most successful announcers are those who avoid stereotyped phrasing and who in vocal tone convex friendliand who, in vocal tone, convey friendliness, good will and a desire to please. That is the side of the announcer that

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the listener gets but the announcer also has his duty to the performer and very often it is a difficult duty. Many performers, even though experienced in pub-lic performance, quail before the micro-phone. The announcer must say and do the right thing to put the nervous per-former at ease.

Then there is the temperamental musician, not always in the class described as artists, who because of some fancied slight, appears but refuses to go on at the scheduled time. Such a one must be coddled and convinced that thousands will go to bed unhappy if he is not heard.

De Forest Co. Plans Suits Ending All Sets by R.C.A.

Will Allege Infringement of Regenerative Patent, Newly Awarded to De Forest — Court Cancels Armstrong's Grant — Westinghouse "Licenses" Held Illegal.

MILLIONS IN SIGHT

Damages to Be Sought from All Violators, As 7-Year Feedback Dispute **Reaches** "Final Stage."

(Special to RADIO WORLD)

PHILADELPHIA. Having previously obtained patents on the regenerative circuit, through court de-cision, Dr. Lee De Forest won another victory in his 9-year fight against the Armstrong patent, when Judge J. J. Thompson, in Federal Court, Eastern District, also handed down a decision cancelling the patent granted to Arm-strong, and automatically declaring Dr.

De Forest the actual inventor. The suit was against the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., to whom Edwin H. Armstrong had assigned his rights, if any, and for which he had been paid a lump sum of several hundred thousand dollars.

Westinghouse has licensed several set manufacturers and others under the Armmanufacturers and others under the Arm-strong patent, including the Radio Cor-poration of America, the General Electric Co., and a score more. Under this so-called license regenerative receivers and kits have been and are being sold, and Westinghouse is collecting royalty there-on, often using the legal department of the R. C. A. to enforce royalty pay-ments, bring injunction suits, etc. In these suits the Westinghouse and R. C. A. as plaintiffs, are using a stock affi-A., as plaintiffs, are using a stock affi-davit of John V. L. Hogan, a New York radio experimenter, which attempts to show how defendants infringe the Armstrong patent.

Called "Final Stage" The decision by Judge Thompson is hailed by Dr. De Forest as marking "the final stage" of the long legal dispute as to whether Armstrong or De Forest actu-ally was first to invent the regenerative circuit.

The De Forest Radio Co., to whom Dr. De Forest assigned his rights, was the plaintiff in the suit just decided. Fol-lowing the result it immediately began preparations to enforce to the utmost its rights against Westinghouse, et al., not only as a matter of legal right, but be-cause the long hostility between the De Forest Co. and the R. C. A. has become even more acute of late.

The plans of the De Forest Co. include the following:

(1) Suit for money damages against the Westinghouse and all its pretended licenses under the regenerative

patent, including firms "licensed" since the decision in the District of Columbia in 1924, holding that De Forest (and not Armstrong) owned the patent. Set manufacturers and kit assemblers or any others operating under any such pretended license are to be named defend-ants. The actions would be in the nature of a demand for an injunction and ac-counting of profits. The actual money involved strictly as profits runs into sev-eral millions of dollars. (2) Attempt by suit to stop the R. C. A. from manufacturing or having

manufactured by it (this covers General Electric) or from selling any receivers that infringe the patent, and these are said to include every receiver in the R. C. A. catalogue, for some of its sets are merely regenerative, while others use re-generation in necessary conjunction with Super-Heterodyne circuit operation. Without regeneration there can be no Super-Heterodyne.

The De Forest Co. is said to be determined to do all within its power and legal rights to put R. C. A. out of the set business as an infringer.

Fires Blaze Up

The R. C. A. several months ago roused anew the ire of the De Forest outfit when it "bought" employes of the De Forest tube works, using them as spies and obtaining secret data in an endeavor to put De Forest out of the tube busi-ness—De Forest, by the way, being the undisputed inventor of the 3-element vacuum tube, the greatest invention within the

At the time this expensive spy sys-tem was being maintained by the R. C. A., with headquarters at a secret office in lower Manhattan, with skilled operatives coaching the tools and traitorous em-ployes of De Forest, the entire De Foroutfit, set manufacturing and tube making, was in a weak financial condition, as was very well known in the in-dustry. However, resources were com-manded at great sacrifice and a suit start-ed to enjoin the R. C. A. from its spy work and demanding that the big filing system, recording data taken from the De Forest works, be returned to the De Forest works, be returned to the rightful and aggrieved owner. These de-mands were quickly granted in a tem-porary injunction issued against the R. C. A., the court attacking the methods employed by the R. C. A. The De Forest Co. went to great ex-pense in this suit. Finally it found that

it could not maintain itself longer without reorganization, and a bankruptcy pe-tition was filed and a receiver appointed. The company is coming along all right and, especially under the heartening result of the Pennsylvania suit, bids fair to resume "on its own" and enjoy a prosperous season.

Darby's Statement Samuel E. Darby, 220 Broadway, New York City, chief patent attorney for the De Forest Radio Co., and who personally submitted his client's case to the Penn-sylvania court, issued the following

sylvania county statement: "The feedback regenerative circuit has been aptly termed 'the heart and soul of radio.' Without it broadcasting would be impossible. Dr. De Forest's regenradio.' Without it broadcasting would be impossible. Dr. De Forest's regen-erative transmitter with its novel circuit was held to be the original invention of this essential device when in September, 1924, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals reversed the Commissioner of Patents and granted priority of invention to Dr. De Forest over Major Armstrong. Patents were issued to De Forest. De-spite this, the Westinghouse Company through its licensees continued the manu-facture of hundreds of thousands of radio facture of hundreds of thousands of radio sets using the infringing Armstrong

sets using the intringing Armstrong circuit. "The De Forest Radio Company's suit for cancellation was necessitated by the contention of the Westinghouse interests that the United States Court of Appeals in New York had sustained the Arm-strong patent, and the licensed manufac-turers under it included the Padio Corturers under it included the Radio Cor-poration of America, General Electric Company and nearly a score of other radio manufacturers. It has been esti-mated that this essential circuit is in use in over one-half of all the radio sets or receivers built and sold in the United States since Dr. De Forest's invention of

the three-electrode audion. "The profits accruing to the De For-est Radio Company from the infringing use of this circuit by the Westinghouse Company and its licensees will be enor-mous as a result of the decision which mous as a result of the decision which will bring to a close litigation that has been fought in various United States courts since 1917. In addition, this ac-tion of Judge Thompson will automati-cally release the De Forest Radio Com-pany from any and all liability for in-fringement which was charged in parallel suits filed to sustain the validity of the Armstrong circuit patent."

Patent All-Inclusive, Says Real Inventor

By Lee De Forest

Priority for this invention was originally awarded to Mr. Armstrong by the Commissioner of Patents, and this award was reversed by the Court of Appeals, District of Columbia, and letters patent were granted to me on September 2, 1924. Due to the fact that the Court of Ap-

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peals in their opinion quoted three claims, all of which were directed to the use of such a circuit for the production of oscilsuch a circuit for the production of oscil-lations, the public at large has received the impression that the sole matter in controversy was the oscillating audion, or the audion as a generator of alternating currents. Such is far from the case. In the first place, the controversy involved (Concluded on page 22)

THE RADIO TRADE **1927 Outlook Fine** In the Middle West

Business Founded on a Firm Basis, and Not a Passing Affair, Says Crosley

Powel Crosley, Jr., President of The Crosley Radio Corporation, of Cincinnati, recently made a week's tour of the Mid-dle West, where he addressed gatherings of distributors. He spoke to several hun-

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of distributors. He spoke to several hun-dred radio men in St. Louis, Kansas City, Waterloo, Ia.; Omaha and Minneapolis. "The outlook for the 1927 radio season is particularly bright and gives encourage-ment for the stability of the industry," Crosley said. "The enthusiasm shown by the radio men from the Middle Western states indicates their firm belief in the big future of the business which has proven itself to be founded upon a firm basis and not some passing affair, as some people seemed to think. people seemed to think. "The bumper wheat and corn crops in

Kiley Likes Cones for Outdoor Use

The public is rapidly finding out that cone loud speakers are best for outdoor use, according to George H. Kiley, vice-president of the Farrand Manufacturing Company of New York, makers of loud speakers and other radio devices. "A cone speaker distributes the sound

"A cone speaker distributes the sound over a wider area and the music repro-duced seems to stand up better against the casual noises of the open spaces of porch or summer camp," Mr. Kiley said at a recent gathering of radio dealers at a recent gathering of radio dealers where he presented the result of a survey among the trade that has just been com-pleted by his company. "Cone type speakers are rapidly re-placing all other forms of reproduction, our survey shows," Mr. Kiley continued pointing out the large number of cost

pointing out the large number of port-

the Mid West indicate a prosperous year, with plenty of money to be spent for radio equipment. Nearly every farm has its receiving set and the people look upon this form of information as to conditions of the market with as much interest as was the case when the rural mail deliv-ery had to be depended upon for the same data."

Crosley, his family and guests, are on a month's vacation cruise aboard his 65foot motor-yacht Muroma, sailing up the Hudson River, through Lake Champlain, to the St. Lawrence River and then to Quebec, Montreal and on to New Brunswick where the party will cast lines for big fish. They hope to catch plenty.

able set manufacturers who are using cone speakers in their receivers this season.

Walbert in Canada

Walbert of Canada, Ltd., has been or-Walbert of Canada, Ltd., has been or-ganized by Canadian capital to manufac-ture and distribute Walbert Penetrolas, Isofarad Receivers and kits in Canada. This concern has been licensed by the Walbert Mfg. Co., of Chicago, to manu-facture these items. The new concern is located in London, Ontario, and is un-der the management of George Young and William Daniel, of that city.

NEW CORPORATIONS

Lake City Sales Corp., N. Y. City, radio in-structions, \$20,000; M. Gordon, D. Weisbarth, L. Morris. (Atty., C. J. Holland, 350 Madison Ave., N. Y. City.)

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in wiring. The T. R. F. type is the same as the V. S. type except that three condensers are used. Both models are completely assembled with condensers ready for use. The George W. Walker Co., Cleveland, Obio. is marketing the davies and it is Ohio, is marketing the device, and it is proving popular.

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DE FOREST TELLS SCOPE OF PATENT ON REGENERATION

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the so-called feedback or regenerative circuit for reception as well as for trans-mission, and, in fact, for any purpose in which reamplification or regeneration is desired, whether in an oscillatory or a non-oscillatory condition.

The patents issued to me as a result of this decision, after describing eight different circuit arangements for securing feedback or regeneration, including the so-called ultra audion circuit, the common inductive lead circuit and the straight inductive coupling between the grid-filament or input circuit and the plate-filament or output circuit, contains the following passage:

"I am unable at the present time to give a complete explanation of the the-ory of action of the apparatus when op-erating as a generator. I have discovered, however, that a system constructed as shown, described and energized from a suitable current source, becomes the seat of continuous high frequency oscillations.

"Undoubtedly the phenomenon involved depends upon the effect of successively applied charges or surges of potential up-on the grid and plate elements, and hav-ing the power to affect momentarily the conductivity of the medium between the filament and plate electrodes in such a manuer that the current variations in the manner that the current variations in the grid filament circuit produce correspond-ing variations in the plate-filament circuit which are fed back to the grid-filament circuit to add their effects to the initial variations, which latter, thus reenforced, create and form greater variations in the plate-filament circuit which are, in turn, fed back to the grid-filament circuit to still further amplify the variations in that circuit, and so on.

"The energy of the variations of each circuit reacts upon and increases that of the other circuit until a maximum sus-tained alternating current is finally produced, whose frequency can be controlled by varying the electrical constants of the associated circuits. In other words, the amplifying action incident to the feed-ing back of energy from the one circuit to the other increases until oscil-lations are produced which, once set up, are self-perpetuating."

Radio Compass Aid to Shipping

WASHINGTON. New perfections in the radio compass have greatly increased its value to shipping, according to letters received by the Lighthouse Service. Following is a letter from Captain S. S. Wilpen, of the S. S. Munroe, which tells of the great accuracy now possible through use of the radio

now possible through use of the radio compass: "On our down trip I had a good chance to try out our radio direction finder as we had a dense fog from Duluth to Lake Huron Lightship. On leaving Duluth we got Devils Island, also Manitou Island. We could locate our position, also the

TUBE RESTORER



(Hayden)

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were abreast, and the distance off each light as we passed them just as accurate as if we were running in clear When I was abreast of Copper weather. Harbor I got Whitefiesh Point, a distance of 148 miles. I shaped our course by radio and found it to be as accurate as if we had ben able to see the light at that we had ben able to see the light at that distance. I shaped a course from Harbor Beach to Lake Huron Lightship by radio. It cleared up before I got to the light-ship. When we saw the light we were heading directly on it. In my opinion it is the most wonderful aid to navigation that was ever put aboard a steamboat.

WOWO Keeps Wave, and So Does KFON

WOWO, Ft. Wayne, Ind.: "We are changing station to Class B requirements both in power and equipment. Have ap-plied for high wavelength and will use same if granted by Government. Will not go contrary to governmental regulations and will do nothing to increase chaos in

and will do nothing to increase chaos in present broadcasting situation." KFON, Long Beach, Calif, by Hal G. Nichols, president: "Station KFOM will not alter wavelength pending adjustments of chaos caused by failure of Congress to enact regulatory radio legislation. We depreciate attempt of mercenary interests to discredit Secretary of Commerce Hoover, whose policies in supervision of radio we deem eminently fair. We do not believe a high-salaried radio bureau necessary to control situation but consider such a bureau or commission an added burden on taxation. Broadcasters who deliberately trespass on the wavelengths of other stations are guilty of radio piracy." piracy.



International Newsreel). SIDNEY HEDGELAND, shown with invention, has devised a speaker fashioned ingeniously in the shape of fashioned ingeniously in the shape of a framed photograph which can be hung on any wall. The framed pic-ture itself contains mechanism for distributing the electrical vibrations as sound waves.





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Radio Planned In Each Office

WASHINGTON

Studies are being made to determine the Studies are being made to determine the feasibility of having radio connection for each office room in the National Press Building, a 14-story home and office building being erected here by the Na-tional Press Club. Up to the present time no office structure in the country has offered this facility. The building will also lead in telephone and telegraph service. Modern telegraph equipment will be installed with private

equipment will be installed with private wires to offices if desired. It will also be equipped with intercommunicating private telephone wires to each office.



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The circuit diagram and layout of

parts used to test the coupling values in a regenerative detector unit.

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D Phones the primary winding of the second RFT. The end of this winding is brought to the bottom terminal of a single circuit jack. This common lead is then connected to the B plus 90-volt post. It is also connected to the B post on the second (low ratio) AFT. The beginning of the secondary of the second RFT is connected to the rotary plate post on the last .0005 mfd. variable condenser and to the F plus post on the third socket (detector). The beginning of



THE 5-TUBE SUPER HETERODYNE SET by Jasper Jellicoe, appeared in RADIO WORLD dated April 17. Sent on receipt of 15c. RADIO WORLD, 145 W, 45th St., N. Y. C.

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this winding is brought to the stationary plate post of this variable condenser and to one terminal of a grid leak-condenser (2 megohm-.00025 mfd.) combination. The other terminal of this combination. The other terminal of this combination is brought to the grid post on the third socket. The plate post on the 6 to 1 ratio AFT. The B post on this AFT is brought to the B plus 45-volt post. A rheostat (10 ohm) is connected in series with the negative leg of the filament. All the F plus posts are connected together and thence to one terminal of a filament switch. The other terminal of a filament switch. The other terminal of a filament is brought to the A plus, B minus post. The G post on the 3 to 1 ratio AFT is brought to the G post on the last socket (audio). The F post on this AFT is brought to the C minus (4.5 volt) post. The plate-post on the socket is brought to the top terminal of the single circuit jack. A ballast resistor, of the ¼ ampere (Continued on page 30)



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WGN Moves Into Its New Studios

Three Separate Ones Created—Facilities for 5-Station Chain Linkup and 100 Remote Controls

In preparation for the unusual program of entertainment and public service it is planning for the winter, WGN, Chicago, moved into its recently completed studios and control room on the twelfth floor of the Drake Hotel.

Products of one of the finest engineering organizations possessed by any radio station, the new studios and control room have been specially designed and con-structed to meet the various needs of the swiftly moving day and night schedule of WGN. The present studio facilities have been taxed to the utmost, and when the enormous program developed for the fall and winter months came under consideration, the station officials realized they were inadequate and plans were at once drawn for new studios and a control room that would be the last word in radio engineering.

Work was started in May, and fruition of the months of labor came when the first programs were broadcast from these modern studios.

New studios and control room cover a total area of over 1,700 square feet. Studio



No. 1 is 20 by 40 feet; studio No. 2, 20 by 30 feet, and the control room, 15 by 15 feet. A third studio, ten feet square, has been built particularly for "Sam 'n' Henry," WGN's popular colored boys.

Past experience has played a large part in the design and equipment of these new studios. While mechanically perfect, they are bare of unnecessary tables, choirs and lamps. The customary gaudy magnifi-cence of the radio station has been sacrificed to insure a site where the special programs and productions of the type WGN has featured in the past may be presented under ideal conditions. WGN's new studios are ideal workshops. All lighting is overhead. There is no desk for the announcer, who will do all of his talking into a special microphone fixed to the wall. Only such chairs as are necessary for musicians will be permitted.

The new control room is a marvel of its the direction of Chief Engineer Carl Meyers, and constructed by Assistant Engineer George Leverett and his staff, have numerous unique features in addi-tion to being modern in every respect. Chief among these is the "mixer panel," permitting simultaneous broadcasting from twelve microphones. This panel will be used for productions and feature

programs where unusual blending of music is necessary. The panel also contains facilities for chain broadcasting to five stations, while WGN can operate 100 "remote controls" (broadcasts that emanate from a point

other than the studio), without overtaxing the panels. A special panel is also maintained for the feature programs brought by leased telephone wire from New York studios.

The operator seated before the panel has the master control of all station mechanical activities. The complicated task of switching from studio to studio, from remote control to remote control, has been reduced to its simplest terms and the work of making changes can transpire in less than a second's time. While a special switch will be placed in the studios so that the announcer can operate the various microphones, a mis-take on his part can be instantly rectified by the operator, who has a clear view of all studios through heavy plate glass windows.

The new studios are expected to assist in speeding up programs. When one or-chestra is scheduled to follow another, there is often a delay to permit the exit of one group and the entrance of the sec-ond. The two studios will eliminate this. The second orchestra can be getting ready in the other studio while the first is completing its program.

In the case of a feature where numerous people are necessary, such as the series of "Old Time Prize Fights," when the first studio "mob" was used, the extra studio will permit the preceding and succeeding feature to move forward without discomfort or interruption from the "ex-

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Television Kills Dual Personality

Artists Famous Under Own and Also Assumed Names May Have to Wear Disguises

The arrival of television will probably do away with a pleasant deception prac-ticed by some of radio's most famous singers—the appearance before the micro-phone under several different names. Several of KFI's most popular artists, who under their own names have built

who under their own names, have built up a reputation for a certain type of singing, but who, following a human impulse, desire fame in other fields instead, have created a great prestige for themselves in two or three varying characters, each of which specializes in absolutely different types of music.

Amazing reactions often follow. For Amazing reactions often follow. For instance, one tenor was informed that he is infinitely better than another tenor, who was in reality himself under his real name. Often receptionists write in and ask for duets by two singers, both of whom are one and the same. One so-prano, possessed of an amazing voice and technique, finding that classic renditions technique, finding that classic renditions brought little reaction from the public, as a test created a name under which she sang popular songs without her pre-vious crisp technique, so as to mask her identity. The fictitious character became so popular that it threatened to overwhelm her true self and so was regretfully discontinued.

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science of broadcasting called attention to this as one of the blessings of radio in his address at the 300th anniversary of the

founding of Salem, Mass. "The political blatherskite or dema-gogue," Mr. Dawes said, "appeals to the crowd through its emotions." When the demagogue tries his art before the micro-phone he is bereft of the power which his emotional claptrap exerts when he appears before an audience in person. In radio he indicated sound logic and intellectual appeal are paramount.

By Able Soldering He Became Somebody

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Stoll's first job was the modest Mr.

task of soldering jacks in the factory cabling department. A few months later he was transferred to New York, where he spent some time in the switchboard wiring, tool inspection and engineering department. His training on these jobs won for him promotion to head of the apparatus design department in New York.

In 1907 he returned to Chicago to take charge of apparatus design work. In October of the same year practically all apparatus designing was concentrated in New York, with Mr. Stoll as head of the enlarged organization.

Fan Listened Months To the Same Singer

The radio audience has a faculty of writing interesting and unusual com-munications to its favorite radio enter-tainers. Virginia Flohri, KFI's foremost soprano, once received a letter, each word of which was taken from the titles of the various songs she had sung, proving consistent listening over a period of many months. In her scrap book she has letters in nine different languages, show-ing that all nationalities meet on a common ground in the love of music. Paul Roberts, popular KFI tenor, re-

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The circuit diagram of the receiver desired by Trent Harbor.

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PLEASE GIVE circuit diagrams and suggested layouts, for testing the effi-ciency of coupling in tuned RF and de-

ciency of coupling in tuned KF and de-tector circuits, with an explanation of each.—Frank Idant, San Antonio, Tex. Figs. 409 and 410 (on page 27) show diagrams and layouts. Fig. 409 illustrates the circuit and layout used in conjunction with tuned RF circuits. At the bottom of this figure, we have the circuit diagram, while above, we have the cheant da-gram, while above, we have the picture layout. The variable condensers are mounted in the front, with the coils, having their secondaries tuned by these having their secondaries tuned by these condensers, directly in back. In back of these coils, the sockets are mounted. The rheostat is mounted in the center, with the clips or binding posts to the left, right and rear. The complete outfit can be mounted on a $12\times15''$ baseboard. Fig. 410 shows the testing methods employed 410 shows the testing methods employed in a regenerative detector circuit. The primary coil is connected in the regular fashion to either the antenna-ground or plate B plus input, etc. The layout of the parts employed is shown above the cir-cuit diagram. The coils should be mounted on brass tubings, ½" diameter. These tubings should then pass through a single tubing, ¹/₄" diameter. This al-lows the coils to be moved about in or out of the fields of each other. They should be mounted so that they can be tilted. This is done with the aid of angle irons, mounted on the brass tubings on the baseboard. As to the RF unit, the rheostat may be taken from its place, allowing the use of the tubings, here also.

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St. Paul, Minn. Fig. 411 shows the circuit diagram of such a receiver. Standard RFT are em-ployed. The primaries consist of 8 turns. ployed. The primaries consist of 8 turns. The secondaries consist of 65 turns. Tub-ings 3'' in diameter and No. 22 double cotton covered wire is used. The antenna inductance consists of 65 turns, wound on a tubing 3'' in diameter, tapped at the 8th turn, so as to be able to cover the entire wavelength. No. 22 dcc wire is used here, also. The .00035 mfd. variable condensers shunt the secondaries of these coils. The filaments of the RF and Det coils. The filaments of the RF and Det. tubes are controlled by a rheostat, R1, which has a resistance of 10 ohms and able to pass 34 of an ampere. C5 is a .001 mfd. fixed condenser. The filaments of the two AF tubes are controlled by balthe two AF tubes are controlled by bal-last resistors, each of which are of the $\frac{1}{4}$ ampere type. The -01A tubes must be used throughout. A common grid bias is employed. If the plates of the AF tubes are supplied with 90 volts, then this bias should be 4.5 volts. A 112½ voltage will require the use of a 6-volt C battery. The plates of the detector and the RF tubes receive one B voltage, e.g., 67½. A switch is used to turn the filaments of the tubes off or en. Phone tip jacks are used at the output of the AF tubes, although a single circuit jack may be substituted. The grid returns of the RF tubes are to F minus, while the grid return of the de-F minus, while the grid return of the de-tector tube is to F plus. A .00025 mfd. fixed grid condenser and a 2 megohm grid leak is used.

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