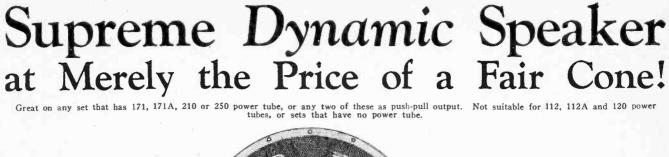


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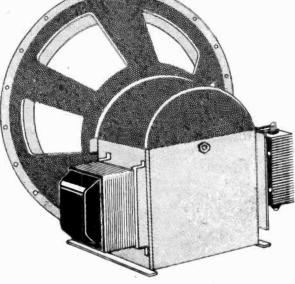


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home that!

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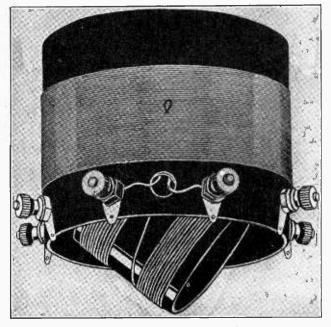
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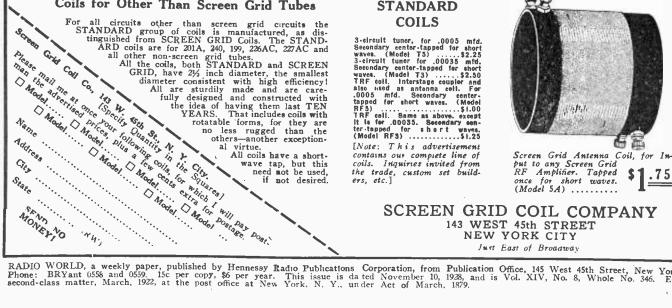
A great many persons now possess good radio receivers and do not de-A great many persons now possess good radio receivers and do not de-sire to part with them, but would like to gain the benefit of the won-deful new screen grid tubes that, with proper coils, increase volume and sensitivity enormously, and without reducing selectivity. Moreover, they do not want to tear down existing receivers and virtually rebuild them. No need to do so. The Screen Grid Re-placement Coil, for either .0005 mfd. or .0035 mfd. tuning, occupies a space only 2½x 2½ inches,' so can be put in almost any receiver from which the old coil has been removed. The replacement coil has an untuned primary of high impedance-generous num-ber of turns-while the secondary is tuned. Thus it conforms to requirements of the usual tuned radio frequency receivers. Cus-tor Set Builders, Service Men and Home Experimenters will welcome this opportunity to redeem "the old set! may end step out-cure that loss of the old kick-capitalize the great advantages of radio's outstanding tube! In replacement work one of thece coils should be used as the antenna coil. Screen Grid Replacement Coil for .0003 mfd. Secondary center-tapped for short waves. (Model 2R3) \$1.59 Screen Grid Replacement Coil for .0003 mfd. Secondary center-tapped for short waves. (Model 2R3) \$1.59

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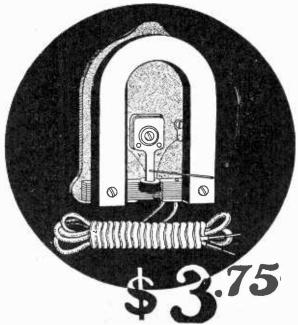
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All Set for New Waves!

Public Must Learn New Dial Settings, as Frequency Assignments Are Changed Under Reallocation Effective Sunday—Structure as a Whole Well Regarded, but Complaints of Particular Assignments Are Many—Congress May Discuss Subject

H VERYTHING is in readiness for the reallocation which will go into effect at 3 a.m., E. S. T., Sunday, November 11th. The threats of injunction suits by some stations have subsided and informal notice has been served by the Federal Radio Commission that all rumors that there will be postponement or delay are groundless.

The new shake-up will be the second one within a year, for last December there were numerous changes, but these were not generally successful, in fact, the condition that existed after the changes had been tried out led Congress to enact the Davis bill, under which the impending reallocation was formulated. This bill provides for an equal number of channels for each of the five zones, the channels in each zone being on the basis of population.

Under the reallocation there will be eight cleared channels for each zone, or forty for the entire United States, while besides there are regional channels, as well as local ones. The cleared channels are national ones, in a sense, although they do not necessarily include exclusive use by any station of the frequency to which it is assigned.

Many stations are dissatisfied with their assignment under the reallocation, a far greater number are disgruntled but have not voiced their protest officially, but the structure as a whole is generally regarded as being a good one, destined to improve quality of reception by reducing interference due to waves of two stations mixing with each other, by reducing the difficulties of receiving distant stations, and by facilitating tuning in.

The Commission is holding hearings on protests, most of which were filed by small stations. However, in some instances, as WSAI, near Cincinnati, and WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., large stations have refrained from filing formal protest, but have made known their objections to denial of a cleared channel or privilege of day-and-night broadcasting.

Willing to Give it a Trial

Most of the dissatisfied small stations are willing to try their lot under the reallocation before filing any protest, particularly as the reallocation is in reality the issue of a new license to each station. These licenses begin November 11th and expire on February 1st, 1929. The renewals thereafter will be on a ninety-day basis, so that the Commssion will be able to make such changes as station performance or lack thereof may dictate.

The Federal Radio Commissioners have been under a considerable strain due to the reallocation. First there was the necessity of establishing the structure, and this absorbed much of their energies. The result of a unified plan was achieved not without disagreement among them. The chairman, Ira Robinson, a former Supreme Court Justice of prominence, did not vote for it, while some of the Commissioners who did vote for it as a whole were opposed to particular choices which the structure itself compelled. For instance, a committee of engineers had recommended a greater number of cleared channels, and there was some inclination to follow their advice, but the forty-cleared-channel plan won out.

The hearings themselves put another heavy demand on the Commissioners, while the deluge of protests, many thousands mailed direct to the Commission, keep the clerical staffs aware that the public is not unmindful that a new set-up of waves, frequencies and power is about to be inaugurated. The protests refer to the assignments granted to particular stations, and are not lodged against the structure as a whole. No word against the structure has been uttered publicly, except that some doubt has been cast on the wisdom of providing only forty cleared channels.

Injustice to some large stations is regarded as the inevitable result of such restriction of cleared channels—frequencies intended for stations of national importance while even some regional stations are assigned less time on the air than their listeners desire.

Congress May Discuss It

The next session of Congress, convening in December, will be a short one, and there will not be much time for consideration of radio matters, as appropriations for the conduct of the general government will absorb the legislators. However, it is expected that the reallocation will be up for some discussion, particularly as many Congressmen have been voicing objection to the treatment accorded to stations in their bailiwick.

Congress is expected to vote on the continuation of the Federal Radio Commission, however.

Listeners are showing keen interest in the reallocation. Mail received at the Commission's office, and at the offices of legislators, shows that the public wants better radio reception and is hoping that the reallocation will give it to them.

Listeners will have to learn their dial numbers all over again, because so many stations are changed as to frequency. About three-quarters of the stations in the United States have been changed in one particular at least, half of them in two or more particulars, when considering frequency, power and time on the air.

There has been no general reduction in the number of stations, it being the sense of the Commission that a welldefined structure is preferable to driving small but deserving stations off the air, since small stations serve local needs by giving a rather personal or home-like flavor to their broadcasts. Kicks and Boosts Mit

Lafount Finds Plan Movie, Radio, Sound but Not Perfect

Washington. Federal Radio Commissioner Harold A. Lafount, of the Fifth Zone, addressing by letter station owners and operators in that zone, said:

In answer to a number of letters recently received from broadcasters and listeners of the Fifth Zone, I am pleased to give my personal opinion as follows:

The allocation will positively go into ef-fect November 11. No modification will

be forthcoming. As I have often said, and repeat again, Congress enacted a law creating the Federal Radio Commission, specifically de-scribing its duties, which in their belief were to bring order out of chaos. It was thought that this could be done in a year.

Congress, however, also provided that the administration of the Radio Act be also assigned to the Commission, and at that time it appeared a rather ordinary task; but during the twenty months that have elapsed radio has developed beyond all expectations until applications for various uses of radio waves number many thousands.

The Commission now only has the major roblem of properly organizing the licens-ing of the ether but also has the task of administering the law, which requires an office force of 65 people, mostly highly trained along the different subjects they are acciented to house in the subassigned to handle. However, in the su-pervising and licensing of the ether chan-nels the Commission has not forgotten the all important obligation placed upon it.

"Without Single Critic"

Congress expects, in fact, instructed us to place radio on a firm, sound basis con-sistent with the law. The allocation ef-fective November 11 is the result of months of hard work, not only by the Commission, but by dozens of experts, broadcasters, attorneys, etc., in an effort to comply with the mandate of Congress, and is now so far as I know without a single adverse critic.

Of course there is some difference of opinion as to the method of procedure. Some persons would undertake the new allocation a step at a time, some do not agree with the assignment of some particular stations, some broadcasters do not like their frequency or hours of operation; but no one yet has. to my knowledge, criticized unfavorably the basic plan or structure.

From a radio standpoint, and from the standpoint of improved reception, and benefits to the listeners, the plan is absolutely sound, but not perfect. It is one big step necessary to comply with the wishes of Congress for the benefit of the listeners.

I am happy to note that the Fifth Zone broadcasters are willing to co-operate. The only reaction from the West is fear that the order may be modified. Again, I say it will become effective November 11, as scheduled.

If mistakes have been made in the assignments of stations under the new al-location, or if applications for change of frequencies, increases in power, etc., have not received favorable action, then ample provision is afforded in the law to present your contentions to the Commission. If dissatisfied you should apply for modi-fication of license blanks and request a

You can depend upon the Comhearing. mission giving your requests or sugges-tions careful consideration.

Must Identify Recordings

General Order No. 16 requiring that, "While the broadcasting of music per-formed through the agency of mechanical reproductions, such as records or perfor-ated rolls, is not in itself objectionable, the failure clearly to announce the nature of such broadcasting is in some instances working what is in effect a fraud upon the listening public. The Commission, therefore, hereby orders that effective August 21, 1927, all broadcasters of music performed through the agency of mechan-ical reproductions shall be clearly an-nounced as such with the announcement of each and every number thus broadcast and that proved failure to make such announcement shall be deemed by the Commission cause for action under Section 32 of the Radio Act of 1927"-must be observed. Failure will result in im-

mediate Commission action. May I also warn you not to use your broadcasting station for conversation purposes. Remember the real test is the

public service you are rendering. No rules or regulations affecting tele-vision, synchronization, short wave broadcasting, rebroadcasting, have yet been made, but are contemplated.

I cannot urge too strongly the neces-sity of presenting programs of interest to the public in your community.

Vaudeville Plan Unison

A plan to create a holding company to be known as the Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corporation, with the common stock of the Keith-Albee-Orpheum Corporation and the capital stock of the Film Booking Office Productions, Inc., turned in for stock in the new corporation is now before stock.

Productions, Inc., turned in for stock in the new corporation, is now before stock-holders of K.-A.-O. and F.B.O. The plan includes a contractual arrange-ment with the Radio Corporation of America, through its subsidiary, Photophone, Inc., and its associated concern, the National Proodecting Company for use of the Broadcasting Company, for use of the Photophone "talkies" in theatres of the K.-A.-O. chain, comprising about 250 vaude-ville, and movie and combination theatres, some arrangement for co-operative and booking of artists.

The R.C.A. would obtain 500,000 shares of stock in the new corporation for issuing a non-exclusive license to use Photophone sound-recording equipment for fifteen years and for priority delivery of merchandise, as well as for an agreement between the N.B.C. and K.-A.-O. for co-operative booking of artists. Details of such co-operative book-

ing have not yet been perfected. Control of Radio-Keith-Orpheum would be vested in the stockholders of K.-A.-O., as a group, because 1,100,000 shares of the new corporation would go to K.-A.-O., 500,000 to the R.C.A., and 200,000 to F.B.O. The assets of Radio-Keith-Orpheum, not

all proprietary, however, since the corpora-tion would own none of R.C.A.'s tangibles, would be about \$100,000,000.

David Sarnoff, vice-president and general manager of R.C.A., is being discussed for chairman of the board of Radio-Keith-Orpheum.

Joseph P. Kennedy, of F.B.O., who has had large financial experience, conducted most of the negotiations with R.C.A. and most of the negotiations with R.C.A. and K.-A.-O. He has been appointed, with E. F. Albee, president of K.-A.-O.; Walter Cooke, Maurice Goodman, Marcus Heiman, B. B. Kahane and J. J. Murdock on a com-mittee to act under a deposit agreement of Keith-Albee Orpheum. Stock in favor of the plan must be deposited on or before November 15th, and the consent of at least 51 per cent of the stock will be pecessary 51 per cent. of the stock will be necessary to make the plan effective.

WGY HEARING PUT **OFF** AFTER FEB. TILL

Washington

Washington WGY having attempted to obtain a hearing on its plea for a cleared channel, only to be foiled on a technicality, filed a second application, but this, while being granted. is deferred for hearing until "after February 1st." The first attempt was based on a plea to retain for the Schenectady station its 790 kc. frequency (380 meters), so long enjoved by it, but which the reallocation

enjoyed by it, but which the reallocation plan gave primarily to KGO, Oakland, Calif., while WGY got the same channel as a "supplementary" consideration. The effect was to deprive WGY of vertically all broadcasting at night, on this wave.

Both WGY and KGO are owned and operated by the General Electric Com-

pany. WGY's license expired November 1st, and its second application was filed about a week earlier.

Commenting on the application, Louis G. Caldwell, general counsel of the Com-mission, stated that there was no occasion for the application for renewal, as the station, under the reallocation to go into effect November. 11th, is given a new as-signment to be effective until February 1st.

General Counsel Caldwell stated he had written the station informing it that its

new application is not in order but that the Commission will keep it on file until such time as it can be taken up by the

such time as it can be taken up by the Commission to be considered as an ap-plication for renewal after February 1st. The General Electric Company previ-ously filed with the Commission an ap-plication for modification of its license under the allocation, which in addition to a cleared channel, requested 150,000 watts of operating power. The Commission re-fused to allow a hearing on this applica-tion declaring that it did not conform with the "rules and regulations" of the Commission, which required WGY to select a frequency assigned to Zone 1. select a frequency assigned to Zone 1.

Keady for New Waves! 5 to 20 Stations for All, Each Night, is Promise By Harold A. Lafount

The new allocation of radio broadcasting stations will positively go into effect Novem-ber 11th at 3 a. m.

It is an arrangements of the stations in such a way as to provide the American pub-lic with good radio reception, as well as variety of programs. Equal distribution of the nation's radio

facilities has been provided each radio Zone, and an equitable distribution of the Zones quota has been provided for each State, based on population.

This has been done on the basis of stations in existence or in contemplation.

in existence or in contemplation. Some localities have entirely too many broadcast stations while others have none. However, it is believed that every citizen, re-gardless of his residence, will, with an aver-age tube receiving set, be able to hear from five to twenty programs each Winter evening, and the number will be greatly in-creased in most sections of the country.

Good Reception is Object

The sole object and desire of the Commission, however, is to make possible good reception of the wonderful programs being broadcast in this country. The listener has received every con-sideration in the new allocation. The in-

terest of the broadcaster has also been carefully considered.

The smaller stations will no longer have to compete with powerful stations on the same frequency. Their interests have been carefully safe-guarded so that each locality may have an opportunity of expression, or transmission by radio, as well as good re-ception from outside stations. A rather unfortunate situation exists as

to broadcasters. Because there are only 90 points on the dial of your receiving set, or 90 frequencies available for broadcasting, there is actually only room for 90 broad-casters in this country operating full time and using more than 1,000 watts power.

615' Stations in U. S.

It is, therefore, obvious that the 615 sta-tions now broadcasting cannot all be grant-ed high power and unlimited hours of operation.

Of necessity some must be stations of very limited power to permit duplication on certain frequencies.

The question is: Shall the present high-powered stations, with their hundreds of thousands of dollars invested, be allowed to continue the use of their equipment and to operate on the frequencies assigned them, or shall the 100-watt stations be allowed to become 10,000-watt plants to take the place of the high-powered stations now in existence?

The new allocation provides for many powerful stations and an increased num-ber of local 'or low-powered stations. It also provides ways and means by which a new applicant or the owner of a small sta-tion, may at a public hearing apply for, and upon proper showing, be assigned high power and the frequency previously as-signed and being used by another.

Expansion Limited

Ordinarily there is room for all business and professional men to expand their busihave pointed out, the broadcaster is not so fortunate. If his business grows, or if his

be done at the expense of another. Licenses are issued for only 90 days, so that if a broadcaster owning a powerful station and licensed to use a cleared channel fails to operate in the public interest, at the expiration of the license period, and upon proper showing, he may be denied a renewal, and another station assigned to the frequency.

Competition will be stimulated by the new plan, and an equal opportunity given to all broadcasters, regardless of the size ness to almost limitless bounds, but, as I

of their stations, although, as suggested, all stations cannot be given high power and cleared channels.

Many have suggested reduction in the number of stations. Others would have number of stations. Others would have only a few high powered stations and more small, local plants. It is, however, my opinion that the new allocation divides the classes of stations in such a way as to pro-vide the listener with good reception and a variety of programs. I am, therefore, ex-tremely anxious for November 11th to ar-rive in order that the listeners may enjoy improved radio reception as contemplated by Congress.

New Corporations

Magna Radio Co.—Atty., Konta, Kirch-way & Engle, 7 East 44th St., New York. The Potter Co., radio instruments—Atty., Corp. Trust Co. of America, Wilmington, Del.

Theo Specialties Co., radio apparatus— Atty., J. G. Turnbull, 50 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Tittering Terminology Suggests Poetic Origin

When alternating current flows in a circuit having resistance and reactance, either inductive or condensive, there are two components of the power involved. One of these is expressed by the square of the effective value of the current multiplied by the resistance. This represents power lost or used. The other compo-nent is expressed by the square of the effective value of the current multiplied by the reactance. This is the reactive component of the power. It is not lost or used but is morely togethered had or used, but is merely tossed back and forth in the circuit.

The reactive component of the power has been termed the "wattless' power. Yet it is measured in watts. Sombody once made a catchy mistake and everybody has committed it ever since. And the term does not seem absolutely ridiculous until the number of watless watts is given.

Many writers and speakers on electrical subjects employ the term "ohmic resis-tance." Just who first took this liberty with common sense is not known, but the suggestion that it must have been a poet in search of rhythm is supported by the lines:

"And instead of an ohmic resistance so large, "An inductance of adequate value will serve.

Whenever we find a resistance which cannot be measured in ohms, and hence a non-ohmic, we shall distinguish it by call-

ing it Drlaic or pachycephalic resistance. The man who first had that poetic in-spiration of calling resistance ohmic may be excused on the ground of poetic li-cense, but not those who rushed into print and speech with the same nonsense lest they be regarded as behind the times on electric terminology.

Atheist Group Seeks Station in New York

Washington.

The American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, Inc., desires to es-York to "disseminate the philosophy of Atheism," according to a letter received by Carl H. Butman, secretary of the Fed-

by Carl H. Butman, secretary of the Fed-eral Radio Commission, from Charles Smith, president of the Association. Mr. Butman, in reply, stated that radio channels in the vicinity of New York City are greatly overcrowded and that because of these conditions the Commis-sion cannot grant any additional licenses to any applicant. The full text of his reply follows: "The channels for New York State and particularly those in the vicinity of New

particularly those in the vicinity of New York City are greatly overcrowded, so

that it is necessary for a number of sta-

"Under these circumstances, the Com-mission has deemed it necessary to license no new stations in the metropolitan area,

no new stations in the metropolitan area, and has consistently followed this practice from the day of its taking office. The Commission, therefore, cannot grant any additional licenses to any applicant. "If you desire to broadcast, my sug-gestion would be that you purchase time on some existing station, or that you make arrangements to purchase outright some existing station and apply for per-mission from the Federal Radio Commis-sion to have such station license trans-ferred to you, which can be done upon proof that the public interest will be served as well as before.

DeForest Recalls the Early Days

He was First to Do Many Things in Broadcasting

By Dr. Lee DeForest

M Y TOPIC takes the form of remi-niscenses of early broadcasting, and so I must ask you to turn back the hands of time to 1907, when I was dehands of time to 1907, when I was de-signing and manufacturing radio tele-phone sets for the U. S. Navy ships that were to sail around the world under the command of the later Admiral "Fight-ing Bob" Evans. My shop was in the old Parker Build-ing, at 19th Street and Fourth Avenue, in New York City. Incidentally, the pres-ent-day three-element vacuum antenna-born in that same building. At that early

ent-day three-element vacuum antenna born in that same building. At that early date, however, I was compelled to utilize the Poulson arc for generating the radio carrier wave. This arc consisted of a pair of carbon electrodes between which played the flickering electric arc in an

pair of carbon electrodes between which played the flickering electric arc in an atmosphere of hydrogen. Now, in order to test these radio tele-phones, I made use of a phonograph which played directly into the mouthpiece of my transmitter. Then in another room, I listened not so much to what the radio wavee were saving as to how they were waves were saying as to how they were

waves were saying as to now they were saying it. At the time George Davis was chief electrician at the New York Navy Yard, in Brooklyn, just a few miles away, as radio waves travel. Davis heard the testing, and he became greatly excited over the idea of transmitting music through the air. Until then, of course, there was nothing on the air but the in-cessant dots and dashes of radio tele-graphy. graphy.

Other wireless operators around New York City heard these radio telephone concerts, if they can be dignified with that name, and likewise became greatly excited.

It was their opinion, rather than my own at the time, which forced me to the conclusion that here was a means of providing' entertainment to many scattered listeners.

Thought of Ships First

At the time the marine radio field was the most highly developed in the com-mercial sense, so I immediately thought of radio telephony as a means of supplying programs and news directly to the passengers on shipboard. I even enter-tained visions of transmitting operatic performances directly from New York to ships in mid-ocean.

In short, at that time, I changed my views on radio telephony from a means of point-to-point or private communication to a means of mass communication.

March of 1908 found me in Paris, ready to demonstrate my wireless telephone sys-tem to the French Government with a view to equipping ships of the French Navy. At first I was permitted to use an antenna reaching up to just the first bal-cony of the lofty Eiffel Tower. On one oc-casion, however, I was permitted to utilize an antenna reaching to the top of that tallest struction in the world, to see just what I might do in the way of longdistance communication.

With everything in readiness for the tests, word was sent to French radio sta-tions and vessels to listen in on our radio telephone transmission.

he results were more than satisfactory. We succeeded in reaching Mery-sur-Mer, near Marseilles, on the Mediterranean, or a distance of some 550 miles. I was still using the arc generator. My microphone took the form of a battery of four

microphones arranged in a sound chamber of funnel shape so as to have a small mouthpiece into which the speaker could shout. The microphones were connected

Microphones Gave Trouble

in parallel.

Early in 1909, I was back once more in the States, still following my radio telephone hobby. I received permission to install a radio telephone transmitter in the attic of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, as well as micro-phones on the stage. To obtain sufficiently sensitive microphones to pick up music and voices at a distance, I had to use the acousticon micro-phones, such as are employed for the deaf. These microphones were operated by a battery, and their output led to a receiver in the attic, pressed against the microphone of the radio telephone transmitter. We did not have the tube amplifier in those days. Our transmitter microphone was placed in the ground lead of the sending apparatus, carrying the full force of our transmitted energy. Obviously, we spent much time and money replacing microphones.

Caruso Broadcasts

My long-sought opportunity to attain when the late Enrico Caruso sang the "Siciliana" aria in the opera Cavallera Rusticana. This song is sung behind the scenes, before the rise of the curtains, making it peculiarly effective for the au-dience out front and even more so at the time for our audience out back. were thus permitted to move our micro-phones close up to Caruso, as he sang building up sound values. We were then apparatus just as the curtain went up. Technically, we could say we broadcast

from the stage; actually, we picked up the song under almost studio conditions. I have always felt that a confession was in order, and now I feel relieved that I have made it. Our attempts at picking up the stage performance with the distant microphones were far from satis-factory. The microphones at that time were crude, and we had no amplifying

means at our disposal. A few listeners, mostly wireless op-erators on ship-board, heard Caruso broadcasting. It was the first and, so far, the last time that the Metropolitan Opera Company has participated in such broadcasting. Whether this is compli-mentary or otherwise, I do not profess to know.

Had to Give Up for a While

Later the same year (1909) I began with the broadcast studio idea, firmly convinced that talent should be brought to our microphones, with ideal operating conditions, rather than to take our micro-phones to the talent. Our studio was at 103 Park Avenue,

while our transmitting tower was on the roof of that building. At the time Oscar Hammerstein was competing with the Metropolitan Opera Company; and, profiting by this little argument, I obtained Madame Mazarin, a noted French contralto, for our microphones. She came to our studio, where she rendered the well-known Habanera from the opera "Carmen," for the entertainment of those who might be tuned in.

Yet my artistic ambitions, so it seemed, were far in advance of the technical means at my disposal. The arc generator was very crude inefficient, and unreliable. The microphones were not capable of picking up sounds unless virtually on top of the sound source. There was no suitable means of magnifying or amplifying the weak electric current of the micro-phones, so that these might be properly impressed on the outgoing carrier wave. And so I was forced to abandon my broadcasting efforts until the day when better technical means could be placed at my disposal, and a larger radio audience should exist.

Records Broadcast

By 1916 we had the oscillion or oscillating tube, capable of generating high-frequency current suitable for the carrier wave of radio telephony. We also had the tube amplifier, or satisfactory means of coupling one circuit with the next in building up sound values. We were then building 1/4 kilowatt tubes for use as oscillators or transmitting tubes.

I succeeded in interesting the Columbia Phonograph Company in broadcasting the latest Columbia records, with the re-sult that a radio telephone transmitter was installed in their New York recording studio. Three afternoons each week the latest Columbia records were put on the air.

Desiring more space for larger trans-Desiring more space for larger trans-mitting equipment, we soon moved to our High Bridge plant. There we inaugurat-ed a nightly broadcasting service, consist-ing mostly of new phonograph records. Between records we announced the prod-ucts of the DeForest Radio Company, mostly the radio parts with catalogue mostly the radio parts, with catalogue and price list.

and price list. Our operating staff consisted of en-gineers and others of our organization, selected or, might we say, drafted, for the necessary overtime. Broadcasting the necessary overtime. Broadcasting was not considered any special honor for those who had to stay and do the work. No Graham McNamees and Louis A. Whittens had then arrived.

The First Dance

My recollection of the first radio dance goes back to those days when we put that a dance might be held at Elizabeth, N. J. The weak-voiced loudspeakers of that time, intended to relieve the radio not handling traffic but standing-by for a call, were used in furnishing music for the dancers.

The first election returns to be broadcast were those of the Hughes-Wilson contest in 1916, sent out from our High Bridge station in November. The New York American ran wire lines into our offices so as to have the up-to-the-minute offices so as to have the up-to-the-minute reports. I served as one of the announc-ers. At 11 o'clock that night we signed off, after assuring our invisible audience that Hughes had been elected. The next morning we learned of our slight error--Wilson had won. However, ours was a pardonable error. Many news-papers had kept us company in our pre-mature decision mature decision.

And then came the ban on wireless, with America's, entry into the World

War. We waited until 1919, when radio ac-

Chain Talent Sets the Pace

Local Artists Good, but Can't Come up to the Others

By John L. Clark

Program Director of WBZ-WBZA who was chief announcer at KYW in Chicago

Boston. W HEN Kipling wrote "East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet," he most assuredly did not have radio in mind! Coming as I do not have radio in mind! Coming as I do from the West, it is natural folks should ask me how Chicago and Boston pro-grams differ. Here and there differences are noticed, but in general, broadcasting treatment is much the same. This can be explained by two words— Chain Features. Surely you remember the first flickering movies, when we used to watch cops chase robbers over roofs? When the films would always snap at the most dramatic moment, and a slide would be flashed on the screen with the

would be flashed on the screen with the legend "one moment please; the operator is fixing the machine." Then came the better stories in film, and

elaborate musical accompaniment to the pictures, the development of stage shows, and finally the talking films where voice and music are photographed on the cellu-loid in one of the most marvelous de-velopments of the age.

The Old Days

Radio has passed through much the same evolution, but all within eight years —instead of 20. When you were first tinkering with solder and wires and trick hook-ups with many and sundry assorted dials—the more dials the better—radio entertainment was in the cop-and-robber stage. For example, a chummy-voiced an-nouncer would be heard to say "And now,

folks, little Minnie Glutz is here—and she will sing—What is that you're going to sing—oh, yes, 'The Last Rose of Sum-mer.' Stop right up to the microphone, Mingio" Minnie."

Then Minnie would sing. And oh, how marvelous that terrible voice would sound coming from the trick set you had just completed!

That was back in radio's early day when entertainment was secondary to fishing for call letters, when distant stations had a drone like African tom-toms, and tun-ing in was a matter of patience and great skill.

skill. These days gave way to better sets, and dials began to stay stationary. DX had lost much of its thrill. Programs be-gan to reveal more thoughtful prepara-tion, operas were broadcast, symphony concerts, and the great problem of how to meet the cost of broadcasting was be-ing solved. Stations found that they had built up vast audiences and friendly audibuilt up vast audiences and friendly audi-ences, too. Advertisers were prevailed upon to give radio a trial for they were assured thousands of listeners.

The first efforts, groping as they were in many instances, showed surprising response, and sponsored programs soon be-came associated in the listener's mind with good talent.

Local Effort Often Lagged

Independent commercial stations forged ahead. This was as true in Chicago as it was in the East. Then came the National Broadcasting

Company with its staff of musical experts, engineers and continuity writers, and the dream of network radio became a reality.

The moment programs were flashed over the network—bringing with them the best in entertainment placed in effective word-settings, and announced by pleas-ing, specially trained and chosen voices --program effort, wherever these features touched, had a definitely progressive effect.

Local effort, I suppose in Boston as out West, in many instances proved far be-hind in comparison. Immediately all along the line, rapid changes were made to bring such entertainment more nearly up to the chain standard.

Influence of Key Stations

Naturally, this has given rise to uni-Naturally, this has given rise to uni-formity of program treatment, since the chain stations have the New York stand-ard as their guide. This does not mean that there has not been much original and good work done by local stations. There has! But this fact remains: Pro-grams in Boston and in Chicago have been influenced by the key stations. Radio is now in the phase which corre-sponds to the motion picture with elabo-rate stage shows music and synchroniz-

rate stage shows, music and synchronizof time when radio will have made televi-sion a commercial success.

Then radio will simply be talking movies right in the home.

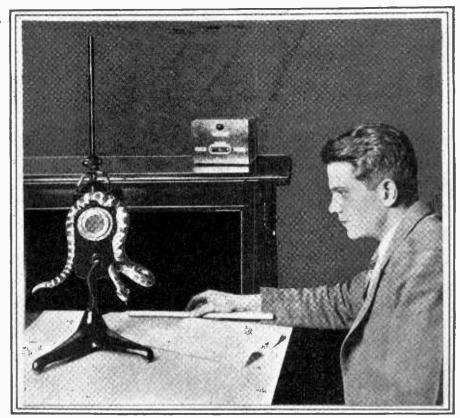
As we prepare for greater efforts in the

radio field, let us not forget in the array of talent that comes into our homes nightly the early efforts of the chummy an-nouncer, Minnie Glutz and the harmonica players, when home-made sets were the last word in entertainment and the enemies of sleep!

New Violinist Joins WGBS String Four

A change has been made in the per-sonnel of the WGBS String Quartette. The re-organization is due to the resig-nation of Anthony Borello, its former vio-linist, now on tour with Eddie Brown. He has been replaced by another talented young artist, Albino Di Janni, Jr., who now plays regularly with the ensemble. The WGBS String Quartette is under the leadership of Ivan Argay, first violinist, and its other two members are John Kokes, second violinist, and Frederick Camellia, cellist. The Quartette is one of the station's most popular sustaining fea-tures. WGBS is owned by and located in the Gimbel Bros. department store in New York City.

RATTLER'S RATTLE DISTINGUISHED



(Henry Miller News Picture)

(Henry Miller News Picture) A CICADA MAKES A RATTLE VERY MUCH LIKE THAT OF A RATTLE-SNAKE. TO ACQUAINT THE FARMERS OF THE WEST WITH THE DIFFERENCE, PROF T. I. STORER, OF THE ZOOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, HAS BROADCAST BOTH RATTLES. WHEN ONE HAS HEARD BOTH THERE IS A SURPRISING DIFFERENCE, ESPECIALLY IN THE PSYCHOLOGIC REACTIONS. PROF. STORER IS. SHOWN WITH A RATTLESNAKE IN THE ACT OF BROADCASTING

LIST OF PARTS

(For Straight Line Amplifier) T1-One Ferranti type AF5 or AF3 transformer

T2-One Ferranti type AF5C or AF3C transformer

T3-One Ferranti type OP8C transformer for magnetic speakers or type OP4C for dynamic speakers. C1, C2, C3—Three 2 mfd. Ferranti type

C2 condensers.

C4-Two 2 mfd. Ferranti type C2 condensers.

R1-One Tobe Veritas 50,000 ohm, 2

watt resistor. R2—One Tobe Veritas 20,000 ohm, 2 watt resistor. R3—One Tobe Veritas 25,000 ohm, 2

watt resistor. R4--One Tobe Veritas 10,000 ohm, 2

watt resistor.

R5-One Carter 100-ohm center tapped resistor.

R6-One Carter 20-ohm potentiometer. S--One Carter No. 22 Imp. short jack switch.

DF-One filament switch and dial light. M-One O-200 milliammeter, flush type. Four Lynch resistor mounting clips. Three Benjamin sockets.

Eighteen binding posts.

One set of Bakelite panels as follows: One 12x10¹/₂x¹/₃ inches for top. One 12x10¹/₂x¹/₃ inches for base.

Two 113/4x4x1/8 inches for ends.

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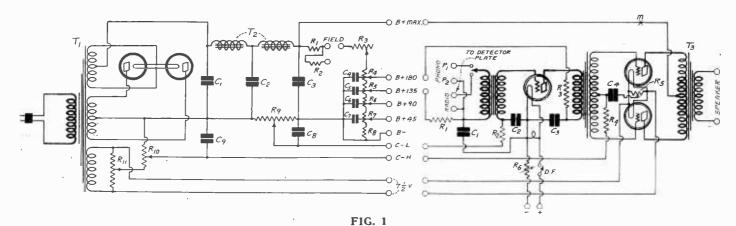
built on the unit method of construction. built on the unit method of construction. That is, the audio amplifier is built in one unit, the power supply in another, and the radio amplifier, when desired, in still another. The audio amplifier and the power supply are independent units but are so coordinated that they fit together in a compact assembly with short leads connecting them connecting them.

This method of construction is rapidly gaining in favor among engineers as it simplifies replacement and makes possible the elimination of inductive interaction between the units. Particularly, it makes the elimination of hum a simple matter.

This amplifier and power supply is especially intended for electrically playing phonograph records and for use with old radio receivers in which the radio freavailable, or any tube which may be produced in the future.

Feedback Prevented

In an ideal amplifier, oscillations resulting from feedback should be entirely sup-pressed. This has been accomplished by the use of resistance-capacity filters which effectively block such oscillations, but allow the proper D. C. potentials to be applied to the plates and grids, and motorboating is thus prevented. The results in conjunction with highly efficient transformers are surprising. If the voltages applied to the first audio stage is not correct, it is very easy to obtain the proper values by the substitution of a different size resistor.



CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF THE STRAIGHT LINE AMPLIFIER AND THE POWER SUPPLY UNIT.

G REAT volume with lifelike realism radio reception and in electric phono-graph reproduction. Much volume has been used for many years in radio re-ceivers, but there was little else. The amplifier tubes used were not large enough to handle all the volume desired and the result was distortion. The power supply devices used with these receivers also were inadequate to provide the cur-rent and voltage and the result was feedrent and voltage and the result was feed-

back, motorboating and more distortion. All this has been changed by the design of amplifiers which are true to the signal, power tubes that can handle almost any desired signal voltage, and power supply devices which can drive the amplifiers satisfactorily even when high power tubes are used.

Unit Method of Construction

One amplifier system which has parone ampiner system which has par-ticular interest because of its novel method of eliminating feedback is the Ferranti Straight Line Push-Pull Power Amplifier. The feedback through the power supply has been eliminated in this unit by the effective isolation of plate circuits. This is done by the use of a circuits. This is done by the use of a resistance-capacity filter in each plate

supply line. The amplifier and the power supply are

quency portion is first class but in which the power supply and the audio amplifier are deficient in power capacity and in tonal range.

The amplifier is designed so that tubes may be used in push-pull or singly, and so that different sizes of tubes may be used. It is particularly designed so that it can handle two 250 tubes in push-pull in the last stage, with a single 112 tube in the first stage. With the -50 type tubes in push-pull in the last stage the circuit will deliver from six to eight watts

curcuit will deliver from six to eight watts of undistorted signal power, depending on the voltage used on the tubes. So far as possible every detail has been made to suit a universal purpose so that with proper voltages applied, it will give equally good results with any type of tube for either push-pull or standard am-plifection. One of the push-pull tubes tube for either push-pull or standard am-plification. One of the push-pull tubes may be removed resulting in standard amplification and if with a single tube, more amplification is desired, the positive feed and negative C connections may be changed from the center post of their respective windings to the outside con-nections, thereby using the entire wind-ing which doubles the ratio and grid swing. From the above it may be seen that the thought behind the design is to provide a neat up-to-date amplifier to last provide a neat up-to-date amplifier to last for a long time and to utilize correctly with only minor changes, any tube now

The amplifier is built into a bakelite case 12'' long, $10\frac{1}{2}''$ wide, and 4'' high, which allows for the proper placing of all components and proper ventilation for the tubes. A milliameter is recom-mended as an aid in determining the proper bias on the grids of the output tubes and as a means of detecting dis-tortion. Provision is made so that by throwing a small switch at the right hand throwing a small switch at the right hand throwing a small switch at the right hand side of the top of the amplifier instant change can be made from phonograph pickup to radio without disconnecting any wires. The connecting post for all cir-cuits are placed on the back panel and with them any series of voltages to suit various tubes, may be applied. Output transformers are employed and several types are available for use with magnetic or dynamic speakers. It is apparent that the flexibility of the unit is such that any plate supply type of speaker or tube may plate supply type of speaker or tube may

plate supply type of speaker or tube may be employed. The power supply unit recommended for use with the Straight Line Amplifier employs full wave rectification and has been designed for a maximum utility. When operating with the 81 type rectify-ing tubes, it will successfully operate the amplifier with any type of tube up to and amplifier with any type of tube up to and including the 250 type tube used in push-pull and at the same time furnish B supply for almost any type of radio receiver using D. C. tubes. Nothing has been

11 Amplifier 250 B Supply

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spared to make the power unit efficient and flexible.

and flexible. All voltages are adjustable within a wide range, except the high plate voltage which is fixed by the transformer and load. A 4,000 ohm variable resistor in series with the bleeder circuit provides means of compensating for voltage varia-tions. The power unit will furnish 50 milliamperes D. C. for the field of a 110 volt dynamic cone speaker unit by means of a removable link, which when taken of a removable link, which when taken out, cuts 2,000 ohms out of the circuit, to compensate for the field resistance. All resistors are rated at 25 watts continuous duty so that there is no danger of burnout under the maximum load with 250 type tubes used in push-pull. The power unit has been especially designed for use with the Straight Line Push-pull Amplifier and with it, will give excellent results.

Construction of Amplifier

After securing the parts listed for the amplifier, the following black bakelite panels should be obtained: 1 12"x10½"x½" for top. 1 12"x10½"x½" for base. 2 11½"x4"x½" for front and back. 2 10"x4"x½" for ends. Place the base on a bench or table and

Place the base on a bench or table and lay on it all equipment and arrange as

shown in photo figure 2, taking care that sockets are located to register with cen-tre of tube holes on top. With the equipment properly located, mark all holes and drill with $\frac{1}{26}$ inch drill. Four extra holes are drilled in the base near corners to take rubber foot buttons.

Lay out the top panel for the three tube holes, which are symmetrical about the centre line, 234 inches in diameter and on 314 inches between centres. Lay out and drill holes for the filament switch and phonograph switch $\frac{3}{2}$ inches in dia-meter and $\frac{2}{4}$ inches centre to centre and 2 inches to centre from the back edge of the panel. Lay out and drill the back panel with

 10_{18}^{23} inch holes on 1 inch centres, 34 inch from the top of the panel and 8_{18}^{23} inch holes on 1 inch centres 1 inch from bottom of panel, all symmetrically located, and 13% inch-hole located half way be-tween the A minus and B minus posts and the right hand input post, for the filament control rheostat.

The front panel is now drilled with a large hole for the milliammeter, which is located symmetrically about the centre of the panel, and with three holes for supporting bolts as per template with

meter. The case is assembled by means of angle brackets and the corner drilling

LIST OF PARTS

(For the power unit)

Ti-One Thordarson No. T2950 power transformer. T2-One Thordarson double choke, No.

- 3100. C1-One Acme Parvolt 2 mfd., series
- 1,000 condenser. C2, C3—Two Acme Parvolt 4 mfd.,
- 2 mfd., series 200 condensers. C9—One Acme Parvolt 4 mfd., series
- 200 condenser. R1, R2-Two 2,000 ohm Electrad Tru-
- volt resistors, B20. R3—One 4,000 ohm Electrad Truvolt re-sistor, T 40. R4—One 1,500 ohm Electrad Truvolt re-
- sistor, T15. R5, R6, R7, R10—Four 1,000 ohm Elec-
- trad Truvolt resistors, T10. R8—One 500 ohm Electrad Truvolt re-
- sistor, B5. R9—One 400 ohm Electrad Truvolt resistor, T4.
- R11-One 200 ohm Carter potentiometer, M200.
- Thirteen binding posts, engraved as required.
- One set of Bakelite panels as follows: One 12x10¹/₂x¹/₄ inches for baseboard. One 12x5¹/₂x¹/₄ inches for top. Two 5¹/₄x6⁷/₈x¹/₈ inches for sides. One 11³/₄x6⁷/₈x¹/₈ inches for front. Two Benjamin UX sockets.

will depend on the type of bracket availwhile depend on the type of bracket available. Sixteen heavy brackets about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch size are required, 8 for holding sides together and 8 for holding on the top and bottom. All brackets may be bolted on except the 4 for holding down the top and these must be tapped in one hole to provide means for screwing down the cover. The drilling will be evident when brackets are laid out on the panels. (Continued next week)

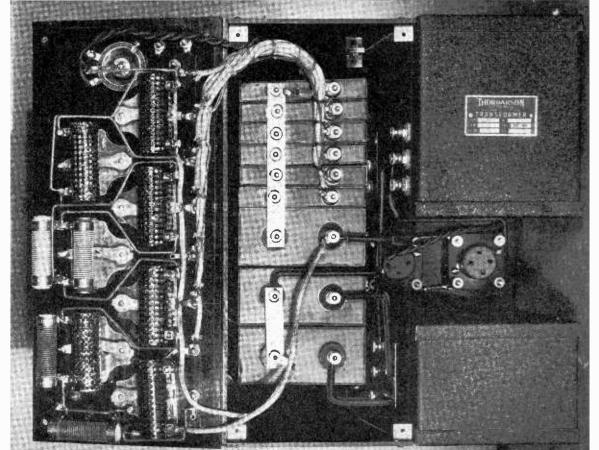


FIG. 2

Top view of the Ferranti power supply unit, show-ing the transformers and the rectifier tubes at the right, the by-pass condensers in the middle, and the voltage divider at the left. The left portion is the lid which covers the condensers when the unit is closed.

RADIO WORLD

November 10, 1928

Points That Will Govern Sensitivity

ONE of the most attractive small receivers possible to build is the Hammarlund Three. It uses the new Hammarlund drum dial, the new Hammarlund screen grid coils and the new Hammarlund double condenser. These are the foundation of the circuit. Indeed, there is little else needed to build this receiver, one of the slickest "little fellows" you ever laid eyes on.

It is selective beyond the average circuit that possesses a stage of tuned radio frequency amplification and a detector, with regeneration.

It is louder—much louder—than you would imagine, merely by looking at the circuit diagram. There is only a single stage of resistance coupled audio amplification. Yet this is sufficient to give moderate speaker volume on local stations. It is not enough audio amplification to give good speaker volume on distant stations, therefore the DX hounds will want to work this splendid receiver into a power pack. Such a pack usually consists of a B supply and a transformer stage of audio. This stage may be a single tube or two tubes in push-pull.

It Gets DX

The circuit surely does bring in distance, and those who have a fancy for such reception will get a great deal of joy out of the receiver. Those content to listen to locals do not need the extra audio stage.

On the quality reckoning it is inconceivable that the performance of this receiver can be exceeded at present, as with regeneration a little retarded, as it should be, side bands are not trimmed, and besides there is virtually no distortion due to audio coupling.

sides there is virtually no distortion due to audio coupling. It so happens that the first station tuned in when the fourth model of this receiver was completed was WLW, Cincinnati, Ohio, using 50,000 watts experimentally, on its proposed new frequency. The point of reception was New York City. Reception was enjoyed on earphones. When an extra transformer stage of audio was cut in, the signals came in loud on the speaker.

in loud on the speaker. Distant reception, easily attained at the upper end of the wavelength spectrum, attests to the sensitivity of a receiver, since the amplification, hence sensitivity, is greater at the higher frequencies, due to electrical phenomena. In other words, if you get a distant station high up on the dial, you will get ever so much more distance lower down. And such expected result was obtained with the Hammarlund Three.

Not too Many or too Few

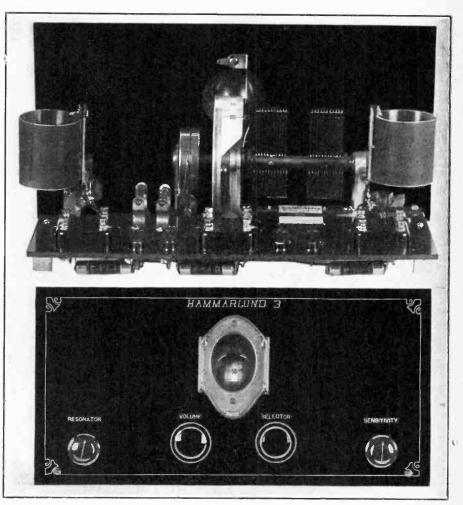
All unnecessary parts are absent from this receiver, yet no essential part is omitted. Let us investigate the identity, constants and purposes of the principal **parts.**

parts. The antenna coil is of the two-winding variety, affording primary taps, to accommodate the input to the demands of the location. The circuit is selective enough to enable you to take the full pickup across the entire primary, represented by the extreme lugs on the Hammarlund antenna coil. The other taps may be used, by those who so desire, simply by short-circuiting from the ground connection to one of the other lugs. Whichever connection proves best is retained. The grid return of the SG tube

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Remarkable in Performance,

By James



MADE OF AS FEW PARTS AS ARE POSSIBLE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GOOD RECEIVER TO WORK A SPEAKER, THE HAMMARLUND THREE NEVERTHELESS PERFORMS ADMIRABLY AND PRESENTS A PLEASING, COMPACT APPEARANCE.

is made to minus filament of the detector and audio tubes, the two filaments at equal potential. In this way exactly the correct negative grid bias is obtained for the screen grid tube without requiring connection to any biasing battery. This well-tried method obtaining 1.7 volts negative grid bias for the screen grid tube is an exclusive feature of RADIO WORLD circuits.

Maximum RF Amplification

The output of the screen grid tube is taken in full-impedance fashion. The outside winding, usually the secondary, is here used as the primary, and is tuned. Thus at resonance you get the greatest possible impedance, and the screen grid tube depends for its full amplification on just such high impedance. The Hammarlund double condenser has

The Hammarlund double condenser has a common shaft, and as the rotor has been connected to minus filament of succeeding tubes—the novel grid return previously explained—it follows that the condenser section tuning the plate circuit of the screen grid tube likewise is already connected to the same point. But the coil in the plate circuit must go to 135 volts positive.

There isn't a reason in the world why the condenser can not go to one point at ground potential, while the coil it tunes goes to another point at nearly ground potential, the only necessary precaution being that a large bypass condenser (.5 mfd.) must bridge the gap. A small one might act somewhat as a series condenser and molest the uniformity of tuntually no such effect.

Since the regeneration condenser, C4, also has a trimming effect, and as there is a real trimmer across the other tuning condenser, perfection of tuning results. There is no possibility of any baffling antiresonance or consequent loss of amplification or sensitivity.

tion or sensitivity. The .5 mfd. bypass condenser is an Acme Parvolt 200-volt type, shown as C6.

Grid Bias Detection

An isolating condenser, C8, keeps the positive plate potential off the detector grid. By the way, this grid is returned to C minus, thus affording grid bias detecNovember 10, 1928

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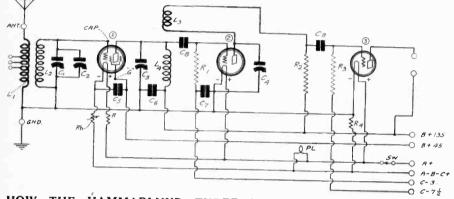
arlund Three

Compactness and Appearance

H. Carroll

tion, with its greater purity of tone and its improved selectivity. A leak is used for the voltage drop across the detector grid-to-filament circuit, but this does not constitute the detector of the leaky-condenser variety, because the condenser would have to be between the grid and the grid connection of the leak, whereas

and plate terminals of the windings occupy the same relative position. It is well to run the B plus lead up through the core of the coil, rather than the plate lead, and make the grid terminal of the small winding correspond-both at the bottom. This arrangement can be traced out very easily on examination of the coil, as you



HOW THE HAMMARLUND THREE IS WIRED. THE USUAL SEC-ONDARY OF THE SCREEN GRID TRF COIL IS USED AS A TUNED PRIMARY IN THE PLATE CIRCUIT OF THE SCREEN GRID AMPLIFIER. THE DE-TECTOR IS A HIGH MU 240.

the condenser used (C8 in the diagram) is between plate and grid without interruption.

The leak in this case is only a slight

damper, because no grid current can flow when the grid is so much negative. What the negative bias for detection should be, using a 240 detector tube, you can determine for yourself. A variety of factors controls this. The value of the plate resistor, the value of the plate volt-age applied, the capacity of the trimmer regeneration condenser C4, and the filament temperature are some of the factors.

However, since the bias will be within a narrow enough range, no difficulty should be encountered. There is a drop of one volt in the filament resistor. R4, and this constitutes a starting bias of this amount. Anything applied externally by means of a biasing battery is in addition. Hence 1½ volts negative on the C battery would really constitute 21/2 volts negative on the grid.

How Regeneration Works

You should use 0.1 meg. as the plate resistor, at 135 volts, a resistance value rather low for a high mu detector, nevertheless one that fulfills the prime re-quirement under the present circumquirement under the present circum-stances—that of insuring regeneration. Too high a plate resistor will prevent regeneration. So will too much or too little bias. Try the battery taps at $1\frac{1}{2}$, 3 and $4\frac{1}{2}$ volts, and you will find regen-eration somewhere in that region. Do not be content with mere regeneration, but be sure volu choose the accepting and him sure you choose the negative grid bias that gives the best volume.

Regeneration is provided by the con-denser C4 in conjunction with the small winding of the screen grid coil. This winding is L3 in the diagram. It should be connected in series aiding. That is the regular fashion and means that the orid regular fashion and means that the grid

can see plainly where the leads come out to the lugs.

Why the Tone is Splendid

Connect the regeneration condenser to the plate post of the detector socket, not to the resistor end of the plate coil, as regeneration is likely to fail unless this advice is heeded. C4 is really a variable bypass condenser, acting as a throttle, and the place to begin bypassing is at the plate of the tube.

The resistance coupled stage is orthodox, the isolating condenser being .01 mfd., which is as low a capacity as should be used, in view of the necessarily low value of plate resistor. However, the total impedance looking out of the detector plate circuit is increased by using a high value of grid leak. This combination makes for faithful frequency response, particularly in affording good reproduction of low notes, otherwise bypassed by low leak value and low isolating condenser constant.

The output tube should be a 112A for the 135 volts shown. However, there is no reason whatever for failing to use 180 volts, if so much is available from a B eliminator.

Volume Control

In that case, use 180 on the detector as well as on the output tube, increasing the well as on the output tube, increasing the grid bias on the output tube to 10½ volts applied. With 180 on the detector the plate resistor may be .5 meg. Although 180 is higher than the usually recom-mended voltage for a 112A tube, the excess merely shortens the life of the tube a little, and is not serious. Do not use a 171 or 171A as the last tube of the threetube circuit.

The volume control is a rheostat in the negative leg of the screen grid tube. Of course this affects the grid bias, too, to a slight degree, but in a helpful direction. The normal voltage drop of 2.7 volts from

How Circuit Works Into **Power Pack**

a 6-volt source is contributed by a No. 622 Amperite (R). The rheostat (Rh) is in series, hence causes additional reduction. By the way, the rheostat used—a 20-ohm Frost de luxe type-has the switch (SW) built into it, which helps make the panel so symmetrical.

Considerable time was taken in the Considerable time was taken in the physical design of the receiver, and the attractive result is no accident. Three sets were built and torn down, although each one worked well. The fourth and final model was encompassed in a 7x14 inch front panel and 4¼x13" subpanel chalf shelf.

The brackets must not be more than 1" high and the subpanel cut to clear the

drum shaft. The Hammarlund double condenser has a mounting bracket supplied with it. By drilling a hole in the subpanel bracket it may easily and securely anchor the condenser bracket. This rigidity is always an important point in the use of ganged an important point in the use of ganged condensers, and the easy solution afforded in the present compact and efficient cir-

cuit is quite a favorable consideration. Persons who have seen many circuits come and go inspected the final model of the Hammarlund Three and pronounced it of surpassing beauty. The new Ham-marlund drum is a treat for the eye, then for the hand, too, for it operates without backlash, and has a smooth and delightful motion.

Then when these same persons operated the set, they said that it worked as well as it looked, and that was saying a lot.

LIST OF PARTS

L1L2—One Hammarlund antenna coil, Cat. AC23. L3L4—One Hammarlund screen grid coil,

L3L4—One Hammarlund screen grid con, Cat. SGT23. C1C3—One Hammarlund two-gang .0005 mfd. condenser, Cat. MLD23. C2C4—Two Hammarlund Jr. 50 mifd. midgets, Cat. MC11. R—One No. 622 Amperite with mounting. R1—One 0.1 meg. Lynch metallized resistor.

R4-One No. 112 Amperite with mounting. Rh, SW-One Frost de luxe 20-ohm rheo-stat, Cat. No. S1720.

R2-One Lynch metallized resistor, 0.1

meg. R3—One Lynch metallized resistor, 5 meg. C6—One Acme Parvolt 200-volt, bypass condenser, 0.5 mfd.

C5, C7-Two Aerovox .001 mfd. mica

fixed condensers. C8-One Aerovox .00025 mica fixed condenser.

C9-One Aerovox .01 mfd. mica fixed condenser.

One Hammarlund knob control drum dial, with escutcheon, black knob, pilot light (PL) socket, bulb and screws, Cat SDB1.

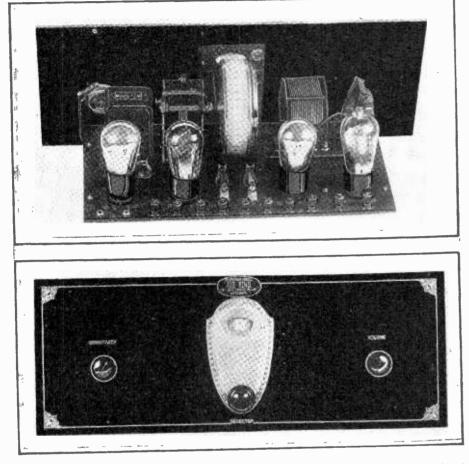
SDB1. One 7x14" front panel. One 4¹/₄x13" subpanel shelf. Two 1" high subpanel brackets. Three Frost sockets, Cat. No. 530. One Peewee clip for screen grid cap. Four binding posts (Ant and space Four binding posts (Ant., gnd., speaker +, speaker —). Two resistor mountings.

One extra Hammarlund black knob for rheostat, Cat. SDBK. Flexible Acme celatsite for wiring re-

ceiver.

ADe Luxe Short Waver

By Jasper Jellicoe



T HE effectiveness of a screen grid tube as a voltage amplifier depends on two fac-L a voltage amplifier depends on two fac-tors: the adjustment of the four different voltages and the impedance in its load cir-cuit. The adjustment of the grid bias, the filament voltage and the plate voltage is not difficult, because not critical. The plate voltage may be 135 volts. Small variations such as would result from the gradual ex-baraction of the battery are not important.

such as would result from the gradual ex-haustion of the battery are not important. The grid voltage can be adjusted to the proper value by suitably returning the grid circuit to the filament circuit. In the circuit circuit to the niament circuit. In the circuit shown in Fig. 1 the return has been made to negative end of the filament of the last tube. The voltage at this point with respect to the negative end of the filament of the screen grid tube is 2.7 less 1 volt, or 1.7 volts. That value gives optimum amplification when the plate voltage is 135 volts and the screen grid voltage is 45 volts.

A Little More Critical

The screen grid voltage is a bit more crit-The screen grid voltage is a bit more crit-ical, because it depends on the grid and plate voltage used. Hence, if an adjustable fea-ture is introduced into the circuit by means of which the screen grid voltage can be varied, the correct value can be found for the particular combination of grid bias and plate voltage used. This means that alplate voltage used. This means that, al-though the grid bias in the circuit is not quite right, it can be made so by a simple

quite right, it can be made so by a simple change of the screen grid voltage. In the accompanying circuit diagram of a very swell short-wave receiver a high re-sistance potentiometer has been connected across the 45-volt section of the plate bat-tery and the lead from the screen grid tube has been connected to its slider. Thus any

voltage between zero and 45 volts can be obtained for the screen grid. The plate voltage and the grid bias have been chosen so that the correct screen grid voltage will be found in this range.

High Impedance Obtained

The condition of high selective impedance in the plate circuit is satisfied by the use of tuned impedance coupling. As a means of increasing the tuned impedance regeneration is used. By advancing the tickler the ef-fective impedance can be increased almost increased almost without limit. The voltage amplification and the selectivity increase at the same time. Since the regeneration is critical near the

oscillating point, two separate controls are used and two ticklers. The regular tickler L_2 is controlled by a knob and the auxil-iary tickler L_4 is controlled by a condenser

LIST OF PARTS

L1—One RF choke. (18 to 130 meters.) L2, L3, L4—One set Air King short

wave coils, 18 to 130 meters. C1, C2—Two .1 mfd Tobe condensers. C3—One .00025 mfd. tuning condenser. C4—One .0001 mfd. midget variable con-

denser. C5-One .00025 Tiny-tobe condenser.

C6-One .01 Tiny-tobe condenser. C7-One 1 mfd. Tobe by-pass condenser. R1-One 622 Amperite.

R2-One Electrad Royalty 500,000 ohm potentiometer with switch, SW. R3-One Lynch 2 megohm grid leak

with mount. R4, R5-Two 1A Amperites.

R6-One Lynch .1 megohm resistor with mount.

R7-One Lynch 1.0 megohm grid leak

with mount. T—One National A100 audio transformer.

Four standard sockets. Eleven binding posts. One National drum dial. PTJ-Two Frost phone tip jacks.

These two ticklers are connected in C4. parallel.

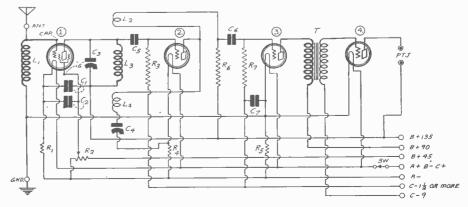
As a means of preventing oscillation in the first tube by-pass condensers C1 and

the first tube by-pass condensers CI and C_2 are used. The detector operates on the grid bias principle, and for that reason a high mu tube, followed by resistance coupling, is used. An audio stage with transformer coupling is employed to increase the output for loud speaker operation. The receiver uses three Air-King plug-in coils, which are wound of enameled wire on a skeleton frame.

wire on a skeleton frame.

IN CONJUNCTION with the two-part article on the Pilot "Wasp" short wave set recently featured in RADIO WORLD, Harvey Sampson, proprietor of Harvey's Radio Shop, 100 West 43rd Street, New York City, ran a two weeks' display of the set, the kit and component parts in one of his show windows one of his show windows.

THE POLYMET Manufacturing Cor-poration is operating a full night force. Large commitment orders for electric set parts received from many of the largest radio manufacturers in the field have made this more necessary.



[Part I of this article was published last week. Part II, the conclusion, follows.]

S a means of further minimizing any A possible voltage changes a 2 mfd. condenser C4 is connected across the 180

condenser C4 is connected across the 180 volt section, a 1 mfd. condenser C5 across the 90 volt section and another 1 mfd. condenser C6 across the variable section. The 450 and 180 volt taps are connected by a fixed resistor R1, Fig. 3, of 5,000 ohms. A variable resistor R2 of 25,000 ohms is connected in series with the 90 volt tap to supply a variable voltage less than 90 volts to the radio frequency tubes in the receiver. in the receiver.

Heaters Biased

Note that the center-tap on the 2.5 volt winding is connected to the 90 volt tap on the voltage divider. This places a 90 volt bias on the heaters of the -27 tubes with respect to the cathodes. This con-nection is used to eliminate hum. It is well to ground the points marked K in the three circuits. These of course will be connected together when the am-plifier is complete. A good ground always leads to stability of a circuit. The C battery eliminator is an econo-mic, convenient and unfailing source of grid bias for use with all amplifiers re-quiring a negative grid bias up to 90 Note that the center-tap on the 2.5 volt

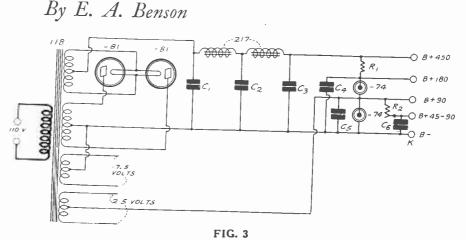
quiring a negative grid bias up to 90 volts. The unit delivers four different voltages, two fixed of 45 and 90 volts and two variable with ranges from zero to 45 and from 45 to 90 volts.

A unit such as this has many advan-A unit such as this has many advan-tages over the resistor method of obtain-ing bias. It does not introduce inter-stage coupling, which causes distortion and oscillation. It takes practically no power to operate. In fact it takes only a very small fraction of the power re-quired to maintain an equivalent voltage drop in a resistor in a high power ampli-fier circuit. It will not run down, as the only part that has a finite life is the rectionly part that has a finite life is the recti-fier tube, and that should last for sev-eral years, for it delivers practically no current.

Wiring the Circuit

The two by-pass condensers in the Vic-toreen 516 C supply uint are filter con-densers. Only one of these, the 2 mfd. unit, serves also to by-pass the output, as will be seen on the circuit diagram. When the unit is used to deliver several

A GOOD MAKESHIFT



THE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF THE VICTOREEN PLATE CURRENT SUPPLY UNIT USED WITH THE DUPLEX POWER AMPLIFIER

different grid voltages to different tubes all the binding posts should be by-passed. This by-passing is preferably done in the receiver. For example, if a bias of 45 volts is required for a 171A tube in the set there should be a 1 mfd. condenser, or larger, from the filament to the C- bind set there should be a 1 mid. condenser, or larger, from the filament to the C— bind-ing posts in the set. Similarly for the others, except the 90 volt post, which is by-passed in the grid voltage supply unit.

If this by-passing is not done there may be some feed-back through the grid bias supply unit. While this feed-back is not enough to cause any appreciable change in the quality of the amplifier it is well to eliminate as much as possible. The need for this by-passing is greater in direct coupled circuits than in transformer coupled amplifiers.

DAVE SCHLOSS, manager of City Radio Co. store at 42 Cortlandt Street, New York City, announces that the store has been enlarged and improved. The newest in parts, accessories, electric sets and dynamic speakers, Dave has stocked, also types of tubes that are in demand and hard to get. Henry Berman is also on the job at this store. Roy French, coal man from Brooklyn, is a steady cus-tomer. Roy holds several DX records in his locality, besides holding several blue ribbons for quality tone production from his dynamic.—J. H. C.

Los Angeles to Test Radio

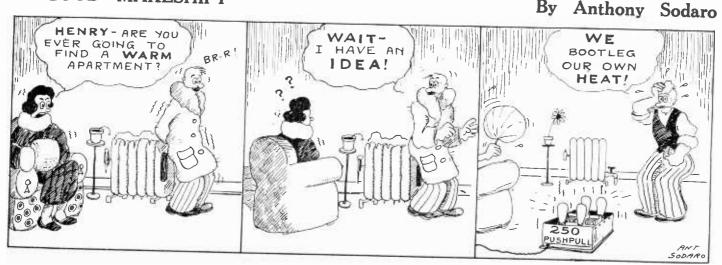
Washington.

The Department of the Navy has de-cided to use the "Los Angeles" for an experimental ship from a radio stand-point in determining the proper de-sign for the radio equipment with which the new 6,500,000-cubic-foot dirigibles will be equipped be equipped.

With this in view, steps are being taken to develop equipment which will replace that now installed on the "Los Angeles." Both the intermediate frequency sets will Both the intermediate irequency sets will be replaced and the present wind-driven power source will be removed and engine-driven power units substituted therefor. The present radio compass will be al-lowed to remain intact as it has given

very satisfactory service, though it has given sible that the receiving equipment for same may be replaced by some of more modern design.

modern design. It is the Department's desire that the new airships be equipped with apparatus which will have a communication range equal to their cruising radius, which will exceed 8,000 miles. Experimental equip-ment will be built before starting con-struction on the sets to be installed on the new dirigibles ZR-4 and ZR-5.



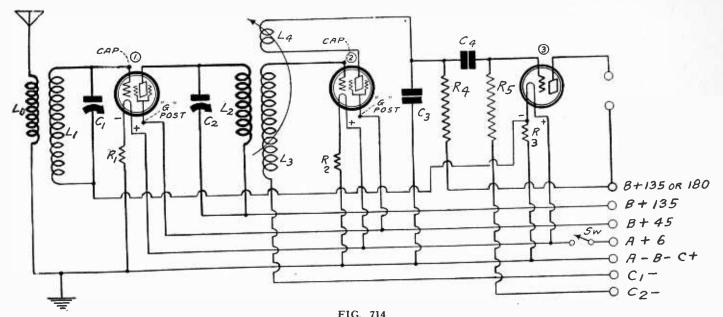


FIG. 714 THE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF A SENSITIVE RECEIVER THAT MAY BE USED TO FEED A POWER TUBE IN THE POWER PACK. REQUESTED BY THOMAS P. WILLIAMS.

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PLEASE PUBLISH the diagram of a four-tube circuit employing one screen grid RF amplifier, a regenerative detector and two stages of resistance coupled audio, to be used with a power tube built into the B battery eliminator. (2)—Also please publish a sensitive cir-cuit employing one screen grid tube, a re-

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generative detector and one stage of resistance coupling which can be used with the same power amplifier. (3)—Can the four-tube

resistance coupled circuit be used successfully on the B battery eliminator, or will there be motorboating?

(4)-Will the three tube circuit ahead of the power tube better than the four tube circuit?

THOMAS P. WILLIAMS, Dallas, Tex.

1)-Fig. 715, next week, will show the 4-tube hookup.

2)-The circuit is shown in Fig. 714.

(3)-If the B battery eliminator is well by-passed and is able to supply the necessary current and voltage there should be no motorboating. The circuit will be stable, essentially, but there may be slow motorboating.

(4)-It is doubtful that this combination will work as well for the circuit will be essentially unstable. But again it depends on the plate voltage supply. * * *

DOES A DETECTOR employing the grid leak and condenser detect all audio frequencies equally well or does it discriminate?

(2)-Does the grid bias method of de-(2)-boost the grid bias method of de-tection have any advantages over the other method? (3)-Why is the grid leak-condenser method of detection more sensitive than

the grid bias method?

J. J. MORAN,

Gary, Ind. (1)-The grid condenser and leak

method of detection detects low audio frequencies better than high frequencies. The amount of suppression depends on

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the values of the grid leak and the condenser. (2)-The grid bias method of detection

does not discriminate but detects all audio frequencies equally well. Also, this method makes the tuner more selective. But this fact also results in high fre-quency suppression so that the differ-

(a) the subject of the second secon tor but also as an amplifier of the detected signals.

WHY DOES sharp tuning suppress the higher audio frequencies? Does not the carrier frequency carry through all fre-quencies equally well whether the tuning is sharp or broad? WILLIAM SOPER,

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Evanston, Ill. (1)—The signal does not consist of the carrier alone but of many frequencies both higher and lower than the carrier. These are suppressed by the sharp tuner. And these other frequencies interacting with the carrier produce the audio signal. The weaker the side frequencies are in respect to the carrier the weaker will be the reproduced audio frequency. Hence the side frequencies which are suppressed the most are reproduced the weakest and they are the high audio frequencies.

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I HAVE a 30 cycle super-heterodyne which is very sensitive and selective. but the signal is not clean-cut. There is much growling and whistling in it. What causes

these noises? (2)-Would a different intermediary

(3)—Can I change the intermediary fre-quency to a high value by putting condensers across the intermediate trans-formers?

FRANKLIN JONES, Germantown, Pa.

(1)—The cause of this noise is interfer-ence by other stations. The whistling is due to heterodyning with stations oper-ating on a frequency which differs by 60 kc from the station tuned in. The growl-ing is due to a similar cause but in this case the harmonics heterodyne.

case the harmonics heterodyne. (2)—Some improvement would be effected by increasing the intermediate frequency to more than 45 kc. It should preferably be from 90 kc to about 180 kc. (3)—The frequency cannot be increased by connecting condensers across the wind-

ings of the intermediate transformers.

Alaska Aids

Washington.

Washington. Weather observations, reported twice daily from the station recently established by the Army Signal Corps at Point Barrow, Alaska, have proved important in prepar-ing the weather forecasts for the United States, the Department of Agriculture stated. The full text of the Department's citement follows: statement follows:

A new Weather Bureau station was recently established at Point Barrow, Alaska, where the Signal Corps of the War Department has a radio station available for transmitting weather reports. Two daily observations are sent to Seattle by radio, and from there distributed to forecast cen-

and from there distributed to forecast cen-ters requiring them. As early as 1907 weather reports were received by telegraph from Alaska. Since that time, extensions of the field of obser-vation in that region and in northern Can-ada have gradually been made, although progress has been slow because of the lack of telegraphic communication of telegraphic communication.

In more recent years radio has permitted an extension and in the last year valuable reports have been received from the Mc-Kenzie Basin and from the Hudson Straits region. The most recent addition to cur-rent knowledge of these regions is from this station at Point Barrow, Alaska, from which reports are now being received regularly.

These reports are not only valuable in daily forecast work but in the weekly weather outlooks which are made on Saturday for the coming week. As a specific instance:

The cold waves that affect the North Central States and the lake region precede the southeast movement of high-pressure areas advancing southeastward from the McKenzie Valley. With reports from Fort Simpson in the McKenzie Valley and the report from Point Barrow, Alaska, the Weather Bureau will be in a position to indicate, two, or maybe three, days ahead that a cold wave is expected in the lake region or North Central States, whereas without such information the advance notice

Weather Work Highest Court Gives Feedback to DeForest

Washington

The legal controversy, lasting eleven years, between Major Edwin H. Armstrong and Dr. Lee De Forest on the feedback or regenerative patent has finally been set-tled by a decision of the United States Supreme Court in favor of Dr. De Forest's claims. The court upheld judgments of the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Third Cir-cuit (Philadelphia) and of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia.

The question at issue had to do with the priority of invention of the regenerative circuit. Major Armstrong devised and described a feedback amplifier and Dr. De Forest devised and described a feedback oscillator, both of which are basically the same.

Two cases were disposed of in the pres-ent decision. One was entitled Westing-house Electric and Manufacturing Com-pany, petitioner, vs. De Forest Radio Telephone Company, respondent. The other

was entitled Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company and Edwin H. Armstrong, petitioners, vs. the United States of America and Alexander Meissner, General Electric Company and General Electric Company and Irving Langmuir, De Forest Radio and Telegraph Company, Lee De Forest and American Telephone and Telegraph Company, respondents.

No royalties are involved in the decision No royalites are involved in the decision because the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company is licensed, with-out royalites, to use the De Forest patent through rights acquired from De Forest by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. The General Electric Company and the Radio Corporation of America are also licensed on the same basis. The only also licensed on the same basis. The only effect of the decision is that the Westinghouse company no longer has sole control of the regenerative patent, hence the R. C. A.'s license thereunder is nonexclusive

Output Transformer Announced by R.C.A.

To insure the proper application of loudspeakers to any type receiver or power am-plifier, a special output transformer has been introduced by the Radio Corporation

of America. The output transformer, is intended as a coupling means for outputs in excess of 10 milliamperes of direct current. It serves to by-pass the direct current component with minimum resistance so as to operate the power tube at highest efficiency while transferring the alternating current component to the loudspeaker. In this manner the delicate coil windings and mechanism of the loudspeaker are protected from damage against excessive direct current, which might

result in demagnetization and even burnouts when the loudspeaker is connected directly to power tubes or multiple tube amblifiers.

With this output transformer it is unnecessary to try out the polarity of the loudspeaker cord.

LIST OF STATIONS EFFECTIVE SUNDAY The fully corrected list of reallocations of sta-tions effective Stinday, November 11th, appeared in RADIO WORLD dated November 3d. The call letters, frequency, owner and location are given by States. Fifteen cents a copy. Or send \$1.00 for trial subscription of eight weeks, and this issue will be sent FREE. Radio World, 145 W. 45th St., N. Y. C.

8 Stations on Same Wave at Same Time

Washington.

Synchronization of radio waves, whereby two or more stations may broadcast on the same frequency without interference, is being utilized with a high degree of success in Great Britain, according to Col. A. G. Lee, assistant engineer to chief of the British Post Office Department, in

the British Post Office Department, in charge of radio and telegraphy. Mr. Lee is in this country, with four other British postal officials, primarily to study the American land telegraphic sys-tem, says "The United States Daily." Discussing radio orally with officials of the Federal Radio Commission, Colonel Lee stated that eight stations at present are being synchronized successfully on a single wavelength. Each of the stations single wavelength. Each of the stations is of 250 watts power. The stations give the same programs at night, and under good conditions, are able to broadcast different individual programs during the day

Great Britain's twenty radio stations, said Colonel Lee, are operated by the British Broadcasting Corporation, a govern-ment organization. There is no advertising of any nature broadcast over the stations, he declared. explaining that the programs were maintained through license fees collected from listeners. "Every man with a receiver gets his

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broadcasting license from the Post Office Department for ten shillings (\$2.50) for a year," he declared. "The greater portion goes to the broadcasting stations for programs.

\$5,000,000 Collected

"More than \$5,000,000 was collected last

year from listeners. There are about 2,500,000 sets in use in Great Britain. No charge is made for licenses for blind listeners." from listeners. There are about

Colonel Lee explained that his party will inspect the telegraphic systems of the commercial companies in the United the commercial companies in the United States with a view to improving the British service, operated by the Post Office Department. He is accompanied by L. Simon, Assistant Secretary of the Post Office Department; J. Stuart Jones, Comp-troller, Central Telegraph Office, London; G. T. Archibald, Inspector of Traffic, and A. E. Stone, Engineer, Post Office De-partment. partment.

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Radio Is Neglected in Schools. He Says

Oakland, Calif.

"Radio is being neglected by the school system," James McLafferty declared in a recent talk over KGO. "Many of the boys employed in radio shops are work-ing because they could not obtain the radio instruction they wanted at school." A petition is being circulated in Oak-land to have a course in radio technique and mechanism added to the school cur-

and mechanism added to the school cur-riculum. The Oakland Mothers' Club and prominent business men throughout the city have given their approval and KGO Some of the backers of the movement

say the success of experimental radio depends on proper early instruction, not only satisfying interest in radio technique, but creating it.

Full Chance Gained By Women In Radio

The demand for women in radio is increasing, and the pioneer stage of radio gives men and the prone equal opportunities, according to Bertha Brainard, Eastern program director of the National Broadcasting Company, who contributes the chapter on radio to "An Outline of Careers for Women," edited by Doris E. Fleisch-man and just published by Doubleday Doran and Company. Miss Fleischman is a public relations counsel, associated in this work with her husband, Edward L. Bernays, and writes on public relations as

a career for women. "From the day that women's features were first put on the air," says Miss Brainard, "executives of the radio broadcasting world have called on women to help them create and arrange these programs so that they would please other women. And the need for women in radio seems to be increasing, now that the great majority of radio stations all over the United States are broadcasting women's

"The National Broadcasting Company has established a department in charge of women's programs, every member of which, including its superintendent, is a woman."

It is the pioneer stage of the radio world which gives men and women equal opportunities, according to Miss Brainard, and there is less discrimination

Bungalow Built for WBBM Workers

Chicago

A new seven-room brick bungalow is nearing completion to house the enlarged operating and engineering staff of nearing completion to house the enlarged operating and engineering staff of WBBM. Although the present quarters were sufficient when the station was built, just a year ago, increased activities neces-sitated a considerable increase in the personnel. The station is located twenty-five miles northwest of Chicago, so it is necessary that a considerable portion of the staff live at the station.

WBAL Names Cooke Orchestral Arranger

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Edmund Cooke, staff violist at WBAL, has been appointed orchestral arranger, to be in charge of arranging compositions for all musical units included on the broadcaster's staff.

Mr. Cooke went to WBAL a few months ago as violist for the WBAL String Quartet. Soon his talent for making orchestral arrangements was noted.

Two Football Games On Air Saturday

National Broadcasting Company The chain will send out descriptions of two foot-ball games Saturday, November 10th. The Navy-University of Michigan game

The Navy-University of Michigan game at Baltimore at 2:15 p.m., e.s.t., will be described by Graham McNamee over WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, KWK, KYW and KPRC. The Army-Notre Dame game at Yankee Stadium, New York City, at 1:30 p.m., e.s.t., will be announced by Phillips Carlin announcing over WEAF, WTIC, WRC, WGY, WGR, WCAE, WGN, KSD and WOC.

against women in radio work than in prac-tically any other. "Many of those at the top in radio," she says, "have come from the newspaper office, the theater and other spheres where women often receive as much of the hard work and money as men do, so they do not begrudge girls this equality in the radio station. In fact, they boast of the service which women are rendering to radio."

Lists Opportunities

Miss Brainard lists the fields in which beginners can get a foothold.

beginners can get a foothold. "The more powerful stations," she says, "have, in addition to their chief executive, announcers, entertainers, program man-agers, staff accompanists, secretaries, manuscript writers, research workers who keep up-to-date lists of available enter-tainment and check over the "fan mail" to ascertain the public's likes and dislikes, and engineers and solicitors, who seek to sell the hours, during which the stato sell the hours, during which the sta-tion is allowed to broadcast, to advertisers or other purchasers of broadcasting

rights. "The smaller stations may have only a manager-announcer, an engineer and a part-time staff accompanist, but even in such staff the ambitious woman can see, first, the possibility of starting as accompanist, or, second, the opportunity to make a job for herself, such as program man-ager."

Plan to Link Amateurs Meets Official Rebuff

Washington.

The Radio Commission is receiving complaints in connection with the organization of a company known as the Motion Picture Radio Communications Corpora-tion and the relations of that company with certain amateur radio operators. The complaints connect station WHN of New York with the new corporation.

According to information sent to the Commission, the company is sending out contracts to amateur operators in an efcontracts to amateur operators in an ef-fort to procure their stations for experi-mentation in point-to-point short wave communication, television, land and air-craft communication. This, it is claimed, is contrary to the terms of the amateur license. Already from fifteen to twenty amateurs are said to have signed the contract. Officials said that it appears. from the contract that the corporation infrom the contract that the corporation intends to apply for an experimental license for each amateur station used.

The originator of the plan is said to e George Schubel, former owner of he WHN.

Mr. Schubel denied any such effortswere undertaken as the complainants said.

Four in Radio Field Lead Charity Drive

Max Landay, Myron Goldsoll, Alex Eisemann and Charles Izenstark are at the head of the Radio Television and Musical Instruments division of the Business Men's Council of the Federation for the support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies of New York City, which has launched its 1928 campaign for \$5,300,000 to meet the budgetary requirements of its to meet the budgetary requirements of its ninety-one constituent institutions. The quota for this division has been set

at \$20,000.

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THE AMERICAN SALES CO., 21 Warren Street, New York City, is han-dling the new Gould Kathanode Uni-power, an automatic A power unit with built-in relay which throws the charger off and on and controls the B eliminator. Also the company sells the Uni-Rectron Power amplifier using the 210 tube and Power amplifier, using the 210 tube and the 216B or 281 tube for rectifier also the Timmons combination amplifier and B supply. Full information may be had from American Sales Co. Mention RADIO WORLD.

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HENRY A. BELLOWS, of WCCO, Minneapolis-St. Paul, has been elected a director of the National Association of Broadcasters, to fill an unexpired term. *

THE METROPOLITAN FACTORY representatives for Sylvania Products Co., with factories at Emporium, Pa., are Wie-denbach-Brown Co., Inc., 118-120 East 25th Street, New York City. N. D. Brown is sales manager of Wiedenbach-Brown. Sylvania makes a full line of tubes for every radio purpose. Address Mr. Brown. Mention RADIO WORLD.

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JOHN Q. GAUBERT has been placed in charge of the production of the Inter-national Resistance Company. Mr. Gau-bert was connected with the Ward Leonard Electric Company, and with the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Company.

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J. WARREN HORTON has become chief engineer of the General Radio Company, Cambridge, Mass. After graduating from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1914 he remained there for two years as an instructor in physics, going from there to the Bell Telephone Labo-ratories, New York City.

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J. PAUL ENCK of Lebanon, Pa., uses a large motor truck containing all of the models of radio sets he sells, and calls on models of radio sets he sells, and calls on housewives to give them demonstrations. At night he gets entire families, invites them to be seated in his truck, plugs in his cable to an electric switch nearby and provides them with a half hour or so of radio entertainment. He covers the entire county of Lebanon in this manner.

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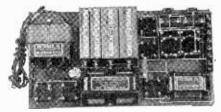
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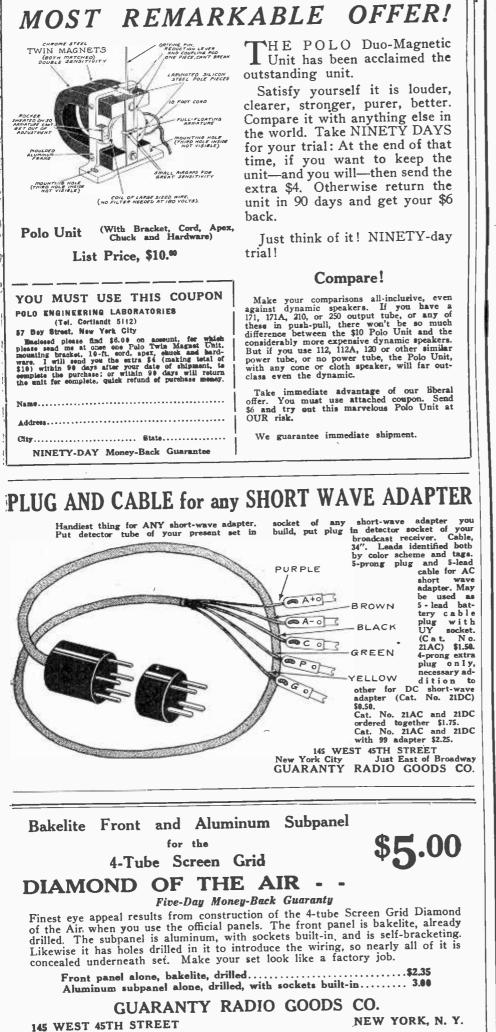
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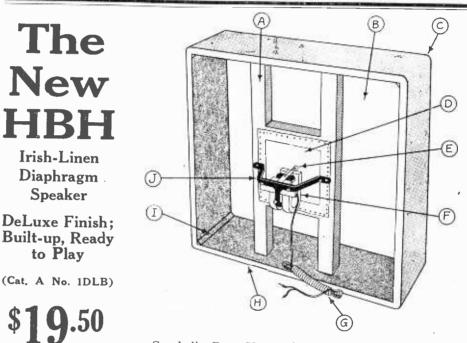
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