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EDITORIAL

BRIGHT optimistic trend on the component-tube front is now on the horizon. The order prohibiting the manufacture of any replacement parts, except for the Victory line, has been revoked. This means that replacement parts now can be run on the same production lines that are being used for other purposes. Thus production of old standards can be increased to accommodate priority orders, and overruns can be applied for civilian use. And those making Victory parts will probably continue to make these parts, too, for some time. We cannot expect to have an abundance of parts immediately or within a short period. But we can expect to have the necessary parts in the not-too-distant future, and that's better than the pessimistic promises we have had to face for quite a while.

Tube production is also expected to step up, for the famous limitation order L-76 has also been revoked. This order, which was put into effect over two years ago, limited production of tubes to about 117 types. As soon as facilities are available, it will now be possible to manufacture the many prohibited types, particularly battery tubes. The rectifier-tube limitation order has also been revoked, thus permitting manufacture of these tubes for civilian use. At the present, production is expected to remain at the present level and will continue to be controlled through allotment of materials. But as materials increase, production should increase. It will take time to secure full scale production and delivery. But that will be coming along!

HAT all important conference of the year . . . the Electronic Parts and Equipment Industry Conference . . . will be held at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, October 19, 20 and 21. We'll be there at booth 69. Hope we will have the pleasure of seeing you there, too, for a bit of a chat!

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letesting, intricate are words which might well describe some Meissner's highly specialized equipment (above and below) at "precision-el" is the one word which fits the company's ghly trained personnel.





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Figs. I (left) and 2 (right). Fig. I shows an early superheterodyne converter, with a tickler-feedback oscillator inductively coupled to a pentode first detector. Fig. 2, the autodyne or self-oscillating detector with the suppressor grid serving as oscillator grid.

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THE object of a converter is to supply a maximum i-f voltage to the first i-f transformer. Chere are two general types of conrerters; combination detector and scillator, and separate detector or eparate oscillator.

The gain of a converter is approxinately one-half that obtainable with he same tube used as an r-f amplifier

$$S_c = r_\mu - R_L$$

d is equal to
$$\frac{1}{r_p + R_L}$$
 where

 $S_e = conversion conductance$

 $r_{p} = a-c$ plate resistance

 $R_{\rm L}$ = dynamic load resistance in-Juding the coupled impedance of the econdary circuit.

This shows the need for a tube havng a high transconductance and a ligh plate resistance.

In all broadcast receivers, as well s commercial types, the local oscilator runs at a higher frequency than he signal frequency, the difference beween the two being equal to the i-f. The i-f transformer following the converter always has a tuned primary actng as an effective shunt for the oscilator frequency; otherwise considerible gain would be lost.

Before the development of special pentagrid and other converter tubes,

by R. L. STEWART

a local oscillator was a necessity. There are still some advantages to be gained by using a separate oscillator tube, especially for stable short-wave reception.

Tickler-Feedback Triode

Fig. 1 shows a typical early ticklerfeedback triode oscillator inductively coupled, by means of a cathode pickup-coil, to a '24 tetrode or 6C6 or 6C7 pentode first detector. The oscillation transformer and pickup coil were usually wound on the same coil form. An alternate method of oscillator coupling used a grid-to-grid coupling condenser. Cathode-to-cathode coupling is quite common where the oscillator cathode is at an r-f potential. This occurs with a cathode tickler, or with a Hartley circuit with one end of the oscillator coil connected to ground.

Autodyne Self-Oscillator

When the a-c/d-c midget sets became popular the 6D6 autodyne selfoscillating detector was used quite often as a converter. The primary purpose of the autodyne was to save an oscillator tube. The operation was satisfactory but was limited to the broadcast band, because of the difficulty of obtaining stable oscillation at high frequencies. In addition, a large percentage of the oscillator voltage appeared between the control grid and cathode. A compromise is necessary in the choice of tube, for a sharp cutoff tube (6C6, 77, etc.) gives more gain and a better signal/noise ratio than a super-control, or logarithmictube (6D6, 78, etc.), but the latter type is suitable for avc action. Fig. 2 shows an autodyne detector where the suppressor grid, acting as the oscillator grid, is fed with a negative bias of less magnitude than the control grid. This system is something that you get by with until a better idea comes along. The better idea is definitely the pentagrid converter which was especially designed to serve the dual purpose of oscillator and detector.

6D6 - 78 - 39 or 44 TYPES

Pentagrid Converter

The 2A7 and, later, 6A7 and 6A8, were (and still are) very popular converter tubes, giving good sensitivity up to a frequency of about 13 mc. Above this frequency the sensitivity falls rapidly and the oscillator stability



6K8 or EQUIVALENT

Fig. 3. Pentagrid converter featuring electron coupling. Grids one and two serve as oscillator elements.

Fig. 4. An improved type of converter

particularly suited to

high-frequency re-

ception such as f-m

and television.

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shows a typical pentagrid converter circuit in which grid 1 serves as oscillator grid, 2 as oscillator anode, 4 as signal grid and 3 and 5 as shielding or screen grids. The oscillator-to-detector coupling is built right into the tube as electron coupling, for the oscillator grid modulates the electron stream from the cathode before the stream gets to the signal portion of the tube. This method is not subject to frequency discrimination as are some of the capacity- and inductivecoupled systems.

is poor, for it is shifted by both plate

supply variation and avc bias. Fig. 3

Low Mutual Conductance Problems

One reason for poor short-wave performance of the foregoing tubes was the low G_m (mutual conductance) of the oscillator section. This was corrected in the 6K8, a triode-hexode designed particularly for high-frequency operation to meet the demands of f-m and television systems. A separate oscillator triode section operates on one side of the cathode while the hexode detector utilizes the other side of the cathode. The oscillator grid completely surrounds the cathode, the part toward the oscillator plate acting in the oscillator circuit, while the part in the hexode section serves to modulate the electron stream. The detector section is so constructed that a suppressor is not required.

Triode-Hexode Converters

Fig. 4 shows a typical circuit of a 6K8 triode-hexode converter. The oscillator is considerably more stable than the previous types, the frequency drift being small enough to permit avc at any frequency within the working range. Service Men should note that this tube sometimes shows a tendency to flutter, particularly when the filter condenser in the oscillator plate circuit has a high impedance. This condenser would usually be the final electrolytic and its impedance (Continued on page 18)



Figs. 5 (below) and 6 (left). Fig. 5, a and b, illustrates the most popular type of converter. The cathode is at a high r-f potential in both circuits. In a is the Hartley version, with padding condenser in series with tuning condenser. The cathode tickler version is shown in b, with padder in usual position. Fig. 6 shows a battery-operated miniature-type pentagrid converter.



SERVICING AUTOMATIC RECORD CHANGERS ... PHILCO TYPES 35-1285, 35-1286

N servicing record changers, the three principal functions of the changer should be studied. Basially these functions are: (1)-Placeient of record on turntable; (2) owering of tone arm on record in laving position; (3)-Raising of one arm at end of record or on reject. In the Philco changers, these funcons are controlled by three mechanms, interconnected and built toether, but each separate in its operaon. The motion for each is origlated in one central cam gear which as three different and individual cam arfaces. The cam gear is normally t rest while a record is being played, ut is put into operation by a saw ooth clutch which takes its power om the turntable and drives an intermediate drive gear. This only takes place when the record changer is put into a change cycle. The cam gear then makes one full revolution to complete the change cycle and comes to rest in a normal position.

The record changing mechanism which places a record on the turntable is brought into operation by a lever with a roller at one end. The lever is attached to the shelf plate mounting post and is operated by a notch under the cam gear. This causes the mounting post to move slightly, pushing the bottom record off the stack onto the turntable.

The pick-up operating mechanism is likewise brought into operation by the cam gear surface on the top side of the cam gear. The raising lever, when removing the pick-up from the record, receives a swinging motion from the cam gear through an eccentric track on the top outside surface of the cam gear. This eccentric track causes the pick-up to be carried out beyond the turntable while a record is being dropped on the turntable. The light beam pick-up used in this changer is then brought back into playing position for 10" or 12" records (depending on the shelf positions on the shelf carrier).

The travel of the pick-up arm towards the turntable for lowering on a 10" or 12" record is stopped at the proper point for lowering by a movable track on the cam gear. This mov-

(Continued on page 20)



Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4 (top to bottom, left). Fig. I. clutch roller and lever adjustment. Clearance at A is adjusted by lowering or raising pivot point and bending bracket C until teeth clear 1/16" with roller engaged in stop on cam. Fig. 2, solenoid adjustment. Fig. 3, pulsating plate adjustment. Fig. 4, turntable speed adjustment. Screw C is adjusted so that on normal playing lines, roller will carry contact to within 1/16" to 3/32" of plate.



Figs. 5 (top) and 6 (bottom). Fig. 5 shows wiring of changer, part 35-1286. Fig. 6 shows wiring of changer, parts 35-1285 and 35-12889.





Fig. 1. A simple test setup to check range characteristics of a meter.

It some cases the characteristics of a meter are unknown. The simple test setup shown in Fig. 1 may be used for finding the meter values. In operation, the switches are first opened and the resistances are adjusted to maximum values. Next, switch S1 is closed and R₁ slowly adjusted until the meter reads full scale. The setting of R_x in ohms is then noted. This will be the required value of resistance to use if the instrument is to be employed in such a series circuit as an ohmmeter. In the next operation, R1 is adjusted until the meter reads half-scale. The value of R₁ will then be noted. Then

 $R_{M} = (R_{1 \max} - R_{1 \min}) - R_{1 \min}$ Let us assume the full scale current is obtained with $R_{1 \max}$ of 1400 ohms, and half scale is obtained with $R_{1 \min}$ of 2900 ohms. Then,

 $R_{\text{M}} = (2900 - 1400) - 1400 \doteq 100 \text{ ohms}$

The meter resistance, therefore, is 100 ohms. From this we see the total circuit resistance is 1400 plus 100 at full scale. Thus the current is

$$I = E/R = 1.5/1500 = .001$$
 ampere
(If E is 1.5 volts)

Another way of checking the meter resistance is to adjust for full scale current, then close S_2 and adjust R_2 for half scale current. R_2 will then be equal to R_M .

Converting the Milliammeter Into a Voltmeter

The value of R is determined by calculating the voltage drop across the meter terminals, subtracting it from the maximum voltage to be applied to the terminals I and 2, and dividing by



INSTRUMENT

by WILLARD MOODY

T HIS paper offers basic design data that can be used in solving problems involving the use of old meters to serve in the present emergency.

the series current. In a typical case (Fig. 2) the meter might be rated at .001 ampere (1 milliampere) and have a resistance of 100 ohms. The voltage drop across the meter is then $100 \times$.001 or .1 volt and the drop across R, if the maximum voltage to be applied is 1 volt, is 1.0-.1 or .9 volt. The required series resistance of R is .9/.001 or 900 ohms. Proving the answer, we find that $900 \times .001$ gives .9 volt. Then .9 + .1 = 1 volt.

Higher Range Problems

As the range is made higher, the importance of the meter voltage drop in figuring the required value of Rbecomes less. Thus, on the 1-volt range the drop is .1, on the 10-volt range the same meter voltage drop occurs at full scale, but now .1 is small compared with 10-.1 which is 9.9 and on the 100-volt scale it is 100-.1 or 99.9 compared with .1 volt. It is easy, in using an 0-1 ma meter, to multiply by some power of 10 in extending the meter range. This makes it convenient to read the meter, but other simple multiplying factors such as 5 or 2 can also be used. Suppose that we want the 100 ohm 0-1 ma meter to read 0-1-10-100-200-500-1000-2000 volts d-c. To obtain the desired ranges we may use multiplying resistors as shown in Fig. 3. The values are as follows: 900 ohms at .002 watt R1 1 volt

9,900 ohms at .02 watt R: 10 volts 99,900 ohms at .2 100 volts Ra watt R4 200 volts 199,900 ohms at .4 watt 499,900 ohms at 1.2 R₅ 500 volts watts \$99,900 ohms at 2.0 Re 1,000 volts watts R: 2,000 volts 1,999,900 ohms at 4.0 watts

The wattage ratings are arrived at

Figs. 2 (left) and 3 (right).

Fig. 2, determining value of R, to convert milliammeter to voltmeter. Fig. 3, meter range extension method.

by multiplying the voltage across each resistor by the current (volts and amperes) and multiplying by a safety factor of 2. The use of individual resistors in a parallel system has an advantage. Should one of the resistors hurn out the complete system will not fail as would be the case with a series hookup. Also, the accuracies of the resistors, or inaccuracies, are kept in the same direction. If two resistors in series both have errors in the same direction the net error is large, which is a condition avoided with the parallel hookup. The non-use of a switch has the advantage of simplicity and no dirty switch contacts will be present to cause inaccuracies or intermittent trouble.

Measurement Factors

The values of commercial resistors run 20%, 5%, 2%, 1% and $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1%. The tolerances of resistors in good grade instruments suitable for servicing generally run 1% or 2%; the more expensive types being 1%. The most accurate resistors that can be afforded and obtained should be used for the range multipliers, since the accuracy of the voltmeter will be directly related to the accuracy of the parts.

In making measurements it is necessary to consider a number of factors:

- (1) The present conditions under which the measurements are made; line voltage of a radio receiver, etc.
- (2) The conditions under which the measurements were made originally; line voltage, etc.
- (3) The accuracy of the original measuring equipment.
- (4) The accuracy of the present measuring equipment.

Some manufacturers supplying voltage data state the type of apparatus



used for making the measurements and he conditions under which the tests vere made. Others do not.

Standardization

In making measurements on a radio eceiver, therefore, a tolerance of plus r minus 20% in the accepted values allowable. If possible, it is desirable o standardize and use the same type f equipment for checking the set as he manufacturer used originally. Jany have standardized on 1000hms-per-volt instruments. Voltage ests are a great convenience in rapidly etermining the condition of a receiver nd while recourse may be made to ube manuals for approximate data, est results are obtained when the oltages are known. The connections f the instrument should also be plainly adicated, showing between what points he voltages are measured.

Using the Voltmeter as an Ohmmeter

The electrical engineer, more often han the Service Man, uses the voltneter as an ohmmeter. Although less onvenient than a direct reading ohmneter, the instrument performs useully on occasion, especially when, as tow, batteries are scarce and a power upply is available for supplying the tecessary voltage. Suppose, for exumple, on a job that you have about '50 volts in the receiver, from a fullvave power supply.

The ohmmeter that you have on and may have only a limited range. ay 0-100,000 ohms; yet you want to heck a high value of resistance. Let's issume the resistor is clipped out of he circuit momentarily, and that the neter is set on the 500-volt range and 250-volt supply is used, as in Fig. 4. then can be found, by

$$R_{X} = R_{M} \left(\frac{E_{max}}{E_{min}} - 1 \right)$$

The resistance R_M for the 500-volt ange is about 500,000 ohms. The maximum voltage is 250 volts with R_X horted. The minimum voltage is obained with R_x in the circuit. If the neter readings are 250 and 125, we have

$$R_x = 500,000 \times \left(\frac{250}{125} - 1\right) = 500,000 \text{ ohms}$$

Extending Milliammeter Range

Voltage and resistance measurenents are important, but current meaurements also are of great usefulness in checking receiver circuits and other circuits using vacuum tubes.

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Shunt Resistance Calculation

The diagram of an 0-1 ma 100-ohmmeter arranged to read 0-1-10-100-500-1000 milliamperes is shown in Fig. 5. The shunt resistance for a given range can be easily calculated, bearing in mind that the voltage across the shunt will also be the voltage across the meter terminals. At full scale deflection we know that the meter voltage is .001 ampere (1 ma) \times 100 ohms or .1 volt. If the meter is to read 0-10 ma at full scale, the current through the shunt must be .010 (10 milliamperes) - .001 or .009 ampere. The resistance of the shunt, using Ohm's law, is .1 volt/.009 ampere or 11.1 ohms.

	The	values	of	R1,	R2,	R_{a}	and	R_{4}	are:
R1	11.1	ohms		0-1	0	ma		.002	watt
R ₂	1.01	ohms		0-1	00	ma		.02	watt
R ₃	.2	ohm		0-5	00	ma		.1	watt
R4	.1	ohm		0-1	000	ma		2	watt

Using the Milliammeter as an Ohmmeter

In general, it is inadvisable to connect a current meter to a source of voltage to measure a resistance, for if the resistance is low in value excessive current may flow and damage the meter.

A meter may be inserted in series with an unknown resistance and a source of voltage, the resistance then being equal to the voltage drop across it divided by the current. As the meter resistance is very low, for practical purposes the voltage divided by the current is equal to the value of the unknown resistance which then becomes known, and the drop across the meter is neglected. By connecting a series resistor in the circuit to limit the current we convert the milliammeter into a voltmeter. If the meter has a low full-scale current the range of resistances that may be measured

Fig. 4, using voltmeter as an ohmmeter. With R_x shorted, maximum voltage is 250; with R_x in circuit, minimum voltage is obtained.



0100 100

Fig. 5, an 0-1 ma 100-ohm meter arranged to read 0-1-10-500-1000 ma.

will include high resistance values, while if the meter has a high full-scale current the resistances that can be measured will be low in value.

In another instance, a series resistance, R_{M} , is adjusted to let the meter read a full scale current of whatever value is desired, in this case .001 ampere or 1 ma. The value of R_M is 1400 ohms for a dry cell voltage of 1.5 volts. R_M is then adjusted with R_x , a shunt, out of the circuit. Then R_x is connected to test leads and connected in the circuit. The meter will show less current.

The voltage across the shunt Rx will be the same as the voltage across the meter terminals. If the meter reads $\frac{1}{2}$ ma or .0005 ampere, the voltage is $100 \times .0005$ or .05 volts. The drop across RM is 1.50 minus .05 or 1.45 volts. As R_M and the voltage drop across R_M are known factors, using Ohm's law the total current is I equals E./R; 1.45/1400 = .001035 ampere. The current in the shunt is the total current minus the meter current; .001035 - .0005 = .000535 ampere. The voltage across the shunt, .05 volt, divided by .000535 gives the value of Rx, 93.45 ohms.

In calibrating the instrument a number of values could be used for purposes of calculation and a graph prepared, intermediate values then being determined from the graph. Or if a number of fixed resistors of known value and high accuracy are available they may be checked and the readings plotted against resistance values in ohms on graph paper. The graph may then be conveniently placed near the instrument for reference purposes. Although it is possible to take the meter out of the case and to install a new meter scale, hand drawn and India inked, this is not recommended. Taking the meter out may result in its becoming messed up and becoming inaccurate.

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(5)-shorting switch for secondaries to prevent unwanted absorption by adjacent coils; (6)-shunt bandspread condensers corresponding to 2, but used on the oscillator; (7)-oscillator grid switching to various oscillation transformers; (8)-tuning condenser switching corresponding to 4; (9)shorting and grounding of unused oscillator coils corresponding to 5; and (10)-oscillator cathode switching to various oscillation transformers. The oscillator coupling is from cathode to grid 1 of the converter. The tuning condensers on the bandspread taps are across only a small part of the detector and oscillator coils.

The second detector consists of a 6J5 with the grid acting as a diode

Fig. 1. Tructone D1077, five-band receiver, featuring band spread on three of the bands. anode. The plate is connected to cathode and grounded. A 6SQ7 first a-f feeds a 6J5 inverter and a pair of 6V6's in push-pull. The diodes of the 6SQ7 are connected to the avc bus to provide no-signal bias. A 2-megohm volume control has a low-pass filter connected to a tap as part of the tone control circuit.

Truetone D1041 BRC

Another push-pull receiver with considerably different design is shown in Fig. 2, Truetone D1041 BRC. This model has a 3-gang condenser and a genuine t-r-f stage on both b-c and s-w. Two resistance coupled i-f stages feed a 6SQ7 detector with the diode load circuit tapped down on the secondary to decrease loading and im-

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CONVERTERS

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would rise as it ages and dries up. Shunting the old one with a new, high-quality capacitor should cure the flutter.

The 6SA7 series of converters have an entirely different construction than the previous tubes. This results in better performance than the other pentagrids. The gain at broadcast frequencies is higher than any other converter and continues high up to about 7 mc. The efficiency then falls off but the tubes are good up to the f-m band. With a separate oscillator, the falling off is not noticeable. The application of ave and the variation of supply voltages have a minimum effect, making this series very well suited for the job. A suppressor grid increases the plate resistance, helping to obtain the high conversion gain.

Hartley Oscillator

Fig. 5 shows a 6SA7 in a popular circuit. This is a Hartley oscillator with one end of the coil grounded and the cathode connected to the tap. This runs the cathode at a high r-f potential. The position of the tap is extremely important when operating on the higher frequencies for, if the tap is too high, the cathode r-f voltage will be too high, causing an overbiasing effect which reduces the gain. If too low, only weak oscillations are produced, which reduces the gain due to insufficient modulation. Note that the padding condenser cannot be placed at the low side of the oscillator coil because a d-c path must be provided for the cathode return to B-. It must be placed in series with the tuning condenser.

Cathode Tickler Design

An alternate circuit is shown in Fig. 5a in which a cathode tickler is used. The padder may then be placed in its usual position. The cathode is still hot to r-f. It is frequently possible to improve the sensitivity of standard receivers using the 6SA7 type of converter for short-wave operation by simply shunting the cathode coil (cathode-to-ground in the previous circuit) with a 500- or 1000-ohm resistor.

We have attempted to cover the most popular types of converter tubes but there are two others which should be mentioned. First, the 6L7, which is also useful for volume compression or expansion; second, the 6J8 triodeheptode using a separate triode see-

ion for the oscillator. The 6L7 renuires a separate oscillator. Both ypes have a low noise level making hem suited to receivers without an -f stage.

V-H-F Tube Design Problems

It has been very difficult to design good battery converter tube to perate on v-h-f, which uses a low ilament drain, because high Gm and ow electron flow are incompatible. This looks like one good postwar project. The 1A7 battery type pentarid is very satisfactory on b-c and works fairly well up to about 15 mc The 1R5 miniature type is good up to bout 25 mc in the unusual circuit shown in Fig. 6. Note that the oscilator-anode and screen grids are tied ogether.

Noise Considerations

Noise is an important consideration, particularly in loop sets of small size, where the signal voltages are not arge, and also in short-wave receivers or DX operation. There are really wo types of noise, thermal agitation ind tube noises. We can't do much about the first which occcurs in all mpedances, particularly that linked to he first grid of the first tube in a reeiver. However, we can control the second to a certain extent. Generally speaking, an r-f stage having a sizable zain will reduce converter noise. And a tube used as converter has about twice the noise level as when used as an r-f amplifier. When the oscillator loes not completely modulate the delector, additional noise will be en-:ountered

Oscillator Stability

For increased oscillator stability, the C/L ratio should be a maximum; also voltage regulation of the supply voltages is important. Oscillator components should be so placed that the emperature variation is a minimum. The tube itself should not be run hotter than necessary for the required butput.

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AUTOMATIC RECORD CHANGERS

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able track is operated by a lever which is moved by a spring lever connected through a cord and spring attached to the 10" shelf plate. When the 10" shelf plate is lifted up the movable track is allowed to shift to the outer groove of the cam gear surface so that the pick-up needle will set properly on the outer edge of a 12" record. When the 10" shelf plate is in place for playing 10" records, the cord holds the spring lever and causes the movable track lever to shift to the inner groove as the cam gear revolves.

The electric reject trip causes the clutch to engage and allow the tone arm to be removed from the record by the cam gear. The reject trip operates through a pulsating plate and movable contact on the tone arm raising lever. When the pulsating plate and movable contact make connection, the solenoid is energized, releasing the clutch so that the cam gear can be revolved.

Oiling

These record changers should be lubricated once a year with a few drops of good light machine oil at motor bearings, drive disc bearings and cam gear bearing.

Clutch Roller and Lever Adjustment

The teeth of the clutch should have approximately $\frac{1}{3}e''$ clearance, when the lever roller is engaged snugly in the cam gear. If the clutch does not have $\frac{1}{3}e''$ clearance, the clutch bracket should be slightly bent as shown in Fig. 1.

Solenoid Adjustment

The solenoid armature should set properly in the coil to prevent hum and chatter when the solenoid is energized. To make this adjustment, the solenoid mounting bracket screws should be loosened, and the solenoid should be raised or lowered until the armature is set correctly in the coil, as shown in Fig. 2.

Pulsating Plate Adjustment

When the turntable is revolving, the pulsating plate of the reject mechanism should clear the main plate by $\frac{1}{2}$ ", when the crown on the cam attached to the underside of the turntable touches the pulsating lever roller at its highest point, as shown in Fig. 3. To make this adjustment, the turntable is first rotated until the crown of the cam under the turntable touches the roller of the pulsating lever. Then the screw on the pulsating lever is adjusted until the pulsating plate is $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the main plate.

Turntable Speed Adjustment

Three steps are followed in setting the turntable speed control for the speed range covered by the control.

- (1)—The speed lever knob is first pushed to the normal position. Then the ball knob is turned until the motor mounting plate drops to its lowest position. In this position the turntable should be turning at approximately 77 rpm. This is indicated by the lines on the edge of the turntable appearing to be slightly moving backwards (counter - clockwise). In order to see these lines move, the neon lamp must be energized.
- (2)—If the lines do not travel slightly backward, the nuts on the motor mounting plate retaining shaft should be loosened and the plate moved up or down to get the proper speed; then tighten nuts.
- (3)—After this adjustment, ball knob is set to the point where lines on turntable appear to be standing still.

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INCE the rotating body under discussion is considered to be in rotation, the output of stroboscopic indicator tube 19 continuously indicates the minimum weight location of the unbalance sought. Further, a series of test figures are inscribed on the surface of the unbalanced body. Under the assumption that the maximum weight of this body is under the inscribed test figure 0, the analyzer strobotron continuously illuminates the diametrically opposed figure 5, which is also the position of the minimum unbalance weight. This operation of the analyzer strobotron illumination is further illustrated in Fig. 8. We note that the unbalanced motion of the rotating body causes the strobotron, through the operation of the amplifier. to illuminate only the test figure nearest the position of minimum unbalance weight with each consecutive revolution. It is to be observed that, because of the persistence of vision, the brief consecutive periods of test figure illumination appear as one, and the test figure appears to be stationary. This is readily compared with the stationary position of certain objects in the projection of moving pictures.

It has been stated, in the preceding discussion, that a pair of auxiliary contacts operated by the control switch operate to short-circuit the triode cathode series resistor 15. Hence, if the vibration unit terminals were to be reversed, it follows that the resultant positive swing of the triode grid with respect to the cathode would result in little change in the tube plate current, and the strobotron would not conduct. The fundamental *vibration analyzer* system given in Fig. 7 will, then, function only to indicate the position on the unbalanced body 1 at which weight must be *added* to decrease the body unbalance.

Since the operation of the control switch to the meter position connects the output of the vibration amplifier to the indicating meter matching transformer 32 primary winding, the relative amplitude of the vibration under study is shown on the meter scale. Further, since the addition of weight at the least unbalance weight location, as shown by the strobotron, decreases the body unbalance, and therefore the vibration amplitude, this decrease in the body unbalance may be read on the indicating meter. Additions of small amounts of weight at the position of least unbalance weight on the rotating body surface will cause the vibration amplitude, as well as the meter reading, to decrease consistently, until an unreadable minimum is attained. At this point, the vibration amplitude is also at a minimum. Added weight, beyond the minimum vibration condition, will cause the meter reading to increase and inspection with the strobotron will give indication that

ance is then the minimum. Hence, it is possible, with the aid of the vibration analyzer, to decrease the vibration amplitude merely through the addition of sufficient weight to the unbalanced rotating member, and the amplitude decrease may be carried to an unreadable minimum. Undér modern mass production

methods, a large number of similar units normally require vibration amplitude decreases through electronic balancing, or vibration analysis and supporting weight correction operations, of the rotating member contained in each unit. Here, an initial unit is balanced with the aid of the vibration analyzer, in the manner previously described. Once this operation is accomplished, a known weight which is usually a decimal portion of an ounce, is added to any point on the balanced rotating part. The addition of this weight to the balanced body causes the indicating meter of the analyzer to provide a relative amplitude Since the meter scale is reading. arbitrarily calibrated in decimal units, adjustment of potentiometer 3, shown in Fig. 8, provides a meter reading that corresponds to the number of decimal ounce-units which have been added to the balanced rotating body. The meter will, thereafter, indicate the number of decimal ounce-units of additional weight required to balance the rotating member. Once these adjustments and operations have been made, the vibration analyzer may be used to balance the remaining bodies. through the addition of the weight indicated by the meter of the device, at the position on the surface where the indicating test figure remains stationary in the light emitted by the strobotron.

The *electronic vibration analyzer* is a tool well known and recognized by various industries which manufacture and assemble various rotating machine

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ELECTRONIC TESTS

(Continued from page 22)

components, such as crankshafts, motor armatures, and similar parts. Many variations of the fundamental system shown in Fig. 8 are in daily use. Such variations include elaborate switching and matching networks required in the balancing of long rotating parts. Each analyzer manufacturer includes additional desirable operating conveniences which are usually of a mechanical nature. Since the greatest number of these analyzers are applied in standard mass production systems, and are often operated continuously without respite, deterioration and wear are as rapid as for any other production machine.

Analyzer Irregularities

One of the most puzzling deficiencies which is usually present in vibration-analyzer operation after appreciable wear is evidenced in the failure of the strobotron to illuminate the correct location of minimum unbalance weight. This is usually due to the presence of mechanical friction between the vibration unit driving link or rod and any nearby stationary obiect. Or the cause may be friction within the vibration unit itself. The presence of friction suffices to retard the motion of the drive link, thus altering the phase position of the vibration wave amplified by the amplifier. Elimination of the friction, which is usually apparent, or of the vibration unit friction, corrects the deficiency.

Other irregularities which often arise in vibration-analyzer operation are similar to those which affect the conventional radio receiver. Calibration potentiometers, for example, are subject to considerable wear which causes the resistance element to open, thereby preventing further calibration adjustments until the defective potentiometer is replaced. Eventual blackening of the strobotron glass envelope by bombardment from the disintegrating cathode soon renders the tube unfit for use. Again, the presence of undesirable gases in the strobotron atmosphere causes the tube to lose control, which permits the tube to discharge the energy storage capacitor continuously, preventing the further storage of energy here. The replacement of the strobotron, in these instances, remains the only remedy for irregularity in operation from these causes. Otherwise, maintenance operations involving repair of the analyzer are reduced to conventional radio-type repair of the amplifier, or correction of mechanical defects.

VOLTMETER

(See Front Cover)

HE instrument diagrammed on the cover this month, Meissner Analyst, is an improved variaon of the slide-back vacuum-tube oltmeter which used a microammeter the plate circuit to set the voltmeter be at a given operating point. Inead of a microammeter this volteter uses a 6E5 magic eye for an incator, and instead of a d-c voltmeter read the bias voltage, we have a as potentiometer calibrated directly The different voltage voltage. inges are obtained by an input atnuator.

A 6F5G high-mu triode serves as a rect-coupled amplifier feeding the 35. A bleeder, or voltage divider, is ed to make the voltage drop across e 770-ohm bias resistor substantially dependent of tube load. The bleeder nsists of a 15,000-ohm fixed resistor, 6,000-ohm rheostat for calibration, e 770-ohm bias resistor, and a zero tting potentiometer. The voltage nges obtained by means of the megohm input attenuator are: 0-5, i, 150, 500. A tube replacement does it affect the accuracy of the instruent because the voltmeter operates at ily one point on the tube's charactertic, and because the bleeder fixes the as voltage. The operating point is termined by the voltage which just oses the eye, this being the position the indicator with zero input volte (with the prod grounded). When e voltage is applied the indicator ows a change. The operator must en turn the bias control until the eye st closes, restoring the original set-1g. The operation is similar to obining a null on a bridge.

The range adjustment is made as llows: A 1,000-ohm-per-volt volteter is connected across the bias tentiometer and the *voltage calibra*rheostat is adjusted until 9.7 volts te obtained across the bias potentimeter. Then the zero setting potentimeter is adjusted until the *eye* just bses.

This instrument is particularly valule for reading transient or intermittat voltages which cannot be read on standard type voltmeter having a ster indicator because of the inertia the meter movement. The indicator sows whether the input voltage is gher or lower than the voltage setng by simply noting whether the adow angle opens or overlaps. The ion is similar to that which may be tained on an oscillograph.



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ly to a loop secondary via an r-f choke inserted from the low potential side of the loop to ground, and tying in the antenna at the junction is a feature of the Fada receiver shown in Fig. 3. Using this method, voltage is fed to the secondary in proportion to the impedance (IZ) drop across the choke. On short-waves, the choke remains, acting simply as an electrostatic ground to prevent the building up of a static potential on the antenna. The loop is disconnected by the spdt bandswitch, a transformer being substituted. A .005-mfd padding condenser to ground, which is common to both primary and secondary of the transformer, permits capacity coupling from the antenna. The oscillator circuit contains a 2-section grid coil, the full coil being used on b-c, while the lower section is shorted on s-w.

Sentinel Battery/A-C Set

A receiver made for either storage battery operation or 115-230 volts a-c appears in Fig. 4. Oscillator coupling to the converter is taken care of within the 6K8, which ties the oscillator grid to grid 1 of the hexode. A tone control is used in the power circuit. The a-c p-t primary is tapped for 115 and 230 volts. The vibrator primary is so switched that half of winding is used as heater supply on a-c.





POWER SUPPLY COMPONENTS FOR WAR

The complex power supplies of war apparatus require components of maximum dependability. The unit illustrated is a typical power transformer for cathode ray application. In addition to the tapped primary, this unit provides a low voltage filament winding ... a 5,000 volt anode supply winding ..., and a filament winding insulated for 15,000 volts peak inverse.

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THE SERVICE MAN'S FUTURE IN RECEIVER SALES

by HARRY BYRNE

Advertising Manager, John Meck Industries

'VE heard it said quite often that the best salesman in radio today is the hard pressed radio Service Man. That fortunately, or unfortunately as the case

may be, is true. It is fortunate, if the Service Man recognizes the sales opportunity opened to him by the shortage of all types of electrical appliances.

Let us for the moment analyze the past successes in radio merchandising. Remember back in the early days of radio, how the manufacturer wined and dined the music dealer whom he thought was the logical outlet for radio sets?

Remember too, how the specialty appliance dealer entered into the picture and ran away with the retail end of the radio business?

House-to-House Canvassing

The answer to the success of the specialty appliance dealer was his introduction of house-to-house canvassing. Pushing doorbells they called it, but it sold radios.

Today the art of pushing doorbells is a true war casualty and I doubt that Service Men have the time to revive the art.

But, Mr. Service Man, if pushing doorbells sold merchandise, why shouldn't it be possible, after being invited into your prospect's home, for you to sell radios and other appliances?

Market Possibilities

The United States Chamber of Commerce recently reported that 2,555,000 families have indicated their desire to purchase radio sets within six months after the war.

How many of these families are your service customers? Have you ever stopped to inquire into their needs? Have you ever asked them what appliances they anticipate buying after the war?

Service-Sales Calls

Service Men have a golden opportunity. Every service call should be a sales call. Ask your service customers what appliances or radios they plan to purchase after the war. Jot it down in your little black book. You can sell radios because your service customer has confidence in you. You're the only contact they have today with the radio industry.

Do your selling now and when delivery day comes, you can devote your time to delivering the goods.

Our country is at war. On the home-front, it is your obligation, small enough surely, to keep your industry functioning smoothly duration." "for the

TRANSFORMER USES

by DAVID V. CHAMBERS

There are many repairs that can be made today by the use of transformers, particularly here tube substitution is involved. Old, burned-out outputs and old reaker fields such as are used in auto idios can be put to very good use. hese are wound with 19 to 23 wire. he midget output can have its windig removed and another substituted. hus a 6U7G could replace a 12K7GT, space in cabinet permits. A 2A7 ay replace a 6A8GT, 7A8, or any

her six- or twelve-volt converter, by epping up or down the filament voltge as required.

To replace 24 type tubes with 36's, re following procedure might be folwed:

The usual cross section is about $2'' \ge \frac{1}{2}''$; thus about 25 turns are eeded for each volt. About 63 turns, 0 enamel using wire from an old peaker field could be wound on such core. Then a tap could be taken, rith about 12" of wire. This wire ould be twisted. Winding, in layers, ntil 150 turns have been put on the pre piece is the next winding opera-on. Laminations must be replaced, s in a regular power transformer, and rame.

To replace a 6SK7 with a 12SK7 r any other pentode, the number of arns on the transformer just decribed, could be doubled, and 24 wire large enough. This works satisfacorily in series-filament sets. A small lament transformer with a 35-volt econdary and a 110-primary might lso be used when the set is always sed on a-c. Then three 12-volt tubes ould be placed in series across the ansformer and the two 35-volt tubes ould be placed across the 35-volt vinding.

Old speaker field power transformrs are fine for replacement service if hey will fit inside. To use such a transormer, we first measure exact voltage f the 8-volt winding. Then we remove urns, slowly, and count as removed. f it is found that there are 100 urns, 435 turns of 24 enamel wire vill provide a 35-volt winding.

Old power transformers from 2.5olt sets are quite handy, too. These nake very good outputs for larger ets; in fact, with the right combinaion of filaments connected together ery little difference will be noted beween output of original and p-t transormers. They are frequently varnish mpregnated. Thus the windings are a perfect condition. NEW Electro-Voice Model 600-D MAND-HELD MOVING COIL COMMUNICATION MICROPHONE (REPLACING MODEL 600-C)

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To use such a transformer the filaments must be connected in series aiding.

All Service Men should know how to wind or to rewind transformers, in whole or in part. If the rewound transformer doesn't look well, a dipping in a mixture of pitch and wax will help.

Where the enameled wire comes out of a transformer, insulation stripped from old pushback wire can be used to slip on the enameled wire. Brown paper bags, cut in strips and the same width as the core is a satisfactory form of insulation between layers. The strips should be dipped in shellac. A small, tapped, toy twin transformer can be used for testing after finishing. It is only necessary to connect complete winding across the proper tap, and do not disconnect for at least an hour. If the winding is still cool, it is satisfactory.

A pair of 45's can replace Spartan 482's by applying a modified transformer. These tubes have a 5-volt filament. Thus, larger wire is needed; about 16, or two layers of 19, paralleled together.



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The Radio Manufacturers Association Parts Division has become a co-sponsor of the Electronic Parts & Equipment Industry Conference, along with the Sales Managers Club (Eastern Division), the Association of Electronic Parts & Equipment Manufacturers (formerly the Sales Managers Club, Western Division), and the National Electronic Distributors Association.

Over a thousand have already registered for the conference.

In keeping with the limitations of wartime, this will be a streamlined conference. While there will be booths for manufacturers, these are only conference booths, where manufacturers can con-veniently meet with jobbers and others, for visits and discussions, but no merchandise, displays, decorations or other trimmings are permitted.

The conference takes place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 19-20-21, at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago. Parts jobbers' and parts manufacturers' reservation blanks are obtainable by addressing the Electronic Parts & Equipment In-dustry Conference, P. O. Box 5070-A, Chicago 80, Ill.

PRITCHARD NOW SYLVANIA EAST CENTRAL MANAGER OF TUBE DIV.

Philip M. Pritchard, a member of the sales staff of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., radio division, for the past eight years, has been promoted to manager of equipment tube sales for the East Central division.

Mr. Pritchard will make his head-quarters at the New York office at 500 Fifth avenue.



MERIT COIL IN NEW PLANT

A new plant has been completed for the Merit Coil & Transformer Corporation, at 4427 North Clark Street, Chicago 40, Ill. It will be under the direction of Harold Jones, chief engineer. The com-pany's general offices will shortly be moved from the present address at 311 North Desplaines Street to the new plant.

HOME RADIOS TO BE MADE BY BENDIX

The Bendix Radio division of Bendix Aviation Corporation will manufacture and market a line of home radio sets as soon as the military situation permits. Home radios will be manufactured in the company's plants in Baltimore.

WAR DEP'T HONORS S. RUBEN

Samuel Ruben, who during past 20 years has been granted several hundred



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atents covering inventions in the electrohemical, electronic and electrical fields, as been awarded a Certificate of Apreciation for extraordinary contributions o the war effort.

Mr. Ruben is one of only ten civilians o receive this recognition from the War Department, which was originated to onor achievements not eligible for Army-Javy "E" Awards.

The award was made primarily in ecognition of his invention of the new fallory dry battery. This battery is now production by P. R. Mallory & Co. nc., who in turn has licensed the Ray-D-Vac Company, the Magnavox Comany and Sprague Electric Co., under the ontrolling patents.

Another of his contributions is the eramic coated resistor. This invention is oncerned with a continuous process for oating wires at high speed with heat esistant ceramic materials. It allows the roduction of electrical resistors in mullayer non-inductive forms and in hernetically sealed structures. This device as first introduced as the Sprague Coolohm resistor and is now manuactured by the Sprague Electric Co. and P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc.

SOLAR A-N MICA CAPACITOR CATALOG

A 36-page catalog describing Solar nica capacitors built to joint Army-Navy pecification JAN-C-5 of April 20, 1944, las been published by Solar Manufacturng Corporation at 285 Madison Ave., Vew York 17, N.Y.

All tables given are simplified. On very page where receiving type micas re described, a detailed 6-dot color code s given.

HUTMACHER NOW MEISSNER DISTRICT MANAGER

Ray R. Hutmacher has been named listrict manager of the Meissner Manuacturing Co., Mt. Carmel and Chicago, 11.

Mr. Hutmacher recently resigned as nanager of the Midwestern division of Utah Radio Products Co., Chicago. Mr. Hutmacher will make his headuarters at the Meissner Chicago office

a the Palmolive building, which is headed y Oden F. Jester, vice president.



JENSEN MONOGRAPH SERIES ON SPEAKER SELECTION AND USE

A series of technical bulletins covering he selection, installation and use of loudpeakers has been prepared by Jensen adio Manufacturing Co., 6601 South aramie Avenue, Chicago 38, Illinois.

The first of the series, Loid Speaker Frequency Response Measurements; disusses frequency response curves and their ise in judging the performance of loudpeakers. Also explained is the subject of neasured frequency response and its application to development and design work.



Some of the equipment and methods that may be used are described.

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Number two of this series is entitled Impedance Matching And Power Distribution In Loud Speakers Systems. A comprehensive sound system for a military installation is described in this issue.

Copies of all issues are free on request to men of the Armed Services and to libraries and technical schools. Others who want these valuable and important treatises may obtain them for 25c from radio jobbers and dealers, or from the company.

UNITED NATIONS MURAL IN INSULINE BUILDING LOBBY

A mural designed in conjunction with the United Nations Information Bureau and the O.W.I. consisting of a montage of all of the posters supplied by the 19 United Nations is on display in the lobby of the Insuline Corporation of America, Insuline Building, Long Island City, New York.

EPEM ELECT SHALKHAUSER CHAIRMAN

The Electronic Products and Equipment Manufacturers Association have elected E. G. Shalkhauser of Radio Manufacturing Engineers Inc., Peoria, Illinois, chairman. J. A. Berman of Shure Biothers, Chicago, Illinois was named vice chairman; H. A. Staniland, Quam-Nichols Company, Chicago, Illinois, treasurer and J. Arthur Kealy, executive secretary protem. Correspondence should be addressed

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NEWS

(Continued from page 31) to office of the secretary, Kenneth C. Prince, 77 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

W. C. SPEED BECOMES AUDIO DEVICES PRESIDENT

William C. Speed, has been elected president of Audio Devices, Inc., and the Audio Manufacturing Corp. He succeeds Hazard E. Reeves. Mr. Speed is a founder of both companies and was formerly vice president.

SCHAEFER IN WESTINGHOUSE HOME RECEIVER POST

Harold W. Schaefer has been appointed assistant manager of the newly-formed radio receiver division of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Schaefer will be in charge of the engineering and production activities.

LAFAYETTE TUBE CHART AND PARTS SUPPLEMENT

A 4-page folder, No. 96 describing available parts and equipment is now available from Lafayette Radio Corporation, 901 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago. Another new catalog, 94, contains a tube substitution chart.

SOLAR VICTORY LINE CAPACITOR BULLETIN

A 4-page maintenance-bulletin discussing 19 types of Victory line capacitors has been released by Solar Capacitor Sales Corporation, 285 Madison Avenue, N. Y. 17, N. Y. Data presented include helpful hints on uses of these "preferredtype" capacitors and a handy electrolytic replacement chart.

ALLIED RADIO TO DISTRIBUTE FOR LITTELFUSE

Allied Radio Corp., 833 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 7, Illinois, has been appointed distributor for Littelfuse, Inc., manufacturers of fuses, neon indicators, fuse-clips, mountings and accessories, the *Signalette* panel-type signal indicator, and other circuit protection products.

DANGERS OF PYRAMIDED ORDERS

Don't pyramid orders! Such is the warning issued to radio parts jobbers by Charles Golenpaul, jobber sales manager, Aerovox Corporation of New Bedford, Mass.

"Of course anyone is certainly justified

AT INSULINE "E" AWARD

Samuel Spector, left, president of Insuline Corporation of America, Long Island City, with the "E" pennant awarded his company.

n getting tired of waiting for muchreeded items these days," says Mr. Golen-aul, "but this is WAR. And the pyramidng of orders by some jobbers is hardly he solution of the problem. It may seem clever expediting stunt to send the ame order to several manufacturers, ounting on one or the other for an arlier shipment.

"You can't fool the manufacturers. dost of them can spot pyramided orders. They know who is shopping around for elivery breaks. And atter all, there is uch a thing as loyalty in the jobbing usiness; when the war rush is over, loyal obbers will remain the favored sons and

e treated accordingly. "Please remember that all manu-acturers truly backing the war effort nust average about the same on jobber eliveries. One may do a bit better this nonth on this item, another on that item, nd so on; but as a whole, month after nonth, most manufacturers will average bout the same.

"Meanwhile, conditions are rapidly hanging. Parts manufacturers may soon e catching up on their jobber backlog. The war is reaching a final phase. It is possible that pyramided orders may come ome to roost in a sudden flood of shipnents and billings-and someone will be urt. Therefore, please play fair. Play afe. Don't keep on pyramiding those irders l'

* * BURNET JOINS CHICAGO SALES STAFF OF SYLVANIA

Raymond Kenneth Burnet, who was prmerly associated with Walter E. Ieller & Co., banking firm, was recently ppointed to the radio tube equipment ales staff of Sylvania Electric Products nc. in Chicago.



CENTRALAB HOUSE ORGAN

The first issue of Centralab's house nagazine planned exclusively for jobbers vas recently issued. It is called Centralab 'obber Outlook.

Data in the issue are based on prefernces cited by jobbers in a survey. The urvey revealed that 90% wanted delivery nformation. Other topics mentioned were iostwar plans, government regulations, iews of fellow jobbers, new part and iterature information and news on the plant, the home office and the representaives.

The first issue features a numerical ndex of CRL parts with prices; part one a story on Centralab's early days of usiness; views on the jobber's future y J. A. Gettman of Chemcity Radio in harleston, West Virginia; and a story m Marsh Radio & Supply Co. of Milwaukee. *

. MASTERS NAMED MANAGER OF STEWART-WARNER RADIO DIV.

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Technicians Trained by Army and Navy

New York-Sept. 1, 1944:-Employers seeking the services of trained Army and Novy technicians who have been working on radia, electronic and communications equipment are advised to communicate

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employment Committeeman. 2. The local United States Employment Service office. Veterans apply here when they know the work they want. 3. The Veterans Service Center. To this Center go servicemen in doubt about

the kind of work they want. There are thousands of men who knew nothing of radio before the war, who, during their term of service were thoroughly trained in the theory and practice

of electronic equipment.

During the past three years Rider Manuals and Rider Books have been providing "The Extra Hand" needed to replace radio servicemen who had joined the armed forces. Now, however, men are being released: more will be available with each victory.

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But they will need authoritative servicing information if they are to operate at peak efficiency.

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trict manager, has been named manager of Stewart-Warner Corporation's radio division. He replaces L. L. Kelsey, who is now with Belmont Radio Corporation.

ERLANGER VISITING JOBBERS FOR WALSCO

Claude M. Erlanger, jobbers' division sales and service manager of the Walter L. Schott Company, Beverly Hills, California, is on a nationwide tour of radio. wholesalers and distributors to secure data for a survey of postwar radio and electronic potentials.

SPRAGUE KOOLOHM CATALOG

A 28-page catalog, 10E, with specifications and engineering data on the complete line of Koolohm wire wound resis-tors, and a listing of various Koolohm types not included in previous publications, has been released by Resistor Division, Sprague Electric Company, North Adams, Mass.

ARMY-NAVY "E" TO AEROVOX



S. I. Cole, left center, Aerovox Corporation president, with the Aerovox "E" flag.

RCA TUBES

Four new tubes have been announced by RCA. They are 1P29 gas phototube (violet-green sensitive); 3B25 halfwave gas rectifier (hot-cathode type); 6AL5 twin diode (miniature type); and 6F4 oscillator triode (acorn type with radial 7-pin base). The 1P29 spectral response occurs over

the spectral range from about 4000 to 8000 angstroms, with maximum sensitivity at approximately 4200 angstroms. Its sensitivity at maximum response is 0.10 microampere per microwatt of radiant flux.

The 3B25 is a xenon-filled, half-wave rectifier. Can be operated under conditions where ambient temperatures in the order of -75° to $+90^{\circ}$ C are likely to be encountered. The 3B25 is capable of withstanding a peak inverse anode voltage of 4000 volts and of delivering an average anode current of 0.5 ampere.

The 6AL5 is particularly suitable for use as a detector in circuits utilizing wide-band amplifiers. In such circuits, the low internal resistance of the 6AL5 makes it possible to obtain increased signal voltage from a low-resistance diode load. Each diode unit has its own plate and cathode base-pin connections and can, therefore, be used independently of the other or combined in parallel or full-wave arrangement. The 6AL5 is an Army-Navy preferred type.

The 6F4, an acorn triode of the heater type, is intended for use primarily as an oscillator at frequencies up to about 1200 megacycles.

At moderate frequencies, a single 6F4 operated in class C oscillator service with 150 volts on plate is capable of giving a power output of approximately 1.8 watts.

GENERAL CEMENT ALIGNERS

For alignment of padding condensers, General Cement Mfg. Co., Rockford, Illinois, has developed the TL-207 alignment tool. It is constructed of two basic parts molded from Durez plastic. A barrel with small knurled head ac-



comodates a spring controlled plunger with a larger control knob. The barrel is hexagonal shape in its working end to accommodate the condenser adjustment lock nut. The plunger has a metal insert in its lower end resembling a screw driver tip. Minute adjustment is made by the plunger when it is pushed forward to mate itself into the cloven pin end of the condenser adjusting screw. Movement of the barrel loosens or tightens the hexagonal locking nut which collars the condenser adjusting pin.



PRE-WAR CONSTRUCTION FOR CENTRALAB CONTROLS

Centralab has announced that it has begun the manufacture of volume controls

according to prewar standards. Work was started on some types of midgets and eventually the entire line will be affected. No substitute materials will be used in the entire production process.

The new parts have aluminum shafts that extend 3" from the end of a 3%" bushing. They feature Universal fluted mills.

Since it will take some time to change the entire line, wartime controls may be expected for several more months.



Old and New CRL Controls

SPRAGUE CERAMIC WIRE INSULATION

Sprague Electric Company, North Adams, Mass. has announced the development of a process for depositing a thin ceramic (inorganic) coating on copper, nickel, and other types of wire.

This new insulation is known as Ceroc 200. When applied to copper wire it is said to maintain desirable electrical characteristics at a continuous operating temperature of 200° C. Space factor is said to be extremely

good, in that Ceroc 200 is thinly deposited on the wire. Typical space factor for Ceroc 200, expressed in percentage of copper area to total cross-sectional area of finished wire, is 98% for AWG 16 wire, and 95% for 24 wire.

An important allied feature is said to be the high degree of thermal conductivity

The preferred thickness of Ceroc 200 is 1/4 mil. Moreover, the coating is extremely uniform and makes for smooth, level winding in a minimum of space. Present preferred wire sizes for applying Ceroc 200 are from 3 to 30 mils in copper



wire (40 to 21 AWG) and from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 mils (46 to 28) in nickel wire.

KNIGHTS FREQUENCY STANDARD

The James Knights Company of Sandwich, Illinois have announced a secondary frequency standard. It is crystal controlled, with a hermetically sealed MDcut dual frequency crystal. Instrument is said to provide useful output up to 40 megacycles at 1,000 kilocycle, 100 kilocycle and 10 kilocycle intervals. Operates from 60 cycle 115 volt line.



STACKPOLE SIDE MOLDED IRON CORES

Iron cores molded by means of pressure applied from the sides rather than from the ends, have been introduced by the Stackpole Carbon Co., St. Marys, Pa. These cores are useful for permeability tuning applications at broadcast band frequencies. Similar side-molded cores are now available for short-wave frequencies including television and frequency modulation.

In side-molded cores, any density resulting from molding pressure is said to extend evenly over the entire length of the core.



BRUNO ADJUSTABLE HOLE CUTTERS

A cutting tool for cutting holes in wood, steel, brass, hard rubber, aluminum, fibre, and plastics has been announced by Bruno Tools, Beverly Hills, Calif. Two sizes are available; one model cuts holes to any diameter from 5%'' to 1%''through %'' thickness, another covers all expansions from 1" to 2%'' through thicknesses up to 3%''. The tools are designed to operate in light drill presses, portable drills, or breast drills and are also available with square shanks for use in hand braces.

INDUSTRIAL INSTRUMENT COM-PARISON BRIDGE

A direct-indicating comparison bridge for testing of resistors, capacitors or inductors in terms of ohmage, microfarads or henries, respectively, has been released by Industrial Instruments, Inc., 17 Pollock Ave., Jersey City, N.J.

This device, type LB, a production-test instrument, is an a-c slidewire bridge with vacuum-tube null indicator arranged so that resistors, capacitors or inductors can be compared with a similar standard. Ranges are: Capacitance, between .0001 and 1.0 mfd; resistance, between 2000 ohms and 20 megohms; inductance, be-tween 5 and 50,000 henries. The slidewire is uncalibrated; external standards are used. In use, after the instrument is set up, the resistors, capacitors or inductors under test are connected one by one to the "X" terminals and are then rejected or passed by a direct reading of the indicating meter. Components outside the limits set up will result in a meter deflection greater than a set value.

The instrument comprises the main unit with separate meter on stand, the former measuring $7'' \times 8'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$.



SPRAGUE MEG-O-MAX RESISTORS

Resistors using a minimum of critical materials and formed of a series of pressed and sintered ring-shaped segments electrically joined in such a way as to cause the units to be non-inductive have been announced by the Sprague Specialties Company, Resistor Division, North Adams, Mass. Finished units are encased in an hermetically sealed, rugged glass envelope provided with ferrule terminals.

These resistors, known as meg-o-max, are employed as high voltage bleeders, and as coarse accuracy meter multipliers for voltage indicators. Other present applications include use in high-voltage networks, measuring equipment, rectifier systems, high-voltage voltage dividers, and as broad accuracy meter multipliers.

Available in two types: 1, 59/32'' long with a range of from 3600 ohms to 100 megohms; and 2, 925/32'' long, with a range from 6800 ohms to 100 megohms.



DU MONT HIGH INTENSITY OSCILLOGRAPH

A type 247 oscillograph using the new Army-Navy preferred type 5CPI cathode-ray tube with intensifier electrode, operated at an overall accelerating potential of 3000 v has been produced by Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., Passaic, N. J. High-intensity patterns are obtained on a 5"-diameter screen.

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JOTS AND FLASHES

A. GHIRARDI, nationally 66 renowned author of radio technical books, now headquartering at 76 Ranch, Willcox, Arizona.... Hytron Army-Navy "E" ceremonies on August 24 at Salem, Mass., unusually impressive. ... Electrical Research Labs. Inc., makers of Sentinel receivers, also awarded the coveted "E" Zenith Radio greatly expanding its auto radio division with Walter H. Dyer as manager ... exceptionally large advance registration reported for Electronic Parts and Equipment Industry Conference, Hotel Stevens, Chicago, October 19-20-21 ... with the war picture as bright as it is, this meeting assumes even greater importance ... Runzel Cord and Wire Co. appoints S. A. Duvall chief engineer . . . Arthur A. Berard elevated to executive vice-president of Ward-Leonard Electric Co. couldn't have happened to a nicer fellow paper situation is still highly critical . . . be certain to save and contribute every particle you can to your local scrap drive . . . William B. Yoder appointed controller of Philco Corp. . . . Peaslee Gaulbert Corp. named distributor for Emerson in San Antonio sector . . . Aero Needle Co., Chicago, greatly expands advertising program for the Fall season . . . Fred D. Wilson, commercial sound sales manager for Operadio, has just completed an extensive trip throughout the Pacific Coast territory . . . Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute confers honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering upon Allen B. DuMont, president of the company bearing his name . . . Universal Microphone Co. appoints M. I. Heller Co., Asheville, N. C., as representative for Virginia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina John Meck Industries advertising messages to Service Men are unusually important . . . watch for them in October and subsequent issues . . . Crosley Corp. appoints L. C. Truesdell as sales manager of manufacturing division Glenn May, wounded Marine Corps veteran, made assistant engineer in Hallicrafters production department . . . every radio manufacturer now actively planning for postwar activities . . . maintain close contact with your distributor to keep fully posted as to new plans, products and merchandising developments . . . and keep buying Bonds . . .



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