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Flagrant Huckstering

WHEN, some months ago, it was disclosed that the TV station freeze would really be lifted, and in addition. the operation of thousands of stations would be approved, there appeared a rash of advertising spouting the immediate ultrahigh pickup possibilities of new sets in rural, and particularly metropolitan areas, which according to the advertisers would have scores of new stations telecasting within a matter of weeks. Predicated on nothing more than a suggested allocation plan, which it was generally known would be altered in many, many ways when the final draft appeared, the advertisements created roaring confusion, curbed sales, and riled the Service Man who had to explain just what was happening. It was their job to report that while it was true we would have more stations on the high and the low bands, many months would pass before grants would be issued and additional telecasting would begin. Fortunately, the boys performed a noble service, providing sensible interpretations and assuaging most people.

When the final allocations did come, with its bright prospects, it was hoped that manufacturers would grasp the opportunity to report on the full potentialities of the new service in a discreet, forthright manner, so that there would be no repetition of the earlier disturbing episode. Some did follow this pattern. In fact, one midwestern chassis maker ran full-page ads in the leading newspapers of the country offering a series of answers to questions about the new TV stations. He pointed out that it will be some time before new stations are on the air, and that eventually we'll have all-channel receiving equipment, which might take the form of complete receivers or combination receivers and converters.

Some set and accessory makers, however, have decided that it was time to bounce those racy claims around and blandly discount the disastrous results of the earlier, sad incident. They have begun to hammer away at the virtues of their gear, following the same moldy pattern which has always caused trouble. Again they are telling Mr. and Mrs. Consumer that their converters and receivers have builtin antennas which eliminate the need for outside antennas, and anyone can install the converter . . . "in a few minutes without any specialized knowledge." They say that their tuners are . . . "so simple to install that anyone can do it with a screwdriver . . . by simply hooking up the interconnection wire to the antenna terminals of the set." They emphasaze that it is . . . "unnecessary to call a Service Man" in installing their simplified unit. The builtin antenna of one of these tuners is a rectangular loop mounted at the rear of the chassis, which is uncov-Completely ignored are the ered facts that an external special antenna will undoubtedly be required in most cases, that special leadins may be necessary, and orientation will be required, too. The possibility, too, that the open-wire antenna will be affected by steel laths, objects in a room, or even rain, cutting off reception, is just dismissed. So, once more, the Service Man will be obliged to pitch in and explain the characteristics of the ultrahigh frequencies and why antenna systems and special installations will be required, notwithstanding the miracle claims of the manufacturers.

Misleading accessory advertising has also been rampant recently, causing turmoil everywhere. In one series of ads, describing a wavetrap designed to stop TV interference in metropolitan areas, it was said that the device would eliminate wavy lines, streaks, zags, distortion, picture rolls, flutters and other screen imperfections that . "could not be eliminated by a repairman no matter how good he is." In testing the trap, it was found that it certainly did not act as a cure-all. In fact, one Service Man found that it accomplished nothing. Exaggerated advertising of this type at the expense of the Service Man, he said, should be halted immediately.

Service Men received another jolt recently when it was announced that the heretofore scarce transitors were now available to everyone, and it wouldn't be long before the 22-30-tube TV chassis would be replaced by a compliment of transistors reducing the size of the large chassis to that of a cigar box. The advent of transistors, it was noted, hastened the day when TV and radio servicing would just be a thing of the past.

One does not deny that the transistors represent one of the most outstanding developments of the day, and that eventually they will become a key factor in all types of electronic equipment. They are small, they require no cathode power or warmup time. they are highly efficient and have a long life. They are rugged and stable. But, their uses are limited today by many factors. They can only be used at relatively low frequencies, usually below one megacycle. They are affected by temperature, and presently can only be used at temperatures only slightly above normal ambients. In addition, according to Washington, generous quantities are still not available.

It'll be a long, long time before the chassis of Mr. and Mrs. Consumer will have transistors. In fact, it'll be a long, long time before the transistors will appear in anything but highly classified military gear, and particularly complex computing and laboratory instruments.

This is truly an age of striking progress, and certainly everyone is very thankful that they are able to reap the rich benefits offered by the parade of brilliant contributions. Why anyone should believe that it is necessary to resort to thumping displays of blatant claims and ignore the golden results that can be achieved through sound and ethical merchandising, is a deep mystery. Countless members of industry have demonstrated that it is not difficult to win friends and make sales without flamboyant essays.

The consumer, and particularly the Service Man. will be very happy indeed when the era of flagrant huckstering vanishes completely.

Next Month . . . Audio

Following our annual custom, the June issue of SERVICE will be devoted to Audio on all fronts: ultra-fidelity systems; cartridge and needle characteristics; 3-speed changer design; high-power ac/dc amplifiers; magnetic recording installation and servicing: wide-range speaker cabinetry; audio tube features: public-address installations, etc. Every article will contain practical, streamlined, useful data. Don't miss this all-important Audio issue.—L.W.

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INTERFERENCE PROBLEMS LOOM AS HAMS MOVE INTO 21-MC BAND--Service Men in many areas are scheduled to face one of the most hectic servicing periods since TV roared onto the scene a few years ago, realigning and installing high-pass filters in receivers using 21-21.45-mc ifs, for amateurs have now been authorized to pound brass in that region; the band was actually officially assigned and approved in the summer of '48 at the conclusion of the International Allocation Conference in Atlantic City. Currently, dot-and-dash transmission will only be allowed; this interference might take the form of sudden or extreme variations in image brightness, or even picture washout. In the not-to-distant future, phone transmission will be permitted, and this might cause bar streaks across the picture. . . . Commenting on the possible solutions that Service Men will have to employ, several manufacturers have indicated that the high-pass 300-ohm balanced-type of filter, installed at the input of the receiver, will serve as an excellent curb. One manufacturer has warned that the filter will have to be placed . . . "hard up against the set's input terminals and securely grounded." Realignment will also eliminate the dotdash or phone disturbances, with shifting of the if sound carrier to 21.6 or 21.9 mc suggested as an adequate procedure. Where staggered-tuned strips were used and the frequencies were carefully selected to minimize the possibility of if oscillation during alignment, frequency shifting may be tricky. It has also been suggested that the <u>if</u> stages be shielded, and that the use of coax or single-sided transmission line be avoided where the interference problem exists. It was noted that the areas beyond the primary TV zone, or in fringe locations, will be most susceptible to interference. Of course, locales where hams are active will also be acute problem zones. . . . Although many manufacturers have raised the frequencies of their if strip, and are using the recommended 41-mc band, there are still several large chassis producers who have not adopted the high-if plan, and are using the antiquated 21-mc arrangement. At this writing, there have been no announcements from these manufacturers indicating an immediate change to the higher if, although it is believed that they undoubtedly will make the shift in their new models. . . . Service Men have a grave responsibility in this war against picture and sound interference. To lend a hand in the campaign, SERVICE will publish a series of comprehensive analyses describing exactly how to realign chassis, install high-pass filters, and shields ifs. The first installment will appear in July. Watch for it!

FREEZE LIFT VIEWED AS BOON TO TV ACCESSORY SALES -- There's an extremely lively antennaaccessory era ahead for Service Men, thanks to the release of the new allocations, according to a prexy of a pioneer antenna maker. In his opinion, during the next few years there'll be quite a market for antennas, preamps, rotators, lightning arresters. towers, masts, roof and base mounts, transmission lines, insulators and allied antenna hardware. . . . The freeze lift will introduce new markets for single-channel antennas. it was said, since many of the new stations will probably be in areas not currently being serviced by any other transmitters. As additional telecasters appear in areas presently being served by a single station, there should be a substantial demand for rotators. multi-channel antennas, and possibly double or triple single-channel installations. . . . It was also revealed that recent tests have shown that the life of an average antenna is about 3½ years, and that accordingly, an extremely large replacement market should appear as the hundreds and hundreds of new stations begin operating.... Other new business prospects described were converter, tuning strip or new tuner sales, and of course, the installation and servicing of these new items to provide all-channel coverage.



DIATHERMY-INTERFERENCE SHIELDING RULE TO BE MODIFIED--The shielded-room requirement, included in the original regulation curbing interference from diathermy equipment, is expeted to be modified to permit the use of <u>sufficient</u> shielding, instead of a completely shielded room to reduce the strength of radiation. It will still be necessary to employ a rectified and filtered-plate power supply and power-line filters. The change was made because it was found that the cost of completely shielded rooms (approximately \$3,000 and up) would be prohibitive to the average physician. . . According to the FCC records, there are over 200,000 pieces of heat-therapy gear in use which will probably require shielding and the installation of filters, if they are to be interference free.

TV TRAINING PROGRAM CALLED KEY TO PROFITABLE RECOGNITION--Acceptance as a professional, with corresponding equitable compensation, can only be assured if Service Men are extremely well trained, and a continuing supply of trained men are available, according to the chairman of the TV committee of the electrical association on the Pacific coast. A well-trained Service Man, in his opinion, can always win public confidence, command respect, and a just return for service rendered.

SEVERE PENALTIES INCLUDED IN L.A. TV SERVICE ORDINANCE--The Los Angeles, California, ordinance regulating the servicing of television receivers, now has a set of new, sharp teeth, because of a new clause introduced by the board of supervisors. Hereafter, licenses will be revoked if any Service Man is found guilty of charging for parts not installed, or issuing false statements relating to the parts used or service provided. The same revocation penalty will also obtain if Service Men alter or multilate serial numbers on the chassis.

<u>CAPITELLI ELECTED ESFETA PREXY</u>--At the annual meeting of the Empire State Federation of Electronic Technicians Associations, held in the Hotel Arlington, Binghamton, N. Y., O. Capitelli of ARTSNY was elected prexy. Other new officers elected for '52 were: Herbert Snyder, Binghamton, vice president; Dave Violet, RTG, Rochester, secretary; Charles Kohl, UETA, Kingston, treasurer; and John Hague, ERTA, Endicott, sergeant-atarms. New directors of ESFETA are: Hal Hazard, Binghamton; Sidney Gent, Endicott; Thomas Thorne, Hudson Valley, Poughkeepsie; Ray Trumpait, Kingston; Jack Wheaton, TRTG, Long Island; Max Liebowitz, ARTSNY; and Andy Wentworth, RTG, Rochester.

<u>PORTABLES TO USE ALKALINE CELL BATTERIES</u>--A new dry-cell type <u>B</u> battery, which uses an alkaline electrolyte, that is claimed to increase playing time about ten times, will soon appear in portable models. Originally alkaline cells were of wet design, had to be held upright and were not portable. The new units are said to be over 20 per cent smaller than standard dry types.

<u>APPLAUSE FOR SERVICE</u>--It is gratifying indeed to report the continued receipt of many complimentary letters during the past few weeks. According to Paul G. Clauser . . . "SERVICE is the most beneficial of all the magazines printed for the independent Service Man." . . R. W. Graham declared that . . . "I take six other radio magazines regularly, but I think more of SERVICE than the rest. Keep up the good work." . . . H. P. VanDerLinden told ye editor that . . . "Your articles on tape and wire recorders have more than repaid me for the price of my subscription." . . Louis A. Joczik offered his . . . "Sincere compliments for a technical service that is tops, particularly those articles on TV alignment." Thanks, gentlemen, for these grand bouquets.--L. W.



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Fig. 1. Single-trace curve on 'scope.



Fig. 2. Double-trace curve. Traces which should overlap as much as possible, were drawn separately for clarity.



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Fig. 3. Trace



Simplified Basic Procedures Using Signal Generators, VTVMs and 'Scopes.

IN ALIGNING AUTO chassis, there are two factors which must always be remembered; the sets are usually more sensitive and selective, and accordingly require extremely careful alignment attention. Signal generators and allied alignment equipment, such as 'scope, signal tracer and a *vtvm*, must be very stable and accurate.

Signal generators should be capable of supplying both AM and FM signals for alignment with a 'scope. An assortment of especially-designed *tuning* tools can also be very helpful for adjusting the variety of screws that will be found on variable iron cores; screws with slotted ends, screws with flattened ends or slugs. Those fiber tuning tools will come in highty handy for these screw adjustments.

A basic set of adjusting tools can be made in the shop. The old fiber rods can be modified so that they can be used to turn volume and tuning (dial) controls. A slot, about $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep, can be cut in one rod, while another can be filed to a tongue, about $\frac{1}{2}$ " long and $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick. They should then be cut to

Fig. 4. Schematics illustrating 'scope connectios. In (a) appears connections which must be made when the volume control is used as a diode load resistor. The (b) circuit shows connections required when separate diode load resistor is used.

Fig. 5. Dummy antenna setup suggested by Motorola for their auto radio set.



the same length, and a knob placed on the other end, to make them easier to handle. With these rods installed, it will not be necessary to use the control head, which would only dangle and interfere with alignment.

To perform a satisfactory alignment job, it is necessary to place an accurate indicator in the output. This can be an *ac* voltmeter of suitable range, connected across the voice coil, or with a blocking capacitor across the power tube plate to ground. A dc-vtrm can be connected across the avc bus to read the developed avc voltage. The readings on this instrument will increase with an increase in signal. A signal tracer tuned to the *if* and connected to the diode plates of the second detector will also be found handy, since it provides readings of not only the amplitude of the actual signal, but also the frequency. This unit may be used to



Radio Realignment

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advantage in determining unknown if frequencies.

Auto-radios use only a few *ifs*; 450, 370 and 260 kc represent most of the *ifs* employed. The chassis used in many of the old Chevrolet or Pontiac cars using 6F7-6A7-6B7, etc., have a 260-kc *if*. Some of these just won't tune up with a probe on the diode plates. To check these chassis it will be necessary to use an output meter on the audio plate or voice coil.

A 'scope will be found invaluable for alignment work, providing accurate selectivity-curve information which will improve set peaking. Before aligning, it is imperative that all servicing has been completed and tubes have been checked. If a defect appears during alignment, an immediate repair should be made and alignment steps repeated. This approach will take more time, but you'll be more than repaid by the resulting higher quality of work.

The set and signal generator should be warmed up thoroughly before alignment; at least ten minutes should be allowed for warmup. This must be done so that all tubes, parts, etc., will have reached their normal operating temperatures, and will not drift during or after alignment. While the set and generator are warming up, all the required tools, circuits and alignment data should be rounded up and readied for use and reference.

After the set and signal generator have warmed up the indicating instrument should be set up and the signal generator connected to the mixer grid, through a capacitor of about .01-.05 mfd value. This must be done to avoid shorting out the *avc* voltages on the grid. If the *ifs* are too badly out of alignment, you may have to move on to the *if* amplifier grid, and tune the last stage first. Then you can move back to the mixer grid and tune the first stage. The tuning of the last stage should be rechecked and then the first stage can be checked. Sometimes, it will be necessary to repeat this several times, until no more gain can be had.

To tune up *rf*, oscillator and antenna stages, the signal generator should be connected to the antenna socket of the

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UHF Continuously-Tuned OSCILLATOR Circuitry



Fig. 1. Circuit of a continuously-tuned oscillator (shown on the cover) using a 6AF4. Values of the external line are noted in the graph in Fig. 2.

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ON THE ULTRAHIGHS, it is necessary to use tubes which have good frequency stability, low interelectrode capacitances, low lead inductance, and low rf-lead resistance. In the local oscillator circuit it is particularly important to employ tubes with these characteristics. Accordingly special tubes have been developed for that purpose.[‡] One such type is the 6AF4* whose design features include silver-plated base pins to minimize losses due to skin effect, short internal leads to reduce lead inductance and lead resistance and a short mount structure utilizing small parts to provide low interelectrode capacitances. In addition, the tube has double basepin connections for both plate and grid. These double connections are positioned to facilitate operation of the tube with either series or parallel-(Continued on page 67)

*See uhf report, SER-CUITS, this issue; p. 40. *RCA.



Fig. 3. Plate and grid current characteristics of the 6AF4, where the $E_f = 6.3$ and plate volts = 100.





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Fig. 1. System designed to replace use of separate receivers with separate antennas.



Fig. 2. Schematic of horizontal-vertical (below) and sync sections (above) of monitoring unit. The rc network shown in dashed lines has been found to provide better vertical linearity.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, developed for either centralized antenna pickup in hotels, tourist courts, hospitals and other multiple unit buildings or apartments, for closed-circuits operation, have become an increasingly important factor on the TV scene. And with the striking expansion forecast for the future, furthering interest in TV throughout the land, the single-feed technique may become an even more vital item.

Several approaches to master-antenna distribution have been evolved. Some have featured master receivers and multiple slave units. Recently, a novel approach to the slave-feed idea was developed featuring video monitor units or TV chassis using the sweep and sound sections only.

Tested during extensive experiments, the technique has been found to offer many advantages.

To explain its operation, let us assume that the system is to be installed in a 20-room hotel and three-station service must be provided.

A single antenna tower can be placed on top the hotel with three major elements resonant at the three channels to be received. Three separate matched leadin wires must be brought to three separate receivers located in a *control room*.

At this point, the variations in the system are introduced. The video output and the video detector is split in each receiver so that it is fed to the video amplifiers and to three separate cathode followers, producing three low-impedance separate video outputs.

These outputs are then fed into three separate video distribution amplifiers, similar or identical to those used in TV broadcasting, often known as stabilizing amplifiers, without the use of inserted sync.

For our purpose, each video distribution amplifier employs one input for





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20 outputs. At this point, there are two choices for final distribution of signal. First, we can choose to terminate our outputs in a video patch panel and run a single low-impedance shielded cable to each of the 20 rooms from this patch panel, and have an operator on duty in the control room to accomplish video patching upon request by telephone for a given station. Second, we may choose to run three video cables to each room and terminate these at a coax switch to be used by the viewer for station selection.

For large hotels with many rooms, the former system will prove more economical.

Once the video signal has reached the viewing room, it is fed into a simple 4-tube/2-selenium rectifier, video monitor unit.

The composite video signal is fed into a jack, amplified and then fed to two sections, the grid of the picture tube, and vertical and horizontal sync amplifier.

The other portion of the video-amp tube serves both as the sync amplifier and separator. The signal is then fed to a tube used both as a vertical and horizontal oscillator in a blocking setup, with the output sawtooth waves fed respectively to a dual pentode operating both as a horizontal and vertical sweep amplifier.

By necessity, the cathode of the horvert sweep amp, common to both sections of the tube, operates at ground potential and the internally connected screen grids are bypassed sufficiently to present an *ac* ground to both horizontal and vertical pulses.

Audio signals are fed to a jack, which feeds a dual triode cascaded for sufficient audio amplification to drive a five-inch alnico pm speaker.

Thus, in the control room of the hotel, the operator on duty monitors three separate pictures and respective accompanying sound, in accordance with telephone requests for channels from viewers throughout the hotel. A constant check can be kept on all receiving monitor units in the hotel and a maintenance-operation log can be kept.

In the event additional transmitters are placed in operaiton in the area, this type of system requires merely the addition of one receiver and a distribution amplifier for each channel to be added.

It is possible to eliminate the operator, through an alternate system. However, in this instance it becomes necessary to use a separate video cable and sound cable for each channel connected to each room. Thus, in a twenty-room hotel, for three-channel pickup, sixty video and sixty sound cables would be necessary. And unless provision were made for additional runs of cable, new channels could not easily be added; in the operator system only one video and sound cable and channel addition are required.

Sound distribution can be simplified in the operator method by taking advantage of the intercarrier principle in the monitor room itself.

This would eliminate the use of a separate sound cable. It had been noted that the initial signal received is split at the detector in the receiver before distribution. Therefore, the composite video signal can be transmitted through the distribution amplifier to the room monitoring unit and nowhere along its path is the 4.5-mc component disturbed. Thus, at the monitor unit, a 4.5-mc discriminator coil can be inserted along with a detector to produce pure audio for amplification.

Monitor Receiving Unit

The monitor receiving unit in the hotel room would only have two controls; an on-off volume control and contrast control. Sync and brightness controls would not be necessary since the control room can keep the dc level of the signal constant and maintain the sync-to-video ratio standard at 25% to 75%. This can be checked through the use of a waveform monitor in the control room.

The foregoing system, representing an engineering approach, has been found practical, but can be criticized because of economic competitive issues. Although the receivers in the control room could be purchased commercially, the monitor units in the rooms would have to be manufactured, since no manufacturer markets such an item in the price range competitive to receivers.

However, management actually can save money through the proposed approach.

It is only necessary to compare the cost of 100 complete receivers versus 100 monitor units. There are many manufacturers who build sectionalized television chassis, with the sweep and sound chassis separate or mechanically connected by fasteners to the front end and if chassis.

The current Westinghouse chassis are an interesting example. It is thus only necessary to negotiate for the purchase of 100 sweep-sound chassis, which would undoubtedly cost less than the complete receiver. Current mass production assembly line methods

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A Report on the New Tax Regulation st

SERVICE MEN, who work for themselves, have experienced their initial reporting of 1951 self-employment income for *social security* purposes.

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Income from self-employment, subject to certain exceptions, means net earnings derived from a trade or business covered by *social security*. The Service Man who works for himself reported and paid the tax of $2\frac{1}{4}\%$ on all such earnings over \$400 and up to \$3,600 starting for '51. These net earnings may be from full or part-time self-employment. If, in addition, he has wage, earnings from a job covered by *social security*, he reports only that part of his self-employment net earnings which, added to his wages, total \$3,600 for that year. If his wages are as much as \$3,600 he will not need to report his self-employment earnings. All reports must be filed with the local Collector of Internal Revenue.

All types of self-employment in a trade or business are covered by this new law. The few occupations that do not count toward *social security* protection are farm owners or operators, physicians, dentists, osteopaths, chiropractors, naturopaths, veterinarians, public accountants, funeral directors, architects, professional engineers who work for themselves, and a few others.

Self-employed individuals made a last minute rush for their necessary *social security* number. Where the number was included on Schedule *C*, or an application for a number submitted, the number will be assigned, and the income properly credited. In those cases where no number was obtained and omitted from the report, each individual will be requested to complete the necessary application for the assignment of a number.

Social security means a foundation of old-age and survivors insurance protection for the individual and his family. Retirement benefits will range from a minimum of \$20-\$80 a month. A man and wife retired at 65 could receive \$120 a month. Surv-(Continued on page 68)

* Martin, Wyn, The Serviceman and His Income Tax, SERVICE, January, 1952.

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Practical Tracking Adjustments for FM Chassis

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Two Simple Methods That Can be Used to Insure Proper Tracking of FM Receivers...Involving Use of Calibrated Grid-Dip Oscillator, and a Tuning Wand and Voltmeter.

PROPER TRACKING adjustment of pre selector and local oscillator circuits in FM and other $vh\bar{t}$ receivers is often a problem even when alignment data are available. Alignment is difficult because of the spurious responses of all superhet receivers and the use of signal generators which use harmonics for their *hf* ranges. However, it has been found that a calibrated grid dip oscillator can be used to make correct tracking adjustments, even on sets badly misaligned.

Basic Theory of the Superhet

In superhet receivers all stations or frequencies that are to be received are converted to a new lower frequency, called the *if*, at which it is amplified substantially before being demodulated or detected. This conversion is accomplished by heterodyning or beating a local oscillator with the incoming desired signal and using the difference frequency as the *if*. This improves the gain per stage and increases the selectivity compared with straight tuned *rf* amplification, but is not without its complications.

In Fig. 1 appears a block diagram of a simple FM set, in which there are only two tuned circuits that vary with the tuning dial and control. One is the local oscillator, and the other is the antenna or preselector tuned circuit which is necessary to reduce spurious responses. Each is tuned to a different frequency.

Let us now assume that the *if* amplifier is in proper alignment. Tracking of the two tuned circuits indicated in Fig. 1 can be accomplished in the following way. With the set turned off, the tuning dial should be set to 90 mc. At this point, the tuned circuits should be resonant to the frequencies indicated in the block diagram. The grid dip oscillator should be brought close to the coil of the preselector tuned circuit, and tuned through a range of frequencies close to 90 mc, until a definite dip is obtained in the grid current. This indicates that you have tuned the oscillator to the resonant frequency of the circuit. From the dial of the grid dip oscillator, suppose for example, that the reading is 95 mc. This means that the preselector tuned circuit is tuned too high in frequency. To correct this, the coil turns should be squeezed together slightly and the frequency remeasured, repeating this until the preselector is adjusted to 90 mc.

Now, for the local oscillator adjustment. To receive a frequency of 90 mc, the local oscillator must operate at 90 mc plus or minus the *if* value. Usually, the oscillator operates on the high side of the signal frequency. The

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Figs. 2 (below) and 3 (right). Voltmeter connections required in ratiodetector and discriminator circuits in FM sets when ironslug wands are used for peaking.

Fig. 1 (above). Block diagram of simple FM receiver, illustrating method used to secure if.





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Fig. 1. An S curve, with the retrace blanked by means of phased 60-cycle blanking voltage applied to beam-blanking post of 'scope. The end baseline distortion, caused by the stabilizing capacitor, is of no practical concern, since the linear (operating) portion of the S curve is unaffected.



Fig. 2. A crossover S curve trace obtained by utilization of 120-cycle sawtooth sweep in the 'scope: phasable 60-cycle sync voltage applied to the *ext-sync* post of the 'scope to lock pattern. The beat marker is invisible through the ratio detector.

Fig. 24. S curve obtained by sweeping the ratio detector of an intercarrier receiver. The 60-cycle sine-wave sweep is used in the 'scope. Retrace plainly visible in this instance. The 4.5-mc marker is invisible due to the inherent AM rejection of the ratio detector. The reactive loops at the ends of the S curve appear because the stabilizing capacitor was not disconnected from the ratio-detector circuit.



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WHEN RATIO DETECTORS are to be sweep-aligned, either by means of an S curve as shown in Fig. 1, or by means of a crossover pattern as shown in Fig. 2, difficulty may be experienced in obtaining a visible 4.5-me marker, because of high degree of AM rejection inherent in many ratio-detector circuits. It is sometimes found that the marker can be made visible by opening the stabilizing capacitor, but in other cases this expedient fails.

For this reason, it is very useful to have available a suitable test method for marking a ratio-detector curve in a straightforward manner. Such a method involves the temporary disconnection of the intercarrier receiver from the alignment instruments, substituting the crystal probe shown in Fig. 3, in place of the receiver. Since the probe has no AM rejection, the operator will find that the 4.5-mc marker then appears clearly along the 'scope trace, as illustrated in Fig. 4, p. 70.

It is necessary to make a note of the exact *position* along the trace at which the marker appears. Then the intercarrier receiver should be reconnected to the instruments, observing where the marker position, previously noted, falls with respect to the S curve. The 4.5-mc marker position will remain at exactly the same distance along the trace, as long as the horizontal controls of the 'scope are not touched. Alignment adjustments, or verticalgain variations, will not affect the distance along the horizontal axis of the screen, at which the 4.5-mc point is located.

Certain sources of confusion can arise during procedures of this kind, due to visible retrace, crossover pattern markers, and in some cases spurious markers can appear. The steps which should be taken to avoid confusion are:

 When working with a single S curve, the display is usually obtained by utilizing 60-cycle sweep; when the scope is swept by a 60-

cycle sine-wave voltage, the retrace is plainly visible and must be properly controlled. In Fig. 2A appears a typical display of trace and retrace, with the phasing control of the 'scope (or sweep generator) improperly adjusted. The phasing control must be adjusted to superimpose the two curves. Then, if the 'scope has retrace blanking facilities, the retrace can be blanked out, although blanking is not essential. When the phasing control is not properly set, the result of utilizing the crystal probe is to develop two 4.5-mc markers along the 'scope base line, as shown in Fig. 2B. It is then, of course, a question as to which marker should be centered on the 'scope screen. However, if the trace and retrace are properly phased, these two markers will superimpose over each other.

(2) A somewhat similar situation is frequently encountered when using a crossover pattern, but there is a basic difference in that 120-cycle sweep is being used. When the crystal probe is substituted for the receiver, and two markers are seen along the base line (which will usually be the case), the center frequency of the sweep generator must be properly adjusted to make the two markers superimpose over each other. The superimposed markers are then brought to center screen by suitable adjustment of the horizontal centering control of the 'scope. Finally, when the receiver is again connected into the test circuit, the ratio detector is adjusted to make the crossover point fall exactly in the center of the 'scope screen, which then indicates that this



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Fig. 2B. Sweep display which appears when the crystal probe is substituted for the ratio-detector of the TV receiver. A pair of 4.5-mc markers are seen due to *improper phasing* of the *horizontal sweep*.
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crossover point takes place at exactly 4.5 mc. as it should.

(3) Spurious markers along the base line usually indicate that other rf generators in the shop are coupling into the test circuit. Sometimes a transmitter in the vicinity of the shop causes similar interference. If necessary, the alignment setup should be moved into a screened room.

Marking of Over-All Response Curve

An overall response curve is the receiver response between the antenna terminals and the second-detector output. This curve shows the combined characteristics of the front end and the *if* amplifier. When we think of marking the overall response curve, we usually think of injecting a *cw* marker signal at the antenna terminals. In practice, this may not be the most economical, nor most convenient procedure.

A marker signal can be injected at if. This is possible, because we are inspecting the overall response curve, and it evidently makes no difference whether the marker is injected at station frequency and subsequently beat down to if through the mixer and oscillator, or, whether the marker signal is picked up at if frequency half-way along the line. The advantage of marking at if is that the investment in a high-frequency marker generator is made unnecessary, except for seting up the local oscillator; this can be handled in most cases by means of an expedient.

To inject the *if* marker into the *if* amplifier, it is highly advisable to use a floating tube shield over the mixer tube. In many cases, Service Men

Fig. 3. A typical crystal diode probe.

complain that the markers are too small, and cannot be seen in the traps. If a floating tube shield is used, extremely large markers will be obtained. These will be plainly visible in traps, especially after the sweep width has been reduced and the gain of the 'scope is increased to maximum.

It will be recognized that an *if* marker will not serve to adjust the local oscillator in the front end, because variation of the local-oscillator frequency serves merely to move the overall response curve left or right along the base line of the 'scope, carrying the *if* marker along with the curve in a fixed position. Therefore, some source of a high-frequency marker will be required to adjust the local oscillator. However, this marker does not necessarily have to be obtained from a high-frequency marker generator. If a station signal is available on the channel under consideration, it is possible to mix the station signal with the sweep signal to obtain a marker at the picture-carrier frequency and at the sound-carrier frequency, as shown in Fig. 5; p. 71.

The signal must usually be attenuated from the antenna, before it is satisfactory for marking purposes, and hence series resistors should be used in the antenna lead for his purpose. The resistors may have a value from 5,000 to 100,000 ohms, as determined by experiment for the particular signal level which prevails.

Satisfactory markers will not be obtained unless an isolating resistor is used in series with the hot lead to the 'scope as shown in Fig. 7, p. 71. This marker sharpening-resistor should have a value of approximately 50,000 to 75,000 ohms. It is essential, how-• ever, that the value of the resistor correlate with the capacitance of the shielded input .cable to the 'scope, so that sufficient, but not excessive filtering action occurs. If excessive filtering is used, the time delay which is introduced will cause marker displacement on the response curve, as shown in Fig. 6, p. 71. This is an important point, inasmuch as test equipment is often wrongly blamed for this situation

Modulation of Marker

It is frequently desirable to modulate the marker to distinguish between a true marker and a spurious marker. The true marker can be distinguished in the following manner: Modulation is applied to the marker, and the dial (Continued on page 70)



New VHF-UHF TV Markets

Here's the New National FCC Allocation Schedule for Channels 2 to 83,

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Clanton 14 Cuilman 60	Durango 6.i5 Fort Collins 44	Jerome 17	Dodge City	Lawrence
Decatur 23	Fort Morgan	Kellogg 33	Emporia	New Bedford
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Design and Application Features of ULTRAHIGH Converters and Tuners Described During UHF Symposium at IRE National Convention.

THE ULTRAHIGHS, now no longer an airy dreamland, but rather an extremely practical and official home for telecasters, has begun to receive priority attention in numerous labs of receiver, tube, transmitter and accessory manufacturers. And the results have been intrigning, with an assortment of tuners, converters, antennas, tubes and crystals, and amplifiers appearing on the scene.

The tuner-converter front has been particularly active, with a host of solutions posed. Some have indicated that the answer to reliable uhf lies in the turret tuner. Others have announced that it's the tuned transmission line which can provide the best performance, and still others have favored the variable inductance idea.

At the recent IRE national convention in New York City, the first detailed appraisal of the foregoing techniques was offered during symposia sponsored by the professional group on broadcast receivers.

Turret Tuners

Supporting the turret-tuner method, John Bell of Zenith declared that experience has shown that there has been a public preference for the snap type of tuning which permits the user to go from channel to channel in a single operation. This, it was said, has been provided by the turret type of tuner in which channel strips on a turret are moved past the indexing point. The strips are replaceable and can be made interchangeable in a given type of turret.

The tuner providing *vhf-uhf* coverage was described as featuring twosection design, a solid partition extending over the entire cross section of the tuner housing. The shield, together with proper placement of parts and circuits, was claimed to permit more than adequate isolation of the oscillator from the antenna.

Analyzing the basic elements of the tuner, Bell said that a 6BK7 double triode is used in a cascode rf amplifier, a single-tuned circuit on the first grid of the cascode providing some preselection between the antenna and rf amplifier. A double tuned circuit is used between the output of the cascode and the converter grid of a 6U8, a new triode pentode. It was noted that a pentode converter is preferred, because a triode would have to be accurately neutralized when used as an amplifier on uhf.

To cover the entire uhf band, the vhf oscilator must tune between 172 and 234 mc. Thus, it was said, the third harmonic of the oscillator is used on the low uhf frequencies and the fourth harmonic is used on the high uhf frequencies. The desired harmonic output of a multiplier crystal is used to



(Left)Simplified circuitry of vhf-uhf tuner, described by Zenith Radio engineers.

(Below) Block diagram of receiving system with uhf strips in place, analyzed by Zenith experts.







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Three-section uhf variable-inductance tuning system tuner reviewed by Melvin of Mallory. (See page 47 for tuner analysis.)

Structure of oscillator tuning and mixer-tuning elements in Mallory unit.

excite a germanium mixer crystal, which is preceded by two preselector tuned circuits. The design thus provides three *uhf* tuned circuits and two germanium crystal diodes mounted in a die-cast housing, designed to replace electrically and mechanically the antenna section of the vhf channel strip.

Reviewing the objective of the 6BK7 cascode, Bell declared that it was selected to obtain the lowest possible noise figure on all channels consistent with cost and reasonable simplicity. The cascode interstage is series tuned near channel 13 by means of a series coil connected between the first plate and second cathode. Accordingly, he pointed out, the two triodes are thus connected directly in series and, therefore, have identical plate currents. The

grid of the second triode is held at a fixed potential by means of a voltage divider between B+ and ground, giving a relatively rapid cutoff in the first triode, which is controlled by the age voltage. So that the gain of the cascode may not be reduced before the signal is completely free of noise, Bell said, a delayed action is provided in the application of agc to the 6BK7. This is accomplished by providing some cathode bias on the if amplifier and allowing the agc voltage to go positive by this amount. When the agc voltage is positive, it was shown, a 2.2megohm grid leak on the 6BK7 holds its grid near zero; actually slightly negative due to contact potential. When the age voltage passes through #Revolite.

zero the signal level was described as high enough so that the noise figure of the *rf* amplifier is no longer important and the 6BK7 is then cut off rapidly by a further increase of *agc* voltage in the negative direction.

Describing the *whf* tuned circuits. Bell said that they are mounted in a cylindrical hole .205" in diameter and $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep. The coils themselves are .4" long and $\frac{1}{8}$ " in diameter. Tuning capacity is provided by the proximity of the top end of the coil to a No. 1-72 machine screw which enters the coil through a No. 1422 mounting bushing[‡]. No other connection was said to be necessary to the top end of the coil. It was noted that substantial tuning ranges can be achieved with

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(Left)

Top view of Kingston Products tuner, with shields removed. Shown are the preselector lines and the slider with their respective trimmers in place. Back of the line is the antenna coupling loop. Also shown is a portion of the cascode if amplifier tube.

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(Below) Schematic of tuned-line tuner analyzed by Rieth of Kingston Products.



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very small capacities by this method because the minimum capacity of the circuit is not increased by connections to a variable capacitor and the parts of the capacitor, etc. The minimum capacity of the circuit was said to be approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mmfd; thus the *uhf* range can be covered with three different coils. There are three different housings to cover the *uhf* band; the hirst covers from 470 to 602 mc, a

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second from 608 to 734 mc, and a third from 740 to 890 mc.

The mixer output circuit was described as a simple pi network in which the *rf* bypass capacitor is the input capacity, and the grid-cathode capacity, or the input capacity, of the 6BK7 is the output capacitor. This simple network was said to provide very nearly optimum coupling between the crystal and the grid of the 6BK7 for best noise figure. The bandwidth of the input circuit is determined entirely by the damping provided by the mixer crystal. In this way, it was noted, the mismatch between the crystal and the first grid is nearly complete, with the result that there is realized most of the 3-db improvement in noise figure which is available if the *if* amplifier absorbs no power from the crystal.

Reviewing the operation of the uhf channel strip, Bell said that the cascode plate and the converter grid are tuned to if and the coupling between them is adjusted for proper bandwidth to give full response at both the sound and picture carriers. Capacitor coupling between the oscillator coil and an extra turret contact (No. 11) feeds excitation through a coax cable to the multiplier crystal in the antenna section. This contact in the antenna section is shielded as completely as possible by two grounding strips on either side of the contact and by the arrangement of the shield which permits a minimum amount of the contact to be exposed to the antenna compartment; thus, it was noted electrostatic capacity coupling is reduced between this contact and the antenna coils. The antenna coils are arranged with the ground contact between the antenna primary and the rf grid contact. Thus, the two antenna contacts are adjacent to each other, reducing the loop area of the antenna leads which can couple magnetically to the oscillator through the multiplier contact which carries oscillator current to the multiplier crystal. This was said to be important when the uhf channel strips are in place, serving to reduce oscillator radiation. This arrangement also permits additional isolation of the antenna contacts from the rf grid reducing direct if pickup on uhf.

Detailing the performance of the system on *uhf*, Bell noted that the noise figures on channels 24 and 47 (535 and 670 mc) were 14, and 17 on channel 72 (820 mc). Image rejection on channels 24 and 47 was said to be 50, and 45 on channel 72. The *if* rejection on channels 24 and 47 was noted as being 60 and 59, and 58 on channel 72. Relative gains for channels 24, 47 and 72 were said to be .81, .72 and .65.

82-Channel Turret Tuner

In another dissertation on turret tuners. Aldo Scandurra of Kollsman Instrument‡ reported that there had been developed a combination veryhigh —ultrahigh tuner, in which channel selection was accomplished through a scheme of dual conversion, the uhfband being divided into eight parts. The uhf channels are converted to vhfand the vhf section of the tuner is used as variable first *if*. This approach was said to provide a decimal system of



The 82-channel turret tuner described by Scandurra of Standard Coil.

counting for tuning of the *uhf* channels. Resonant circuits for the arrangement were noted as being obtained through the use of lumped parameters; tuning of the *uhf* oscillator and *uhf* mixer is accomplished by switching these lumped parameters across fundamental circuits.

Band Circuitry

For each of the bands, Scandurra said, the tuner consists of a uhf preselector, a uhf mixer and oscillator, and a first *if* system of the cascode type. The *rf* switch serves to separate the antenna feeds. In the uhf position, the antenna is fed to preselectors and the output of the uhf mixer excites the *vhf* first *if*. In the *vhf* position, it was noted, the antenna terminal is connected to the input of the *vhf* tuner; in this position, the *uhf* section of the tuner is inactive.

In this arrangement, when a particular tens digit is selected, actually there is selected one of eight uhf bands with its associated preselector and oscillator setting. When a units digit is selected one of the variable intermediate frequencies is chosen. Due to the numbering of the vhf stations, the dial presentations are arranged so that the uhf numbers appear in the upper portion of the window, and vhf numbers in the lower portion.

Method of Tuning

Reviewing oscillator systems studied for the system, the Kollsman specialist pointed out that an 800-me oscillator consisted of two coils in parallel connected across the tube socket, in this particular case, pins 1 and 2, and 6 and (Continued on page 46)

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7. The dc isolation between the grid and plate was effected through a small gimmick wound around the end of each coil. This provided a small capacitance connecting the tube to the circuit. Filament chokes used had about 20 turns of No. 28 SSE closely wound on a $\frac{1}{8}$ " form. Based on these simple experiments, the work was carried on to extend the use of lumped parameters.

An oscillator was built, using a subminiature type tube which operated in the neighborhood of 1250 mc. The inductances consisted of two coils in parallel, with two turns of No. 24 wire wound on a 3/16'' form, connected to the tube element through a gimmick capacitance of approximately 1 mmfd. The method of incremental tuning by paralleling lumped inductance and capacitance was found to be ideal for a turret tuner. The Qs of the circuits were found to be high, of the order of 100 or greater. If the fixed coil is stabilized for possible temperature variations, the deviation in switching from one channel to another can be held to a minimum.

Design of Oscillator

In evolving an oscillator design, the choice of a tube loomed as a key factor, it was noted. The choice was said to be complicated not by the lack of a suitable tube, but by the variety available. With lumped circuits, at least six different types of triodes were embodied in oscillator circuits. All were found to perform satisfactory. Most of the work was conducted with the 2367A* and 1165E^b tubes. In the course of experimentation, oscillators were assembled using other tube types such as the 6BK7, 6BZ7, 5703, 6K4, 6J6, etc.; all have been found to operate rather well in the uhf range.

In experimenting with the oscillator, it was established that the resonance in the filament cathode circuit could be troublesome. Continuous tuned oscillators were assembled which required no change in the cathode circuit. However, those oscillators were found to be critical in adjustment. The use of a switched uhf oscillator served to reduce this effect, enabling the optimizing of the plate current through the frequency range. The maximum plate current in the final oscillator on any of the channels was on the average less than 20 ma for 80 v anode voltage on a number of tubes which were available.

Tests showed that once the fundamental circuit was established at the center of the range, the other oscillator frequencies could be obtained rather easily by adjustment of the increments. The possible variation with the trimmer was found to be approximately \pm 7 mc.

Design of Preselector

The present tuner was described as using double-tuned circuits with coils as increments for all of the eighty bands. A broadened response was achieved by proper positioning of the antenna output and the mixer input, with no resistive loading used. This setup was said to result in an optimum transfer of power with the only dissipation existing in the radiation losses and the loss within the coils and capacitors associated with the circuit, The noise factors which were measured in the lab indicated that the loss in the preselector varied from 1 to 2 db.

In the present model, a capacitance of the order of 3/4 mmfd is included as a variable capacitor to adjust the

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circuit in the 870 to 890-mc range, in addition to the incremental inductance from the turret. This was said to set the fixed circuit, and no other adjustments need be made for the remaining seven bands. The fundamental circuit operates in the neighborhood of 400 mc when incremental inductances are used. Scandurra noted that this lower frequency of operation of the fixed circuit was chosen to obtain incremental inductances which were small in size. For this purpose, a circuit operating at 400 mc or below was found to be better than a fixed circuit operating at higher frequency, since the size of the incremental inductances for the various channels has been kept reasonably small. It was noted that one could use a circuit operating in the neighborhood of 600 mc and use capacitances and inductances for achieving the required responses. However, the use of capacitors has been found to be limited to the bandwidth requirements, while inductances have resulted in a more efficient transfer of energy.

Variable Inductance Tuners

In a paper covering the possibilities of variable inductance systems for *uhf* tuners. H. F. Melvin of Mallory disclosed that two types of tuners have been designed for this service. One has been a so-called dual-line tuner.

The tuner was said to be a compact assembly of variable inductance available in one, two, three, or four sections in the same case.

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Preselector tuning elements are shaped differently from each other and from the oscillator tuning elements (available for various *if* frequencies, at roughly, 40, 80, and 130 mc) to provide good tracking when used in converters and front-ends. The maxinum deviation in resetability from one production element to another was said to be less $\pm 0.8^{\circ}$ at 130° rotation (approximately ± 2 mc at 660 mc), where the maximum error occurs. The *rf* range of the preselector was described as being approximately 1.98 (460 to 910 mc) in 270° of rotation.

In a review of the antenna section its was said that two small arcs of silver ribbon (approximately 70° long) were imbedded on the back side of a coupling element. These are concentric with the tuning element, and in a position to provide approximately balanced

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In efforts to meet this complex requirement many have evolved unique and extremely effective approaches, some revolving about speaker design, while others have developed special enclosures.

Reviewing the problem during a meeting of the IRE professional group on audio at the NEC conference⁺, D. I. Plach and P. B. Williams** reported that there are two kinds of radiation means employed to produce sound from a speaker. In one the moving system is coupled to the air by the transformer-like action of a loading horn. However, they said, the more

Three-speed record player which features a slip-on 45-rpm spindle. Larger slip-on spindle fits over a permanent 78/33 1/3-rpm spindle and converts the player into a 45-rpm instrument. Record player plays up to 14 45-rpm records at one loading; plays up to ten 12-inch or twelve 10-inch standard or long-playing discs at one loading; plays up to ten intermixed sizes of 78-rpm, or the same number of 33 1/3-rpm records of intermixed sizes; provides two separate pick-up points in a single tone arm, one for playing 78-rpm discs and another for the 45-rpm and 33 1/3-rpm records. (RCA: 2JSI record player attachment, complete with phonojack cable, which can play through any radio ar television set; 2ES3 self-contained all-speed phono which houses its own speaker and amplifying system; 2ES38 self-contained portable all-speed phono craph housed in a leatherette carrying case with handle; 2US7 table model radio-phono combin-ing all-speed changer with a standard band 7-tube radio with 3 watts of push-pull output.)



common method is to couple the cone directly to the air, in the so-called direct radiator, or cone-type unit, which is commonly used today.

At low frequencies it was pointed out, speakers are no better than the enclosures used with them. It has been found that a properly tuned bassreflex enclosure can deliver more lowfrequency output at lower distortion, than an open-backed or closed-box type cabinet. Over about one octave, movement of the cone was said to be less, while the port radiates most of the power. It was noted that a reduced cone movement lowers distortion generated by non-linearities in the moving system and magnetic field; in-

*From comments made by Vincent Salmon, Stanford Research Institute, in a PGA-IRE newsletter. †Seventh annual affair held in Chicago. **Jensen.

A 500-ohm direct drive amplifier which is said A 500-ohm direct drive amplifier which is said to eliminate the need for an output transformer. Hum and noise are claimed to be 90 db below full output; frequency response, $\pm \frac{1}{4}$ db 20-70,000 cps; distortion less than half of one per cent at 20 watts output. Matching loudspeakers and speaker systems with 500-ohm vc impe-dance must be used with the amplifier. Utilizes four 2A3s in parallel in output directly connected to 500-ohm voice coil through an 80-mfd by-pass. (Tra-Sonic 500 D; Stephens Mfg. Corp., 8538 Warner Drive, Culver City, Calif.)















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Fig. 1. Schematic of Musictane system which can be used as a tape or discreeorder, pa and for the playing of 78 phono records.

creasing the enclosure size beyond a point gains little in practical performance. In the case of a 15'' speaker, it was said, this point is 8 to 9 cubic feet.

Declaring that while a large enclosure represents a good method to mount a number of speakers, the specialists said that this does not mean that two speakers of cone area equal to one larger speaker cone will be superior to the larger one. Area is important, they added, but resonance of the speakers must be low enough for the intended purpose, as operation will not be improved below their resonant frequency; the size of the enclosure

Corner horn enclosure for an eight-inch speaker. Console stands 25" high and is 20" wide by 11" deep. It is recommended that enclosure be set flush in corners or placed within at least two or three inches of the wall. (*Two models are available*; CH-8M in mahogany and CH-8B in blonde mahogany; Permojlux Corp.)



should be greater than that used for a single speaker.

It was then noted that it was felt that the most effective way to boost output at the speaker is to load the cone with a horn, the horn acting like a transformer to give the speaker a higher radiation resistance load.

Discussing the fundamental parameters of a horn, Plach and Williams noted four: throat size, mouth size, flare and cutoff frequency. Cutoff frequency and mouth size, it was said, are determined by the lowest frequency to be passed, while cutoff frequency is fixed by flare of the horn. The flare

High frequency unit which it is said can make a 3-way system from any coax speaker, or a 2-way from a single unit direct radiator. The super-tweeter (RP.302) is adapted from the hf channel of triaxial speaker (G-6/0). Unit sits atop cabinet or mounts flush on baffle or panel in 11/1/16' hole. Tweeter is said to provide highs from 4000 cycles up, extending range to limits of audibility (approximately 18,000 cycles). A plastic diaphram is said to provide freedom from break-up. Aluminum voice coil wire. Impedance is 16 ohms. Maximum power rating, 30-40 watts speech and music signal, when used with a crossover network (A-402). Network can be connected (with 2-mfd capacitor in scries) across low impedance speaker line, up to 16 ohms, approximately. (Additional dataavailable on form DZ from Jensen ManufacturingCo., h601 South Laramie Ave., Chicago 38).



was described as determining the diaphragm load resistance at the throat near cutoff frequency.

It was pointed out that for some time, horn loading has been used in conjunction with conventional direct radiator speakers as drivers for theatre and outdoor use, for low-frequency reproduction. The same design elements apply to horns for low frequencies, except that two factors are smaller problems in actual performance. Spatial distribution, it was said, is no longer a problem at low frequencies, and configuration of the mouth and the flare are of less consequence. It was

Folded-horn corner enclosure for 8" loudspeakers. Utilizing the Klipsch principle of folded corner horn loading, enclosure conceals in approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ cubic feet of housing the throat of a horn formed by the walls of the room. Proper loading of driver cone is said to hold voice coil in the flux gap and lower distortion. Dimensions: $23\frac{1}{2}$ " high: $14\frac{1}{2}$ " wide; $10\frac{1}{2}$ " deep at and $14\frac{1}{2}$ " deep at bottom. (Baronet; Electro-Voice, Inc., Buchanan, Michigan.)





Circuit of preamp specially designed for amplifiers of the Williamson type. Unit features two stages, compensated for low-gain magnetic type of phono cartridges of G.E. or Pickering type, and a two-stage, tone-compensating non-resonant control circuit. Dual triodes are used in both stages. (Courtesy Approved Electronic Instrument Corp.)

indicated that mouth size compared to wavelength of the sound can be less than in higher frequency units radiating into space, since floor, walls, and other large surfaces close to the mouth effectively act to create mirror images of the radiating surface, thus raising the radiation resistance and increasing efficiency.

Recently, Plach and Williams declared, there has been interest in adapting horn loading for use in the home, where space usually is at a premium; space can be saved by use of a corner of a room as one section of a folded horn. The other section or sections can be built into an enclosure for the speaker. Today, there are three main types of corner horns.

One was described as the pyramid type with symmetrical radiation areas from the enclosure leading onto the floor and each wall of the corner. The

Record changer designed for hi-fi, which fea-tures a four-pole motor, muting switch, and G.E. variable reluctance cartridge. Mounted on a metal pan. Plays through any radio, TV set, or separate amplifying system. (*Tri-O-Matic 956 G.E.*, *V-M Corp.*)



assymetrical type was said to have symmetrical radiation areas from the enclosure onto the walls only. Another type of corner horn was detailed as something like a bass-reflex enclosure with the ports horn loaded to some extent by the corner.

A third type was noted as a backloading enclosure in which the front of the speaker can radiate in normal fashion

In the enclosure of this system, there is a sound chamber, of the type used

Flip-type index, featuring basic electrical and mounting information on radio and TV speakers. Index, less than 6" square, is said to provide at the flip of an identification tab all data neces-sary for the installation of any one of 22 differ-ent RCA speakers. Can be mounted on a wall or atop a service bench. Each of the 22 speakers in index is illustrated by a physical outline drawing, and photograph. Necessary mounting information and such basic electrical data as voice-coil impedance, power-handling capability, resonant frequency, and manet weight are also included for each speaker. Available through RCA electronic components distributors.



in hf horns. This was said to serve the purpose of shunting out radiation from the rear of the cone above about 300 cycles, where cone front radiation takes over. Total volume was noted as about 27 cubic feet. with outside measurements of 63" height, 243/a" depth and 371/2" width. Three-quarters inch wood was found to be sufficiently heavy to prevent excessive vibration of the sections.

It was noted that the placement of the speaker is not critical, with operation being slightly better in an upright position, than when placed on a side. Corner operation was said to be satisfactory, although not essential.

Tape-Disc-Phono-PA System

The trend to combination tapephono systems has prompted the development of several unusual types of equipment, making it possible to either record on tape and rerecord on discs, or vice versa, or use the instrument to play either tape or records.¹

Recently, there was developed an apparatus (Musictape) that features an input from either microphone, external radio, or external record player, which can be recorded on either disc or tape. Once recorded on either disc or tape, it is possible to rerecord on the other recording device. For example, if the first recording is made on tape, desired portions can be rerecorded on a disc. If the original recording is on a disc, it may be transferred to the tape.

Playback Operation

Recordings made by the instrument can be played back immediately through a builtin speaker, or through an optional external speaker. Input from external sources. such as a microphone or external record player may be heard by utilizing either the

¹SERVICE; March and April, 1952.

Talk-A-Phone catalog featuring a fold-over sec-tion titled Where to Use Intercom—and How to Figure Your Requirements. Charts and de-scriptive material tell prospective intercom buy-ers how to determine where to install intercom and how to get maximum efficiency out of sys-tems. Functions of each type of intercom are described.





Transcription player combined with pa system, which has a 12-inch detachable loudspeaker with 10-foot extension cord and plays all records and transcriptions from 7" to 17/2". Has a 5-tube amplifier, twist crystal cartridge fitted with 2 permanent needles, a 3-speed motor for 33 1/3, 45, and 78 rpm, variable volume and tone control, and mixer that permits simultaneous use of record and microphone. (Model AM 53-PA: Audio-Master Corp., 341 Madison Ave., N. Y. 17.)

builtin speaker or through an external speaker.

Utilizing two 6SJ7s, a 6J5 and 7C5. recorder is said to provide a frequency response of from 50 to 7.000, and a power output of 5 watts. Speed of the tape is 334'' per second, with provisions for one hour of recording on double track tape. Disc rpm is 78. Speaker is $5'' \ge 7''$ oval, 3.2 ohms impedance. Instrument employs an automatic erase, fast forward and rewind speeds for editing, etc. An external 12-inch Alnico speaker may be employed with the unit for use as a *pa* system for either voice or music.

Disc Recording

To record onto a disc with this unit, a cutting needle should be inserted into the crystal cartridge so that the screw tightens up onto the flat side

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In an effort to teach record owners the fundamentals of good record care, Electrovox Co., Inc., has announced that it is making available a microscope, capable of enlarging needle tips 200 times for customer inspection, set up on a display stand. Display and microscope are available through Walco distributors.







by L.M. ALLEN

Minimizing Ripple and Interference Effects in Horizontal-Deflection Circuits

IN TV CHASSIS two types of picture disturbance are encountered quite often; *ripple* which appears as alternate dark and light vertical bands in the raster, and *spook interference*, which appears as a narrow black vertical band very near the left margin of the raster. Although ripple has been called *ringing*, the term *ringing* actually describes only one of several possible causes of ripple. Both of these troubles originate in the horizontaldeflection circuits.

The specific cause of ripple can normally be determined from the appearance of the raster and a few simple tests. In locating the specific cause it is necessary to determine first

*Based on copyrighted notes prepared by the Tube Department of RCA.



whether the ripple is caused by modulation of the picture-tube beam current or by modulation of the scanning current. Modulation of the beam current results from coupling between the deflection circuits and the videoamplifier or picture-grid circuits. Because such coupling does not affect scanning, no change in horizontal linearity is associated with ripple due to beam modulation. Observation of the circle of a test pattern or, preferably, of a straight diagonal line in a picture will usually indicate if any linearity The placedisturbance is present. ment of two capacitors, .5 mfd or larger, at the socket of the picture tube, one between grid I and cathode,

(Left)

A fact and a prediction: According to G. E., a recently completed survey shows that more than 950,000,000 receiving tubes are now in operation in home and car chassis and TV sets, and the billionth tube, similar perhaps to the model illustrated at left, will undoubtedly go into operation within the next few weeks.

(Right)

Projection-type picture tube employing electrostatic focus and magnetic deflection; RCA 7WP4. Has a 7-inch face and metal backed white fluorescent screen, and can provide a 15x20 picture at a projection throw of about 80 feet. Operates with an *ultor* voltage of 75,000 volts; *ultor* in a picture tube is the electrode or electrode in combination with one or more additional electrodes connected within the tube to it, to which is applied the highest *dc* voltage for accelerating the electrons in the beam prior to its deflection. In this tube, grid 4, which has the *ultor* function and collector, are connected together within the tube. and the other between grid 2 and cathode, should eliminate any ripple due to modulation of the beam current.

Common Cause of Ripple

One common cause of ripple is improper neutralization of the horizontaldeflecting coils. Improper neutralization results in modulation of the scanning current and, consequently, variations in horizontal linearity. Distinguishing characteristics of this kind of ripple are: wavy raster lines in the vicinity of the ripple; ripple, most intense at the extreme left of the raster : ripple not uniform in appearance from top to bottom of the raster. . . . It is usually barely perceptible at a point



near the center (vertically) of the raster; marked changes in beam focus, apparent in the vicinity of the ripple; appearance of the ripple which may be changed by adjustment of the ion-trap magnet or other device which alters the position of the beam inside the neck of the picture tube.

Although some of these symptoms could be caused by omission or a marked change in value of the damping resistor across each vertical-deflecting coil, these resistors are rarely omitted and their value is not critical. The usual cause of these symptoms is improper neutralization of the horizoutal-deflecting coils. Neutralization can be accomplished with specific values of series resistance and capacitance across the horizontal-deflecting coil, which is at the highest ac potential above ground. For satisfactory neutralization, the value of resistance is not critical. The major advantage of using the resistor is that the adjustment becomes less critical and, therefore, in practice a capacitor of fixed value can be employed. However, even when the resistor is used, the capacitor tolerances should not exceed five per cent.

Although the values of resistance and capacitance in the voke-neutralizing network may be correct, almost all yokes produce a series of two or three very narrow bright vertical lines at the extreme left of the raster. Although this disturbance exhibits all of the symptoms enumerated, it is not eliminated by conventional methods of voke neutralization. Fortunately, this type of disturbance, which is difficult to eliminate, is usually in the blanked portion of the raster and off the screen. The cause of this remaining ripple is apparently imperfect coupling between the windings of the individual deflecting coils. Because it is impracticable to make electrical connection to the portions of individual coils requiring neutralization in production type vokes, circuit designers can do very little to eliminate this ripple.

Another common cause of ripple, also evidenced by modulation of scanning current, is ringing in the horizontal-output transformer. Ringing can be described as a damped oscillation which occurs in resonant circuits formed by leakage inductance and distributed capacitance in the transformer. Such ringing may modulate the scanning current and cause raster ripple. This ripple, however, is different from that due to improper neutralization of the horizontal-deflecting coils, in that it is uniform in intensity from top to bottom of the raster.

It has been found that ripple, due to ringing in the horizontal-output (Continued on page 56)











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transformer, generally results from inherent design characteristics of the transformer. It may also be caused or intensified by the particular circuit in which the transformer is used. For example, the use of a width control having too low an inductance value can increase ripple intensity. A change of voke inductance often affects ripple, even though the transformer taps may be altered to reflect the same impedance to the horizontal-output tube. The addition of capacitance across a portion of the transformer winding can also change the intensity or frequency of the ringing and, therefore, affect the ripple. Insertion of an external capacitor across each portion of the transformer winding, in turn, is often a useful means of locating the portion which causes the ripple. Alteration of circuit capacitance or inductance to make an appreciable change in retrace time can change the appearance of the ripple. Although alteration of any of these values of inductance and capacitance may be useful in localizing ringing in the output transformer, it is usually advisable to obtain the transformer manufacturer's recommendations for minimizing ringing.

Identification of Ripple Due to Several Causes

Ripple may be due to several causes all present at the same time. In such a case, none of the suggested procedures applied individually will eliminate all the ripple. It is advisable, therefore, to investigate the causes in order:

- (1) Two bypass capacitors, .5-mfd or larger, should be placed at the socket of the picture tube, one between grid 1 and cathode, and the other between grid 2 and cath-The bypass capacitors will ode. eliminate all beam modulation, not only ripple caused by coupling between the deflection circuits and video circuits, but also all picture information. The blank raster can then be used for critical observation of ripple due to other causes in further tests.
- (2) A variable capacitor should be substituted for the fixed yokeneutralizing capacitor. Commercially available transmitting-type air capacitors having a range up to 75 or 100 mmfd and adequate spacing to prevent arc-overs are suitable, provided a well-insulated knob is placed on the shaft to permit safe handling. The capacitor

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Cleaning Clock Radio Faces...Removing Corrosion on Plate Caps of 6BQ6 and 6CD6 Tubes...Eliminating High Residual Hum in Table Chassis... Overcoming 4.5-Mc Harmonic Interference...Checking Noise Immunity Networks...Troubleshooting Faults Common to Horizontal Sweep and Vertical Sweep Sections ...Practical Soldering Hints.

Servicing Helps

by M. A. MARWELL

To prevent rapid changes in the dcerror voltage when noise or verticalsync pulses enter the discriminator circuit, noise-immunity networks are used. Checks must be made to determine whether or not the network is coupling the error voltage to the grid of the reactance tube. This can be done by connecting a *vtvm* between the grid of the reactance tube and ground, and varying the horizontal-oscillator frequency control. As the oscillator frequency is varied above and below 15,750 cps, the control-grid voltage should vary from approximately +1 to approximately -4 volts. If the error voltage is not correct, it will be necessary to check the components in the noise-immunity network.

The network should also be checked to determine whether or not it is properly filtering the error voltage. This may be accomplished by connecting a 'scope between the grid of the reactance tube and ground. If the circuit is at fault, horizontal tearing in the picture will result.

When it has been determined that the noise-immunity network is functioning properly, the reactance tube stage should be checked.

Reactance Tube Stage

The usual voltage and resistance measurements are all that are required to locate a fault in the reactance-tube circuit, with the exception of an open screen bypass capacitor. This fault will cause a slight horizontal jitter in the picture, and may be checked by connecting the vertical input of a 'scope between the screen of the reactance tube and ground. If a sine-wave signal is observed on the screen, the bypass capacitor is probably open.

AFC Troubleshooting Procedure

To isolate *afc* circuit faults, the following procedures should be employed:

1. All tubes in the *afc* circuit should be checked by substitution. When substituting tubes, the frequency and phasing controls should be readjusted.

2. A *vtvm* should be connected between the reactance-tube control grid and ground, and the variation in grid voltage should be checked as the horizontal-frequency control is rotated.

3. If the grid voltage does not vary from approximately +1 to -4 volts,

the sync-discriminator and horizontaloscillator stages should be checked.

4. The waveform at the control grid of the reactance tube should be checked with a 'scope.

5. If the noise-immunity network is functioning properly, the voltages on the reactance tube should be measured, and a check should be made for an open screen-grid bypass capacitor[‡].

Sylvania Service Notes

Cleaning of Faces on Clock Radios: To clean the faces on Sylvania clock radios, it is recommended that the face be wiped with a soft cloth moistened in a solution of a good household detergent and water. This should be followed with a clear water washing and then dried with another piece of dry soft cloth.



Fig. 1. Partial schematic showing noise-immunity network components (solid lines) in DuMont chassis.

[‡]Based on copyrighted notes appearing in the DuMont Service News.



Master antenna isolation box, molded of phenolic plastic, which contains a resistor network for a minimum 30-db isolation between receivers. Feed-through feature allows soldering of coax cable in box so that signals are fed through to the next distribution point. Resistance pad isolates receiver from line. (Tacoplex feedthrough isolation boxes, molded of Bakelite phenolic plastic by Union Insulating Co.)

Plate Cap Corrosion in 6BQ6 or C6D6s: Corrosion inside of the plate caps of 6BQ6 or 6CD6 tubes has been found to result in poor contact, causing low hv. To insure proper contact, a thorough cleaning adding up to a bright surface is suggested.

High Residual Hum in Table Radios ... Chassis 1-601-1 and 1-602-1: Correction of this type of hum in Sylvania models may be obtained by removing the .022-mid capacitor, C_{16} , from it's B— return point and reconnecting it across the primary of the output transformer.

4.5-mc Harmonic Interference: In Sylvania model 22M-2 (1-387-1 chassis), 4.5-mc harmonic interference may be reduced by redressing the speaker leads so that they are as far away from the antenna leads as possible. The antenna should also be kept away from the speaker frame.

Arcing and Corona at Anode Button: Dirt accumulation around the anode button may lead to the belief that the picture tube is defective. This is particularly true on sets using a rubber anode cap. The rubber anode cap should be removed and discarded, and the insulated area around the button cleaned with scouring powder and water and then polished dry. This procedure should in no way affect the operation of the set and is said to eliminate the possibility of needless picture-tube replacement.

Double Firing*

Double firing of the horizontal oscillator is usually caused by maladjustment of the stabilizer core in the horizontal-oscillator transformer. It may also be caused by a change in value of the capacitor in parallel with the stabilizer winding of the horizontal-oscillator transformer. Double firing, also referred to as *squeeging* or *gunboating* can be corrected by adjusting the horizontal oscillator. If the trouble can not be cleared by adjusting the transformer, the capacitor in parallel with the stabilizer winding should be replaced.

Vertical Foldover*

Vertical foldover in the vertical sweep section of some Philco models has been found to be caused by the inability of the vertical output tube to pass the entire vertical sawtooth. In early production of the dual-chassis models, this problem was corrected by increasing the voltage applied to the plate of the vertical output tube.

Lack of Interlace*

When two succeeding fields of the TV picture do not have their lines perfectly interlaced, the vertical definition of the picture is reduced. This defect is often referred to as pairing. When the lines of the two fields pair up, that is fall on top of each other or close to each other rather than being evenly spaced, the trouble can be traced to a defective component in the grid circuit of the vertical oscillator. The pairing of lines can also be caused by undesired coupling between the horizontal and the vertical sweep section. This coupling allows some of the horizontal sweep signal to affect the operation of the vertical oscillator. Improperly positioned damper-tube leads or hori-

Fig. 2. Circuit changes in vertical sweep circuit of Phileo chassis developed to stop vertical foldover. Parts added are indicated by A.





Fig. 3. To improve picture quality in Sylvania chassis 1-387-1, when the receiver is used with a builtin antenna in locations where the signal input is weak, two components must be incorporated into the circuit: An rf choke ($L\pi$ 0) as shown above, and a .05-mfd capacitor between 678 filament (pin 5) and ground.

zontal-output leads are usually the cause of undesired coupling between the two sweep circuits.

Practical Hints on Soldering**

All work to be soldered should be cleaned. When metals are exposed to air for even a short length of time their surfaces become coated with oxides (such as rust) or other foreign materials. These represent an obstacle to good soldering; perfect joints can be made only if the two surfaces are chemically clean.

Methods of cleaning the surface preparatory to soldering may be either mechanical or chemical. Mechanical methods include the use of abrasive wheels, filing, scratching or shaving. Chemical methods involve the dipping into, or the application of fluxes. In preparing the soldering iron for use, the iron should be heated and then filed while it is hot. One should file, with a light, even stroke so that the surface The bit is flat and not rounded. should be cleaned with a flux and covered with a light coat of solder. This is called tinning and is accomplished by touching the iron to the solder, the excess solder being wiped or shaken off. If you use a flux-cored solder, the cleaning and tinning should be done at the same time.

The surface of the iron should be kept clean at all times so that it will tin readily and hold a maximum amount of solder. It should be kept flat so that maximum contact may be made. Oxides and corrosive products should be removed at regular intervals by filing or scraping.

The part to be soldered should be

^{*}From Philco Service TV home-study handbook.

^{**}From a booklet published by the Federated Metals Division of the American Smelting and Refining Co.

heated by placing the hot iron on it. A little solder should be fed between the iron and surface, and the solder worked in with a rubbing rotary motion. Additional solder should then be added and firm rubbing should be continued to assure perfect pre-tinning.

Soldering Tips

Soldering work can be ruined when solder is melted on the bit and then allowed to drip onto the work. A weak joint usually results. . . . Always apply heat to the work itself until it is hot enough to melt the solder. Then touch solder to the work. Surplus solder wastes money, conceals a poor fit, hides spots which are not in contact with solder (which can cause many hours of wasted troubleshooting), and actually weakens the joint. The strongest joint is .003" to .0005" thick . . . not much thicker than the paper this is printed on. With such thin spacing between properly heated elements, the solder is drawn by capillary action and fills the gap so that there is a complete strong metal-to-solder-to-metal union

Westinghouse TV Chassis Modifications

Model H-328C7, V-2136-4 Chassis: In earlier Westinghouse models of this series, excessive hf oscillator voltage injection will tend to reduce the sensitivity at the high-frequency end of the AM band. This effect can be eliminated by adding a 680-ohm 1/2-watt resistor between the tap on the AM oscillator coil and chassis ground. . . The dropping resistor for the pin-6 grid of the 12BE6 should be changed to 2200 ohms to lower the power dissipation in the tube. . . . A .005-mfd capacitor should be added in parallel with the ratio-detector electrolytic capacitor. This will serve as an *rf* bypass and eliminate oscillation that may otherwise appear on the FM band.

Models H-331P4U and H-333P4U, V-2104U Chassis: To improve the operation of the hf oscillator at low-line voltage, the dropping resistor for the pin-3 grid of the 1R5 should be changed to 22,000 ohms, and the gridreturn resistor for the 1R5 and 3V4 should be changed to 150,000 ohms. . . . An improved line-battery switch is used in later production. In chassis containing the improved switch, the 82-ohm resistor in series with the positive lead of the B battery should not be used, and the battery should be connected directly to the switch. . . . To prevent B-battery leakage when the line plug is inserted for battery operation and the on-off switch is in off position, the connecting points for the

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THE FIRST newsletter of the Television Service Association in the tri-state area has been published, Penny Martin, executive secretary of the association, planned the issue, in which appeared news of the activities of the association and the industry, too.

According to the newsletter, Robert Laneve of Pittsburgh Radio, Sound and Television Lab, was elected the first president of the association. Serving with him for '52 will be: Milton J. Reich, Allegheny Television, Inc., vice president; Thomas Ulrich, Penn Television, secretary, and L. C. Reed, Moree Television Service, treasurer.

Standing committees appointed included: Finance, Reed and Pete Stampo; membership, Reich and Ulrich; publicity, Penny Martin; laws and regulations, James Hershberg and Ed Ross; trade and labor relations, Paul Eisler and George Moreau; member cooperation, Morton Fredler and Robert Roetter.

Hershberg and Ross will select a lawyer to charter the association and investigate the advisability of retaining a legal firm to represent the TSA.

The first Wednesday of each month was designated as the regular meeting date of the TSA.

RTTG, FLORIDA

AT A recent meeting of the Radio and Television Technicians Guild of Florida, Dade County Chapter, E. A. Williams explained the method by which a vital community function which hitherto had not been utilized to its full extent, can be made to benefit the radio Service operator.

Association members expressed their thanks to the Honorable Chelsie J. Senerchia, Mayor of Miami, for his timely talk on the past and future growth of Miami and the resultant possibilities this growth holds for Service Men.

Sam Kessler and Mrs. Kessler were applauded for their grand job of arrangement at the installation dinner.

Roger Haines, newly elected vice president of National Electronic Technicians and Service Dealers Association, spent a brief vacation in Miami, and offered his congratulations to the RTTG for their work.

CORRECTION

IN THE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM of the tapedisc recording amplifier presented within the *cover* article in the March issue of SERVICE, no connection should have appeared between pins 1 and 2 of the recording head.

JFD BOOTH AT MONTREAL EXHIBITION



The JFD booth at the recent Montreal Exhibition. Featured were TV television antennas and accessories. Lectures by JFD's chief antenna development engineer, Leonard Mazel, were held twice a day during the show's run.

TEN YEARS AGO

MANUFACTURERS received word that civilian radio-set production would cease on June 7th. . . Designs included in the last receivers coming off the line indicated many interesting trends. Crosley introduced a 5-tube phono combination, which used a transformer for boosting the platesupply voltage, but employed a string of series filaments operating directly from the line as in ac/dc receivers. . . Wilcox Gay released a record player equipped for 78 and 33 speeds, using an equalizer to maintain uniform response at the two speeds. The equipment also featured an additional filter created by grounding a .003-mfd bypass capacitor, which connected to load resistors in the 6Q7 plate. At high frequencies, the load was thus considerably reduced from 270,000 to 20,000 ohms, providing a boost in the lows. ... The annual Parts Trade Show was cancelled because of the industry's war program. . . George D. Barbey planned a distributors meeting coincident with the RMA convention at the Stevens Hotel. . . . The Sales Managers club, Western group, appointed a victory-program committee for the industry show, consisting of J. J. Kahn of Stancor as chairman, and W, W. Kuehl of Drake Electric Works, Inc., Ed Singer of Alliance Manufacturing Co., and Jerome Prince of Carron Manufacturing Co. . . . A 7-tube portable, announced by Zenith, featured the use of a 1LE3 triode as a separate oscillator, and a 1LN5 as a tuned rf stage. Pushbutton tuning was provided for all-wave reception.

LIGHTNING-ARRESTER MERCHANDISER



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F. A. DAUGHERTY Co., Bedford, Ohio (Ohio); Morris F. Taylor Co., Silver Springs, Md. (West Virginia and Penn-sylvania); and Southern Sales Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. (Kentucky and Indiana), have been appointed reps for the General Cement Manufacturing Co. ... Wood and Anderson Co., 3001 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis Mo., has been appointed rep St. Louis, Mo., has been appointed rep for Cornish Wire Co., Inc., in Missouri, Kansas and southern Illinois. . . . G. G. illison Co., Houston, Texas (Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas); Bill Bartleson, Minneapolis, Minn. (North and South Dakota, Minnesota and northwestern Wisconsin); and Harris Pound, Montreal, Canada (Canada except prov-ince of British Columbia), have been named reps for United Technical Laboratories. . . . Dan Bittan, reporting on the NEDA-Atlantic City Fall conference during a recent meeting of the chapter in N. Y. City, advised that there will be no show, display or exhibits; participating manufacturers will have booths to interview the visiting jobbers. Those at the meeting included James Pickett, chapter prexy; Harry Finkelstein, vice prexy; Jules Bressler, second vice prexy and Wally Schulan, secretary-treasurer. . . . The roster-directory for the N. Y. chapter is now available from John Kopple, 60 E. 42nd St., New York City, or Wally Shulan, 136 Liberty St., New York City. Directory has been minuted in these Directory has been printed in three sections: Section one, member reps listed alphabetically; section two, manufacturers represented shown alphabetically; and section three, products. . . . Harry Ester-sohn and Co., have moved to 7135 Gersohn and Co., have moved to 7135 Ger-mantown Ave., Philadelphia 19, Pa. New phone number is WIssahickon 7-1816.... Al Middleman, 55 W. 42nd St., New York, N. Y., has been named national sales rep for Beam Radionics Corp., Chi-cago..... Harry Bittan and Co., have been appointed rep for Crest Laboratories, have been appointed rep for Crest Laboratories. Deen appointed rep for Crest Laboratories, Inc., Far Rockaway, L. I., in metropoli-tan New York. . . L. F. Waelterman, 8543 McKenzie Rd., St. Louis, Mo. (Mis-souri, Nebraska, Kansas); Joe Clancy, Wilder Rd., Angola, Ind. (Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky); and J. J. McBride Sales Co., Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Ill. (Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin), have been appointed Iowa, Wisconsin), have been appointed reps for Ram Electronics. . . . Ronald. C. Stimpson has joined the staff of Henry Lavin Associates, P.O. Box 196, Meriden, Conn. He was formerly with Graybar Electric.... George E. Harris of George E. Harris & Company, Wichita, Kans., has been appointed rep for the Halldorson Transformer Co. Harris and his associate, John B. Pilkington, will call on distribu-tors in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Iowa. . . Cliff Landis Sales Co., 8-11 Roosevelt Ave., Jackson Heights, New York, has been named rep for the cathode-ray tube division of Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc., in the New York Metropolitan area.



Ronald C. Stimpson



Business Aids

[In response to many requests, arrangements have been made to feature every month in SERVICE a column devoted to a discussion of Business Aids for the Service Shop, based on queries submitted by readers of SERVICE. Topics to be reviewed will include advertising, bookkeeping, customer relationship, filing systems, displays, direct mail, etc. These columns are being conducted by a veteran Service Man with over a quarter of a century experience in the field, who is currently operator of a large Service Shop, and is also extremely active in association affairs. If you have a business-aid problem, send it to ye editor, and every effort will be made to publish a solution in an early edition of SERVICE.]

Dear Don Kay:

During a repair call in a home, what possibilities exist for extra sales, especially insofar as audio is concerned.-A. H. B

Dear A. H. B.

There are many audio extras that can be sold during a service call.

It is profitable for a shop to carry a complete selection of replacement needles for all makes of phonos. A service kit of popular and higher-priced needles and special replacements should be carried by a Service Man when making a call. A check of the customer's needle should always be made during the call as a special extra service. For 78-rpm changers or phonos, you will find that it is not difficult to sell needles. Where the owner is a connoisseur of fine music and desires quality, the higher-priced needles and cartridges offer excellent sales possibilities.

The cartridge-replacement business, an Man, is a very profitable *extra*. Car-tridges that have been in players or changers two years or more usually lose some of their frequency response characteristics and high amplitude, too, during that time. The cost involved in carrying a replacement stock of cartridges is not as great today as it was several years ago. Many manufacturers now make complete replacement kits that will cover up to 90 per cent of your daily needs. In addition, there is the reluctancetype pickup that can be sold to the music lovers. A preamp, required in this case, would be another extra.

You will find the needle and cartridgereplacement business in the dual and triple-speed changers, more frequent than in the 78-rpm changer. The customer's neglect to change the position of the needle with the change of speed will tend to damage or wear the needle in some way. Many of the dual needles are so inserted that it becomes necessary to replace the entire unit. This extra sale and extra service time will pay big dividends if you take time out to check the needle and the cartridge when making a service call in the home.

Many owners of record changers have forgotten about the condition of their player or changer due to lack of use;

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many of them have not been used because of the need for some minor adjustment. By checking each changer and player, you will find extra dollars.

To replace the average type of cartridges and needles, there is no need for any special tools. A small pocket mirror, a two or three-inch screw-driver and a flashlight should serve your needs.

Another extra, to a single-speed changer owner, might be a new and modern three-speed changer. This involves but little work to replace, as you can buy a wooden base board to fit the new changer.

> Sincerely, Don Kay

Auto Radio

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set, through a dummy antenna which is usually specified by the manufacturer. If such a load is not specified, you should install one, consisting of a 100-mmfd capacitor shunted by a 400-ohm carbon resistor.

To calibrate the dial at the hf end the tuning capacitors should be opened all the way. This procedure also applies to permeability tuners; the cores should be pulled all the way out of their coils. If the dial scale reads 16, align to 16.20 kc; if it's 17, align to 1720. The receiver should be set for maximum output by adjusting the oscillator trimmer and then tuning the signal generator to around 1400 kc. The chassis can now be tuned to the signal-generator signal and rf and antenna trimmers adjusted for maximum. To adjust the low end, the signal generator should be set to 600 kc, and the signal tuned by adjusting the padder in the oscillator, and then the dial can be tuned for maximum reading. These operations should be continued until no further increase can be had; this is known as rocking, and is employed on all padder adjustments. If the calibration is not quite accurate, after this adjustment, at the low end of the dial, there is no need to be alarmed; carradios aren't noted for their exact calibration, and the extra gain is more important than a precise dial reading.

Most of the antenna trimmers are adjusted at around 1400 kc. You needn't take too much time with them while on the bench, as they will have to be retuned after installation, anyhow. It is only necessary to get them to a rough peak and let 'em go. Some sets, especially the older ones, used antenna series capacitors which were adjusted at 600 kc. This value should appear in the alignment instructions. If it doesn't, you should check the schematic; if the capacitor is in par-



allel, it's probably a trimmer and adjusted at 1400 kc. If it is in series with the antenna coil, it's a padder, and adjusted at 600 kc. After reinstallation in the car, a final adjustment should be made. This should be done by connecting the output lead of the signal generator to the external antenna, tuning the set to 1400 or 600 kc, whichever is necessary. This signal can be tuned in on the set and adjustments then made.

Alignment with 'Scope

'Scope alignment differs from conventional procedure. Required is an FM-AM signal generator, with facilities for providing a signal at a frequency, which can be alternately swept from about 15 kc above to 15 kc below the resonant frequency of the stage under alignment. These values will vary from instrument to instrument. As the FM signal starts above the resonant frequency, there will be no response. As it reaches resonance, the stage will give its maximum response; then as it goes below, the stage will return to zero response. The output of this stage, if applied to the vertical plates of a 'scope, will cause deflection of the spot on the screen. If the sweep rate of the signal generator is in synchronism with the sweep rate of the 'scope, there will appear a pattern on the screen, like that shown in Fig. 1. Most signal generators use 60-cycle modulation for FM alignement work. If the 'scope uses a 60-cycle sawtooth sweep, the picture will have a single trace. If the 'scope uses 120 cycle sweep, there will be a double trace. These traces will move back and forth across the screen as the tuning of the signal generator is changed. Usually, the signal generator should be tuned so that the peak of the trace falls near the center of the screen.

To produce a suitable-size figure on the screen, it will be necessary to adjust the gain control of the vertical amplifier and the antenuator of the signal generator. Sweep controls of the 'scope should be adjusted until the figure remains stationary. As little input as possible should be used to avoid overloading and distortion of the pattern.

The 'scope's vertical amplifier must be connected to the output of the last *if* stage, usually the diode-load resistor. The connection should be directly across the resistor if possible. If not, you should get as near to it as you can. It is important to avoid connecting the 'scope so that signals have small coupling capacitors in series with them. This may cause phase-shift and pattern



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distortion. In a large number of sets, the volume control itself is the load resistor, and connections may be made across it. In others, a separate load resistor is used, and the signal fed to the volume control through capacitors.

Before attempting alignment with the 'scope, the signal generator should be set to the correct *if* on AM, and the trimmers roughly aligned **for peak**. When the FM signal is connected, the peak response will then be in the proper place. Now, with the response curve on the screen, the trimmers should be adjusted to provide a pattern with the maximum amplitude and the greatest degree of coincidence. In other words, the curves should be made to overlap as much as possible. The curves obtained, when using the double-trace method, should overlap at the top and sides, and be as nearly together at the bottom as possible.

If the pattern rises to its maximum height when adjusting trimmer, then suddenly breaks up into *fuzz* at the top, or *tears out*, you have some oscillation, somewhere in the *if*. This must be cured before proceeding with the alignment. First, the input signal should be

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reduced to see if the distortion is due to overloading. If not, tubes and bypasses should be checked. In a very few cases, the presence of the 'scope leads will cause oscillation, especially if they happen to cross from their connection point back over the first or second stages. To check for this condition, the leads should be moved back and forth. If this cures the trouble, the leads should be dressed until oscillation stops. Improper lead dress elsewhere in the set can also cause oscillation. A gassy tube, a missing shield, or a plate lead too close to a grid lead can cause this, too.

At this point, if you happen to have a tube in the if that you're not quite sure about, a bit of tube testing is certainly in order. For instance, if the if amplifier tube tested in the questionmark sector, and you could show the customer how much difference a new one would make, the height and shape of the curve on the screen with the old tube could be displayed and then the characteristics with a new tube could be shown. It might be necessary to recheck the trimmer associated with that particular tube for maximum efficiency, but you'll be able to tell very definitely whether that particular tube should be replaced.

Selectivity Measurement

The selectivity of any set can be measured with the 'scope pattern. For instance, if your signal generator has a 30-kc sweep, and your 'scope screen is calibrated (a plastic overlay with linear graph lines), you can adjust the width of the trace until the ends of the base line coincide with the plus and minus kc marks on the plastic overlay. The height should be adjusted to some convenient amplitude, and the width of the trace measured at the base of the curve, also 2/3 of the way down from the top. If this width, 2/3 down, is less than 10 kc, your set is selective enough for all practical purposes. The height of the image relative to the length of the base line is not important; it is the ratio of the base width to the width at another given point, usually 2/3 down from the top.

The 'scope can also be used to shape up rf or antenna circuit response. The 'scope should be left connected to the diode load resistor, and the signal generator lead moved to the antenna socket. You can use the dummy antenna previously described. The signal generator gain should be adjusted until the pattern is the right size, and tuned to about a 1400-kc signal, swept the same as previously. Now, the rf and



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antenna trimmers should be adjusted. To adjust oscillator padders and antenna series capacitors, the signal generator should be set to around 600 kc, also swept. This will make adjustment of padders easy, as the proper direction of adjusting may be seen from the screen. It will cut the number of moves necessary from about ten or twelve to two or three.

A certain amount of practice is necessary to get the most out of the 'scope, but once you get used to it, you'll find it possible to do much better and faster work.

UHF Oscillator

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Fig. 4. Socket sections (bottom view) of the 6AF4.

resonant lines, and to provide a greater flexibility in circuit connections.

A continuously tuned oscillator designed for this tube appears on the cover and in Fig. 1.

The base pins of the 6AF4 fit miniature 7-contact sockets, which should be of the mica-filled, rubber, or ceramic type. The tube can be held in any position, but the tube must be held secure. Otherwise, the generated frequency may change by as much as 10 mc. Use of a conventional miniature tube shield and external clamping arrangement are also recommended.

Frequency Deviations

It has been found that frequency deviations occurring after the operating temperature of the tube has been stabilized are often the result of changes in the applied voltages or changes in the circuit elements. A variation in the plate voltage can affect the transconductance and the electron transit time, while a variation in the heater voltage can affect the input capacitance and may affect the space charge within the tube. Therefore, receivers designed for stable operation



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must use a well-regulated plate and heater-supply for the oscillator tube.

Stability of the external circuit elements can best be achieved, it is said, through the use of materials which are relatively independent of temperature variation, vibration, and change during life. In addition to the use of the proper type of socket as recommended, it is important that the resonant circuit utilize materials having a lowtemperature coefficient.**

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Distribution System

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permit such processing this at no loss to the manufacturer.

Once it can be established that these monitors cost less than complete receivers, the only other cost left for consideration is the master antenna system with its usually involved rf distribution, compared to the simple and straightforward system of distribution amplifiers with a streamlined distribution of non-rf video.

Just as audio distribution in the fields of *pa* systems, talkback systems, recorders, etc., was merely an outgrowth of standard broadcasting systems, it seems as if video distribution is heading in this same direction.

Social Security

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vivor benefits in addition to a lumpsum, are provided for the widow at age 65, to the widow with minor children in her care, children under age 18, dependent husband, and dependent parents. Family benefits in death cases will range from a minimum of \$40 to a maximum of \$150 a month.

Where an individual is or will be o5 years of age and plans to retire, it will be to his advantage to visit his nearest *social-security* office to discuss his case. Survivor's benefits payable to eligible members of the family should be familiar information to all. A free explanatory booklet is available upon request to any *social-security* office.



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standard *if* is 10.7 mc. In this case, the oscillator frequency should be 90 +10.7 or 100.7 mc. The actual resonant frequency of the local oscillator tuned circuit should be measured with the grid dip oscillator in the same manner as the preselector was measured. Any changes should be made in the coil necessary to make it resonant to 100.7 mc. Some receivers may have an ironcored slug or a flat non-magnetic disc for adjusting the resonant frequency of the circuit. This adjustment is for the low end of the band only.

All adjustments made thus far covered tracking at the lower end of the dial. Now the high end of the tuning range, or 104 mc, must be considered. If the receiver dial is set to 104 mc the preselector should be resonant to 104 mc and the local oscillator to 104 mc + 10.7 or 114.7 mc. The resonant frequencies of each circuit should be checked again as was previously.



ORDER FROM YOUR NEAREST PARTS JOBBER However, if a correction of resonant frequency of either circuit is required, this must be done by means of the trimmers across each unit, *not* by squeezing the coils or by otherwise adjusting the inductance.

Following this adjustment of trimmers at the high end of the tuning range, it would be wise to recheck the resonant frequency of the circuits once again at the low end; that is at about 90 mc. This would be particularly necessary if considerable trimmer adjustment was required.

The set should be ready now to receive signals and can be connected to an antenna, turned on and operated.

An alternate method that can be used to peak a set that is all right otherwise and will get some stations. requires the use of a so-called tuning wand. A powdered iron slug and a brass slug, each on the end of a piece of good insulation is used. Here is how it may be done. In the case of an FM receiver, a high impedance voltmeter (20,000 ohms-per-voit or better) should be placed across the ratiodetector load resistor; Fig. 2, p. 33. If the chassis employs a discriminator, the meter should be connected from the high side of the limiter grid resistor to ground; Fig. 3, p. 33. The set should be turned on and a station tuned in on the low end of the dial. Suppose we get a station at 93 mc on the receiver dial, and the actual operating frequency is known to be approximately 92 mc. The receiver dial should be set to 92 mc and this station tuned in again by variation of the inductance of the local oscillator, using the meter as a tuning indicator, and adjusting for maximum voltage.

Preselector tuning is next. First, let's assume that it is correct. The iron slug should be inserted slowly into the coil of the tuned circuit. This will detune it in the low-frequency direction. The voltage on the meter will fall off. Insertion of the brass slug into the coil will detune it in the high-frequency direction. Again the meter will fall off.

If the meter falls off with one slug and goes up some with the other, it is obvious that the circuit is not quite resonant to the incoming signal. As an example, if the brass slug causes some slight increase in voltage while the iron slug causes a decrease in voltage, the circuit should be tuned slightly higher in frequency by spreading the coil turns.

This procedure must be repeated again for the high end of the band, say at 104 mc. This time, however, corrections should be made with the trimmers only.

Either of these methods have been found to produce fine results.



Service Helps

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negative lead from the A battery and the negative lead from the B battery should be interchanged. The negative lead from the B battery now connects to the point where the A battery negative lead previously connected, and vice versa.

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 (R_{29}) connected between terminal 3 of the second FM if transformer and the ave line should be changed to 10,000 ohms. To reduce hum modulation on strong signals, C_{36} in the grid circuit of the 6BJ6 FM rf amplifier should be changed to .005 mfd. Capacitor C_{38} , connected between the grid of the 12AT7 mixer stage and the selector switch, should be changed to .005 infd. C_{10} , connected from terminal 3 of the second FM if transformer to the selector switch should be changed to 800 mmfd, and a 350-microhenry reactor (L_6) should be added between the terminal board side of the antenna loading coil and the chassis.

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of the marker generator is rotated to run one marker up the curve and the other marker down to the base line. If the true marker is near the top of the curve, the baseline of the pattern will wiggle, as indicated in Fig. 8. If the spurious marker is near the top of the curve, the base line will not wiggle.

Spurious markers are generated by harmonics of the *if* amplifier beating with the harmonics from the marker generator, or in some cases by beating of sweep harmonics with marker harmonics. Spurious markers are also caused by other oscillators in the vicinity of the test setup, either in the receiver under alignment or in another The local oscillator tube receiver. should always be removed from the receiver under alignment, and all rf sources near the bench should be killed.

Since spurious markers can originate from harmonics of the if, and from harmonics of the sweep and marker generator, it will appear that not every spurious marker can be detected by the modulated - marker The modulation test is, technique. however, of value in the infrequent case in which it is necessary to contend with a spurious marker.




Fig. 4.4. Trace will appear when the crystal probe is substituted for the ratio detector. Two markers appear because the center frequency of the sweep generator is not set exactly to 4.5 mc. Trace and retrace do not lie exactly in a horizontal line due to the stray 60-cycle hum pickup.



Fig. 5. Intercarrier *if* response curve illustrating sound shelf.



Fig. 6. Marker displacement caused by incorrect test conditions. Markers, normally appearing at level M, appear at M_1 and M_2 when the input capacity of the scope is excessivaly high.



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Fig. 7. Setup illustrating how isolation resistor is installed in series with hot lead to the 'scope to insure satisfactory markers. At left is input of circuit under test.

Fig. 8. When the true marker is near the top of the curve, the base line of the pattern will wiggle. If the spurious marker is near the top of the curve, the base line will not wiggle.



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A corona dope Red-X, developed to meet high-voltage requirements of TV sets, has been announced by the General Cement Manufacturing Co., 919 Taylor Ave., Rockford, Ill.

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A 500-mmfd, 20,000-volt molded-case ceramic capacitor, type 20DK-T5, has been announced by The Sprague Products Company, 61 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass

Capacitor is equipped with femalethreaded brass inserts on both faces of the plastic case and is furnished with a complete set of thread-in terminals which fit the insert, enabling a Service Man to select any two he needs to fit the particular receiver upon which he is working. Ceramic unit has a moisture-resistant, nonflammable case of thermosetting plastic. Molded guard rings surround the terminals and are claimed to lengthen the creepage path and protect against troubles from conducting dust particles which may collect on capacitors after installation in TV sets.



IRC TV CONTROLS

Factory assembled exact-duplicate concentric-dual controls, individually packaged in cartons, marked with manufacturers' part numbers as well as with IRC stock numbers, and a universal line which assembles these concentric duals, have been announced by the International Re-sistance Co., 401 North Broad St., Phila-

delphia 8, Pa. Control line also includes new concentripaks with a special selection of universal parts for specific makes of TV dual controls, a *concentrikit* assortment in a all-metal four-drawer cabinet, and form *S012* TV *concentric* dual replacements listed by trade name and part number showing IRC exact duplicate controls and concentrikit equivalent.

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Horizontal-deflection and high-voltage flyback transformers for replacement in Admiral chassis, have been announced by the Standard Transformer Corp., 3580 Elston Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

Available are A-8133, a replacement for Admiral 79C30-1 and 79C30-3, and A-8134, a replacement for Admiral part 79C30-4. Replacements provide an approximate anode kv of 12.5-15, a maximum scan of 70°, and use ferrite E as a core material.



B-T TX MIXER AMPLIFIER

A TV mixer-amplifier, MA4-1, that is said, in effect, to be a complete self-contained master-antenna system for vhf and uhf reception, has been announced by Blonder-Tongue Laboratories, Inc., 38 N. Second Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Chassis of the mixer-amplifier contains power supply, signal-mixing circuit, output terminal and broadband input. It is also provided with four socket receptacles to accommodate from one-to-four plugin strip assemblies for specific channels. Channel strips, model CS-1, feature plugin single-channel amplifiers that are said to have a gain of 17 db, fixed tuned for individual channels, and employ a 6AB4 and 6CB6. UHF converters, model UC-1, are plug-in units for lowering *uhf* signals to existing TV frequencies.

One complete mixer-amplifier unit is said to handle signals from five different antennas.

Below: Complete Blonder-Tongue mixer amplifier.





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Below: Plug-in single-channel amplifiers.



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Bernard L. Cahn, general sales manager of the Insuline Corp. of America, Long Island City, N. Y., has been elected '52 chairman of the Sales Managers Club, eastern division.

Other officers chosen for the year were: Jerome Kirschbaum, Precision Apparatus Co., Inc., Elmhurst, N. Y., vice-chairman; Walter Jablon, Espey Manufacturing Co., New York, N. Y., secretary; and Vincent Ulrich, National Union Radio Corp., Orange, N. J., delegate to the industry's show corporation board. "PACKAGED ENGINEERING" at Its BesT! For the TV Technician



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CHANNEL MASTER YAGI

A 10-element yagi, the *Big 10*, that is said to provide over 12-db gain on the single bay, has been introduced by the Channel Master Corp., Napanoch Rd., Ellenville, N. Y.

Antenna incorporates a Z-match system, and can be stacked to produce over $14\frac{1}{2}$ db. Elements are spaced on crossarm, one full wavelength on the low band and 1.4 wavelengths on the high band. To prevent crossboom bounce, which may cause picture flicker, antenna is *boom braced*. Crossboom, on the low band, is a swaged, two-piece unit.



RYTEL PICTURE TUBE REACTIVATOR

A picture-tube reactivator, which is said to restore most low-emission TV tubes up to 80% of their original brilliance has been announced by Rytel Electronics Manufacturing Co., 11138 Hawthorne Blvd., Inglewood, Calif. Reactivator is claimed to speed up rate

Reactivator is claimed to speed up rate of barium deposit by increasing the cathode temperature and current. Instrument limits cathode current and ages the tube so that the higher cathode temperature does not result in the boiling off of the barium surface.



UNIVERSAL ROOF MOUNTS

Roof mounts, RM-1-2-4, that are said to mount on flat, sloping and peaked roofs, have been announced by Universal Metal Products Co., 125 Ontario St., Toledo. Ohio. Mounts are available to accommodate antennas from $1\frac{1}{2}$ " to 2" od. Also available is an antenna guy-wire tightener, GL-2, that features a welded 2-inch lag screw, that is claimed to eliminate the use of turnbuckles, eye screws and cable clamps.





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VEE-D-X BROADBAND ANTENNA WITH PRINTED CIRCUIT

A broadband TV antenna, Q-Tee, featuring the use of a printed circuit incorporated in the matching system that is claimed to prevent detuning effect between the high and low channels, while providing a driven element of low Q, has been announced by The LaPointe Plascomold Corp., Windsor Locks, Conn. Driven elements consists of the target

Driven elements consists of a series of *T*-matched dipoles that provide a 300ohm match on both high and low channels. With the addition of a high-channel director and a low-channel reflector, antenna is said to have desirable front-toback ratio and gain characteristics of parasitic-type antennas, such as yagi. Antenna is claimed to have a flat response across the *vhf* spectrum with a standing wave ratio of 1.15 or better. May be double stacked for the near-fringe and 4-stacked for the fringe areas.

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RMS INDOOR ANTENNA

A 3-section telescopic indoor antenna, T-3, has been introduced by RMS, Inc. Elements of corrosion-proof alloyed aluminum, have phosphor springs and are said to assure positive contact throughout each element.





BRACH STACKED BOW-TIE V ANTENNA AND ROTATOR

A stacked *Bow-Tie V* antenna, which it is said requires no reflectors and directors, has been introduced by the Brach Manufacturing Corp., 200 Central Ave., Newark, N. J.

Uses a closed-end which is said to increase gain, minimize side lobe pickup, and eliminate vibration of elements. An antenna rotator, 470, housed in an

An antenna rotator, 470, housed in an aluminum alloy casting that is said to reduce wind resistance and preclude ice formations, has also been introduced by Brach.

Rotator incorporates a weatherproof, moisture-sealed drive unit capable of clockwise and counter clockwise 365° rotation, using a three-wire rotator lead.



Above: Brach rotator.



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SKYLINE COLINEAR ANTENNA

A foldable colinear antenna, *Skyline*, of the double-bay type, is now available from Skyline Manufacturing Co., 1458N2 East 17th St., Cleveland 14, Olnio.

All-aluminum antenna features elements and phasing bars that have been combined into one integral part.* Dynakon reinforced plastic insulators are used.

*Patent No. 2,586,276



TELREX FISHBONE ANTENNA

An array, the *Fishbone* (model WB-1) has been developed by Telerex, Incorporated, Asbury Park, N. J.

Array is said to feature ten *working* elements. Model is recommended for suburban and outlying fringe-area single-channel reception.



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JFD ANTENNA MASTS

Two types of antenna masts are now available from JFD Manufacturing Co., New York.

One, type M110, produced by Republic Steel and called the JFD Dura-Mast, is a seamless steel unit. It is electro-galvanized with the same process as EMT conduit. Has 6" fitted joints to provide an inter-lock grip.

an inter-lock grip. The second, M108, a Jones & Laughlin mast, made of Permatube, is a seamless piece, too. Mast has 3" fitted joints. Its corrosion-resistant coating is Vinsynite. Both masts are available in 10' lengths.



JFD M108 mast

WORKSHOP SOLDERLESS CABLE CONNECTORS

Four universal connectors for RG-59/U, RG-11/U and RG-8/U coax, have been announced by The Workshop Associates, 135 Crescent Rd., Needham Heights 94, Mass.

Cable connector. W-50, a silver-plated male connector, provides an impedance of 72 ohms, and may be used with frequencies up to 250 mc. Chassis receptacle, W-60, a silver-plated female connector for both chassis and panel mounting, has a soldering terminal protruding from the rear. Cable junction, W-80, a silverplated double-ended female connector, mates at either end with W-50. Cable adapter, W-100, a silver plated, male and female, is used for converting from RG-59/U to RG-11/U or RG-8/U, and is said to require no soldering.

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Package designed to be a self-service merchandising kit, styled for the Snyder indoor Directronic TV antenna system, an all-channel affair. Full 360° orientation is said to be obtained without the use of motors or remote control, combinations being accomplished by use of a beam selector switch mounted on or near the television set. Antenna has been designed for concealed installation in attics or closets, or may be sealed to the ceiling of a room, flexible tape elements being used instead of rigid elements.



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ufacturer's sets, has been introduced by the Erie Resistor Corp., Erie, Pa. Rated at 20 kv or lower, capacitor,

Rated at 20 kv or lower, capacitor, known as *Ceramicon*, is insulated in a low loss thermosetting plastic which provides a moisture seal. Ring convolutions are molded into the surface to provide a check against surface leakage.

E-M TUBE TESTER

A tube tester, model 205, designed to give test readings for all tubes, including noval and sub-miniatures, from .75 to 117 filament volts through the standard emission method of testing, has been announced by Electronic Measurements Corp., 280 Lafayette St., New York. Instrument, using four-position levertures switches and individual sockets for

type switches and individual sockets for each tube base type, is available in either stationary or portable oak cases.





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of the needle shank. Then a blank disc can be placed on the turntable. The phono arm should be moved so that the point of the cutting needle is approximately 1/4" from the edge of the record. The turntable should be at full speed before cutting is to be made, and then the arm should be lowered so that it begins to cut into the record. The volume should be adjusted so that the recorder indicator flashes brightly on the loudest passages. As the recording progresses, a fine hair-like material will begin to appear where the disc is being cut; this will have a tendency to go towards the center. It is suggested that too much of this material should not be allowed to collect, and should be drawn off as it goes toward the center. After recording, the rear of the arm should be lifted from the disc and sharply pushed down into a normal horizontal position. The cutting needle should be removed and a regular needle inserted in its place. After pushing down the use speaker and play disc knob, the recording may be heard.

When recording from tape to disc, the tape should be set going as if it were going to be played back. Buttons *play tape* and *record disc* should be depressed, and then recorded as mentioned previously.

To use this instrument as a phono, a playback needle should be inserted into the pickup arm, and the *phono play disc* and *use speaker* knobs set in the proper position, adjusting tone and volume to proper levels. When an external speaker is to be used, the wires from the speaker should be attached to a plug, and the plug inserted into a jack, placed at the rear of the case.



Tube News

(Continued from page 56) should be adjusted for best neutralization, the most sensitive indication of which is the straightness of the raster lines.

(3) Any ripple remaining will usually be due to ringing in the horizontal-output transformer and may now be investigated without confusion due to the presence of ripple from other causes. One advantage of this sequence of tests is that it helps to indicate whether the ringing in the transformer, which is usually the most difficult to eliminate, would be tolerable if the other sources of ripple were eliminated.

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RMS FORUM SPONSORED BY FT. ORANGE RADIO

A forum conducted by Radio Merchandise Sales, Inc., 1165 Southern Blvd., New York 59, N. Y., was held in Albany. N. Y., under the sponsorship of the Ft. Orange Radio Supply Co.

Fortum provided Service Men with data on the use of high-gain TV antennas and open-transmission line, multi-element yagis and a TV analyzer.



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capacitive coupling to opposite ends of the variable inductance.

Analyzing a converter that has also been developed for uhf coverage, Melvin said that the converter is divided into two major portions. The first is an rf assembly which is the tuner and its associated circuitry. Three sections are used, allowing an oscillator tuned circuit with a 6AF4 triode, a mixer tuned circuit with a IN72, and a preselector. A double ended capacitive coupling system feeds the preselector circuit. The oscillator was described as essentially a Colpitts circuit, with coupling from the oscillator through a .68-mmid capacitor to the mixer. An output, from the mixer, of approximately 82 mc is fed to the *if* input. The trimmers in the rf and mixer were noted as being set on 460 mc at 270° clockwise rotation; the tuner is set 0° in a counter-clockwise direction and end inductance strips adjusted. The oscillator runs at approximately 82 mc below desired rf frequency.

In a review of performance it was said that although a gain figure of 1has been listed, the gains have run to 3. On the basis of noise measurements made with the noise diode system, it was noted, noise figures of below 22 db have been obtained. Spurious responses in all cases were said to be down in excess of 34 db. It was indicated that measurements at various frequencies showed that rejection was from 50 to 60 db; image rejection at 890 mc was noted as 34 db, the worst point.

Describing studies on a combination vhf-uhf unit under way, Melvin said that printed circuits, following the required complex configurations, have been tried. This printing consisted of a die stamped, pressed powder pattern with the basic metal coined into a homogeneous mass. In this instance, with the use of silver powder, conductivity better than half that of strip silver of the same cross sectional area was said to be obtained. In addition, it was noted, a smoothness of surface area was possible, allowing noise-free operation with sliding contacts.

During the tuner studies, several types of tubes were tried. Preliminary design was made around the 2018* version of the 6AF4. This differs from some 6AF4s in that the cathode lead inductance is at a minimum. Another tube that has been found to offer promise is the 1553D**. The recently announced 2103* was noted as offering great promise. All of these tubes were said to be operable as mixers.

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*G.E. **Sylvania.



IE-TUBE PULLER

A tube puller, available in three sizes to a set, has been produced by IE Manufacturing, 325 N. Hoyne Ave., Chicago 12, Ill. Puller operates by slipping over the tube, closing, and then pulling up.

Features are a body formed of spring steel and lined with cork to prevent damage to tubes, all welded construction, and an eccentric lever, zinc plated to prevent corrosion.



GRAYBURNE FERRITE-CORE KIT

An experimenter's ferrite-core kit, type FCK, consisting of 27 various-sized cores for experimentation in *if*, *rf* coils, solenoids, linearity, width and other variable controls, and electromechanical applications, has been announced by the Grayburne Corp., 103 Lafayette Street, New York 13, N, Y.



ASTRON RF FILTERS

Filters, that can be used for noise attenuation from 14 kc to 1000 mc have been announced by the Astron Corp., 255 Grant Ave., East Newark, N. J.

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A portable signal generator, model 740, that covers all FM and TV channels, on fundamental frequencies, has been announced by Radio City Products Co., Inc., 152 W. 25th St., New York 1, N. Y.

Instrument features a range of 9 to 220 mc; bands 9-11 mc, 21-47 mc, 54-220 mc. Accuracy is said to be better than 1/10 of 1 per cent on 9-11 mc, and better than $\frac{1}{20}$ of 1 per cent on 21-220 mc. Dial is continuously calibrated through 340° . Audio output is available at both 540 cycles and 220.5 kc. Features attenuation variation through 200-ohm control.

As a pattern generator, modulation can be either horizontal bar, vertical bar or cross hatch.



* * * ANCHOR ROSIN-CORE SOLDER

A rosin-core solder, that is said to have a high wetting and oxide-removing characteristic, has been developed by the Anchor Metal Co., 244 Boerum St., Brooklyn 6, N. Y.

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JFD AUTO ANTENNAS

An auto-antenna line, Sky Streak, featuring side cowl, top cowl and disappearing antennas, has been introduced by the JFD Manufacturing Co., Inc., 6101 16th Ave., Brooklyn 4, N. Y. Two side-cowl antennas are available: The Mariner, SP66C, and The Traveller,

3B66C, 3-section 64-inch types. A 4-sec-tion side cowl. *The Whippet*, 4B100C, extending to 103" from a collapsed length of 31" and The Beachcomber, 3B4000, a 3-section top cowl which extends to 64" from 25" in collapsed position, are also available. A disappearing antenna, The *Highwayman*, 3B5000, has three sections and extends up to 66" from a closed length of 25".

All auto antennas, topped with an antistatic ball, are supplied with a connector that is said to eliminate corrosion, and 36' of uhf coax cable.



JFD auto-antenna display. *

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SCALA 'SCOPE PROBES

A line of 'scope probes has been introduced by the Scala Radio Co., 2814 19th St., San Francisco 10, Calif. One model, a signal-tracing probe, B.Z.1, can be used, it is said, to locate

dead if stages, calibrate marker generator, adjust video amplifiers, check output of a sweep generator, view response of sin-gle if stage, trace buzz pulse in sound if strip, and can be used with a vtvm. Contains demodulator of low-capacitance, and is useful to 225 mc.

Another model, a low-capacity probe, B.Z.2, can be used to trace video, sync or sweep waveforms through high-impedance circuits. Said to cut the effective input capacitance of a 'scope by a factor of 10 and provides an attenuation of 10 to 1.

A third type, a 100:1 voltage-divider probe, B.Z.3, it is claimed, can be applied directly to plate of horizontal output tube or at the plate of the damper tube to check operation waveforms and measure their peak-to-peak voltages without impairing the wave shape or incurring danger to the 'scope.







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ARTHUR WELCH NAMED BENDIX ASS'T G-M

Arthur E. Welch, formerly national merchandising manager for Raytheon. has been named assistant general manager of Bendix Radio, television and broadcast receiver division of the Bendix Aviation Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland.



Arthur E. Welch

JENSEN CELEBRATING SILVER ANNIVERSARY

The Silver-Anniversary theme will be featured in current and future 52 ads and promotions of the Jensen Manufac-turing Co., 6601 S. Laramie, Chicago, Ill Ads will bear a silver anniversary

medalion logotype throughout the year. Theme will also be featured at the Parts Show, and at the "Audio Fair following, where Jensen will sponsor a Silver Anni versary Sound Theatre.

KAMEN NAMED BRACH VP

Ira Kamen has been named vice-president of the Brach Manufacturing Corporation, Division of General Bronze Corp., Newark, N. J

Kamen will be responsible for organizing the expanded industrial and government sales operations, and will continue to handle contract negotiations for radar antenna, servo, and other electronic activities.







JFD AUTO-ANTENNA DISPLAY

A 4-color display, AD100, that will hold five auto-antennas, has been an-nounced by the JFD Manufacturing Co., Inc., 6101 16th Ave., Brooklyn 4, N. Y.

HARRY ADELMAN APPOINTED ARROW AD MANAGER

Harry Adelman has been appointed advertising and sales promotion manager of Arrow Electronics, Inc., 82 Cortland St., New York 7, N. Y.

* SPICO ANTENNA AT MACY FESTIVAL

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At the recent Macy department store TV and music festival which featured a demonstration of the Spico Super-Phantom indoor TV antenna, model TV-503. Left to right: I. Kamins, Macy's radio and TV assistant buyer: Milton Spirt, president of Spirling Products Co., producers of the Spico antenna, and Eve Edwards, demonstrator.

NEPCO FORMS ELECTRONICS DIVISION

An electronics division, with headquarters at its Ambridge (Pa.) plant, has been announced by National Electric Products Corp., Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa. The new division will consist of two departments: TV

The TV and radar. The TV and radio department will be located at the Ambridge plant, and the radar department will be located at the Elizabeth (N. J.) plant.

The new division, at present, will de-vote its attention to the manufacture and distribution of Nepco-yagi antennas, TV masts, and a complete line of TV roughin materials, as well as special types of wire intended for TV use, including twinlead, open and ground wire.

Frank P. Yarussi, former vice president in charge of engineering of Gordon Elec-tronics, will head TV and radio sales. R. F. Mihalick will serve as a consulting engineer specialist.



INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER NAMES CATALDO ASS'T G-M

J. T. Cataldo has been appointed assistant general manager of International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.

Cataldo was formerly with the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Ft. Monmouth, N. J. as a research and development engineer.



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SERVICE AND REPLACEMENT **BUSINESS PROMOTION** INAUGURATED BY RCA

A promotion drive, designed to acceler-ate consumer demand for TV picture and receiving tubes, and support radio Service Men in their local business-building ef-forts has been announced by the RCA Tube Department, Harrison, N. J. Pro-gram embraces national radio and TV advertising, a variety of in-store and window display material, direct mail literature, a kit of six basic sales aids for use by Service Men in tie-in promotions, and a promotion-plan catalog. Included is a leaflet designed for the consumer, presenting an illustrated story on how picturetubes are made.

Available to the consumer is an illus-trated booklet, The Magic RCA Picture Tube. Booklet is available for direct mail. counter handout, and distribution during service calls.

For point-of-service display, the company has designed a flasher-action window display unit.



RIDER TELL-A-FAULT TROUBLESHOOT SERVICE

A monthly troubleshooting service, Tell-A-Fault, that is said to provide by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., 480 Canal St., New York 13, N. Y.

Service offers data on troubleshooting (symptoms and cures) for all types of television and also radio receivers, record changers and recorders.

Detailed are pictorial symptom and cure sheets, which list TV trouble symptoms as they appear on picture tubes; also fault locations and explanations of test 'scope patterns for each type of circuit found in TV receivers; circuit guides, which are examples of the many different circuits, etc.

TACO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

An educational scholarship, that will provide financial aid for a qualified student throughout his college education, has been set up by Technical Appliance Corporation, Sherburne, N. Y. Object of the scholarship is to further local interest among young men and women for a technical career.

Scholarship is available to a student who is a member of the graduating class of the Sherburne Central School, or a former member of that school. Recipient will receive the scholarship annually for four or five years, depending upon the length of the college course undertaken.



CHANNEL MASTER ANTENNA BOOKLET

A 12-page booklet, Your Guide to Channel Master Television Antennas, describing more than 50 different types of autennas, accessories, and kits, has been announced by Channel Master Corporation, Ellenville, N. Y.

Booklet describes the specific reception problems that each antenna is designed to solve, including the latest types, such as 10-element impedance-matching yagi, the *Big 10*. Also includes data on towers, mounting accessories, and telescoping masts.

PURINTON AND ROUS NOW AMPHENOL DIRECTORS

Vice president Richard M. Purinton, administrator of engineering, and vice president William H. Rous, sales manager, have been named members of the board of directors of the American Phenolic Corp., Chicago, Ill.

FACILITY AND MERCHANDISING BROCHURES RELEASED BY RADION

Two brochures, one describing plants and equipment facilities and the other, *How To Profit With Radion*, detailing how to get the most out of indoor antenna business, are now available from The Radion Corp., 1130 W. Wisconsin Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

FTR NOW PHOTOFACT PARTICIPANT

The Federal Telephone & Radio Corporation, of Clifton, N. J., has become a participant in the Photofact folder services of Howard W. Sams & Co., Indianapolis, in behalf of its line of selenium rectifiers.

WARD AUTO-ANTENNA COUNTER DISPLAY

A blue-orange-black counter display, lVCD-2, for auto antennas, has been announced by Ward Products Corp., Division of The Gabriel Company, 1523 East 45th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

Display mounts three antennas, and is constructed from masonite.





JOTS AND FLASHES

A BRIGHT REPLACEMENT MARKET for picture tubes is in the offing for '52, according to John T. Thompson, manager of G.E. replacement tube sales, who found during a recent survey that about one out of every fifteen TV set owners, and there are 16-million at present, will probably need a new picture tube before the year is over. About 1,100,000 picture tubes worth \$44-million, and 110,000,000 receiving tubes worth \$220-million will be sold this year for TV, as well as radio replacement purposes, according to the results of this specialist's study. . . . To help their radio and TV tube dealers and distributors recover from the damage of the recent raging midwestern floods. Sylvania has offered to test and repackage tube stocks affected by flood waters. A headquarters engineer, it was said, will visit each distributor, if necessary, to thoroughly test and inspect dealer and distributor tube stocks where there is any question of damage by flood waters. . . . *H. R. Letzter* is now sales manager of the industrial division of Webster-Chicago Corp. . . The Chicago branch offices and warehouse of *Allied Electric Products Inc.* and its *Sheldon Electric* division have been moved to enlarged quarters, and are now occupying a twostory structure at 2300 North Ashland Ave., Chicago. . . A four-page list-price sheet, with actual-sized drawings of 25 fuse types and blowing characteristics, has been published by *Littlefuse, Inc.*, 1865 Miner St., Des Plaines, Ill. A companion sheet illustrates and prices various assortments and kits as well as the comlete line of fuse mountings. . . *Radio Specialties Co.*, 1956 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles 7, Calif., celebrated their 20th anniversary recently with the opening of new facilities at the corner of 20th and Figueroa Sts., Los Angeles, Calif.

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