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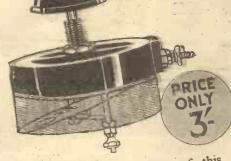
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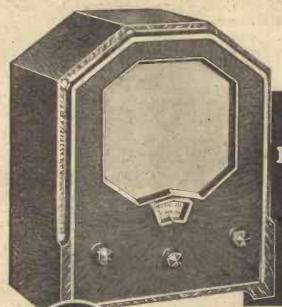
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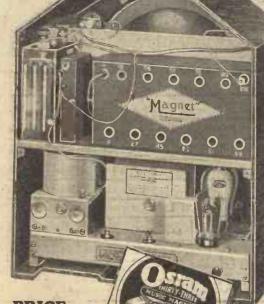
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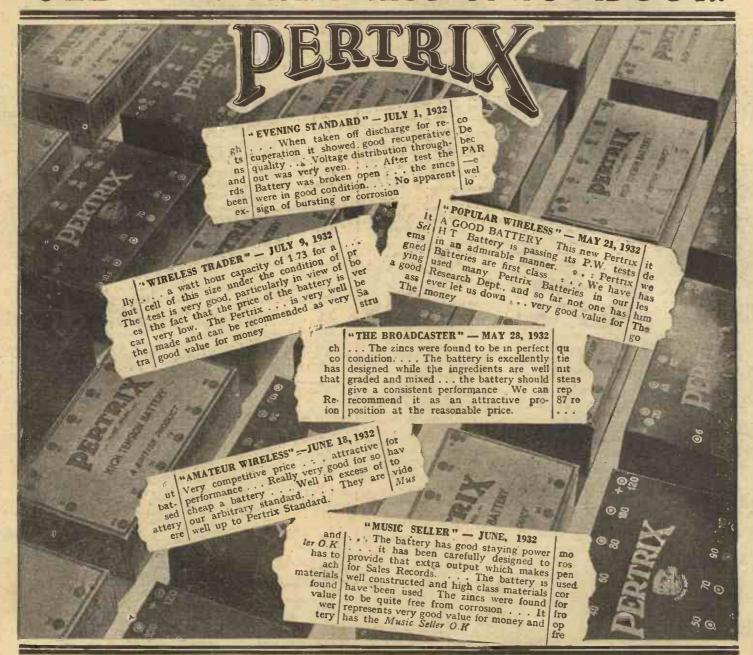
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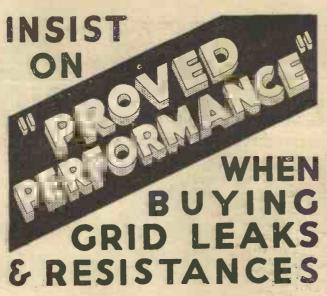
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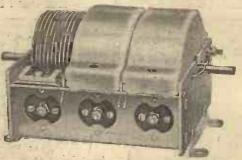


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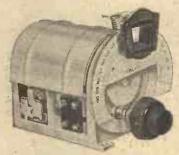
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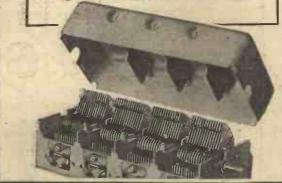
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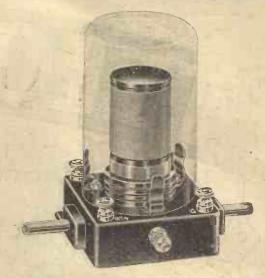
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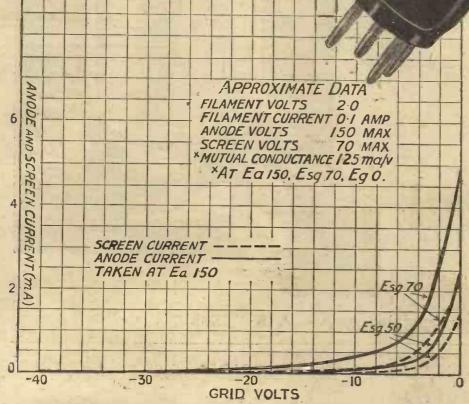


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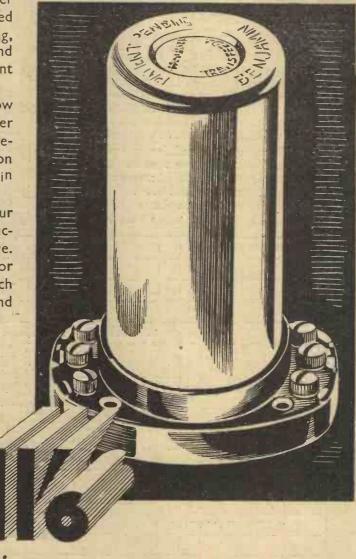
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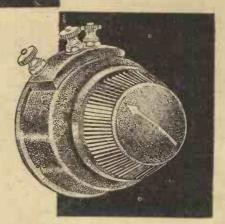






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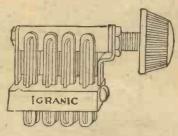
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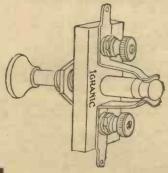
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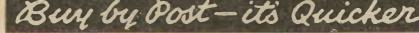
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NEWS & GOSSIP OF THE WEEK

THE SEASON STARTS

OW that Olympia is in full swing and the new season's products have been revealed the new radio season is fully launched. Go to Olympia if you possibly can as you will then be able to inspect all the latest lines. If this is not possible, then use AMATEUR WIRELESS's full account of the new sets and parts as your guide to the new season's productions. If you go to Olympia then please pay AMATEUR WIRELESS a visit—Stand 7.

DROITWICH SITE FIXED

TWO and a half miles north-east of Droitwich is the village of Wychbold. It is on high ground. There is a population of 1,117 souls—at the time of writing. There is a Post and Telegraph Office. Near by is a country seat. Can you guess what is coming? Nothing less than the new super-power long-wave B.B.C. station. True to tradition, the B.B.C. has chosen, for its site for Daventry's successor, a

village with a tongue-twisting name. Lloyd James and the Pronunciation Committee may rest in peace, though, for the new station will be known as Droitwich.

AT THE MADRID CONFERENCE

Hopes of the Broadcasting Authorities

SIR Charles Carpendale, Noel Ashbridge, and Mr. L. H. Hayes will leave, on September 1, for the Madrid Conference. The date of the Conference has been put forward to September 3. Our B.B.C. representatives will also attend as members of the International Broadcasting Union. Their views should therefore carry weight with the gathering. It will be a hard fight for wavelengths. And a long fight, too. There are 610 pages of propositions, and 15 supplements almost as long as the propositions. Talk will go on and on, right up to December, so they suggest.



Local interest is growing in the new West Regional station at Washford Cross, and as you can see from this photograph the building is nearing completion.

ABOUT WAVELENGTHS

In addition to discussing the possibility of handing over to European broadcasters two or three long wavelengths now used by other services, Madrid will have to concern itself with the allocation of the ultra-short waves below to metres. It will be interesting to see how far down the allocation will go. Whatever the decisions of the Madrid Conference may be, it is thought highly probable that in January, 1933, a conference of the Post-Office administrations of Europe will be called to alter the Prague Plan to fit the new arrangements.

LOOKING AHEAD!

TALKING of the wavelength situation, there seems to be a growing feeling that when Droitwich gets going with its 120 kilowatts with a long-wave National transmission the existing and projected mediumwave Nationals will be quite unnecessary. There is every possibility that London and North National, at least, will eventually be closed down, and the wavelengths of Welsh Wales and the North of Scotland. Nor must we overlook the eventual wavelength needs of television, when that infant science gets out of its experimental stage.

WEST REGIONAL NOTE

JUST back from a visit to Bristol, the Chief Engineer of the B.B.C. is optimistic about the premises he has been looking over for the erection of a large orchestral studio to meet the programme needs of the West Regional station, now in course of construction. Next spring—Watchet!

POPULAR BERTINI

A CCORDING to a Blackpool correspondent, we Southerners do not realise the immense popularity of Bertini and his band, now being relayed once a week by the B.B.C. while most of the West End bands are on holiday. Normally the Tower Ballroom, from which the broadcasts are made, closes at 10.30 p.m., but on radio nights it keeps open until midnight.

"YOUR HOME RADIOGRAM" - a fine cheap battery-driven radio-gram - NEXT WEEK

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TELEVISION MAKE-UP

A DVICE on how to make up to television broadcasting was recently offered to artistes by the famous "Willie" Clarkson, who was invited to Portland DVICE on how to make up for tele-Place to help the televised subjects to "get over" the new medium. His advice was: "Heavy," which presumably means that the grease paint will be laid on with a trowel. Stout efforts to make the most of the present state of television detail are being made by the B.B.C. productions people. The latest idea is to put over a shadow play on the "Mickey Mouse" idea.
Dancers, cartoonists, and old-time comediennes will also figure in future broadcasts.

NEW "O.B." AMPLIFIER

HOSE indefatigable lads of the "O.B." department of the B.B.C. were seen by our hawk-eyed correspondent the other day transporting a coffin like box across to Queen's Hall. Asked what was in the box an engineer said: "Sh! It's a mains amplifier, and if it works we shall be able to do away with some of our accumulator

ULTRA-SHORT WAVES

Some bright genius has suggested that as the ultra-short waves are free from atmospheric interference and do not fade, they might easily be used instead of landlines between B.B.C. stations, or, at least, between O.B. points and the nearest stations. Something may be done about this, but owing to the frequent interference caused by man-made atmospherics-particularly from car magnetos-such ultrashort wave links would hardly be more than stand-bys for the existing land-lines. What a saving it might mean if interference could be eliminated !

TYRANNY OF THE TIME TABLE HANGES in the time table of regular broadcasts will be made in the late

autumn to get away from the present deadly monotony characterising the make-up of the B.B.C. programmes. Much the same material will be broadcast, only in a different and variable sequence.

THIS ENGLAND!

ISTEN to a very pretty tale, wherein one Government Department actually helps another to keep this green and pleasant land fit for non-advertisers to live in. Some firm wanted to hire a land-line to Paris to put over a sponsored programme for the benefit of English listeners. The P.O. refused. There is obviously an understanding between the B.B.C. and the P.O. to thwart would-be sponsors in every way. Yet there is a certain piquancy in the situation, for we do not hear of organisations hiring the transatlantic 'phone from the P.O. and studios from the B.B.C. to send talks and so on to America? And are not such programmes capable of being heard on short-wave sets by English listeners? It's all very confusing.

PROVINCIAL STUDIOS

S we mentioned weeks ago, the Glas-A gow studios are being entirely redesigned, the walls being treated with the latest acoustic material. Cardiff, not to be outdone, is fitting up a double-decker studio in preparation for West Regional. Leeds will have its new studio in action by October. Sheffield studio is also to be renovated.

JACK PAYNE AGAIN

HOSE who sigh for the good old days of Jack Payne will be glad to hear that he ex-B.B.C. dance band leader has another broadcast "date" for October. By the way, Jack has made a film called Say It With Music at the Elstree studios of British and Dominion. The film lasts I hour 20 minutes and should be worth seeing-and hearing-when it is eventually released.

NATIONAL CHORUS—THE FACTS

TE are able to deny the recent rumour that the B.B.C. National Chorus was about to turn professional. The truth is that in the autumn Dr. Boult will take over the conducting of the Chorus, and Stanford Robinson, who has until now been the conductor of the Chorus, will devote his time to the production of light musical broadcasts.

TO SEE-AND HEAR !-OURSELVES

ID you by chance notice that extraordinary interruption in the broadcast of the play "To See Ourselves?" What happened was that a member of the B.B.C. staff, showing some friends round the studios, walked past the red light in one of the Effects studios and started to explain how the various effects were done. His explanation, to the horror of the producer at the "D.C." panel, was broadcast for quite half a minute!

NIGHTLY EPILOGUES!

SINGULAR victory for the highbrow element at Portland Place would seem to be indicated in the proposal to broadcast some form of epilogue every night, in addition to the religious epilogue on Sundays. The idea is a 3- or 4-minute concoction of music and poetry, to be broadcast by some soulful announcer at the end of the usual programmes. Do we really want this sort of thing?

B.B.C. RESEARCH DEVELOPMENTS

WING to the amount of work now handled by the B.B.C. Research Department at Clapham it has been found necessary to find additional premises. An old house in Nightingale Lane has therefore been taken over.

VENTILATING NUMBER 10

S the B.B.C. has received intimations A from the L.C.C. that the Wharf Studio near Waterloo Bridge is not likely to be



ROADCASTING HOUSE

Full constructional details of a new type of baffle first introduced into this country by the B.B.C. to enable natural bass-note reproduction to be obtained with a convenient size of box instead of a large and unwieldly baffle board

W HEN Broadcasting House was opened an appreciable improvement in the bass-some months ago we were greatly note output. The early experiments interested in the type of loud-speakers installed in various studios. The quality of the bass-note reproduction was especially good, in spite of the comparatively small

merely emphasised the known fact that for maximum response of the low frequencies a massive baffle, not at all suitable for either the home or the broadcasting studios,

seemed to be a first essential.

Fortunately, it was later found that a box of moderate size could be made to give just as good results as a large flat baffle. As a B.B.C. wag put it, a baffling problem was eventually solved! If a box is made up with the front 18 in. square and not less than io in. deep, with the back open, it is found that the distance a sound wave has to travel from the back of the diaphragm to the front is

the same as for a flat baffle of 4 ft. square. Such a box has obvious advantages in ordinary domestic use compared with the

large flat baffle, but it must be emphasised

that the box baffle simply as a box cannot be considered satisfactory. It must be treated, as B.B.C. engineers found, to avoid certain inherent disadvantages. Owing to the natural resonance of the air confined in the box the output would be greatly emphasised around the 150-cycle mark. As many moving-coils already have a marked resonance around this frequency the result would be an unpleasant "boom' in the reproduction.

Preventing Boom

As a matter of fact this boominess is all too common in certain cabinet moving-coil loud-speakers. The effect is to make music irritatingly resonant, and speech cannot be endured for a very long period. As the B.B.C. engineers have found, the boom of the box can be cured by treating the inside of the box with some form of sound absorbing material.

The most useful material so far discovered is known as rock or slag wool, a commercial by-product marketed for use in heat insulation. This rock or slag wool is composed of a mass of vitreous fibres. If carefully packed into the back of the box it will eliminate all trace of boom.

As the actual construction of the box baffle is not very easy to put into words,



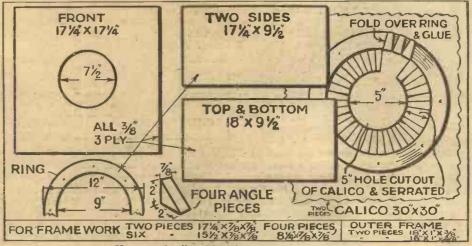
size of the cabinets containing the loudspeakers. There was a full and natural bass-note response devoid of all trace of that "boominess" one usually finds in

small cabinet-type reproducers.

We found that the B.B.C. was making use of an idea not generally adopted in amateur circles. The idea is the box baffle, around which we have now designed the loud-speaker cabinet shown by the illustrations.

It is, of course, widely known that for good low-note response from a moving-coil a large baffle is essential. The small 2-foot baffle boards sometimes used in the home cannot effectively reproduce anything so low as 50 cycles, even supposing these frequencies could be dealt with by the loud-speaker itself.

The B.B.C. engineers carried out extensive experiments to see how this deficiency of the small and convenient sized baffle might be overcome. Many interesting and useful facts came to light. With suitable wood it was found that increases in the size of the baffle up to 5 feet square made



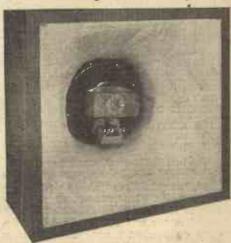
Here are the dimensioned pieces of wood required

A BAFFLE THAT WILL IMPROVE THE TONE OF YOUR SPEAKER

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we strongly advise intending constructors to make a careful study of the illustrations. The basis of the design is a box 18 in. square by 10 in. deep. Strengthening pieces are fitted at each corner. There is no back.

In the model photographed a centre hole of 7½ in. diameter is cut in the front of the box. This should suit the average moving-coil chassis on the market, but before embarking on the cutting of the



A rear view of the baffle showing one of the new Rola speakers fitted

hole the diameter of an existing speaker should, of course, be checked up.

With the Weedon kit made by the Weedon Link Power Radio Company, of 185 Earlham Grove, Forest Gate, E.7, or that made by F. McNeill & Co., Ltd., 16 Lamb's Passage, Bunhill Row, E.C.I, everything for the construction of the box baffle illustrated is supplied at an inclusive price. If the wool is required separately it can be obtained from the same firms.

The best type of ply wood, as used in this kit, is pine % in. thick, with a thick centre lamination that will take nails without splintering.

Packing the Slag Wool

To take the slag wool a lining of linen has to be made, as shown by the illustrations. The fixing of this lining is best carried out according to the following procedure. First take the wooden ring supplied with the kit; this is used to fasten the linen to the front of the cabinet, by means of tacks and glue.

In the model described this wooden ring has an inside diameter of 9 in., the width of the ring being 1½ in. The exact size of the ring depends on the size of the loud-speaker, but the idea is to make the ring of such a size that the linen wall will just clear the edge of the speaker when this is finally mounted behind the front of the box.

With a double thickness of the material a 30 in, square is cut out and then a hole is cut out of the centre of this linen square, the diameter of this hole being 2 ½ in, less than the internal diameter of the wooden ring.

From the hole at the centre cut slits to a depth of about 2 in. every 1 ½ in. round the entire circumference. Then lay

the material face down on the table and glue and tack the slit section of the linen to the wooden ring in such a way that the inside edge of the material coincides with the outside edge of the wooden ring.

The next procedure is to tack and glue the ring, with its attached material, to the back of the box, so that the linen wall eventually forms a sort of tunnel with the opening coinciding with the hole in the front taking the loud-speaker chassis.

Then comes the packing of the slag wool into the linen. To do this we strongly re-commend the constructor to use leather gloves; otherwise the fibres' may make the hands rather sore. The packing of the wool should be carefully done, so that it is fairly tightly shaped into the material in such a way that the linen slopes gently to the back of the box. This can be seen quite clear-

ly by the illustration.
At this stage the material has to be fixed to the back of the box to keep the wool in position. Firstly, though, the material should be tacked to the batten provided with the kit. The batten can then be fixed to the back of the box, thus drawing the linen tightly into position and the stage of the back.

ly into position and holding the wool in position inside the lines.

A finishing piece is then tacked to the back of the box to make a neat job of the assembly. Lastly the whole box structure is covered with leatherette. The loudspeaker chassis can then be mounted in position behind the hole provided in the front of the box.

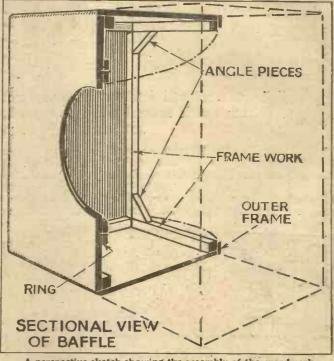
The completed assembly will give excellent reproduction of low notes without any trace of boom. It is well worth making up this box baffle, and the better the moving-coil the more marked will be the improvement over ordinary small flat baffles or resonant cabinets.

SEE THIS SPEAKER BAFFLE on the "A.W." STAND

A vaudeville programme will be broadcast from the Birmingham studies for Midland listeners on September 5 with "Those Three" in syncopated vocalism and Compton Long in a new skit, "Some Rural Rides." Popular musical comedy songs will be given by Evelyn Over and Janet Joye will give some imitations.

THE SYMPHONY CONCERTS

The Promenade Concert season is only a few weeks old, but already plans for the season of Symphony Concerts which starts on October 19 are well advanced. Artistes already engaged are: Backhaus, Harriet Cohen, Cortot, Myra Hess, Huberman, Lamond, Harold Samuel, Schnabel, Adolf Busch, Casals, Arthur Catterall, Mischa Elman, Afbert Sammons, Muriel Brunskill, Elena Gerhardt, Elisabeth Schumann,



A perspective sketch showing the assembly of the woodwork

Elsie Suddaby, Arthur Cranmer, Roy Henderson, Dennis Noble, and Walter Widdop. The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, led by Arthur Catterall, will play at each concert, and Adrian Boult will conduct rather more than half of each series. Sir Henry Wood, Sir Landon Ronald, and Ernest Ansermet will also conduct during the season and one or two eminent composers, including Sir Edward Elgar and Arnold Schonberg, will appear in the role of conductor to direct performances of their own works.

LIVELY BROADCAST POLITICS

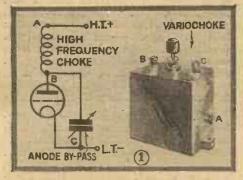
ON Fridays, in the new autumn talks arrangements, it is proposed to devote the time to politics. Some lively broadcasts seem certain, for such names as Winston Churchill, James Maxton, and Lord Lloyd have already been mentioned in connection with the series. We understand that the present intention is to let such prominent men of affairs broadcast statements of the facts and to follow up these broadcasts by debates on the statements made the week before. It all sounds terribly controversial!

The Horwich R.M.I. Band and the Bury Athenaeum Musical Circle will broadcast from Manchester on August 28.

COMPONENTS THAT WILL SECTION OF MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In this up-to-the-minute article ALAN HUNTER outlines the circuit applications of some of the season's components.

KEEN amateurs are always on the lookout for new gadgets to fit into their sets. Several of the latest components are sure to attract widespread interest among amateurs, especially those for low-frequency coupling. In addition to tone-correcting gadgets for the low-frequency side of the reception there are one or two novel gadgets likely to find favour on the high-frequency side.



The Vario-Choke combines a high-frequency choke with a variable pre-set type of condenser. Here on the left is shown a simple application, high-frequency-current at the detector being by-passed to earth

In this article I will limit myself to the more adaptable components featured at the Radio Exhibition, but I should like to make it quite clear that my selection is by no means exhaustive.

A New Choke

Shall we make a start with something new in high-frequency chokes? This is the Sovereign Vario-Choke. As its name implies, this is really a gadget providing us with a variable choking effect. There is a surprisingly large number of applications for it.

The Vario-Choke has the adaptability that always comes from sheer simplicity. It consists of an efficient high-frequency choke connected to a pre-set type of variable condenser, these two components being mounted in a neat bakelite moulding, with three terminals brought out for external circuit connections.

One terminal provides a common connection for one side of the choke and one side of the condenser, while the other two terminals are for the "free" ends of the choke and condenser.

Six applications of this device are suggested by the makers, and there are others. Included among the applications that

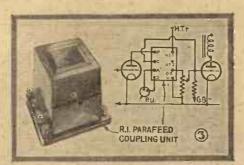
appeal to me are: high-frequency stopping in the low-frequency stage; high-frequency filter in the second detector anode circuit of a super-het type of set; differential reaction control: and high-frequency stopping in a short-wave set.

As will soon occur to the amateur, this vario-choke could also be used very conveniently as a normal choke and anode by-pass condenser in the average detector circuit, the amount of high-frequency by-passing being adjusted so as not to cut the high notes in the audible scale. (See Fig. 1).

Novel Control Ideas

In many other directions we shall find that two or more existing components have been combined to produce a "unit" component that can be put to a great variety of uses in the amateur's home-built set. Take, for example, the new Lisset. Twin Gang control, which is more than a two-gang tuning condenser, since under the one dial it incorporates coil and battery switching.

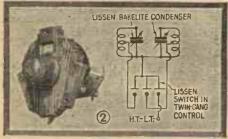
The two condenser units consist of .0005-microfarad bakelite dielectric units, each provided with fixed and moving plated terminals, though the moving spindle connection is common to both. The condensers can be operated together, and then the upper or super-imposed knob can be worked as a final trimmer. This is the best compromise between ease of control and efficiency—in fact with the trimmer adjustment there is virtually no loss of efficiency, even though the tuning is



The R.I. Parafeed unit is typical of the new range of low-frequency couplings combining transformer coupling condenser and resistances in a single moulded cise. A novel application of the Parafeed unit is shown here, the transformer used as a pick-up isolating device and the remaining comp ments used to provide resistance capacity coupling

reduced to what practically amounts to one-knob control.

The lever at the base of the dial has three positions for medium and long waves and battery-off connections. The diagram Fig 2 is the simplest way of explaining the contacts on this Lissen Gang Control, which should find a ready application in



Combined in the Lissen Twin Gang control are two bakelite dielectric variable condensers and switching for colls and power supply. In this diagram the simplicity of the connections is made clear

sets designed for simple yet efficient

L.F. Coupling Improvements

Among low-frequency components there is obviously scope, in these days of decoupling and parallel feed, for combinations of small parts into what I am terming "unit" components. We have a very good example of a low-frequency unit component in the new R.I. Parafeed coupling unit, designed to simplify the many applications of the original and highly successful Parafeed low-frequency transformer. It will be recalled that this is specially designed for the parallel-feed method, whereby the direct anode current is diverted from the primary winding of the transformer by means of an anode resistance. The low-frequency voltages are passed on to the transformer through a coupling condenser, the value of which is carefully chosen to give the right frequency response.

When the original Parafeed transformer was introduced in the spring of last year amateurs had a great time trying out different values of coupling condensers and resistances, but since that time parallel feed has become established on so firm a basis, being standardised by many of the leading set makers, that the experimental phase is past, and we now have to consider the numerous applications of the method in modern set building.

NOVEL COMPONENTS AT THE SHOW THAT WILL IMPROVE YOUR SET

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The Parafeed unit consists of the standard Parafeed low-frequency transformer, which has the very high primary inductance of 100 henries, two resistances, and a coupling condenser, all housed in a bakelite moulding with eight terminal connections.

No less than ten different ways of using the Parafeed unit are detailed by the makers. As in the original transformer, this unit enables alternative ratios of 2, 3, and 4 to 1 to be obtained, thereby permitting the stage gain to be adjusted to suit the output valve.

In addition to the usual resistance-capacity coupling connections for this transformer being made available in one compact unit, the new combination component can be used for pick-up work, the connections for which are shown by the Fig. 3 diagram.

Here it will be seen that the resistances and condenser of the unit are used for resistance-capacity coupling, while the Parafeed transformer is used as a pick-up isolating transformer. This is only one of the several unexpected applications of the Parafeed unit, which, I think, will be very popular during the coming season.

Just one further point that will be of special interest to readers who have studied Mr. Percy Harris's remarks on low-frequency stability. In the Parafeed unit is a complete metal screen, with provision for earthing. This is yet another proof of the careful design that has gone into the production of the new component.

Selectivity and Quality

While on the subject of low-frequency couplings I must draw attention to the new Varley, transformer, which is really one of the most advanced productions of the season.

As most readers will know by this time, there is a distinct tendency to readjust ideas on the question of good quality selectivity. Everyone knows that the demands for great selectivity and good quality are to a large extent antagonistic. Until band-pass tuning came along really high degrees of selectivity could be obtained only at the expense of the quality, the sharpness of the tuning resulting in loss of high notes due to side-band cutting.

Tone Compensation

Band-passing is still, in the view of many engineers, the best practical compromise between selectivity and quality, but there is such a great increase in the general cry for sharp tuning, owing to the rapidly increasing congestion of the ether, that some of the quality is being wilfully sacrificed at the tuning end of the set in order to obtain real separation between the adjacent high-power stations.

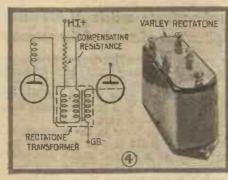


Fig. 4. One of the most outstanding advances in low-frequency coupling is the tone compensating transformer; the Varley Rectatone is shown here as a coupling between a detector and output valve, the only extra component being a resistance, which may be fixed or variable

This sacrifice of quality is not allowed to affect the final output, because the low-frequency stage is "doctored." The loss of high notes resulting from excessively sharp tuning is made good by what is now generally referred to as tone compensation.

There are various ways and means of increasing the high-note output, but it would be difficult to think of anything easier than the method made possible by the introduction of the new Varley Rectatone transformer. This new transformer.

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which is illustrated in picture and circuit by Fig. 4, compensates for high-note losses by deliberately accentuating frequencies above 1,000 cycles, reaching a maximum rise in the characteristic at 4,500 cycles, which is now accepted as the most practicable cut-off point for both radio and gramophone reproduction.

The amount of tone compensation needed depends entirely on the amount of high-note loss, which in turn depends on how selective the tuning circuits are made to give station separation. It is obvious that the various reception conditions met with in the course of an evening at the set necessitate a variable form of tone control.

This is readily provided in the new Rectatone transformer. As will be seen from the circuit diagram, there is a variable resistance connected in series with the primary winding of the transformer. A 5,000-ohm resistance will cover the whole range of tone compensation required, but to avoid excessive amplification of the very high frequencies a 2,000-ohm fixed resistance can be connected in series with the variable.

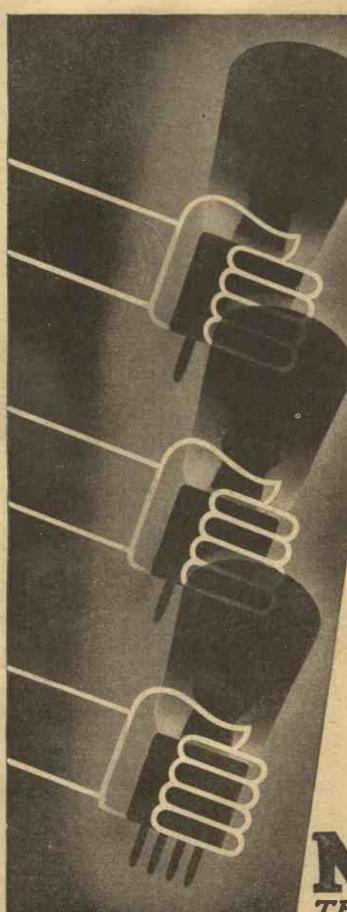
If a fixed amount of tone compensation is wanted, a 2,000-ohm fixed resistance should be used for high-note emphasis, with 3,000 ohms for normal reproduction and 4,000 ohms for low-note emphasis.

A Component of Many Uses

As the makers point out, this new transformer has a variety of uses in addition to the more revolutionary idea of tone compensation of highly selective circuits. It is suggested, for example, that this transformer would be very useful in gramophone reproduction, where lack of brilliance, due to the characteristic of the pickup, could readily be remedied. And with loud-speakers somewhat weak in the higher register this new component would again help to balance up the tone. By leaving out the compensating resistance the Rectatone is a good straightforward low-frequency transformer, giving straightline-frequency response for sets that are neither skimping nor emphasising any part of the audible frequency scale.

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WHAT'S YOUR CHOICE?

OW that you have had a look round the Exhibition (or, if you haven't, you have read all about it in AMATEUR WIRELESS), what do you think is the most striking development in wireless this year? To me it seems that there is only one answer to the question, and that is tone control, which has made its appearance in a good many forms. In some cases there is a fixed compensating device; in others there is a special tonecontrol circuit or circuits; in others, again, low-frequency intervalve transformers in association with variable resistances do the trick

Tone control became more and more necessary as selectivity was pushed farther and farther towards its limit. In "straight" sets selectivity is obtained partly by bandpass methods and partly, as a rule, by the use of reaction. In some sets special arrangements are used to enable a much greater degree of reaction coupling to be employed than was possible some years ago. In the super-het we have a combina-tion of band-pass methods and of sharply tuned I.F. stages. The result in all cases is the same: there is a distinct tendency for the high notes to be lost, particularly if you are using knife-edge tuning for longdistance work. I remember some time ago listening to an American station with a smallish set which relied very largely upon reaction. To obtain any kind of volume it was necessary to work close to the oscillation point, and the result was interesting. When a band was playing absolutely nothing but the bass could be heard. will find much the same effect if you try to work up a little distant station, such as one of the distant relays, to full loudspeaker volume. مور مول

WHAT HAPPENS

HAT takes place in such circumstances is not a complete cutting out of the sidebands, but a big reduction of the response of the set to those corresponding to frequencies more than about an octave or an octave and a half above the middle C. The deep note sidebands, on the other hand, are not attenuated at all; so that the bass is brought out at full power. The result: the bass swamps the treble, though the latter is there all the time. By tone correction the bass is kept within bounds and the treble comes back. I find particularly interesting the various tone-correcting transformers, for these can be used in almost any existing set.

It is a revelation to make a little experiment on the following lines. With an ordinary three-valve set of the S.G., detector, and power-valve type, rig up a four-pole change-over switch so that you can put either an ordinary transformer or one of the compensating kind into circuit between the detector and the output valve.

Tune in a Continental station of moderate strength and work it up to full volume with reaction. Use, first of all, the tone-control transformer and turn its knob until you get reproduction of really pleasing quality. Now quickly switch over to the plain transformer, and you will be astonished at the difference.

REALLY WORTH WHILE

FTER trying several of these transformers I am convinced that they constitute one of the biggest advances that wireless has made for a long while. One of my chief reasons for saying so is that they enable us to remove the only real snag in long-distance listening. With a good set containing plenty of H.F. the nearer and more powerful Continentals can be brought in at something very close to local-station quality, even without a tone-correcting circuit. We don't have to use much reaction for them and, owing to their very power, they have sufficient spread to prevent any important attenuation of their sidebands. But the smaller fry and the more distant big stations have suffered, and most of us have realised that it was difficult to make the reproduction of their programmes anything better than barely worth listening to. Tone control gives us the means of making poor reproduction good and good reproduction better still.

ON THE SHORT WAVES

HERE is a good deal of short-wave apparatus at Olympia, though not quite so much as I expected to see, for I am quite sure that when the Empire short-wave station comes into operation, towards the end of the year, there will be a tremendous boom in this side of wireless reception. There are a few sets which will work on long, medium, and short waves, and these are very handy. Personally, I rather favour the super-heterodyne adaptor type of short-wave gadget. If you have one or, better still, two stages of H.F. amplification in your "broadcast" set, one of these adaptors is a first-rate thing to have. You simply stick it on in front of the set, switch over to the long waves, and tune what were the high-frequency valves to a good high wavelength. The arrangement then becomes a superheterodyne very easy to work and giving remarkably good results.

If you don't possess a set with H.F. stages there are excellent little adaptors fitted with a plug which goes into the

Blueprints for Set Builders

Home-constructors should note that full-size blueprints of the "Advance Four" and the "World-range Short-wave 3" are available at the Blueprint Dept. of AMATEUR WIRELESS, 58-61 Fetter Lane, E.C.4. The prices are 1s. 6d. and 1s. each respectively, post free.

detector valve holder of the set. All tuning is then done with the condensers of the adaptor, which are of much smaller capacity than those normally used in the ordinary receiving set. There is so much to hear on the short waves that it is well worth while having either a special shortwave set or an adaptor which will enable an ordinary set to be used for this kind of reception.

2020 THE MIDDLE WAVES

N the medium waveband all sorts of stations are reappearing after their summer period of temporary silence, whilst those that have remained through the season of longer days and shorter nights as rather small voices are now quickly gaining in strength. Another very encouraging sign is that a whole lot of stations whose reception became patchy during the summer time are now coming back as regulars. By patchy reception I mean that you may hear certain stations well on two or three nights during the week and on the others either not hear them at all or only just be able to pick them up. Notable come-backs are those of Budapest, Vienna, Katowice, Berlin Witzleben, Sottens, Breslau, Gothenburg, and Leipzig. On the whole, the Continent is doing us wireless folk pretty well just now.

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UT equally we are doing the Continent pretty well, though in a rather different way. One of the problems facing the authorities just now is that of programme borrowing. It appears that quite a few little stations which cannot afford to spend much on their programmes have installed first-rate receiving apparatus and have made the necessary arrangements for relaying. As evening comes along the operator makes a tour over the wavebands to find which stations are coming in best. He selects one whose programme seems attractive and then proceeds to push this out from his own aerial. Since the British programmes are, on the whole, amongst the best and the quality obtainable from our stations is remarkably good, it is only natural that our transmissions should frequently be chosen for this somewhat doubtful compliment. If progress continues at its present rate, particularly in the matter of shortwave wireless, the time may come when a station in any part of the world will be able to send out fine programmes without possessing so much as a studio.

Solo PIEZO-ELECTRIC SPEAKERS

SEE that one of the latest American sets-a six-valver listed as a midget —is fitted with a piezo-electric speaker instead of the standard moving-coil instrument. The actual "drive" is a crystal of Rochelle salt which

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alternately expands and contracts under the influence of the applied L.F. currents and so impulses a diaphragm. The new instrument is said to give very satisfactory results considering its light weight and exceptionally compact construction, though I should hardly expect it to compete with the moving-coil on the lower notes. In one sense, the crystal-operated speaker provides an interesting alternative to existing instruments and, like the electrostatic type, may prove particularly useful in connection with the new fashion for dual-speaker sets. At the same time, it can scarcely claim to be an entirely new development, as piezo-electric microphones and telephone were both known-at least, in the experimental stage-long before the days of broadcasting.

"FIXING" THE TUNING CONDENSERS

PROPOS of midget sets and the general tendency to restrict even super-het receivers to the smallest possible size, designers find themselves up against some peculiar problems, particularly in connection with microphonic feed-back. It stands to reason that when one fits a powerful moving-coil speaker in the same small casing as the valves and tuning-components there is bound to be a possibility of trouble, due to the effect of the mechanical vibrations set up by the speaker. So far as the valves are concerned, microphonic reaction can be prevented by a suitable design of the valve electrodes. But it is found that the tuning-condensers are also liable to be affected, slight vibrations in the vanes and in the ganging spindle giving rise to small variations of tuning which may be sufficient to spoil reception. To eliminate this source of disturbance the chassis is mounted on soft rubber blocks and the condenser spindle and vanes are braced wherever possible by means of special partitions which hold them firmly against flexural movement.

A METER PROBLEM

HE other day I wanted to run a little gadget off my car, and I found on the dashboard two sockets which I assumed would be connected to the battery. In order to make quite sure, I thought I would connect a meter across these two points. The only meter I had handy at the time was a little pocket testing meter reading up to 6 volts, but I decided to use this, since I only wanted an indication that the circuit was live. Actually, of course, I expected the pointer to go right off the scale; and when I tried it, it did so.

Unfortunately, it read in the wrong direction, as a meter nearly always does when you first connect it up. I therefore reversed the connections and found that it still read in the wrong direction. Reversing the connections back again the meter now read correctly. In fact, to cut a long story short, I could make the meter read in

which ever direction I liked, irrespective of which way I connected the terminals.

Now, it was incredible that the battery in my car should be changing its polarity every two seconds, and I began to wonder whether these two terminals really were connected across the battery or whether they were taken in some curious manner to the cutout, thus giving me the apparent reversal of the voltage. Even that did not seem to me to meet the case, and I was very puzzled to understand what was happening.

DON'T BE MISLED

HAD a sudden brainwave, however, and got hold of a better meter, capable of reading up to 30 volts and of the moving-coil type. I connected this across the terminals I obtained the proper reading of 12 volts; the reading was also quite steady, one of the terminals being minus and the other plus the whole time. I then began to remember some curious effects I had experienced before with moving-iron meters. This little pocket testing meter, of course, was of the moving-iron type, and the application of a very strong force to the moving mechanism is just as likely to send it in the wrong direction as in the right.

The movement is only a very lightly pivoted piece of soft iron and it is so balanced as to be just ready to get off the mark. Consequently, a really strong force will sometimes set it off the mark in the wrong direction.

A QUESTION OF SPEED

O obtain the best reproduction from modern records with a radiogram, it is essential that the speed of the turntable shall be exactly right. Most records demand a speed of seventyeight revolutions a minute, though some require a little more and some a little less. The best speed, in any case, is nearly always indicated on the label of the record; if it isn't, you can take it that seventy-eight will be right. But remember that this means the speed of rotation when the pick-up is travelling over the record. I have often seen people count the turntable revolutions with the pick-up placed on its little rest. The motor is thus running light and the speed

A CONSTRUCTIONAL NUMBER NEXT WEEK

Next week's issue of "A.W." will feature TWO fine sets:
The "IDEAL REGIONAL TWO" and "YOUR HOME RADIOGRAM."

may be considerably in excess of that obtained under the load of the pick-up. Here is a simple way of making sure that the turntable speed is what it should be. to the label on a record stick a little piece of white paper. Place the record on the turntable, start up, and bring the pick-up into action. Sight between the front edge of the pick-up and the centre pin of the turntable and count one every time that the piece of white paper passes in front of Get a friend to act as timekeeper and ask him to stop you at fifteen seconds. If the speed is correct you should have made a count of nineteen (a quarter of seventyeight is 191/2) just before the fifteenth second is reached. It is as well to check over once or twice, and you can finish by counting for a full half-minute, in which case thirty-nine revolutions should be registered.

A "PORTABLE" TIP

GOOD many people, I find, don't quite know how to turn a portable, or any other set containing a builtin frame, or even the frame by itself, in such a way as to obtain the maximum signal strength. Most of them do it purely by hit-and-miss methods, simply making movements until the strength appears to be at its best. The ear is notoriously deceptive when it comes to deciding whether a signal, already fairly loud, is or is not just a little bit louder with this adjustment or that. Here is a very much better way. Having tuned in a station, rotate the apparatus until you find a position where strength is at its minimum. This is not, as a rule, at all difficult and, except in the case of a very strong transmission, you are likely to be able to discover a position in which almost or entire silence occurs. Having done this, point your first finger straight at the middle of the cabinet of the set or of the frame. Now turn until the edge of the cabinet or the windings of the frame are directly opposite the pointing finger. In this way you make certain of ensuring that the apparatus is correctly orientated.

ADDING ONE ON

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N spite of my frequent advice to readers to the contrary, I have just been adding a valve to one of my own sets. But I haven't really own sets. broken my own rule, for I didn't try to increase the number of amplifying stages; my additional valve was required because I converted the output stage to push-pull. I am very glad that I did, for the results have exceeded my expectations. I don't think that any battery output valve used in single harness can give the results that you obtain from push-pull. You don't get any more noise, but it's much nicer noise. Should you want to improve the quality of an existing set, I can recommend this scheme to you as one that is worth think-THERMION. ing about.

description of a fine three-valver specially designed for reception below 100 metres. An introduction to this new short-wave outfit was given in last week's issue.



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THE "World-Ranger Short-wave 3," first details of which were given in last week's issue of "A.W.," is a simple job to build although it is so efficient. The layout is well spaced, components are not cramped together so that wiring is difficult and the special inverted chassis method of construction adopted results in a tidy "professional"-looking set.

The first job is to check up the parts with the components list and to see that you have parts of the correct electrical values. The first specified parts in the components list are those used in the actual set described and illustrated by the accompanying photograph.

The set is described as having an inverted chassis and the photograph above will show you just what this means. The baseboard is a box-like formation carrying the grid-bias battery beneath it and much of the straightforward wiring. The terminal strip carrying the loud-speaker, aerial, and earth terminals, forms the back of this box formation.

On top of the baseboard box are the main parts, such as valve holders, decoupling condensers, low-frequency transformer, H.F.choke, series aerial condenser, potentiometer and the rest. The tuning condenser, reaction condenser and coil are carried on the panel. This latter component is mounted in rather an unusual position on account of the wavechange switching. coil is fitted flush against the three-position switch which controls the various sections of the coil to cover the three separate wavebands between 12 and 85 metres.

The reaction condenser is actually beneath the baseboard box, although it is mounted on the panel and part of the plywood of the actual baseboard is cut away to clear the vanes.

The first constructional job to be done is the making up of the baseboard box and the drilling of the panel and terminal strips. A full-size blueprint of the set is available, price one shilling, post free, from the Blueprint Department, AMATEUR Wireless, 58-61 Fetter Lane, London, E.C.4

This shows all the wiring and gives the exact layout of the parts on the panel, and the baseboard box; it also shows the wiring beneath the baseboard, so that it is a great aid when you come to the constructional work.

The accompanying panel shows all the parts needed to build up the "World-Ranger Short-wave 3

Now the panel can be drilled for the twocondensers, the coil switch and the on-off There must also be six holes for

woodscrews which secure the panel to the baseboard box.

Using stout ply wood, make up the baseboard. The three pieces of wood can be nailed, or better still, screwed together and the long terminal strip which can be drilled,

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COMPONENTS REQUIRED FOR THE "WORLD-RANGER 3"

Ebcnite panel, 12 in. by 8 in. (Peto Scott, Becol,

Coltene).
. .002-mfd. variable cendenser (British Radiophene, Utility, Goltone, Ormond, Stratton, Formo).
On-off switch (Bulgin rotary, Lissen, British Radiophone, Becker, Igranic, Graham Farish, Sovereign, Claude Lyons, Telsen, W.B.).

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Triple-range short-wave coil with switch (Lissen).
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Three valve holders (Telsen, Lissen, W.B., Lotus,
Stratton, Wearite).
Two 1-mfd, fixed condensers (Telsen, Dubilier,
Lissen, T.C.C., Goltone, Ferranti, Wilburn).
.0002-mfd, fixed condenser (Lissen, Telsen, Dubilier,
Goltone, T.C.C., Ormond).
.006-mfd, fixed condenser (Lissen, Telsen, Dubilier,
T.C.C., Ormond).
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Sovereiga).
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Two grid-leak holders (Readi-Rad, Lissen, Goltone). Neutralising condenser (Peto-Scott, J.B., kgranic).

400-ohm baseboard-mounting potentiometer (Lissen, Igranic, Sovereiga).

Two spaghetti resistances, 20,000-ohm and 40,000-ohm (Lewcos, Lissen, Telsen, Bulgin, Graham Farish, Golton).

Low-frequency transformer (Slektun, Lissen, Varley, Telsen, Atlas, Lotus, R.I., Goltone).

Short-wave high-frequency choke (Slektun, Lissen, Stratton, Igranic, Goltone, Lewcos, Wearite).

5003-mid. reaction condenser (Peto Scott, Polar, J.B., Utility, Lissen, Telsen).

Five wander plugs, marked: H.T.—, H.T. +, G.B. +, G.B.—1, G.B.—2 (Clix, Belling-Lee, Eelex, Goltone).

Four terminals, marked: A. E. L.S. +, L.S.— (Clix, Belling-Lee, Eelex, Bulgin, Goltone).

Two spade terminals, marked: L.T. +, L.T.— (Clix, Belling-Lee, Eelex).

Ebonite strip, 12 in. by 2 in. by 4 in. (Peto Scott).

Wood for baseboard assembly as per blueprint. Pair of grid-bias clips (Bulgin).

Connecting wire (Glazite, Lacoline).

Two yards of thin flex (Lewcoflex, Goltone).

ACCESSORIES

Cabinet (Peto Scott).

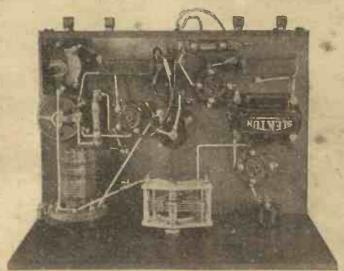
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9-volt G.B. battery (Lissen, Drydex, Ever Ready, Siemens, Fuller, C.A.V.).

2-volt accumulator (Lissen, Exide, Drydex, Ever Ready, Siemens, Fuller, C.A.V.).

H.T. unit (Lissen, Ekco, Regentone, Atlas, Heaylerd).

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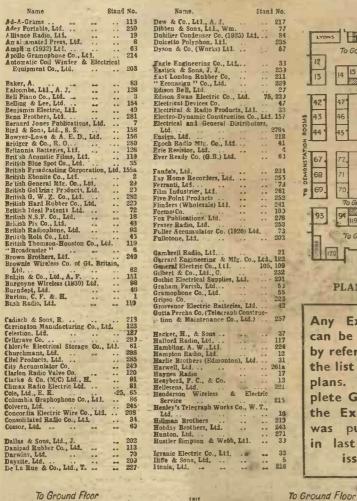


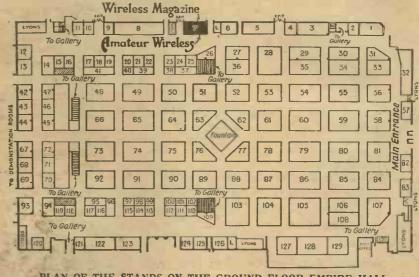
This plan view shows that the construction is simple and that few components are required

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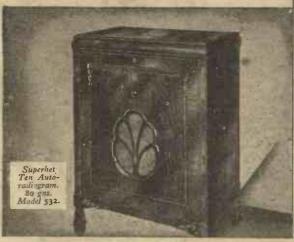
"HIS MASTER'S VOICE" at Olympia, STAND NO 55

In addition to the four new instruments illustrated, "His Master's Voice" will show at Olympia the following range of models for the new season:-

			PRICE
MODEL	501 7	Transportable Radiogram	25 guineas
MODEL	435	De Luxe Radio Four	17 guineas
MODEL	174	Super-Power Speaker	£7. 10. 0
MODEL	LS7	Universal Speaker	£4. 15. 0
MODEL	116	Record Player	7 guineas
MODEL	117	Auto-Record Player	12 guineas
MODEL	553	Auto-Electrogram	42 guineas

Current models which have proved so enormously popular during the past season, and which have established a new standard in the reproduction of broadcast and recorded music, will also be continued.

Visit the "His Master's Voice" Stand-see and hear these instruments . . . examine the many improvements in the range. And whatever else you do, you must see the pre-release showing of the most wonderful industrial 'talkie' yet made. Demonstration Room D18. Free tickets will be obtainable at Stand No. 55.





His Master's Voice RADIO - "True to Life"

The Gramophone Co. Ltd., London, W.I.





This composite photograph shows the arrangements that have been made in the Dance Band studio for the new series of television transmissions

FTER many delays the B.B.C. should have actually started its television broadcasts on Monday, August 22. Extensive plans have been formulated at the B.B.C. headquarters for a thorough attack, both technically and artistically, on the general problem of television.

During the next few months there should be every inducement for keen listeners to participate in the television broadcasts. As we have already announced, four nights a week will be devoted to television under

the new B.B.C. régime.
Simultaneous sound and vision will be sent out Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The sound signals will come from Midland Regional and the vision signals from London National. This plan is in the nature of a compromise, for if a listener is in the recognised service area of one of the stations he will be outside the

service area of the other.

Experience has shown that the Midland Regional can be quite well heard in most of the area covered by the London National station, and with a good set it should not be very difficult for Midland listeners to tune in the London National signals. The arrangement does to some extent favour London area listeners, since it is easier to get Midland Regional in London than it is to get London National in the Midlands. Still, there will be a wide and denselypopulated area over which some sort of television service will be available.

The time chosen for these broadcasts is II to II.30 p.m., at which period the two stations involved are normally closed down. One of the very latest Baird television

THE B.B.C. GETS DOWN TO TELEVISION

transmitters has been installed at Broadcasting House for the new series of experiments. Scanning is done on the mirror drum system, with 121/2 images per second. Both close-up and extended-screen transmission

will be possible,

The installation and subsequent operation of the television apparatus will be under the control of the Assistant Chief Engineer, Mr. H. Bishop. He will be specially assisted by Mr. D. C. Birkinshaw, an-other B.B.C. engineer. Later on it is possible that modifications may be made in the transmitter, but this depends entirely on the experimental results obtained during actual broadcasts.

It is of interest to note that the present television transmissions are entirely under the control of B.B.C. men. The Baird people are working independently on short-wave transmissions around the 6-metre band, transmissions being sent out almost daily at odd times from the short-wave aerial at Long Acre, London.

As no special provision was made for television when Broadcasting House was designed-a singular lack of ordinary vision !- the B.B.C. has had to make do with one of its existing studios for the present transmissions. The dance-band studio, known as studio BB, is the one being used.

As a matter of fact, in fairness to the B.B.C., it ought to be mentioned that a television studio does not, in the present state of the science, demand anything more than an ordinary studio of medium size can provide. The only addition to the BB studio when television is in progress is a large white screen, used as a background for the televised subjects.

Another point is that the television apparatus can be conveniently housed in

the listening rooms adjoining most of the studios in the control tower at Broadcasting House. In Studio BB there are two such listening rooms, one under the clock at one end of the studio and the other under the little balcony at the other end. It is the balcony room that is being used just now to house the television transmitter, with the projector scanning device poking through the window into the studio.

New Technique

As many listeners will already know, "Productions" at the B.B.C. is a department ably guided by the genial Val Gielgud, who is to be finally responsible for the development of the television broadcasts from the artistic point of view.

Under Mr. Gielgud is a newcomer to Portland Place, Mr. Robb, late of the Vocalion Company, who will devote considerable time to the arrangement of the television subjects in studio BB.

According to Mr. Gielgud the early broadcasts of television from Broadcasting House will not attempt anything very ambitious. He thinks that caricaturists will specially lend themselves to the new medium, but such subjects as instrumentalists and singers will be frequently projected.

Later on, as the limitations and peculiarities of television broadcasting become known, better use will no doubt be made of the apparatus installed. There is no immediate intention of putting over elaborate song-and-dance shows involving considerable movement and change of scene.

It is something that the B.B.C. has finally got down to this television business. The extensive weekly broadcasts must accelerate the progress not only of the technical side but of the artistic production side. Mr. Bishop and Mr. Gielgud can be relied upon to make the most of the opportunities now offered to them by the recent Baird installation.

NAVIGATING BY INFRA-RED RAYS

THE photo-sensitive cell or "electric eye" is finding almost as many ingenious applications as the thermionic valve. For instance, in marine navigation it is now possible to make use of infra-red rays for "taking a sight" at the sun in cloudy weather. Even the best of sailors is liable to get a little astray in his bearings if he cannot take a sextant reading of the sun or stars for days on end. Infra-red rays, however, pass through the heaviest clouds in sufficient quantity to enable an "invisible" sun to be accurately located with the new device, which consists of a delicate thermocouple and photo-cell combination, carried on a sextant and connected up to a valve amplifier. The whole arrangement is compact and easily portable, and should play a useful part in long-distance air flights as well as at sea.

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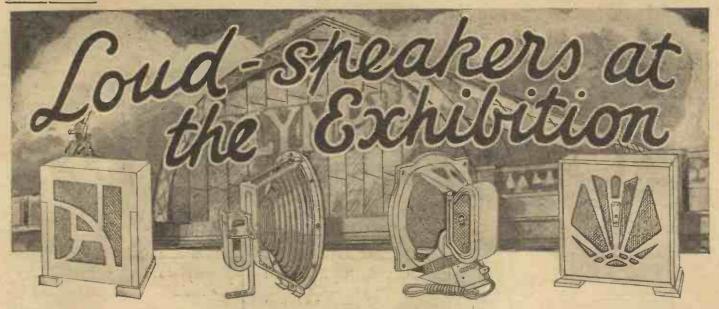
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It just shows what mass production and faith in the public's buying powers can do; here we are now surrounded with really effective moving coils at prices that are cheap anyway, and when considered in relation to performance are simply wonderful. In a year not very notable for sensa-tions, the moving-coil development stands out as one of the high lights of the Exhibi-

Practically all the commercial sets have some form of moving coil; some battery portables have adopted such speakers. In addition to this wholesale evidence of the supremacy of the moving coil we have a host of chassis available to the amateur constructor.

While there is no question that the moving coil is likely to be the most popular type of loud-speaker in use during the coming season, we ought, in fairness to several excellent firms who know what they are talking about, to remember that such types as the inductor-dynamic, introduced last year, and certain improved forms of balanced-armature moving-iron speakers, still have applications.

The inductor-dynamic, for example, is

now made just as sensitive as the movingiron, thus overcoming one of the few objections to an otherwise excellent development. The inductor, properly designed, as it is in several makes on show at Radiolympia, gives quite a good bass-note response and appreciable high-note reproduction. Moreover, there is little or no background with this type of loud-speaker, and the reproduction has a "clean" timbre that appeals to some listeners in a way the average moving-coil cannot. That states the case as fairly as possible for the inductor, which has lost ground only because the moving-coil has so greatly advanced in the popular price market.

Similarly with the moving-iron. Ceaseless research goes on, even now, with this simple type of speaker, so that to-day we can get an overall response which would have seemed theoretically impossible a few years ago. The moving-iron still has an application in small portables, where there is neither room to house nor power to work a moving-coil.

This brings us to the interesting point about the new loud-speaker marketing tendency. Nowadays it seems that we buy chassis and use our own discretion about the type of cabinet or baffle. Compared with the great number of moving-coil chassis shown at Olympia there is a very small number of cabinet speakers.

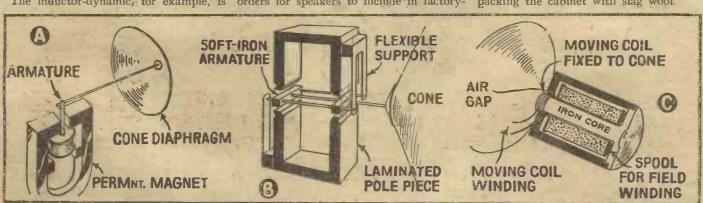
Perhaps this is to be expected, since the amateur will want a chassis for his homebuilt console or pedestal cabinet, and the manufacturer, who incidentally by his large orders for speakers to include in factoryassembled sets has "rationalised" the market, naturally does not want a box round his chassis.

This change in marketing entails a certain amount of discretion on the part of the purchaser. Disappointment may be caused by unsuitable housing for the chassis. Moreover, poor reproduction may be caused by inaccurate matching, caused by inattention to the ratio of the transformer in the chassis.

Most of the chassis have some sort of incorporated output transformer, so that no matter what kind of set may be used, the reproduction can be made good by altering the ratio of the primary to secondary winding. Even the cheap chassis have these matching transformers, some with multiratios and others designed specifically for pentodes, small power valves, of moderate impedance, or large power valves of very low impedance.

This question of matching should therefore be fully dealt with when making a purchase of one of the new chassis. nately most makers are alive to the situation, and will willingly quote the type for any given power valve

On the question of the cabinet or baffle less information is forthcoming. The guiding rule is to use as large a baffle board as possible, not less than 3 ft. square anyway, and preferably larger. If a cabinet is used, care should be taken to see that it has no pronounced resonance. If it has, the objectionable "boom" may be removed, as in the loud-speaker on show at the Amateur Wireless stand, by carefully packing the cabinet with slag wool.



The three types of loud-speaker shown diagrammatically-A, the moving-iron; B, the inductor; C, the energised moving-coll



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The programmes originating from Broadcasting House are identical with those being radiated either by the London Regional or the London National transmitter at Brookmans Park. Wireless link, however, is not employed, the apparatus on the stand being connected directly to the amplifier at Broadcasting House through the medium of the G.P.O. telephone lines, special circuits being used for the purpose.

In the small studio on the B.B.C. stand are a microphone and a gramophone with an electrical attachment by means of which a programme of suitable music is distributed when the broadcast transmissions are not available.

With regard to the apparatus on the stand, to the left of the main amplifier unit will be seen a small rack upon which is mounted the input equipment, comprising five stages of resistance-capacity

coupled low-frequency amplification. The

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through the framework to the cone. adjusting knob of the unit should clear the back batten and not touch it, for otherwise it may upset the rigid mounting of the unit.

is dissipated at the anodes of these valves. The loud-speakers are fed in parallel, through a number of separate circuits which supply the various parts of the Exhibition.

The Model of Broadcasting House

The model of Broadcasting House, which is on view next to the B.B.C. amplifier equipment, is a sectional scale model of the new B.B.C. headquarters in Portland Place. On one side will be seen the exterior elevation of the building, on Portland Place. On the other, a section, through the centre of the building, and a plan of the sub-basement showing the arrangement of the air-conditioning and ventilating equipment.

By studying this model it will be seen how every corner of this elaborate building has been utilised to full advantage.

Many listeners are often mystified as to what happens in the fraction of a second between the sound being picked up by the microphone in the studio and the reproduction of that same sound by their loudspeaker at home.

To try to put this extremely complicated procedure into as simple a form as possible, illustrated charts are on view, which show, both photographically and diagrammatically, the different stages through which the signals picked up by the microphone pass. One deals with "broadcasting," that is, the stages from microphone to transmitting aerial, the other with "reception," the stages between the listener's aerial and loud-speaker. Visitors studying this exhibit should begin at the left-hand side.

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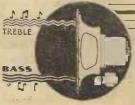
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HOW THE PROBLEM OF SELECTIVITY IS BEING TACKLED

Some Notes on Filtering and Shaping Circuits—By MORTON BARR

I force the broadcast listener to adopt fresh standards of selectivity, particularly if the prevailing congestion continues to increase as time goes on. It will be no longer worth while trying to tune in this far-away station or that, when experience shows that the result amounts more often than not to very inferior quality on a background of mush.

Up to the present selectivity and sharp tuning have always gone hand in hand, in the sense that the more stations there are in operation the more highly resonant the receiving circuits must be in order to separate one programme from the other.

It is, however, possible to push this argument too far, because although a sharply tuned input is certainly effective

ONDITIONS in the ether threaten to in shutting out interference, the point force the broadcast listener to adopt comes when the "entrance" to the set is made too narrow to admit the sidebands which carry the higher frequencies and overtones so essential to true reproduction.

There is not much advantage in robbing Peter to pay Paul, and once the struggle for selectivity reaches the point where quality is deliberately thrown overboard, it becomes profitable to look for other ways and means of solving the problem.

Amongst these is the so-called band-pass filter circuit, which may be inserted either between the aerial and the first valve, or as a coupling between the high-frequency stages, or may be used in both positions. Apart from its proved success in meeting the demand for selectivity with quality,

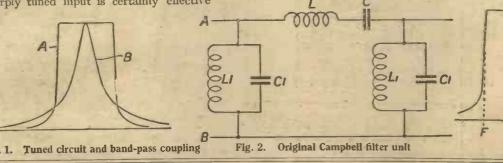
the band-pass circuit represents interesting development in the art of tuning.

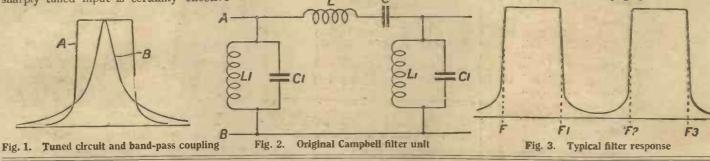
In the first place it may be classed as an anti-resonant circuit, in the sense that its response curve is flat-topped, as shown at A in Fig. 1, in contrast with the corresponding curve B of the sharply-tuned circuit, which has a narrow peak. One passes both the carrier wave and the essential side-bands, whilst the other strips most of the side-bands away.

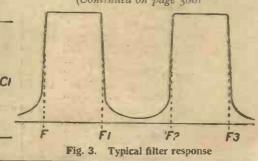
If it was possible to design a perfectly resonant circuit it would respond only to one definite frequency, i.e. the carrier wave, so that progress in this direction leads to razor-edged selectivity with little or no quality. This conclusion is, however, subject to one important reservation, which is dealt with later.

On the other hand the perfectly designed band-coupling accepts a definite width of frequencies—say five kilocycles on each side of the carrier-wave-and gives an abrupt cut-off outside these limits; so as to cover the whole of the side-bands, whilst at the same time excluding any interfering

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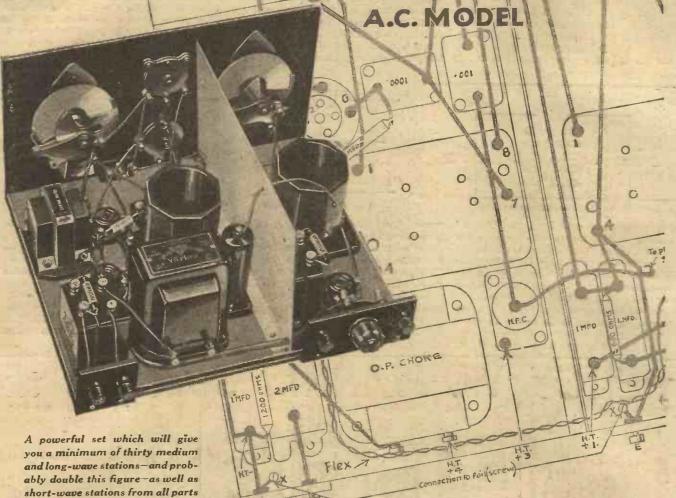




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"HOW THE PROBLEM OF SELECTIVITY IS BEING TACKLED"

(Continued from page 386) Progress in this direction theresignals. fore approaches one ideal of selectivity, namely, reception sufficiently sharp to separate stations operating within ten kilocycles of each other, without any sacrifice in quality.

The band-pass coupling is a development of the generalised filter circuit first produced by G. A. Campbell some twenty years ago. The principle involved is one of growing importance in wireless technique both on the high-frequency side and the low.

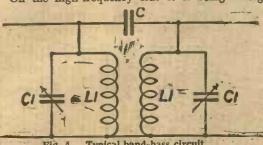
It consists of two leads A, B, having inductance L and capacity C in series, and inductances LI and capacities CI in shunt. The unit can be repeated, if necessary, to form an extended network. The larger the number of units used, the greater is the sharpness with which the network will separate one frequency from

The form of circuit shown in Fig. 2 will pass the two bands of frequencies, marked F F1, and F2 F3, in Fig. 3, but will extinguish all frequencies outside these limits. By omitting the series inductance L, the two frequency-bands shown in Fig. 3 can be On the high-frequency side it is being merged into a single band. This gives the

and get a high-pass filter, Fig. 6. This passes high-frequency currents through the condensers c, and drains away lowfrequency currents through the inductances LI.

Mention has been made of an alternative scheme for selective reception in which the high-frequency circuits are so sharply tuned that, without some form of correction or compensation, all pretence to quality would be lost. This razor-edge effect may be secured by the use of a piezo-electric gate, or by forcing reaction up to the threshold of self-oscillation.

A glance at Fig. 1 will show that the sharply-tuned response curve B, although it cuts away most of the side-band energy,



Typical band-bass circuit Fig. 4.

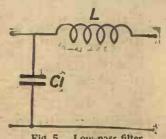
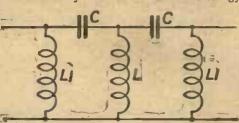


Fig. 5. Low-pass filter



High-pass filter Fig. 6.

used, as already explained, to "shape" incoming signals into a flat-topped curve for subsequent rectification and reproduction; whilst on the low-frequency side the same principle is to be found in the tone-correcting or "shaping" circuits now being used in a certain type of receiver to restore notes that have been cut down below their normal value owing to oversharp tuning.

The typical filter unit is shown by Fig. 2.

typical band-pass input, Fig. 4, as used in broadcast receiver.

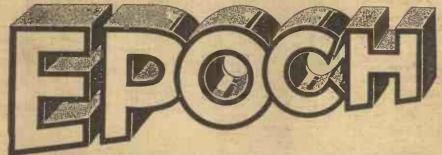
By omitting the series condenser c and the shunt inductance LI in Fig. 4, the "band-pass" effect is reduced to zero, giving the well-known form of filter or smoothing circuit, Fig. 5, used to remove the ripple frequencies from a mains-supply unit.

By reversing the process and removing the series inductances L and the shunt capacities c, we go to the other extreme

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The noises you are experiencing are the carrier and modulated waves of the vision-picture transmissions now being radiated by the B.B.C. The transmissions cannot be resolved into intelligent reception of pictures without a special television receiver. Your receiver is, no doubt, tuned to the London National station to pick up these sounds, and if you will tune to Midland Regional you will hear the normal transmissions which are coupled with the television broadcasts.—ED.

Wire-wound Resistances

SIR,—One of the H.T. positive points on my eliminator failed to work, and after testing by substitution I eventually found that this was due to the failure of the 40,000-ohm resistance. I sent it to the makers, and they were good enough to send me another resistance free of charge.

In the second instance, a friend's set which I had made gradually deteriorated until it gave only a small volume of sound. I was put on the track of the defect by happening to touch two points in the set with two fingers, when the volume returned. At last I found that the 250,000 wire-wound resistance in the R.C. coupling stage was defective.

While I am writing, may I say how thoroughly I endorse the recent remarks by "Thermion," with regard to home constructors. Personally, I should decline a gift of the best ready-made set. I much prefer to construct my own.—R. W. R. (Rochester).

Tone Controls for Two Speakers

SIR,—I have two speakers in use, one of which I occasionally take into the garden. When these two speakers are used together in the house they appear to give too much high-note response, but work quite well individually. Is there any way in which this effect can be reduced without impairing the general working of both?—G. W. (Hitchin).

The best course to follow is that of connecting

The best course to follow is that of connecting a variable resistance of 15,000 ohms in series with a .01-microfarad fixed condenser and

arranging this in parallel with the terminals of one of the speakers. A similar arrangement may be employed across the terminals of each speaker, and by adjusting the variable resistance you will effectively control the pitch of reproduction from each speaker. The speakers must be connected together in series for this arrangement to be effective.—ED.

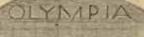
A Matter of Bass

SIR,—Commenting on the letter from "G.A. (Argyle)," complaining of insufficient bass, I suggest he concentrates on a first-class transformer as his chief expense. Ferranti AF3 or, better still, Ferranti AF5. There are many others less bulky if he desires. His loudspeaker need not be terribly expensive. A good four-pole cone mounted on an inch-thick box, 4 ft. square, 18 in. deep, open at the back, or alternatively mounted on a 9-ft. square baffle board, should, in conjunction with a real transformer, give him all he requires; top and speech particularly he may find superior to many cheap moving coils.—E. (Wimbledon).

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SIR,—I have built the "Home-lover's All-electric Three" and am endeavouring to use a moving-coil speaker in place of the ordinary balanced-armature type you specify. It is in this respect that I believe I have gone wrong, for I get troublesome motor-boating and mains hum. When I put in a cone speaker from another set, my reception is all that one could wish. Will (Continued on page 392)





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" READERS' IDEAS AND **OUESTIONS** "

(Continued from page 390)

you, therefore, explain why this trouble should occur and how it can be avoided?-

F. W. (Kent).

Your moving-coil speaker, no doubt, has its own input transformer incorporated in its design. The D.C. resistance of the primary winding of this transformer is much less than that of the windings of an ordinary balanced-armature speaker, and consequently there is less voltage drop between the point of H.T. supply and the anode of the power valve. The latter tends to consume somewhat more anode current than is allowed for in the design of the receiver, and mains hum and other troubles result. We recommend you to introduce a power type voltage dropping resistance between the H.T. supply terminal and the H.T. terminal on the speaker transformer. One terminal of a 2-microfarad condenser should then be joined to this terminal of the speaker transformer and the other terminal of the condenser connected direct to the cathode or earth return circuit. A suitable value of power-type dropping resistance will be 2,000 ohms.—ED.

YOU WILL BE THE JURY!

INCLUDED in the autumn talks are some very bright ideas. For example, on Saturday nights listeners will become a vast jury, deciding "cases" fought out by opposing Counsel before the microphone. After the Judge has done his summing up the verdict will be left to us. Although the cases will, of course, involve fictitious characters they will be based on real-life trials of the past.



N September 7 a running commentary on the St. Leger, by Mr. R. C. Lyle, will be broadcast from the Town Moor racecourse, Doncaster, in the National programme.

A programme of Russian music, which includes items by prominent Russian composers such as Glazounov and Medtner, will be given by Edna Willoughby, on September 10.

Raymond Lilley will play violin solos in a concert by the Whitby Municipal Orchestra, which will be relayed to the Northern Region from the Spa at Whitby, on August

YOUR SHOW GUIDE

Last week's 116-page issue of "Amateur Wireless," the first special Show Number, contained a complete review of the exhibits at Olympia, and if you are going to the Show you will find the issue an extremely helpful guide and a great time saver. If you cannot go to the Show then use your copy as an index to the new season's products. Visitors to Olympia should note that the "A.W." Stand is No. 7, and that floor plans of the exhibition and a list of exhibitors are given in this week's issue on page 344.

In connection with the Three Choirs Festival, an orchestral concert will be relayed from the Public Hall, Worcester, on September 7 to the Midland Regional, when the London Symphony Orchestra will be conducted by Sir Ivor Atkins. An attractive programme includes William Walton's well-known piece, "Portsmouth

Listeners taking holidays in North Wales should tune in to a talk from Leeds, by Professor W. Sherard Vines, on August Professor Vines will describe some books which would make topical reading for holiday-makers in North Wales.

Non-stop variety will be outdistanced by a John Watt show which is to be broadcast Nationally on September 10. cendo," a vaudeville programme, will not even recognise the meaning of the word stop, for all the items, singers, dance bands, orchestra, organ, pianos, etc., will follow one another at breathless speed from beginning to end of the programme. There will be no announcements and everything will be done from one studio.

Vaudeville for London Regional listeners on September 3 will consist of the following turns: Len Fillis, Elizabeth Pollock, John C. Payne, Abie and Sandy, Esther Coleman, and Melville Gideon.

One of the most popular concert parties whose performances are relayed are "The Bouquets," who appear each evening at the Spa Theatre in Scafborough. Listeners will be glad to know that they are to broadcast again on September 1.

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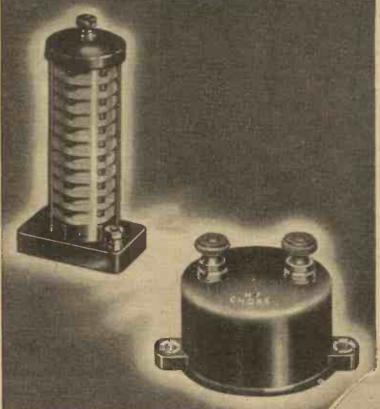
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READY RADIO

"THE WORLD-RANGER SHORT-WAVE 3"

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using the blueprint as a guide, forms one of the ends of the box-like formation. Do not, at this stage, mount the box to the panel for otherwise you will find it difficult to mount the reaction condenser and to wire up the triple-range coil. The first step should be to mount the two condensers, coil switch, and on-off switch on the panel. The coil and its associate three-position switch are mounted against the panel and secured by two bolts which pass through panel, switch, and coil. The other components are of the one-hole mounting When you have mounted all these up firmly on the panel you can butt the baseboard box temporarily against it and see where a small part of the ply-wood top must be cut away to clear the fixed vanes of the reaction condenser. When this job has been done the box and panel can be screwed together. The box baseboard is an adequate support for the panel and no other means of strengthening, such as panel brackets, is necessary.

Completing the Wiring

Well now, with the panel components mounted, the main parts can be screwed to the baseboard and the wiring completed. The three valve holders, H.F. choke, potentiometer, series aerial condenser, low-frequency transformer, and decoupling condensers, should all be screwed down. As there is plenty of space to spare on the baseboard, there is no point in delaying the mounting of the parts until some of the

wiring is carried out. There are no special points to note about the spacing and the blueprint gives the layout in a very clear manner, so that you cannot possibly go wrong in the spacing of parts.

The wiring is just as easy. Rigid insulated wire is used for the major connections on the baseboard and the battery flex leads connect direct with their respective components. Wires pass through the baseboard to the coil and to one or two of the smaller parts. Drill these holes from underneath and push the wires up through the baseboard, the ends being later soldered to tags or clamped underneath the terminal heads. Further constructional details and operating notes for the finished set will be given in next week's issue.



One of the new Radiophone Radiopak units described on page 294 last week. The band-pass model is shown. It includes ganged coils, condensers, and all the H.F. components

THE CLARION RANGE

POUR receivers will comprise the Clarion programme for the coming season, although it is probable that other models will be added later. These range from the popular table consolette to the radio gramophone, which, by the way, is one of the first commercial receivers to incorporate the Garrard automatic record changer. All models are for use on A.C. mains only.

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Provision is made for the use of a gramophone pick-up and external loud-speaker on the consolette model, which costs eighteen guineas. Several unique features are incorporated in the range, notably the method of tone control which enables the user to accentuate the top notes.

The cabinet work of the four models is very tasteful and conforms to the modern idea of simplicity. There are only three controls on the panel, the main-tuning control is in the centre with a clearly marked scale calibrated in wavelengths, the volume control on the left, and the combined wavechange and on-off switch on the right. No reaction is employed in the design of the set.

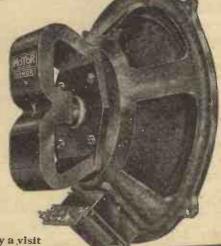
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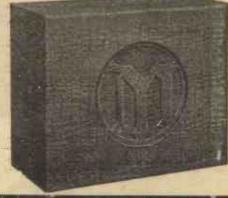
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tuning and reaction circuits, all coils being wound with stranded wire. The coll is also suitable for use with sets covering all wave bands with a .0005 Tuning Condenser. In this case the dual-range feature is not employed.



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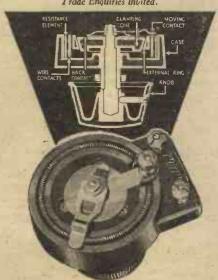
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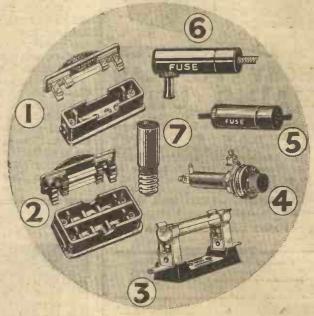
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The new Epoch set is built up on a metal chassis, has completely screened coils and condensers and has the tuning control calibrated in wavelengths. A speaker is fitted integral with the set and above the set chassis. The appearance of the complete set is strikingly modern and sets quite a new line in cabinet design.

Full details of these new Epoch pro-

ductions can be obtained from the Epoch Radio Manufacturing Co., Ltd., of Exmouth House, Exmouth Street, London, E.C.I.

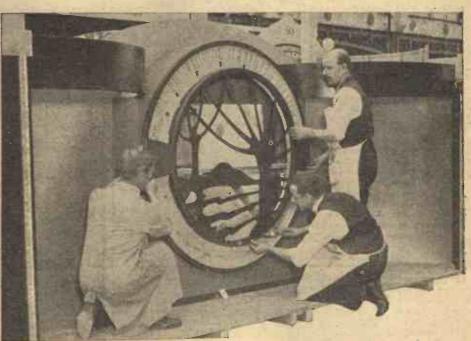
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The Garrard electric gramophone motor with automatic record changer

it step-by step as each record drops. The arms are easily adjustable for handling 10 or 12-in. records and there is a control to reject any record.

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In the Polar announcement on page 193 of "A.W." for August 13, the Polar Star three-gang condenser was incorrectly stated to have a capacity of 5,000 per section. This should, of course, be .0005-microfarads per section. Full details are given of these new Star gang condensers in the Polar catalogue, copies of which can be obtained from Messrs. Wingrove & Rogers, Ltd., 188-9, Strand, W.C.2.

The Belfast Wireless Exhibition this year will be opened on September 14, and the B.B.C. has arranged to lend the new model of Broadcasting House, which will first be seen at Olympia. On September 10, Captain R. L. Henderson is coming to the microphone to tell listeners something of the plans and preparations of the organisers of the exhibition

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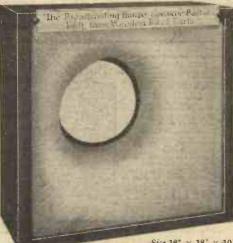
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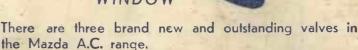
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