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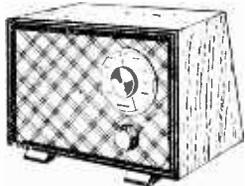
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An all mains set for 19/6



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 - DC.348
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 - R-1132A/R-1481
 - R-1147
 - R-1224A
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 - RA-1B
 - AR88D
 - AN/APA-1
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 - 76
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The "CRISPIAN" Portable Radio

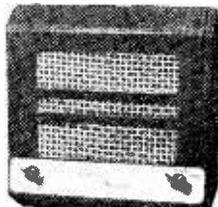


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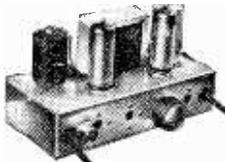
All parts, including speaker and cabinet, are available separately or if all ordered together the price is £7.15 complete, post and ins. 3/6, ready-built chassis 30/- extra. Instruction booklet free with parts or available separately price 1/6.

OFFICE INTERCOM.

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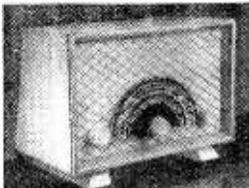


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To-day's best value in Band III Converters suitable for your T.V. or money refunded. Complete ready to operate. 49/6 non mains, or 69/6 mains, post and insurance, 3/6.

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3-speed Gramophone Motor



Latest rim drive 3-speed motor with metal turntable and rubber mat. Small mod. makes speed easily variable for special effects and dance work.

Hi-Fi Pick-up Using famous Cosmocord HJ-G turn-over crystal. Separate sapphire for each speed. Neat bakelite case with pressure adjustment. **Special Snip Offer This Month** The two units for £4/10/-, plus 5/- post and insurance, or made up on board as illustrated, £5/10/-, plus 5/- post.

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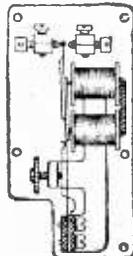
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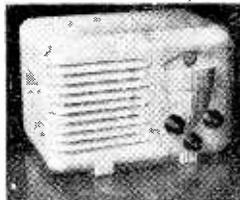


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- Mains transformer 18 6
- 5-amp. rectifier 17 6
- Regulator Stud Switch 3 6
- Resistance Wire 2 6
- Resistance Former, 2 6
- Mains on/off Switch 1 -
- 0.5 amp. Moving Coil Meter 9 6
- Constructional Data 1 6

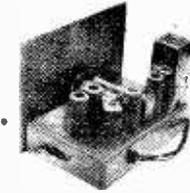
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BABY ALARM



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This tuner is based upon the very successful circuit published by Data Publications. We have made up models at all branches and will gladly demonstrate. Stability is extremely good and making and aligning most simple. Cost of all parts, including valves, prepared metal chassis, wound coils and stove enamelled scale, slow-motion drive, pointer, tuning knob, in fact everything needed, is £6/12/6. Data is included free with the parts or is available separately, price 2/-.

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MULLARD AMPLIFIER "510"

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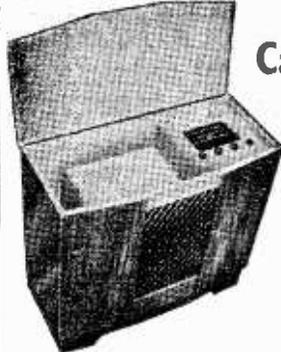


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P.V.C. covered in 100ft. coils—29 a coil or four coils—different colours. 10/- post free.

12in. T.V. CABINET—15/-

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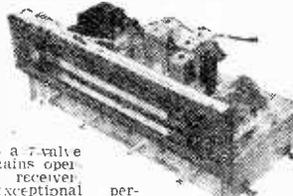
THE UNI—T.V.

Undoubtedly the most up-to-date television for the home constructor. You can build all or only part and the set when finished will be equal to a factory-made equivalent. What other constructor T.V. has all these features?

- ★ Made up units if required.
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- ★ 34/37 Mc/s I.F.
- ★ Suitable for any modern 12, 14 or 17in. tube.
- ★ Modern contemporary cabinet if required.

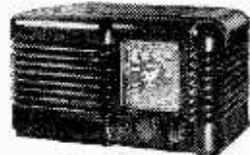
The building cost (less tube) is only £29.10.0, plus 10/- carriage and insurance. All parts guaranteed 12 months. Full information and data free with parts or available separately price 3/6.

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This is a 7 valve A.C. mains operated receiver. An exceptional performer on long, medium and short A.M. bands and on the new V.H.F. Land. It is an ideal unit for a quality radiogram. Special features include magic eye tuning indicator, extra long scale and pointer travel—latest circuitry employing full A.V.C. feed-back, etc., etc. Undoubtedly one of the finest AM/FM chassis available today. Chassis size 17in. x 6 1/2in. x 7 1/2in. Price £29/17/6. Carriage, packing and insurance 20/- extra.

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HUGE MINISTRY PURCHASE

R.1155—yours for £2 down

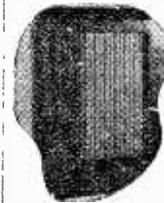
Frequency 75 kc/s to 18 mc/s—10 valves—metal case—robust receiver

—cost over £69 to make—will give 10 years of service, very little used. Price £10 or 5 payments of £2. Carr. & transit case 15/- ex.



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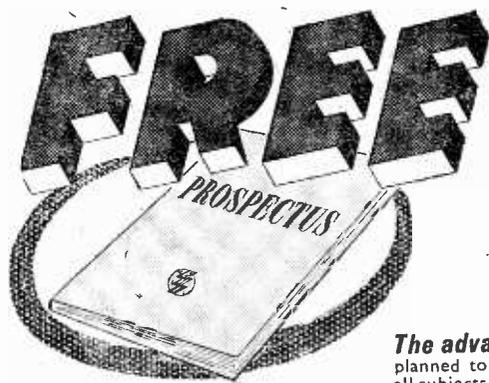
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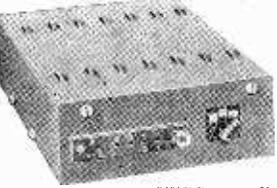
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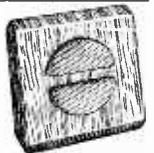
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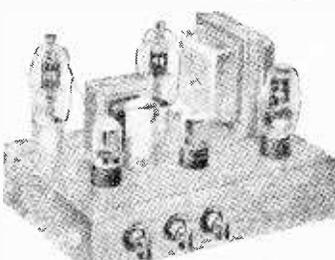
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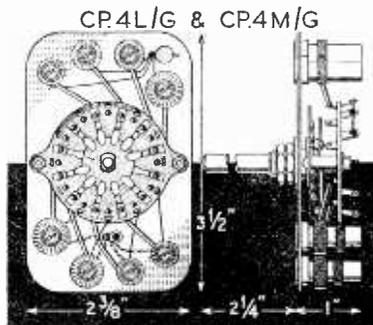
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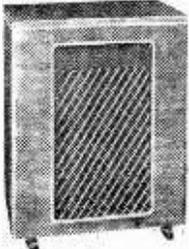
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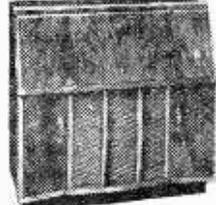


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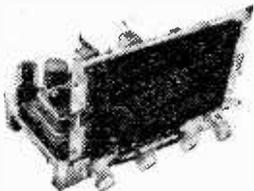
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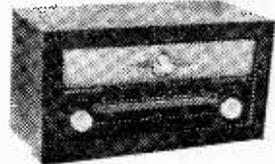
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At this stage the neighbours and family were seriously alarmed at sundry cries issuing from my room - they need not have worried - they were cries of pure joy. I had seriously considered installing expensive magnetic Pick-ups - of which I knew very little - but this will obviously be quite pointless now.

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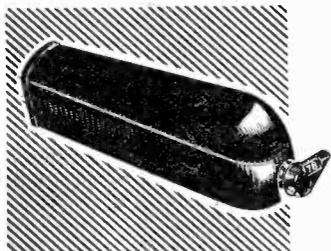
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Over to you, Mr. Davidson



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More V.H.F. Stations

THE Postmaster-General has approved the BBC plans for building six more V.H.F. stations—the second stage of the plan to provide nation-wide coverage on V.H.F. of its three sound programmes. These additional stations, together with the ten already authorised, are intended to provide interference-free reception on V.H.F. of the Home, Light, and Third Programmes for about 96 per cent. of the population of the United Kingdom. Each station will carry these three programmes except Corwen, which is to broadcast the Welsh Home Service only. This area, however, will receive the Light and Third Programmes from other V.H.F. stations and also on the long and medium wavelengths. The station at Sandale, near Carlisle, will carry the Scottish Home Service in addition to the North Home Service and the Light and Third programmes. It is hoped that the new V.H.F. stations at Rowridge, Kirk o' Shotts, Sandale and Corwen will be completed by the end of 1957, and the other two during 1958. Of the ten stations already authorised, Wrotham, Pontop Pike, Divis and Meldrum are already in full service. Additionally, the Welsh Home Service is carried by V.H.F. transmitters at Wenvoe and Penmon working in a temporary condition. It is hoped that the remaining stations comprising the first stage, i.e., those at Norwich, North Hessary Tor, Sutton Coldfield, Holme Moss, Blaen Plwy, and the permanent station at Wenvoe, will be completed before the end of 1956, although in the case of Blaen Plwy only the Welsh Home Service may be available by that date.

The radio industry are now producing receivers which will tune to the new V.H.F. band as well as the present medium and long waves. V.H.F. adapters for use with existing receivers are also available. For listeners within the areas served by V.H.F., this new method of broadcasting offers the opportunity for much improved reception, with better quality of sound and a most welcome reduction in interference of all kinds. It is emphasised again that the V.H.F. service will be supplementary to the existing medium and long-wave services, and listeners who are able to obtain satisfactory reception on these wavebands with their present receivers need

not make any change. Although many of the receivers designed for V.H.F. incorporate a built-in aerial, listeners who do not live near to a station are strongly recommended to use a good outside aerial in order to obtain the full benefits of V.H.F. reception.

THE RADIO SHOW

ELSEWHERE in this issue we review some of the outstanding exhibits of the recent Radio Show. There was nothing really outstanding this year, and no doubt manufacturers have not been encouraged to tool up for new designs in view of the credit squeeze. The side-shows undoubtedly provide the "draw," and, apart from trade visitors and some sightseers who do not intend to buy, the exhibition as such does not contain enough new material to attract the public. The cycle trade has already found this, and after this year it is to be held biennially. It is possible that the radio industry may find it more profitable to hold exhibitions every two years, since it gives the public time to rejuvenate its enthusiasm and it gives the trade breathing space for development. By development we mean the production of really new designs, as distinct from improved cabinet designs. Nothing really striking has been produced by the radio trade for a number of years.

There is still a continuing and growing interest, of course, in TV, and in home-built radio and TV receivers, as the circulation of this and our companion journal prove.

"AMPLIFIERS: DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION"

THERE has been an insistent demand for a book on amplifiers for several years. Readers will therefore be glad to know that we shall shortly publish "Amplifiers: Design and Construction," which deals with all aspects of design and construction from basic, practical and design considerations to constructional details of amplifiers for tape-recorders, gramophones, P.A. and radio purposes. It will include information on D.C. amplifiers, and incorporate some of the successful designs which have been described in this journal. A further announcement will be made in the next issue.—F. J. C.

Round the World of Wireless



By "QUESTOR"

Broadcast Receiving Licences

THE following statement shows the approximate number of Broadcast Receiving Licences in force at the end of June, 1956, in respect of wireless receiving stations situated within the various Postal Regions of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The numbers include licences issued to blind persons without payment.

Region	Total
London Postal...	1,300,254
Home Counties ...	1,292,236
Midland ...	1,011,463
North Eastern...	1,315,080
North Western...	1,003,800
South Western...	828,916
Wales and Border Counties...	518,294
Total England and Wales ...	7,270,043
Scotland ...	934,414
Northern Ireland ...	206,379
Grand Total ...	8,410,836

New Telephone Signal

TESTS are being carried out in the U.S.A. with a new idea in telephone signalling devices. In place of the customary bell to announce an incoming call musical tones are being used. Tests are being made to find the most suitable tones and intensities, and it is claimed that it has the advantage that certain musical tones can be heard above normal room noises. A further interesting feature is that transistorised circuits are being utilised for the alarm, resulting in a great saving in power—the transistorised arrangement working on less than 1 volt.

"Reina del Mar" Sound Equipment

A COMPREHENSIVE set of G.E.C. sound equipment is being installed in the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's new 19,000 tons liner *Reina del Mar*. It will provide facilities for passengers' entertainment, announcements and crew instructions.

Radio programmes will be broadcast by a 175 w. amplifier in a 3-bay rack assembly which will be fed from a communications type of receiver mounted in the same rack. Facilities are provided for making tape recordings of transmissions received at unsuitable hours, so that they can be re-broadcast later. Music played by the ship's orchestra in the first-

class dining saloon and lounge can be picked up by special microphones and broadcast throughout the ship by a 30 w. amplifier in the main rack.

Speech communication to boat stations and officers' and crews' quarters will be effected by loud-speakers fed by a 60 w. amplifier. Equipment for the reproduction of pre-recorded tapes and gramophone records and a compere's microphone are being provided in the music-room.

Awards for Apprentices

IN addition to the 12 Ekco apprentices who were presented with National Certificates by Mr. T. L. Morgan, Principal of the Southend-on-Sea Municipal College, recently, 20-year-old student apprentice David Everett received his B.Sc. General. The presentation took place in the Ekco Clubhouse following a tour of the factory by parents of the apprentices.

The visitors were welcomed by

Mr. F. S. Allen, Works Director of E. K. Cole Ltd., and prior to the presentation of National Certificates 13 new Ekco apprentices signed their indenture papers.

New Ekco Director

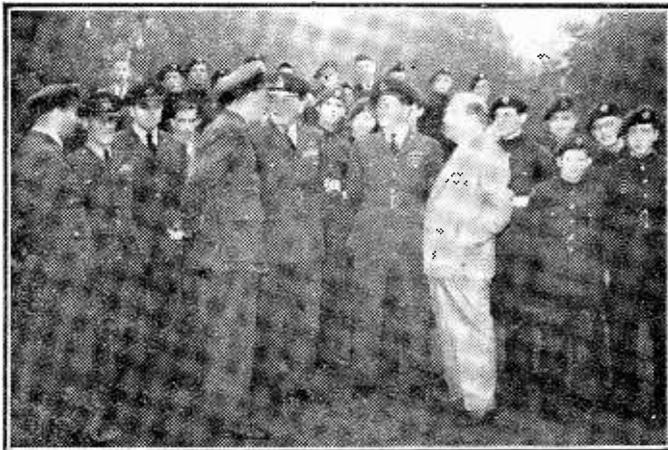
E. K. COLE, LTD., announce that Mr. W. M. York has been elected to the Board of Directors. Formerly an Executive Director of the Company, Mr. York has been appointed to the post of Commercial Director.

Mr. York joined E. K. Cole, Ltd., in 1932 from Alvis, Ltd., where he was Publicity Manager, and has been in charge of Ekco Publicity for the past 24 years. In 1951 he was appointed an Executive Director of the Company, covering Publicity and the Thermovent Heating Division, and early last year he became additionally responsible for Ekco overseas commercial activities.

"When You're Smiling"

THIS completely new Pye Radio Luxembourg programme was broadcast for the first time in June.

"When You're Smiling," which takes the form of an amateur talent contest, will be recorded at



Mr. A. H. Whiteley, of Whiteley Electrical (makers of the well-known W/D speakers, etc.) with Air Marshal Sir Bryan V. Reynolds, K.C.B., C.B.E., Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Coastal Command, on the occasion of a Garden Party held at Mr. Whiteley's residence at Mansfield. The occasion was held to raise funds for the Mansfield Squadron of the A.T.C., of which Mr. A. H. Whiteley is Chairman, receipts for which amounted to £153.

a different Butlin's Holiday Camp each week, with Larry Cross, comper during the past year of Pye's Luxembourg show, "People Are Funny," as Master of Ceremonies.

The three best acts each week, to be selected by audience applause, will receive a radio set as a prize. In addition, listeners will be invited to write to Pye naming their favourite act to appear in an all-winners programme in August, where the winner will receive a television set.

This series, which will run for eleven weeks, is intended to support the Pye portable sales campaign by commercials over the air and by displays in Butlin's Holiday Camps and dealers' windows.

S. Africa's Largest Broadcasting Station

THE South African Broadcasting Corporation's largest broadcasting station, at Paradys in the Orange Free State, commenced tests during April and came into partial operation on July 1st. It is to be officially opened in October or November of this year.

The Paradys station represents to Britain an export order to the approximate value of £240,000 worth of radio equipment. This large order initiates high-power short wave broadcasting in South Africa.

Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd., have supplied nine of their Type BD.262 series of 20kW H.F. broadcasting transmitters, together with ancillary equipment. Marconi engineers are assisting with final adjustments on site but most of the installation is being carried out by S.A.B.C. personnel.

At the present initial stage of the service four transmitters are being used to radiate the English and Afrikaans service within the frequency band 2.3-15 Mc/s. A further four transmitters, operating in the 4.7-26.1 Mc/s frequency band, will come into service at a later date. Three will be used for a service to territories to the north of the Union of South Africa. The ninth transmitter has not as yet been allocated to a specific service: it is understood that it may be used as a standby.

Robby the Robot

ROBBY THE ROBOT was the central character in the film "The Forbidden Planet," which recently finished its first run at the

London Pavilion. The original in the film was made in America and required a team of 11 men to operate by remote controls.

M.G.M. decided that for publicity purposes in this country

"Robby" should be made available to audiences. The American technicians originally responsible for his creation expressed the view that this was not practicable.

"Pytram," in just under eight weeks, have created not only an exact replica, but one which can be operated by one man.

"Robby" made his first debut on television in "In Town To-night" recently, and he is to tour England, appearing on the stages of cinemas, fêtes, carnivals, etc.

His construction, apart from the electrical equipment, is mainly papier mâché and flexible rubber. He is fully electrically operated, governed by rotating loop aeriols, gyro balanced, electromagnetic speech, and animated by invisible light beams.

The electrical equipment was designed and supplied by Radio Visor (Parent), Ltd., and assembled at Pytram's works.

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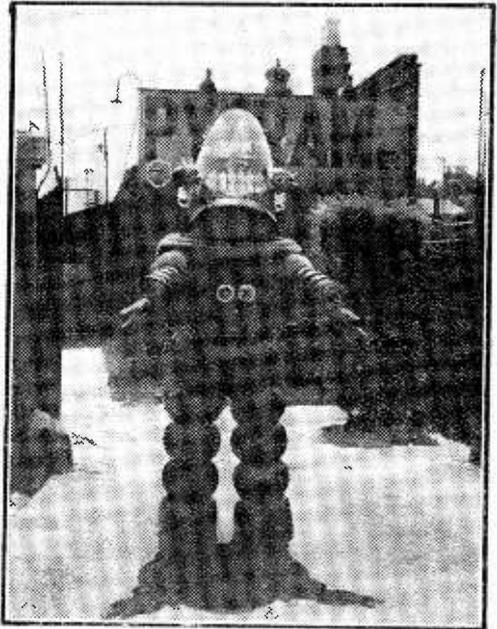
THE following meeting will be held during September, 1956: London Section.—Wednesday, 26th September, at 6.30 p.m., at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street, Gower Street, London, W.C.1. "Some Aspects of Transistor Progress." A paper to be read by H. W. Loeb, Ph.D.

Iranian Oil Pipeline to be Controlled by Radio

THE National Iranian Oil Company has awarded a £300,000 contract to Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd., for the supply and installation of a complete V.H.F. multi-channel radio system along the length of their new

600-mile oil pipeline from Abadan to Teheran. The order was gained for Britain despite keen foreign competition.

Equipment to be supplied includes 84 Marconi V.H.F. multi-



Robby the Robot. See story on the left.

channel equipment type HM181, together with a considerable quantity of telephone carrier equipment and diesel electric power plant.

B.I.C.C. Board Appointment

BRITISH INSULATED CABLES LTD. and Automatic Telephone & Electric Co., Ltd., announce that Sir Archibald Gill, B.Sc.(Eng.), M.I.E.E., F.I.R.E., has joined British Telecommunications Research, Ltd. as Director and General Manager. Past-President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Sir Archibald was largely responsible for the equipping of the first coaxial cable in this country and the post-war expansion of long distance radio and cable communications.

New British Standard

A NEW Standard was issued in July, No. B.S.419:1956. The title is Varnished cotton cloth sheet and tape for electrical purposes. This a revision of the 1931 edition.



As mentioned elsewhere on this page, we are preparing this report from information supplied by the manufacturer and consequently last minute surprises may appear. So far, however nothing unusual in the radio section has been announced. The main difference between this year's equipment and that of the last show lies in the wider employment of the printed circuit technique, and the increased use of the V.H.F. bands—even in the smaller table models. The printed circuits are now being used in some receivers for the complete circuit, as distinct from those who have only a portion of the circuit in this form. An instance is the Pam portable. Coupled with the use of this new technique is the employment of special components designed either for inclusion in a printed wiring arrangement or utilising themselves a printed scheme. Illustrated below are some T.C.C. components typifying both these aspects. On the left is shown two types of wafer switch in which the contacts are flush with the surface to avoid noise and "contact bounce." The contacts are silver or rhodium plated to provide low

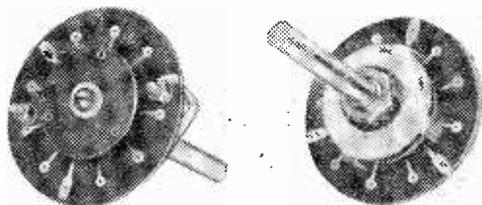
contact resistance. On the right are two views of a component tag board for inclusion in a printed circuit. In addition to these examples there are valveholders and other parts designed for this specific type of circuit.

Transistors

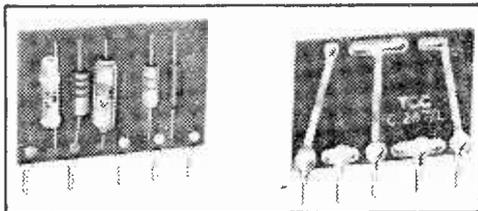
The other feature which merits mention is the use of the transistor. These do not appear, from the details we have received, to be used on such a large scale as had been anticipated. Probably this is due more to the price of the components than their efficiency, but again mention must be made of the Pam portable which apart from utilising the printed circuit is also an "all-transistor" receiver. For its power supply it needs four U2 cells (6 volts) at which the consumption is only 35 milliamps. With batteries it weighs only

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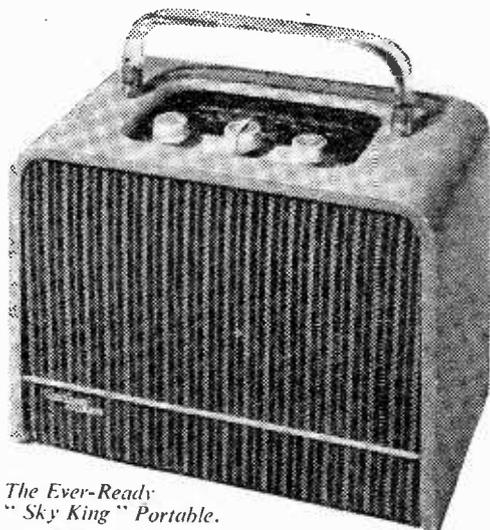
This report has been compiled from information supplied by exhibitors, as we go to Press with this issue before the show opens. The omission of certain exhibits is, therefore, explained by the fact that the manufacturers concerned have not, at the time of going to Press, supplied us with the information.



Two types of printed wafer switches by T.C.C.



T.C.C. printed circuit tag panels for use as sub-assemblies. By using these on a printed circuit board better use can be made of the available space for a given cabinet size. The components are edge-soldered on the tag panels.



*The Ever-Ready
"Sky King" Portable.*

5 lb., and there are 8 transistors in its superhet circuit.

Whilst on the subject of portables it is interesting to note how these have been miniaturised and made much more attractive than former models. Three representative types are shown on this page the top being the Ever Ready Sky King, the centre the R.G.D. "B Fifty-Five," and the lower one the Regentone "Double Two." The Ever Ready is an all-dry 4-valve superhet, the R.G.D. is a mains-battery model, and the Regentone also uses the battery-mains circuit. Note the use of push-button wavechange switches in the two latter models, and the employment of a single tuning control offset—as distinct from the earlier forms of symmetrical control knobs. It is obviously impossible to mention in the space at our disposal all the models in the various classes which are available, but mention should be made here of the Murphy Model B229, in which the tuning scale folds over the loudspeaker fret and conceals the scale and the control knobs. When the scale is turned and raised to the operating position the carrying handle is hidden, and it may be placed on a table in the home and looks just like a small table radio. A similar model is available with the reference B228 in which two pentodes are employed in push-pull in the output stage—both models being 6-valve superhets, B228 for battery or mains working, and B229 for batteries only.

Most portables, and a large number of table model receivers, now make use of the Ferrite Rod built-in aerial. At one time it was necessary to use a large containing cabinet for a portable in order to accommodate a large frame aerial and provide

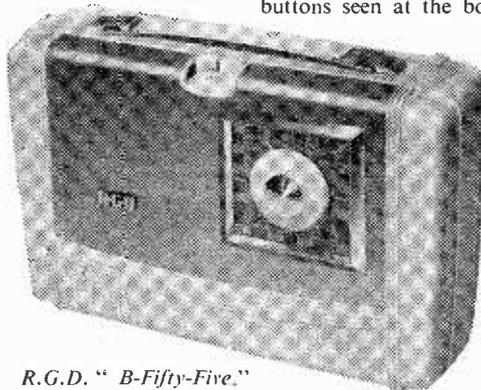
adequate signal pick-up. This was later avoided by using a flat pancake type of aerial coil, but again it had to be orientated to obtain maximum signal strength, and in addition was susceptible to stray capacity effects. The modern arrangement utilises a rod of powdered iron, very similar to the material from which tuning cores are made, and in most receivers this is about 8in. in length and carries a medium-wave coil on one end and the long-wave coil on the other. It is usually supported in rubber grommets on two brackets cut from the chassis, and apart from enabling the overall dimensions of the cabinet to be reduced, it gives improved results over the older frame winding.

Table Models

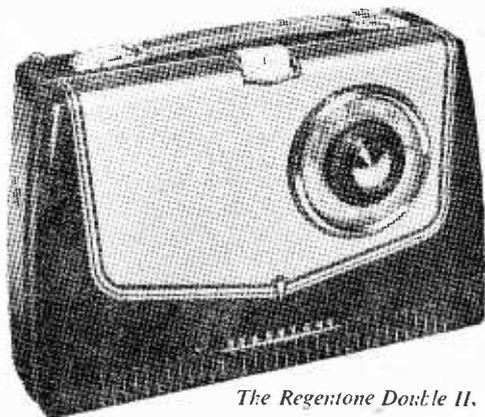
So far as the table models are concerned, again some care appears to have been taken to make models more in keeping with modern contemporary furnishings. In addition to the outward appearance, many of these now have a tuning band for the F.M. signals and in many models great care has been taken to make the speaker arrangement suitable for the reproduction of these higher fidelity signals. The model illustrated at the top of page 520 is the Bush VHF61. This is an A.C. only model with medium, long and the V.H.F. band, and has internal aerials for all bands and sockets for the use of external aerials. The push-buttons seen at the bottom of the tuning scale are

for wave-changing and provision is made for the use of a gramophone pick-up. The next is another Murphy model, the 362. This has a plastic case, and, again, has a tuning range for F.M. This is a 5-valve circuit, and for those who are interested in design the cabinet is finished in maroon and the front is in beige and gold. At the foot of the page is a K.B. receiver, a new model, the NR30. In this model no less than three speakers are used in

an arrangement which the makers have called "Tri-Fi," a very good instance of the attempt to take full advantage of the F.M. signals. The circuit is a



R.G.D. "B-Fifty-Five,"

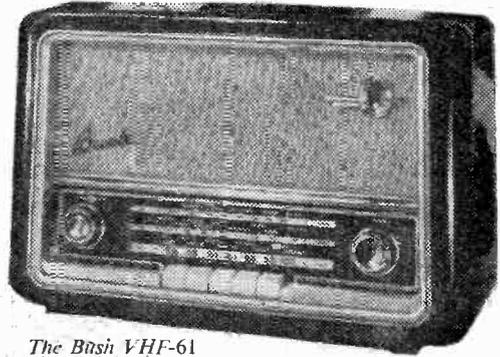


The Regentone Double II.

7-valve superhet and again internal A.M. and F.M. aerials are utilised. All three of these models, as well as the majority of other models in the show, have the magic-eye tuning device to ensure accuracy of tuning and the avoidance of distortion due to being slightly off-tune.

Console Models

Coming now to the console models, these are undoubtedly in the majority and the various designs which are available cover a very wide field. Apart from the simpler types consisting of a radio only, there are models which include elaborate auto-changers, record storage space, and even large screen television receivers. From an outward appearance point of view, i.e., general design, the Cossor models are most interesting, having got away from the usual walnut or mahogany cabinet, and in the gold and sycamore finish they present a most pleasant contemporary appearance. In addition to the radio-gram or television-plus-radiogram, there is also the gramophone reproducer only, a very good example of this being the Panatropé shown at the foot of this page. This is a three-speed set with Garrard auto-changer, and takes up to 10 records of any one size and speed. It has an output of only 2.5 watts and uses three valves, types 6SL7, 6L6 and a rectifier, EZ40. An external speaker socket is provided with a switch to silence the internal speaker if desired. This model costs 47 guineas. In the de-luxe class may be mentioned the Ferranti Model 1055. This also utilises a Garrard 3-speed record changer, but incorporates a 12-valve 4-waveband superhet for A.M. and F.M. It has tone compensated volume control and independent bass and treble controls with scratch and rumble filters for the gramophone side. The output

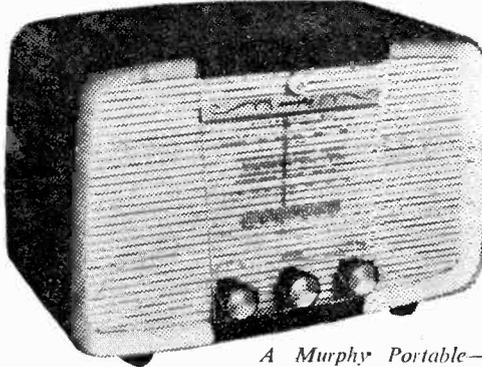


The Bush VHF-61

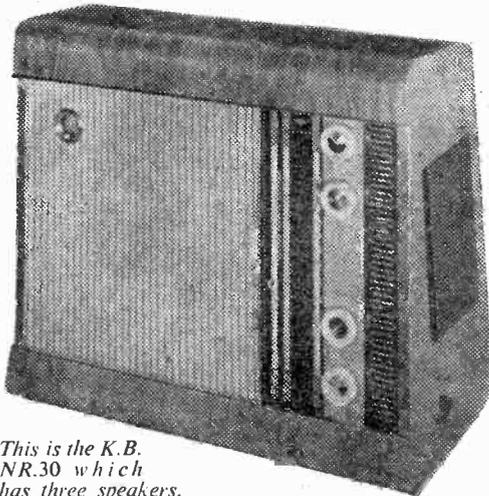
of this receiver is 14 watts, and this is fed into two speakers—a Goodman's Audiom 50 (12in.) and a 7in. elliptical model. Two separate specially-designed acoustic compartments are used to house these speakers. This model costs 120 guineas.

Record Reproducing Equipment

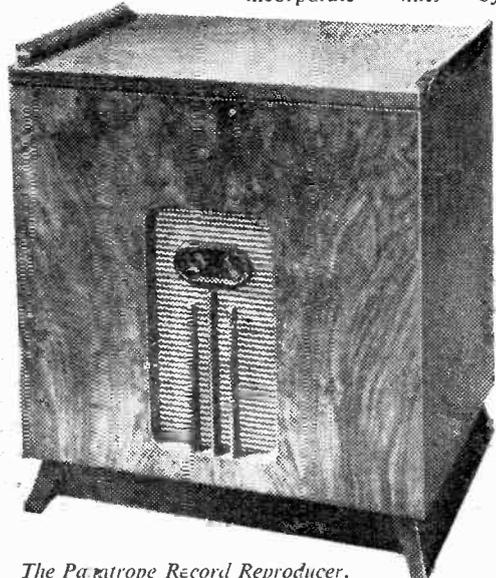
On the record reproducer side we have, in addition to the larger types of player such as that just mentioned, the small playing desks, as well as the various types of separate unit, such as pick-ups and gramophone motors. The largest makers of the latter two types of equipment are probably Collaro and Garrard, and most of the complete radio-grams incorporate units by



*A Murphy Portable—
Model 362.*



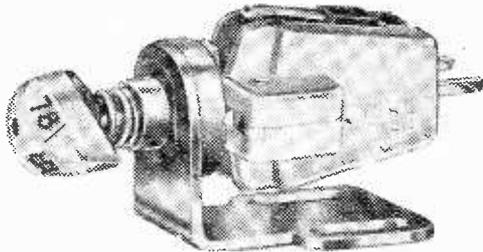
*This is the K.B.
NR.30 which
has three speakers.*



The Panatropé Record Reproducer.

these firms. The majority to-day are, of course, of the three or four speed type, although some are now available with a variable control so that any desired adjustment of speed may be obtained. Collaro have produced some models capable of 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ r.p.m. for the new "Talking book" record. All of the Collaro gramophone units, etc., are fitted with the "Studio" cartridge of which four types are available, dependent upon the requirements of the amplifier on which the pick-up is intended to be used. In the Garrard range some new changers have appeared and a control is fitted to enable the user to play records singly when desired. A special model 301 Transcription motor will interest Hi-fi enthusiasts; not only have wow and flutter been attended to, but also switch clicks are suppressed. A new pick-up arm has been introduced and is shown on the right and it will be seen that this carries its own rest, as well as having many other desirable features.

Many of the pick-ups fitted to the modern player are of the turn-over type, having in effect the two pick-ups in one housing—one for normal speeds and



An Acos Turn-over Pick-up Head.

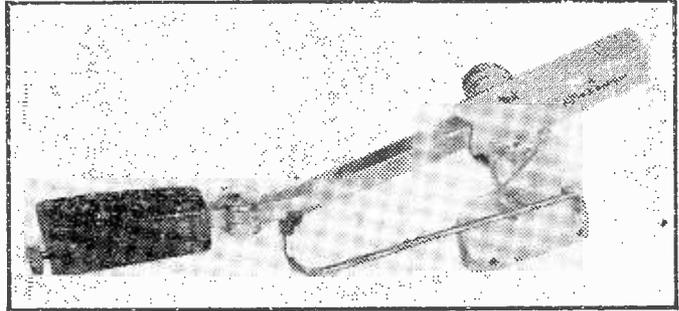
one for the slower speeds. A typical model of these is shown in the illustration above and this is an Acos product (Cosmocord Ltd.).

So far as the actual players are concerned these are found in the small portable "playing desk" as well as in the larger hi-fi units. An interesting player has been produced by Electric Audio Reproducers Ltd. (Ear) in which the amplifier which is incorporated is of the transistorised type. It is also fitted with a 4-speed mixer record changer and it is for battery operation. Fuller details will not be available until the Show opens.

Tape Recorders

Coupled with the portable record players are the tape recorders, and in fact these would appear to be taking the place of the former. They are capable of giving much better reproduction, of course, as the tape has nothing like the background which arises from worn gramophone records. Furthermore you can make your own recordings from good broadcast concerts so there is an extremely

wide field available. The modern hi-fidelity tapes supplied by H.M.V. are also an improvement on the ordinary record. Various tape recorders and parts have been announced and one of the most interesting



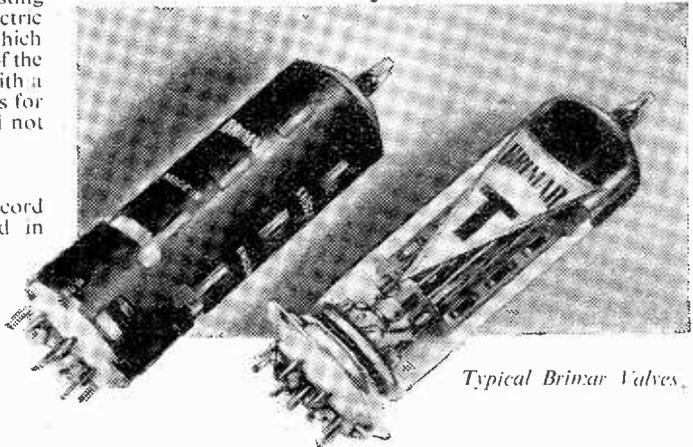
The Garrard TPA10 Transcription Pick-up Arm.

of which we have received details is shown at the foot of page 522. This is a Collaro Tape Transcriber. This is available, if so desired, complete with a pre-amplifier and power pack. The transcriber is a 3-speed model twin-track machine with four heads on two distinct levels. Both top and bottom tracks can be recorded and played back without removing the tape and the machine is instantly reversible so that the change from one track to another may be made immediately. The heads are double coil wound with a low hum level, giving up to 12,000 c.p.s. at a tape speed of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per second.

In the Simon range, a special Matching V.H.F. unit has been produced for their SP/2 recorder to enable high-fidelity recordings to be made from the new F.M. broadcasts, whilst they have also produced a "Library Recording Tape" for the enthusiast who wishes to build up a library of his own recordings. This has a P.V.C. base and is boxed in a book style to provide full storage protection and easy reference. Provision is also made for title change.

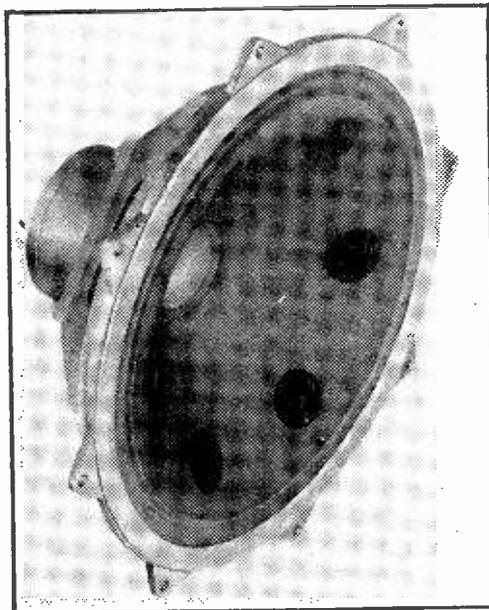
Components

On the individual component side the only announcement of anything new is in the loudspeaker



Typical Brimar Valves.

range. With the increasing use of F.M. receivers and the high quality tape recordings just mentioned there exists a need for better loudspeakers, and although a number of tweeters or high-note speakers have been announced these are not sufficient alone



The Whiteley Electrical (W/B) H.F.1514 Loudspeaker which costs £24 10s. 0d.

for obtaining the best quality. Messrs. Goodmans and W/B, to mention only two of the firms who specialise in loudspeakers, have produced cabinets designed to house their products and give high quality reproduction. Unless there is adequate baffle area the low notes suffer, but many cabinet designs provide only a boom at the lower frequencies and these properly designed cabinets attempt to eliminate these resonances and even out the response. In addition, the G.E.C. for instance, will be showing the metal cone speaker, also designed for which is a cabinet to give the proper loading and performance. In the W/B range a new design of combined dynamic and electrostatic speaker is to be released at Show time and will be heard in the W/B demonstration rooms. Certain of their loudspeaker enclosures are also available in ready-to-assemble form and include a standard bass reflex cabinet; a corner bass reflex cabinet, and a hi-fi reproducer console to house record-player, amplifier, tuner and records. All these may be obtained in polished walnut veneer or plain whitewood and are supplied packed flat complete with screws.

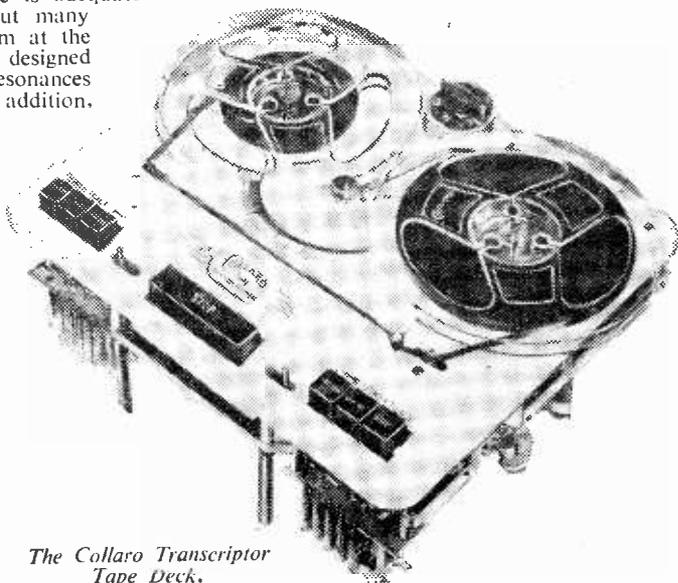
A new design is announced by

Plessey in which it is claimed that a flat frequency response is obtained with perfect transient response as there are no moving parts in the unit's construction. This is known as an Ionophone.

Among the many other individual items are valves, the majority of which are of the miniature type and of which a screened type is shown in the illustration on page 521. This is a Brimar product. In the Mullard range are the many special miniatures used in modern television receivers, as well as in the smaller types of mains receivers, and an improved version of the Mullard 3-valve 3-watt amplifier has been announced. We have already mentioned the special printed circuit components and in addition to these there are various types of transistor, metal rectifier, germanium diodes and similar items.

Power Transistors

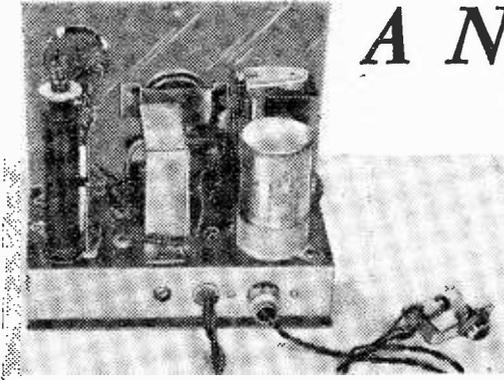
As we go to press Pye announced and demonstrated a novel Loudhailer which utilised a built-in power amplifier employing transistors only. These are of a new type, known as power transistors, giving, with two components only, an audio output of 3 watts. This interesting development will no doubt find application to radio equipment later, and the transistors, which consist in effect of three ordinary type transistors mounted on a single base have been developed in the Pye laboratories, and it is claimed that this is the first time this type of component has been used. With four Ever Ready cells (type 1839), an average consumption of 120 mA and a battery life of 12 hours (using the instrument in a duty cycle of 20 seconds on and 20 seconds off) the small amplifier gives a reasonably flat response over the speech range at a maximum of $3\frac{1}{2}$ watts. The small amplifier unit, mounted on a paxolin plate measures only about $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 2 in. but it is interesting to note that no use is made of the printed circuit technique on this particular amplifier. The amount of wiring is, however, so small that it would hardly be worth while, and the very few components are wired in the ordinary way.



The Collaro Transcriptor Tape Deck.

A Novel Baby Alarm

USING A VOICE-OPERATED RELAY IN A CIRCUIT WHICH IS ALSO SUITABLE FOR AUDIO CONTROL OF TAPE RECORDER, TRANSMITTER, ETC. By Hugh Guy



NOISE or voice operated relays have frequently been used in the past to provide semi-automatic control of one form or another. Advertising organisations, for example, have been known to install such devices in departmental store windows, where the noise or chatter of passing pedestrians has operated the device by means of which an illuminated window display is switched on. Better known to the radio constructor are its uses as an R/T transmitter switch; the operator's voice is used to switch on the H.T. to the power amplifier stages so that the transmitter radiates only when it is actually being modulated. On similar lines the voice-operated relay can be used to switch public address equipment on and off.

Such a device could readily be fitted to control the starting and stopping of a tape recorder, particularly if the latter is used for dictation purposes. A great saving in tape would thereby be effected. The

recording thus made would be far more coherent in that long silences due to pauses in the dictation would be eliminated on playback.

A further use for a sensitive relay of this description is found in the burglar alarm. Provided that its use were restricted to locations where there was normally no undue noise or disturbance, then the device would make a very reliable and foolproof alarm.

Several other uses will suggest themselves to the enterprising reader and the construction of a unit is described which will fulfil most of the above functions and others besides.

It is hoped to give further information in later issues of this journal on additional voice-operated relay designs. Meanwhile this article deals with such a relay intended for use as a baby alarm.

Function of a Baby Alarm

Quite simply an alarm of this description is used to inform the infant's parents (or baby sitters) of the child's movements or whimpering when he or she is supposed to be asleep.

As a rule the device takes the form of a simple audio amplifier which is fed by a microphone placed near the baby's cot. The audio output is taken to a

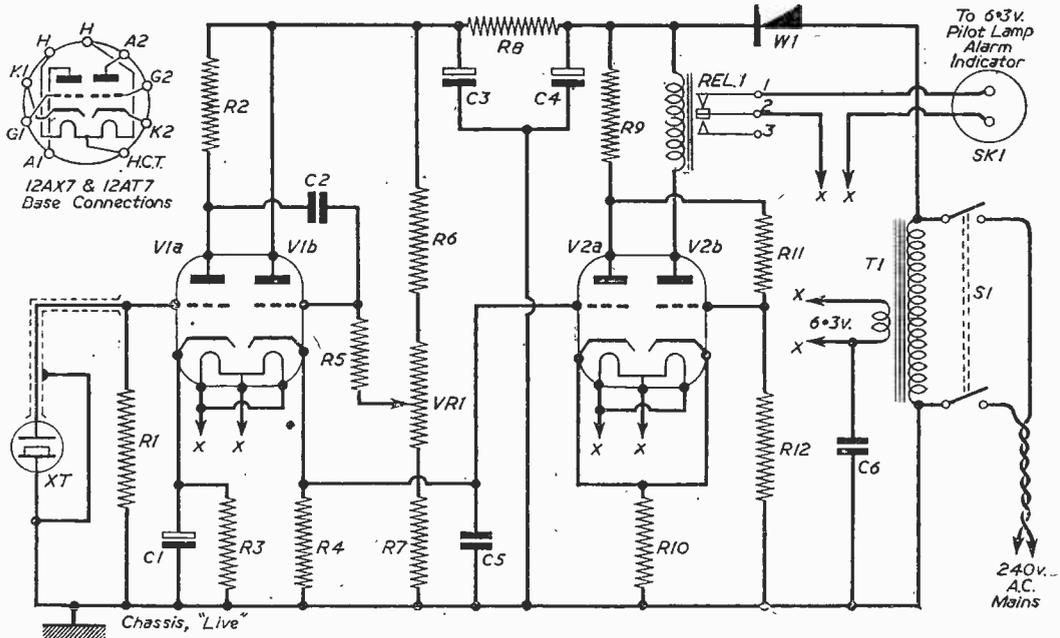
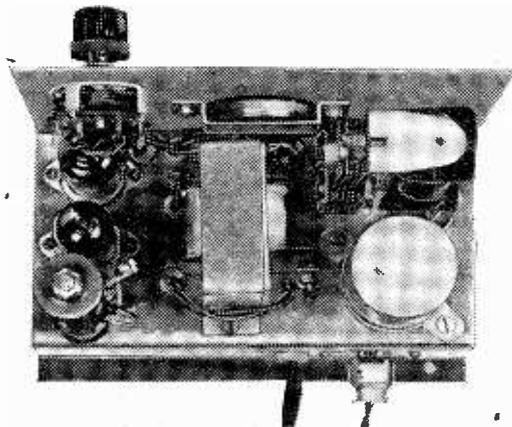


Fig. 1.—Theoretical circuit. A full list of parts appears on page 524.

loudspeaker which is installed wherever the parents are located. The one disadvantage of an arrangement of this sort is the incredible distraction the system causes. In contrast to the necessity for general quiet in the absence of an alarm due to one ear being permanently alerted for noises off, the owners of such a device are made fully aware of Junior's existence by the peculiar variety of noises that issue from the



Plan view of the finished alarm.

loudspeaker. With a reasonably sensitive amplifier even the rustle of bedclothes is reproduced as an ominous roar.

Since it is only required to register certain of the infant's "signals," some alternative indication of his or her misery is called for.

Stating the requirement an alternative way, a less alarming baby alarm is demanded.

A voice-operated relay immediately suggests itself for the task, since by restricting its sensitivity only the baby's cries will operate the switch. This in turn can be made to operate any electrical indicating device required. For example it may switch on a small warning pilot lamp; it may ring a bell; it could even switch off the television or radio set, if either of the latter is in use at the time. The form that the warning takes is entirely the choice of the user.

Circuit Operation

Fig. 1 shows that the circuit uses two valves, both double triodes.

The first stage V1a is a voltage amplifier having a gain of about 85. This is used to amplify the output from the microphone XT. The amplified signals are then rectified in the second half of the valve, V1b, which is an infinite impedance detector of high efficiency.

A direct voltage proportional to the signal received by the microphone is thus produced across the load resistor R4 and determines the potential of the grid of V2a. The two sections of V2 are seen to be connected in the form of a long-tailed pair circuit. Normally, in the absence of any input signal, the valves V2a and V2b are so biased that only V2b conducts. The anode current to the latter valve energises the coil of the relay in its anode circuit, holding the relay in.

When a signal is received at the microphone the amplified and rectified output appearing at V2a grid increases the potential sufficiently to permit anode current to flow in this valve also.

Due to the design of the V2 stages, which many readers will recognise as a "Schmitt Trigger" circuit, the current which was formerly flowing in V2b is diverted to V1a, de-energising the relay.

To understand this process a little more clearly a step-by-step analysis of the circuit will help.

In the absence of any signal the grid potential of V2b is about 57 volts, due to the voltage dividing chain R9, R11, R12. V2a grid meanwhile is set to a voltage well below this level. This arrangement ensures that only current from V2b flows in the cathode resistor R10. Under these conditions the common cathode potential is about 59 volts. Valve data for V2 show that to ensure that no current is drawn by V2a its grid potential must be at or less than 50 volts.

If the grid voltage is set at this critical level, then the slightest increase in potential at this point will cause anode current to flow in this valve, too. Further, the flow of anode current will cause a voltage drop across the load resistor R9. This voltage drop will be conveyed to V2b grid by the direct connection afforded by R11, R12 and the grid level reduced. This connection from the anode to the following grid forms a positive feedback path, and consequently the action of slightly increasing the potential of V2a grid is highly regenerative. Formerly the common cathode potential was dependent solely on the grid potential of V2b. When the latter decreases, then the cathode voltage will follow suit. This fall increases the relative grid-to-cathode voltage of V2a. As a result this valve's anode current is further increased causing an even bigger voltage drop at the following grid.

COMPONENTS LIST

RESISTORS

R1—2.2 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R2—1.2 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R3—15 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R4—4.7 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R5—10 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R6—1 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R7—220 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R8—68 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R9—5.6 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R10—10 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R11—1 M Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 R12—270 K $\frac{1}{2}$ w. (Erie).
 VR1—100 K carbon pot. (midget).

CONDENSERS

C1—25 μ F 12 v.w. electrolytic (Hunts J114PH).
 C2—0.001 μ F (Hunts W99 or W97 series).
 C3, C4—16 + 16 μ F 350 v.w. electrolytic.
 C5, C6—0.1 μ F (paper).

VALVES

V1—12AX7 (Brimar).
 V2—12AT7 (Brimar).

ACCESSORIES

XT—Crystal microphone (see text).
 Relay 1—6,000 Ω P.O. relay (see text).
 T1—240 : 6.3v. heater transformer.
 W1—240v. 10 mA (min.) half-wave rectifier.
 SK1—2-pin miniature battery socket and plug.
 S1—2-pole rotary mains on-off switch (Plessey type B).
 Screened wire, connecting wire, 6BA and 4BA nuts and screws, and solder tags, two 5-way tag strips, grommets.

This whole switching of anode current from one valve to the other happens instantaneously, and this type of circuit permits quite large currents to be switched by means of very small signal or "trigger" voltages.

Its function might be described as a means of making a magnetic relay super-sensitive.

We thus have a means of operating the contacts of a relay by means of an audible signal. Let us consider the purpose of the apparatus for a moment to decide exactly what function we require of it.

Performance Required

As it stands the device will respond to noises above a certain level. Obviously, it would be extremely difficult to get the relay to differentiate between crying and other sounds. A circuit which merely opened the relay for signals above a certain threshold and held it open thereafter would have many practical disadvantages as a baby alarm. One cough from the infant, for example, would "trigger" the indicating lamp or bell, etc., which, since it would remain in the "alarm" state, would give no real clue to the listener as to the urgency of the warning.

A better system is to arrange that the warning lasts only as long as Junior's "signal." In other words, the relay must open only when the grid potential of V2a rises above its normal critical level of 50 volts. This is accomplished by careful arrangement of the Schmitt trigger circuit values.

This type of performance is obviously the only one that would be suitable for the tape recorder, transmitter and P.A. applications mentioned earlier.

For a burglar alarm, however, any noise or disturbance should set the warning device going, and therefore the relay must be operated once only, being held in this new state until reset manually.

A third type of performance that might be required would specify that the warning device—a lamp, for example—should be switched on and off intermittently once the relay has been triggered. This arrangement would give a more compelling type of warning.

Slight circuit modifications enable any one of these types of alarm to be achieved and are given later.

Circuit Details

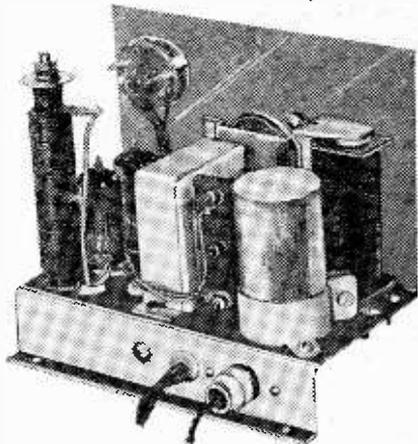
To set the critical voltage level at V2a grid the carbon potentiometer VR1 is included in the bias chain of the detector. Adjustment of this preset control determines the cathode potential of V1b and hence that of the following grid, to which it is directly coupled.

Condenser C5 is part of the detector smoothing circuit and its value will fix the time for which the relay is switched off after the audio signal has ceased. Its present value of 0.1 μ F gives the circuit a time constant of approximately half a second. This is sufficient to ensure that the relay does not "chatter" when the audio signal is of a warbling nature. Longer hold-off times can be achieved by increasing this value and by connecting a similar condenser across resistor R12. This method is recommended if the device is to be used for controlling a tape recorder.

The microphone used was purchased for 5s. and is one of the small crystal inserts currently being sold as ex-Government stock. If the microphone is being built into the unit, then the crystal type is recommended by its small size. In some instances, however,

there are advantages in mounting the microphone externally, in which circumstances any reasonably sensitive instrument may be used. Some readers may even prefer to use a small loudspeaker with its output transformer matching it to the input grid. Provided that the input lead is screened the type of microphone is not critical.

The relay was again an ex-Government purchase, and in the prototype unit had 12 contacts comprising four changeover switches. Actually, only two contacts were used. These were connected, as shown, in the circuit of Fig. 1, so that when the relay opens two



A three-quarter rear view of the unit.

contacts make to connect the heater voltage supply to the output socket SK1. It is to this socket that a length of twin flex is connected to convey the alarm signal to a warning lamp. The connections made to the relay are a matter for individual choice, being determined by the type of warning it is intended that the unit shall give. It should be remembered, however, that the relay opens or is de-energised when the alarm is triggered. This means that while the unit is warming up the alarm will be operating. This is no drawback if the alarm is an indicating lamp as it is in the circuit, but could be annoying if a bell were being used. Two contacts that are normally made should be used if the alarm is of the form shown in the circuit.

The power supply to the circuit is provided by a half-wave metal rectifier feeding a 16 + 16 μ F electrolytic combination (C3, C4 in the circuit). V2 requires no smoothing and hence is connected directly after the rectifier. The total current drain should not exceed 7 mA, not including the current drawn by the electrolytic condensers, and as a result the H.T. voltage is reasonably high at about 270 volts.

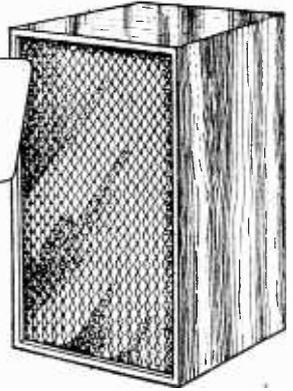
The valve heaters can be wired either as 12.6 volts or as 6.3 volt combinations. The latter connection is chosen if a heater transformer is to be used. Alternatively, for an A.C./D.C. baby alarm the heaters may be wired in series and connected to the mains supply via a 0.15 amp mains dropper of resistance 1,390 ohms. The latter mode of connection makes the provision of an alarm supply more involved, but a satisfactory arrangement will be given for A.C./D.C. connections next month.

(To be continued.)

a new— SPEAKER ENCLOSURE

A VALUABLE AID IN THE SEARCH FOR HIGH FIDELITY

By Arthur Adams



THE introduction of the long-playing record, with its extended frequency range, gave a much-needed fillip in the search for high fidelity reproduction. A further spur in this respect is the vastly superior quality of reproduction which is obtainable from the new frequency modulation transmissions of the BBC.

After a quarter of a century in the field of acoustics and a continuous striving for improvements in reproduction, the writer feels that his experiences (and mistakes) may be of assistance to others.

Although the loudspeaker is perhaps the weakest link in the chain, modern magnets with improved flux density and more precise tooling have given us excellent range and linearity; but where the manufacturers have failed, however, is that their backroom boys have not provided or designed suitable cabinets or enclosures to house these splendid units.

Hitherto, in order to encompass the lower frequencies, we have had to resort to reflexing with

its resonances, or the cumbersome corner enclosure with its booming and muddled bass. The large exponential horn is far too out of place for domestic purposes. It seems crazy to the writer that after producing *ultra linear amplifiers* we pass the resultant output through loudspeaker enclosures that boom and resonate in order to provide a spurious bass.

The position and size of the vent in the reflex cabinet determine its resonant frequency and if the music modulates its harmony to a point with its fundamental just off this frequency a discord will be produced. This is why the real student of harmony just laughs at our "canned music." It sounds to him like a bass player striking a wrong note.

The big enclosures and the craze for increased "cubic capacity" also ruin the crispness of the bass response of the best loudspeakers. The bass notes re-echo and resonate around the walls of these large enclosures so that the transients in the bass are entirely lost in a muddled boom.

A Reversal

In this new design we adopt a complete reversal of this policy of large cubic capacity and place the loudspeaker in a compartment only just large enough to contain it. The necessary baffling being effected by an extended air column at the back of the diaphragm. This air column is expanded exponentially in order to avoid any resonances. In this way the diaphragm is made to behave in exactly the same manner as when exponentially horn-loaded at the front.

It will be at once appreciated that the exponential expansion of this air column really necessitates a curved structure, but straight material is used in this new design and the exponential factors are closely adhered to. The small plus and minus tolerances are carefully balanced out and have no effect on the resultant reproduction. If the measurements in the design are precisely adhered to, none of the cells will set up a resonant frequency or peak.

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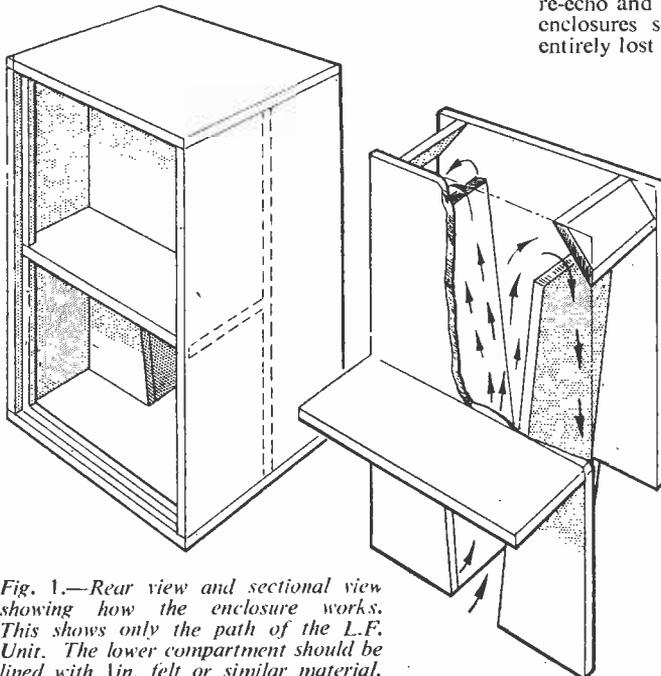


Fig. 1.—Rear view and sectional view showing how the enclosure works. This shows only the path of the L.F. Unit. The lower compartment should be lined with *Vin. felt* or similar material.

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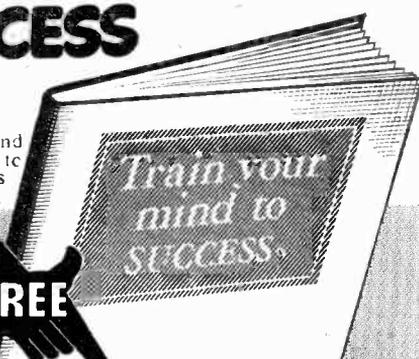
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Construction

The enclosure is made throughout in $\frac{3}{4}$ in. composition board (Weyroc) and all joints must be firmly fixed and glued. This is particularly needed where the inner back meets the side panels. If this joint is not firmly made the side panels will "boom."

It will be observed that the front half of the enclosure is divided by a shelf, forming two compartments; the lower one accommodates the bass speaker and utilizes the cellular-back baffle. This compartment must be

lined with felt or soft material $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick in order to avoid any initial resonances being set up. It is not necessary to line the front panel which carries the loud-speakers. The front

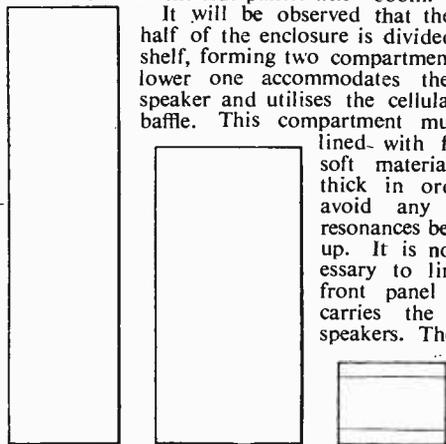


Fig. 2.—On the left the partition, in the centre the shelf, and on the right the gussets.

edge of the shelf must fit closely to the front panel when assembled and a small channel cut or filed in its front edge for the speaker leads. The leads can be located on the panel with sticky tape so that they fit into this channel on assembly.

The treble speaker (6 in. elliptical) and crossover unit are fitted in the upper compartment. It should

be noted here that an elliptical speaker gives a better horizontal diffusion when mounted vertically.

The main speaker lead from the amplifier enters the enclosure through a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. hole, which should be drilled in the back panel 10 in. from the base. The lead should be provided with a collar or knot on the inside to prevent its being pulled away from the connections.

The back vents should be covered with muslin or light material in order to prevent the ingress of the domestic cat, toys, etc. The front panel is entirely covered with decorative material to taste.

The construction should be quite clear from the drawings and although rather complicated will be found well worth while; the crisp reproduction of the lower frequencies is a revelation, whilst the extended upper range assists in the reproduction of real high fidelity.

It should be understood that this design forms the basis of a patent application and cannot be manufactured for sale without arrangement with the designer.

Assembly Order

The peculiar construction of this new form of cabinet at first presented a problem, as the speakers had to be fitted from the front instead of being inserted from the back. In this case the speakers and crossover unit are all attached to the front panel, which is fastened in from the front; the panel screws being hidden by a $\frac{3}{4}$ in. quarter-round moulding which is mitred to a "push-in" fit. (It may, of course, be pinned or glued.)

The best method of assembly is found to be as follows:

After all the necessary sections have been prepared, the precise positions of the gussets and partitions should be marked on both backs so that nails or screws may be driven through when being glued and

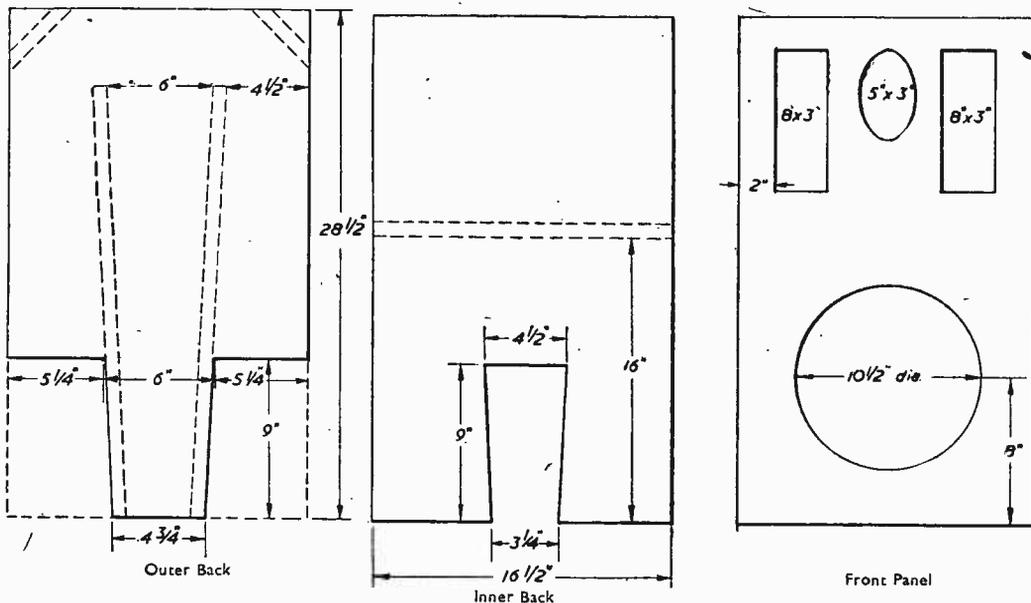


Fig. 3.—The front and back indicating the position of the partitions, gussets and shelf.

assembled. (This marking is necessary because the inner pieces are out of sight.)

First lay the outer back flat and apply the sides, top and the bottom, the back being inside and flush with the back edge of the panels. Glue and screw (or nail) all the joints.

The gussets and partitions are now fitted and glued. It will help in securing the correct location if small holes for the nails are drilled through the inner and outer backs. The inner back may now be laid in and firmly glued and pinned to the inner pieces and to the side panels. Securing the inner back all round is the most important, as if this is not done the sides will resonate.

CUTTING SIZES

(All of $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Weyroc)

Front, inner and outer back—all 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Partitions (2 off) 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 6 in.

Gussets (2 off) cut to fill corners as shown in Fig. 3, long sides being bevelled to 45 degrees.

Shelf 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 8 in.

Top and bottom, 18 in. by 17 in.

Side panels (2 off) 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 17 in.

The shelf is now fitted 16 in. from the bottom and securely fixed to the side panels and inner back by nails driven obliquely or by small battens fixed to the sides and back. A $\frac{3}{4}$ in. fillet is now fixed all round the inside of the outer panels, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the front edge and in line with the front edge of the shelf. This is for fixing the front panel. File or cut a $\frac{1}{4}$ in. vertical groove in the precise centre of the front edge of the shelf for the speaker leads, as previously mentioned. The compartment with the back aperture is now lined with 1 in. felt or similar soft material. All screws or nails should be driven below the surface and a good filler used to level up. The cabinet may then be painted or veneered and polished.

New Organ Tuning System

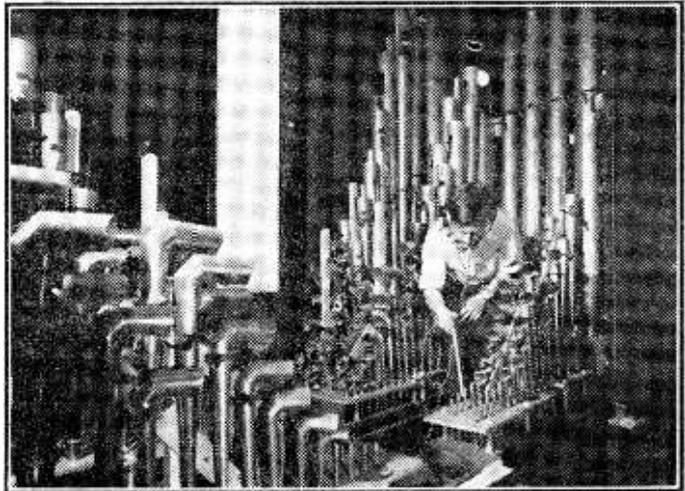
ON each occasion that the organ at the Colston Hall, Bristol, is to be used, the instrument is tuned. This tuning is necessary because of the extreme sensitivity of this great instrument to even slight variations of temperature and humidity in the vast organ chamber. It is no mean task, for the new organ, which took five years to build, has 5,372 pipes, 14 wind chests, mostly in halves of the slider type; 18 wind chests of the unit type and 17 reservoirs. Just under 4,000 electromagnets in the organ have windings requiring 300 miles of copper wire. Insulated multi-core cable takes 800 wires from the console to the various mechanisms operating the organ, which was built by Harrison and Harrison Ltd., of Durham.

Further, the all-electric console is detached from the organ itself so that the player can hear the instrument in correct balance and be in a better position for contact with conductors and for view by the audience. There is, therefore, an appreciable distance between the tuner and the console. Again the "Principal" is the stop from which all others are tuned, yet it is quite a distance from other sections of the organ. Apart from distance the sound from the pipes when the tuner is on top of them is deafening.

The tuner's problems, however, have now been met by a sound system devised by The General Electric Co., Ltd., which permits two-way communication between the tuner and the player; the tuner using a specially constructed extraneous noise cancelling microphone. It also picks up, via two moving coil microphones, the note from the "Principal" stop and relays it to wherever the tuner is working, the tuner receiving it through a moving-coil headphone. Obviously for correct tuning the

equipment chosen is of extreme sensitivity, and in the words of Mr. K. N. James, the tuner, "is the best yet devised for the purpose that I know of anywhere in the country."

The 8-10 watt amplifier employed has been designed for three fader-connected inputs, "Microphone," "Music 1" and "Music 2." It has a bass attenuator control connected in series with the microphone stage to enable maximum clarity of speech and music reproduction to be obtained under various acoustic conditions. The microphone sensitivity is such that at high volume a low output microphone of the ribbon type will fully load the amplifier; an important point when an extraneous noise cancelling microphone is being used in addition to moving-coil microphones. The amplifier works under constant working or instant operation conditions. The headphones have a total weight of only eight ounces each and can be worn for long periods without fatigue.



Wearing M.C. 'phones with padded earpieces, the tuner hears the note picked up by the mike. The organist also wears 'phones and the tuner can instruct him which note to play.



On Your Wavelength

BY THERMION

Those Organs

MR. F. THORNTON, of Stoke-on-Trent, writes to me concerning my note in the August issue concerning the organ programmes broadcast by the BBC. I was, of course, referring not to church services, but to those organ items which play a pot-pourri of "parbular toons." My reader tells me, what I already knew, that organ recitals as such and which play serious music are ordinary pipe organs, although they are electrically blown. I am well aware that they do not make use of valves and loudspeakers. My reader, however, thinks, as I do, that the organ is used far too often, and that organists cannot hope to have sufficient practice in order to exploit fully the resources of the instrument. There are very few cinema organists to-day, and their ranks are diminishing. The O.B.s of Joseph Seal, John Howlett, John Madin, and Douglas Reeve are worthwhile programmes, and they are evidently fine musicians. However, as I have said, I do not like organ music and it should be confined to the miserable religious atmosphere of the church. Perhaps the organist in Sullivan's beautiful melody, the Lost Chord, was feeling weary and ill at ease because the instrument made him miserable, and that is why, I suppose, his fingers, like some of the cinema organ instrumentalists wandered idly over the noisy keys. Nearly always the melody is killed by the organist wishing to demonstrate his digital dexterity, and his ability to operate all of the stops. Another reader, J. E. Wright, who hails from the salubrious district of Trumpington, says that my remarks caused him amusement "because they are not without justification." He disagrees, however, with me when I say that organ music is not sweet. Warming to his subject, he says that the interpretation of most music demands a tremendous range of dynamic and tonal resources of the organ. That sounds very good, but I dislike interpretations also. I like to hear the music played as the composer intended it to be played, and it is sheer impertinence for some organists to "interpret" the music in a different way. It is a gross liberty and usually results in murdering the melody. He tells me that there are no electronic organs at present broadcasting from cinemas but that some of the organs are rather old and in need of repair. A few have electronic solo attachments. He longs for the playing of Quentin Maclean, Reginald Foort, Sidney Torch, Felton Rapley, and others. He says that he often listens to Sandy Macpherson, without recognising the tune, and he thinks he is a good musician for a self-taught player, although he agrees that he is far too heavy in the bass.

The fact has to be faced that the organ is an obsolete instrument, like the virginal, the spinet, the clavichord, and all the other odd instruments with which compilers of crossword puzzles like to bewilder solutionists. The organ is definitely not an instrument which lends itself to

radio broadcasts, although I can see that it may entertain such people as parsons and sad-looking church-goers who know no other instrument. There are many people who *like* to be made miserable, just as there are pathological cases who like to go to the cinema or the theatre and have a good cry. Perhaps the cryers have discovered this fact and have adjusted their voices accordingly.

Crying for Cash

MENTION of cryers reminds me of the fact that we are having far too much of it. What is the advantage of children being trained to sing and passing their examinations when some half-baked and unintelligent person can earn hundreds of pounds a week just crying into the microphone and has never had a music lesson in his life? The BBC is performing a disservice to the music profession in encouraging people to believe that you can become a musician without knowing one thing about music. Some of these crooners cannot even read a note of music. Take the case of the late Felix Mendelssohn, who often was heard on the air and from the stage. He had his own orchestra, conducted it, made gramophone records; yet on his own admission he did not understand one note of music, had no training as a musician, and could not play any instrument, not even a Jew's harp. To divert attention, however, from his musical ignorance, he circulated a story to the press that he was a direct descendant of the great Felix Bartholdy Mendelssohn! I knew this could not be so, and I tackled him on it. It is true that his christian names were Felix Bartholdy and that his patronymic was Mendelssohn, but apart from that he was not related in any way to Mendelssohn, and readily admitted it. He was exposed in one of the musical papers, but did this deter Felix, or the BBC from employing him? Not a bit of it. The BBC couldn't care less. I maintain that the BBC has a moral responsibility to enquire into the training and background of the musicians they engage.

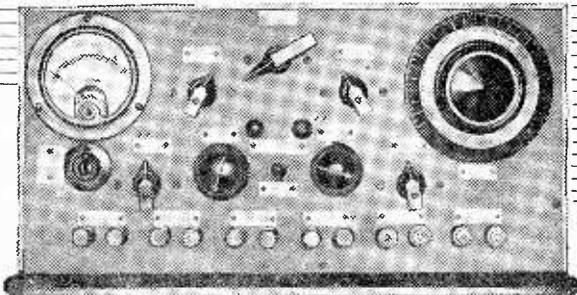
Bands go on increasing and multiplying, like germs, each has its own crooner and only very few of them can claim to be trained musicians. Most members of bands have their own aspirations to break away and form their own bands, and, indeed, that is what has happened since Jack Payne, Jack Hylton and Henry Hall pioneered this form of musical cacophony. Now there are literally dozens of bands and more and more are being formed each year—all nibbling away at the same market and reducing the possibilities of any of them ever making real money or staying the course. If they have not made real money in five years they have, to use a common phrase, "had it." Indeed, it is unthinkable that any one band, however good, should continue beyond this period. The public to-day wants change. A sort of musical metamorphosis. My advice, therefore, to those who are thinking or cashing in on the jazz noise racket is: Don't. The novelty soon wears off.

An Experimental Power Pack

PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN
AND SOME PRACTICAL
CONSTRUCTIONAL DETAILS

By T. S. Skeet

(Continued from page 449 Sept. issue)



THIS type of switch has four contact segments at its centre and eight contacts on the outer rim, with four equally disposed insulation strips or blanks; thus the facility originally provided was that of a four-pole, two-way and off-switch. To convert, to provide switch C, for example, involves strapping (or commoning) each two adjacent centre contact segments; thus providing a two-pole five-way switch, but one of each of the five-ways is a blank, and it will be observed that the "ways" of switch C in the wiring diagram, shows a blank space between contacts 2 and 3 on both arcs. Switch D is similarly arranged; whilst switch B is wired in a somewhat similar manner, except that all four of the centre contact segments are "commoned," and this provides a one-pole double contact switch with five "ways"; giving a "one" or "two," or "both" facility, still with gaps between 2 and 3.

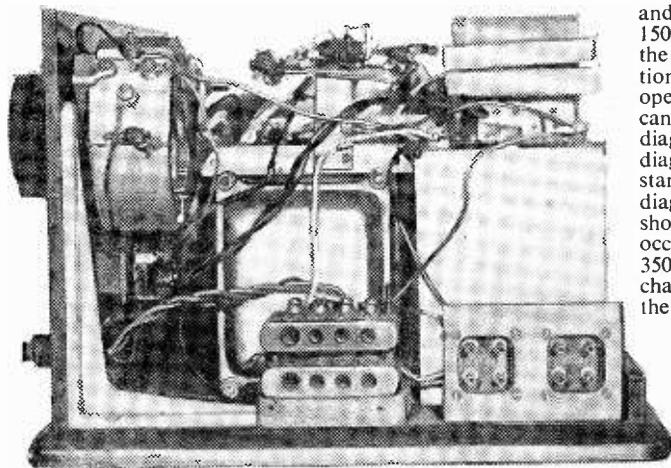
The indicating marks for the switch pointers on the outside of the front panel are spaced, of course, to coincide with the position of the switch pointer. All of these switches have very definite "click operation"; i.e., they cannot be left in mid position between contacts, even if the operator really tries to put them there. The indicating points on the panel are radially spaced holes, drilled into the ebonite and filled in with coloured (or white) sealing wax.

For example, the potentiometer switch would have for *position 1* one small hole, for *position 2* one large hole, both filled white, the next position is filled blue and the fourth position has one large and one small hole arranged radially and both filled white. The transformer switch is similarly arranged. The markings indicate: "*position 1*" small potentiometer (or transformer); "*position 2*" large potentiometer (or transformer); "*position 3*" neither potentiometer nor transformer; and "*position 4*" both potentiometers or transformers. This "small, large, neither, or both" arrangement was not optional, i.e., it was not specifically desired; but was necessary for the reason mentioned earlier, i.e., the switches have two contacts adjacent and then a gap in each of the four sections.

Switch E, which is the voltmeter range switch, has all of its (4) centre contacts joined together, but three of the four rotating contacts were removed, whereas switches B, C and D each had two diametrically opposite wipers (or rotating contacts) removed. Switch A is the outstanding item in the switching system; it has 18 fixed contacts and six moving ones, and is a two-position switch. It is thus a six-pole two-way switch and 16 of the fixed contacts are in use. This switch, as previously explained, is used to change over the (nominal) 350 volt circuit to a "voltage doubler"

and also to connect it in series with the 150 volt supply and as explained earlier, the open circuit voltage of the combination is over 1,000 volts. The method of operation of the voltage doubler circuit cannot readily be traced on the wiring diagram and reference to the schematic diagram will be essential for a clear understanding of the principle. On the circuit diagram the five A-switch contacts are shown in the position which they would occupy when the rectifier is feeding the 350 volt circuit. All five moving contacts change over to contacts marked B when the insulation test circuit is in use and at

the same time contact A6 connects the negative side of the 800 volt supply to the positive side of the 150 volt supply; providing a 950 volt supply between the positive wire of the 800 volt circuit and the negative wire of the 150 volt circuit. When switch D is in the B position (see



Side view of the complete unit.

schematic diagram), the two "insulation test" terminals will have, connected between them, the 940 volt supply in series with the micro-ammeter.

The two-pin power intake plug carries two quarter-amp-rating fuses and this protection is considered very desirable.

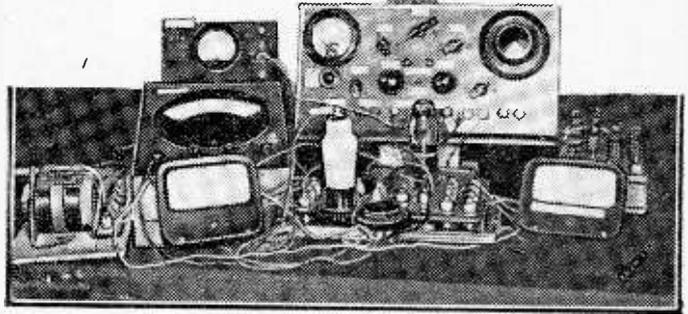
Auxiliary Panel

A further look-over of the unit with its "lid off," shows that the base area of the unit was not large enough to accommodate all the apparatus, and some of the voltage-doubling apparatus and 150 volt circuit smoothing equipment was of necessity mounted on an auxiliary panel fixed perpendicularly to the base. The untidy looking tag block with twelve tags (which block can be seen on the centre-line of the unit in the plan view) carries all the series resistors for the seven voltmeter ranges. The total resistance is 10 megohms. One end of the tag block is supported by the main choke and the other, by the securing clamp of a 10 μ F capacitor, and this is typical of the methods for putting "a quart in a pint pot."

The four "jacks," or connectors, are fixed at the right-hand end of the base and, of course, the aluminium cover has "cut-aways" giving access to them. The jacks which make available 350 volts and 150 volts D.C. and 4.0 volts and 6.3 volts A.C. are not essential, as all the supplies are brought out to terminals on the front panel; but nevertheless if the most frequently used pieces of apparatus requiring these supplies are fitted with the appropriate plugs, much time is saved as, in some instances, the apparatus may be in use for a shorter time than it takes to make the four wire connections.

The transformer which supplies the 350 volt circuit and the 4.0 volt and 6.3 volt heater supplies was a skeleton type Services disposals without terminals or case; which items were added by the author. The transformer for the negative supply was originally

an audio-frequency interval transformer and was rewound by the author to provide 150 volts and 2 volts for the green indicator lamp. The choke for the 150 volt smoothing circuit was likewise made up from disposals oddments; i.e., two ready-wound bobbins and tag block and stampings which were



A bench test set-up showing the test unit in use.

designed for quite a different type of unit.

One of the photographs, i.e., that depicting the left-hand end of the unit, shows three bars of selenium rectifier discs and it may not be clear how they are used. When purchased (disposals again), they were all alike, that is to say, they each had thirty-six discs, all facing in one direction (like those indicated at the top-left corner of the circuit diagram). These two have not been altered in any way, and when switched as indicated in the diagram the two bars form a "full-wave" bridge type rectifier, delivering 350 volts D.C. to the smoothing circuit for anode supplies.

Reference to the diagram of the single-bar rectifier will show that it has been taken apart at its centre and that one half has been reversed and also that two additional connections have been provided. This modification makes the rectifier a full-wave bridge rectifier, like the other one at the top of the diagram; except that the modified bar has only one half the

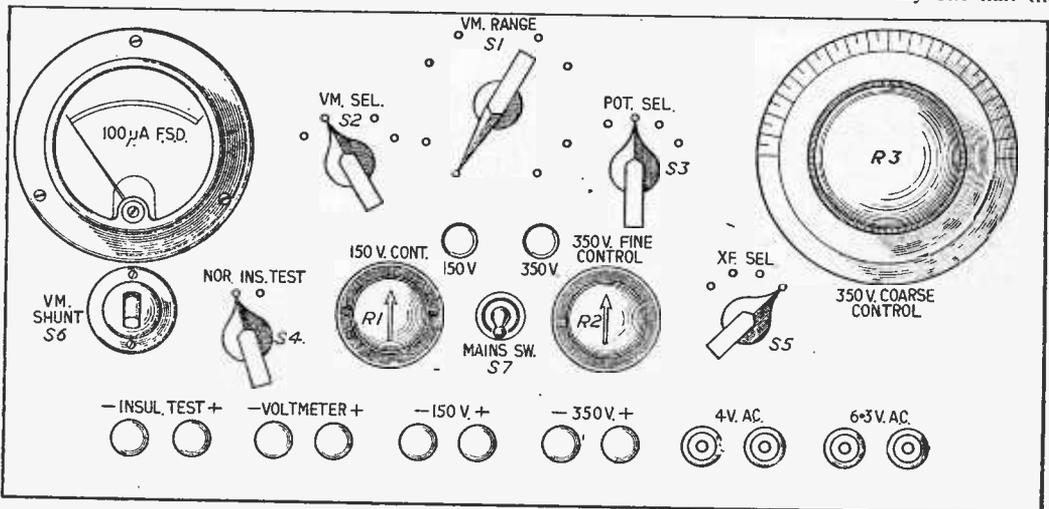


Fig. 3. — Details of the panel controls and markings.

number of discs between a pair of electrodes, which implies that a section will withstand only one-half of the reverse voltage. This, in fact, is all that is required of it, as the output of "circuit two" is 160 volts.

This is all that can be written on the construction and design of the power pack; but it is, perhaps, desirable to mention that the power pack is not the complete answer to the serious experimenter's work. This point was brought home to the author rather strongly quite recently. He desired to know the characteristics of two H.F. pentode valves and by the time he was in a position to make all the necessary simultaneous measurements his rather small workbench was almost full of apparatus. Had batteries of low internal resistance been available for the test, of course, the apparatus would not have been so complicated, because the battery voltage would be constant; whereas any and every alteration of one value, i.e., say the grid volts, did in fact cause a change in every other circuit.

The meter in the power pack was used for adjustment of the anode voltage and four other meters

were used for the following measurements: grid volts, screen volts, anode current and screen current. The screen current is of no consequence so far as the characteristic curve of the valve is concerned; but it does form one component of the total cathode current, and as the valve was to have auto-bias it was essential to know the screen current.

Another essential component added was a potentiometer of about 8,000 ohms. The 100,000 ohm potentiometer in the 150 volt circuit of the power pack is O.K. for the 0 to 150 range; but its adjustment near zero was not nearly fine enough for use over the few volts range of the H.F. pentode; hence the 8,000 ohm potentiometer was connected in series with the 100,000 ohm potentiometer of the power pack which was adjusted until the voltage across the 8,000 ohm potentiometer was just a little more than the bias range of the valve. This arrangement permitted of the use of the whole range of the added potentiometer, with consequent ease of adjustment of the grid volts.

News from the Clubs

EAST KENT RADIO SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: D. Williams, Llandogo, Bridge, Nr. Canterbury. THE above society still meets at the basement of The Technical College, Longport Street, Canterbury and continues to enrol new members. The main activity at the club has been Direction Finding; two sets have been operative and three more are about to take the field. Two teams have been organised by G3JES and G3KNR and the transmitter was operated by G3EMU and Mr. R. Luff. New members and visitors are welcome. The society hopes the Thanet Society are going ahead with Direction Finding apparatus.

THE WARRINGTON AND DISTRICT RADIO SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: R. Dyke, 22, Stetchworth Road, Walton, Warrington, Lancs.

A RECENT Field Day held to test the club's newly acquired equipment was favoured by good weather, and a very pleasant day was spent at an almost ideal location on high ground at Appleton, overlooking Warrington and the Mersey Valley.

Meetings are now held at 7.30 p.m. on the third Thursday in each month at 13, Sandy Lane West, Longford, near Warrington. Visitors and new members will always be welcome.

THE BOURNEMOUTH AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: John Ashford, A.R.I.C.S., G3KYU, 119, Petersfield Road, Boscombe East, Bournemouth.

THIS Society is organising a Mobile/Portable Rally to take place on Sunday, 16th September, at Stoney Cross Aerodrome, 7½ miles West of Southampton on A.31 (NGR 41/250118). Three Control Stations will be operating from 10.30 BST onwards, G2HIF on 2 metres, G3GYK on 80 metres and G3KYU on 160 metres. Anyone interested is welcome to attend and should bring picnic lunch and/or tea with them. Mobile participants are asked to contact control as soon as possible on their way to the site and to report progress periodically. Any further details may be obtained from the Honorary Secretary and it is hoped that the Rally will be well supported by hams from a wide area.

The Society meets on the first Friday of each month at The Cricketers' Arms Hotel, Windham Road, Bournemouth, at 7.45 p.m. when visitors will be welcomed.

CRAY VALLEY

Hon. Sec.: S. W. Coursey (G3JJC), 49, Dulverton Road, New Eltham, S.E.9.

THE September meeting of the Cray Valley Radio Club will be held at the Station Hotel, Sidcup, Kent, on Tuesday, 25th September, 1956, at 8 p.m. A talk will be given by Mr. R. G. Shears (G8KW), on V.H.F. mobile radio communication with particular reference to the "Hamobile," and various types of mobile equipment will be demonstrated.

New members are cordially invited and all visitors are welcome.

THE BRADFORD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: F. J. Davies, 39, Pullen Avenue, Eccleshill, Bradford 2

DURING the coming Winter Session classes for candidates for the Radio Amateurs' Examination will again be held

at the Bradford Technical College. Particulars can be had from the College, Great Horton Road, Bradford.

THE LEEDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: Mr. A. Chapman, 9, Cockshott Close, Leeds 12.

AT the annual general meeting the following officers were appointed for the coming season which commences on September 26th, 1956:—

President—Mr. G. W. Ringley (GBAHU); Chairman—Mr. N. B. Bridges (BRS13409); Hon. Treasurer—Mr. W. Ripley (G4AD); Hon. Secretary—Mr. A. Chapman; Assist. Sec.—Mr. J. R. Hey; Committee—Mr. R. Henderson, Mr. E. Sollitt, Mr. B. Payne, Mr. M. Gale (G3JMG).

BRIGHTON AND DISTRICT RADIO CLUB

Hon. Sec.: Mr. J. Trangmar, 33, Lennox Street, Brighton, Sussex.

THE annual general meeting of the above club will be held at the club headquarters, "The Eagle Inn," Gloucester Road, Brighton, on Tuesday, September 25th, 1956, at 8.15 p.m. Home and overseas visitors are always welcome at the club, which is open every Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. The latest visitor to add his name to the ever growing list was EA4EO from Madrid.

PLYMOUTH RADIO CLUB

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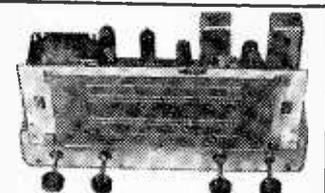
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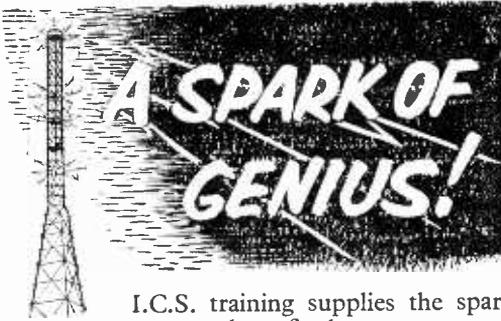
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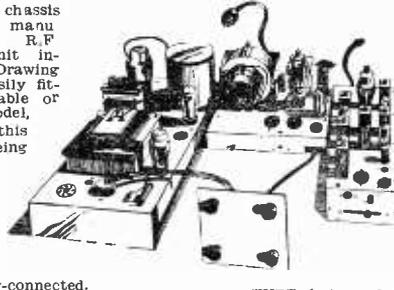
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VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES FOR FURTHER AMPLIFICATION WITH TRANSISTORS

By Capt. R. F. Graham

(Continued from page 482 September issue.)

THE loop coil described last month measures 182 μ H. But a single-strand tinned copper wire 1/.036 Polythene insulated Henley equipment type will suffice for a 12in. loop with fewer turns. For short waves, try 4 turns spaced $\frac{1}{4}$ in. apart 11in. to 12in. dia. Some foreigners fade in, overload, and fade out, without an aerial and earth.

Circuit No. 6A has been used over six months; it is superior to the first four and is definitely recommended.

Improved Direct Coupling (Fig. 6A)

This is for two transistors in parallel which are not a perfectly matched pair. It is not easy to find two to match even out of a dozen. Fig. 6 is actually for one OC72 as output.

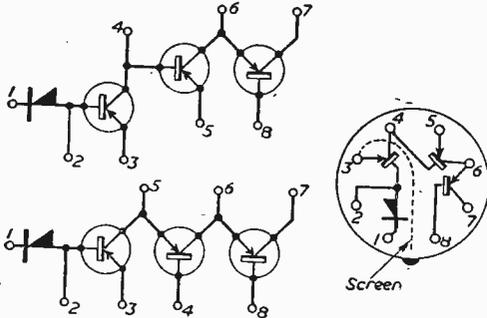


Fig. 8.—Details of the mount and connections.

The 10-ohm variable resistor produces an additional bias for the weaker transistor, so that both meters, M2 and M3, can be made to give the same reading.

Adjustments are made with no aerial, loop coil shorted. With the 10- and 100-ohm resistors set at

minimum, namely, shorted, and the 100,000-ohm at maximum resistance, batteries are switched on, the 100 K potentiometer is reduced from maximum for a reading of 1.6 mA on M1 and then the 10- and 100-ohm resistors are adjusted for M2 and M3 to read exactly 3 mA. Finally, the 100 K potentiometer is adjusted to reduce M2 and M3 readings to about 1.6 to 1.8 mA without touching the 10- and 100-ohm resistors, which may be of the pre-set type adjustable by a screwdriver. After a few hours' use readjust only the 100 K potentiometer. Use meters only for tuning and adjustments, short them for listening-in to save pivot wear; use switches for this (not shown in this circuit).

Note: The .001 capacitor has been moved from GD3 and OC70 coupling and is now shown between the collectors and battery (—). This stabilises the very sensitive region around GD3 and OC70. If the .001 is removed, as in Fig. 6, the receiver will produce a shrill sound if a finger is brought near this sensitive region, but when connected as shown, the diode may be touched and only mains hum will be heard in the L.S. To explain this adequately will require an expert on transistors. Suffice it to say, it works.

Cascade (Fig. 8)

This is to draw your attention to the direct coupling used in the last three circuits. Transistors could be put into one glass tube, like a valve with eight pins, and a portion screened off as shown in the round diagram.

Or it might be a futuristic type of multi-layer assembly as shown in another circle, where the black sections are negative and white ones positive type of semi-conductors.

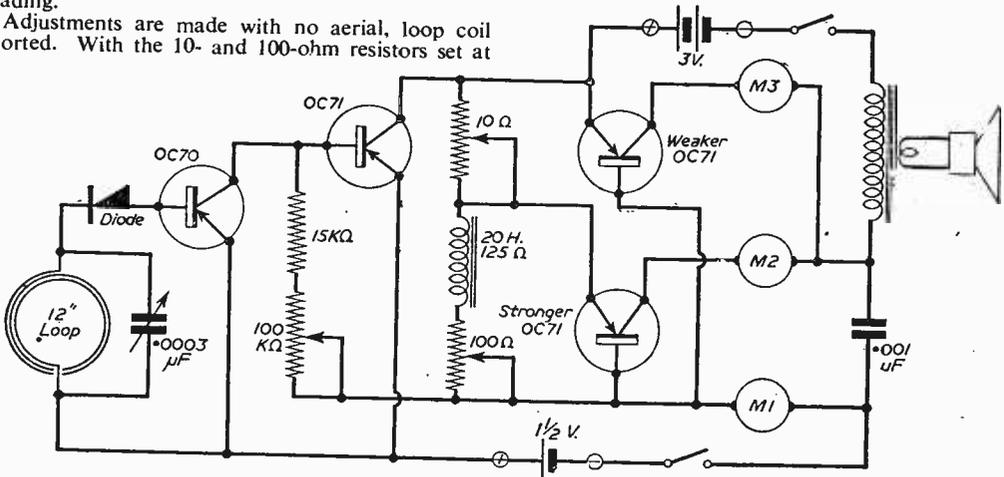


Fig. 6 (A).—An improved direct-coupled circuit.

That is by the way. The fact remains that there is no stabilisation, no feedback, no perfect matching, no other refinements in some of the circuits shown. These were omitted deliberately, without apologies, so that anyone can build the very simple circuits and actually get very good results. These are not stunt circuits, but have been tried and do work well, except Fig. 4.

Since the resistances in inputs and outputs are low, stabilisation is not essential and can be omit-

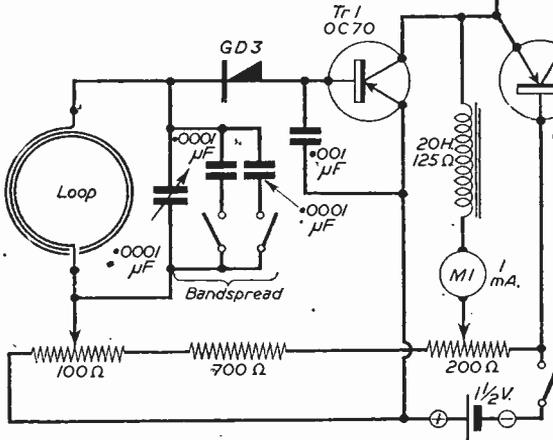


Fig. 7. — A further direct-coupled circuit.

ted, but if desired, try one for the first transistor with high resistors by connecting a 1,000-ohm potentiometer between the OC70 emitter and battery positive. Vary resistance and note results.

Of course, it would be better if the choke in Fig. 6 had a tap to match up output from OC71 to input for one OC72. Likewise, such a choke may be used instead of the 15 K and 100 K resistors, but this necessitates modifying bias arrangements, except in Fig. 7.

There is an unusual feedback in Fig. 6A where .001 μF was simple to add and should be used in Fig. 6.

This cascade is a D.C. amplifier with very good fidelity, and apart from wireless it can be used for many other purposes.

As already explained, the Fig. 5 is the best circuit, with automatic gain-control which comes into operation only after a certain amount of input, so it is safe to use and will give excellent results. T2 with primary windings of 120 ohms D.C. will also act as a current limiting device for the OC72 transistors, maximum output, with 4½-volt battery.

Final Notes

When OC72 transistors are available, care in use is very necessary. Data sheets and maker's curves will, at first sight, appear wonderful but, in fact, one OC72 is better than two perfectly-matched OC71 in parallel and not three. The most important data to note carefully is the Limiting Values which will be referred to as max.

The max. wattage curve is shown dotted in up to 120 mA. The highest curve I_c 114 mA is when V_c is only 0.4 volts and not battery 6 volts. This I_b -3 mA curve is outside the permissible working range of 0 to 0.4 volts. It is one extreme.

The longest range is shown in the bottom curve at

4.5 to 5 mA when V_c varies from 0.4 to -9 volts and is extended to -13 volts. I_b -0.1 mA curve is another extreme. No one will use less than 5 mA when class A output calls for at least 5 mA bias alone.

The two smaller curves I_c (mA) - I_b (mA) and I_b (mA) - V_b (volts) are complementary. From these two, bias voltage and bias current can be ascertained for any I_c reading, but not under practical working

conditions because both curves are labelled V_c -1V, and not the recommended 6 volts, battery.

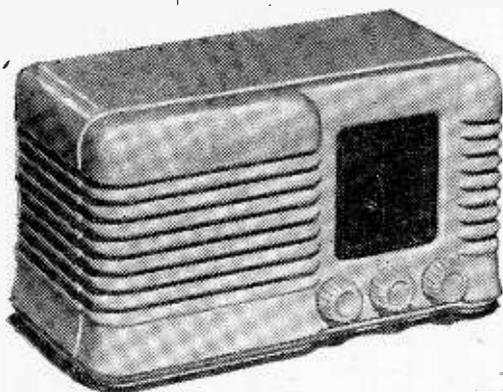
When I_c is 50 mA, I_b is -0.98 mA and this reading on the other curve shows V_b is then -0.24 volts bias.

Practical D.C. tests described in December are obviously called for. One new OC72 was tested accordingly for plotting two curves I_c - V_b and I_b - V_b . There was no indication of any I_c and I_b until V_b reached -0.15 volts; a 5.14 volt battery was used and R_c load was 100 ohms. Then a circular curve took shape up to 4 mA at -0.24 volts bias for one transistor and 5 mA at same bias for another new OC72, both supposedly matched. Finally, the curve was straight up to 20 mA at -3.7 Vb for the first transistor and -3.35 Vb for the second one. Matching is not particularly good.

If anyone attempts using a 6-volt battery and allows a peak of 100 mA to take place, even one half a cycle of such a peak at what works out to be about 600 milli-watts, will completely destroy OC72 transistor. The limiting value is : i.e. (pk) max. 45 mW. So we must use discretion and abandon all ideas of 100 mA and 6 volts.

If a 3-volt battery is used with a transformer of 100 ohms D.C. and taking max. 45 mW, then I_c peak current must not exceed 15 mA. But since there will be a voltage drop in the load, V_c will be less than -3 volts (actually about -2.6 volts at 15 mA) so max. is about 18 mA. And this is so, because during tests it was noted that meter began to creep up in less than one second after reaching a steady reading at 20 mA I_c . After all the OC72 is only slightly larger than OC71 and the only difference is probably that the junction surfaces are also slightly larger and a cooling fin is provided.

When making D.C. tests for curves, it is very important to critically watch the meter for I_c each (Concluded on page 570)



An AC Straight 3/4

By F. W. Austin

ALTHOUGH the T.R.F. receiver has become somewhat outmoded of recent years, there still remain a large number of home-constructors either requiring a handy stand-by receiver which can be used in any room, or other readers who have not yet had sufficient practical experience to make a really sound job of a superhet. The beginner is in no position to embark upon a superhet unless proper alignment procedure is thoroughly understood; even then some trifling fault of wiring is likely seriously to discourage and upset him.

This receiver should prove interesting to both old hands and beginners alike. All parts are easily obtainable and the cabinet, chassis, tuning condenser, scale and pointer are of a type universally stocked and sold separately by almost every radio dealer. Very slight modification to the chassis only is necessary (to accommodate the modern small valves used—6BA6, Z77 and ECL80).

Performance

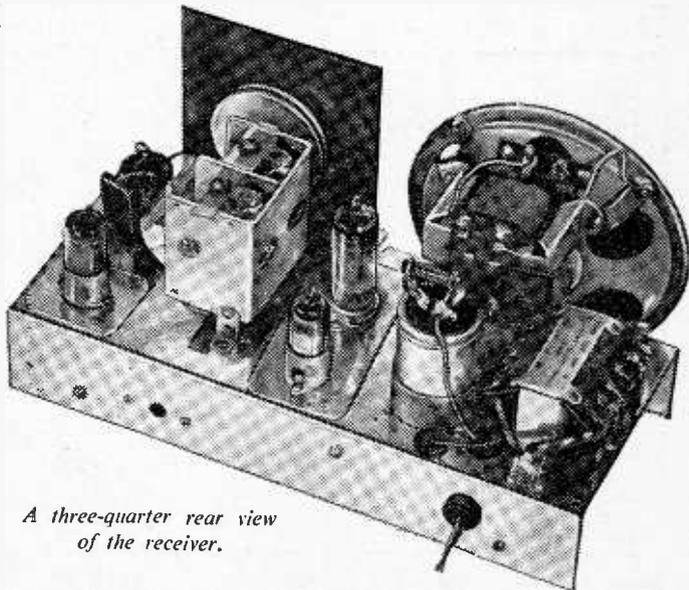
It was designed primarily from the point of view of sensitivity and on local stations (on full volume) the receiver is overloaded. We know this is undesirable, but no reader is likely to need full volume and the set therefore has power in reserve for the time when valve emission begins to deteriorate. The quality is no more than can be expected from a small speaker in a small cabinet, but is quite tolerable and not unpleasant. For local reception no more than a yard of throw-out aerial is necessary, whilst the recommended length for best overall results (long and medium waveband) is approximately six yards.

Circuit Details

The full circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 1. The aerial feeds the control grid of V1 (6BA6) in conventional manner, but the grid bias of this valve is fixed by R3 (100 ohms) and volume control is by means of varying the screen potential via R1 (2 megohm potentiometer), and R2 (47 K).

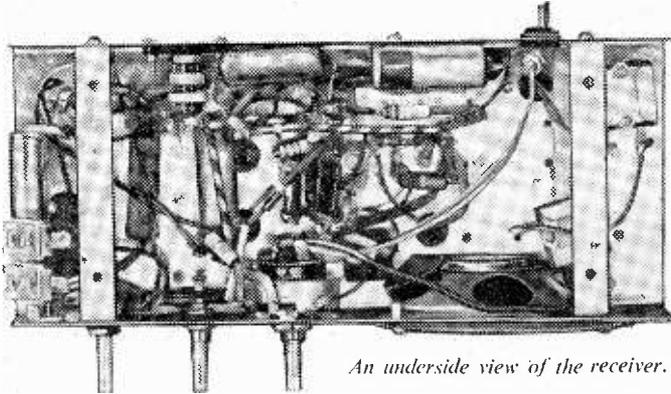
V2 (Z77) is H.F. transformer-coupled to V1 and is operated as an anode-bend detector. In this arrangement a low anode and screen voltage are necessary for correct operation. R4 (2.2 Meg) and R5 (470 K), shunted by C6 (.1 μ F), regulate the screen, whilst R6 (680 K) and C7 (.1 μ F) help to smooth and by-pass unwanted responses from the main H.T. line. R7 (1 Meg) is the anode load and C9 (250 pF) is for the purpose of by-passing the residual R.F. components to chassis.

V3 (ECL80) is used as a two-stage L.F. amplifier and the signal is passed to the triode control grid via C10 (.01 μ F coupling condenser). The lower end of R9 (680 K grid leak) is taken to a tapping point (two separate resistors) between cathode of ECL80 and chassis. As this valve has a "common" cathode for both triode and pentode sections, the



A three-quarter rear view of the receiver.

path along R12 provides bias for the triode section whilst the path R12+R13 provides bias for the pentode output section. The cathode by-pass condenser C12 (500 μ F 12 v.w.), is unusually large, but is highly desirable from the point of view of stability. The anode of the triode section is fed from R10 (220 K) and the signal passed by C11 to the



An underside view of the receiver.

control grid of the pentode. Grid continuity to chassis is via R14 (470. K).

It will be noted that the anode of the pentode is fed directly from the junction with the metal rectifier. A resistor R11 (680 K) between the two anodes of the ECL80 provides a mild form of negative feedback. Smoothing is effected by means of C15 and C14 (32-32 μ F) in conjunction with R15 (2.7 K). R16 (100 ohms) is a surge limiter which safeguards the receiver in the event of a short-circuit developing in C14-C15, or elsewhere along the main H.T. line. C16 (.01 μ F 1,000 volts test) is to safeguard against modulation hum, which might otherwise be experienced on loud signals.

PARTS LIST

(Resistors—all half-watt types.)

- R1—2 Megohm volume control with 2-pole on/off switch.
- R2—47 K.
- R3—100 ohms.
- R4—2.2 Meg.
- R5—470 K.
- R6—680 K.
- R7—1 Meg.
- R8—10 K.
- R9—680 K.
- R10—220 K.
- R11—680 K.
- R12—220 ohms.
- R13—270 ohms.
- R14—470 K.
- R15—2.7 K.
- R16—100 ohms.

(Condensers—350 v.w. unless stated otherwise.)

- C1—.001 μ F (mica).
- C2 & C5—.0005 μ F twin gang (with trimmers).
- C3—.1 μ F.
- C4—.1 μ F.
- C6—.1 μ F.
- C7—.1 μ F.
- C8—25 μ F (12 v.w.).
- C9—.00025 μ F.
- C10—.01 μ F.
- C11—.01 μ F.
- C12—500 μ F (12 v.w.) with clip.
- C13—.01 μ F.
- C14 and C15—32-32 μ F. Elect. 1 clip (for same).
- C16—.01 μ F mica (1,000 volts tested).
- Tr2—50 μ F+50 pF trimmers.

Construction

Immediately beneath the circuit diagram (Fig. 1) will be seen coil diagrams and valve base connections. These are placed in correct juxtaposition and tally with the circuit at their respective situations. It should not, therefore, be difficult for the veriest novice to interpret connections from this diagram and by consulting Fig. 2 which gives complete component positioning, both above and below the chassis.

A small sheet of aluminium will be needed for cutting to shape and drill to suit the three valves. This has been made quite clear in Fig. 2, but some retailers sell small metal "adaptors" to take these

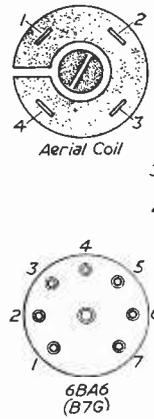


Fig. 4.—Valve

smaller valves over existing I.O. cutouts, and this may be preferred by some readers.

Certain small holes will have to be drilled in the chassis apart from those already provided, but no difficulty should be encountered. A hole of about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter should be drilled in the rear of the chassis where the H.F. coil is mounted horizontally. This should be made central to the coil mounting for adjusting the iron core of the coil later on during alignment.

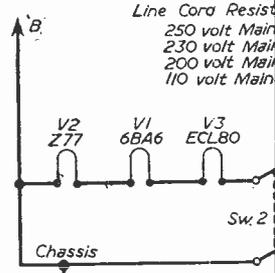


Fig. 3.—Modification fo

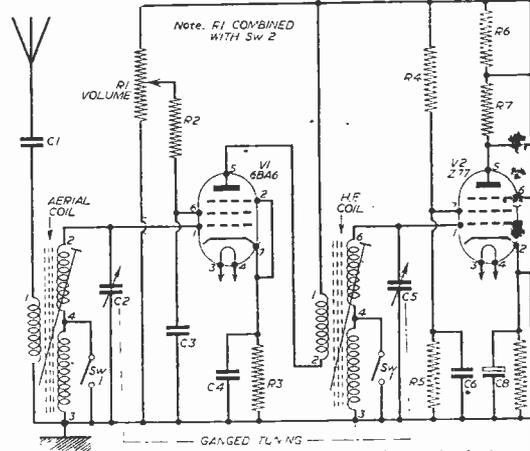
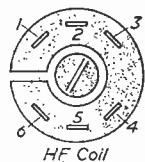


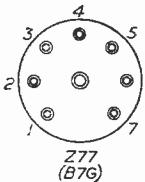
Fig. 1.—Theoretical circuit

The best type of alignment tool for small iron-cored tuning coils is a broken plastic knitting needle which has been sharpened, cut or filed at one end to screwdriver (wedge) shape.

one side of each valve heater is taken directly to chassis, likewise one side of the filament transformer secondary (6.3 volt) winding and one side of the primary winding (mains input end). The beginner will have to be careful here, as it is very easy to omit this



HF Coil



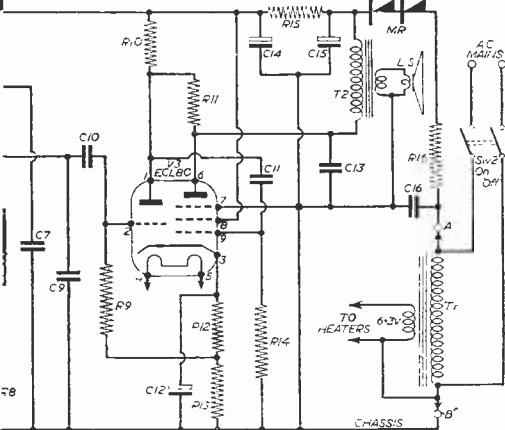
Z77 (B7G)

base data.

Resistance Values
 R5 = 770 Ω
 R5 = 703 Ω
 R5 = 603 Ω
 R5 = 303 Ω



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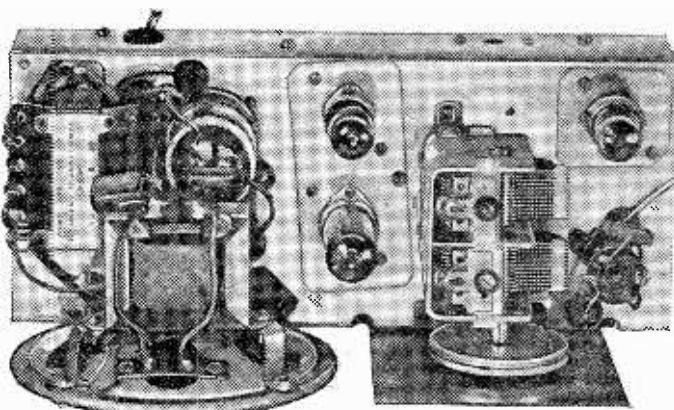
Photographs may show two metal rectifiers under the chassis, but a single rectifier of 250 v.w. at 50 mA will be quite adequate and only one is shown in the component layout and the parts list.

The valves have been so chosen that certain readers who may be on D.C. mains can still make up the receiver in appropriate form: Fig. 3 shows alterations necessary in such cases. Apart

from the wiring shown, all other arrangements remain as in Fig. 1 and the points at which the circuit varies are marked 'A' and 'B' in both Fig. 1 and Fig. 3.

When operating from D.C. mains supplies it must be realised that the receiver will only work with the mains lead connected in correct polarity. If the receiver will not work, either reverse the mains plug in the socket, or change the wires over in the mains plug to conform.

In the original A.C. version



Top view of the receiver.

wiring. It will be realised that unless one side of the mains input is taken to chassis there will be no reference point from which the rectifier can derive the necessary high tension voltage.

In the D.C. (or Universal) arrangement all the heaters are series connected in the order shown in Fig. 3 and in wiring up the receiver it is wise policy to start on the heater wiring at the outset, with the valve biasing arrangements following. In this way we not only have room above these components for mounting other parts but safeguard the valves from faulty operating conditions. It is a good plan to take time in assembly and wire one stage completely at a time, say, from the mains input through the valves from V3 to V6 and aerial, leaving such things as the speaker, ganged condenser and tuning coils

(Miscellaneous)

- MR—250 v. 50 mA. contact-cooled metal rectifier (Selenium).
- T1—Filament Transformer (Secondary, 6.3 volts 1.5 amps.).
- T2—1/2 Output trans. (10,000 ohms/3 ohms).
- 2 Valveholders B7G.
- 1 Valveholder B9A.
- 1 Valve 6BA6.
- 1 Valve Z77.
- 1 Valve ECL80.
- 1 Pair dual range coils type Teletron A/HF (200/2,000 metres).
- 1 Cabinet, T.R.F. chassis, dial, backplate, pointer, drum drive, drive spindle and cord.
- Screws, flex, etc.
- 1 Wavechange switch (2 pole/2 way).
- 1 Loudspeaker 5in. (Goodmans).

NOTE: For "Universal" version omit filament transformer from above and substitute line cord in accordance with Fig. 3.

unmounted until later, as these are components most vulnerable and liable to damage.

Trimmers

Although the trimmers for the coils are not shown in the circuit diagram they appear in Fig. 2. The medium-wave trimmers are combined with and will be found surmounting the twin-gang tuning condenser. The long-wave trimmers are mounted on the underside of chassis at an angle and by means of a single screw through the front plate. These are labelled Tr 2. In order to help the beginner a diagram

is included showing the disposition of the long wave trimmers together with Sw. 1 (wavechange switch) and associated wiring (Fig. 4).

Alignment

When the receiver has been completely wired we can proceed with alignment, but beginners must be warned against switching on and touching the chassis until they have determined and made certain that the neutral lead from the mains supply is in contact with the chassis at that time.

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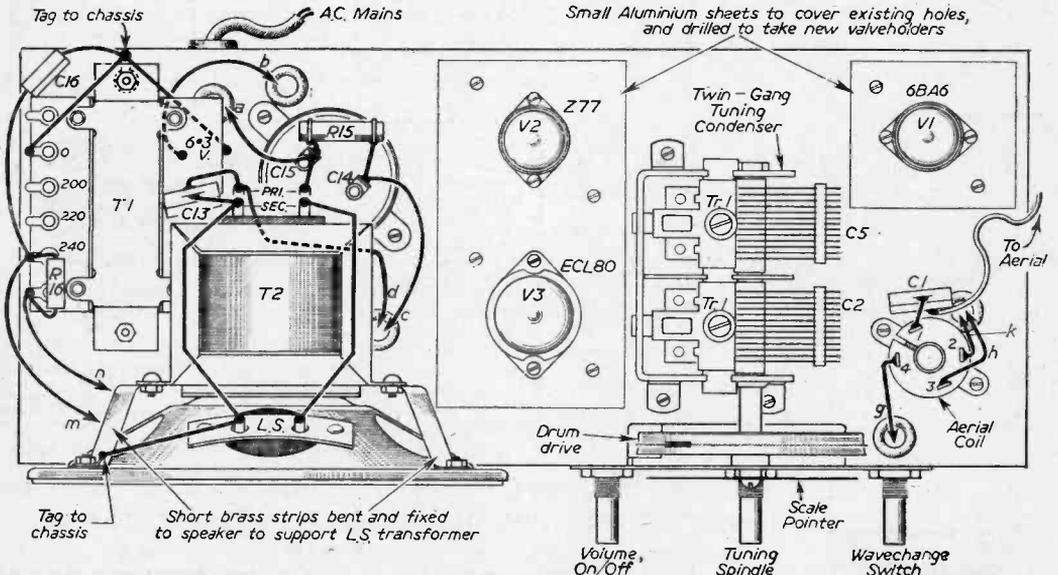
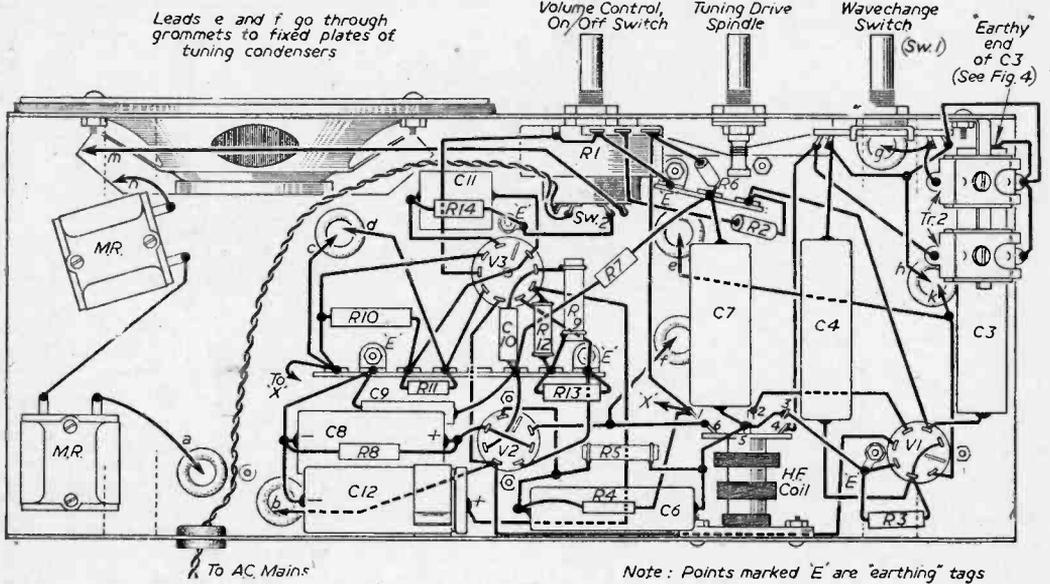


Fig. 2.—Top and underside wiring diagrams.

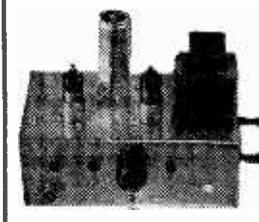
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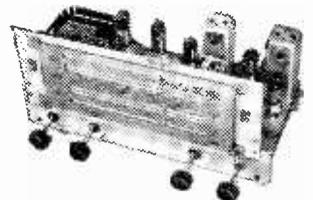


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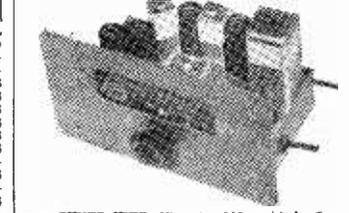
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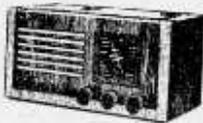
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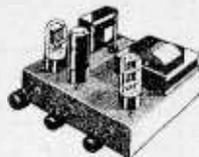
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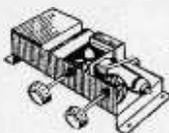
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Although coils are obtained as "matched pairs" it will be realised that two separate coils on a single former can hardly be accurately matched over two wavebands when tuned by a single iron core. Therefore some slight compromise is necessary in order to accommodate the long waveband and yield a satisfactory overall performance.

The receiver should be switched on and tuned in to the local station (in the Home Counties—the Light Programme). Adjust trimmers above the ganged tuning condenser until the tuning pointer is approximately at the correct location in respect to the dial. Now swing the tuning condenser to the top end of the waveband and tune in the Third Programme. Adjust the iron cores on both coils until the programme comes through at good strength. Return again to the station first tuned and further adjust the trimmers on the gang for best results. Switch to long waveband (clockwise direction) and tune in the Light Programme. Adjust the iron cores on both coils for maximum signal. Turn tuning to approximate position of Radio Luxembourg (Continental Programme) and adjust the two trimmers Tr 2 on underside of chassis for maximum signal. Return tuning to Light Programme and re-adjust iron cores. Tune in Radio Allouis and further adjust cores for maximum signal.

This is only intended as a rough guide to alignment and any finer adjustments should be made in the order set down above. Final adjustments will, of course, be made on Continental stations at the lower end of the medium waveband with the volume control well advanced.

Microphony

It is not unusual for constructors of straight receivers to experience microphony in the detector valve. This is, in effect, a physical and electrical phenomenon, wherein actual vibration of the valve sets up oscillation within the valve and an increasingly loud "howl" or "ringing" comes from the loud-

speaker. If the valve is lightly tapped the speaker appears to "echo" the generated note. In such cases it is usual either to change the valve for one less susceptible or mount the valveholder in the chassis with small rubber grommets to give a "floating" or shock-absorbing action to the valve suspension. This damps down the vibration and usually cures the trouble.

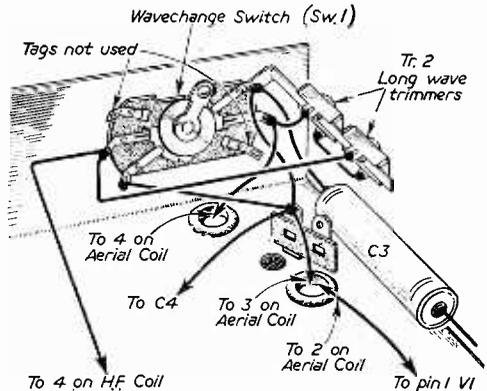


Fig. 4.—Further wiring details. See also Fig. 2.

Modifications

There are two points at which useful modifications can be made. Should a set suffer from microphony in V2 (Z77) a reduction in the screen voltage of this valve may effect a cure. This can be done by changing R5 (470 K) to one of lower resistance. A suggested value is 220 K which has been tried in the original model. The resistance quoted in the parts list gave maximum sensitivity without microphony occurring (optimum results).

Another change which can be made (should the set be considered 100 sensitive) is in R15 (2.7 K). This can be satisfactorily increased to as much as 10 K with perhaps a slight improvement in quality. A resistor of 1 watt rating here will keep quite cool.

Ceramic Valves

VALVES of this design are to-day becoming popular, and will no doubt supersede their glass counterparts within the very near future. They are preferred in equipments designed for use at the higher frequencies, but are at present outside the range of the amateur's pocket: nevertheless, as and when they come within that range, they will be ideal for the constructor of V.H.F. equipment.

The advantages of such valves over those of glass are that of higher permissible operating temperature and much better dielectric properties. Such valves, however, utilise a ceramic envelope or bulb in place of the conventional glass one, the vacuum tight seal being made by coating the ceramic with a thin metal film which in turn is sintered or fired on as the case may be, and to this metal film which becomes an integral part of the ceramic the metal seal is brazed.

Disc seal or planar-type of valve is best suited

for this type of construction and provides such advantages as low interelectrode capacities, low lead inductance and electrode insulation.

Valves of this category are most suitable for use in cavity or parallel line circuitry and are also to be found in power amplifier, oscillator and frequency multiplier circuits. They operate at temperatures in the order of 200 deg. C. and at frequencies from 1,000 to 3,000 Mc/s.

One will therefore appreciate that such valves will undoubtedly play an important part in all future V.H.F. development.

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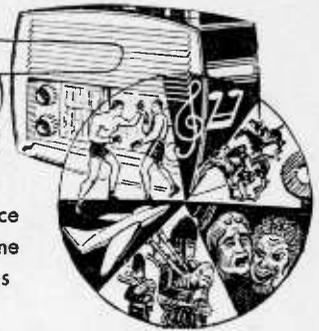
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This series is not without interest, but like many other features of long standing, badly needs its windows opened to let in some fresh air.

Burgundian Songs and Dances

A wholly delightful programme of Burgundian Songs and Dances Royales restored our faith in the matters of broadcasting and showed us that if we glean the programmes thoroughly, gold can be found here and there. Given by The Well-tempered Singers with treble recorder, and the London Consort of Viols, with medieval drums, we were transported back for 45 minutes to the world of the troubadour and the minnesinger with the rare privilege of being able to think and imagine for ourselves.

Northampton Rep. Company

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Two honest-to-goodness, forthright and down to earth pieces were Farquhar's Restoration "The Recruiting Officer" and Bekker's contemporary with Shakespeare "The Honest Whore." The latter was divided over two evenings. In those days when women, not exactly "all they should be," formed the theme of discussion, a thesaurus of adjectives, nouns and various other expletives poured forth of a directness, an uninhibitedness, a luscious descriptiveness and in an unending quantity and variety such as seems to be unknown to-day in any subject. The mind boggles at such richness, diversity and salacity. Yet neither saturation point nor satiety are ever reached. On they go, out they come. It is all vastly amusing and entertaining.

Our Critic, Maurice Reeve, Reviews Some Recent Programmes

Not all the 35 players, plus supers, in these two pieces struck quite the right period note, but one remembers Howieson Cullif, Mary Wimbush, Charles Leno, Michael Turner in "The Bekker," and of the Queen's Repertory Players, Hornchurch, in "The Farquhar." Mary Savidge, James Maxwell, Diana Fairfax and Bernard Cribbins.

Lenin's Journey

"Lenin's Journey," from exile in Germany back to Russia under German auspices and protection, and with the avowed hope that by stirring up revolution there it would take Russia out of the war and thus assure the defeat of England in the First World War, formed the theme of a major documentary. Written by David Woodwood, narrated by Carleton Hobbs and Edward Ward, and produced by Marjorie Ward. That it resulted in probably the most far-reaching event in history few will deny; whether Germany was hoist with her own petard has perhaps not yet been established: the programme was interesting and at times dramatic, rather through the events described than any virtues of production or script. These strictly adhered to the age-old pattern long since formulated for such programmes.

Rain

I wonder if there will ever be a cricket commentary in which, as soon as the first drops of rain begin to fall, we shall *not* be told "that everyone is standing up putting on their mackintoshes"!

Saturday Night Theatre

"The Comfort of the Signora" (suggested subtitle, "There's Always a Woman"), in Saturday Night Theatre, entertainingly told of turpitude in Tunisia, adultery in Algeria and, if you care for metaphors, flirtations in French North Africa. The French, however, were non-participants. One has met Brigadiers, if you have been in the Army, like Brigadier Polgrim, excellently played by Howard Marion Crawford, as well as women, if you have been anywhere beyond the front gate, like Sheila Saxley—brought to life by Violet Loxley. But Major Grail, a town major—well played by Edward Jewesbury—was, to one listener, rather a new type. The story of a woman so bad that she won't let the guileless major ruin himself by marrying her (he seems to find quick and ample consolation with the signora at the curtain) was well told and made good entertainment.

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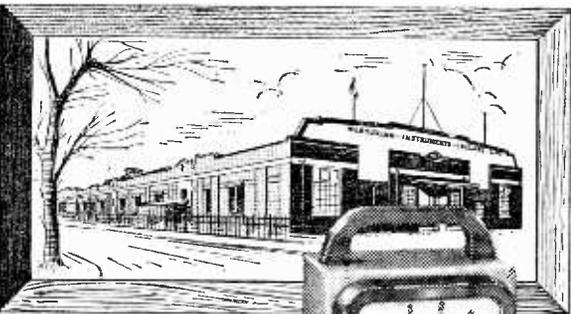
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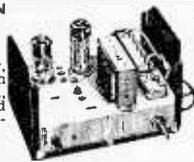
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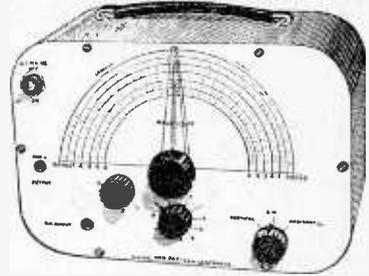
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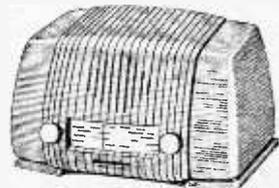
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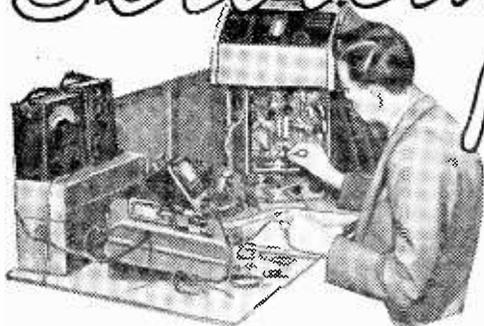


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By Gordon J. King, A.M.I.P.R.E.

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The Frequency Changer Stage

The complete circuit of the receiver is shown at Fig. 1. The signals in the aerial are passed through the 250 pF isolating capacitor to the aerial coils L1 and L2. On L.W. both coils are used, while on M.W. section L2 is shorted out by S1A section of the wave-change switch. The signals are coupled to the R.F. coils L3 (L.W.) and L4 (M.W.). T1 is the L.W. aerial trimmer and T2 the M.W. aerial trimmer. Tuning of this section of the circuit is performed by C1, which forms part of the tuning gang.

The R.F. coils are selected by S1B section of the wave-change switch and the tuned signal appears on the signal grid of the mixer section of the frequency changer valve V1 (12K8GT).

The triode section of V1 functions as the local oscillator, oscillator coupling taking place inside the valve. Coils L6 and L7 are the M.W. and L.W. oscillator grid coils respectively. Feed-back on both bands is achieved by winding L5. T3 and T4 are the M.W. and L.W. oscillator trimmers, while T5 and T6 are the M.W. and L.W. padders. Main tuning of the oscillator section is performed by C2 section of the tuning gang.

An intermediate frequency of 455 kc/s is employed and these signals are developed in the first I.F. transformer (I.F.T.1) in the anode circuit of V1.

The wave-change switch in this receiver sometimes becomes intermittent in operation and demands careful positioning to obtain reception on either band. When this happens a few drops of proprietary switch cleaner instilled between the switch contacts and the spring brushes frequently clears the trouble. If the switch is still noisy after this operation it may be necessary to install a new switch (two position four pole), but before doing this it often pays to remove the fibre contact disc, by carefully bending out one or two of the retaining lugs and then cleaning the contact surfaces and bending the spring brushes so that greater

pressure on the contacts is secured when the switch is reassembled. This operation can be performed without taking the wires from the switch tags.

Instability is sometimes caused by the 0.02 μ F V1 screen capacitor losing value or becoming open-circuit. Lack of signals on both bands should lead to investigation of the 100 pF oscillator grid coupling capacitor and valve V1.

The I.F. Stage

The signals in I.F.T.1 are carried to the control grid of the I.F. amplifier valve V2 (12K7GT), and they are redeveloped in amplified form across the I.F. coil (I.F.T.2) in the anode circuit, which is permeability tuned.

Several cases of low sensitivity have been traced to an alteration in the value of the 100 pF capacitor serving to fix-tune the I.F. coil. This should be suspected, particularly if the tuning of T9 appears very flat. No standing bias is given to V2 and the screen is fed direct from the H.T. line. The 0.02 μ F capacitor, shown connected between the screen and chassis, serves to clear R.F. from the H.T. line; the 4 μ F electrolytic is an H.T. smoother.

The Detector, A.V.C. and A.F. Amplifier Stage

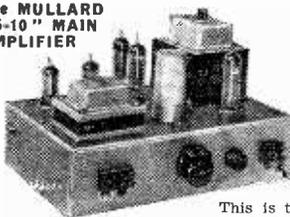
The signals in the I.F. coil are coupled to the signal diode of V3 through a 100 pF capacitor. The detector load comprises the 100 K resistor and the 500 K volume control in series. I.F. filtering is performed by the 100 pF shunt capacitor. Since the voltage appearing at the top end of the volume control has a magnitude depending on the strength of the I.F. signal, and is negative relative to chassis, it is used as an A.V.C. bias and is fed to valves V1 and V2. As this makes the A.V.C. diode in V3 redundant, this electrode is put at chassis potential.

The A.F. signals across the volume control are carried through the 0.05 μ F A.F. coupling capacitor to the grid of the triode section, where they are amplified and re-appear across the 680 K resistor in the anode circuit. The 100 pF capacitor, between anode and chassis, serves to filter any I.F. which may be present at this point.

The loss of bass, accompanied by distortion on strong signals, is often attributable to the anode load resistor going high in value. A delayed action when the volume control is rotated, should lead one to suspect the 6.8 megohm grid resistor for a value increase. If the I.F. coupling capacitor becomes leaky,

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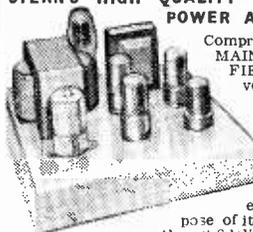
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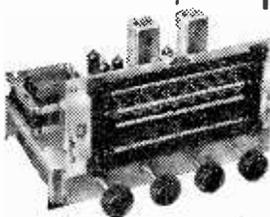
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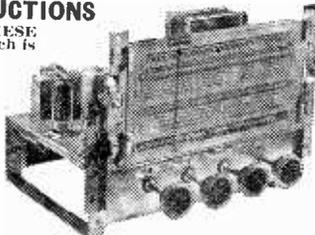
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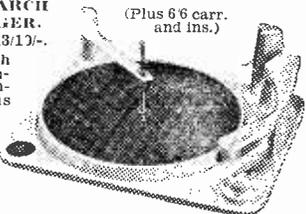
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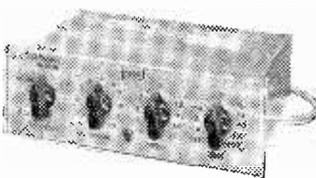
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coil, or an A.C. voltmeter, via suitable isolating capacitors, between the anode of V4 and chassis. As this set has a "live" chassis, the signal generator should be connected through 0.005 1,000 volt isolating capacitors. When making tests it is advisable to ensure that the chassis is in connection with mains neutral.

I.F. Alignment

Tune the set to the low-frequency end of the L.W. band and set volume control at maximum. Remove the existing connector to the top cap of V1 (signal grid) and connect a 100 K resistor between grid and chassis. Apply a 455 modulated signal to the top cap and adjust T9, T8 and T7 (Fig. 3) for maximum output.

R.F. and Oscillator Alignment

Check that the dial pointer coincides with the dividing lines between the M.W. and L.W. calibration scales when the tuning gang is fully closed. Adjust if necessary.

Medium Wave

Tune the receiver to 214 metres, inject a 1,420 kc/s modulated signal, via a dummy aerial, to the receiver

aerial terminal. Adjust T3 and T2 (Fig. 3) for maximum output. Tune the receiver to 500 metres and the generator to 600 kc/s. Adjust T5 (Fig. 3) for maximum output. Repeat at 214 metres and at 500 metres for maximum accuracy.

Long Wave

Tune the receiver to 750 metres and the generator to 400 kc/s. Adjust T4 and T1 for maximum output. Tune the receiver to 2,000 metres and the generator to 150 kc/s. Adjust T6 for maximum output. Repeat at 750 metres and 2,000 metres for maximum accuracy.

Radio Sales Up

RETAIL sales of radio and television receivers improved in June as compared with May, according to the monthly retail survey published, as we go to press, by the British Radio Equipment Manufacturers' Association, and were higher than in June last year. Radiogram sales were the same as in May and lower than in June, 1955.

Sales for the first half-year of 1956, compared with 1955, were down, however, by 19 per cent. for radio receivers and 40 per cent. for radiograms.

Receivers

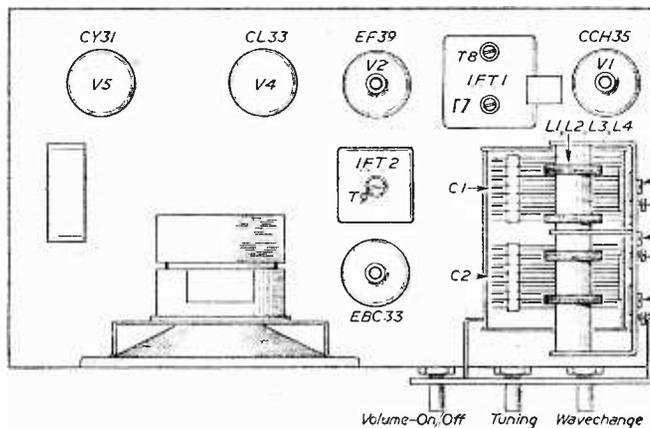
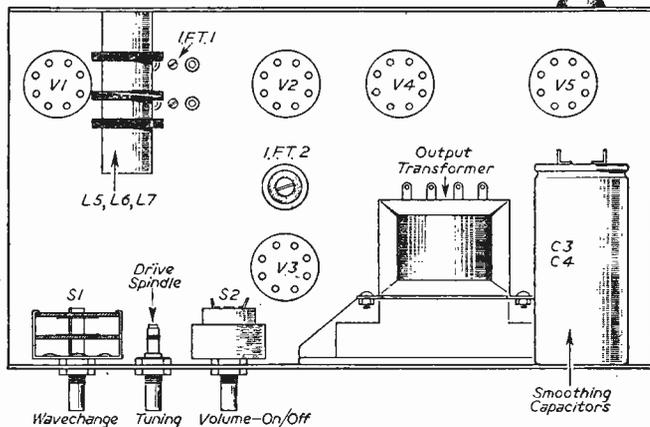
Sales of 80,000 radio receivers in June showed an increase on May of 14 per cent. and 8 per cent. on June, 1955. During the first and second quarters of 1956 sales were down by 30 per cent. and 6 per cent., respectively, compared with 1955. For the half-year, January/June, 1956 retail sales of radios were 19 per cent. less than for the corresponding period in 1955.

Radiograms

Radiogram sales continued to show a relatively greater fall as between 1956 and 1955 than either radio or television receivers. June sales at 11,000 were the same as in May, but 15 per cent. less than in June, 1955. During the first quarter of this year radiogram sales were half those for the first quarter of 1955, but recovered during the second quarter to 18 per cent. below those for the last year. The resulting percentage fall for the half-year was 40 per cent. compared with 1955.

Radio and Television

The proportion of total radio and television receiver sales on hire-purchase or credit terms showed increases of 3 per cent. in June compared with May. Nevertheless, as between June, 1955, and 1956, the proportion fell from 40 per cent. to 34 per cent. for radio. For radiograms the proportion remained in June at 58 per cent., compared with 67 per cent. in June, 1955.



Figs. 2 & 3.—Top and bottom chassis views.

The R.1155 Communications Receiver

MODIFICATIONS TO THIS POPULAR EX-GOVERNMENT UNIT

By K. A. Brook

(Continued from page 466 September Issue)

Noise

This receiver has achieved a certain amount of notoriety as being a "noisy" receiver. The noise is apparent even, to a certain extent, on quite powerful medium wave stations. The noise is mainly due to the R.F. stage (V1), and this can be reduced by substituting a resistor of about 68 K in the screen circuit of V1 in place of the 27 K already fitted. However, it so reduces the sensitivity of the set that this modification would be impracticable, bearing in mind weak stations.

Various means have been devised to combat this noise, but a fairly easy and effective method can be based on the idea in the previous paragraph, but instead of a fixed resistor, a potentiometer is fitted. The circuit is shown in Fig. 9.

This entails removing the 27 K screen dropper resistor already fitted and replacing with one of 120 K. This value is not critical, but should not be less than 100 K. The potentiometer may be fitted in the place previously occupied by the "Meter Balance" control. This potentiometer will, of course, vary the screen voltage of the valve, which affects three things:

1. The sensitivity of the circuit.
2. The mutual conductance of the valve.
3. The signal-to-noise ratio.

If the control is moved in the direction of the arrow, the screen voltage is increased, the mutual conductance of the valve is increased at the cost of a lower signal-to-noise ratio, i.e., the circuit becomes more noisy.

The screen voltage for the 6K7 with an anode voltage of 250 volts is 125 volts, and it is this which decides the value of R76. It was not thought desirable to increase the screen voltage above 125 volts.

If the slider is moved in the opposite direction, the signal-to-noise ratio is improved accompanied by a reduction in gain and sensitivity. This control could then be labelled "R.F. gain" or "sensitivity." It should be adjusted in conjunction with the volume-control for adequate volume with minimum noise.

Crash Limiter

This refinement is designed to clip peaky pulses which exceed the 100 per cent. modulation level. It usually accomplishes this by rendering the set inoperative for the duration of the

pulse, either by passing the signal to earth or by a series device which is made non-conducting by the pulse. This is not noticeable in the reproducing device, as the ear is not sensitive to breaks of such short duration.

The author considers this to be an essential modification if 'phones are to be used, as he himself has suffered some extremely uncomfortable moments with large amplitude interference pulses.

Some limiters are of a fixed variety whilst others are variable, the adjustment being made by means of a potentiometer. This varies the level at which the limiter comes into operation, and should be adjusted so that it limits at just over 100 per cent. modulation. If turned too far it will clip off parts of the signal, thus causing distortion.

In the author's experience the only really useful crash limiter is the circuit included in the famous R.C.A. AR88 receivers, and it was decided, therefore, to employ this circuit which uses a double diode valve (6H6).

Unfortunately, this modification involves rather drastic alterations to the detector circuit. Firstly, we must forgo ourselves the rather doubtful pleasure of the filter which was designed to filter out various forms of interference generated by aircraft electrical equipment, but the writer found it to be of no value for ground use. It is a high-pass filter having a cut-off frequency of 300 c/s. It consists of C8, C9, C10 and the inductor, L29 (see Fig. 10). The inductor is

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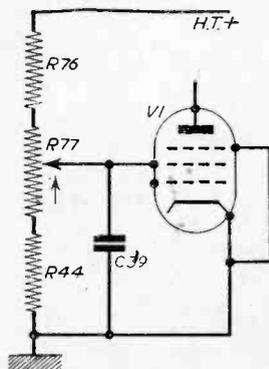


Fig. 9.—Modified screen circuit of R.F. amplifier.

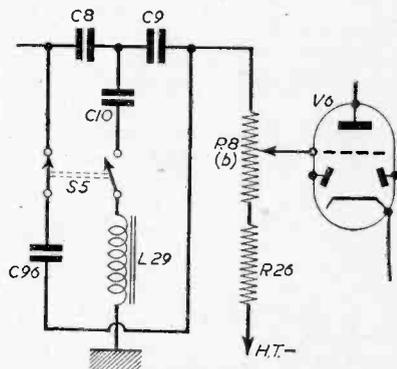


Fig. 10.—Filter circuit.

COMPONENTS (Fig. 9)

V1—6K7.
C39—0.1 μ F 350 v.
R44—22 K 20% Erie Type 8.
R76—120 K 20% Erie Type 8.
R77—100 K Potentiometer linear.
Note.—The arrow denotes clockwise rotation of control.

COMPONENTS (Fig. 10)

C8—0.001 μ F.
C9—0.001 μ F.
C10—0.004 μ F.
C96—0.02 μ F.
R8 (b)—500 K Potentiometer.
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R26—100 K.
V6—EBC33.

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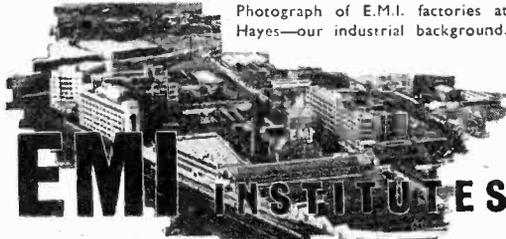
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situated on the rear of the front panel between the volume-control and the handle on the left-hand side as seen from the front. From this the relevant capacitors and the switch can be located and removed. It should be noted that C96 is still in circuit and this should be checked when the switch S5 is removed.

The crash limiter as it fits into the R1155 circuit is shown in Fig. 11.

The valveholder used is that which was occupied by DF3 in Fig. 2.

Difficulty may be experienced in obtaining a 66 K potentiometer. The values are not critical, although the ratio of resistors should be maintained. Thus, if a 50 K potentiometer is used, R79 should be reduced to 25 K, and if a 100 K potentiometer is used, R79 should be made 50 K.

It is recommended that this circuit be built in first and the original detector circuit modified afterwards.

A Morganite potentiometer is recommended. Type LHNAR as this type is physically small and can be fitted in the "Meter Amplitude" control space without difficulty, although any midget type would do as well. A normal-sized control is too large to fit in this space.

When the limiter circuit has been built in, it can now be connected into the main circuit. On the tag strip under the output transformer (chassis inverted) will be found the components which it is necessary to

remove. One of the leads from IFT3 will be found to terminate at a 56 KΩ resistor on the above-mentioned tag strip. This resistor along with a 470 KΩ resistor on the same tag panel are removed. The other two components which are no longer required are a 100 pF capacitor which is connected between one end of the

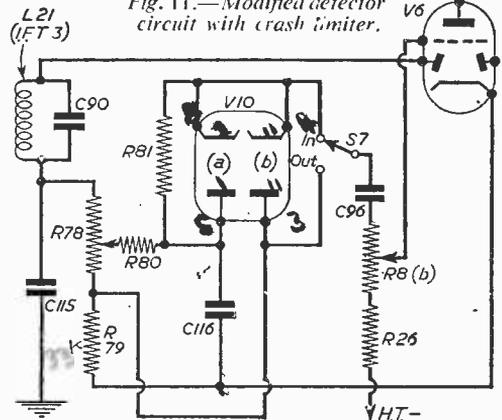


Fig. 11.—Modified detector circuit with crash limiter.

ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS (Fig. 11)

- R78—66 K Potentiometer Carbon.
- R79—33 K 10% Erie Type 9.
- R80—680 K 20% Erie Type 9.
- R81—560 K 20% Erie Type 9.
- C115—100 pF Mica 20%.
- C116—0.1 μF 350 v. 20%.
- S6—S.P.D.T. Toggle Switch.
- V10—6H6.

Note.—All other components are already included.

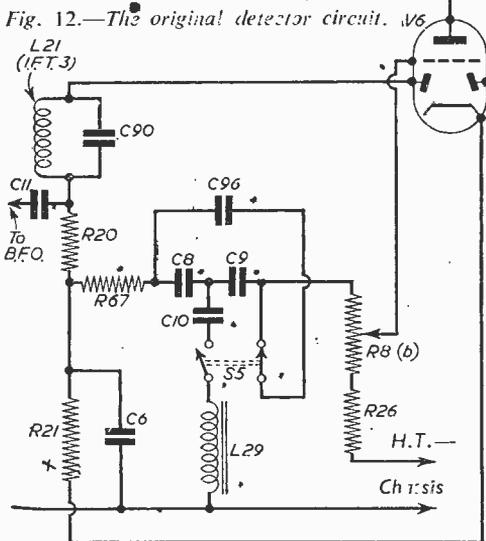


Fig. 12.—The original detector circuit.

COMPONENTS (Fig. 12)

Components to be removed are underlined, except for those in the Filter Circuit, which will already have been dealt with but is included here for completeness.

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| R8 (b)—500 K Volume. | L30—Phone Transformer. |
| R20—56 K. | C96—0.02 μF. |
| R21—470 K. | L29—Filter Inductor. |
| R67—22 K. | C8, C9, C10—Filter components. |
| R26—100 K. | |
| C6—100 pF. | |
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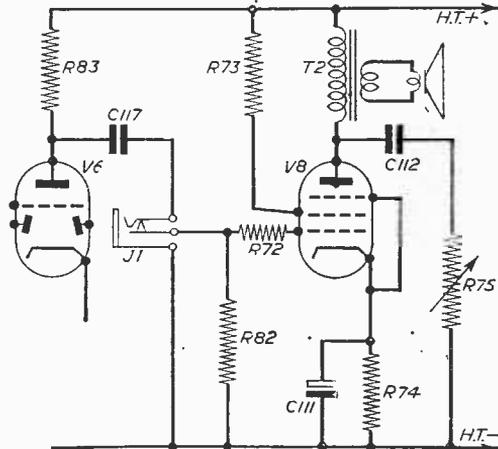


Fig. 13.—R.C. coupled output stage.

ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS (Fig. 13)

- R82—470 K 20% Erie Type 9.
- R83—100 K 20% Erie Type 9.
- C117—0.1 μF 350 volt working.

Note.—R82 replaces R71 in Fig. 5. All other components as in Fig. 5.

56 K Ω resistor and chassis, and a 22 K Ω resistor which is in series with the volume control R8(b) and a 0.02 μ F capacitor C96, which was originally on the filter tag panel. This will leave a black wire which should be traced through the grommet hole and cut off at the tag panel underneath the output transformer. The original detector circuit is reproduced in Fig. 12. Components underlined are those which are to be removed. Do not remove any components connected to the cathode (pin 8) of the double diode triode

and off frequency when using the B.F.O., the adjusting capacitor C13 on the front panel should be trimmed as follows:—

1. Tune in a steady strong station, using the magic eye.
2. Switch on the "Het. Osc." and adjust C13 for note of about 1,000 c/s, without moving the main tuning knob.
3. Should there be insufficient adjustment the B.F.O. coil (L22) will require adjustment. Remove

TABLE I. Valve voltages and currents.

Valve	Electrode	Voltage	Voltage	Current	Current
		Volume control Max.	Volume control Min.	Vol. Cont. Max.	Vol. Cont. Min.
V1	Anode	174	200	6.6	0.9
	Screen	57	78	—	—
V2	Hexode An.	184	202	1.0	0
	Screen	54	81	—	—
	Triode An.	63	68	—	—
V3	Anode	174	202	5.7	0.1
	Screen	59	78	—	—
V4	Anode	174	192	6.9	5.0
	Screen	57	70	—	—
V5	Anode	124	134	4.4	4.8
	Cathode	6.8	7.5	—	—
V6	Anode	182	198	9.3	9.6
	Cathode	--34	--23	—	—

(V6). They are not shown in Fig. 11 and Fig. 12, but this is merely for simplicity. The limiter should now be tested.

This circuit, unfortunately, results in a loss of A.F. gain due to the 66 K Ω and 33 K Ω "potentiometer" chain, and if this loss is considered too much, a separate diode should be used for the detector with its cathode connected to H.T.— A miniature type of valve would be suitable, e.g., an EA50. Then the remaining triode section should be replaced by a pentode, for which suitable types are 6J7, EF36, EF37 and EF37A, and this should compensate for the loss in gain.

Should it be decided to let the circuit of V6 stand, an improvement may be brought about by removal of the phone output transformer (L30 in Fig. 10 and Fig. 11). This could be replaced by a resistance capacitance coupling. This affects mainly Fig. 5 and the output stage with its modified coupling appears in Fig. 13.

This brings to an end the modifications which the author incorporated in his own receiver, but other readers may wish to take things further such as the fitting of an "S" meter. However, it must be borne in mind that the receiver was intended for use on commercial speech, and because of this the bandwidth of the receiver is limited to 5 Kc/s maximum, and is in no way a "quality" receiver.

General Notes on the Receiver

The original receiver was run from a machine in the aircraft which delivered 220 volts at 140 mA for H.T. and this should be noted when the following table of valve voltages and currents is consulted. These readings may, of course, be subject to some variation.

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top cover of the box and put C13 half-way in mesh. Check the core of L22 moves easily. If not, release the locking compound by careful application of heat. Replace lid. Repeat (1), switch on "Het. Osc.", and adjust the core of L22 until a position of zero beat is obtained.

4. Rotate C13 clockwise until a note of 1,000 c/s is obtained.

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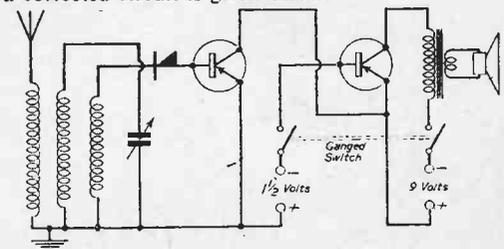
(i) Magic eye glows red.

This means that H.T. is off the receiver. Check F1, and if open circuit, check C113 and C114, for short circuit.

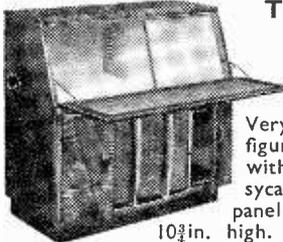
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The Simplicity Transistor Two

A NUMBER of readers have queried the circuit which was given last month on page 450. The positive side of the two batteries was shown in Fig. 2 as being joined together, under which condition, of course, the first transistor will not work. The connection between the batteries should be removed and a corrected circuit is given below.



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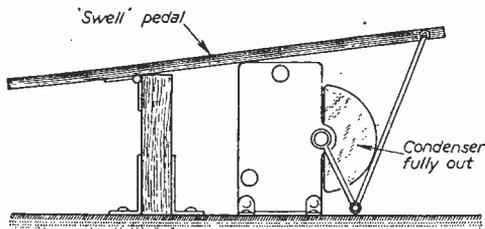
By J. Holden

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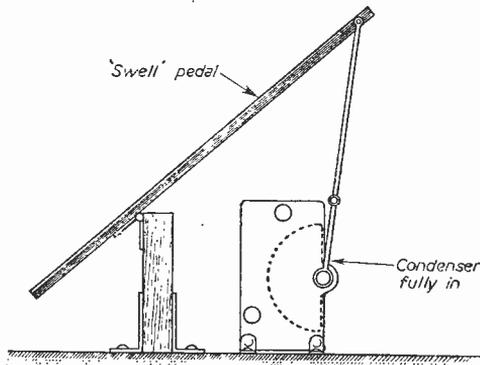
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box, and has been found to be effective with diapason tone down to 16ft.

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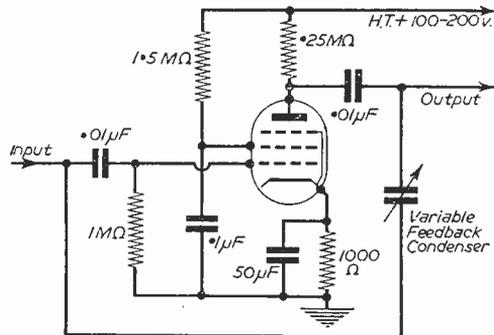
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Theoretical circuit of the control.

Push-pull Amplification

AN EXPLANATION AND A PRACTICAL AMPLIFIER EMPLOYING THE CIRCUIT

By R. Hindle

(Continued from page 454, September issue)

THE third harmonic is kept down to a reasonably low figure and the even harmonic distortion is cancelled out in the transformer. In order still further to reduce the harmonic content of the output, however, the second new feature is introduced. A part of the signal from the secondary of the output transformer is fed back to the input of the first valve. This is done by introducing a small resistor, R15, into the cathode circuit of the first half of V1. This resistor, together with R14, forms a potentiometer across the secondary of the transformer and so has across it a part of the output signal which is thus included in series with the incoming signal from the coaxial socket as the input to V1. This feedback must be negative, i.e., it must oppose the incoming signal; if it is connected positively the amplifier will tend to be unstable. The nature of feedback, whether positive or negative, depends on which way round the output transformer is connected and if when the amplifier is tested it is found that the feedback is positive the connections to the secondary only of the transformer should be reversed. If the output transformer is of poor quality instability will be experienced either way the transformer secondary is connected due to the phase-shift introduced at some frequencies by the component itself and in this case the only measure, apart from obtaining a more suitable transformer, is to reduce the amount of

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Now the two halves of the double triode have similar characteristics and as both are to work linearly it is reasonable to assume that both halves

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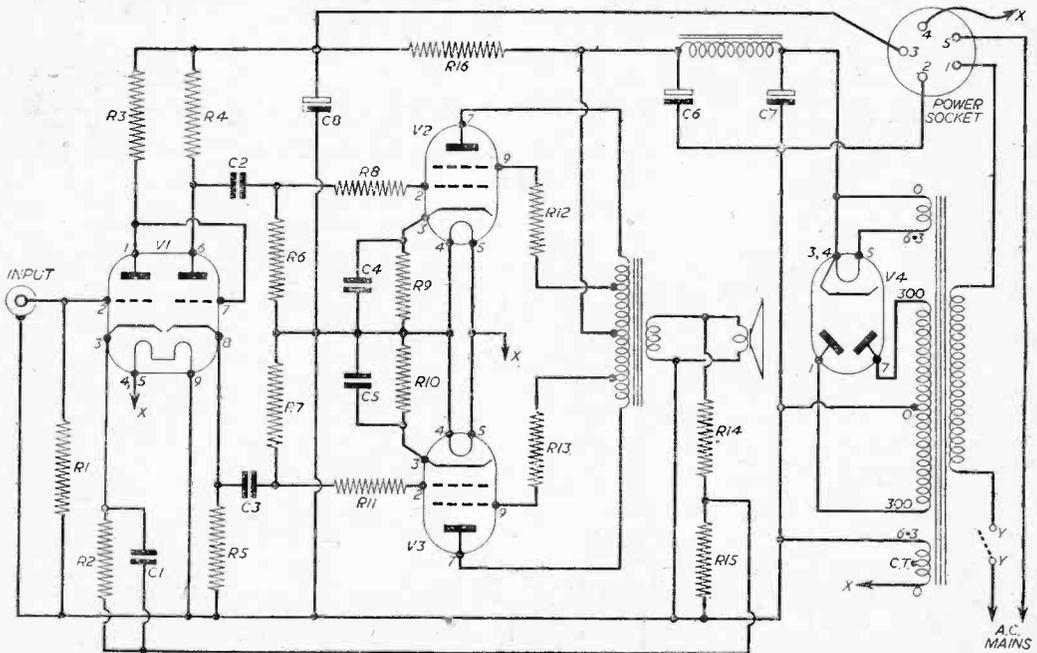
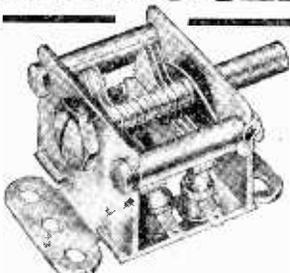


Fig. 5.—The amplifier described here. A list of parts appears on the page 565.

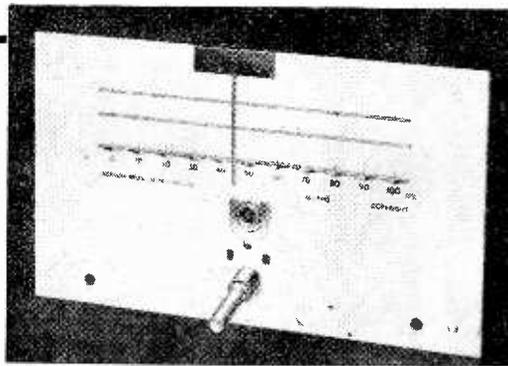
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will work with the same load, i.e., R3 will equal R4 plus R5. Supposing R3 is chosen to drop two-thirds of the total H.T., leaving one-third across the valve itself. Then R5, carrying the same current but being only a half of R3, will drop a third of the H.T. also and so will make the voltage required at the grid of this half about a third of the total H.T., and so this grid can be directly connected to the previous anode as desired. In this simple calculation the standing grid bias required can be ignored because it is so small compared with the H.T. and the second half of V1 being in the nature of a cathode follower it will tend to pull itself into step when conditions are made approximately correct. The design procedure is, therefore, to examine the valve curves to see

conditions well clear of the grid current zone and which is chosen for the present case. The stage gain is then about 12 for the first half and, as already mentioned, about 1.8 for the second half. The output valves are Mullard EL84, giving 11 watts output and requiring 20 volts input signal peak grid to grid.

LIST OF COMPONENTS FOR FIG. 6

- C1—8 μ F 350 v. Dubilier BR
 - C2—1 μ F 250 v. Dubilier 410
 - C3—50 μ F 50 v. Dubilier BR
 - C4—8 μ F 350 v. Dubilier BR
 - C5—50 pF Dubilier ceramic
 - C6—1,000 pF Dubilier 400
 - C7—300 pF Dubilier 400
 - C8—3,000 pF Dubilier 400
 - V—Brimar 6BR7
 - R1—1 M Ω
 - R2—220 K Ω
 - R3—2.2 K Ω
 - R4—10 K Ω
 - R5—1 M Ω
 - R6—100 K Ω
 - VR1— $\frac{1}{2}$ M Ω (with s.p. sw.)
 - VR2—2 M Ω
 - VR3—2 M Ω
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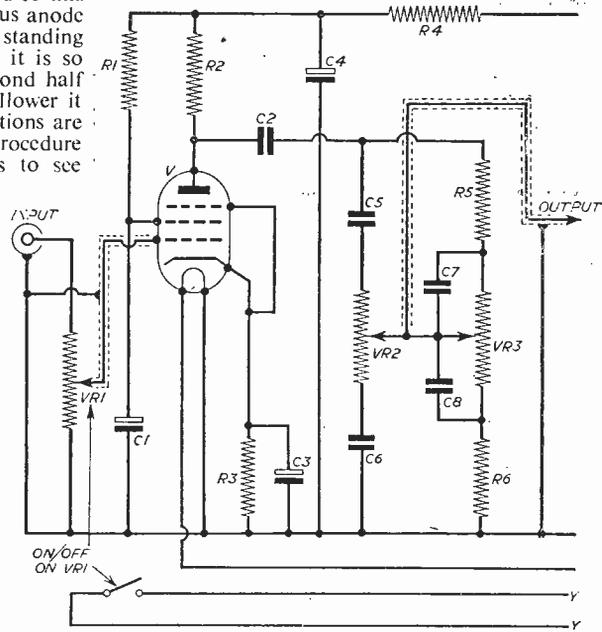


Fig. 6.—The Pre-amplifier.

if a suitably linear part exists satisfying the stipulation that two-thirds of the H.T. should be dropped across the load and if this is so and there is some doubt about the conditions of working when the amplifier is built it is only necessary to insert a meter to check the current flowing through the second half to see if it conforms to the design figure decided upon, adjusting R3 if necessary to obtain correct conditions.

The input to the first half of V1 is this figure divided by the gain in each previous stage, i.e.,

$$\frac{20}{12 \times 1.8} \text{ i.e., about 1 volt peak,}$$

but the signal actually to be fed into the input socket is this voltage plus that fed back from the output transformer. The speaker for which this amplifier was primarily designed is the G.E.C. metal coned unit, about which more later, but of interest now is the speech coil impedance, to which the secondary of the transformer matches, of 4 ohms. At peak conditions 11 watts is available which, in a 4 ohm load represents a voltage of $6\frac{1}{2}$ and the feedback potentiometer selects about a third of this, say 2 volts, to feed back. The input needed is of the order of 3 volts. A stage of amplification is normally used before a circuit of this kind, but in the present design this is made a separate unit including gain and tone controls, so that it can be put in a place convenient for controls so that the bulk of the amplifier can be

COMPONENT LIST FOR FIG. 5

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|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| R1—4.7 M Ω | R9—270 Ω | C1—50 μ F 12 v. Dubilier BR | V1—Brimar 6AU7 |
| R2—4.7 K Ω | R10—270 Ω | C2—1 μ F 350 v. Dubilier 410 | V2, V3—Mullard EL84 |
| R3—100 K Ω | R11—6.8 K Ω | C3—1 μ F 350 v. Dubilier 410 | V4—Osram U709 |
| R4—47 K Ω | R12—47 Ω | C4—50 μ F 50 v. Dubilier BR | 1 choke, smoothing, WB 30/45D |
| R5—47 K Ω | R13—47 Ω | C5—50 μ F 50 v. Dubilier BR | 1 mains transformer WB 28/45D |
| R6—220 K Ω | R14—180 Ω | C6, C7—16-8 μ F 500 v. Dubilier | 300-0-300 v. 110 mA, 6.3 v., 6.3 v. |
| R7—220 K Ω | R15—68 Ω | CT | 1 output transformer, Partridge P2629 |
| R8—6.8 K Ω $\frac{1}{2}$ watt Dubilier | R16—10 K Ω 1 watt Dubilier | C8—16 μ F Dubilier BR | |

stowed away in the depths of the cabinet; this is much better than the common way of mounting it all on one chassis so that space at the control point in the cabinet has to be found for the whole of the bulky part of the amplifier. This amplifier, along with the preamplifier, makes an ideal unit for playing records with high quality. The main amplifier provides sufficient power for the preamplifier, which is led out via a socket similar to that used for the single-ended output stages described earlier in the series.

This amplifier was tested out using the G.E.C. metal cone speaker unit, as previously mentioned. This is a very exceptional unit for high quality reproduction which should be used, preferably in one of the enclosures specially designed for it. A separate cabinet would then be needed for the amplifier and playing desk. Quite often such an arrangement is impracticable and a single cabinet has to house both speaker and amplifier equipment. Excellent results have also been obtained in this way also using the metal cone speaker. The speaker chamber should preferably be of a volume similar to that of the specially designed enclosure and should be of the solid backed type with a vent, again following the lines of the special design. The G.E.C. is not really suitable unless the cabinet is such as to permit the reproduction of bass because its response extends so far into the higher audio frequencies and it is generally agreed that if bass is to be limited the treble should be similarly limited; the balance between upper and lower frequency range is more important from an audio point of view than the lop-sided extension of the frequency range. The G.E.C. unit, without the bass of which it is capable, sounds too high-pitched for comfort and there is little point in using the unit if its response is to be clipped at the upper as well as the lower end. The same remarks apply where extended range is sought by means of a tweeter; a separate high note reproducer

should never be used unless the bass reproduction of the main speaker is sufficient to balance it.

There are other high-fidelity speakers, of course, and many cheaper ones that are still capable of providing quite good quality. If an alternative is used, however, its speech coil impedance may not be the same. A transformer of suitable ratio and with the necessary taps on the primary for the screen grid connections which should be at a position as to include 43 per cent. of each half-primary between the H.T. centre-tap and the screen tap.

Control Preamplifier

The circuit of the preamplifier unit containing the controls for the whole equipment is given in Fig. 6. It will be seen that a **Brimar 6BR7** is used in a normal pentode circuit for audio amplification. The method of design of this part of the circuit was illustrated previously when a single-valve amplifier chassis was designed, though in this case a higher value of anode resistor has been used because the amplifier is feeding into a circuit of higher resistance than previously. The amount of gain overall is less in the present case than was required for the single-valve unit previously mentioned, which was intended to feed directly into an output valve requiring 12 volts peak signal, but the valve in the present case is still required to provide a high gain, because there is a signal loss in the tone control circuits to follow.

The signal output from the valve anode is divided into two paths, through the leg containing VR2 and the leg containing VR3, being combined again by connecting the sliders of the two potentiometers together to give the output signal for the main amplifier. When VR2 is moved to its lower end C6 is in parallel with the signal, attenuating the higher audio frequencies giving treble cut.

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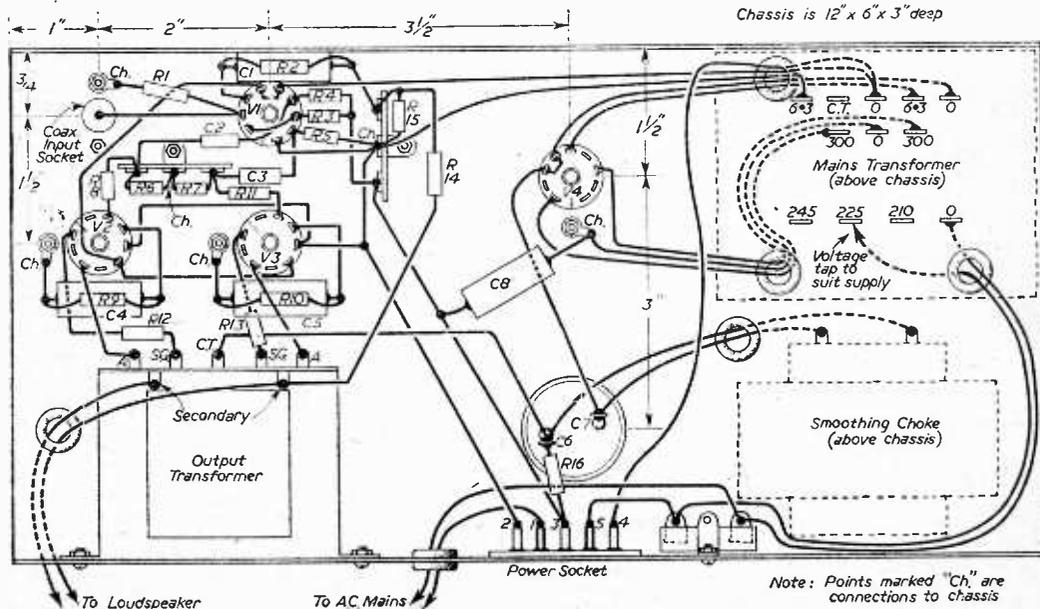


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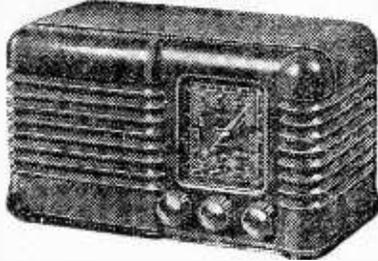
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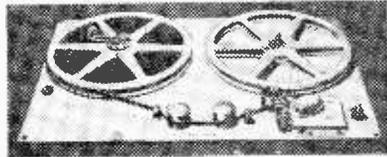
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Open to Discussion



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A 3½ in. Oscilloscope

SIR,—I am afraid that Mr. Tring, writing in "Open to Discussion," September issue, seems to be labouring under a misapprehension concerning the paraphase amplifiers in Mr. Couvela's oscilloscope.

These "Schmitt PPAs" or "Long-tailed Pairs," as they are often called, do manage to achieve a very good balance in practice and are often used in radar indicators.

It seems that the main mistake Mr. Tring and others make when considering this circuit is the failure to consider the valve current of the second half also having to flow through the common cathode load. This very fact modifies the "cathode follower action" of the first half of the circuit.

V2 (second half) certainly could not have a greater signal input than the first half, because it is this part of the circuit which drives the second half, via the common cathode coupling and under no conditions could V1 cathode output exceed the value of the input to its grid.

As for disconnecting R2 and R5 and applying them to a positive potential from a potential divider there is no earthly reason, as the present bias system used by Mr. Couvela is perfectly satisfactory (and standard).

The only criticism that could be mentioned concerning the article in the July issue is the misprint of C2 which should go to earth, of course.—K. SMITH G3JIX (Yakesbury).

F.M. Results

SIR,—In reply to G. Prentis (Elstree), may I say that F.M. reception on my set is very good indeed. The radio incorporates "push button" wave change. As an experiment I have, just before writing, compared the F.M. with the M.W. and a slight, high-pitched hum or whistle background reproduced on the M.W. is eliminated on the F.M. band. Just a touch of more volume is required on the F.M. for similar M.W. audibility. When the tone control is adjusted there is no doubt whatsoever that the reproduction on the F.M. (apart from cutting out interference) really brings out the lifelike quality of transmission—especially is this so as regards stringed instruments. My experience is that the M.W. fails to reach this standard.

However, I am not quite trouble-free! A dry battery door bell in the house "sparks" through the F.M.

There is a built-in dipole in my radio—outdoor dipole aerial has not been fitted. For what it is worth, I have an indoor aerial, and to the best of my knowledge there is no passing car interference on the F.M. band.

Whilst we are always pleased to assist readers with their technical difficulties, we regret that we are unable to supply diagrams or provide instructions for modifying commercial or surplus equipment. We cannot supply alternative details for receivers described in these pages. WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO ANSWER QUERIES OVER THE TELEPHONE. If a postal reply is required a stamped and addressed envelope must be enclosed with the coupon from page vii of cover.

Even if I had the technical knowledge, which I have not, I rather think, from the information available, that it would be difficult to specify what is the fault factor on Mr. Prentis' F.M. band. But I would venture to say that radio without F.M. is obsolete. Incidentally, my own set incorporating L.W., M.W., S.W., A.M./F.M. and gram and extension connections, cost less than £35.

However, one perhaps should not expect perfection from V.H.F. and if in a locality there are consumers utilising works and household appliances etc. etc., emitting ultra short waves then radio reception is in for a rough time.—F. SEDGWALL (S.W.4).

1939 Portable

SIR,—I agree with Mr. Shatwell in his letter (August issue), about the design of a compact pocket receiver. I myself constructed the 6K7 (July, 1948, edition PRACTICAL WIRELESS) and the 4½-volt battery which powered this set (no H.T. supply was needed) soon had to be discarded as "flat". This particular set measured ½ in. smaller than Mr. Shatwell's, measuring only 4 in. x 3½ in. x 2 in.

I am quite interested in this side of radio and would be pleased if Mr. Shatwell or one of your readers could supply me with circuit diagrams or, indeed, any other midget or portable receivers.

I still possess a copy of the 6K7 circuit if anybody is interested. I am 13 years old.—D. OWENS, 6, Station Road, Melling, Nr. Liverpool.

Amateur Tracking of "Mouse"

SIR,—Readers of your magazine will have read, with interest, of the scheme for launching the artificial satellites Mouse in connection with the forthcoming Geophysical Year. Many of them, like myself, are probably hoping that you will devote an article or a series of articles to this experiment and give us fuller information than can be gleaned from the newspapers, about the satellites themselves, the course they will be likely to follow, and the electronic gear they will carry.

The apparatus which will be required for automatic tracking is probably outside the scope of amateur construction, but it should not be impossible for amateurs living on or near the course of the satellites to receive their transmissions as they pass overhead. And since presumably each will take a different course, depending on the date and time of day when it is released, a great many of us will sooner or later be correctly situated. Although there will be many official tracking stations in many countries, it may be that a mass of subsidiary reports from amateurs will be of value to those controlling the experiment.

If the signals are receivable by amateurs, they could be recorded on tape; details of the receiving gear and type of aerial in use, as well as exact geographical location, and an accurate time signal could be recorded on the same tape and these recordings might be more valuable than written reports since the experts would be able to compare such things as signal-to-noise ratio, rapidity and degree of fading, etc., in widely separated locations.

Even if it is considered that such amateur reports would not be of value, and maybe I have been presumptuous in suggesting it, I am sure many readers will want to make the experiment purely for their own satisfaction and as a matter of interest. I hope, therefore, that you will be able to give us some guidance on the type of signal which the satellites will transmit, the frequency or frequencies to be used, and on the kind of receiver and aerial which will be necessary.—A. P. BUCHANAN (Ayr).

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ADDING ANOTHER TRANSISTOR STAGE

(Concluded from page 538)

time the switch is pressed for a higher reading. If after one second of steady reading the meter begins to creep up to a higher reading, switch off and do not attempt any test at any higher reading. This applies to any transistor.

This creeping meter effect is a sure sign of overload and the commencement of the breakdown of a transistor, because the base begins to lose control for a steady reading, and diffusion of impurities has started. There is no remedy for such damage. Max. mW is reduced and the life of a transistor is shortened.

But how can one be sure of not overloading any type of transistor when used in a receiver? The answer is the meter will flutter, and fidelity will not be perfect, at loud peaks. The output meter will also show whether the taps ratio for a speaker is suitable. If too many turns, are connected to a speaker, meter will jerk up to a higher reading at each peak sound.

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Sensitive Two-valver

SIR.—I've just crashed out your sensitive two-valver (August, '55) and I feel I must write and tell you it took two hours to make. I felt sure that some part would be wired wrong, but on switching on the set burst out in oscillation, but it wouldn't give any volume on a 1ft. aerial. After a few trials I find 19ft. of P.V.C. bell wire gives more volume than one can call comfortable and has to be controlled by moving off-station. I can get Home and Light with good separation. One snag, any Hams within one mile transmitting on 80 metres will load the set so that all other signals are crowded out. I'm using a 8in. speaker.—P. L. KNIGHT (Heywood).

An F.M. Tuner Unit

SIR.—The following further notes are given on the tuner in the August issue:

(a) Inductances L1 and L2 should be wound on standard 3in. formers, with dust cores removed. Spacing should be roughly the same as the wire diameter.

(b) Inductance L3 should, when wound on the 68 K Ω resistor, have its ends soldered to the resistor fixing wires.

(c) Transformer L4, L5 should, when wound on the old I.F. transformer core, be replaced in the original screening can. In order to make a neater job, the germanium diodes may also be mounted inside the can, being soldered directly to the ends of L5.

(d) R.F.C. 1 and R.F.C. 2 consist of standard R.F. chokes.—J. KELLS (Yorks).

If too few turns meter will dip towards zero. When properly matched up, the meter will remain at a steady reading due to bias; it does not show A.C. audio, except when the transistor is being overloaded and then it flutters up and down. This flutter should not exceed 0.2 mA for OC72 and 0.1 mA for OC71. If tuned coils are moved farther apart so that there is a reasonably steady reading, transistors are not overloaded and the receiver is working quite safely, at loud volume without distortion; especially so if meter readings are reduced as much as possible, but not so much as to spoil fidelity. The various bias meter readings in the above circuits are shown as max. and in most cases can be reduced.

After tuning in a station and completing all adjustments the meter should be shorted because OC72 may go up to 18 mA peaks, not shown but taken through the 5 mA meter which is thus overloaded.

Part I.—A Correction

It should be noted that the captions for Figs. 1 and 2 in last month's issue were transposed.

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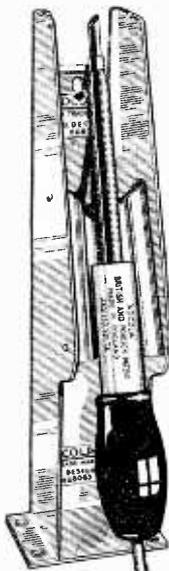
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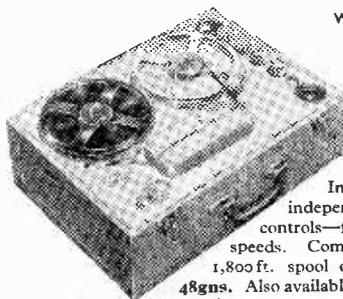
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