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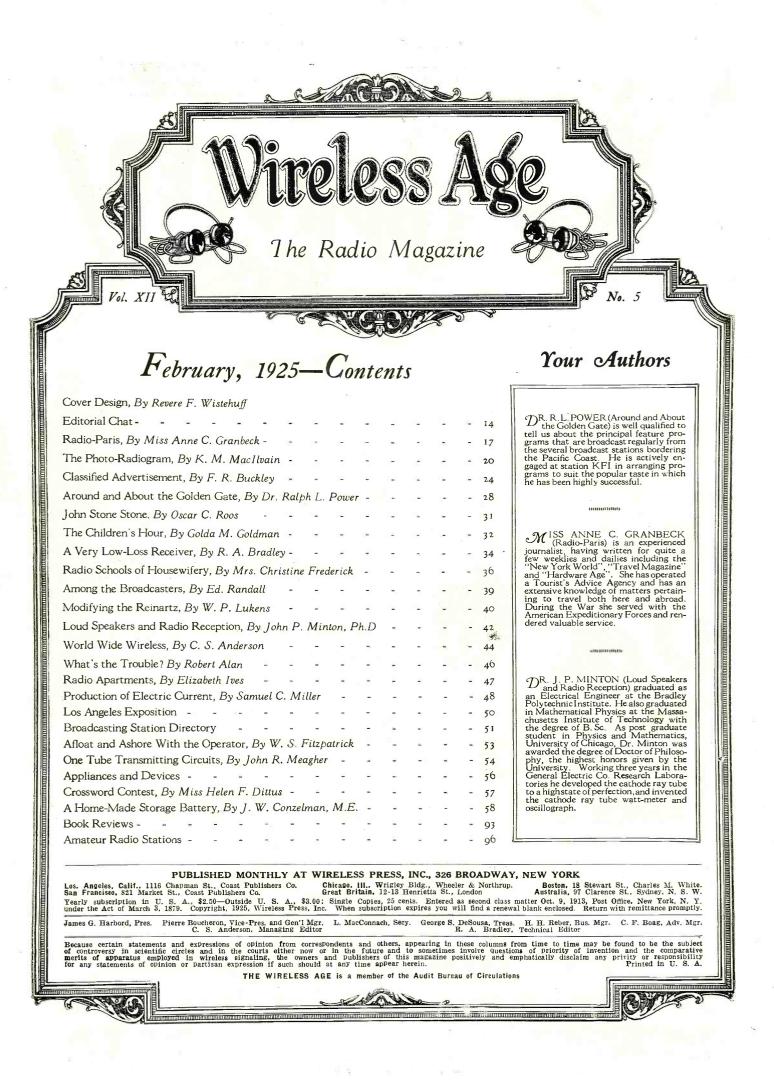
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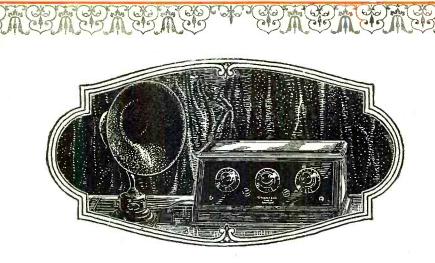
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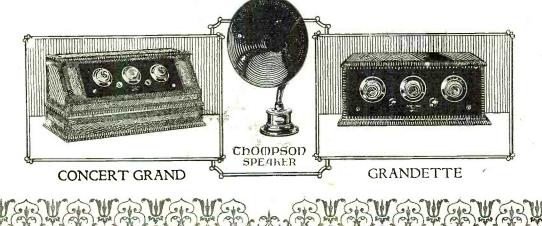
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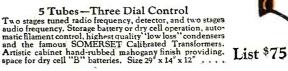
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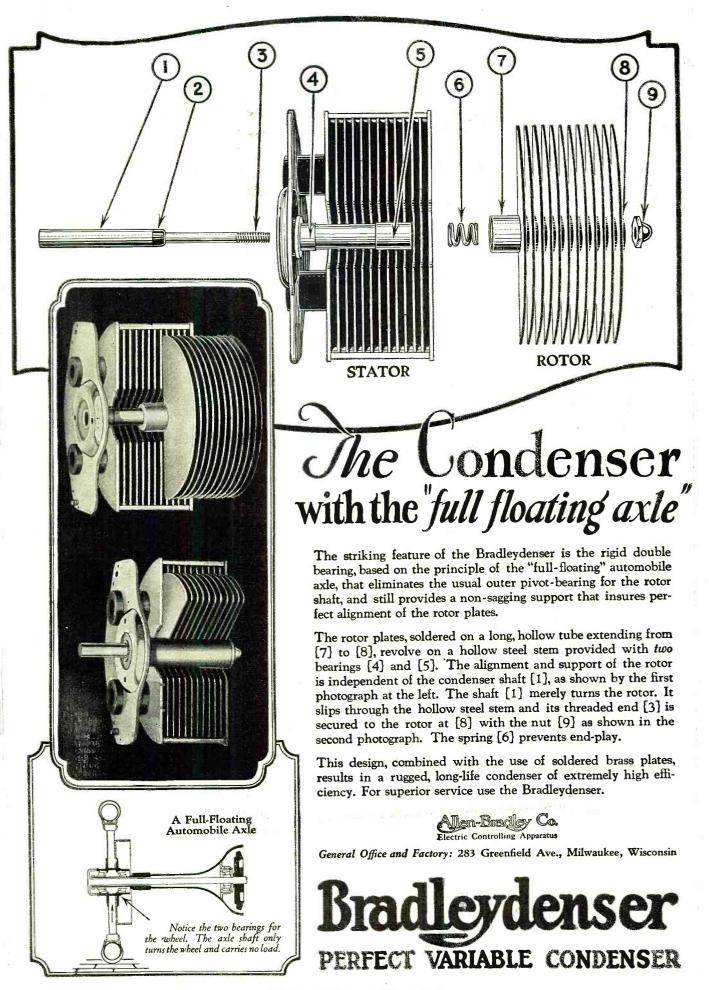
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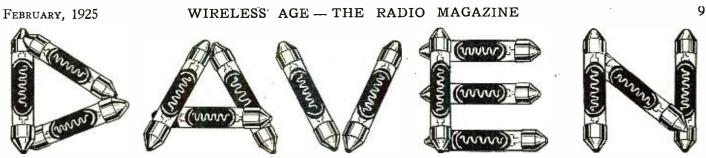
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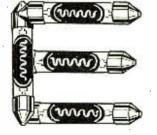
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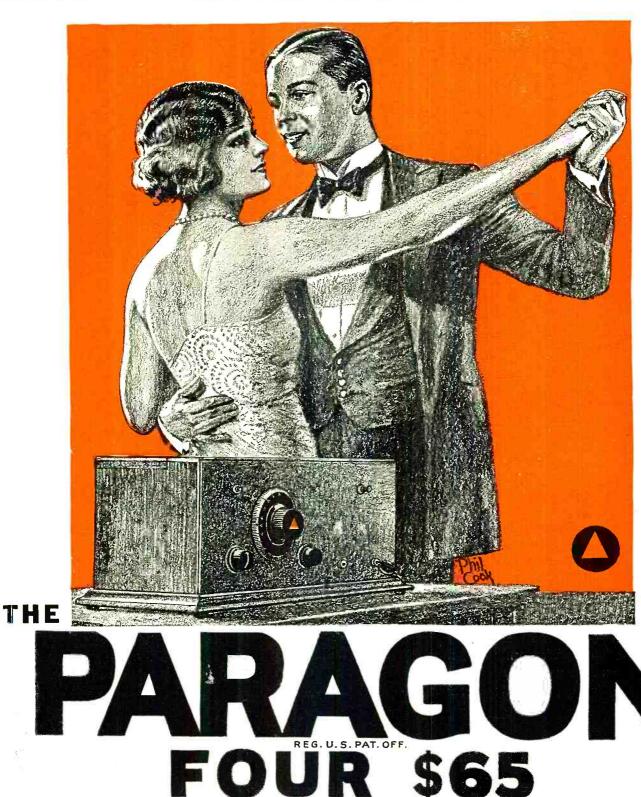
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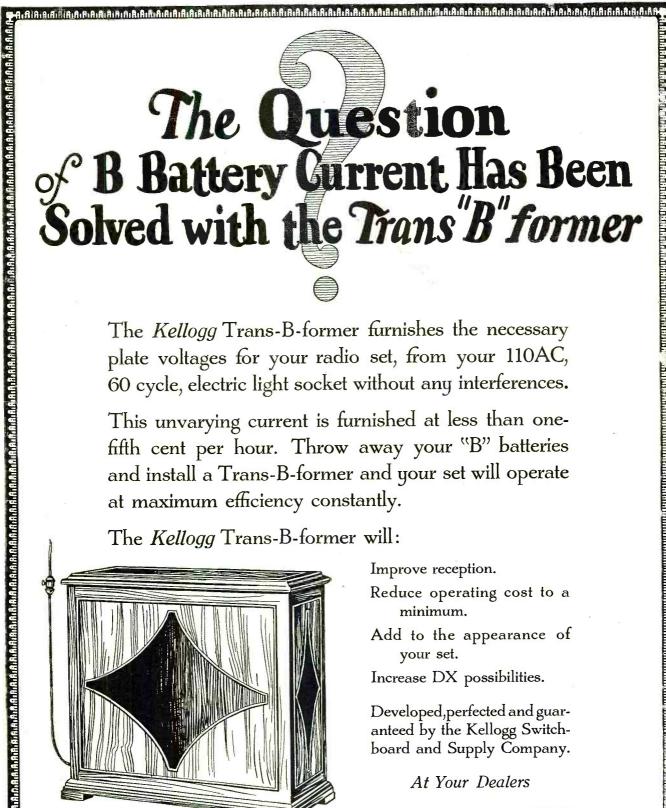
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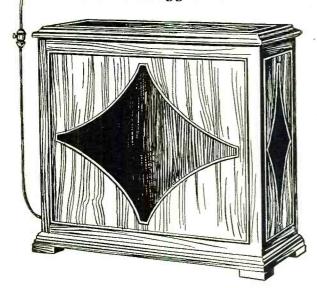




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HAT the radio art advanced during last year is evidenced by short wave transmission, Marconi's beam system or directional transmission and the Radio Corporation of America's development of the Photoradiogram, the story of which appears in this issue, written by one of the engineers who helped in the development of the system. "The Photoradiogram" opens up a vista of potential uses in modern life that only yesterday were considered dreams. In the same vein—with the latest information on the subject—you will undoubtedly enjoy reading "Loud Speakers and Radio Reception." It will appeal to radio fans particularly—since it concerns each and all what quality of sound waves radio receivers generate.

Radio-Paris

Miss Anne C. Granbeck, a well versed travel writer, in this issue of WIRE-LESS AGE conducts us to France to view radio broadcasting conditions there. Capt. Moore, just returned from abroad, is interviewed by Miss Granbeck for WIRELESS AGE readers, to inform, suggest and entertain.

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"Classified Advertisement" is Buckley's latest-—a zippy radio yarn. It is novel in style, quaint in humor and breezy in atmosphere. Listening to some dreamy melodies o'er the radio would be an excellent way to read it.

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In addition you will find in this issue of WIRELESS AGE—THE RADIO MAGAZINE—articles of broadcast interest, news items, amateur and broadcast station lists and much more that is informative and entertaining—

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The studio of Radio-Paris

Radio-Paris

Plans to install 10-kilowatt equipment so you'll hear French programs when you wish—Broadcast conditions in France

By Miss Anne C. Granbeck

"A ND how crazy did you find the French about radio?" I asked Capt. G. C. Moore, editor of the *Cavalry Journal*, Washington, D. C., who has just come from a visit to Paris.

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"Would you believe it," he exclaimed in surprise, "the French have not yet really caught the radio fever!"

"But," I exclaimed in astonishment, "I have been hearing about the Eiffel Tower and other programs and I thought France was just as keen about it as the English and the Americans."

"Not at all," said my friend. "You can imagine how I—an American radio fan living in an apartment house in which eleven out of fifteen tenants have a radio set—felt when I heard not a comment during all my Parisian stay about radio. I positively had to use a pair of pliers to get any information on the subject."

"What's the matter?" I asked curiously. "Is it the broadcasting situation or the French character and point of view?"

"A little of both," replied Capt. Moore. "I learn that there are 400,000 sets in France now; but that, according to American standards at present, is not much; and when you analyze it still more closely, it is even less than it seems. The post-office department controls the broadcasting stations and fixes the wave lengths. There are, at present, only four broadcasting stations in all France every one of them in Paris. You speak of Eiffel Tower, but 'Radio-Paris' is the principal one.

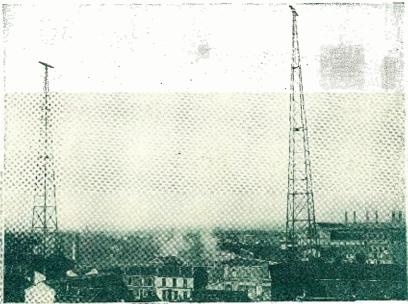
"You see," continued my friend, "it may not seem so strange when you consider that France is composed of two halves, figuratively speaking; one being Paris and its ultra-modern population, and the other rural France, which is rather below the standard and alertness of our own rural sections and is rather indifferent to the ideas, foibles, and pastimes of sophisticated Paris. The French peasant stolidly plows his furrow and follows his traditional habits. It will, no doubt, be a long time before he is as alert to radio as our own farm country in the United States.

"That leaves us Paris, and you find in Paris a set of conditions making for the present at least, somewhat against radio. Their amusements for instance. We Americans have no idea of the enthusiasm with which Parisians follow horse racing. It is their favorite recreation. There are half a dozen courses about Paris, and races are going on every day. There is just positively too little about a horse race that you can broadcast,

Attrie about a horse race that you can broadcast, despite the ingenuity of our modern broadcasting. The French want to see the horses and expend their enthusiasm rooting for their favorite. That's that! Then you have, of course, a tremendous theater-going and music hall review or vaudeville audience. The congestion is so bad in the theater districts that theater prices, taxi-fares, etc., are distorted and the congestion very trying. Few Parisians dream of getting much entertainment via radio. He wants to be present at the theaters so nearby."

"But what about jazz, which I am told is

pared to listen to some French broadcasting. But when nothing happened and I asked the proprietor, he told me nonchalantly, that he had taken out the apparatus because it was too expensive. He told me his hard luck story, and it illustrates what the French listener-in has to put up with. (And who shall say that we Americans wouldn't fret, too, if we had to indulge our radio appetites under the same handicaps?) He said the set cost him 1800 francs, the batteries 300 francs, a Government tax 200, and then 300 more francs as royalty to the Society of Authors and Composers, and then again a Parisian tax on radio sets costing 96 francs a year, which, incidentally, goes to the poor. Here we have about 2700 francs which it cost the proprietor to put in a receiving set for public use. He



Transmitting apparatus and antenna system of Radio-Paris station complained that it had not made any

impression on his public, and, therefore, he had disposed of it. It discloses at once the official system in operation whereby the broadcasting or a fair part of it is supported by taxes on receiving sets. As a matter of fact, broadcasting does not profit by the taxation very much, since the tax for private receiving sets is low. The only thing that is keeping broadcasting alive is the fact that the banks are paying for broadcast-

that the banks are paying for broadcasting quotations to all their branches. The makers of radio equipment pay 'Radio-Paris'—the principal broadcasting station—according to the number of working people they employ, while the makers of tubes pay for each valve sold. 'Radio-Paris' receives only one franc on each receiving set used and gets a small subsidy through the Post Office Department. On the other hand, the artists are paid by the broadcasters and also receive royalties from the radio use of their plays and musical compositions." "What kind of stuff do they broadcast?" I inquired.

"What kind of stuff do they broadcast?" I inquired. "Operas, musical comedies, classical music, dance music and jazz. The opera situation there is not much different from here, as an organization of opera singers is preventing the broadcasting of high class grand opera; but still opera is the first preference on the programs of the broadcasting stations. But the service isn't good. The technical standards are not quite up to the quality of our best American stations. I don't know whether they have powerful enough stations or the most modern equipment, but at any rate, there's no comparison between the service of

taking all Europe by storm?" I asked rather curiously.

"Yes, it is true that radio stations are now broadcasting jazz—but notice how! The great new Chelmsford station in England gives a jazz concert twice a week, and the French broadcasting station 'Radio-Paris' catches it and re-transmits it! There is, of course, a fair vogue for this type of music and other music as well. But you never, by any chance, meet a real 'radio bug' among the French; they do not seem to have worked up any great enthusiasm at all. As a matter of fact, radio is having something of an uphill fight there. You see, France is amazingly political-minded—so much so that the primary usefulness of any radio station is believed by the French to be military and political, and thus they keep a strangle hold on it and minimize the importance of it for entertainment. "I rather suspect," my friend went on, "that the in-

"I rather suspect," my friend went on, "that the intensely economical nature of the French has also something to do with it. I was walking in Paris one day and saw a little sign saying that radio programs could be heard inside. I went into the café, ordered a drink, and presome of our good American stations and that of even the best in Paris.

"This is militating against radio development in France. It seems that a considerable number of Frenchmen tried

radio earlier in the development period and didn't like it much, and are now rather prejudiced. The broadcasting at first was pretty poor; the technical side was distinctly bad. So you have many Frenchmen saying radio is 'pas bon.'

"Now, as in the United States, a livelier interest is being developed through publications. There are half a dozen or fere with neighboring stations or nearby receiving sets. "The Frénch now recognize that further development of broadcasting is desirable; and the Government's Committee is interested in the profits which radio is capable

of producing, and thus providing revenue. It has now reached the conclusion that the commercial development of broadcasting stations is much to be desired,

and is encouraging the three new stations which are going to be built next year at Lyons, Marseilles and one other place. The Government will pay something toward the e x penses f o r t h e transmission of re-

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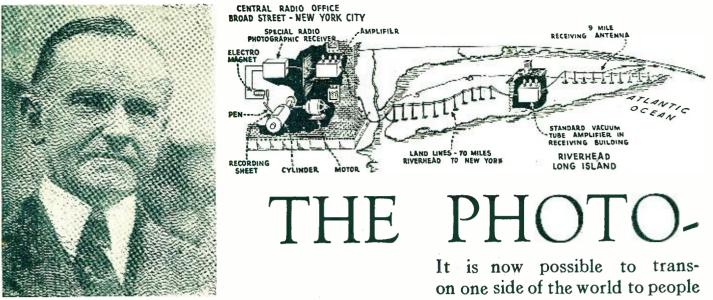
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more weekly or monthly papers g i v i n g much space to radio, and there is a gradual increase in interest.

"The system of taxation of receiving sets is, peculiarly enough, divided into receiving sets installed for public entertainment and those used privately. The public receiving sets pay 50 francs in towns of less than 25,000; 100 francs up to 100,-

000; 200 francs for over 100,000. The little café proprietor, to whom I referred, living in Paris, although in an out-of-the-way quarter, nevertheless had to pay a big tax. The private receiving set is taxed a franc, and it is also illegal to radiate any wave that can intertions. The licensing of broadcasting stations is to be governed by a technical and administrative and financial committee and each case is to be judged separately. Amateur transmitting stations are limitith a wave length of from 100 to 200

ed to 100 watts, with a wave length of from 100 to 200 meters. Only the holder of a radio operator's license may operate a transmitting station. An examination is given at the applicant's home by a Government agent, and (*Turn to page 87*)



Photoradiogram of President Coolidge transmitted from London

PRECEDING radio achievements must fade into the background and give way to the epoch making event which took place Sunday, November 30th, 1924, when Captain R. H. Ranger of the Radio Corporation of America demonstrated the feasibility of transmitting pictures across the Atlantic Ocean.

It is now possible to transmit pictures of happenings on one side of the world to people on the other side, without the aid of any metallic connecting medium. A picture can be taken in London of an event of universal interest and transmitted to New York so that within a few minutes from the time the picture is taken in London, it is available for our perusal here in New York.

An analysis of the many attempts of others to solve the same problem, indicated that one of the chief difficulties was more a question of economics than engi-Thus the neering. nature of the problem made it necessary, for anyone attempting its solution, to not only have an inventive slant, but to be a mechanical engineer, an electrical engineer, an economist and an expert photographer imbued with an artistic temperament, as well.

In view of the quite generally prevalent fact that the most economical method of transmitting intelligence from a point on one side of the world to another point on the opposite side, is by means of the radio telegraph systems, the logical method of procedure was to devise some scheme whereby pictures could be interpreted in terms of dots and dashes. This is exactly what was done and the pictures that are being sent by radio across the Atlantic at the present time are composed of dots and dashes, the tonal value being brought out by the length of these dots and dashes.

It might be of interest at this point to suggest a theory as to why previous systems, which had been capable of showing very good results over land line circuits, had failed over radio circuits. Some of the best schemes for

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transmitting pictures between two points which were connected by wires were based on "intensity." That is, the variations in the intensity of the operating current brought out the tonal values in the received picture.

It is one thing to control the signal intensity down to the *n*th degree over a short stretch of land lines and another to execute the same degree of control on the intensity of signals to be transmitted by radio and received at a point over 3,000 miles away.

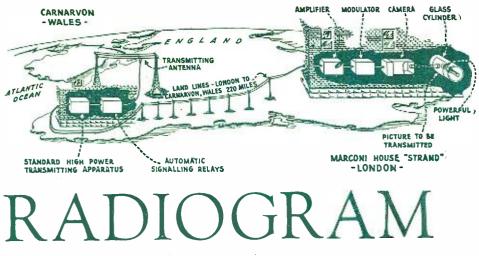
Today you see proof of the feasibility of transmitting pictures by radio over thousands of miles of land and water and most of you probably realize the untiring effort that must have been maintained by those interested in the success of the undertaking, the ob-

stacles met and overcome, the disappointments finally culminating in success.

Captain Ranger has been working on the perfection of this system for only a number of months, however, which is a surprisingly short length of time considering the magni-tude of the accomplishment. Last summer the system was perfected to a degree warranting its application to a local radio circuit. Consequently, the output of the photographic transmitting apparatus in Captain Ranger's office was plugged in on the land line running out to



At the receiving end in New York were E. F. W. Alexanderson, R. H. Ranger and Charles H. Taylor, all R.C.A. Engineers



mit pictures of happenings on the other side by radio

R. C. A. Research Engineer

one of the Radio Corporation's transmitting stations. The dots and dashes sent out over the control line from the photo-transmitter operated the control relays at the transmitting station which controlled the output of the transmitter. These dots and dashes were picked up at the company's receiving station at Riverhead, Long Island and piped in to Captain Ranger's office at 66 Broad Street, New York City. A summary of the local circuit, then, was from the New York office to the high power transmitting station by land line, to Riverhead, Long Island, by radio, and then back to the New York office by land line.

Later, the development reached a stage which warranted its application to a transatlantic radio circuit. An

immediate test was desirable but there was only one photographic receiver and it was located in the New York office. This prohibited the transmission of pictures from the United States to Europe, immediately, but Captain Ranger said, "What 'is to prevent our transmitting a picture to England and retransmitting it so that we may receive it here in New York?"

This was a novel way of utilizing the facilities available at the time and the plan was immediately put into operation. The photographic transmitter was plugged in on the control line to the Radio Corporation's high power station at New Brunswick, New Jersey, and the picture modulated radio-frequency waves were sent on their way to England. These signals were received in England, amplified, rectified and made to operate a relay which in turn operated the control relays at the Marconi Company's transatlantic radio transmitter at Carnarvon. The dots and dashes transmitted from Carnarvon were picked up at Riverhead, Long Island, and piped over the land line to New York where they were translated back into the picture from which they emanated.

The results at this time were very satisfying and seemed to indicate that the development had reached a point



Photoradiogram of Secretary Hughes sent to New York from London

where it was possible to give a public demonstration.

Finally, in November 1924, Captain Ranger was satisfied that the time for the demonstration had arrived. Consequently, early in November, Mr. Donald Gordon Ward, one of the engineers of The Radio Corporation of America, left New York on the Majestic, bound for London, England, with the photographic transmitting apparatus, to install it in the London office of the Marconi Company. When this had been accomplished the first pictures of the initial transatlantic test started coming in during the wee small hours of Thanksgiving morning.

The first one was a photograph of a radiogram and all the details were reproduced faithfully. The first portrait to



Donald Gordon Ward, R.C.A. Engineer, who traveled to Europe to handle the transmission, and G. S. Whitmore, Director of Communications, observing the test

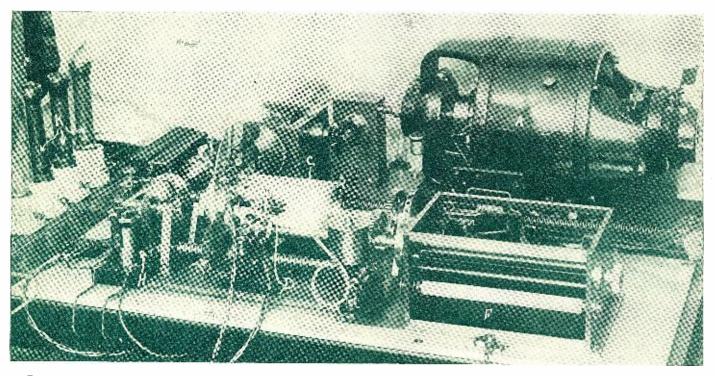
come through was that of the inventor himself, Captain Ranger. The moment his likeness was registered on the recorder paper, the success of the undertaking was assured. It was remarkably clear and distinct. A picture of President Coolidge came through next, and one of Secretary Hughes followed immediately after. An old Chinese proverb, "one picture is worth 10,000 words" was quite appropriately sent through next. These pictures all came through in rapid succession. There were no intermediate tests or adjustments necessary. Once transmission was started Thanksgiving morning, the pictures came through with the utmost regularity.

The public demonstration was set for the following Sunday, November 30th and the photographic receiver was in operation at all intervals between Thursday and Sunday when the English transmitter could be relieved from regular traffic to transmit pictures.

By special arrangement the photographic receiver was kept in constant operation from early Sunday morning until late that night. The many notable engineers and business men who had been invited to witness the demonstration began arriving at the New The above gives only a slight idea of the speed of the photoradiogram service. For instance, it would be possible at this early stage in the development of this new type of service, to have a copy of the front page of a London newspaper or a part of it, here in New York within an hour after it appeared on the streets in London. There is no doubt that the time is not so very far away when they will be selling the London papers on the streets of New York within an hour or two after they appear on the streets of London.

Another very interesting picture that came through was that of the group of people around the transmitter at the London end. The picture was transmay be described briefly. The accompanying diagrams show the layout of the transmitting and receiving end schematically. Whatever is to be sent is first photographed on an ordinary camera film. This film is developed and then placed on a glass cylinder, being held firmly in place by metal clics.

ing held firmly in place by metal clips. There is an ordinary incandescent lamp inside of this glass cylinder which is focused in a minute beam on the film. To effect transmission, the cylinder is set in motion and as the light and dark portions of the picture are traversed by the light beam, the intensity of the ray which penetrates the film is changed. This ever changing beam after having passed through the



The receiving apparatus-the cylinder C oscillates to receive the ink record as well as to produce the film record. At the right (A) is the motor which drives the cylinder

Nork office about 10 o'clock in the morning. Another notable gathering in the London office of the Marconi Company was watching the photographic transmitter function.

An editorial which appeared in one of the New York newspapers after the demonstration quite aptly termed it "a real miracle." There were no special conditions required and absolute proof was available as to the reality of the miracle.

One of the pictures which came through during the demonstration was that of the finish of a race between Oxford and Cambridge which took place in England the day before the demonstration. This picture was transmitted during the demonstration on Sunday and was reproduced in the New York morning papers on Monday. Thus a picture of an event that took place on Saturday in England was printed in the New York papers within 30 hours. mitted to New York and arrived here within an hour after it had been taken in the London office. Most of the persons in the picture were strangers to the engineers here on this side but there was not the least doubt in the world as to which of them was Mr. Ward.

There are many things which have been made possible by the photoradiogram service. A document in London which needs the signature of a man in New York could be sent to New York, signed and returned with the signature attached, all within a few hours time. A photograph could be made of the document in London and this photograph transmitted to New York. The print available in New York after transmission could be signed by the desired person, the document with signature attached photographed and this last photo retransmitted to London.

The technical side of the subject

film is again focused on the sensitive element of the photo-cell, which transforms the light rays into electrical impulses.

The resistance of the photo-cell varies in accordance with the amount of light which strikes it and in this way the light rays which penetrate the film are changed into electrical impulses. There is practically no lost motion in the functioning of the photo-cell; that is, the current in the output circuit of the photo-cell changes the instant there is the slightest change in the amount of light striking its sensitive surface. In order to cover all of the film which is undergoing transmission, the glass cylinder is rotated back and forth, and in this manner the entire surface of the film is eventually exposed to the piercing light beam. The film rotates through an angle equal to the width of the picture and the photo-cell carriage itself advances down the length of the

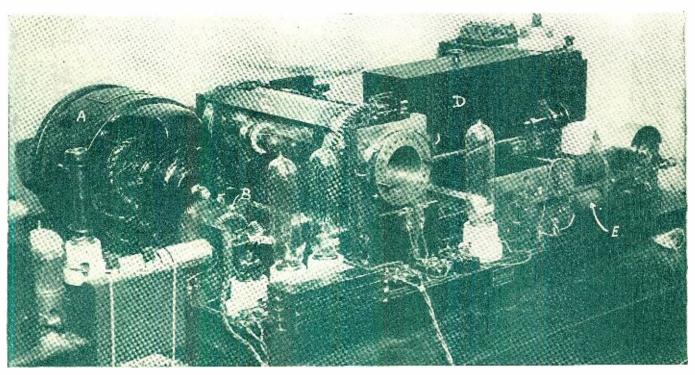
picture, one notch at a time. Thus, line upon line, the whole picture is covered.

The variations in the photo-cell output circuit pass through a suitable amplifying system and are then fed into a modulating device for transmission. The electrical interpretation of the picture is then transmitted over land wires to the radio transmitting station. In the case shown in the diagram there was a land line stretch of 220 miles from the London office of the Marconi Company to the transmitting station at Carnarvon, Wales. Here, the dots and dashes coming in on the control line from the photographic transmitter in London, were made to operate the reord is made at the receiving end is wrapped about a rotating cylinder which greatly resembles the early type of phonograph record. A specially constructed pen marks on this paper as the cylinder rotates back and forth. The markings of the pen are controlled by the incoming signals and the fineness of the dots and dashes recorded on the paper—due to the high rate of speed at which they are sent—gives an artistic effect to the picture, greatly resembling stippling.

Besides the visible ink record there is a duplicate record being made on a sensitive film inside of a dark box. This double record eliminates the uncertainty of the photographic record Officials of the Marconi Company in London were quick to declare their belief that the system will become capable of commercial application in the near future.

They outlined the immense possibilities to the group of English and American correspondents who stood by with G. S. Whitmore, Marconi communications engineer, while D. G. Ward for the engineering department of the Radio Corporation, operated the intricate and semi-secret device.

Other English and American papers were permitted to send one picture each and for general distribution pictures of Ambassador Kellogg, Queen Mary, Owen D. Young, Westminster



The transmitter—a special constant speed motor (A) actuates the gearing (B) which drives the glass cylinder (C) back and forth in front of the photo cell camera box (D). Magnets (E) advance the camera box (D) down the length of the glass cylinder to cover the complete picture rotating on the cylinder line upon line

lays which controlled the transmitter output.

We have heard of "voice" modulation and "telegraph" modulation, and now we have "picture" modulation, because that is the type of CW wave which is sent out from a high power transmitting station which is controlled by a photographic transmitter. The dots and dashes sent out from England were picked up on one of the nine-mile receiving antennas of the Radio Corporation of America at Riverhead, Long Island. They were amplified, heterodyned and detected and put on the land line to the New York office in the form of audio-frequency dots and dashes.

The photographic receiving apparatus in the New York office decoded the complex photo messages which were transmitted from England and each dot and dash performed its function.

The paper on which the picture rec-

alone. If the picture were being received on the film alone, it would be impossible to tell how the picture was coming through until the transmission had been completed and the film developed. The ink record which is being built up progressively and visibly, tells the story as to how the picture is coming through, long before it is completed. If it is too dark it can be noticed immediately and the operator at the transmitting end informed so that he may make the necessary adjustments without stopping or repeating the picture. This has been found to be a great help in saving time and expense.

At the completion of the transmission of a picture, the film is developed and any number of prints can be made from it. The original ink-record can be photographed if desired and any number of prints made from the film thus obtained. Abbey, St. Paul's, the Nelson Column in Trafalgar Square and a group photograph of the correspondents watching Ward were flashed through space.

The demonstration closed with an expression of regret by Whitmore that the limited time available for installation of the apparatus did not permit using the special device by which the photographs sent from London could be immediately flashed back from New York. He said such a device has already been perfected.

This wonderful invention has created world-wide interest. There is no doubt that it holds the center of the stage of radio science at the present time and that the system will be developed to perfection in the months to come. With the practical development will come a commercial value that can barely be estimated at the present time and a new use of radio will have become established.

Classified

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By F. R. Buckley

Illustrated by Revere F. Wistehuff

"He'll have me, and I'll have him; and we'll both have the radio for outside company"

I T may be considered good manners here in Red Dog, but in the township where I own five thousand acres any newspaper editor who received a stranger with a shotgun across his knees and two compositors in the background all ready to hurl type-metal, would be socially ostricheyed, and serve him right. As anybody who saw me in town the other day can bear witness, I am at least sixty-seven years of age, and look more; and if I did happen to be carrying two revolvers and a rifle, I can give an excellent reason for it; viz., I had driven all the way down in a flivver at fifty miles an hour, and it had seemed to me I might maybe run over a jackrabbit or something and have to put the poor animal out of its misery.

REVERE F

DRINK "TROMBONE." It slides down.-Advt.

My mission in Red Dog was not only peaceful, but in the nature of a public charity; I having heard that various persons with nothing else to do, were tiring their tongues wondering why my granddaughter (a) married your sheriff, Mr. McGregor (b) left him suddenly (c) returned to him again a week later and (d) left him again suddenly within half an hour, in spite of his just having done her and me a great service.

Admitting that these proceedings might look a bit

strange to persons unused to minding their own business and keeping their faces closed, I aimed to drop in on those who had been talking, and explain matters. Finding that all these gents had either left for parts unknown, or were just leaving for them in clouds of dust, I naturally dropped into the office of this newspaper to see if I couldn't do my explaining in print, so that he who ran might read: and here I am doing it—at advertising rates.

might read: and here I am doing it—at advertising rates. I don't mind the money; I don't even mind having this here literary production classed with and stuck down among the classified advertisements; but the editor's suspicious attitude certainly does stick in my craw. Way he talked and handled that shotgun, honest, you'd

Way he talked and handled that shotgun, honest, you'd think it was yesterday I killed the four Watson brothers, instead of thirty years ago. Well, that's enough about my own personal griefs.

Well, that's enough about my own personal griefs. Now for the explanation about my little girl and her husband.

IF BRITO will clean dirty nickel-ware, won't it do the same for your teeth? Six bits. Wilson's Drug Store. —Advt.

I don't know to this day why Mary chose to teach school; or, anyhow, why she should have picked on a scandal-mongering dust-heap like this town to do it in.

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Dog and breaks into print, at adrest various persons who were

dering why his ried Red Dog's (b) left him him a week later suddenly, within

> She is kind of independent in her mind, and not fond of explanations, which is why I'm having to do all this writing. She just looked up from a book one evening back there at the ranch, and remarked that she'd got the job; and similarly, after she'd pumped knowledge into the Red Puppies for a couple of months, she strolled in one afternoon when I figured she was seventy miles away, and said:

"Well, Gramp, I'm going to marry a man."

ARE Y	OU DEA	D? Let	me bur	y you.	Woburn's
Parlors, 14	Marginal	Street.	Phone (Connectio	on.—Advt.

Just for the minute, waking up from my after-lunch doze with my spectacles way out of place, I figured she must be joking.

"Oh, a man, eh?" says I lightsomely, trying to adjust them, untangle my newspaper, and feel for the makings simultaneously. "Now, that's funny. I've always made a point of marrying women, myself."

Saying which, I got my glasses on, and perceived she was in sober earnest.

"You don't mean to tell me," says I, "that he's a real man?"

"He's the sheriff of Red Dog County," says Mary casually. "An imitation wouldn't last there very long."

"Has he got a name?" I inquired, after a pause of reflection.

"Angus McGregor," says Mary. "He's of Scotch

descent." "That's a big load off my mind," says I. "For the

moment, I feared he might be a Chinaman." "No," says Mary gravely. That's a funny thing I've noticed about people in love, by the way. You can guy the stuffings out of the person uppermost in their minds, and they'll never crack a smile. To use a radio expression-I'm coming to radio in a minute, so I may as well get the good of it now-the aforesaid is in fact quite a sensitive test.

GRAPE JUICE for sale, first class, beautiful stuff, fit for angels, \$1 per gallon. Ditto, spoiled by being kept too long, \$5 per gallon. H. Jones, Respectable Farmer, RFD 6.--Advt.

I perceived Mary to be, in short, considerably stuck on this "Hoot Mon!"

Yet obviously there was something on her mind.

"The only thing that has been worrying me," she re-marked, "is how I should keep my sanity, living in that perfectly awful town. Gramp, you've no idea. You never did, in all your life, see such a horrible, dull, dismal, brutal, vicious, ugly hole as Red Dog."

I am sorry to be putting these words in the *Red Dog* Weekly Howl; naturally, I'd have suppressed them, if I'd been given the courtesy of its columns. As it is-truth is mighty, and will prevail.

"Except Angus, there isn't a man in the town who hasn't got legs like the frame on an oval mirror," Mary went on, "and as for the women—the nearest thing to sociability they ever pull off is a weekly reputation-murdering, called a sewing-circle."

"The best thing you can do," says I, wagging my head joyfully, "is to stay at home with your old Gramp. There's a pair of socks in the bureau drawer, now, Mary—"

"I thought so myself," says the girl reflectively, "until Angus figured out a solution. He's slow, Angus is, and he doesn't say much; but he has awfully good ideas. He's going to buy a radio; and then we'll just cut local society out. He'll have me, and I'll have him; and we'll both have the radio for outside company.'

There was kind of a lyrical lilt to her voice which warned me that it was all settled, and that I'd better save warned me that it was an settled, and that i'd better save
my breath to get into my boiled shirt with.
"Have you ever heard a radio?" I inquired.
"No," says Mary. "Have you?"
"No," says I, thus failing to break the deadlock.
She came over and kissed me on the top of the head.
"Wedding't toursers at four o'clock" are are other.

"Wedding's tomorrow at four o'clock," she said rather breathlessly. "You're going to give me away. Oh, Gramp, I do love him a lot; and I am so happy."

FOR SALE, Model 1911 Detroit Four touring car. Good rubber 1/4 way around. Original engine. Good practice for buckjumper. Offers under five dollars save stamps. N. Brewer, M.D., Three Pines.—Advt.

So far, so good; in fact, we went a whole lot farther than that without running into any very considerable disadvantages. I made inquiries of various persons concerning this Angus McGregor; found he was generally con-sidered a remarkably level-headed, regular living, reliable young man and a first class revolver shot, which indicated that he wouldn't be throwing any widows back on my hands; and accordingly, I graced the wedding with my presence-in fact, the ceremony was pulled off in my house.

Mr. McGregor, judging by what I could see of him over my starched collar, had a good, earnest face, and he wasn't one of those brash kids that talk all the time, either. Far from it. Almost too far for my taste. To tell the truth, the remark of "Yes" at one point of the marriage service was about all the chatter he hazarded until 'way along about the end of the afternoon, when he chanced to meet up with a fellow named Wilkinson, from Longhorn City. I was passing by with two cups of coffee in each hand when they started to talk-Wilkinson was just mentioning a mutual friend they appeared to have named Mike O'Farad; and from then on, their conversation was fast and furious. They had been talking, not to mention drawing diagrams, for all of two hours and a half, when I went out on to the verandah to cool off, and found Mary

menced a kind of oration. The Longhorn City Clarion was lying on the table, open at a full page advertisement of somebody's Super-Resistodyne, and as far as I could judge by the way Mary was tearing the page to pieces, it must have been this that set her off.

"WJZ! KDKA! 2 LO! WEAF! WGY!" she was saying, more or less hysterically, if you know what I mean. "This is Uncle Bunny, darlings! Uncle Bunny, of the Texas State Agricultural Experiment Station. It's hot weather in Miami, Florida, and the prune crop is expected to total six hundred thousand cases."

Having said this, she picked up a small, but solid chair and heaved it through a window; after which she tore off her hat, threw it into the fireplace, looked at me helplessly for several seconds, and finally burst into tears.

If you have read F. R. Buckley's "Per Land Line," "Alias Slimmy O'Dyne" and "DX-A Yuletide Story of Radio," already published in Wireless Age, you'll surely enjoy the quaint humor in "Classified Advertisement." Describing some of the complications in urban life caused by radio finds Buckley at his best

standing all dressed in her traveling clothes, tapping her foot on the boards and looking impatient, to say the least of it.

"Why," I inquired, "what's the matter?" After saying "Nothing-nothing!" the way women always seem to feel bound to do, it developed that she and her new husband had had it all fixed up to skip out of the proceedings while the guests were occupied with the eats; thus escaping the shower of rice, confetti, old boots, and horseshoes usual under the circumstances. It further developed that the bridegroom, in the stress of his conversation with Wilkinson, had forgotten all about this arrange-

"I know that we are married now, and that therefore "I know that we are married now, and that therefore to be a second to be a I can't expect the same politeness as formerly; but I should be obliged," says Mary, "if you would drop in, Gramp, and remind Mr. McGregor of my continued existence.

I did just that; but unfortunately, he and Wilkinson were so absorbed in drawing pictures of a new aerial or something-it was radio they were discussing-that I had to speak rather loudly; and that kind of gave the alarm to the assembled guests; and naturally, to make up for nearly having been cheated of their sport, the aforesaid guests threw more rice and assorted bric-a-brac than they had originally intended to. Two Toes Trotter, who must have brought his own with him, actually got so enthusiastic as to throw half a roast chicken.

Well, this was on a Thursday; and those who have had their only female relatives married away from them will sympathize with me when I say that by the Thursday following, I was just about ready to drop over to Red Dog and see Mary again; incidentally diagnosing as far as possible whether this marriage looked like turning out to be a success. It was a nuisance getting my black clothes out of the mothballs again so soon; I got nearly frantic looking for my collar-buttons; and you may imagine it didn't make me feel any better, just as I was straining my heart over the crank-handle of my flivver, to look up and see the station jitney arriving with Mary herself-and all her trunks.

All the boys had come out of the bunk-house to hear me talking to the car, so I couldn't say anything to her then and there. And by the time I reached the ranchhouse living-room, my granddaughter had already com-

Tact is the thing at a crisis like that. I went right over and started patting her gently on the shoulder. "The radio," I said soothingly, "has been getting on

"The radio," I said sootningly, has been set your nerves, for some reason or other." "Some reason or other!" she bursts forth, jumping up with her hands clenched and her eyes blazing. spends the entire first week of our marriage listening in on the infernal thing; wakes me up at 4 a. m. to tell me he's got Honolulu, and then you say 'for some reason or other !' "

She did a couple of gulps. "I went out for a walk this morning to think it over," says the poor child tremulously, "and I came back, and I said 'Angus; you can choose between that thing and me!' "

She sat down on the sofa and buried her face in her hands.

"Well?" says I, after a decent interval. "He held up one finger," says Mary, "and s-said 'B-be quiet a minute! I'm getting P-P-Paris, Fuffuffrance!"

Well, sirs, it made my blood boil, I started for the door. "He'll get Gehenna, Hell, soon's this Ford'll start, remarked through my teeth; and went out onto the piazza only to come face to face with the culprit himself.

Judging by the looks of himself and horse, he had raced the train from Red Dog to my place-carrying weight, too; a long black box across the cantle of his saddle. For

a couple of moments we looked at each other. "Well?" says I. "Mary here?" says Angus McGregor. "Have you come," says I, "to do your duty, and swear off that home-breakin' machine I see you are packin' along?

"With an ax," says Angus. "Inside," says I, jerking my thumb over my shoulder, and starting off for a nice walk so's to leave a clear field for the reconciliation.

St. James' Oil. A word in your ear. -Advt.

Well, he smashed the radio all over my hearth-rug, so that I got splinters of glass in my soles the very next time I took my shoes off; but Mary didn't go back to Red Dog with him that evening.

"He gave me a week of unhappiness," says Mary, when

I expressed some surprise at finding her alone in the ranch-house on my return. "A week for a week, Gramp. I'll go back next Thursday. Not before."

NOTICE. The man who put the cockleburr under my saddle last week is known, I advise him to laugh all he can while he still has a face; signed, W. Besnan.—Adv.

Well, now we come to the part of this story which is hardest for me to write, however easy it may be for a lot of impudent young persons to read.

On the following Monday, a citified looking fellow with a kind of terrified look in his eyes and mud all over him from top to toe, came staggering into the ranch-house about 7 p. m., and said that the motorcar of his employer, Mr. Henry J. Davidson, of New York City, N. Y., wasstuck in a stretch of gumbo five miles down the trail.

"You'll have to get a dozen horses at least," stammersz this secretary-person, or valet, or whatever he was. "We were hurrying to-we were

hurrying, and we're in over all four wheels. You'll have to hurry."

to hurry." I didn't care for his manner much.

"Who says so?" I inquired.

"'A hundred dollars says so!"

And, since the money was right there to speak for itself, of course there was no further argument. I roused out the boys, took fifteen horses and a stump-puller; and, to cut a long and muddy story short, it was barely three hours before we had Mr. Henry J. Davidson drying himself externally with fire, and warming himself internally with whiskey, in my ranch-house living room. He was a very different sort of hair-pin from Reveas ? his secretary; a great big, bluff, handsome guy in a fur coat, regularly exuding health, wealth and happiness-especially wealth. The car was one of those fourthousand-dollar racers with two seats and twelve cylin-

he having poured all his drinks into a potted plant, as I found when the plant died"

ders; its owner was wearing a four or five-carat diamond stickpin; and there was also a morocco leather handbag thing large enough to hold a million dollars in paper meney, which Mr. Davidson politely, but firmly refused to let out of his own hands.

"I can't thank you enough for pulling me out of that hole," he said, shaking my hand heartily. "Business is a hard master, you know; I was driving pretty fast—due in Mexico to close a big deal tomorrow afternoon at latest; and that stretch of gumbo didn't look half as sticky as it was."

"And it wasn't half as sticky as a dozen or so you've got ahead of you," I told him.

His jaw dropped.

"Are there any more of those—those man-traps on the road?" he asked.

"About twelve or fourteen," I told him. "And the only way you can avoid 'em is to keep a sharp eye out, and turn off the road on to the prairie when you see one."

"But," says Mr. Davidson reflectively, "you can't tell them from solid road at night."

"Which was just why I was figuring to ask you," says I, "to stop here the night, if you cared to."

He glanced at me sharply, and hesitated.

"We haven't ever murdered a guest for his money here yet, that I remember," says I reassuringly, "but if you feel that a gun would be of any comfort to you during the long night hours, I can supply you with a couple, and there are bolts on all the bedroom doors. The fact of the matter is, my granddaughter and I are more or less

cut off from the world down here, and we occasionally crave a little conversation."

"Haven't you got a radio?" says Davidson, smiling at Mary, who had just come in, as if he approved of her highly. I have since learned that it was this smile that decided her to go to bed. At the time, I thought it was the mention of the toy that had wrecked ther home.

Anyhow, she went; and Mr. Davidson and I proceeded to spend a congenial evening. He was kind of cagy and high-financierish at first; but as time and the bottle passed, he loosened up and became very human, not to say confidential.

"To tell you the truth, old man," says he, about 2 a. m., speaking in a thick and affectionate voice which was peculiar, he having poured all his drinks into a potted palm, as I found when the plant died, "to tell you the honest truth, I'm going into Mexico for nothing but bribery and corruption. But what's a man going to do? When there's fifty million dollars' worth of petroleum a hundred yards the other side of the border, and I can get control of it by pay-

ing an official a mere five hundred thousand—I'd be a fool not to do it, wouldn't I? I'll say I would. Imagine it right near the surface. A well fifty feet deep'd strike a gusher, I really believe; twenty-five miles of pipe-line'd hook us up with the Trans-continental—and there we are !"

"Gosh!" says I, trying to remember the copy-book maxims about easy money being something to run away from with all four feet.

"The only thing that's worrying me," says Davidson, appearing to put another drink where the rest hadn't gone, "is this—you'll think it's kind of silly; superstitious; but I've followed superstitions all my life, and if you were to ask the First National Bank of Chicago or the Central National Trust Company of New York, I guess they'd say I haven't lost by it. Well—this is it—there's thirteen (Turn to page 78)

Around and About the Golden Gate

Meet some of the regular feature artists broadcasting from the Pacific coast stations

By Dr. Ralph L. Power

F ROM the simple life in the backwoods country to the rigorous and strenuous daily existence in a big city without losing her youthful charm and vigor has brought to Olive Ann Alcorn the title of "the most perfectly molded girl in America."

Miss Alcorn delivered a series of fifteen ten-minute talks through KFI in Los Angeles last year and told radioland how to reduce, or grow fat, and gave exercises. The talks provoked considerable favorable comment from fans everywhere and she was called to speak before more than a score of women's clubs and similar organizations up and down the Pacific Coast. And several vaudeville engagements resulted from her radio talks so thousands have also seen her dancing interpretations on the legitimate stage.

But Olive Ann thought she owed a big debt to radio and realized that she couldn't entertain radioland forever by talks and they couldn't see her dance. So she studied voice culture for months and now she has leaped into radio's limelight as a singer having made her début as a soloist at the Los Angeles radio show in December when *The Examiner* broadcast its programs from the exposition.

All of which brought her to the attention of influential movie directors and now she has signed to appear in a series of two-reel films in which America's "most perfectly molded girl" will appear in important rôles.

Certainly radio has held its thrills for Olive Ann Alcorn and it has brought to her the fulfillment of her life's dreams.

EVER on the lookout for the new and novel stunt, KHJ in Los Angeles, recently presented something decidedly unique. With the assistance of the Hollywood Record Company a complete machine for the making of records was taken to the studio and used during the children's hour.

during the children's hour. Little Queen Titania, "The Fairy of the Microphone," has appeared for 67 consecutive Tuesdays at 7 o'clock in *The Times* studio, and has established an enviable record. So Titania was seated before the microphone where



Dean H. V. Carpenter, "the man behind" KFAE

she read some selections as she always does on the Tuesday evening program. While this was taking place the recording machinery started and the story was on the recording disk in a jiffy.

When little Titania stopped speaking the needle was reversed and radioland heard the words repeated—coming the second time from the machine record. The recording was so perfect that the listener-in was unable to distinguish the actual voice of the little Queen and the record.

During the Los Angeles Radio Exposition Titania met many of the radio friends she has made in the past fifteen months and autographed hundreds of photographs. Her trip to the studio each week with the "Radio Fairies" and the selections from the "Fairy Library" delight thousands of kiddies far and near. Her little book is just off the press and it puts in permanent form much material that has been given during the children's hour.

WITH the constant endeavor to give the best in drama via radio, stage props have undergone radical changes. Radio drama, to be successfully transmitted, depends to a large extent upon sound property. Probably nowhere else in radio broadcast programs is the ingenuity of the staff taxed so much as in this important feature of the work.

Wind has, of course, been simulated with dried peas being rolled through a paper tube and the same realistic effect may be brought out by dropping peas on a drum head. A wind sheet for a gale, a vacuum cleaner or electric fan to bring out the flight of an airplane or automobile have also been used with almost immediate success.

Edward Murphy, director of the Community Broadcasters in Pasadena, California, recently put across a remarkably successful playlet depicting life in an orange grove—a program broadcast for one of the fruit growers' organizations of Southern California. This began with planting, irrigating and cultivating the orange grove, spading, pruning and picking the ripened fruit. A couple of buckets of water poured back and forth supplied the irrigating effect, a flat of dirt with a hoe gave the sound of cultivating the ground, breaking tree branches did for the picking of the fruit, and so forth.

Radio studio props include every conceivable thing—sirens from police motorcycles and fire engines, gongs and cash registers from the street car companies, wind mills for Dutch scenes, and the water scenes to simulate dripping caves or coal mines. In short, the average studio rapidly accumulates a fine assortment of props without much difficulty.

An excellent forest fire is made by means of a blow torch. The breaking of matches and the crushing of paper give the effect of rushing wind and flames.

It is practically certain that the children's hour of the future will depend more largely upon props than it does now. Color will be lent to the setting by means of properties such as the cuckoo or singing of birds to go with bird stories, the time honored "grunt" made with a lard pail and used in side shows to give wild animal calls, and other devices.

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THE GOLDEN GATE

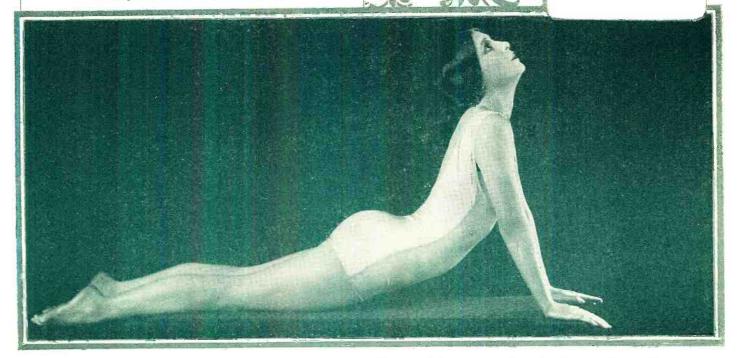
Golden Gate Entertainers



Queen Tilania of KHJ, who has appeared in the Los Angeles Times studio for 67 consecutive Tuesday nights during the children's hour program



Olive Ann Alcorn, in her new role of soloist, sings to the audiences of station KFI



"America's most perfectly molded woman," Olive Ann Alcorn, originally perfected reducing exercises and gave them to radioland from Los Angeles, but more recently her charming songs have entertained broadcast audiences

Action is created and simulated by sound-the device varying with the needs of each production. While screen acting made immense and radical changes in stage presentations, radio plays and playlets are making even more sweeping changes in props. As you close your eyes and listen to radio dramatic productions, little do you dream that an entire staff has been planning and working for days to make the props complete even to the minutest detail. An error or miscalculation in it would be more easily detected than on the stage and might mar the entire performance,

WHEN KFAE went on the air for the first time two years ago last December, from the electrical engineering laboratories of the State College of Washington at Pullman, it was through the vigorous work of President E. O. Holland who was instrumental in securing financial appropriations. But it was through Hubert Vinton Carpenter, dean of the College of Mechanical Arts and Engineering that college sentiment was roused to the pitch where the students and alumni demanded a station.

Most of the people in the outlying districts in Washington and Idaho couldn't get long distance reception for most of their sets were crystal sets, and so they thought some of

their tax money ought to come back in the form of a broadcast station. And it did.

Dean Carpenter graduated from the University of Illinois with specializing in electrical engineering for his undergraduate work and in mathematics and physics for the post graduate studies. He has been a member of the state college faculty since 1901 and Dean for the past eight years. He has contributed articles to various technical periodicals along his particular field and, at last, his ideas have become crystallized in the establishment of the state college station which is a pioneer in the field of state colleges.

KFAE uses a 330-meter wave length, but the new assignment will change this to 535. During the college year this 500-watt station broadcasts Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights from 7:30 to 9. Some lectures are, of course, given by faculty members, but a good deal of the entertainment is furnished by the music faculty of the state college.

THE first 1,000 watt-er in the Pacific Northwest is now on the air in Seattle with the call letters of KFOX owned by the American Radio Telephone Company with studio located in the mammoth L. C. Smith office building on the twenty-first floor.

A remote control line operates to the Hotel Butler orchestra which broadcasts twice each night. The new station observes Sunday and Thursday as silent nights and the daily programs are practically continuous from 6:45 until 11:00 o'clock.

From the studio, high above the busy mart of trade and commerce, commanding views of the surrounding country greet the eye of the artist amidst the artistic furnishings of a

The famous Zoellner Quartette broadcasts frequently from KNX

commodious studio that has been pronounced by radio technicians as practically acoustically perfect.

One of the popular features of the programs is the bedtime story by Aunt Vivien. Instead of a motherly old soul of mature years, Aunt Vivien is a pretty, vivacious Miss in the early twenties. Miss Vivien Potter, program arranger and announcer, doubles also as Aunt Vivien and her quaint animal stories for the youngsters have met with popular favor.

Earl Gray and his orchestra, playing in the Rose Bowl of the Hotel Butler, have received telegrams from every state in the union since they began to broadcast early in December.

gan to broadcast early in December. Alfred M. Hubbard, Seattle electrical wizard, who operates the station and who owns fifty per cent. of the American Radio Telephone Company stock, is authority for the statement that application is to be made for a 1.500 watt license early this year. ${\rm K}_{\rm radio}^{\rm NX}$ made its initial bow to the radio public late last year in Los Angeles and brought the total number of 500-watt stations in that city to four as well as the 1,000 KFI station.

Known as "the voice of Hollywood" the new station of the *Los Angeles Express* has been selected for a series of tests extending through a period of six months by the city school board and, Tuesday mornings, children in all primary schools have a lecture via radio from KNX.

The opening night program was put on the air by Milton Sills, veteran stage and screen actor, and Charlie Wellman, a prince of jazz, acted as announcer.

> The station comes on the air daily at eight o'clock with the morning prayer and the "Town Crier" brings forth news items every hour until six in the evening when a musical program is broadcast until midnight.

One control line is now in operation to the Ambassador Hotel with the famous Cocoanut Grove and the Concert Orchestras. Afternoon musicales were broadcast by this station during the December radio show via remote control.

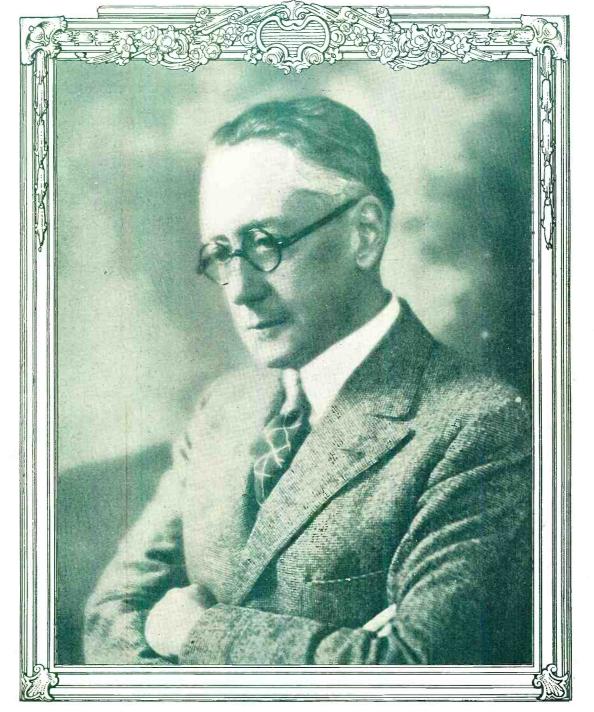
The mechanical equipment and studio is in the Paul. G. Hoffman-Stude-

baker Building in the heart of Hollywood, with its vast wealth of screen talent, and already a number of fine community programs have been sent out from KNX.

Mrs. Carrie Preston Rittmeister, former hostess of KHJ, is the program arranger at Southern California's newest station, which operates most of its programs on a toll basis and presents its entertainment through the courtesy of commercial and industrial firms of the Southland.

THE Naval Radio Station NPX, in Inglewood, just outside of Los Angeles, has been sold by the Federal Government to the National Electric School. This station. long considered one of the most powerful sending stations on the Pacific Coast, has not been in operation for a number of months.

The new equipment is being moved to the School headquarters at Figueroa and Santa Barbara Streets, Los Angeles, where classes are held to coach for government license examinations and for training in every phase of technical, commercial and broadcast radio.



STONE STONE

A mathematical physicist whose work on the mathematics of tuned radio circuits made possible the practical radio results of today

By Oscar C. Roos, B.S., M.E., Fellow I.R.E.

ANY names are blazoned on the radio honor roll today and yet very few of those interested in this rapidly spreading art know of the epoch making work which this remarkable mathematical physicist did nearly a generation ago in a field too difficult for any but the most highly gifted to explore. His work on the mathematics of tuned radio circuits, especially with regard to the different kinds of couplings, condenser coupling, resistance coupling and inductance coupling, was the means of leading engineers along a path which permitted the remarkable results we are now getting today in tuning-years after the laws governing these effects were laid down.

It is therefore somewhat of a late hour for laymen and recent radio experts to talk about radio being in its infancy. As a matter of fact, it is no more in its infancy than the automobile industry and it is only within the last three years that a great deal of the early research work done by Stone has been put to practical use by others. If a general estimate were to be made of what this pioneer has done, it might be said that he has shown the way in which to apply the principles governing carrier wave telephony and most of our modern filtercircuits so as to permit multiplex

The Children's Hour

A Sunday morning program that is an inspiration to young and old, presented regularly from WJZ by prodigies

Constance Campbell, who has a p p e a r e d with Broadway stars in benefit performances

By Golda M. Goldman

"Between the dark and the daylight

When the night is beginning to lower,

Comes a pause in the day's occupation

That is known as the children's hour."

THAT enterprising studio WJZ has transferred this sacred period from the evening to nine o'clock of a Sunday morning when daddy and mother may turn over for the best sleep of the week while the kiddies tune in for their own special entertainment.

If Longfellow with his love for children could stray into the midst of this very modern children's hour what joy

he would find. Whole be vies of brightfaced, happy youngsters throng the rooms on the sixth floor of the Aeolian Building in New York City. There are little black velvet frocks with parti-colored ribbons, little pink crépe de chine frocks with blue ribbons, little yellow frocks with ruffles, little boys in white silk blouses or trimly clad in belted suits, this one a musician, that one a poet, another a dancer. What a feast of youth and beauty it would be for the beloved New England poet and how the children would indeed storm "The Round Tower" of his heart.

The presiding genius of the morning is Mr. J. V. Smith of "The New York American." Perhaps it is because Mr. Smith is a bachelor that he is so well able to appreciate and manage the children with whom he comes in contact. Certainly he loves them, as his work with "The Christmas Fund

of the New York American" shows, and surely the children love him, from Baby Betty Sargent who wants to be fondling him constantly, to Omar La Gant, the boy poet.

There are so many talented children from whom the studio can choose that it is an impossibility for them to put

on a program which is not remarkable in its variety and value. Of course, the most popular is Sylvia Froos, who likes to be called "Baby Sylvia," although she is growing so tall that she will soon be able to talk into the microphone without standing on a chair. The fact that she has a most remarkable voice is attested to by the fact that she draws five hundred a week on the Keith Circuit and is known all over the country for her syncopation. She appeared at the Eddie Cantor dinner where she followed the great comedian and caused almost an equal sensation. Sylvia never took a singing lesson in her life. When she and her mother are traveling about the coun-



Boy and girl entertainers in the WLS Woodshed Theater Play

try a private teacher goes with them and when she returns to New York she goes back to school where at present she is attending P. S. 64 in the Bronx and is in Class 5B. Sylvia is a born mimic and can put more pep into a five-minute performance than most entertainers can put into an hour. In a black velvet frock embroidered in colors and black patent-leather Cossack boots with gray tops and socks she is a perfect little star as she faces the microphone which presents no terror for her.

Another favorite is Omar La Gant who is the typical artist with long, blond, wavy hair, white silk blouse and black knee-breeches. Omar, who will probably be an actor one day, is at present an elocutionist who has won many contests. For instance, he has a gold medal presented by "The South-land Singers," a body of professional entertainers which meets at the Plaza Hotel. The medal was a token of his work on their monthly programs. Another gold medal comes from the "Metropolitan Theater League," and was won in open contest at the Waldorf-Astoria in the drive to form a Junior Auxiliary. Last October he won a silver loving cup offered by the Detenu Social Club in Lenox Assembly Hall in a best entertainer's contest. Omar has been taught by Mr. J. G. Geiger and Miss Isabell Mersin, of the School of the Theater. He has appeared in the excellent fairy tale performances which were given last year on Saturday afternoons by the School of the Theater, such as "Pinkie and the Fairy." His excellent diction and unusual interpretations have won him notices in many of the dramatic journals of the day.

Little Anna Diamond, the nine-yearold pianist, is to make her début at Aeolian Hall this winter. She studies under Boris Feibish of New York and is his youngest pupil to have ever made a solo début. Anna, however, does not possess all the musical talent in her

family as her brother who is seven years old, plays the violin so well that they will appear together at a concert at the Academy of Music in Brooklyn in February. Anna's unusual talent may be judged by the fact that her concert program includes the "Hungarian Phantasy" by Liszt, the "Four Impromptus" by Schubert, "Lasches" by Paganini-Liszt, and the "Concert Stuck" by Weber.

It is unfortunate that dancing cannot be transmitted via radio for then Gertrude Chevallier, the ward of Madame Cheval-

lier, the dancing mistress, would be able to do her Russian and Acrobatic Dancing for her young audience. As it is, however, she recites comics for them instead. She may be seen frequently at Hunts Point Palace and will soon appear in vaudeville on the Keith Circuit.

You would love to see little Henrietta Luhrs, a seven-year-old vision in fluffy pink, as she stands on a chair to sing "Barefoot Days" into the microphone. Henrietta is probably an old friend of yours from the movies for



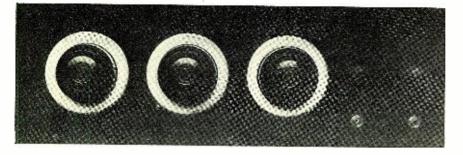
she has appeared with Tommy Meighan and many other stars. For instance; She was in "West of the-Water Tower" with Glenn Hunter and May McAvoy, in "The Snow Bride" with Alice Brady, and in "Zaza" with-Gloria Swanson. Henrietta is also astudent of Madame Chevallier and her, forte is Oriental dancing and high acrobatic kicks which she can do with a perfection seldom found in a young child.

Perhaps the most unusual entertain-(*Turn to page* 75)



Little Sylvia Froos and her sister Mildred entertaining some notables—Jas. Swinnerton, Winsor McCay and Uncle WIP of Philadelphia—while broadcasting their program from WJZ

These little



REDUCTION of losses in receiving apparatus marks the most recent development in radio—learn what it's all about by building this set

A Very Low-Loss Receiver

HEREVER you go or wherever you are, at the present time, you hear "low loss" this and "low loss" that. What does it mean anyway when you get down to hard facts? Is this another fad sweeping the fans like a new circuit or is it a real development?

It most certainly is a development a marked and notable one. And one needs only to make comparisons between a real low loss receiver and standard "hiloss" sets of a year ago, to be convinced. When you look back over the receiver you used a few years ago you cannot help but wonder how the poor little micro-volt of signal energy ever reached your headphones.

The reduction of losses in receiving apparatus marks one of the outstanding developments in radio in the past ten years.

What does the reduction of losses accomplish? It sharpens tuning; it increases signal strength; reduces set and tube noises; and in these ways the

By R. A. Bradley

LIST OF MATERIALS One Low Loss tuner (Radio Engineering Laboratories) One .0005 mfd. variable condenser .(General Instrument Co.) Three Standard sockets (Howard) Two Audio transformers (Pacent) Two Single closed circuit filament lighting jacks (Pacent) Two Bradleystats Three Micro-Dials (Jewett) One 7x21 Panel (Pyradiolin) Six Eby Binding Posts One .002 mfd.fixed condenser (Dubilier) One Bradleyleak and .00025 mfd. Condenser

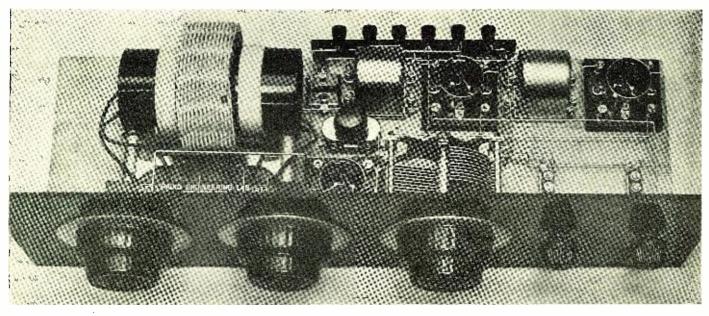
reduction of losses means a more efficient receiver.

The receiver about to be described has been used for only a month, yet in that time it has certainly proved what low loss design, construction, and assembly will accomplish in a receiver.

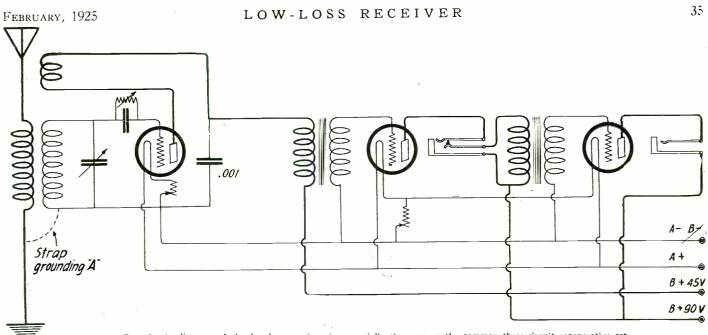
The main tuning unit is manufactured complete and includes a basket weave fixed secondary, a tickler coil and a primary coil. The latter two are wound solenoid fashion on bakelite tubes. Perhaps you wonder why low loss design is not carried into effect in these instances. Why?—because there is absolutely no advantage to be had from the reduction of resistance in the plate circuit of a regenerative detector tube. Did you know that the average fan's antenna has comparatively very high resistance and that the removal of one ohm from the primary coil will have no effect on the operation of the set? Such is the actual truth of the matter.

The variable condenser tuning the secondary further carries out the low loss practice. It is a grounded rotor condenser of superior construction insulated with Isolantite which needs no introduction.

The sockets are those which have excellent side-wiping contacts with real honest-to-goodness springs in them. When you put the tube in the socket you know it's hitting "on all four" contacts.



By placing the detector tube socket as shown between the tuner and the variable condenser, the shortest possible leads are secured. The Bradleyleak together with the grid condenser connected directly across its terminals is placed directly behind the detector tube socket



The circuit diagram of the low-loss receiver is essentially the same as the common three-circuit regenerative set

You see now what we meant by low loss in construction and assembly when it is carried even to contact springs on sockets, and the results speak volumes and these results are more convincing than ever printed words could be.

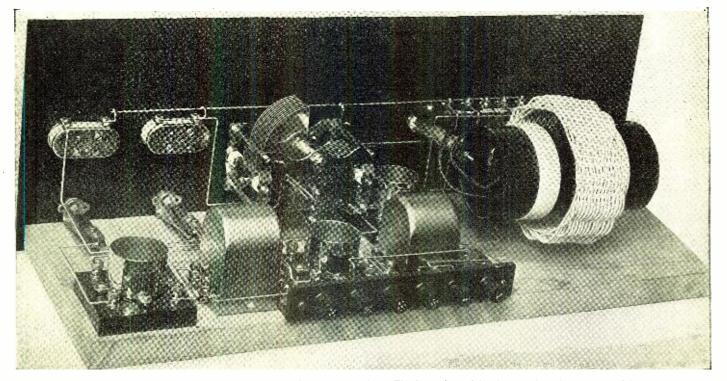
How to Build It

The main consideration in the first stages of the receiver's construction is the panel layout. You must have a 7" x 21" panel and on this panel must go three tuning dials, two rheostats and two jacks. The best arrangement is as follows: The hole for the shaft of the primary coil is drilled $3\frac{1}{2}$ " from the left end of the panel and centered, up and down. The template furnished with the tuner will indicate the proper drillings for the tickler shaft and supporting screws. The distance between shaft centers is given on the template. Measure off an equal distance to the right of the tickler shaft and center punch this for the shaft of the tuning condenser.

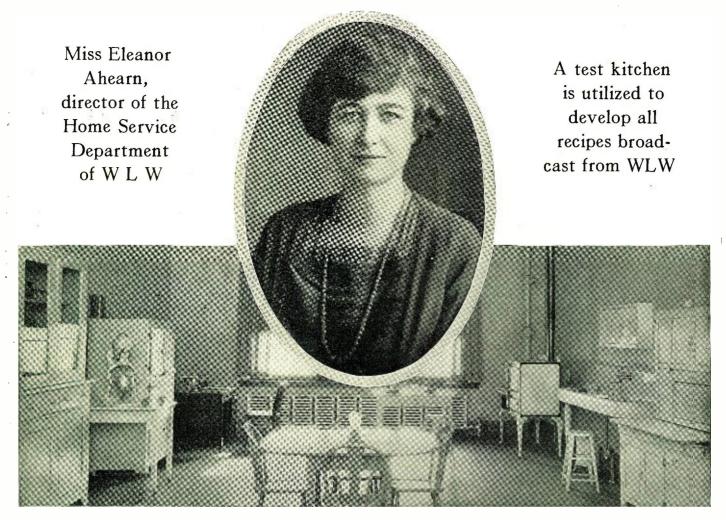
When this is accomplished the position of the rheostats will be simple to locate. The two jacks are placed in a line $1\frac{3}{4}$ " from the base of the panel. This completes the panel layout. Attention is next directed to the baseboard and to the instruments mounted thereon. Particular attention was paid to the layout of the transformers and sockets for most efficient operation, shortest leads and simplest connections. By placing the detector tube socket between the low loss coil and the variable

condenser it is possible to secure very short leads. The audio frequency unit is then laid out along the rear edge of the baseboard in as compact a manner as possible. We wish to call your attention particularly to the method of making connections to these excellent audio frequency transformers. The leads are brought out in such a way that it permits mounting the transformers slightly to the rear of the sockets, and the plate and grid connections come out directly to the tube socket binding posts. The B plus and A minus are to the rear of the transformer and go directly to their respective binding posts. This is the ideal method of making transformer con-

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The relative positions of all instruments is clearly shown in this illustration. The long piece of bus-bar running along the panel is the common negative return lead



Radio Schools of Housewifery

Well defined study courses in home subjects, with all the paraphernalia of registration, examination and graduation—all by radio! $\mathcal{P}_{i} = \mathcal{P}_{i} = \mathcal{P}_{i} = \mathcal{P}_{i}$

By Mrs. Christine Frederick

S O much attention is focused on music, political talks, etc., by radio that perhaps the biggest and most significant single development of radio broadcasting is being overlooked. I refer to the broadcasting of cooking and household information, and home education via radio throughout the country. This development has, in the past year, reached quite surprising proportions. Three years ago, when I wrote an article in "Good Housekeeping" advocating greater attention to this subject—then almost neglected—I felt I was voicing a hope rather than an expectation. I believed very strongly that radio could do a great deal to lift American housewifery to new levels of enlightenment, but it seemed rather optimistic to hope for big results very soon. But in radio all things seem to move rapidly; in tune perhaps with the 186,000 miles per second of the radio waves!

At any rate, 1924 has been a remarkable year for variety of education and service, on cooking and household and other topics rendered to women by radio broadcasting stations. It is all the more remarkable for the reason that such service has been established permanently, which indicates certainty of future growth to splendid proportions.

A few years ago there was very little service to women. One or two stations had little ten-minute talks to housewives; and the stations which sold advertising time had occasional paid talks on miscellaneous food and household subjects. Today, there are at least 50 large sized broadcasting stations in the country which have a more or less regular service of more than usual competence and scope. This number is increasing almost every week. In fact there are large sized broadcasting stations owned by great companies having a definite interest in better cookery who devote a considerable part of the station to the task of home education. Even this is not all. There are now universities and other institutions offering well defined study courses in home subjects, with all the paraphernalia of registration certificates, examination papers and certificates of graduation—all by radio!

I have thus sketched in brief what has been going on, and while estimates of listeners-in in the radio field are likely to suffer from "Wallingfordian" exaggeration, I feel it safe to say that at least 1,000,000 women, if not 2,000,-000 women are listeners-in on home economics information and help.

I can do no better in picturing the situation than to describe some of the actual work of stations along these lines, and leave you to judge of its value as well as to infer the equally valuable work done by other stations not mentioned.

It will be impossible to describe the work of all stations; and I select from a survey I have made on the subject some of the more unique and interesting examples.

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The stations I name, not only include stations operated by private companies, but by universities, newspapers, etc. I have tried to give some idea of the varied nature of the service to women and also to select examples from sections all over the country.

Perhaps we may well start with examples of university facilities offered to women over the radio, since this is, no doubt, a more important development than others. I have known, for years, that a great number of women who have children and even those whose children are grown up, have yearned to go to school again, and wished for educational advantages denied them in earlier years. But the great response which cooking and home making courses via radio have met with has surprised everybody.

Let us start with the always unique state of Kansas, whose State Agricultural College at Manhattan, Kansas, Station WTG, 273 meters, has a well planned course in home economics, requiring the applicant to sign an enrollment card which definitely makes her a part of the student body. Dr. Margaret Jus-tin lectures every Thursday evening, and if you suppose that only Kansas women are enrolled, you will have a pleasant surprise, for a dozen or more states are represented in the enrollment. Women as far away as Canada are interested, and the teachers have a heavy mail. A certificate is granted those who pass the

course satisfactorily and you may be assured that no fancy sheepskin from a great university is more highly prized than this certificate.

It may be supposed from the foregoing that only women in Western University states are interested — b u t you are wrong again! Possibly the most zestful and active of the courses of home education, the one which has been operating longest, is that operated by the Peoples Light & Gas Company of Chicago.

When I organized this company's "Home Economics Department" several years ago, thousands of women came personally to the

daily lecture rooms, and being a radio fan, I realized that radio would certainly be a means of further extending such

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service, especially to women who could not leave their homes. Mrs. Anna Peterson's talks and lessons on cooking over the radio in Chicago are now classics and are listened to by many thousands of women. This course requires an enrollment and offers a cer-



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"compiled out of the air" to you. Possibly the most thoroughgoing of all such radio courses is the one operated by station WCCO at Minneapolis, Minn. This station is owned by the Washburn-Crosby Company, makers of Gold Medal Flour, and it

is easy to see why such great emphasis is placed on service to housewives. It is one of the facts of modern advertising that whatever increases the intelligence and alertness of the housewife is sure to be of benefit to the companies supplying her; and the broadminded educational attitude assumed by the Gold Medal people is naturally a most valuable public service. Miss Betty Crocker lectures to women over the radio each morning at 10:45. On Mondays and Tuesdays it's a cooking lesson; on Wednesday, Home Management; on Thursday, meal planning; on Friday, practical nutrition, and on Saturday, talks to girls. In this way the full range of home knowledge is gone over. A direct connection making the service practical from a business point of view is operated by sending to those who inquire and ask for them, printed recipe cards to be used in the card recipe file. A cooking course running eight weeks is broadcast each Tuesday night, constituting a complete line of study for which certifi-cates are issued. This station aims to achieve the reputation of being most definitely for wom-en's practical benefit, and operates a service probably unequaled

throughout the country for scope and variety of women's material. There is a further women's hour every afternoon at 2, used for a great variety of home topics-beauty talks -dance lessons, music, cultural topics, women's club work, business and politics. Another station

which is already widely known na-tionally-the Radiophone station WOC. 484 meters—the Palmer School of Chiropractic, of Davenport, operates also a rather unique ser-

Membership certificate of the Happy Homes Club awarded by station WOC tion woc vice. A regular fea-ture which is increasing in popularity is tificate on completion of the course. The Gas Company furnishes nicely printed blank books for recording the recipes broadcast as they come over the radio, and thus brings into exis-

"WHERE THE WEST BEGINS AND IN THE STATE WHERE THE TALL CORN GROWS."

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the Happy Homes Club which specializes on a daily morning talk of home helps. Instead of dully broadcasting a lecture, the schedule calls for a meeting of the Club, and thus gives it something

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of a social aspect. The service to the home is made concrete and vivid by the publication of an elaborate booklet of "helpful hints for happy homes" which contains 64 pages of recipes, together with a description of the service of the station and blank pages for the insertion of broadcast recipes. WOC when first starting the home service work secured the co-operation of the

home economics department of the United States De-partment of Agriculture, which es-pecially prepared a d a i l y bulletin for broadcasting. The most popular plan operated by this station, however, was to ask housewives to submit their recipes and household hints so that they might be broad-cast. Particlar interest was developed by setting aside each week for definite types of dishes. This brought a great mass of recipes. An additional success was developed during the Spring and Summer season by a d a i l y garden talk. The WOC Club is in the hands of Mr. Wilson Willets, who nearly two years ago organized the first women's service from this station and understands the need for and the response to material of this sort. There are talks on Interior Dec-

oration, Cooking, House-cleaning, Travelogues, Dress-making, Fashion, Children's Games, Poetry and many other items. The unique feature of this Happy Homes Club is that it is run by its members. Membership is granted as soon as they send in a recipe, or give other indication of definite interest. A certificate of such membership is shown on page 37.

During the Christmas holidays, prizes were given for the first and second best complete menus submitted by listeners-in, thus giving the stimulus of competition to the station.

Sears, Roebuck & Company, operate station WLS, 345 meters, in Chicago, and with its usual advertising genius has made a great deal of this service. It has in charge of its Home Maker's Hours, Margaret Reese Filkins, and instructive talks are broadcast by executives of the Illinois League of Women Voters, the Federation of Women's Organizations, as well as others who are utilized. Each day household material is broadcast, the subjects covering a broad range of material including, for instance, a talk by Elizabeth Weirich on clothing and textiles for the home woman. At Christmas time a big hit was made by broadcasting a special Christmas menu by a

on of famous Chicago chef, M. Henri, Chef of College Inn at the Hotel Sherman. day This menu is reproduced herewith for t, the its special interest. of ma-Another station which is utilizing

the special interest of a large wellknown concern is the Crosley Radio Station WLW, 423 meters, at Cincinnati, which broadcasts a home service department in charge of Miss Eleanor

Ahearn, who is Director of Household Research with the Procter & Gamble Company. A cooking school is broadcast from this station, and is another example of happy combination of private and public interest.

New York has been rather slow to develop broadcasting of such material, but WJZ, 455 meters, The Radio Corporation of America's New York station. has a women's hour of real value and interest each morning. WEAF, 492 meters, the A. T. & T. New York station, has started a very extensive home study course backed by the kindergarten of College, Teacher's Univer-Columbia The subject sity. upon which they will concentrate this winter is child training. The lectures are delivered actually at Columbia University and operated through



Rosemary Cramb, announcer at WGY, in charge of programs for women

CHRISTMAS MENU

M. Henri, Chef; College Inn Hotel Sherman, Chicago Fruit Cocktail

Celery—Olives—Salted Almonds

Chicken Broth in Cup Saltine Wafers

Roast Turkey Stuffed with Oysters Green Peas in Cream Candied Sweet Potatoes Cranberry Sauce

Head Lettuce French Dressing

English Plum Pudding Hard and Brandy Sauce

Assorted Nuts

Coffee

"remote control" system, relaying to the WEAF studio. The lectures will even include part of the University Chapel service, to give mothers taking these courses the further sensation of going to college. The subjects listed for this quite important course cover a wide range — "How Mothers May Keep in Touch with Children's Interests;" "How Mothers Can Help Children to read;" "Games Children Love to Play;" "Children's Nature Interests;" "Children's Religious Problems;" "Songs for Children;" "How to Tell Biological Facts to Children;" "Choosing Books for Children;" "How Children Can Make Christmas Gifts and Playthings;" and "Worth While Toys and Playthings for Children."

The lectures of the series are to be 20 minutes long, which is less than (*Turn to page* 69)

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"Hook" Kennedy, Scotch comedian and singer, who has toured the country several times and has won the unqualified approval of WRC fans

In Detense! By Carl Dreher

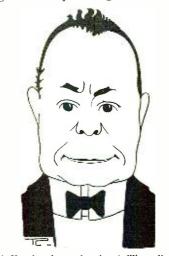
MONG the cruel and unusual hard-ships to which broadcast opérators are subject, is the fact that they can never get married. Working at night, they are unable to take their best girls to the movies, which embitters these charming maidens and alienates their affections in a short time. When a technical broadcaster does marry, it is by dumb luck or misrepresentation. Furthermore, owing to the ex-cessive wisdom of the broadcast operator, it is impossible for a woman to live with him once such an ill-starred marriage has taken place. Remember, my friends, that a broadcast operator has listened to thousands of informing talks on cheese brokerage, the boll weevil, why girls should stay at home, what to feed the children when they bawl into the airshaft at 3 A. M., how to get to Flatbush, and countless other significant topics. His head whirls and swells with all this intelligence, and consequently he be-comes unbearable. Whenever his wife speaks to him, he catches up her first phrase



Arthur Murray, well known dance instructor, broadcasting one of his latest-the "Radio Glide"

mong the Broadcasters By Ed Randall

and releases a torrent of exposition on the single tax or mumps. She has no chance to get a word in edgewise, and, as we all know, nothing could be more galling to a woman. The result is, in this case, that she resorts to force, but the broadcasterhusband, having absorbed numerous talks on boxing and ju-jitsu, knocks her through a window. A few such incidents are enough to end any marriage.



Joseph Knecht, the modest but brilliant director of the Waldorf-Astoria Concert Orchestra, "just loves" to speak to "Mike"

But here we contemplate a striking instance of poetic justice in real life. The affliction suffered by the broadcast operator's wife whose case we have just analyzed, is a daily occurrence in the life of the unfortunate operator himself. For eight hours each day he suffers under the impact of



Graham McNamee, reading—not "speaking" this time—a rare occasion for this busy and well liked announcer

songs, sermons, bedtime stories, political arguments, ukulele solos, and all manner of sounds of man and beast, without the slightest chance to pour out his own soul-and he has one-in any of these ways. The listener may tune to what he pleases or shut off everything with a flip of the switch, but the operator must stay at his postor go back to the soda fountain. His own urge for self-expression is constantly smothered under the multiplied similar urges of other people. Some day, it is to be icared, the technical staff of a broadcasting station will rise in armed rebellion, seize the



"The Radio Franks"-Wright and Bessinger-just tickle themselves, the piano and everybody

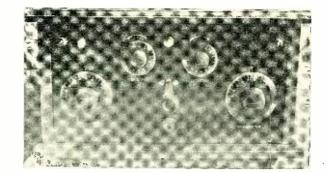
equipment, and run amuck on the air until shock troops can be dispatched to put down the revolution and return the station to the forces of sanity and order. While the operators hold the fortress, what a caterwauling and bedlam will din into the ears of the amazed listeners! All the technical experts will try to talk and entertain at once, and none will stay behind to monitor the apparatus, which, sizzling and on the point of melting, will add its own quota of discord to the horrible medley. Then in deed, the broadcast critics will have something to write about !

And now we must consider the special injury the broadcast operator suffers when he transmits from a theater. Picture a susceptible young man, seated at his amplifier in the wings, in the act of broadcasting a musical comedy. He is surrounded by ravishing chorus girls in costume, who flutter around him, when they are not on the stage, and simply throttle him with their admiration and attentions. They all want to listen to the output of the amplifier, and I have seen such a crush of dazzling females around the operator at a theatrical event that he thought (Turn to page 70)



Chas. Wold, perhaps, has perverted the proper use of drinking glasses, but his broadcast audiences become intoxicated just the same whenever it is his treat

One of the simplest and best of the regenerative receivers



A set that affords a most consistent type of performance

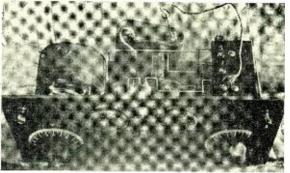
Modifying the Reinartz By W. P. Lukens

HERE are some circuits known to practically everyone who has combined wire, metal plates and insulation to form a receiving set. These circuits are based on the "Old Reliable," known variously as the "Armstrong," the "Short Wave Re-generative," "Two Variometer and generative,' ariocoupler," etc., and the "Reinartz.' These circuits are comparatively simple and all of them will work when everything else seems intent on failing. The Armstrong has probably been the most modified and experimented with because it is the most easily understood. In the Reinartz form it is usually associated with the mysteriousappearing spider-web coil, and while many different forms and types of this winding have been produced, it remains essentially the same as regards ratio and number of turns. I have seen the "Reinartz Coil" wound with everything from No. 18 enameled wire to No. 28 d.s.c., on everything from an air core to bakelite discs and wooden spokes.

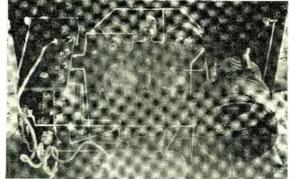
The main difficulty with modifying the Reinartz is that as soon as it is perceptibly modified it no longer stays a Reinartz. However, for a short period there appeared a form of the Reinartz which used a specially wound variocoupler instead of the special coil. This modification was as good in action as the regular circuit and offered no advantages in the way of either construction or operation. More recently

there has appeared another modification of the circuit which is at least as good in operation as the original and is very much easier to construct. Its tuning is as simple as that of the "Ultra-audion" and in addition it will do a few things in the way of reception which are strongly reminiscent of radio-frequency amplification rather than of regeneration. However, I am not so sure that this modified circuit is still a Reinartz, which may account for some of its peculiarities.

To show the development of this circuit, it may be well to examine the regular Reinartz, in the form in which it is usually drawn, as shown in figure 1. The complication of the three sets of taps is clearly indicated; but if the diagram is re-drawn, as shown in figure 2, it is much easier to understand what it is all about. Here it is clear that



A most compact panel and base board arrangement is afforded by following Mr. Lukens' design



The author's two-tube variometer-tuned plate Reinartz receiver showing a rear view

an aerial circuit is tuned by means of taps, and that a secondary circuit is tuned both by means of taps and a condenser. The regenerative action is apparently a species of tuned conductive feedback, controlled by both taps and condenser. Many people never get to understand the function of the different condensers and taps and for that reason never realize the full effectiveness of their sets. It is probably also that in many cases poorly constructed switches decrease the effectiveness of the set, through setting up losses of poor contact.

The first step toward modification of the circuit consists in changing the method of controlling regeneration. Instead of a tuned feed-back, a tuned plate circuit is used, accomplished by eliminating the regenerative coil and condenser and inserting a variometer,

exactly as the plate circuit is tuned in the Armstrong. This change naturally very largely changes the type of tuning inductance, and while the spiderweb coil may still be used, there is no reason why a simpler tubewound coil may not be used. Keeping this fact in mind the next transition is to do away with all the remaining taps through the simple process of designing the tuned and untuned coils so as to cover the existing broadcast range. Figure 3 shows the use of tap-tuned coils as compared with the use of fixed coils shown in figure 4.

The circuit of figure 4 is the one which has been used in making up a considerable number of sets, but if one is inclined to build a set which is even a bit simpler and appears slightly better mechanically, the circuit shown in figure 5 is the next step. This presents, of course, merely another method of tuning the plate circuit, using a coil and condenser instead of the variometer. I believe that two of the usual "neutrodyne" transformers and

condensers could be used quite satisfactorily, though this has not been tested, and it is possible that some modification of the coils might be required before the best arrangement is determined.

The circuit shown in figure 5 naturally suggests the addition of another tube to result in a tuned-impedance radio frequency set, but there is no real reason for following out this sug-

Station at Zurich

A NEW broadcasting station at Zurich, Switzerland, was put into service recently. The Bell Telephone Manufacturing Company of Antwerp, which is associated with the International Western Electric Company, supplied the equipment.

Government Buys 80 K. W. Tube

THE Bureau of Engineering of the United States Navy Department has awarded a contract to the General Electric Company for the manufacture of an 80 kilowatt or 80,000 watt electron tube transmitter. This powerful radio-telegraph transmitting device will, when completed, be installed either at the naval high power station at San Diego or Mare Island.

'It is understood that the General Electric Company is constructing three of these 80,000 watt transmitting tubes. This really means "superpower."

German Patents in Demand

THE Navy Department is being flooded with requests from American radio manufacturers for the use of the German radio patents recently offered on reciprocal licenses. A standard non-exclusive, non-transferable but revocable license has been drawn up and will soon be submitted to applicants with a request for a list of their patents which would become available to the government. The process of going over the many applications and accompanying lists of patents will require considerable time. All applications will not be granted; probably only those firms having patents believed of value to the government will be cross licensed.

Fifty-three applications already listed indicate that considerable interest is manifested in the Schloemilch-von Bronk reflex hookup, which is the best known of the German patents.

Wave Lengths Shifted

REALLOCATION of wave lengths for broadcasting stations throughout the United States is being made in an effort to eliminate "squeals."

WNYC, municipal broadcasting station, has been ordered to take a wave length of 528.8 metres and approximately 567 kilocycles to avoid interference with Station WOAW, Omaha, Neb. KDKA is broadcasting experimentally on 316 metres, shared by Stations WGBS and WAHG, and at 309 metres WSAI is trying 326 metres. WWJ, Detroit, is expected to receive a new wave length.

Radio and the Public By HERBERT HOOVER

 $T_{\text{casting up to the present in broad$ casting up to the present has notbeen in the application of new methodsof transmission or reception, important as improvements in these lines havebeen. It is rather in the change inpublic attitude. Listeners are becoming more and more appreciative of the real service of radio and increasingly critical both as to the character of the matter furnished them and as to the efficiency with which it reaches them. The whole broadcasting structure is built up on service to the listeners. They are beginning to realize their importance, to assert their interest and to voice their wishes. Broadcasting must be conducted to meet their demands and this necessarily means higher character in what is transmitted and better quality in its reproduction to the ears of the listener. The broadcasters as a whole are alive to the situation. There is a growing realization on their part of the public responsibilities they assume in conducting an agency so greatly affecting the cultural progress of our people. The innovations of which we hear so much-national programs, wire interconnection, short wave rebroadcasting, increased power, and wired radio, which are already playing so important a part and are destined to have still greater influence for goodare based entirely upon the necessity for meeting the growing popular requirement of better service. The demand will continue to increase, and new methods of efficiency will continue to be found to meet it. But beyond all radio has begun to enrich American life by a real contribution to the home. It yet has far greater service to perform in this way and I believe this year will see great and more definite advance in this direction.

Bureau of Standards Scientific Paper No. 469

PART of the information contained in the article entitled "The Beam System," by K. M. MacIlvain, appearing in the December WIRELESS AGE was obtained from the Bureau of Standards Scientific Paper No. 469 entitled "Directive Radio Transmission on a Wave Length of Ten Meters," by F. W. Dunmore and F. H. Engel. Mention of this fact was omitted in the article mentioned and Mr. MacIlvain desires to have that omission corrected.

The Swedish high power station at Grimeton, near Göteborg

What's the Trouble? Here are a few pointers that may save you time and worry

By Robert Alan

THEN you are just about convinced that your receiving set is the best little static collector in the world and that you have collected all the static that there is to be collected it is about time to look over your set. Static of course is responsible for most of the noises that come through your set which is not defined as music or clear speech. But you can't blame static for everything any more than you can honestly blame "those blasted amateurs" when some ship operator decides that it is necessary for him to use two kilowatts of a broad spark to work WNY upon entering the harbor. A shorted condenser or one in which the plates touch in their rotary motion will produce very annoying clicks and explosions and frying noises and you may be laying the blame on static when it is nothing more nor less than a condenser which has served its purpose in this world and is ready to be junked. Good variable condensers don't suffer from misalignment of the plates nor shorting. But we all haven't got the best condensers. One way, and probably the best way, for determining whether your condenser is shorted or whether the plates touch in their circular movement is shown in the accompanying illustration. Take a spare B battery, a voltmeter, and the variable condenser in question and connect them in series as shown. If any reading is obtained on the voltmeter whatsoever the con-denser is shorted. In performing this operation rotate slowly the rotary plates throughout the entire 360 degrees several times and make sure that there is no short circuit. This is not harmful to your B battery so you need not be skeptical as to its advisability. The same test can be tried with your audio frequency transformers. Many sets go dead because of a blown primary winding. This is not entirely avoidable except that care should be exercised in connecting or disconnecting the B battery lead on the trans-



By means of a screw driver, bend up the socket contacts to make good contact with the tube

former when the filaments are turned on. This sometimes causes voltage surges requiring the very fine wire to carry greater current for an instant than it is designed to carry resulting in a punctured winding. In order to



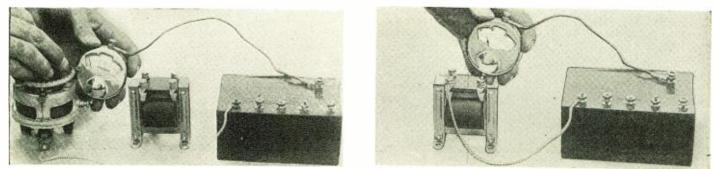
Tighten up the back screws on binding posts before putting the instrument into the set

definitely tell whether the transformer is blown or not, disconnect it and remove it from the set and put it through the same test as your variable condenser. The result of the test in this case will be exactly the opposite as it was in the case of the condenser. You should get a reading on the voltmeter if the winding is intact. Of course it will not be the full 22 volts of the B battery or whatever your supply happens to be, because of the resistance of the winding. The use of a pair of phones instead of a voltmeter is not so accurate because unless the ear is trained to an open circuited click in the phones, there will be a click heard whether the winding is O. K. or opencircuited.

If your tubes have a peculiar way of going out and coming back again as you turn up the filament rheostat you can be very sure that the contact arm of your rheostat is not on speaking terms with the resistive winding. In most rheostats this can be remedied by removing the knob and contact arm and bending the latter so that it brings more pressure to bear on the winding. While you are doing this get the screw driver into action and tighten up the binding post screws on the terminals of the rheostat. This will mean that you won't have to do it the next time. Please note the illustration in which the socket prongs are being bent up by a screwdriver. This is great stuff providing you take the socket out of your set before you do it, but don't under any circumstances get a screwdriver near the socket with batteries and tubes connected as you can cause considerable damage if you do.

Before the sockets are installed in the set see that the prongs are making proper contact, put the tube in the socket, try the tension of the springs. This should make good stiff contact. After your set has been in operation for six months or so it will be well to remove the tubes from the sockets, disconnect the batteries and go after them with a screwdriver. A side wiping contact such as in the Howard Socket, General Radio, Radio Corporation, The Caldwell and others need no such treat-

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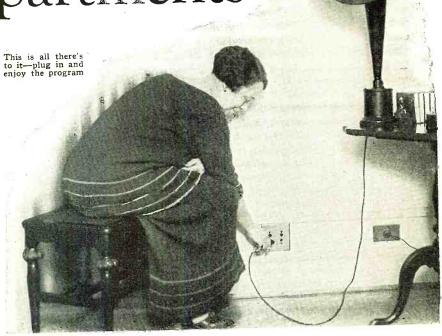
Testing variable condensers and transformers before mounting them in the finished set will often eliminate the task of removing faulty apparatus

Radio Apartments

Plug into any one of several programs without tuning or trouble of operation
By Elizabeth Ives

T O hear famous speeches, music, songs, stories, it is merely necessary for the 354 apartment owners of "Hudson View Gardens" to push a plug into the wall. It's as easy as turning on the electric light switch! There is no dialing, no tuning in. With this one motion the program of any broadcasting station is theirs.

[could hardly believe it. In fact all my Missouri ancestors rose up in me and asked "to be shown" as Mr. Smith told me of this new wizardry the just invented multiple radio system that offers a choice of programs, the only one in existence. He led me into one of the 354 apartments. There in the sitting room on a table was a small loud-speaker with a cord attached. And near the floor was a small square face-plate having four holes in it. It looked very much like an electric light wall outlet. "Make yourself comfortable and try it," said Mr. Smith. I sank into an easy upholstered chair near the table, stretched out my hand



for the plug at the end of the cord. pushed it into one of the four holes, and instantly we were listening to Walter Damrosch's Symphony Concert.

And any broadcasting station was at my command. King Canute commanding the waves to retire never felt half as powerful as I at that moment. Nevertheless I was merely one of 354 pluggers. The power behind the plugger is Harold L. Kerr.

We found him sitting up in a little box-like room on the roof among his gigantic apparatus, worth about \$35,-000. The walls of the little room are covered with it; a big shelf and table filled with it and only room enough is left for one wooden chair on which Kerr sits and tunes, and dials, and listens far into every night.

Kerr is the radio engineer and the control operator. Up in this room he can receive and transmit four programs simultaneously to one or to 354 apartments! Here on one shelf stands, within two feet of each other, four upto-date receivers with loop antennas a sight to astound even the most expert of radio fans!

Kerr keeps himself continuously connected with three local broadcast-(Turn to page 77)



Four loop receivers are used to tune in the broadcast programs selected for the families in the radio apartment house

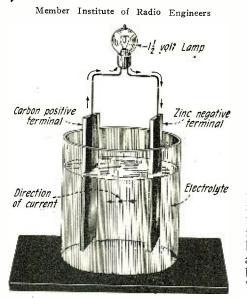
PRODUCTION of ELECTRIC CURRENT

How the Dry-cell and Storage Battery Operates—Construction and Care—High Voltage Radio Batteries By Samuel C. Miller

\HE batteries play an important part in radio today because practically every receiving set employs them in one form or another. Without the batteries the receiver is like an automobile without gasoline, the prime factor in making the machine run. If the broadcast listener is interested in the principles of radio, it is very essential for him to know how a current is generated within a dry cell or utilized in a storage battery. This is one of the fundamentals in electricity and should be mastered not only because of the knowledge obtained, but also because a better understanding is gained in the care of these units. A knowledge of the operation and care required of storage batteries would be especially helpful to those who use them, as they are often given a great deal of abuse.

This article discusses thoroughly the various types of batteries in use and also partly covers the generation of an electric current by a mechanical device. ANALOGY OF AN ELECTRIC CURRENT

The production of a steady electric current is more easily seen if the method of obtaining a steady flow of water in a building is taken as an analogy. To produce a steady flow of



An electrolytic cell or set battery similar to the type used in land line telegraphy

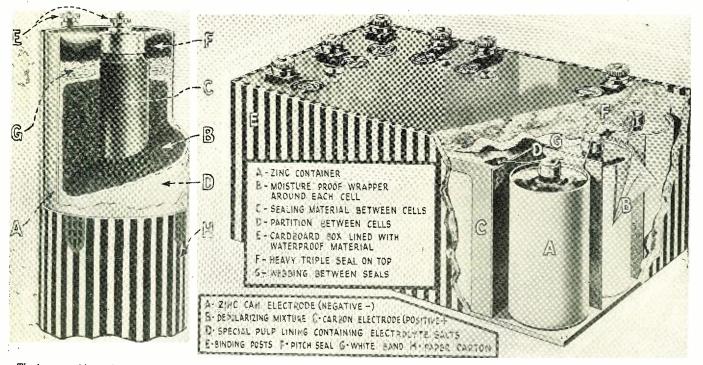
water in a pipe, there must be available a hydraulic pressure, or, as it is technically called, a "head" of water. To obtain this head, the water is first pumped into the tank provided on the roof of the building from the water main in the street until a height is reached in the tank which will give the steady pressure of water required for use throughout the building.

A similar condition is required for the production of a steady electric current. There must be available a steadily maintained electric pressure known under different aspects as "electromotive force," "potential difference" or "voltage" which has the force to cause a current to flow. This produces energy of an electrical form that has the facility of performing work of various natures. Electrical energy is used to give us light and heat and to drive machinery; it allows us to communicate by means of the telephone. telegraph or radio. It is one of the most powerful agencies the human race has at its disposal today, and without a doubt the progress of civilization can be attributed in part to the day that Volta gave the world the simple cell which provided a source of voltage for producing an electric current.

The necessary electromotive force or voltage required to cause the electric current to flow may be obtained in either one of two ways: chemically or mechanically.

Source of Voltage from a Chemical Device

Very early in the investigations leading to our present day knowledge of electrical phenomena, Volta dis-



The inner workings of the two most important batteries of a radio receiver. The dry-cell and the dry B battery. The cut away portions of the illustration show how these much used sources of energy are assembled and the elements incorporated

covered that all metals have a relationship to each other, and if one metal such as zinc is brought into contact with another metal such as iron, an electric current will flow. This phenomenon can be readily demonstrated by any one. One of the simplest experiments is to take a copper penny and a silver dime and lay between the two a moistened piece of paper. If the two terminals of a pair of phones are placed one on the dime and the

other on the penny, a click will be produced in the phones. This indicates that, in the circuit consisting of the penny, the moisture, the phones and the dime, a current has flowed which was caused by a voltage or electromotive force being produced by the contact of the two dissimilar metals.

A scale for the different metals has been worked out, showing which metals are most positive and which are least positive. The following list is so arranged that the metal first on the list becomes positively electrified when touched by any taking rank after it:

+zinc lead tin iron copper silver gold -graphite.

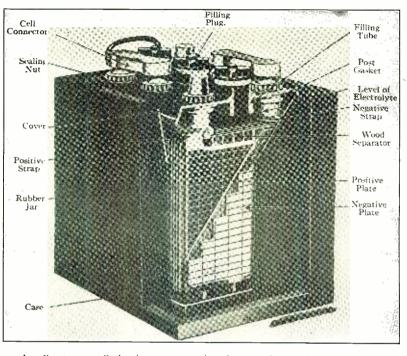
For example zince is more positive than iron, but iron when used with graphite becomes the positive element. In the experiment given above the copper penny is more positive than the silver dime.

Going still further, Volta found that certain liquids acted in a

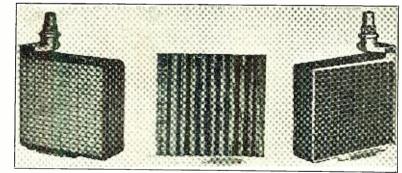
similar manner when brought into contact with metals. He found that by virtue of the chemical action between the liquid and the metals, a source of voltage could be produced that will cause a current to flow when the unit is connected to an outside source. He therefore had a device that converted the chemical action between the liquid and metals into electrical energy.

The Voltaic Cell

When two dissimilar metals as carbon and zinc are immersed in an electrolyte of sal-ammoniac dissolved in water, the chemical action on the zinc will cause an electrical current to flow in the closed path formed externally between the carbon and the zinc. This is shown in figure 1 where a simple voltaic cell is connected to a lamp. The chemical action in the electrolyte causes the current to flow from the zinc to the carbon within the solution and from the carbon to the zinc, through the lamp in the outside circuit. Because the current leaves the carbon, it is called the *positive* terminal and



A radio storage cell showing a cross-section view exposing the internal elements of an individual cell and its surrounding casing



The positive and negative plates and the separator used to keep the individual cells from short-circuiting. To each set of positive and negative plates a connector post is burned or soldered

the zinc becomes the *negative* terminal because the current enters it on passing through the lamp.

The metals are termed elements and the liquid is the eletrolyte. The combination of the elements, electrolyte and the containing vessel constitutes a voltaic cell.

When two or more cells are placed in a container so as to form a single unit, this unit is termed a battery. The word battery is frequently used incorrectly to designate a single cell.

Classes of Batteries

Batteries are divided into two

classes, primary and secondary. Cells are said to be primary if they generate a current within themselves and secondary if they first require a charge from an external source of energy before they become operative.

The primary type is illustrated by the dry cell in common use, where a relatively large current is supplied momentarily or a very small current is required for a long period of time. Every one is acquainted with the dry

cell as used for ringing a bell or lighting a bulb in a flashlight and those who have radio sets with WD-11 or UV-199 vacuum tubes require dry cells for lighting the filaments. When the dry cell has lost its electrical energy then a new one must be bought for replacement as the old one becomes useless and is discarded.

However, when a battery is desired that will give a relatively high current or high power for a length of time, then the secondary type of battery is available. The secondary type or storage batterv is suited for automobile starting and lighting, the driving of small motor apparatus and in radio, principally for supplying a steady flow of current to the filaments of sixvolt vacuum tubes of the UV-201A type. It is very important that the current supplied to the filament of a vacuum tube be very constant as any change in the source of voltage will interfere in the proper operation of the receiving set. A storage battery fulfils this condition admirably as it will deliver a steady

current of considerable power for a relatively long length of time; the length of time depending on the capacity and condition of the batterv.

Dry Cell

The dry cell in common use today consists of a zinc plate made to act as a container and also as the negative pole, and a carbon positive plate in the form of a rod in the center of the container. The container is first lined with a bibulous paper moistened with electrolyte and then filled with a depolarizing mixture made up of pul-(Turn to page 64)



Los Angeles Exposition

A radio show that beat Horse-shows, Dog-shows and all other shows

> (Left)--Vi Dodd's Syncopators furnished the music for all the happy dancers

(Below)—Louise Glaum, scenarist, who presented a one-act skit

Miss Louise Klos, talented harp soloist, tapping — no, tuning in one of the best sets at the show

THE second annual radio exposition held in Los Angeles by the American Radio Exposition Company of New York was the center of attraction for six days commencing December sixth in the auditorium of the Ambassador Hotel.

The Public Address System brought the exposition programs to the audience, while both KNX and KFI broadcast programs from the stage by the *Los Angeles Express* and *Los Angeles Examiner*. The programs brought considerable interest because of the fact that famous actors of the stage and screen acted as master of ceremonies including Monte Blue, Larry Semon. Lew Cody and others.

The radio industry banquet was held in the Fiesta Room of the hotel during the exposition with an immense representation of well known people in radio activities including representatives of the broadcast stations, Colonel J. F. Dillon, Federal supervisor for the sixth district, and members of the following organizations: Radio Jobbers' Association, Radio Manufacturers' Association, Radio Retail Division of the Music Trades Association of Southern California and the Credit Bureau of the Radio Jobbers' Association.

The exposition was operated on a co-operative basis with the radio organizations of Southern California and most of the features of the first show that did not meet with popular favor were eliminated. No demonstrations of loud speakers, amplifiers or other sound producing apparatus by exhibitors were allowed and this eliminated one of the objections of a year ago. Likewise the floor space for exhibits and visitors was practically doubled and there was not the crowding as at the original exposition.

the original exposition. Many well known radio characters were present in various booths—those of broadcast stations and also of commercial concerns. Some of those included Uncle Remus, otherwise known as E. M. Bonnell; The Sandman and Queen Titania, of KHJ; Madelyn Hardy, the radio girl, and Louise Sullivan, singing violinist, of KFI; as well as the announcers and studio directors of Los Angeles who met throngs of radio friends afternoons and evenings at the auditorium.

While the Los Angeles exhibit held its full quota of the unusual in radio of miniature sets, and the like—it was particularly noticeable that there was far greater interest than usual on the part of the public in the more expensive sets. The sets which are well known for distance getting and the sets with cabinets in period designs drew large crowds.

Interest did not lag in the display and demonstration of parts and the cheaper sets, but Los Angeles is rapidly becoming the Mecca for de luxe receiving sets. In Hollywood, for instance, movie stars are ordering quaint designed cabinets and sets for their palatial homes—designed to match the period furniture or perhaps so wired that each guest room will have a concealed loud speaker for entertainment.

In the 108 booths arranged around the sides of the Ambassador Auditorium every conceivable kind of firm was represented. Many radio publications had representatives as well as all the large radio manufacturers in addition to the local concerns and branch offices.

With the end of the second show there can be little doubt but that the experimental stage is past and this is now to be a permanent annual event in the Pacific Southwest. This year's event attracted in proportion a greater number of the general public than any other event of similar character. Horse shows, dog shows, and all kinds and varieties of exhibits, attract a certain percentage of people, but a radio show brings together about everyone in the community.

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1-Type of aerial.

3-Preposition.
 a-Grassy field. 5-What you must do for "DX." 6-Smallest particle. 7-Da da dit, dit da dit, dit dit
5-What you must do for "DX."
6—Smallest particle.
8—A suffix. 9—Southern Pacific (abbreviation).
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10Allowance for waste. 11Da da da, da, dit, dit da.
12—Fmit vapor
12—Emit vapor. 13—Conjunction. 14—"Get" (Radio code).
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15-Southern California broadcast
station.
17-Wooly hair.
20-At least one on face of your
receiver.
22—Manner. 25—Gait of a horse. 27—Metal pin.
25-Gait of a horse.
27-Metal pin.
30—The golfer's call to those ahead. 32—That which retards flow of cur-
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36-Radio signal for paid radio-
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 16—What "TRs" were originally called.
 18—Neither masculine nor femini-- A professional degree. - A professional degree. - Unit of resistance. - Presently. - Musical pipe. - A helpful hint. - Hurt 24---Musical pipe.
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 26--Hurt.
 28--Send forth.
 29--Connection across grid circuit.
 30--Short term for college society.
 31--Necessary implement in building a set.
 35---Da dit, dit dit, dit.
 36---Front of radio set.
 40---Dit, dit da dit, da.
 42---Ourselves.
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 48---Definite article (French).
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A Home-Made Storage Battery

By J. W. Conzelman, M.E.

THERE comes a time in the experience of every radio fan with his set when the question of a better B-battery is paramount. If the average one of us were to trace our radio development we would find that tuning coils and condensers supplied our first worries, then suitable detectors followed in quick order and probably the A-battery was the next weak link in the set.

As the radio "bug" adds to the set. a storage A-battery must be used and thus the item is disposed of for a time, at least. You are just about to relax, thinking that all your problems are settled when the dry B-battery starts acting up and the question arises: "Shall I buy two more 45volt dry batteries, or shall I invest in a storage B-battery?" The first solution offers temporary relief for six or eight months. The second represents an investment that is considerable and seems questionable sometimes it. whether or not the extra trouble in-

volved in looking after the storage cells does not offset the advantages gained in the operation of the set.

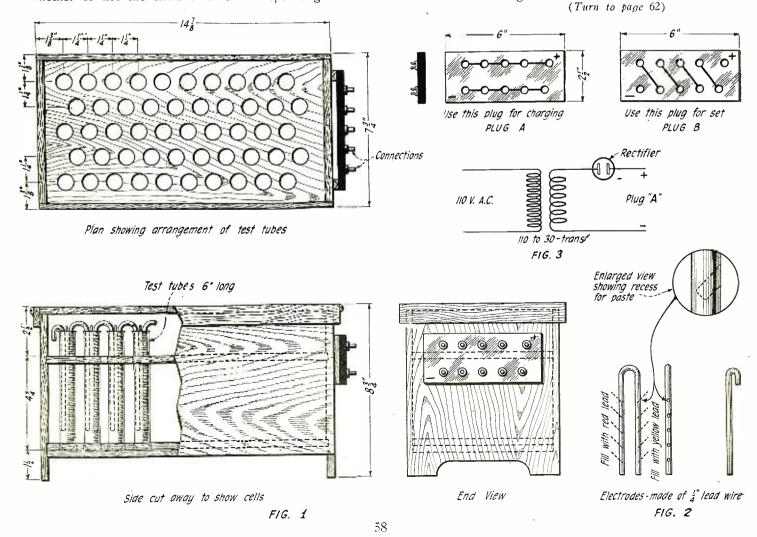
Why not make a simple, high voltage, small capacity source of power? It sounds easy, and if one follows the scent through the various types of primary cells, the voltaic pile, thermocouple generators and all, he finds that each one offers disadvantages, either due to internal or local action. Friction machines have been tried out and small motor-generator sets, but have been discarded as unsuitable.

In the storage battery field the nonacid battery was eliminated because it offered no particular advantages over the lead-acid cell, and the unit cell voltage is considerably lower than that of the lead-acid cell. The leadacid battery gives slightly better than two volts per cell and anyone familiar with regular storage batteries for automobile work, or for filament lighting, knows how to keep the cells in good operating condition.

To make the lead-acid cell there is required two lead plates and a dilute solution of sulphuric acid. If the lead peroxide plate and a plain lead plate are put into a dilute sulphuric acid solution a cell is formed with the peroxide plate at the higher potential. As the cell discharges, both plates are converted into lead sulphate (PbSO₄) at the expense of the acid radical in the sulphuric acid solution (H_2SO_4) . The action reversible and lead peroxide is reformed on the positive plate with pure spongy lead on the negative upon charging. The reactions are very complicated in nature, but the results may be expressed thus:

Equation expressing action during discharging $PbO_2 + H_2SO_4 - PbSO_4$ $+H_2O + O$ at the + plate and $Pb + H_2SO_4 - PbSO_4 + _2H$ at the negative plate.

Since the reactions are reversible. reading the equations from right to left shows the reactions during charging conditions.





How I Earn \$10000 a Week as a Radio Expert

A year ago I was mighty blue and dis-couraged. It seemed to me that I would never be more than a low-paid bank clerk. Of course I had a small increase in salary every now and then, but I knew that pretty I would reach my limit and there soon would be no further advancement for me. What future had I to look forward to? Where would I be in five years? I became restless and discouraged and began to look around for some other opportunity.

It was then that I discovered that the de-mand is for *trained men*, that the oppor-tunities are all for men who can do some There one thing better than anything else. were wonderful opportunities for men who were experts or specialists—but 1 was—a clerk. How I regretted then that I hadn't prepared myself for some definite career!

I Wanted to Marry

The thing that made me more restless at that time than anything else was the fact that Marian and I were—that is, we wanted to be married. But we both knew that we couldn't possibly get along on my small salary. If only there was something I could do that would bring me a larger salary!

It was just about the time that every-one became so interesed in radio. Our whole town became radio-mad, and of course what was happening in our town was happening all over the country—all over the world. I managed to save up enough to buy a receiving set and I was never quite so happy as when I was trying to tune in on stations.

The thing fascinated me. Playing with air waves! Bringing melodics and messages out of the sky! I was never so interested in anything before.

Marian was the first to sense the great opportunity. "Why don't you become a radio expert?" she said. "You like it, and I am sure there must be a big demand for

men who understand it. It's a new field and there's plenty of room for wide-awake men."

"But-but I'm not trained !" The thought excited me. To be a radio expert! To find my future in this fascinating new field! 'I don't know anything about it, Marian' said. "I wish I did, though." I said.

"Well, why don't you find out about it?" e retorted. "You can't learn about radio st by listening in to the concerts. Why she retorted. just by listening in to the concerts. don't you take a course?"

But we found out that most courses were expensive or that they would interfere with my other work. We were about discouraged when I discovered that through the Vational Radio Institute it is possible to become a radio expert by studying right at home in spare time. I told Marian about it and she was elated. "Send off for informa-tion, at once—today!" she exclaimed.

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years as a low-paid clerk in a bank. And Marian, who will soon be my bride, keeps saying, "I told you so!"

As a radio expert I can tell you that there is a tremendous demand for men who can build, sell and install radio sets, who can design, test, repair. Men are needed as operators, engineers and executives, all over the world. The opportunities are limit-less, and if you like radio there is no reason why you cannot qualify for one of these positions by studying in your spare time at home as I did.

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multiple. if a 25 or 30 volt B-battery charger is available.

Eleven pounds of $\frac{1}{4}$ " round lead wire will be needed for electrodes. Cut this, after straightening, into forty-five $11\frac{1}{2}$ " lengths and ten pieces 7" long. Drill or punch with a sharp tool five small holes in each end of the $11\frac{1}{2}$ " lengths, as indicated in figure 2. Punching is recommended, as it is faster and requires less care. Do not go clear through with the hole. These pockets are used to contain the paste used to assist in forming the plates.

At the drug store get about $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. of red lead C.P. and an equal weight of yellow lead C.P. and make these powders into pastes by mixing with dilute sulphuric acid. Use C.P. acid



and mix one part acid with four parts of water to make the pastes.

When the wire is clean use an old knife and press the red lead paste into the holes on one end of each piece and the yellow lead paste into the other end. Lay the hair-pin shaped electrodes aside for at least 24 hours so they will dry slowly. The short pieces are to be treated as above, except that half are made into "+" plates with red lead paste and half into "--" plates with yellow lead paste.

When all have dried out place them in the test tubes, being careful to keep all "+" ends of the plates to one hand and all "—" ends to the opposite hand. Put the single plates in their proper places in the end cells. To make the electrolyte, buy about a pint and a half of C.P. sulphuric acid, and in a fine stream slowly pour this into a glass or porcelain vessel, containing about three pints of distilled water. Danger! Never pour the water into the acid, because the heat generated will crack the glass vessel and may blow the acid into your eyes and face. The density should be between 1230 and 1240. If below 1230 add more acid slowly as before. If above 1240 add some distilled water very slowly. In either case let it cool again and take another reading.

To keep the electrolyte from creeping paint the tops of the test tubes and the V bend of the lead with molten paraffin or wax.

Connecting up the Battery and Filling

Put all the plates in the tubes and have the red lead plates to the right as shown in figure 1. Secure some lamp cord wire and untwist the twowires, using this to connect up the end cells to the connectors shown at the end of the battery. Solder a wire from each of the top connectors to each of the single "+" plates in the cells at the right end. Solder a wire from each of the bottom connectors to each of the single "-" plates in the cells at the left end and then brush over these soldered connections with moltenparaffin.

We are now ready to fill the tubes with the acid solution. Use the hydrometer for this purpose and fill all tubes evenly to a point about one inch from the top.

The battery is now ready for charging. On account of the relatively small area of the plates, a very small charging rate is recommended, not over .2 ampere per cell, or when charging the five rows in parallel, the charging rate should not exceed one ampere.

Charge the battery at this rate for twenty-four hours and it will show one hundred volts, or a little more, across outside terminals. Discharge through a 40-watt 110-volt lamp until the lamp ceases to glow and again charge for twenty-four hours. After repeating this for three or four days, the battery may be used all evening in the radio without a material drop in voltage.

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verized manganese dioxide mixed with sal-ammoniac and carbon which is rammed around the carbon rod. The container is filled almost to the top with this compound and the top is sealed with asphalt.

The voltage obtained from a dry cell varies between 1 and 2 volts depending on the type of cell. The standard cell in common use is one

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Resonant Wood insures ToneQuality having the elements and electrolyte described in the preceding paragraph. The voltage of this cell is 1.5 volts.

This cell is made in a variety of sizes depending upon the service requirement. If it is to supply a relatively large current of 1/4 ampere as is required for lighting the filament of a WD-11 dry cell tube, a large type of cell such as the one shown in the photograph is necessary.

PLATE OR "B" BATTERIES

The introduction of the present vacuum tube system in radio, necessitating a battery of from 20 to 40 volts for obtaining a source of voltage for the plate of the vacuum tube, has led

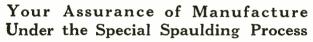
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to the adoption of a very neat and compact unit as a standard, consisting of 15 cells in an adding combination. This unit can be bought in a number of sizes, one of which weighs a little less than a pound. Its arrangement is indicated in the photograph which shows a partial section of one cell of the complete battery. Each cell consists of a zinc container which holds a carbon rod around which is molded the depolarizing mix wrapped in cheese cloth, in a cartridge form. The negative terminal is brought out in the form of a short wire soldered to the outside of the container and the positive wire is brought out from a brass cap pressed on to the top of the carbon



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rod after the cartridge is placed in the container, the space between is filled with electrolyte in the form of a flour paste and the cell is then sealed with a small amount of asphalt. The 15 cells are assembled in a pasteboard box lined with waterproof material and connected in an adding combination (that is, in series). The space between the cells is filled with sealing material to make the cells moisture-proof and for insulating one cell from the other. The top of the entire unit is again sealed with asphalt making a battery which combines long service with great compactness and small weight. The intermediate size plate battery has a life of over 500 hours in continuous operation in a vacuum tube set using only one UV-201A tube: that is, when supplying a current of .002 ampere (two one-thousandths of an ampere) which is the average plate current required by a tube. Larger size of plate, or "B" batteries as they are commonly called, will give a corresponding increase of life. These batteries are also sold with taps brought out at 16, $18\frac{1}{2}$, 19 and 21 volts as shown in the photograph to give the purchaser a means for a fine adjustment on the voltage applied to the plate. This is necessary when used on a soft detector tube.

The chief disadvantage of dry cells is their depreciation when not in use. This is due to impurities inherent in the zinc element which cause local electrolytic action on the zinc plate, resulting in the wasting away of the zinc. For this reason, cells should never be relied on for periods longer than 12 months after their manufacture even if they were not in use and the purchaser of a new cell should always look on the cover for the date when manufactured.

"Production of Electric Current" will be continued in a future issue of "Wireless Age." The subjects treated will be storage batteries, mechanical devices, generators, motors and motor-generators.

A Letter from a South American Humorist

SENOR EDITOR JEFE of Wire-LESS AGE amigo mio, since coming to your pure and holy country as secretario to our venezulean pugilist i read much about white slavery and thought at first that this meant the prohibition that has been depended on your oculars, but the other evening i listened to one of your escaciones difusoras and heard your silver tongued annoncerio, j andrew white, describing the firpo dempsey controversy, and now i know what white slavery is, but yet i cannot understand why white is so willing to suffer it; please enlighten me. jorje clairek.

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for a minute, and the technical staff must run the gauntlet. Nor is that ail. The broadcasters are blamed, not only for their actual failures, but for mishaps over which they have no control and of which they are not even aware. A violet ray machine or a leaky high tension line, interfering with reception in some remote backwoods, brings down a shower of denunciation on the technical martyrs whose cause I have the honor to plead. If they were not such patient and public-spirited individuals they would, on some disastrous night, take the bias off the modulator grids, turn the grid control up to the explosion point, pour molasses into the microphones, beat up the announcers, and jump off the towers to their just reward.

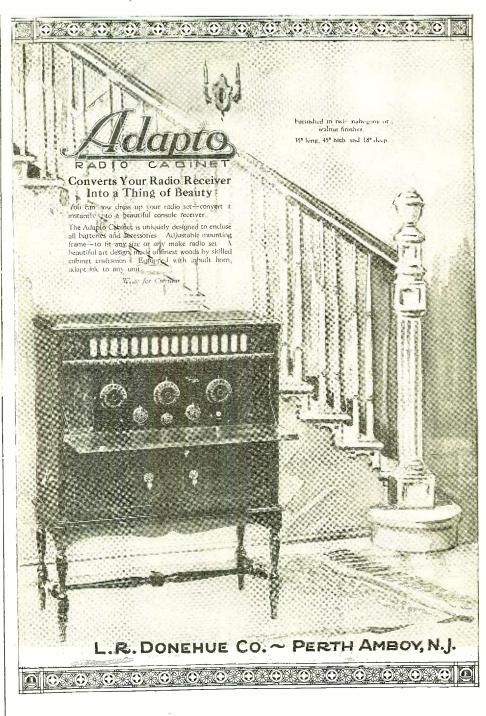
It would be impossible, in the time allotted to this discourse, to give a complete list of all the privations to which the broadcast operator falls victim. and, if I continue, I fear that I shall burst into language so strong that my own colleagues will take me away. I have, however, a novel and original plan for remedying the evils of this situation, and averting the catastrophes at which I have hinted. This plan I now take great pleasure in presenting to my readers.

The fundamental trouble, I have become convinced after long and prayerful study, is with the listeners. If there were no listeners it would be easy to run a broadcasting station. Anything could be put out on the air without danger of libel suits, for there would be nobody to hear it. The impresario of the program division would not have to cudgel his brains and impair his health in pursuit of interesting program features, for one event would be just as interesting as another. The engineers would not have to worry about the modulation, for it could sound like ten dog fights for all the harm it would be doing. The engineers could, in facts, leave the sets and play mah jong or blackjack; and no doubt that is just what they would do.

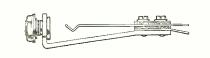
Clearly, therefore, the listeners must be eliminated. But, ladies and gentlemen and good children, do not be alarmed. I am not preaching a crusade for the violent extermination of broadcast listeners. Such a consummation, in fact, would shock and distress me more than anyone else. The solution, on the contrary, is at the transmitting end. My years of engineering experience and sleepless nights devoted to intense thought have brought me the answer. The thing to do is to build a broadcasting station, complete in every detail, but without an aerial. A broadcasting station to be run in vacuum, so to speak, and purely for the pleasure of the operating staff. I now close with an urgent appeal for funds for the immediate erection of such a station. Five million dollars will do nicely. Good night, and thank you kindly.

Modifying the Reinartz (Continued from page 41)

speaking radius is approximately 1,000 nules, under average conditions. Loudspeaking with this hook-up is particularly satisfying, for with good transformers such as the Amertran or Acme there is practically no distortion in the second stage. The only difficulty is that local stations come in so strongly on the second stage that the volume is too great to be handled by a Baldwin



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unit. In my opinion a well built three tube set using this circuit leaves nothing to be desired in the way of sensitivity, volume, clarity and ease of tuning, and its selectivity is surpassed only by such sets as the Superdyne and Neutrodyne, and of course, the Super-heterodyne.

In experimenting with this circuit various combinations of apparatus have been used in the different sets, such as different forms of inductance, different types of condenser, different makes of variometer and different values of grid leak and grid condenser. The only general rules to be drawn are that the higher grade the apparatus and the more nearly it approaches the "low loss" condition, the better the set will perform. Very good results have been secured using a spider web coil for the tuning inductance. The type of variometer makes no real difference, although each different variometer gives slightly different control characteristics. The nicest control was obtained using a moulded (Manhattan) variometer, which has a very high inductance. With this variometer an interesting variation in set construction was also possible, in that the instrument was secured to the panel upside down and a binding-post panel made by fastening a small strip of bakelite to the projection intended for a base mounting of the instrument. The variable grid leak was found to possess no advantages over the fixed leak. However, a vernier control over the condenser is essential, either by means of a vernier plate or vernier dial-one method is as good as the other. In no case was shielding found to be necessary, since there is an absolute lack of body capacity when good apparatus is used.

Excellent results have been secured using the 201-A tubes, with which it was noted that 45 volts on the detector tube resulted in appreciably greater volume and selectivity. The UV-200 detector has also given splendid results. No undesirable coupling effects seem to exist between the tuning inductance and the plate variometer, so that the positioning of the apparatus is relatively unimportant.

Naturally this set must not be con-sidered a "record breaker" for it is after all only a very good regenerative receiver. Thus, under favorable con-ditions it has brought the west coast stations into Chicago and it has shown a log of thirty-five distant stations in one night. In August, 1924, a threetube set of this construction brought in twenty-five distant stations, fifteen on the loud speaker, and it has given loud speaker reception of Davenport at noon, in bright sunlight. The point is that it is one of the simplest and best of the regenerative circuits and may be relied on for the most consistent type of performance.

Low Loss Receiver (Continued from page 35)

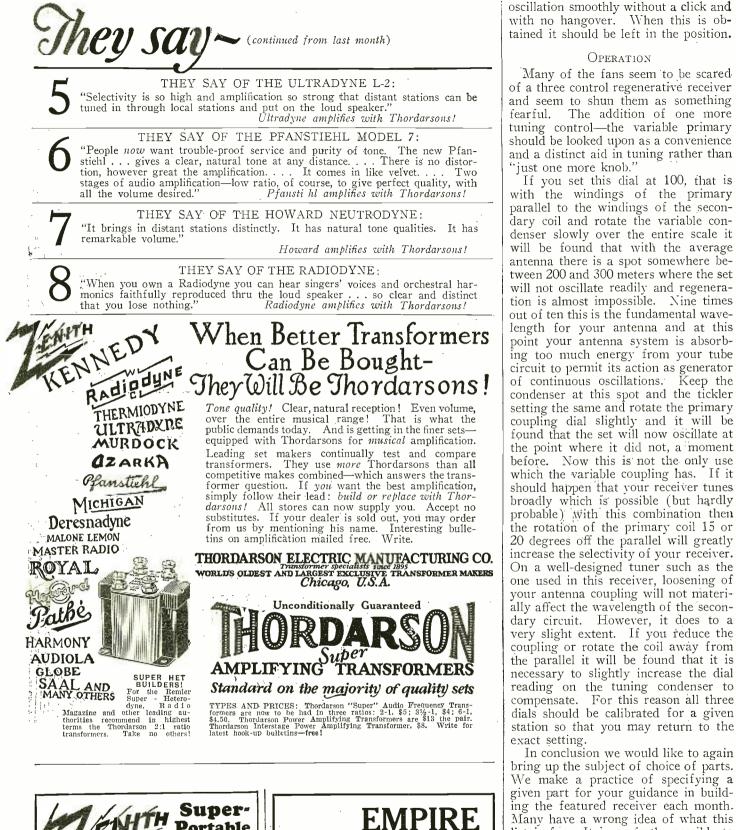
nections and greatly simplifies the wiring. The lead running along the top of the low loss tuner terminal strip to the Bradleystat as shown in the accompanying illustrations is the A minus lead and all returns are made to this lead, and it is finally grounded by a strap connection to the ground binding post wherever convenient. In making this connection, run one piece of bus wire from the farthest Bradleystat to the ground terminal on the low loss tuner. Then take all connections which should go to this minus A line, off from this one main lead.

We prefer to use in an audio frequency amplifier single closed circuit jacks for cutting in the phones at various stations. If wired according to the diagram, they work just as well as double circuit jacks and are much easier to connect up. When the phones are plugged in the jack, the transformer of the following stage is automatically disconnected. We always make a practise of connecting the framework of the jack to the positive of the B battery in every instance and likewise the top contact of the jack to the plate of the preceding tube. This provides a standard and it is just as well to make as many things as possible standard in your set. By connecting the jack in this manner you have a ready means of testing your B battery voltage by placing one contact of the voltmeter on the jack and the other on the filament switch. This is a more correct method of testing batteries than by taking a reading directly across the batteries themselves as it indicates exactly what the working voltage of your battery is at the set itself. You may have 45 volts in the B battery under the table, but after passing through some high resistance leads connections and contacts it may be anything from 38 to 40 volts by the time it reaches your tubes. If you stop to realize how many connections the battery current must go through in order to reach your tube, you will exercise more care in making clean-cut connections, soldering where possible, and eliminating all useless resistance. Notice the location of the Bradlevleak fastened to the baseboard of the set near the grid terminal of the detector tube socket. This excellent gridleak is now being supplied with a .00025 mfd. Dubilier Micadon condenser which fits directly across its terminals. This makes the unit complete, for one needs only to use this variable gridleak with a stubborn detector tube in order to appreciate the value of a good variable gridleak. This leak should be turned all the way out, and the tickler rotated until the set goes into oscillation. Now turn the gridleak "in" which decreases its resistance until the set goes into



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In conclusion we would like to again bring up the subject of choice of parts. We make a practice of specifying a given part for your guidance in building the featured receiver each month. Many have a wrong idea of what this list is for. It is perfectly possible to build up this receiver using apparatus (other than that specified), in every single instance from the tuner to the panel itself and have it work well providing good material is used, but for the benefit of the many fans who cannot readily recognize efficient apparatus from apparatus which is otherwise, we print a list of materials to be used in building the set.



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The Children's Hour (Continued from page 33)

er of the "Children's Hour" programs is Billy Osborne, a ten-year-old from New Brunswick, New Jersey. His mother calls him "The Boy Outlaw of the New Jersey Woods" for by prowling about in the woods he has learned the bird-calls and songs of "Bob-White," "Whip-poor-will," the "White-throated Sparrow," the "Bobo-link," and a dozen other birds whose notes he can reproduce with such accuracy that the birds themselves answer him. It is practically impossible to distinguish his voice from the voice of the bird whom he is imitating.

Florence Hines' voice is so beautiful that when she is singing people frequently phone the studio protesting that a grown woman is being introduced as a child. Her voice is the rich, strong soprano of a woman who has been studying for years and as she is only ten years old now one can imagine the future which lies before her. Florence has had the honor of singing before President Coolidge in Washington and when her voice has received the training which is promised her she will probably be singing before the crowned heads of Europe as well.

One might go on almost indefinitely talking about these children. Constance Campbell, a nine-year-old prima donna of Great Neck, Long Island has achieved success on the stage in benefits in which Broadway stars have also appeared. She is a great little character actress and her comics are always received with enthusiasm.

Nathalia Crane has a nation-wide reputation as a poet, for at the age of eleven she already has to her credit a volume entitled, "The Janitor's Boy" which is now in its fourth edition, as well as another volume called, "So and So Verses." She is a favorite at WIZ for she recites her own unique verses for her listeners-in.

But no children's hour could be complete without a real baby and the infant of the Sunday morning entertainment is little Betty Sargent a fouryear-old wonder who both sings and recites with the most perfect self-possession. For her the transmitter has none of the terrors which confront her elders who realize its possibilities. She adores Mr. Smith and he adores her.

One might go on almost indefinitely for each Sunday brings new prodigies to the studios. All these that I have mentioned were discovered in the first three months. Besides the entertain-ment which they give, the "Children's Hour" also includes a reading of part of an editorial and the interpretation of the comics in that day's paper so that the parents may sleep undisturbed and not have little folks clamoring to have the funny pages read to them.



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Anna Diamond, pianist, who, at nine years of age, will give her first recital at Aeolian Hall in February

For the program as a whole Mr. Smith says, "The fact that the program is presented by children is an inspiration in itself to the youngsters who listen-in. For instance: The children hear a young girl of ten years old who possesses a very attractive soprano voice. Any child with a promising voice also wants to improve her voice, to sing just as well as the singer she heard over the radio. One of the greatest difficulties of having a child broadcast is that most of them desire to sing popular songs. They all seem to think that is the best way to test their merits, but it is not the popular song that appeals on Sunday mornings, and the most effective songs are those of the lullaby and other old-fashioned types."

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When the "Children's Hour" first

started it was given in the evening as a bed-time story with such people as

Thornton Burgess, himself at the mi-crophone but Mr. Smith's conviction was that this did not meet the needs nor the desires of the children and in fact, when it was discontinued practically no protests were entered. Now the Sunday morning program frequent-

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Mr. Smith is putting so much thought on the work of this very unusual broadcasting feature that it will undoubtedly become one of the most valuable hours of any studio. In fact, WJZ has already asked him to double the length of his entertainment.

Child Thespians are presenting plays in the Woodshed Theater over WLS, Chicago, The Woodshed Theater is a mythical playhouse which Ford Rush and Glenn Rowell built in their imagination during the Lullaby Hour Period, doing the job piece by piece until it was announced to the boy and girl radio fans that the Woodshed Theater was ready for the opening performance and that the actors and actresses would be members of the WLS Lullaby Tots club. There soon was a rush to the WLS studio in the Hotel Sherman, and after rehearsals under the direction of Harry Sadler, the first playlet, "Robinson Crusoe's Princess," was produced over the radio. On the evening of November 13th, "Going to School in Mother Gooseland" was the attraction. Since then "Mr. and Mrs. Robin Find a Winter Home, "The Sleeping Beauty," and other playlets have been broadcast from WLS.

Radio Apartments (Continued from page 47)

ing stations, and at any time the tenant may push in a plug and be connected with any one of these three. A fourth apparatus Kerr keeps free for special requests and can "get" any station. Meanwhile the tenant down in his

Meanwhile the tenant down in his sitting rooms sits, as I sat, with the best the world has to offer at his elbow. If he wants one of the three local broadcasting stations he puts the plug into that one of the three holes that corresponds and gets his desired program. But he is not limited to these three. Suppose he wants any other station, local or far away, he has only to telephone up to the control operator and tell him, for instance that he wauts XYZ—Los Angeles; then push his plug into the fourth hole and in a moment Los Angeles' best orchestra is playing for him.

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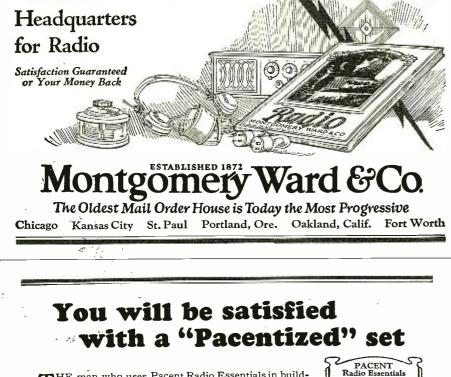
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Classified Ads

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of us in on the company. I didn't let anybody in that I absolutely didn't have to, naturally-and I was looking over the list this afternon, where we stopped for lunch and I find there's just thirteen. Rockefeller, Morgan, Armour, the Goulds-well, never mind who they are; but I swear that number's why I landed in that mudhole today."

"Take another in, and make it fourteen," says I.

He laughed.

'Ah—very likely," he says, wagging head. "No thanks. We don't his head. want to split a plum like this any more ways than we have to. The only way I'd do it would be to take on a dummy -just a nominal shareholder-twenty thousand dollars, or so; and, of course, nobody I know'd bother with chicken feed like that.'

"I would," says I, not having poured my liquor into any palm trees.

He didn't seem to hear me.

"I would!"

"Eh?" demands Mr. Davidson, coming out of a brown study. "You would what?"

In order to save as many of these ten-cents-per-agate lines as possible, I will sum up what subsequently happened by stating that when Mr. Davidson left my place the next morning, he also left a beautiful certificate for five shares in the Sunset Oil Corporation, and carried with him my check for twenty thousand dollars, which he cashed at the Acacia National Bank as he passed through that city on his way to Red Dog and the border.

Bait! Bait! BAIT! For suckers, a specialty—Jim's Sporting Goods Emporium, Hazel Street.---Advt.

I am sorry not to be regaling my readers with jokes and descriptions of the local scenery, like F. R. Buckley and all them Western authors do, but you have got to remember that whereas they get paid more, the more they write, I am paying out the price of a good healthy heifer to get even a plain bald statement before the public.

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Excuse me, accordingly if I kind of skip over my going to bed after Mr. Davidson's departure; waking up with a bad headache at four o'clock in the

a bad headache at four o'clock in the afternoon; finding a perfect stranger in a red shirt waiting for me; and riding with the said perfect stranger who claimed to be Angus McGregor's deputy—to the city of Red Dog.

Owing to one circumstance and another my recent sociability being the principal cause—we were easily half way there before I even summoned enough ambition to ask what Angus wanted with me; and then either the deputy didn't tell me much, or I didn't understand what he did tell me, probably the latter.

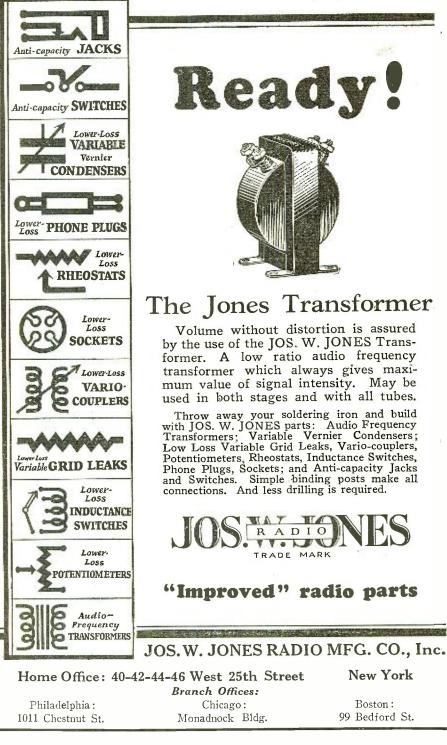
Ányhow, nobody could possibly have been more surprised than I was when we suddenly came across Mr. Davidson's yellow racing car standing idle by the side of the trail; and when, arriving at Angus McGregor's house, we found Mr. Davidson himself, not to mention his valet, sitting in two chairs with Angus between them and the door. Apparently, no violence had taken place theretofore; but my entrance seemed to apply what you might call a spark to the dynamite. Just as I pushed open the door, Mr. Davidson jumped to his feet with a kind of snarl, simultaneously reaching for his hippocket; and at that same instant, Angus McGregor did a Brodie over the table and hit the financier and his henchman simultaneously under the jaw. He fell. So did the valet, or secretary, or whoever he was-tipped over backward out of his chair and lay with his head in the ashes of the fireplace, howling like a motherless calf.

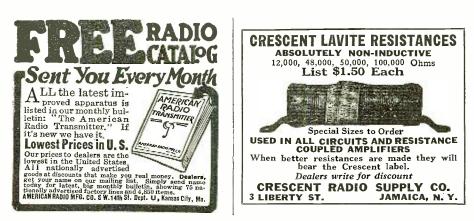
"Sold you some oil stock, didn't he?" asked Angus McGregor, recovering his balance and licking his knuckles. "Wasn't that your check for twenty thousand he was cashing at the Acacia National this morning?"

I suppose my dropped jaw gave consent. Anyhow, Angus picked up the leather grip that reposed under the chair recently vacated by Mr. Davidson, jerked a bunch of keys out of Mr. Davidson's pocket, unlocked it, and handed me a package of twenty thousand-dollar bills.

"This bird's wanted in four states, for usin' the mails to defraud," says Angus. "Alarm for him went out last night. He was makin' his getaway when he ran into you. Illegal for me to be givin' you your money back like this. Say nothin' about it. You're responsible for the capture in a way. I was over at the bank this mornin', gettin' one of my own checks cashed, an' heard him mention your name. Looked at him. Recognized him from the description. Remembered twenty thousand was just the amount you were goin' to leave Mary in your will."

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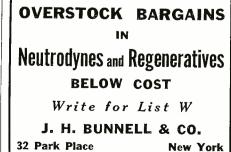




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"I—was tryin' to quadruple it for her," says I. "Why—why didn't you arrest the guy then and there?"

"I'm under bond. No false arrests. Wanted you to identify him."

"But if his car hadn't broken down, he'd be in Mexico by this time!"

"I put sugar in his gasoline while he was in the bank. Kills the engine after five miles or so. Then happened to come by with a led horse."

Well, I didn't say anything; some gratitude is too deep for words. But first I took a violent grip of my grandson-in-law's hands; and then I telephoned Mary a full and complete account of the affair. She seemed kind of tremulous when I'd finished; and remarked, with a desperate endeavor to be casual, that she would be down on the next train. When I told this to Mr. McGregor, he in his turn took a violent grip of my hands.

For the next ten minutes after that, we both were busy taking violent grips of the hands and the throats of Mr. Davidson and his valet, who seemed to be laboring under the delusion that, having been duly and legally knocked out, all they had to do was get up and shoot us with pocket-revolvers. The deputy had to come and help us to convince them that such wasn't the case.

I suppose this fracas, and the subsequent excitement of getting the two prisoners to the town lockup, was the reason why I didn't ask Angus any questions. However, Mary, who claims to be so smart, had been in the house a full ten minutes before she said anything either except "My Darling!" and such beside-the-point remarks. Gosh, what a reconciliation that was! Wonderful what young folks' ribs will stand.

"You'd never have thought of putting sugar in his gasoline if your mind had been full of that horrid radio business," says Mary triumphantly. "By the way—how did you get the alarm and the description of the man, if it was only sent out from Chicago last night?"

There was a terrible silence.

There was some more terrible silence, during which second instalment, Mr. McGregor started to go red from the neck up.

As he abandoned this pastime and began to go green instead, Mary gave him one blazing look, threw open the door of the inner room, and disclosed —a much bigger radio set than the one he'd smashed, all set up and shining on a table! There was a mirror on the inside of the bedroom door, too; and as she turned around to take a look at the shrinking Angus, she perceived that right bang across the back of her new vermilion silk waist, which she'd put on in honor of the heroic husband, there was a great big greenish stain in the shape of a human hand.

Davidson, when he fell for the fourth or fifth time, had knocked over a bunch of little boxes which I since learned were storage batteries. When Mary arrived, Angus had been busy wiping up a lot of water that'd run out of them. I have since learned that this water was sulphuric acid. "You-" hissed Mary.

But at that moment, as I have since learned, she felt the sulphuric acid of that handprint quit work on her blouse, and start in on her back.

She therefore ceased to talk, and started to walk. She walked out of that house, and she walked down to the railroad station, and she took Number 17 home.

Having followed her thither, and being mindful of the return of my twenty thousand dollars, I took the risk of interrupting a two-hour crying-spell to plead with her on Mr. McGregor's behalf, pointing out as a grand peroration, the dangers of his trade or profession.

"I don't care !" storms Mary in reply to this. "I don't care if he's stabled, strangled, stunned, or run over by wild horses. 1 don't care if he's drowned in molten lead. I don't care if he's shot till he looks like one of his own honeycomb coils. I don't care-

She went on for some time like that; but the upshot of it was that she wouldn't return.

And I hope this \$27.50 I've spent will keep you Red Dogs from any further wondering why not.

EDITOR'S NOTE: While out buying groceries with the proceeds of the above classified advertisement, ye Editor figured to drop in on our genial townsman and sheriff, Angus McGregor; who, as is well known, scalded both of his hands while endeavoring to make coffee for himself in a percolator vesterday.

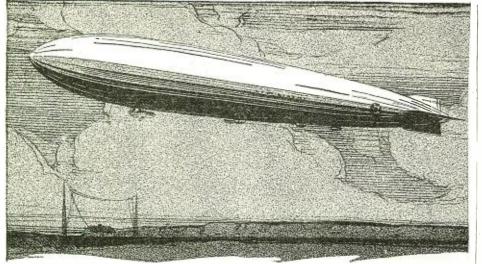
Ye Editor was pleased and surprised to find that the news of this accident had reached Prairie Dog, and that Mrs. Angus McGregor had arrived to nurse her injured husband, wearing a hand-some vermilion silk blouse with a large sailor collar of black silk hanging down the back. According to our genial medico, Dr. Brewer-whose advertisement of a car for sale appears in these columns-anxiety had made Mrs. McGregor slightly hysterical, but on being reassured that Mr. McGregor would live, she recovered, and spent last evening manipulating the dials of our competent, but bandaged sheriff's radio set.

"It really is remarkable," said Mrs. McGregor to ye Editor. "We got Pittsburgh as clear as a bell, and after Angus had gone to bed, about four o'clock this morning, I'm just certain I heard New Zealand. I'm going to try it again tonight.'



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Makers of Dots and Dashes By PIERRE BOUCHERON

I RECENTLY learned that General Harbord, although a soldier most of his life, actually started his career as a telegraph operator back in 1884. It was at the railroad station of St. George, Kansas, on the Kansas division of the Union Pacific. He was substitute night operator; the call of the station was "RG," and the salary \$40 a month. Later, the future General taught telegraphy at Kansas State Agricultural College. He was also a lineman on occasion.

It may or may not be significant that a great many distinguished Americans began as telegraph operators. A few in this galaxy of stars are Andrew Carnegie, Thos. A. Edison, Frank A. Munsey, Edwin M. Herr, David Sarnoff, Colonel Robert Ewing, James M. Crea, R. C. Clowry, William Gillette. One meets "ex-brass pounders" in every walk of life; there are thousands of them.

This great brotherhood of Morsemen holds closer ties perhaps than any other profession. Whether still operator or not, one has an immediate feeling of warmth toward the stranger who knows the meaning of "73," of "on," of "os." I have seen at least two of the above stars stand close to the sounder of a chance telegraph office and, almost surreptitiously, read the stuff going on over the wire—this, years after they had ticked off their last official "ok" to a message.

I saw a strange light come to the eyes of these big men. And when I dropped my gaze down to their right hands, I thought I detected the unconscious movement of the first three fingers to the "Catlin grip" position. I have even seen one, great man though he was, almost beg the humble telegrapher in charge to let him send a regular message again—"just to see if I can still use the fist."

John Stone-Stone

(*Continued from page* 31) working for telephony and telegraphy, and after that in radio broadcasting.

Dr. Stone was born Sept. 24, 1869, of American parents within the shadow of the Khedive's palace in Egypt—his father holding an official position in connection with the educational projects of the Egyptian ruler. In after years it was rather startling to hear from the office of this profound investigator a sudden series of exclamations in guttural language, percolate through the door whenever results were not coming as they should! Dr. Stone's earlier education led him finally to Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, where he met and knew intimately Major-General George O. Squier who since has developed line radio for "narrow casting" purposes. _____

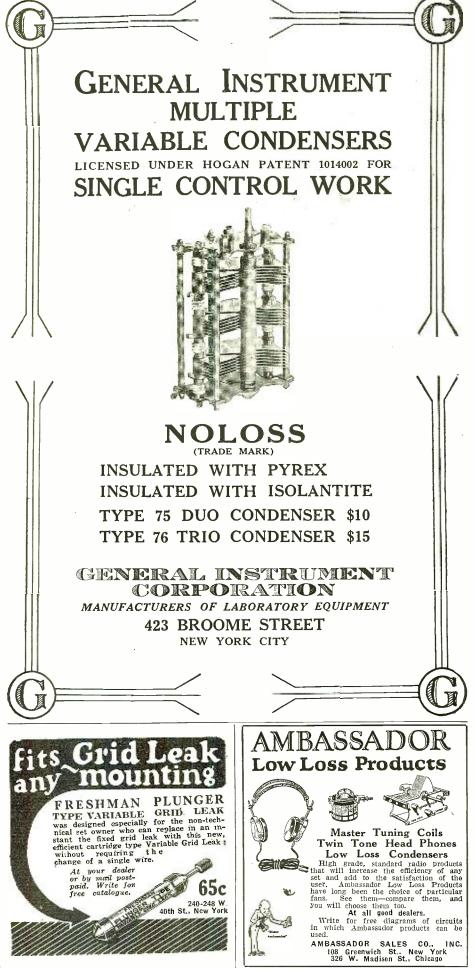
Both these investigators were pupils of the famous professor, Henry A. Rowland, who experimentally proved that a moving electric charge is equivalent to an electric current in all respects, thus crowning the edifice which Maxwell had built years before and which is at the basis of all radio engineering.

Dr. Stone, about 1890 was employed as research engineer by the A. T. and T. Company where his marvelous grasp of the mathematical processes of the differential calculus led him to master the almost impossible methods used by Oliver Heaviside in England. The chief difficulty of Heaviside's methods was that he took an impish delight in solving some profoundly obscure problem in electric transmission of impulses by means of a new method which he called "the operational method." He meant by this that instead of treating symbols to represent quantities that he treated them to represent mathematical operations. He discovered the laws of these operations, but gave no general justification for his system in the form of a detailed and exhaustive proof. It was very exasperating to those who tried to follow him.

Stone, however, in spite of these difficulties filled out the missing proof for his own brilliant researches and got into communication with Heaviside. This rather "porcupinish" English genius came out of his retreat and actually sent a letter of almost tearful appreciation to Stone hailing him as the first one to really appreciate his work.

In blazing this trail for all subsequent mathematical physicists, Stone found that the method was so concise that the chief difficulty after the prob-lem was solved in the form of "operational equations" was to interpret the results and narrow them down to a particular case. All those who followed the method had a great advantage over their contemporaries using the older methods, and it is only recently that engineers like Fry in the Western Electric Company, Carson in the A. T. & T. Company, Nicholson and a few others have used the methods employed by Stone and his assistants twenty years ago.

The result of Stone's work was that he became very much interested in the question of simultaneous telegraphy and telephony by means of what we now call "carrier waves." One of the earliest patents on this problem caused an interference between the French engineers Hutin and LeBlanc, Michael Pupin and Stone. After an incomplete prosecution short of the highest court the case was dropped for financial reasons. It is interesting to note that at this early date—about 1893 there was a difference of opinion



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among experts as to what was meant precisely by "resonance." On the one side was Dr. Kennelly of Harvard and on the other side was Stone. The latter maintained that from a physical standpoint, the frequency of resonance was that at which the maximum current occurred in a tuned circuit. The former maintained that the resonant frequency was that at which the condenser reactance equaled the inductor reactance. These questions are not of serious engineering importance today, but a great deal hinged on them in this classical suit.

We thus see that Stone is one of the precursors of "wired-wireless" now so successfully used for telephony between two important cities in the United States where five simultaneous telephone messages are sent through wire and cable circuits by the use of five separate carrier waves of inaudible frequencies.

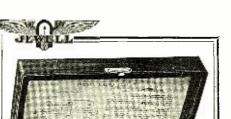
Again, we find that Stone as a pioneer had the talent to solve the most difficult mathematical problem then before the world of radio investigators; that is, the problem of the performance of two coupled circuits including resistance of radiation from the antenna, and even the skin-effect in the circuit. This work unfortunately was never published, but was checked up afterwards to the work of Max Wien who had also become interested in the question of coupled circuits. The result of this work was that Stone in 1906 was tuning out frequencies using spark transmission when the difference between these frequencies was as small at 3 per cent.!

Another early investigation of Stone's which showed his vision, is that which he undertook in collaboration with Dr. Ladd of Boston about 1900 in direction finding by means of experiments made with extremely short waves of about the same length as those used by Hertz in his famous experiments. The power used by Stone was far too small to give the results which have recently been obtained by Franklin and Marconi using C.W., but the methods used were the same and the results over short distances were practically what we have today over longer distances

These experiments using dampedwaves led Stone to develop his transmission system whereby the energy from the "Whip-crack" circuit was stored in a second circuit having very small damping. This circuit together with the famous "intermediate" or "weeding-out" circuit gave Stone just as small a damping in his transmitter (down to .02) as he desired and for receivers he reduced his damping to a fraction of the above amount at even these early dates in laboratory experiments.

The patents granted him could have been used to apply to the entire art

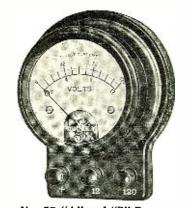
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of transmission and reception if he had so chosen, but he was too engrossed in the science to bother with the commercial aspect of radio. His accomplishments were made possible to some extent from the fact that he was the only worker at the head of an organized company who seemed to have a clear idea of all the factors which determined "selectivity" in the circuit. What is even more important in regard to early receiver design is the fact that he was able to show the connection between selectivity and great persistency in the wave-train of a circuit in regard to the sharpness of tuning obtainable with it. A great many modern so-called wave traps are nothing but Stone's weeding-out circuit under different forms.

Stone did some of the earliest work in the country on stationary waves on wires and, together with the writer of this article, got out the first direction finder by means of radio waves without "swinging" the ship. This was done by stationary waves on a kind of dephasing device by which electrical angles were measured instead of turning the ship.

In 1904 Stone at St. Louis delivered some papers before the International Electric Congress and the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers in 1905 at Montreal. He also read papers before the Society of Wireless Telegraph Engineers and Institute of Radio Engineers. He was awarded the Edward Longstreth Medal by the Franklin Institute in 1913 and the Medal of Honor of the Institute of Radio Engineers in 1923.

Among the useful inventions which were used by operators and developed under Stone, there are found a practical "break" system, so that operators may interrupt each other even when using as high as fifteen K.W. input. Closely related to this was a patent by which the usual lowering of voltage in a transmitting room from 110 to about 40 with the key down was done away with. By obtaining what is known as "unity power-factor," Stone found that his apparatus acted as a pure resistance load and did not either magnetize nor demagnetize the field of his A.C. generator. The net result was that in 1907 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard with George Davis as chief operator at the station called "PT" it was possible to throw on a full load of 15 K.W. and see the voltage change only from 112 to $110\frac{1}{2}$.

Another interesting apparatus which was successfully tried out before (then) Commander S. S. Robison of the U. S. Navy, was a secrecy-sender by which a message could be delivered without much possibility of an enemy "listening in." This device had a transmitter which sent out a continuous No. 3 of a series of 10 "FILTER FACTS" Fallow them thru monthly

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"nonsense message" on about 600 meters and alternate signals as dots and dashes at 570 and 630 meters respectively. The receiver was tuned to both these latter frequencies and ex-cluded the "nonsense frequency." But alas, it had fourteen adjustments. These all had to be set by calculation so as to be simultaneously correct. Cut-and-try methods simply worked in a circle and produced chaos!

In quoting the above instances of very early work demanding a knowledge of how to obtain high selectivity and pure waves twenty years ago, it is merely desired to emphasize the fact that the natural genius and sincerity of this investigator led him to avoid the temptations of a very active stock market, based upon radio, which was then at high tide.

Perhaps the one outstanding short and sharp achievement which Stone has left to the radio art is the fact that he pointed out that close coupling is the inveterate enemy of sharp tuning and pure radiation and he not only showed why this was so, but he showed exhaustively how all the various factors which entered into this condition are related. He not only answered the question "in what way?" but he also answered the question "to what degree?" No engineer can do more.

It is impossible in a brief article to describe the more than one hundred patents granted to Dr. Stone. Many of them were transferred to the A. T. and T. Company some years ago, and today have run out. Stone was the first to point out to those interested what an ideal telephone repeater the vacuum tube would be; as he had been working on the original problem of the repeater with Dr. White back in the early 90's.

To the men who worked with Stone. namely Sewall Cabot. Fred Holster, Ernest R. Cram, George H. Clark, and the writer, his personality as a cos-mopolite, his polish as a man of the world, his personal magnetism and his remarkable powers of analysis have been sources of inspiration in all their subsequent professional work.

Dr. Stone was one of the first to examine the question of an auxiliary language for engineers and other professional men in 1905 when the great physical chemist, Ostwald came to the United States as the champion of Esperanto. Unfortunately both Ostwald and Stone decided that it was too unscientific and uncouth in appearance and pronunciation to be of service. They both have gone over to the younger and more carefully developed system called Ilo (Ido) and Dr. Stone is now, together with Mr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, an honorary president of the Radio Auxiliary International Language Society with headquarters

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"England herself only recently cleared her skirts of this political hamper to radio and has developed enormously in radio broadcasting since that time. Because of considerable interference only the Parisian listeners-in hear at all well; and the listeners-in over the rest of France haven't very much success. This is extremely prejudicial to the best interests of radio, and it is probably just as well that the country districts are not yet thinking of radio very much, since the service is pretty poor.

"Next year an international conference is going to meet to agree upon wave lengths, and undoubtedly much of the same broad-minded clearing up of interference will take place in Europe that has taken place in the United States.

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column, with an ambiguous heading giving space to radio, 'For Radio Amateurs.' As a rule only three stations are mentioned—'Radio-Paris,' which has a wave length of 1780 meters; Eiffel Tower with a wave length of 2600, and Ecoles des Postes with a wave length of 450 meters. These programs are set in the smallest type used in the newspaper, located in an inconspicuous corner, and certainly do little to stimulate radio interest."

"What are the programs they broadcast?"

"Well, for instance, at 12:45 Radio-Paris has some orchestra music; at 1:45 a news bulletin; at 4:45 some concert of the music of Wagner, Saint-Saëns, Massenet; at 5:45 news bulletins; at 8:30 some more news bulletins; and at 9:30 P. M. dance music. The Ecoles des Postes broadcast the Jaures' memorial ceremony outdoors at the Pantheon and various other places. At 2 P. M. a speech by M. Herriot. All three stations give news bulletins more frequently than anything else, which again illustrates the Parisian and French character-the constant overshadowing interest in politics.

"In America news material is definitely stale and undesired as radio material, except for selected special events. We Americans prefer our newspapers for the news, and look to radio for entertainment, music and in-The Frenchman, on the struction. other hand, is so primarily politicalminded that when the program says 'News Bulletin' it means, to a large extent, political news, for the Frenchman has not a great deal of interest in the news of other countries, excepting where it rather definitely impinges upon French interests or concerns French international diplomatic controversies.

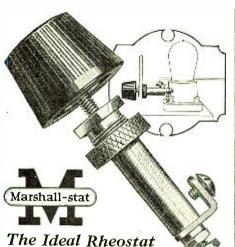
"Another thing that seems entirely absent in French broadcasting is the famous American bedtime story. French children apparently still have this thrill coming to them.

"It certainly will not do, however, to cast any slight upon French genius and character in respect to radio, for already something is developing which may give to the world some of France's best genius in relation to radio. A number of men, one of them a chief of a modern broadcasting station, is working up technique and interest in 'A Wireless Theater.' This is Gabriel Germinet, who is collaborating with Pierre Cusy, a writer who has several novels to his credit, written while wounded, and who is Chevalier of the Legion of Honor. Germinet hopes to develop a theatrical technique which will enable the listener-in to thoroughly enjoy a theatrical performance via radio. The French genius for the theater is thus tackling a problem that is within its sphere, and we may hear

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"Special mechanical devices and ingenious methods were used for the onomatopoeic sounds (the imitations of noises), peculiar to the play's location and action. In fact, in this new theatrical art of radio plays, there is, of course, no scenery — all is sound. Therefore, the various means of making sound are important, and a radio playwright has naturally to learn and devise many new things. A sea play, with the action laid on shipboard, offers many unique sound possibilities. A saxaphone was used for the roaring of the sea in a storm; and a piece of silk stretched taut, and played upon violin fashion made a perfect imitation of the wind swishing through the rigging. No wonder that not only the radio listeners, but even some of the newspapers were taken in for a while -they really believed that the broadcasting was done on shipboard. The Parisian newspapers wrote ecstatic blurbs about the play, and a great many letters were received from fans enthusiastic over the new art.

"You see, the French are great theater-goers, and love the spectacularly dramatic. If this new radio theater art can be put across, and playwrights developed who will be able to make artistic use of radio technique, we may see a new dramatic development as important as the movie. The movie, after all, appeals to but one of the senses, sight; which misses all the inflections and drama that lie in sound—in spoken words. Radio can have words and also sounds of other kinds.

"A book is being prepared on the subject, and not only the wireless field, but also the theatrical field is much interested. In *'Comoedia'* a well known French theatrical paper. Max Frantel said after the première of 'Maremoto': 'In a few years we shall be proud to say that we were at the first presentation of this first radio play. The radio papers likewise had lively reviews and comment.

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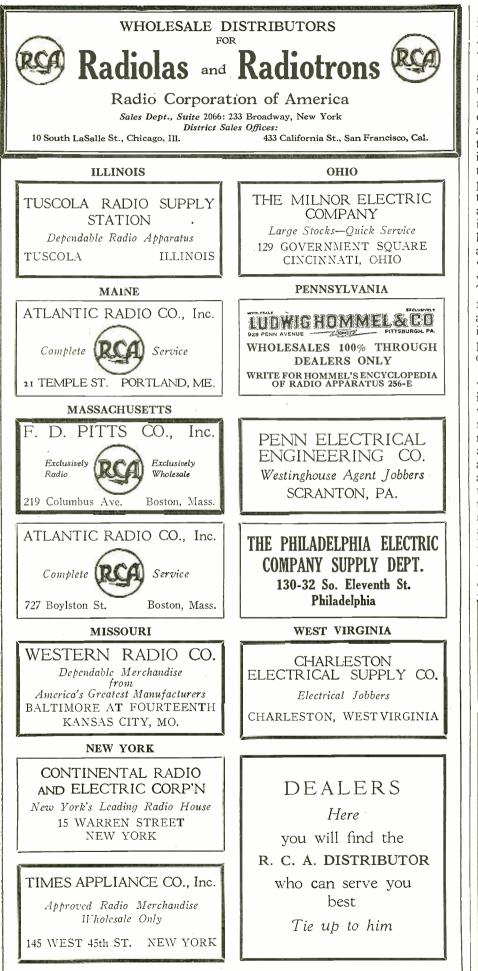


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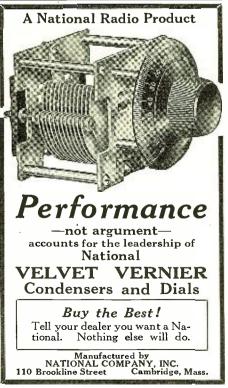


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"The play 'Maremoto' was written incidentally, in a competition by '*Impartial François*' a newspaper, for a 5,000-franc prize.

"I think one of the most significant situations in French radio is the royalty situation, in view of conditions in this country. Certainly French artists exhibited nothing like the broad liberality over a number of years, which the American artists have shown, and if anyone is inclined to judge harshly the demand of American artists for pay from radio stations, one has only to consider the French situation to realize that they are certainly not unfair in their demand for pay. The French law basically provides for royalty for artists, for the artist has in France always been a person whose interests were well guarded and taken care of. That is the special glory of France, for by means of it she has fostered art until she is the most artistic nation in the world. Public and private support for the artistic accomplishments of her race have always been abundant.

"Precisely the same royalty rates which exist in the theater are operated in broadcasting. It is arranged in this way: Radio-Paris buys the annual right to use the material and music of members of the Society of Authors and Composers. Complete programs are sent to the Society every month, and these form the basis for proportioning the payment of royalties. It is true that Eiffel Tower and P. T. T. stations do not, at present, pay their artists. Subscriptions are offered by listening fans for this purpose. Radio-Paris, however, being a commercial broadcasting station, needs a great part of its income for giving the Composers





and Artists what they are entitled to by law, since it is a private broadcasting company. Radio-Paris has now arranged to broadcast from Salle Ga*veau*, where piano recitals and stringed instruments are to be heard in concert. and these are now part of its program. Radio-Paris also hopes to acquire a large hall in order to operate a double plan of concerts to large audiences, while at the same time the performance is broadcasted. Radio-Paris has spent 2,000,000 francs on the new station at Clichy not far from Paris and is hoping to get permission for a 10-kilowatt equipment. If such permission is granted, we will certainly be able to hear this best of all Paris stations without difficulty in America. It will be on 1780 meters. Radio-Paris now has a studio located at 79 Boulevard Haussmann in a basement which is not at all satisfactory. Even the River Seine overflowed into the studio not long ago and artists had to walk about on planks. Such a condition is almost inconceivable in America.'

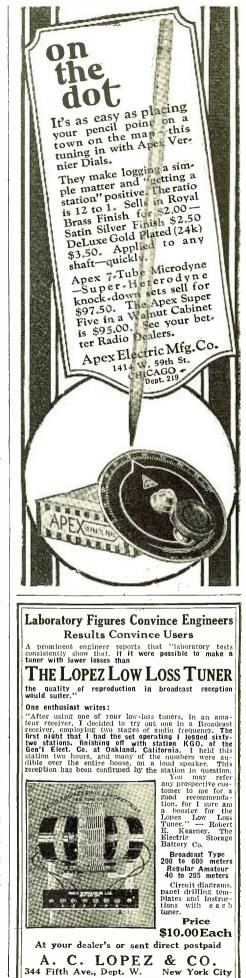
"What about the French radio receiving sets—what are they like?" I inquired.

"Well, they are certainly not like our own. As in England the French do not even call a tube a tube, they call it a 'valve.' An outstanding characteristic of French sets is the mounting of the tubes outside the cabinets. Oddly enough this has been copied by some in American radio, whereas the tendency in France is now away from this and toward enclosed tubes. Sets with a loop antenna are sold in very handsome finishings, in black morocco, leather, walnut, and mahogany, and the loop antenna sets are decidedly popular. French ingenuity has evidenced itself in disguising the loops in screens, tapestries, etc., while French textile genius has produced a triumph-embroidery and silk, harmonizing with your furnishings, with a loop made up inside of it!

"Another one of the unique types of receivers is in a cabinet closing like a roll top desk. The Winter Radio Show at the Grande Palais indicated considerable use in France of pancake or other interchangeable inductances. Their general technical detail is otherwise not essentially different. It would appear that a constant stream of new circuits and hook-ups does not intrigue the French very much, for they seem to be doing very well with the ordinary single and three-circuit regenerative hook-ups. As for experimenting with super-regeneration and super-heterodynes, they were at the Exposition, but the buzzing crowds of fans displayed only ordinary interest in them. Radiofrequency amplification is used by some manufacturers.'

"What do they do for loud speakers?" I asked.

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"Funny, that seems to be the problem all over the world. The French are particularly in need of it. As I have said, transmission is not highly satisfactory and the French, no more than anyone else, do not like to be muzzled in ear-pieces for any length of time. There is, therefore, a large variety of loud speakers on sale in France, possibly a greater and more motley variety than even our own, for in America a fairly standard type seems to have been developed. There are crinkly paper cones, old fashioned gramophone horns and other bizarre shapes. An engineer named Lakhovsky has produced something new in this direction consisting of two horns fitted one within the other, the space between being occupied with an oil which is solid at normal temperature. Tap the edge of the horn and it will not ring. The diaphragm is made of two plates instead of one with a thin layer of the oil paste between them. M. Lakhovsky, the inventor, was one of the committee to award a gold medal to M. Leon Deloy at Nice, the first French amateur to communicate with American amateurs."

"Are there many radio stores in Paris?"

"Yes, there are quite a number of them, but hardly to the extent with which we are familiar in America. Nor are there many radio publications. Some that are worth looking at are: Radioelectricite, T. S. F. Moderne, L'Onde Electrique, (of more strictly technical appeal); the Radio Review (official monthly of the Radio Club de France), and Radio Amateurs (official monthly of the Association of Radio-Amateur Français)."

"How about DX nuts? Have the Frenchmen developed them yet?"

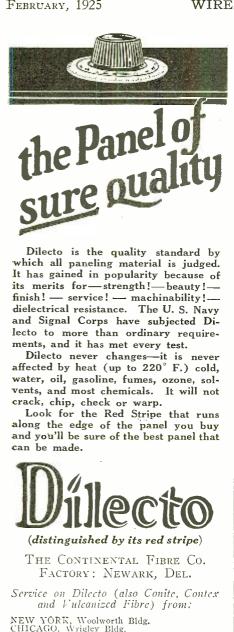
"Oh, yes, indeed. A French 'fan," of whom there are, after all, a few, has all of Europe to prey upon. What with the English stations working between 353 and 495 meters, with the new Chelmsford station at 1500; Belgium between 1100 and 1300; Germany on 2700 and 400; and Holland on 1050, a DX fan needs only some good interchangeable coils and he has. the makings of a League of Nations Convention in all languages. Of course, a French DX fan, unlike an American, has to be something of a polyglot in language qualifications, for he will hear one minute a señorita sing, and the next moment he can tune in a Dutch maiden or a German gretchen or an English lassie, all doing their national songs in their own languages, all by the turn of a wrist. To make this interesting he really ought to know what they are singing so cutely! Jazz is the new international musical language which apparently has a more ready popular acceptance than any other single type of music.

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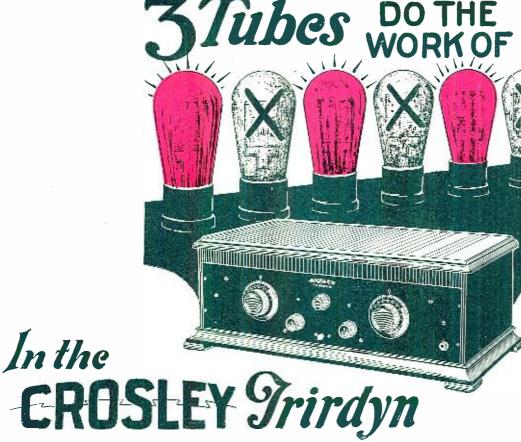
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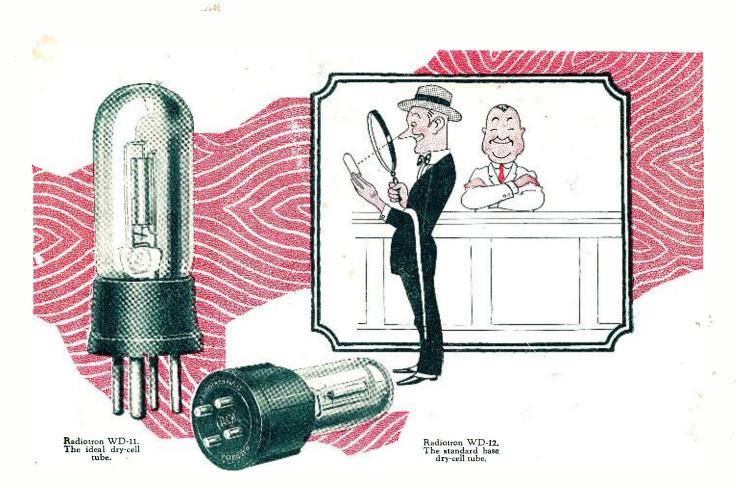


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