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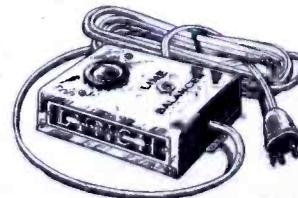
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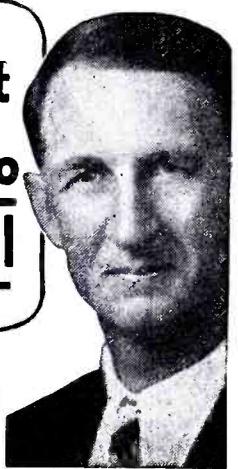
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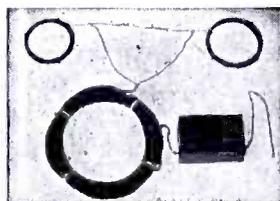
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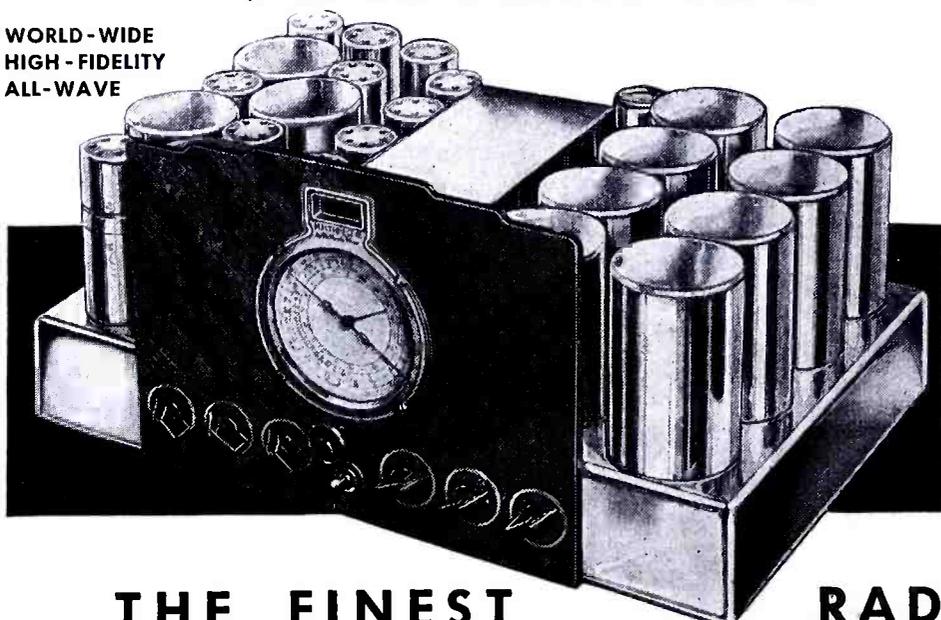
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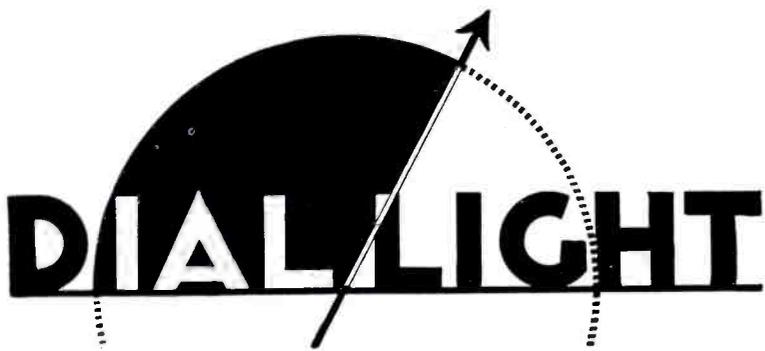
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# DIAL LIGHT

BEGINNING WITH THIS issue, we are instituting a series of full-page Data Sheets for all-wave listeners and all-wave experimenters. These sheets may be clipped as they appear and mounted in a scrapbook, or punched to fit a looseleaf binder.

Data Sheet No. 1 is, as you will observe, a map of the United States on which is indicated the area covered by each radio amateur call district. This is handy in determining from what section of the country an amateur signal is being received.

Subsequent Data Sheets will provide further information of this nature, as well as tables, graphs, etc., of value to the experimenter.

If the idea is well received, and we find from the opinions of readers that more than one Data Sheet per issue would be favored, we may enlarge upon it.

What do *you* think?



WE REGRET THAT IT has been impossible to include in this issue the constructional article on the new type of broadcast receiver we promised last month. Our work is not entirely completed, and we trust that you will bear with us for one more month.

It has also been necessary to hold over the article on the inside story of the manufactured receiver. We read the completed draft of this article last week, and it is a honey. We believe you will find it a revelation.

Metal tubes are again to receive attention next month: We have completed all tests, and the necessary data to round out the subject has been obtained.

We don't mind telling you now that the entire staff of ALL-WAVE RADIO give their unqualified approval to the metal tube . . . but read the article in the January issue.

EXPERIMENTERS WILL BE pleased to know that the Raytheon people have brought out a metal tube of the duo-diode triode type . . . the first one of this nature in the metal-tube line. It is known as the 6Q7.

It will be recalled that Mr. Granger stated in his article on 1936 receivers, in the November issue, that metal- and glass-tube sets could not be judged on the basis of the number of tubes used, since no duo-diode triode was available in the metal-tube line. Now that the 6Q7 is out, it will soon be possible to judge certain sets tube-for-tube.

For the benefit of the experimenter, we might add that the 6Q7 diode section has the edge on the type 6H6 metal-tube diode and, everything considered, the 6Q7 as a whole has the edge on glass tubes of the same type. Better characteristics all around.



IS TELEVISION JUST around the corner? Many people have come to the belief that it is, principally for the reason that RCA has dispensed with its stock holdings in RKO, and sold its English interests.

Financial quarters are of the opinion that RCA is out to clarify and strengthen its cash and stock position, which is undoubtedly true. But there are those who believe that RCA eased itself out of RKO to prevent any possible embarrassment in the near future, when, as and if Television is sprung, and that the strengthening of its cash position is obviously a sign that they are ready for a new and far-reaching venture in a new direction.

What do we think? Well, what we think is of no value, and since we have no definite knowledge as yet, we shall keep quiet. Draw your own conclusions.



AFTER A RAPID survey of the short-wave receiver circuit Mr. Worcester presents in this issue, you may ask yourself where you have seen it before. The answer is, of course, that you have seen it literally hundreds of times. It is the good, old tuned r-f, regenerative detector combination which has been with us since the days of the original Roberts and Browning circuits.

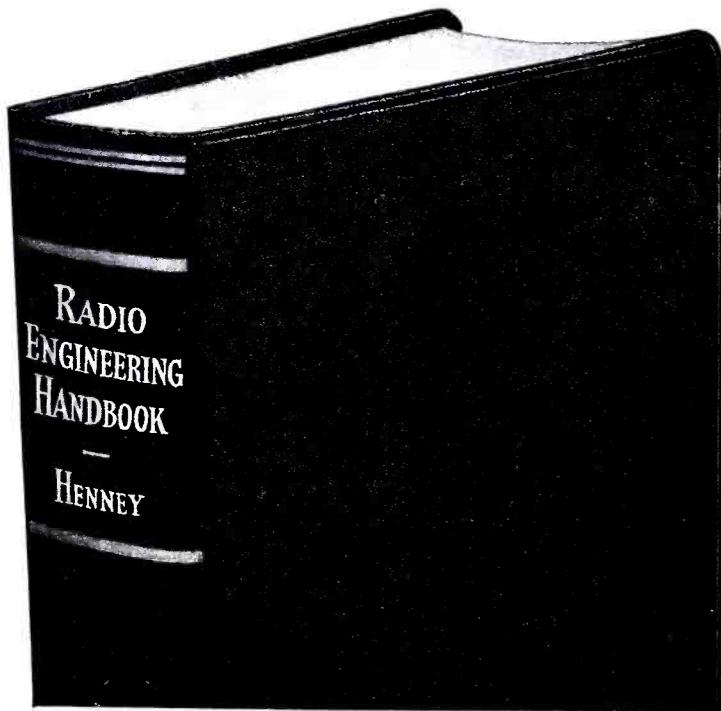
But . . . it has had some engineering applied to it, as you will find after reading the article. It is the same circuit throughout, but it has been made to sit up and beg. No tricks, and no trick name. Just the matter-of-fact data.

Let us know how it works for you.



WINTER WILL BE with us shortly. Many listeners are looking forward to the cozy evenings at home, and the anticipation of many pleasant turns over the short-wave bands.

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## THE STRATOSPHERE FLIGHT

By G. S. GRANGER

THE ELABORATE arrangements which were made far in advance to keep the Army balloonists in touch with the earth during the recent record breaking stratosphere flight were amply justified by the complete success of the radio transmission and reception. Every piece of apparatus functioned at full efficiency from the take-off until the gondola again rested on the ground some eight hours later.

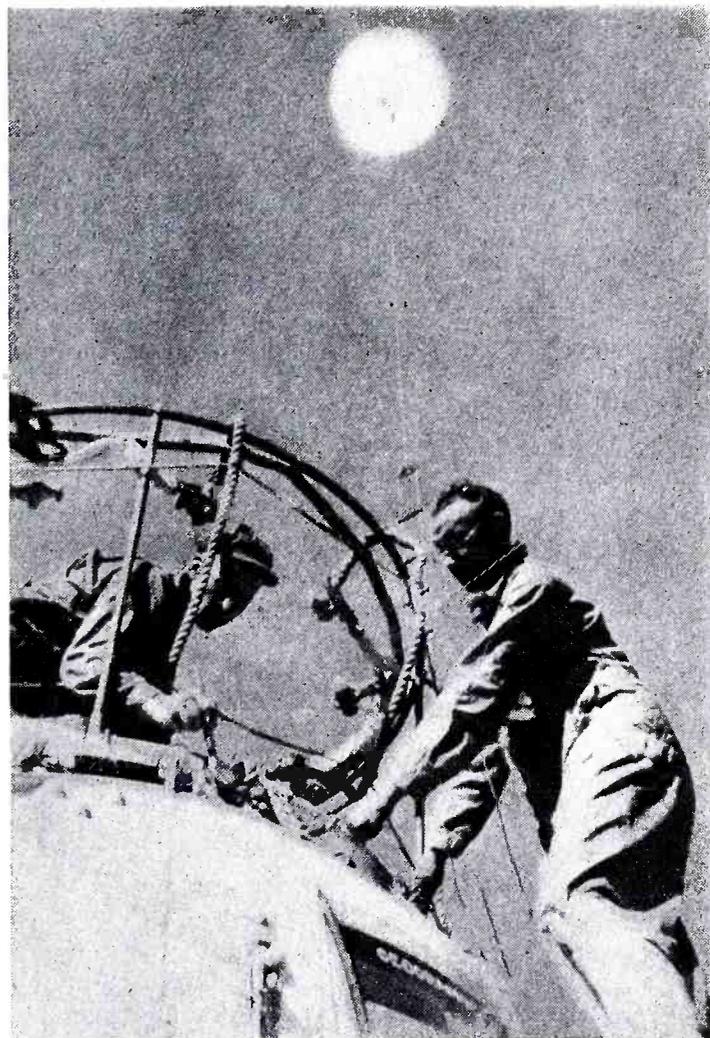
### Radio Network

During the entire flight a radio circuit was operated which connected a dozen points on the ground, including three shortwave transmitters and four receiving points from coast to coast. In addition to messages relayed at frequent intervals to the balloon from various places on this circuit, there were eight broadcasts from the gondola during the day, including one with an NBC program executive flying in the giant China Clipper over the Pacific off the California coast, and one with London. Fading during the late afternoon two-way conversation between the balloon and the Clipper due to atmospheric conditions was the only deviation from a perfect sending and pick-up record.

### Explorer II Transmitter

The big Explorer II was equipped with a specially designed RCA transmitter and receiver, each constructed with a

Testing the transmitting equipment on the balloon. The quarter-wave antenna is being held aloft by a meteorological balloon.



view to giving the best performance with a minimum of size and weight. The transmitter was a 7-tube type with a capacity of eight watts. The set was crystal controlled, with a dual equipment of two crystals slightly staggered, enabling stable operation at 13,046 and 13,055 kc. The station call letters were W10XFH. Power was obtained from 36 "A" and "B" dry batteries which served both for the sending and receiving apparatus. The battery compartment was 15" x 14" x 8" deep. On account of the shifting position of the men in the gondola, who were obliged to operate the scientific instruments while broadcasting at the same time, an audio automatic gain control was installed, which kept the modulation level close to 100 per cent regardless of the position of the broadcaster.

The transmitter as well as the re-

ceiver was constructed largely of dowe metal. Their combined weight was approximately 60 pounds.

### The Receiver

The receiver was a six-tube super-heterodyne, designed to cover a frequency band of 6000 to 6500 kc, all ground transmitters having been adjusted to operate within these limits. The dimensions of the receiver were 7" x 9" x 9½". It was a single control device, and earphones instead of loudspeaker were used; however, the signals were so loud that, with the exception of one period during the flight, it was possible for the observers to copy all signals with the headphones hanging loose from the receiver. (So loud, as a matter of fact, that feedback was caused during one of the transmissions).

The transmitting antenna was a quarter-wave radiator suspended from the lower catenary band of the balloon, with a pulley arrangement to draw it taut. It was fed by a two-wire transmission line from the transmitter. The receiving antenna was of the ordinary airplane type, dropped out from the bottom of the gondola about 70 feet. The entering insulator was of soft rubber so that air pressure within the gondola would tend to seal the entrance!

In order to insure that the dry batteries used both in sending and receiving would be absolutely fresh at the start of the flight these were kept in cold storage until just a short time before the take-off. The RCA Radiotron transmitter and receiver vacuum tubes were energized three-quarters of an hour before the balloon left the ground, so that a constant temperature and hence maximum stable operation would be reached.

### Complex Network, But—

The entire staff of NBC engineers, with several announcers, was on duty at Radio City, Chicago and Rapid City during the flight. Efficient work also was done by the R.C.A. Communications engineers at Riverhead, Point Reyes and Bolinas, Calif. Constant communication was maintained with the big balloon and with the many points on the ground circuit during the more than eight hours that the Explorer II was aloft, and the frequent switches from the balloon to ground points, and to the China Clipper and London, were made without delay and with perfect coordination. There was never a hitch or a fumble in this, one of the most complex series of broadcasts ever put on the air.

Ground communication was established by a combination of telephone trunk lines feeding various radio trans-



The ground receiver at the Bowl.

mitters and receivers. Any point could talk to any other point, and everything that was said went out over three transmitters so that it would be sure to be picked up by the balloon. This circuit, known as a full-talk circuit, ran from New York to the Bound Brook 20-kw radio transmitter, W3XL, operating on 6425 kc; thence to Washington to the headquarters of the National Geographic Society and the U. S. Army Air Corps; thence to Chicago to the 5-kw radio transmitter W9XF, on 6100 kc; then to Rapid City, S. D., to the strato camp and the 200-watt radio transmitter W10XF, operating on 6350 kc at the Indian School seven miles from the camp.

### Signal Pickups

Signals from the balloon transmitter were picked up by the R.C.A. Communications receiving stations at Riverhead, L. I., and Point Reyes, Calif., by the

NBC receiving station at the strato camp, and by the broadcasting receiving headquarters of the National Broadcasting Company at Chicago. The early pickups were made at the strato camp, then they were shifted to Riverhead, then to Chicago, and finally to Point Reyes in accordance with conditions brought about by the changes in the atmosphere due to solar radiation.

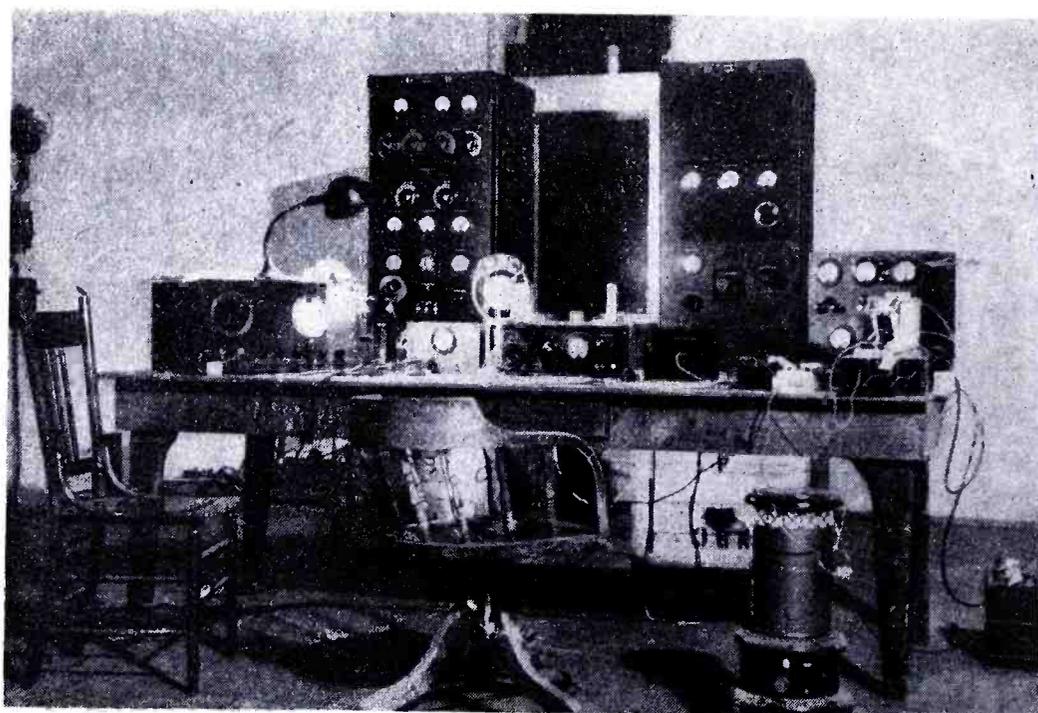
When on the air, all speakers were fed to the full-talk circuit, but they could also be placed on a special program circuit with one-way repeaters which brought in the incoming messages from the balloon.

A great mass of information was obtained during the flight as to the propagation of electro-magnetic waves through the atmosphere. Not only was this learned from the transmitting and receiving results of the balloon itself, but also from the experiences of the 100-watt radio transmitter on the China Clipper, flying off the California coast. Signals from both of these conquerors of the air were picked up by Point Reyes and transferred to San Francisco; then put on the NBC network, and transferred from it to the full-talk circuit. The balloon heard the signals from the airship from this full-talk circuit, whereas the Clipper listened to her lighter-than-air sister from the R.C.A. Communications transmitter at Bolinas, which was fed from San Francisco. The balloon at this time was at a height of 23,000 feet.

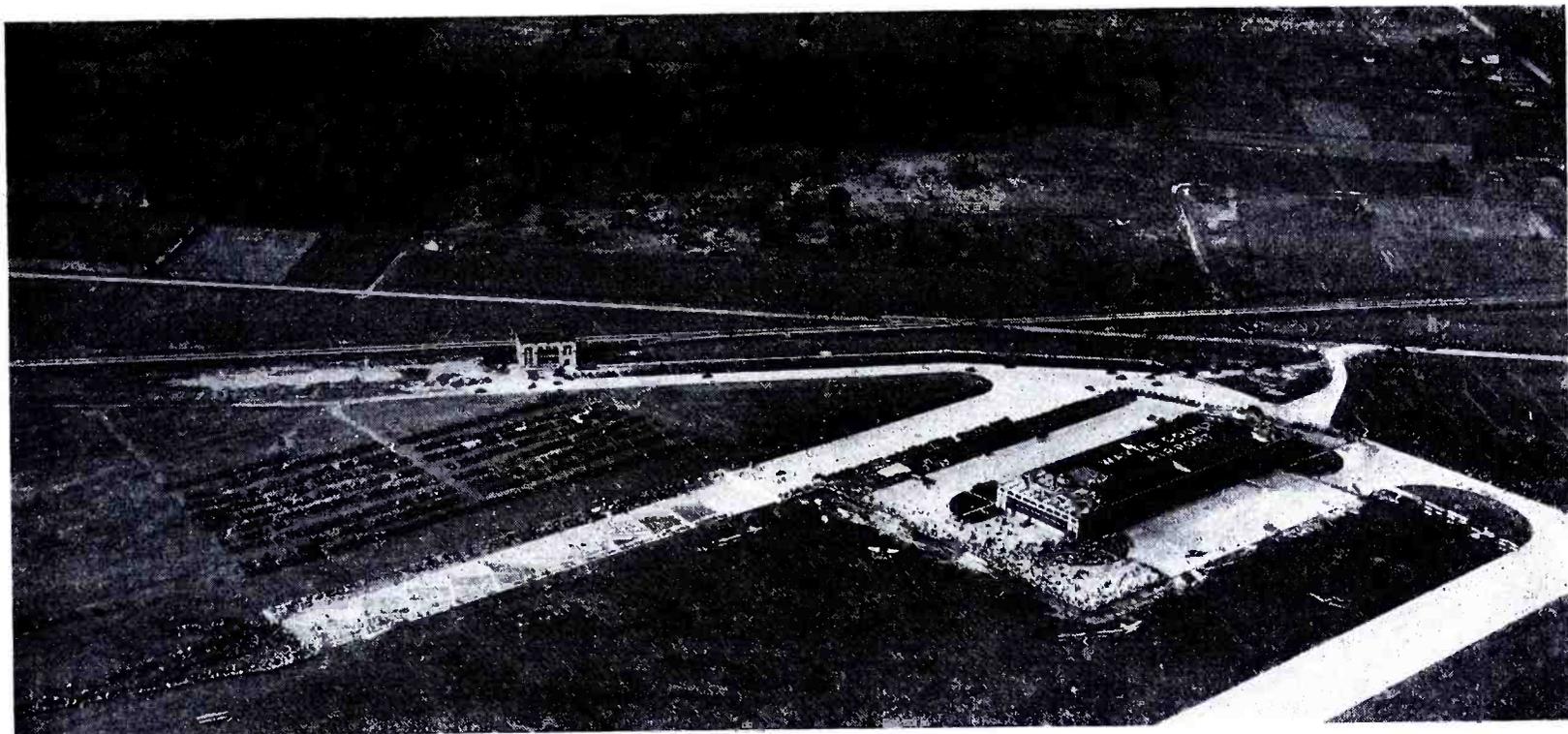
### Link to London

A further feature of interest was a two-way conversation between a reporter of the London Daily Mail in London, who talked over the regular trans-Atlantic telephone service to Netcong, N. J., where the signals were transferred by landwire to the National Broadcasting

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Ground transmitter, at Indian school, seven miles from the Bowl (Strato Camp).



Bird's eye view of the Michigan Air Circus.

## THE NEWSPAPER OFFICE OF THE AIR

BETWEEN THE thrills of daring stunt flying at the Michigan Air Circus on the Wayne County Airport, Detroit, September 14 and 15, James V. Piersol, aviation editor, flying *The Detroit News* airplane, *Early Bird*, gave an impressive demonstration of the scientific progresses made in speedy news coverage and in aerial photography.

### Radio Enters

By means of radio communication from the "newspaper office of the air," spectators heard for the first time a complete, uninterrupted description of his flight by the pilot, speaking directly from the controls of the airplane. Mr. Piersol explained by means of his special microphone, picked up by amplifiers located on the field, all of the interesting details connected with the handling of the ship and demonstrated the operation of the automatic pilot-operated camera, mounted in the left wing of the plane. He also described the crowd, the highway congestion surrounding the airport and the field itself.

"I am throttling back to 105 miles an hour," Piersol told the crowd of 35,000 at one point in his demonstration. "The nose of the ship is up 20 degrees above the horizon. Now I am starting the dive. You are all in the machine-gun sight right here in front of me. Powder your noses, girls! I am going to take your picture right now! . . . There it is!"

### Special Mike Used

The complete success of this broadcast was due largely to the special microphone harness designed by Piersol, which he has adapted from equipment tried by the original mail pilots and then abandoned. By means of the harness, the microphone is always in correct position, and Piersol has both hands free to operate the plane and camera.

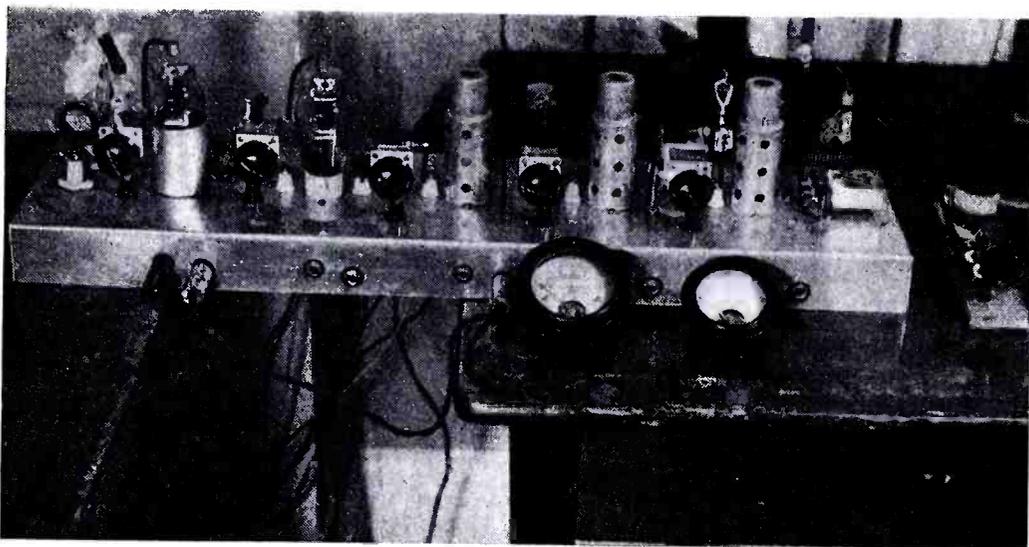
"One reason most aircraft broadcasts have been unsuccessful, or unsatisfactory to listeners, is because the announcer either gets 'lost' as to his location, or he becomes a sight-seer and in his enthusiasm, turns his head so far from the microphone that his voice becomes unintelligible," Piersol states. "Our harness 'mike' eliminates this.

"Another reason is the terrific back-  
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J. V. Piersol, Aviation Editor of the *Detroit News*, with the self-aligning microphone.

# MAJOR ARMSTRONG'S FREQUENCY

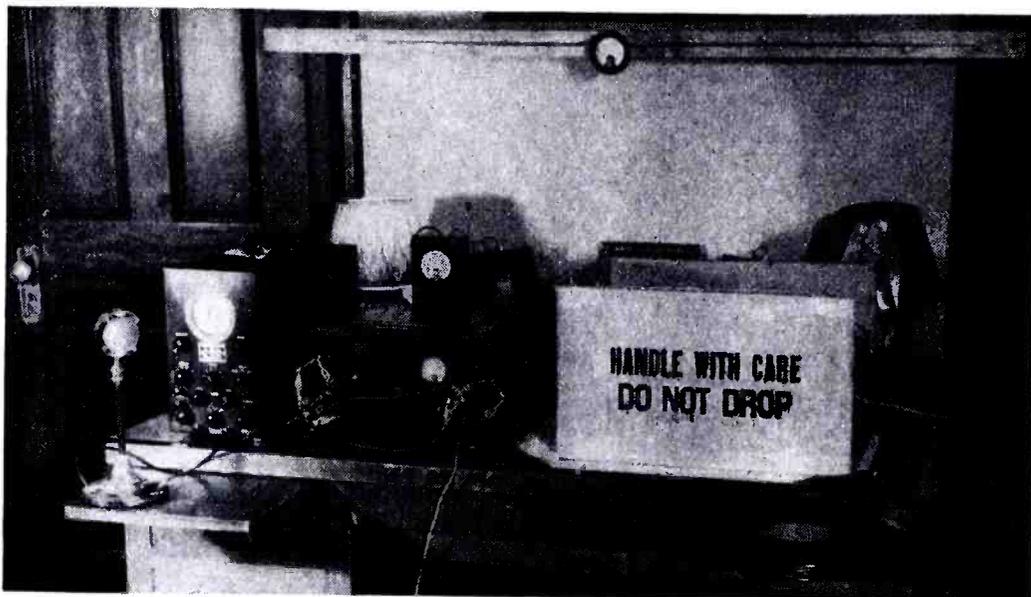


Series of frequency multipliers of intermediate power which feed the frequency-tripling stage.

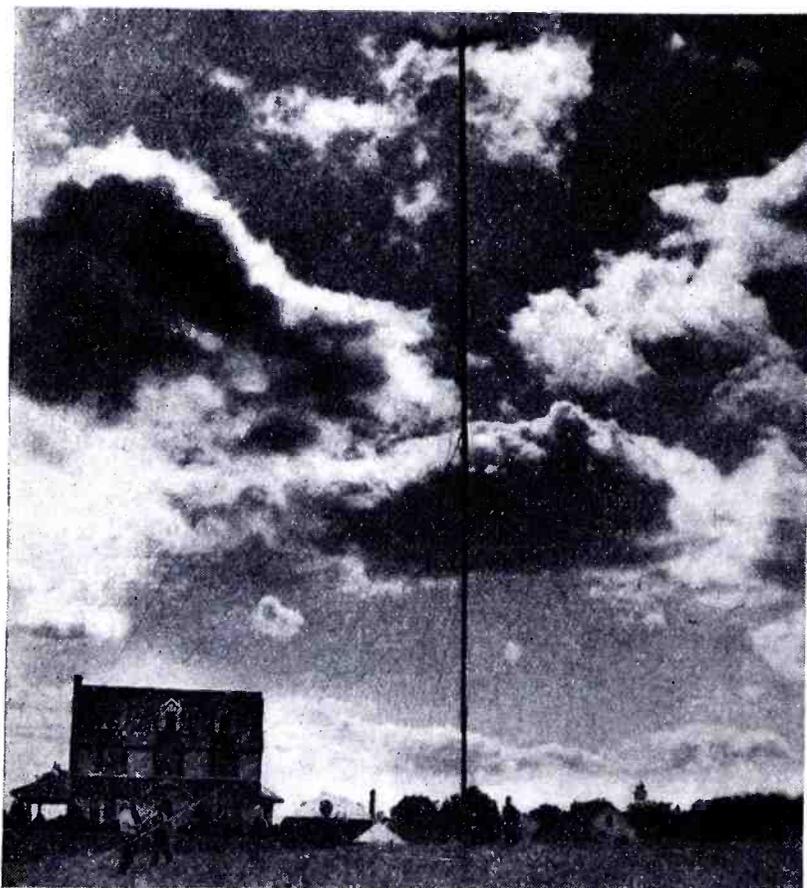
MAJOR EDWIN H. ARMSTRONG, now Professor of Electrical Engineering at Columbia University, has again startled the radio world with another series of inventions which seem to hold more than ordinary promise, not only in the field of broadcasting, but also in facsimile and television transmission.

The entire system, as far as the man in the street is concerned, may be covered by a few relatively simple statements, but the apparatus necessary for the operation of his new system is extremely complex in appearance, as well as in manipulation. Some idea of its complexity may be had from the accompanying illustrations.

In April Armstrong issued a statement



Studio at W2AG, Yonkers, N. Y., C. R. Runyon, Jr., one of the oldest of the oldtimers.



One of the preliminary receiving aerials was hung on the mast shown here. This was erected at Haddonfield, N. J.

claiming, for his new system, an improvement in signal-to-noise energy ratio of one-thousand-to-one response for a given area, at a given power level for the transmitter.

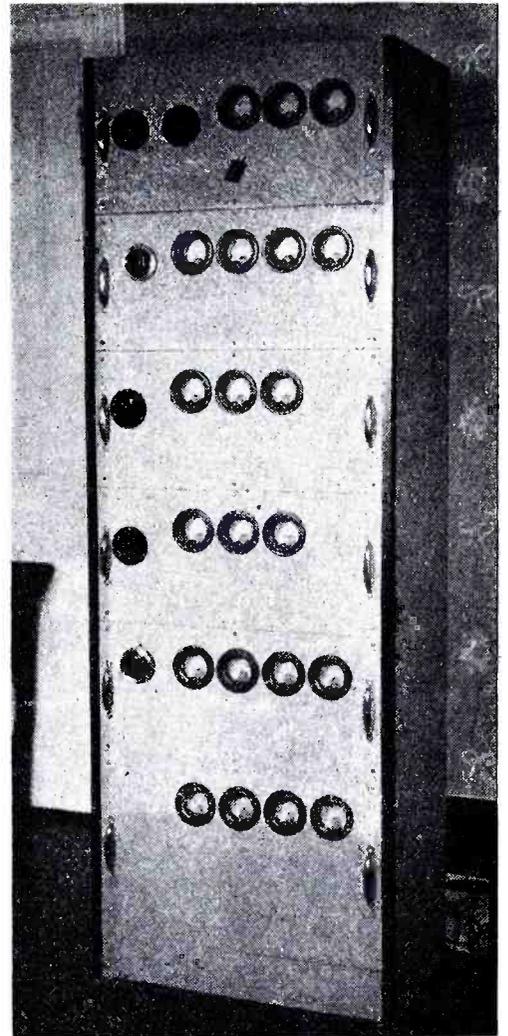
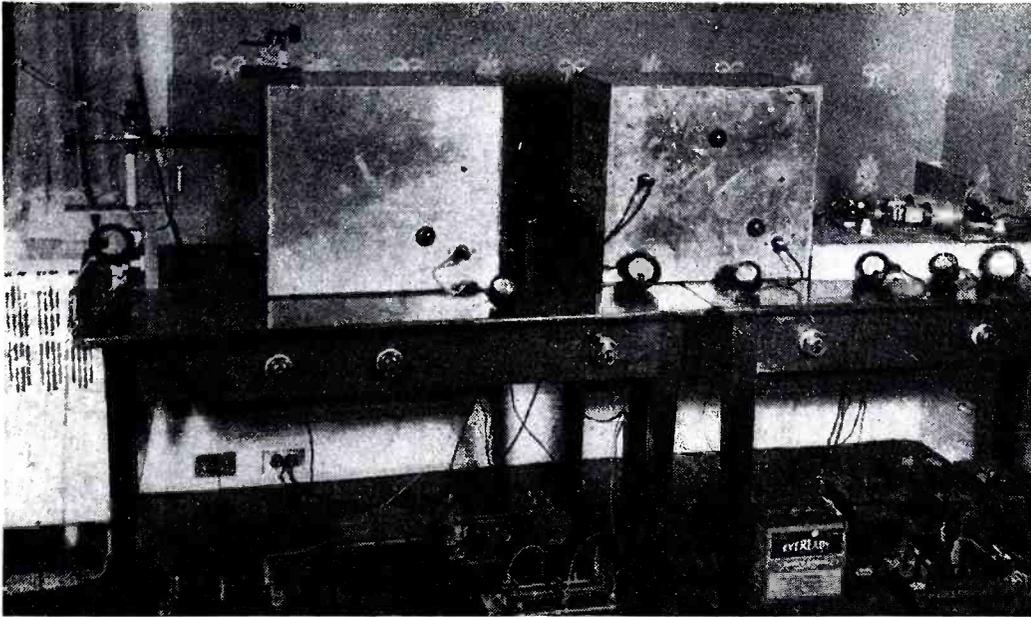
The Institute of Radio Engineers, on the night of November 6th, heard him describe his new system and heard him pay glowing tribute to the old time amateurs who assisted him in its development, as well as in the demonstration which followed the outline of his work. Since then he appeared before the IRE at the Rochester Fall Meeting, where these claims were substantiated before the majority of leaders in the radio field.

As a practical demonstration of the improvement his system provides, Armstrong had some phonograph records

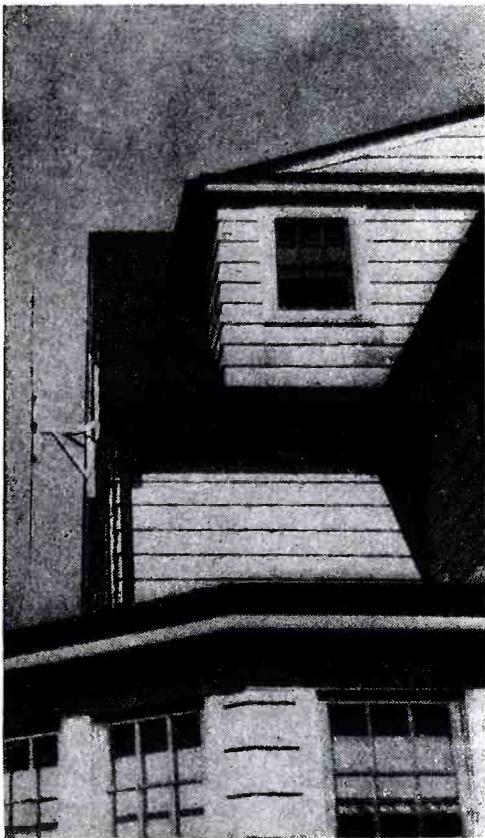
made of signals transmitted from the Empire State Building and received at the home of Harry Sadenwater, located at Haddonfield, New Jersey, about eighty-five miles away. These phonograph records were made during the time when a lightning storm was in progress and when many actual strikes occurred within ten miles of the receiving equipment. Similar records were made of some of the more powerful New York broadcasting stations and though the distances were almost identical, the interference created by the storm was so bad in connection with the ordinary system, as to make the programs practically valueless, while little or no interference was evident in connection with this newer method. Furthermore, when it is considered that but two thousand watts were employed by Armstrong and nearly twenty-five times that amount of power was being used by the regular broadcasting stations, the effectiveness of the new

# MODULATION SYSTEM

By ARTHUR H. LYNCH



Above left: The high power frequency tripling stage and final amplifier. Above right: Modulating and frequency multiplying equipment. This is the work of Jack Shaugnassy, of the Garden City Radio Club, and Thomas J. Stiles.



The half-wave dipole later used to replace the antenna illustrated on the opposite page.

arrangement becomes more noticeable.

Some confusion has existed regarding this phase of Armstrong's work, and many ultra-high-frequency experimenters have suggested that there is not much point in eliminating static in that portion of the ether spectrum because it is not very noticeable there. The first news re-

leases were not very clear on this point.

Even the skeptics, who have scoffed at the mention of static elimination, agree that ignition noise from automobiles does exist on the ultra-high frequencies. At his lecture before the IRE, the inventor said that signals emanating from Yonkers are picked up at his Columbia University Laboratory with as much freedom from ignition interference as occurred during the demonstration at the Engineering Society's Building on 39th Street. None was noted by this observer, in the latter case, though he was watching for it with care. The antenna at the University is close enough to several busy streets and severe auto ignition interference is noted when the ordinary method of transmission and reception is employed.

Transmissions from the experimental set-up at W2AG, were picked up with great volume and more than ordinary quality by Frank Lester of Bergenfield, New Jersey. He was using a resistance-coupled superheterodyne on 2.5 meters. Likewise, they have been received by George Shuart, W2AMN, at Ramsey, New Jersey, using a conventional super-regenerative receiver.

Preliminary reports indicated that little or nothing would be heard with ordinary receivers.

While it has generally been thought

that interference would increase as the acceptance width of a radio receiver is increased, Armstrong has shown that by the application of his system, the actual effect of interfering noises is materially reduced. The explanation is a bit involved and will be found in the *Proceedings* of the Institute of Radio Engineers when the paper is published in its entirety.

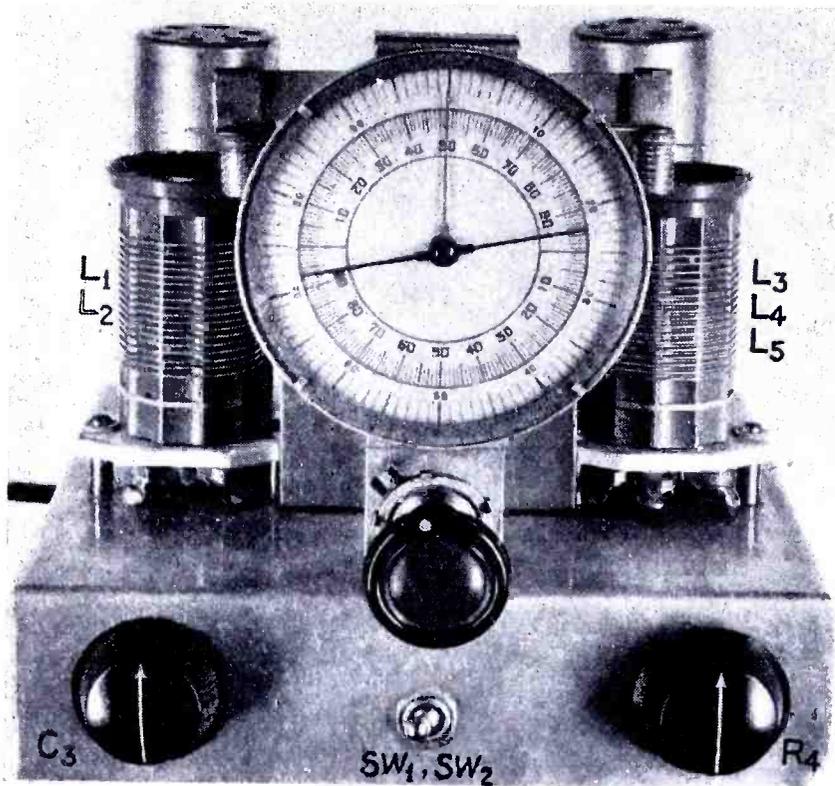
An excellent, semi technical, description of the system appears in the November issue of *Electronics* and we recommend it to those who do not wish to wait for the full paper to appear.

There is no question but that this new system will find many who will desire to look into it more thoroughly and who will wish to produce the equipment necessary for duplicating it. It has unbounded possibilities.

In passing, we cannot refrain from calling attention to the fact that some seventy-three tubes were used in Armstrong's transmitter and approximately twenty-five were used in the receiving equipment. This would seem like a staggering handicap. However, it is well to remember, that in their earlier forms, the super-regenerative and the superheterodyne circuits were very involved affairs and their practical application came several years after their introduction to the radio engineering field.

# IMPROVED

By J. A. WORCESTER, Jr.



Front view of completed receiver.

THE RECEIVER HEREIN described is presented for the constructor desiring to build a short-wave receiver somewhat more complicated than the simple regenerative type, but not as involved and costly as the superheterodyne circuit. This set will pull in most anything that the more complicated superheterodynes will and, as a matter of fact, will outperform the simpler types incorporating only one stage of i-f amplification. Its only drawback is its lack of razor-edge selectivity which is something of a disadvantage when operating in the more congested bands.

## No Shielding Required

The circuit itself includes several new features which permit cheaper construction, easier operation, and improved performance.

The main constructional difficulty with this type of circuit has been its tendency to oscillate even when the most elaborate shielding and wiring precautions have been taken, and suitable decoupling provided. The writer has studied this problem with the view in mind of determining the source of the difficulty and of overcoming it; as well as the possibility of eliminating unnecessary precautions tending to complicate the construction.

It was soon found that when the antenna and detector coils were separated by as much as 5 inches the feedback due to magnetic effects was negligible, and consequently the bothersome precaution of shielding the stages could be dispensed with. This procedure enables a marked decrease in the constructional cost to be effected by conserving chassis space and eliminating extensive shielding materials.

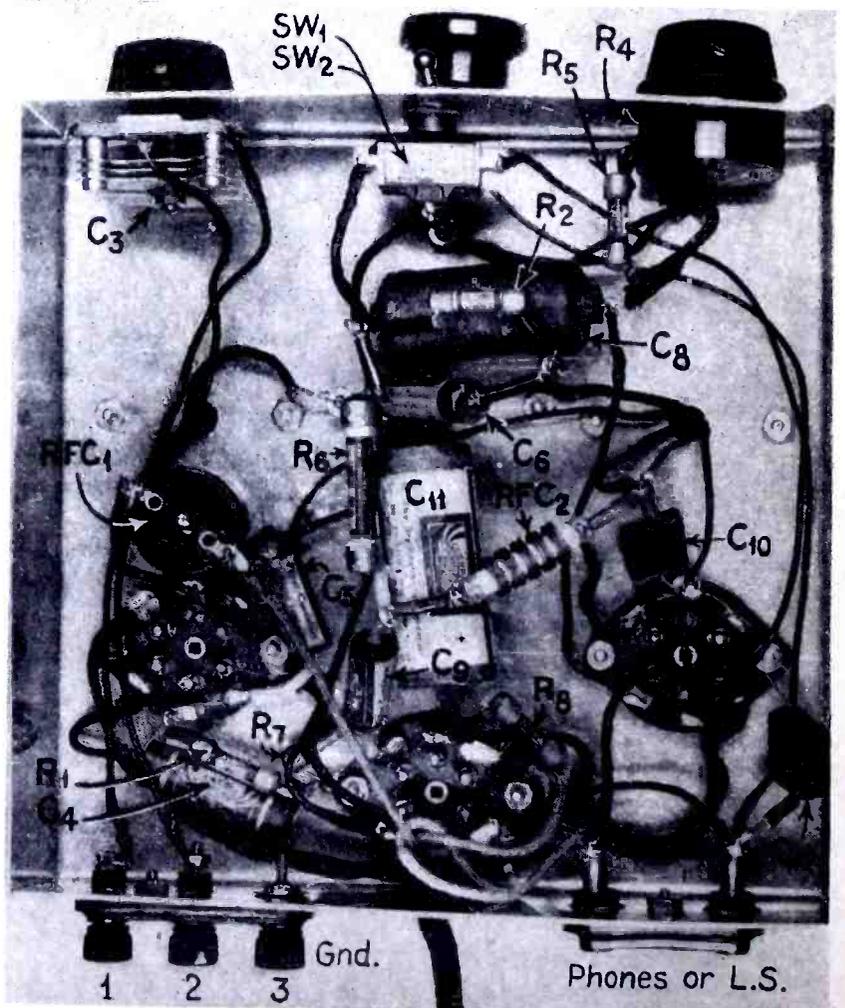
## Eliminating Feedback

When the usual by-pass condensers

were employed it was also discovered that feedback due to common impedance coupling in the various return circuits was likewise of a negligible order. The main source of feedback was found to be of a capacitive nature, which hitherto has not been considered in screen grid t-r-f amplifiers. This statement may appear questionable when it is recalled that the grid-to-plate capacitance of a type 58 tube is less than .01 mmfd; but it should be remembered that there are

various other sources contributing to the overall capacitance. If the reactance of the net grid-to-plate capacitance falls much below 500,000 ohms it can be shown that an oscillatory circuit may be produced.

To check on the above conclusion, the primary of the r-f transformer was re-wound with a large number of turns of fine wire so that it resonated, in conjunction with the various stray capacitances, to a frequency just below the lowest frequency covered with each coil. Hence, throughout the entire tuning range the primary will present a capacitive reactance. It can be shown that when the plate load is capacitive



Under chassis view of receiver, showing location of parts. See Legend for values.

# S. W. SET

## An Easily Constructed Tuned R-F Short-Wave Receiver Featuring Stability, Performance and Low Cost

the feedback through the grid-to-plate capacitance is degenerative instead of regenerative and a stable condition should exist. This was found to be true in practice and is of considerable interest in that the coils were spaced on five-inch centers with absolutely no shielding. It might be pointed out in this connection that this type of construction is employed by one of the largest manufacturers of short-wave receivers in their two stage signal-frequency amplifiers; ostensibly for the purpose of providing uniform gain.

While the above construction is effective as far as providing an inherently stable amplifier is concerned, it has the disadvantage of requiring specially designed r-f plug-in coils which might serve to discourage the average constructor. A further disadvantage is the fact that the net feedback is degenerative, result-

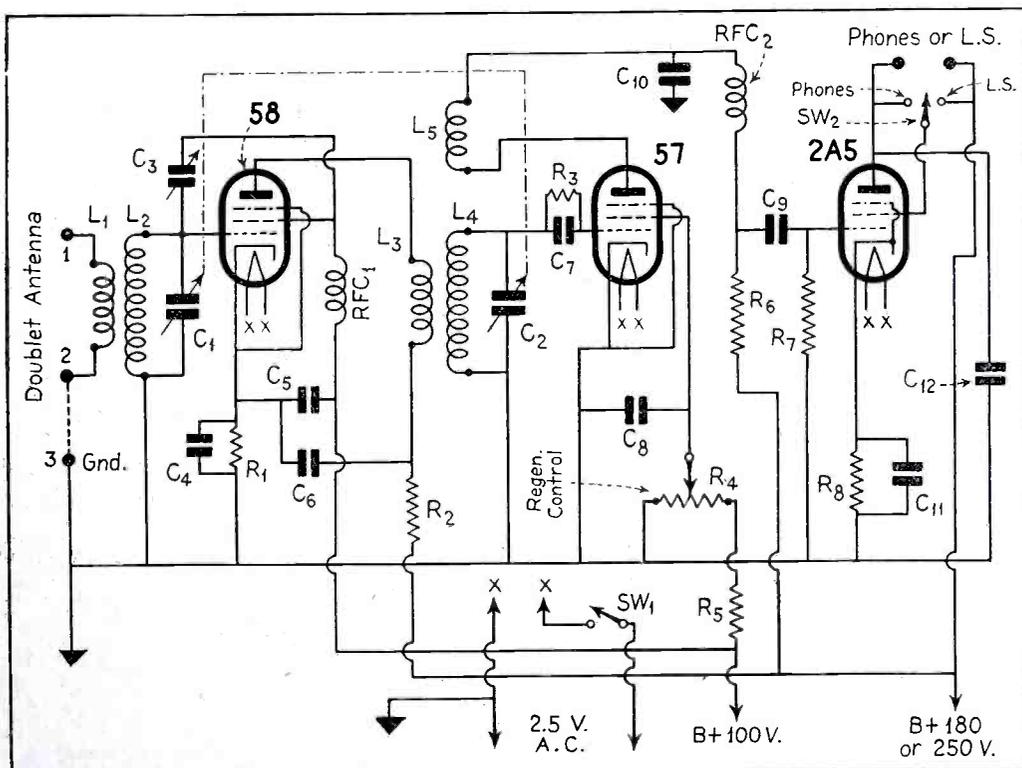
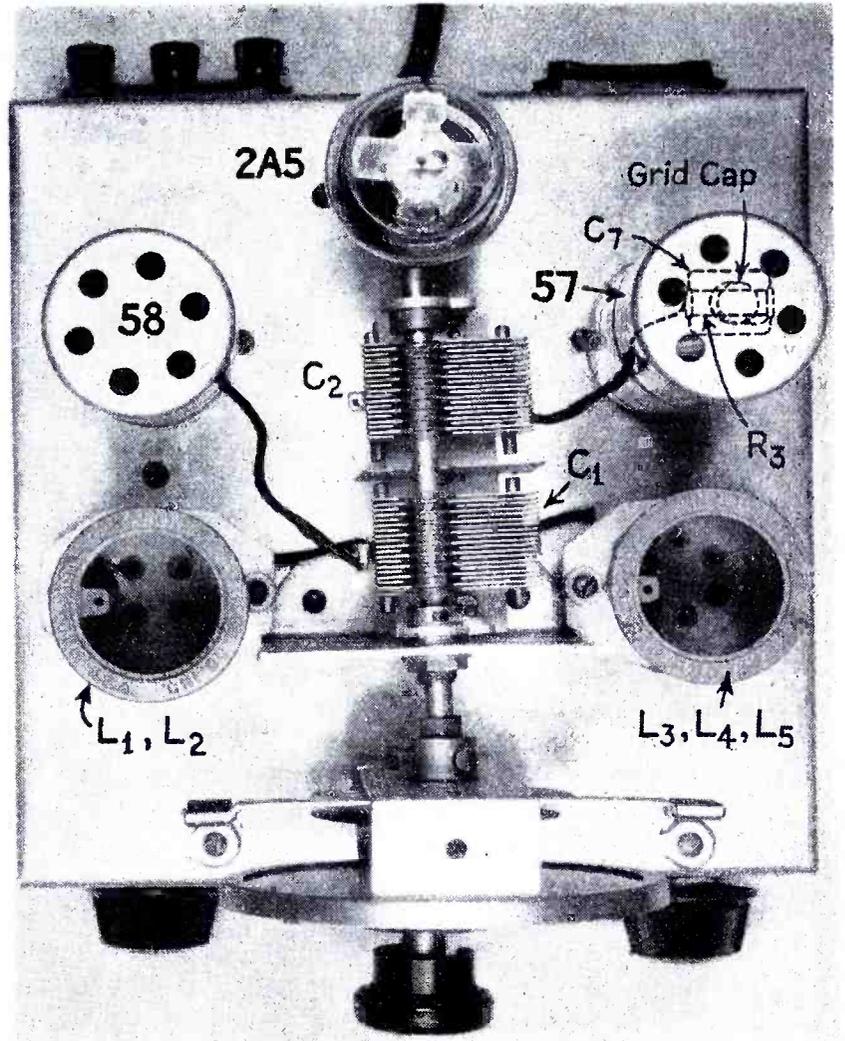
ing in decreased gain and a loading effect on the detector circuit sufficiently large to require an increase in the tickler turns in order to provide adequate regeneration.

### The Circuit

In order to enable the use of standard plug-in coils and eliminate the degenerative effects noted above, the circuit shown

in the schematic diagram was evolved. It was reasoned that the inclusion of a capacitive reactance in the screen circuit should provide the same effect as one in the plate circuit, and would have the added advantage that its effect could be increased by deliberately providing a suitable screen-to-grid capacitance, thus obviating the necessity of employing critically wound coils and enabling the use of a simple r-f choke as the capacitive load.

In practice, this system was found to work to perfection. The choke, RFC-1, provides the capacitive load and has a value of 85 mh. The variable condenser, C-3, provides the desired amount of degenerative feedback to compensate for the regenerative effects produced by the resistive load in the plate circuit. Although this control is brought out to the front panel, it is not in the least critical. It can generally be left at its maximum value (50 mmfd) and forgotten except at the lowest settings of the tuning condensers where an over-compensating effect, as evidenced by the necessity of increasing the regeneration control above its nominal position, is noted. This condition can easily be remedied, of course, by merely decreasing C-3 until the detector circuit slides into oscillation at the proper point. The r-f amplifier will not oscillate unless C-3 is decreased below 25 mmfd, while the maximum variation required for a constant regeneration-control setting is from about 40 to 50 mmfd.



Circuit diagram of the receiver described. Note condenser coupled from screen to grid of 58 tube.

## Antenna Trimmer Eliminated

Another desirable effect introduced by this construction is the fact that the screen-grid input capacitance loads the antenna coil to a point where the usual trimming condenser can be entirely eliminated. This eliminates a bothersome control and still further simplifies the construction.

Another interesting feature of this receiver is the dual pointer dial which provides a very fine band-spreading action by mechanical means. The reduction ratio of the knob to the main pointer is 125 to 1, thus permitting easy tuning on even the shortest waves; while the band-spread pointer, traveling 36 times faster than the main pointer, enables stations to be accurately logged. The dial is beautifully smooth in operation and will effect a worthy improvement in any short-wave receiver not equipped with other means of band-spreading.

The plug-in coils employed are also worthy of comment, since, as far as the writer is aware, they are the only commercially available coils in which the tickler windings have been specifically designed for use with screen-grid tubes. Invariably coils that have sufficient tickler turns to enable satisfactory operation with low-gain triodes break immediately into violent, irregular oscillation at low settings of the tuning capacity when employed in conjunction with present-day r-f pentodes. As anyone ex-

**L-1, L-2**—Hammarlund SWK-4, 4-prong short-wave coil set.

**RFC-1**—I.C.A. 85 mh. r-f choke, unmounted.

**L-3, L-4, L-5**—Hammarlund SWK-6, 6-prong short-wave coil set.

**RFC-2**—Hammarlund 2.3 mh. r-f choke, Type CH-X.

**C-1, C-2**—Hammarlund Dual Condenser, 140 mmfd. per section, Type MCD-140-M.

**C-3**—Hammarlund Star 50 mmfd variable condenser, Type SM-50.

**C-4, C-5, C-6, C-9** Cornell-Dubilier .01 mfd tubular by-pass condensers, Type DT4S1.

**C-7**—Cornell-Dubilier .0001 mfd mica condenser postage stamp size. Type Type 2W5T1.

**C-8**—Cornell-Dubilier .05 mfd tubular paper condenser, Type DT4P5.

**C-10, C-12**—Cornell-Dubilier .0005 mfd mica condensers, Type 1W5T5.

**C-11**—Cornell-Dubilier 25 mfd, 25-volt dry electrolytic condenser, Type ED-2250.

**R-1, R-8**—I.R.C. 500-ohm metallized resistors, 1 watt.

**R-2**—I.R.C. 2000-ohm metallized resistor, 1/2 watt.

**R-3**—I.R.C. 2-megohm metallized grid-leak, 1/2 watt.

**R-4**—Electrad 50,000-ohm volume control, Type 205.

**R-5**—I.R.C. 100,000-ohm metallized resistor, 1/2 watt.

**R-6**—I.R.C. 250,000-ohm metallized resistor, 1 watt.

**R-7**—I.R.C. 250,000-ohm metallized resistor, 1/2 watt.

**2**—Hammarlund tube shields, Type TS-50.

**1**—DeJur-Amsco bandspread dial, Type 540, equipped with P-55 planetary attachment.

**1**—Aluminum Chassis, 8" by 8" by 2", 14 gauge. (Leeds 8" x 8 1/2" x 2" demi-base).

**1**—Hammarlund 4-prong isolantite socket, Type S-4.

**1**—Hammarlund 6-prong isolantite socket, Type S-6.

**3**—I.C.A. 6-prong wafer sockets.

**2**—Grid clips.

**1**—Eby triple binding-post assembly.

**1**—Eby twin speaker jack assembly.

**2**—I.C.A. S.P.D.T. toggle switches, Type 1236.

**1**—R.C.A. Type 57 Radiotron.

**1**—R.C.A. Type 58 Radiotron.

**1**—R.C.A. Type 2A5 Radiotron.

Miscellaneous wire and hardware.

periencing this condition can attest, the result is very disconcerting, especially if the gain is sufficient to provide satisfactory volume when normal regenerative operation is obtained.

A rather unusual feature is incor-

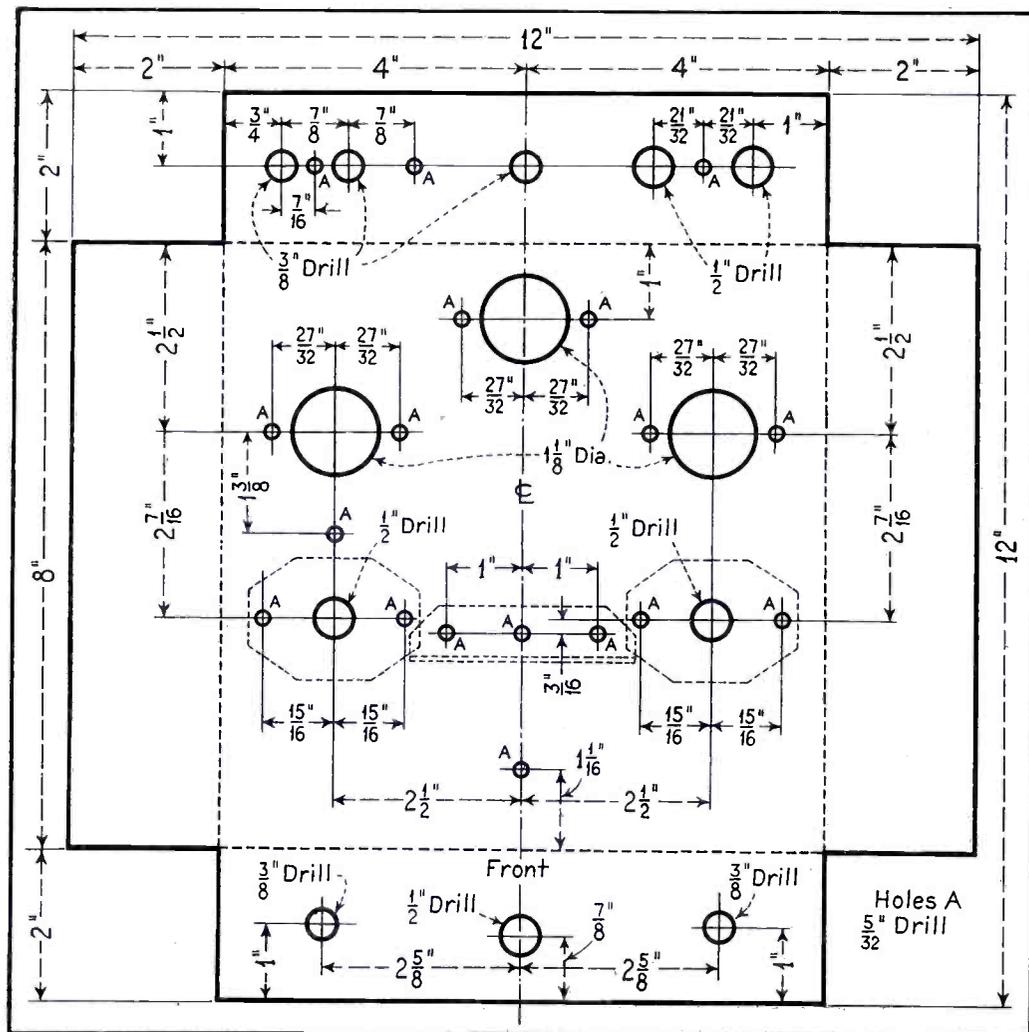
porated in the audio stage making it possible to use the 2A5 output tube as either a triode or pentode as desired, by connecting the screen to the plate or B plus by the toggle switch, S-2. This makes it possible to reduce the normal gain of this tube for satisfactory headphone reception on local stations and powerful CW transmitters.

## Construction Details

The placement of the various components is evident from an inspection of the photographs and layout drawing, while the proper procedure for making the various connections can be noted from the schematic diagram. The tubes employed are a 58, a 57, and a 2A5. An external power supply is required and should provide 2.5 volts for the heaters and a well-filtered plate voltage of 180 or 250 volts, with a 100-volt tap for the screen circuits.

When constructing the set, the first step is to procure a 12" by 12" piece of 14-gauge aluminum and drill the various holes as indicated in the layout drawing. The chassis is then bent and the various parts mounted. The isolantite coil sockets are mounted above the chassis by bushings provided for the purpose. When mounting the variable condenser, C-3, it is necessary to insulate the threaded bushing from the chassis. This is accomplished by employing insulated washers and by drilling a larger mounting hole than customary to provide sufficient clearance. A continuity test should be applied to make sure that the shaft is properly insulated.

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Constructional details of chassis.

# Frequency Standards for Checking Receivers

THE NATIONAL Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce, provides a standard frequency service which is broadcast by radio. Beginning October 1, 1935, this service will be given on three days each week, from the Bureau's station WWV, Beltsville, Md., near Washington, D. C.

## Receiver Calibration

The object of these radio emissions is to provide a standard for scientific or other measurements requiring an accurate radio of audio frequency or time rate. They are likewise useful to radio transmitting stations for adjusting their transmitters to exact frequency, and to the public generally for calibrating frequency standards, it was stated. These standard frequencies may also be effectively used for checking the calibrations of an all-wave or short-wave receiver.

On each Tuesday and Friday the emissions will be continuous unmodulated waves (cw); and on each Wednesday they will be modulated by an audio frequency. The audio frequency will be in general 1,000 cycles per second. (There will be no emissions on legal holidays.)

## Nature of Transmissions

On all emissions three radio carrier frequencies will be transmitted as follows: noon to 1 P. M., Eastern Standard Time, 15,000 kc, 1:15 to 2:15 P. M., 10,000 kc; 2:30 to 3:30 P. M., 5,000 kc.

The emissions on 5,000 kc will be found particularly useful at distances within a few hundred miles from Washington, those on 10,000 kc will be useful for the rest of the United States, and those on 15,000 kc will be useful in the western half of the United States and to some extent in other parts of the world.

During the first five minutes of the one-hour emission on each carrier frequency, announcements will be given. For the cw emissions, the announcements will be made by telegraphic keying and will consist of the station call letters (WWV) and a statement of the frequency; this announcement will be repeated every ten minutes. For modulated emissions, the announcements will be given only at the beginning of the hour; they will be given by voice and will include the station call letters and a statement of the carrier frequency and the audio modulation frequency.

Except during the announcements, the cw emissions will consist of continuous, unkeyed carrier frequency, giving a continuous beat note in the telephone receiver in heterodyne reception. The radiated power in the cw emissions will be 20 kilowatts.

## Modulated Emissions Experimental

The modulated emissions, except during the voice announcements at the beginning of the hour, will consist of an uninterrupted audio frequency superposed on the carrier frequency. The radiated power will be only one kilowatt; reception is therefore not as reliable as for the cw emissions of Tuesdays and Fridays; it is hoped to increase the power later. The modulated emissions are somewhat experimental, and for this reason an audio frequency other than 1,000 cycles per second may be used on some occasions. The presence of the audio modulation frequency does not impair the use of the carrier frequency as a standard to the same high accuracy as in the cw emissions.

## Accuracy

The accuracy of the frequencies as sent out from the transmitting station will be at all times better than a part in five million. Transmission effects in the medium

(Doppler effect, fading, etc.) at times may result in slight fluctuations in the frequency as received at a particular place. However, these will practically never impair the reception of the carrier frequency to the accuracy stated. Under some conditions, momentary fluctuations as great as 1 cycle per second may occur in the modulation frequency. It will generally be found possible, however, to use the modulation frequency with an accuracy better than a part in a million by selecting that one of the three carrier frequencies which has the least fading. The use of automatic volume control on the audio frequency will be found helpful.

## How To Use Emissions

Information on how to receive and utilize the standard frequency service is given in a pamphlet obtainable on request addressed to the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C. From any single frequency, using harmonic methods, any frequency may be checked.



Tin-Pan Alley invades the home of Mrs. Van Ripper.

All-Wave Radio

# BROADCAST—SHORT-WAVE ...

## Why Does Reception Differ?

**All-wave receivers do not give the same results on all bands. The listener should know why, and what he has to contend with in short-wave reception, so he may get the most out of his set. Here's the dope.**

THE OWNER OF a broadcast receiver very seldom finds cause for complaint with respect to the reception of programs. Moreover, if the receiver is modern, the owner should find no great difficulty in obtaining satisfactory reception from distant stations. Why, then, is this not also the case with all-wave receivers?

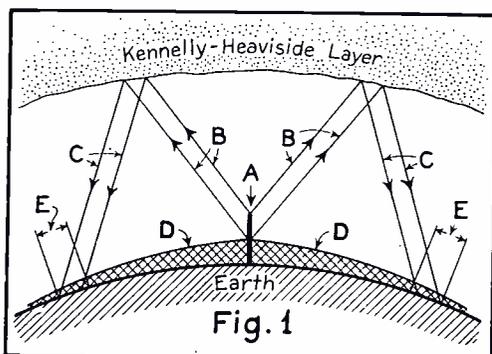
Most people find it difficult to understand why an all-wave receiver should act any differently in the short-wave bands than it does in the broadcast band, particularly in view of the fact that it is the same receiver in both cases. Why, in other words, should the mere turning of a band-selector switch make such a marked difference in the apparent operation of the receiver?

The second point with regard to the functioning of an all-wave receiver that often lends confusion to the picture, is the demonstrable fact that one of two identical receivers may literally run circles around the other, even though both receivers may be located in the same block.

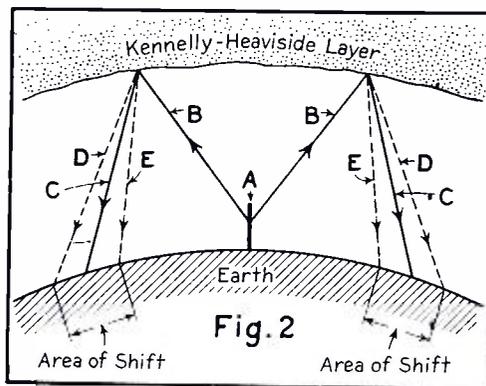
### Sky and Ground Waves

The prime reason an all-wave receiver appears to function more satisfactorily in the broadcast band than in the shorter wavebands, may be accounted for by the characteristics of the radio waves.

All radio transmitters emit two waves: a ground wave and a sky wave. (see Fig. 1) The ground wave is earth-bound, follows the surface as the water ripples



Sky waves are beams. B is the radiated wave from transmitter A. C is the reflected wave which is shown interfering with the ground wave, D, over the area E.



B is the sky wave radiated from transmitter A. The reflected wave, C, changes angle, as indicated by D and E, thus causing fading.

on a lake, and is comparatively free from distortion effects. This wave dies out very rapidly, but covers a sufficiently wide area to make it highly valuable for local broadcasting purposes. Broadcast stations therefore use special antennas and high power for the express purpose of favoring the ground wave. This is the wave picked up by your receiver when it is tuned to a local broadcast station.

The sky wave is not earth-bound. It travels upward, like the rays from a searchlight directed into the sky, and returns again to earth only because there is a reflecting layer in the upper atmosphere that returns the wave to earth, just as a huge mirror would return the rays from a searchlight. The difficulty is that this reflecting layer continually alters its relative position to the earth with the result that the reflected radio sky wave strikes one area of the earth one moment and some other area the next moment, as the upper layer shifts (see Fig. 2). You can do the same thing with light rays on a wall by wiggling a mirror in your hand.

### Multiple Waves

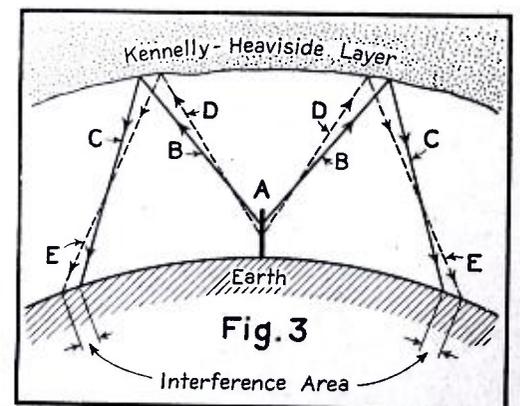
This phenomenon is further complicated by the fact that the sky wave from the transmitting station antenna is not a single ray, but a series of rays, each striking the reflecting layer at different points and consequently returning to different points on the surface of the earth.

Moreover, the reflecting layer in the upper atmosphere is not a rigid surface, such as the face of a mirror, but is billowy, like the surface of the sea. Therefore, with a series of sky waves and an undulating reflecting layer, there is a huge amount of wave diffusion from the sky to the earth. Were we able to see this, and at the proper moments, it might appear like a blanket of wavering light.

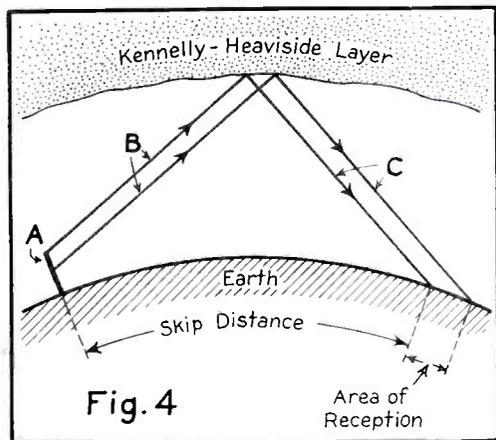
When you hear a distant station on your receiver, it is the sky wave you hear—not the ground wave. The sky wave travels over immense distances and that is the only reason you hear such a station at all. You will understand from the previous explanation that, because of the recurrent shiftings of these waves, the signal may be loud one moment and weak the next moment as its intensity changes in the vicinity of your receiving antenna. We refer to this condition as "fading" and with the purpose in mind of maintaining a constant signal from the loudspeaker of the receiver, we have equipped the receiver with an automatic volume control which increases the sensitivity of the receiver when the signal weakens and decreases the sensitivity of the receiver as the signal strengthens. This increase and decrease in receiver sensitivity is always proportionate to the increase and decrease in signal strength, with the result that the relative loudspeaker volume remains the same.

### Signal Distortion

Signal fading is not the only result of the shifting layer in the upper atmosphere. The very manner in which this layer shifts quite often causes one portion of a sky wave to overlap another portion of the same wave. Since the two portions of the same wave are reflected



Multiple sky waves do not travel equal distances and are therefore out of phase. If they mingle at their point of return to earth, as indicated by C and E, distortion is created.



A sky wave from the transmitter can be heard only in that area where it strikes the earth. The distance in between is "skipped." Since there are multiple sky waves, the situation is not as bad as it appears above.

from the different points on the surface of the layer, one portion tends to get ahead of the other portion. Then, when they both chance to be reflected at the same spot on the surface of the earth, they are no longer in phase—that is, they get out of timing in much the same way the gears of an auto ignition system can lose their proper operating sequence (see Fig. 3). The result is that these two waves, though inherently similar in every respect but timing, do not augment each other. Instead, these two waves, having become dissimilar through a difference in timing and length of travel, interfere with each other and create frequency distortion.

If you are near the fringe of the ground wave from a broadcast transmitter, the same form of interference may be noticeable, except in such a case the ground wave is interfered with by a returning sky wave.

### Station Interference

The foregoing explanation clears up two points, namely: why the signals from distant stations are apt to fade in and out, and why signals from distant stations may be distorted. It should be added now that both fading of a kind, and distortion, may also be created by interference between the signals from two transmitting stations. This is not so apparent in the broadcast band—except possibly at the high-frequency end of the dial—because all stations in this band are assigned definite channels in which to operate, each channel being separated from the others by a satisfactory margin that will insure against such interference or, in the event that two or more stations employ the same channel, by the allocation of this channel to stations either well separated geographically or having antenna systems that confine the radio wave to the area the station serves.

Thus we have an explanation for the reasons why even distant stations in the broadcast band may be received satisfactorily in the event that the set is of modern construction, has automatic vol-

ume control, and is used in conjunction with a moderately good aerial. It does not, however, explain why general reception on the shorter wave lengths should be inferior.

### "Distance"

The first reason is simple: Much greater distances are covered and one cannot expect the wave arriving from, say, London, to be the equivalent of a wave arriving from a station some 100 miles distant. Furthermore, the sky waves from these short-wave stations are, if anything, less reliable than the sky waves from stations in the broadcast band. The conditions are much the same in both cases but the wave length makes a difference. The shorter the wave length used at the transmitter the more pronounced is the effect referred to as "skip distance." The angle of the sky wave from the transmitting antenna may be less pronounced with the result that it travels through space for a greater distance before striking the reflecting layer. Moreover, the shorter waves *penetrate* the layer and are *bent* back to earth. For this reason, the wave skips great distances before again striking the earth. Thus, a station in Australia may "lay down" a very good signal in the heart of New York City, but no signal at all in San Francisco (see Fig. 4). Under such conditions a listener in New York might presume his receiver to be unbeatable whereas a listener in California might be gravely considering the idea of chucking his set out the window. Yet, a few hours later the Australian station might be laying down a good signal in San Francisco and no signal at all in New York City! Why? Because, firstly, the reflecting layer is not always at the same height from the earth—and in consequence changes the angle of reflection—and secondly, the Australian station might have changed its wavelength. Since the shorter wavelengths are superior for transmission during daylight and the slightly longer waves superior during darkness, stations move from one wave band to another as the day progresses.

### Comparisons

If we sum up the situation, we find that: (1). In the broadcast band a ground wave is steady, comparatively free of distortion and consequently provides consistently good local reception both day and night. (2). The sky wave from a station in the broadcast band is subject to fading and possible distortion, but is still fairly reliable over considerable distances. (3). A short-wave station has practically no ground wave and, unless the receiver is very close to the station, only the sky wave is picked up. (4). That the sky wave of a short-wave station is decidedly more freakish in character than the sky wave from a station in the broadcast band and consequently can-

not provide an equal degree of consistency in reception. (5). That satisfactory reception in the short-wave bands depends to a great degree upon the knowledge of the listener with regard to the wavelengths employed at different times of the day and night, and the times at which to listen for certain stations.

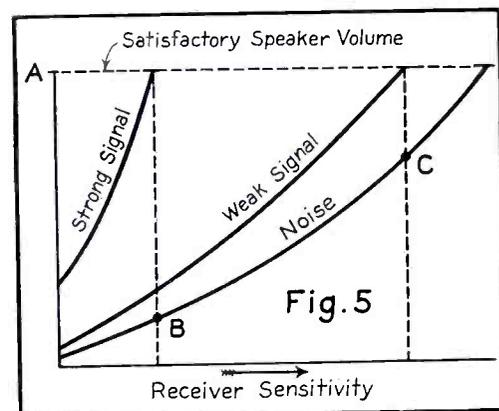
### Noise

The second point to cover has to do with the fact that, aside from the vagaries of waves, receivers do not seem to be quite the same efficient units when the wave-band switch is turned to the shorter waves. For one thing, there appears to be more noise than signal, which leads many to the belief that the receiver is at fault. How is this to be explained when the receiver seems so quiet in operation in the broadcast band?

There are two very good reasons for this. First, most broadcast signals are fairly strong and in consequence it is not necessary to run the receiver at full sensitivity, or "wide open." If your receiver has automatic volume control, the sensitivity is automatically reduced, otherwise, you merely turn down the manual sensitivity control which in turn reduces the sensitivity or "pick-up" of the receiver. Since noise, or "man-made static" in this band is weak to begin with—lower than the signal from the broadcast station—it is much too far in the background to be heard.

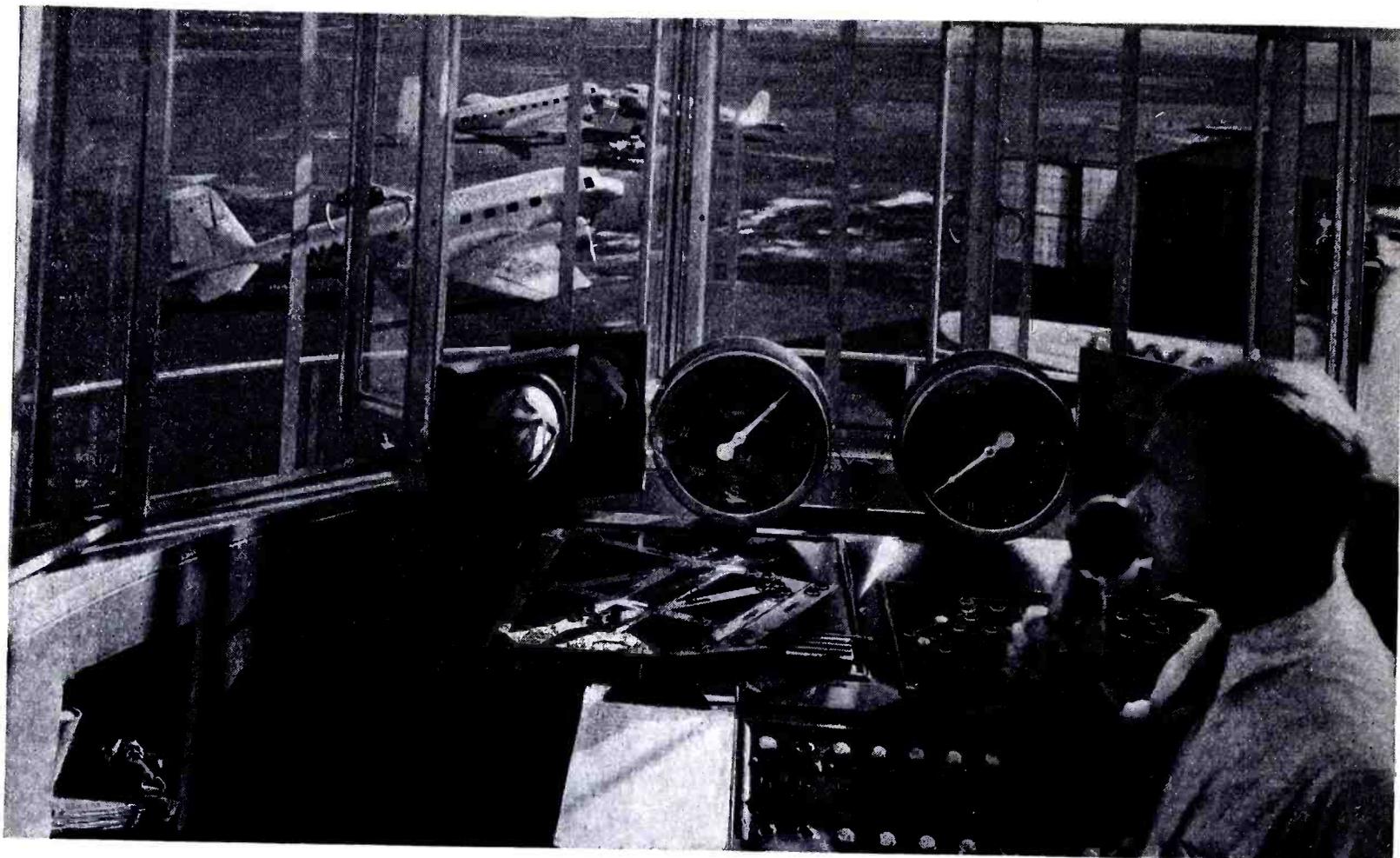
Second, for the reception of short-wave stations other than the "big fellows," such as London, Berlin, Madrid, etc., when they are putting in a strong signal, it is necessary to operate the receiver wide open. This is required because the signals picked up in your aerial are weak and need plenty of amplification before they may be built up to loudspeaker volume. Because so much amplification or sensitivity is required, it is only natural that the noise background is much higher or louder than in the broadcast band, since the noise is amplified along with the signal (See Fig. 5). Moreover, there is

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So little receiver sensitivity is required to bring a strong signal up to good speaker volume A, that noise is increased only slightly, B. Greater sensitivity is needed to raise a weak signal to the same level, A, and in consequence, the noise is brought up as well—point C.

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Traffic control tower at Newark Airport, Newark, N. J.

## “THE TOWER”

THE FLYING FIELD at Newark is, or seems to be dominated by the small glass enclosure on the roof of the Administration Building, and is known to the men working on and around the field as the Traffic Control Tower, or more simply “The Tower.” To look at, it does not seem to be of any importance at all; it is small and is somewhat like a greenhouse attached to the side of a dwelling, yet no plane of the ninety-five scheduled trips, leaving and arriving at Newark each day, can land, take-off or taxi about the field without orders from this pivot or heart of the Newark Airport.

The Tower is manned by four men, one of whom is on constant duty for an eight hour trick. He is not permitted to leave the Tower for any reason whatever during this period. They work in three shifts, with the fourth man rotating to allow them a day off at set intervals. The two men whom I met on my visits are Christian Rauscher and W. J. Conrad. They were extremely helpful and assisted me in every way possible.

The operator on duty sits at a large kidney-shaped desk, on the left hand side

of which there is a telephone connecting him directly with one of the Air Line offices on the field, also two magnetic speakers connected to fixed frequency, crystal-controlled receivers. Across the front of the desk are an Anemoscope from which he gets the direction of the wind, an Anemometer for surface velocity, and three banks of switches controlling the boundary lights, the lane lights and the landing flood lamps. On his right hand side are three more magnetic speakers and two more telephones. Grouped at his back are the five receivers and the crystal-controlled Western Electric transmitter WREE. This transmitter is on a fixed frequency of 1795 kilocycles.

The atmosphere of the Tower, when several ships are arriving at once, reminds one of a boiler factory. The transmitting and receiving sets are never shut down, and since all ships must ask permission to land, the noise is terrific. However, the men are so accustomed to it they can catch the plane's calls with ease. The men in the Tower know all the pilots and talk to them practically every day, but in

some cases months go by without their seeing each other. Their life on duty is marked by the same quietness that is the lot of the average citizen, at least that's what they'd have you believe. The arrival or departure of world famous celebrities means just another ship landed or sent on its way, to these men perched on the top of a building.

I was startled to learn that their greatest excitement occurs when a plane reports the loss of a motor. Visions of motors dropping from planes and frantic scurryings about trying to locate said motors flashed through my mind. The Public had never been told of such goings-on, I was sure; was I about to hear very grave secrets in strict confidence? I was brought back to earth by being told, quite calmly, that such occurrences were not at all dangerous, and in fact quite common. It merely meant that one of the two motors of a plane had ceased to operate, and since present day planes are perfectly capable of flying and even climbing on one motor, there was no risk involved. The only change made in the routine, in such an event, is the pre-

cedence given the plane with a "lost motor" over any other ship approaching the field for a landing.

They had an exciting evening recently, while Conrad was on duty, when a Fire Chief burst into the Tower demanding to know where the burning plane would be grounded. His presence there was against rules, as no one is allowed in the Tower without permission. However, there he was. Conrad had heard nothing of a burning plane and tried to calm the Chief at least long enough to get what information he could. It seems someone had phoned the Fire Station that a plane in flames was flying over Elizabeth, New Jersey, and the Chief had rushed ahead of his men to the flying field. While this was taking place in the Tower, three engines had arrived at the field blowing sirens, ringing bells and causing everyone within hearing to rally round. Conrad proceeded to contact all planes known to be in the vicinity. The air was soon clogged with calls. For about twenty minutes life was anything but calm in the Tower. Anticlimax—it was a false alarm.

At this point a short survey of the equipment carried on planes and a few of the rules for approaching landing fields, may be of interest. The rules, necessarily, are rather strict. All planes arriving at a port must fly at an even altitude, that is, at two, four, six or eight thousand feet. All planes leaving an airport must fly at an odd altitude, such as three, five or seven thousand feet. Each airport has a "dead" altitude, at Newark it is three thousand feet. This lane is used for bringing planes in for a landing. When a plane has taken off and been released by the Traffic Control Tower, it is then picked up by its Company's tower and is in touch with it until it approaches another airport.

The planes carry three receivers and one transmitter. The transmitter and one of the receivers are on the same fixed-frequency, and are used to communicate with their home tower, and other planes of the same Air Line. The second receiver is a variable-frequency receiver and is used to tune in on the beam stations enroute. It is also on this set that they receive their landing instructions from the Traffic Control Towers. The third receiver is an emergency set operated on batteries, and is used in the event of a failure in the generator supplying the other sets.

The pilots are in touch at all times with beam stations, their home tower and the various Traffic Control Towers of the fields on which they are going to land. Any Air Line can speak with all of its planes at once and each plane can talk with another, but only Traffic Control Towers can communicate with all planes of all lines. The sets and transmitters of

the various Air Lines are tuned to different frequencies; the Tower is tuned to the same frequency as the beam stations and is thereby enabled to talk to the ships of all lines.

The most interesting part of my visit was watching how the ships were handled on the take-off and in landing. On the take-off the procedure is as follows: The ship taking off calls,

"Calling WREE. O. K. for take-off? Ship 318, Chicago at 2:11."

"O.K. 318, wind North-Northeast, surface velocity 18-20 miles, gusty; use end runway, go ahead."

The plane then taxis to the runway and heads into the wind. WREE calls, "O.K. 318, all clear, go ahead when you're ready, good luck."

"318, Thanks Chris., see you later." When the ship is in the air the Tower may have to call again,

"318, Number 214 due in from Cleveland, just reported over Camden, watch out for him."

"Okey-Doke WREE, thanks." and another plane has left Newark for any one of the many terminals to which they fly.

However, the real thrill comes when it gets good and soupy, or what the pilots call "tight weather," when there is a visibility of one-quarter of a mile and a ceiling of 500 feet. This ceiling means that the ground cannot be seen from any greater height than 500 feet, which is the lowest limit at which the Department of Commerce will permit a plane to attempt a landing. If the ceiling is lower the plane must be sent to the nearest field where the ceiling is higher. Usually, they are re-routed to Floyd Bennett Field. In order to visualize the routing operation, think of a circle with a dot at the center, the dot being the Tower. The circle is elongated, since the three radio beam lanes have "squawker" beacons at different distances, one at Camden, or about 90 miles from the Tower, one at Mar-

tin's Creek, about 60 miles out on the Chicago leg, and one on the Boston leg about 45 miles out. Four planes arriving at the following times, would be handled in this manner:

"Ship 316, Eastern Air Lines, reporting over Camden, 6000 ft. 5:10 p.m." "O.K. 316, come along in at 2000 ft., all clear on your leg."

"Ship 318, TWA at 4000 ft., over Martin's Creek, 5:12 p.m." "O.K. 318, circle at 4000 ft. until notice."

"Ship 312, United Air Lines, over Martin's Creek, 6000 ft. 5:14 p.m." "O.K. 312, circle at 6000 ft. until further orders."

"85, over Martin's Creek, 8000 ft., 5:18 p.m." "O.K. 85, circle at 8000 ft. until called."

Ship 316, being the first to report, is given preference. If the fog is really bad it may take a half hour or longer before it breaks below the ceiling. In the meantime, all the other planes are circling at the appointed altitudes. No plane but the one landing would be at an altitude of 2000 ft. or lower within a fifty-mile circle. As plane 316 breaks through, the operator on duty calls 318 in on the 2000 ft. level, and so on down the list. If any others have arrived in the meantime, they are kept at different altitudes until their turn comes. There have been as many as eight planes in the air at once, waiting for a landing.

It is a very impressive sight to see one of these huge transport planes, weighing between eight and ten tons, land—even on a clear night. Sitting in the Tower after a ship has been reported, you suddenly see a small light floating in the sky. The Tower operator notifies the plane that it has been sighted and switches on the landing flood lights. The pilot calls back and usually asks that the flood lights be turned off; most pilots prefer making landings with the plane's lights. That small light in the sky, accompanied

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W. J. Conrad directing landing and take-off of planes by radio. Behind him are the receivers and the transmitter.

# RADIO FLASHES

## ADDIS ABABA STATION PICKED UP DIRECTLY

JUST AS THE Navy Department has dispatched four radio technicians to Addis Ababa to insure communication between the American legation and the State Department, short-wave listeners are trying to pick up the only station in Ethiopia. It is ETA, at Addis Ababa, and broadcasts either on 7,620 or 18,270 kilocycles.

George M. Lilley, writing in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* (September 29), explained that it was RCA Communications, Inc., which changed the transmission of the station from unintelligible code signals to "jabbering voices" because of the Italo-Ethiopian conflict.

Despite its limited power of 2 kw, ETA broadcasts have been picked up clearly at RCA's Riverhead (L. I.) station without relays.

"Personal observations, however, soon showed that Addis Ababa isn't received so clearly by we average fans as it is at RCA's highly elaborate terminals of interception," Lilley said. The signals, he added, "clearly showed effects of their ceaseless journey over nearly half of the world's mountains, deserts, and restless seas."

"But it's surely well worth listening for and a wonderful thing to hear," he concluded.

## ◆ TG2X

IF YOU HEAR someone announcing, "La Voz de Polica Nacional," you've got Station TG2X (The Voice of the Guatemalan Police) on 5,960 kc or 50.3 meters.

## ◆ SIX CAUSES OF SHORT-WAVE INTERFERENCE NOTED BY BBC

DECLARING that the "problem of interference in the short-wave bands has become of steadily greater importance to broadcasting," L. W. Hayes, empire and foreign service engineer of BBC, cites the following six types of inter-station interference:

(a) Between short-wave broadcasting stations owing to insufficient separation between the stations.

(b) Between stations which have 10-kc. separation, but cause interference because the receiver is not selective enough.

(c) Caused by fixed point-to-point services, generally telegraph stations, working in the broadcasting bands, or vice versa.

(d) With broadcasting stations situated near the ends of the short-wave

broadcasting bands, caused by fixed point-to-point stations and insufficient selectivity in the receiver.

(e) Caused to broadcasting stations working in their correct bands by fixed point-to-point telegraph stations working in their correct bands; due to second channel or image signal in the receiver.

(f) Caused by the harmonics of broadcasting and/or fixed point-to-point stations.

"Of the above types of inter-station interference," Hayes said, "there is nothing that can be done by the listener to remove types (a) and (c). Of the other types, while the listener can do little to remedy this on existing receivers, he can encourage manufacturers to do so by refraining from purchasing new receivers which show these faults."

## ◆ RADIO ATLAS ENLIVENS GEOGRAPHY

NO LONGER IS "geography" something dull to be studied out of a dull, oversized book. The New Philco Radio Atlas of the World, brings home to over a third of a million children, fascinating items of present-day interest that link the farthest corners of the globe with the radio standing in the corner of the room. Geography has become as transporting as a fairy tale of old.

Distributed free to adults by Philco distributors and dealers, the Atlas is a 36-page, profusely illustrated book containing up-to-the-minute, double page maps of all the continents, printed in five colors, with the principal short-wave stations located and named on the maps.

One of the features of the Philco Radio Atlas is a new and simplified Airline Distance Chart, which tells quickly the distance between principal world cities. Another feature is the write-ups, by countries, of the many and interesting foreign broadcast programs that may be heard, with descriptions of the type of programs to be expected from each country.

The Atlases are 7 by 10 inches and fit into the standard school geographies.

## ◆ DX CLUB CLAIMS LISTENERS IN 25 RECORDED COUNTRIES

A UNIQUE weekly program for short-wave listeners is offered by the KDKA DX Club every Friday night at 12:30 A.M. over W8XK, Pittsburgh, (6,140 kc). Founded by Joseph Stokes, the program carries DX tips and news relative to short-wave changes, special programs and the like. DX fans in 25 recorded countries tune in weekly, according to Stokes.

## DEUTSCHLANDER ON A.M. WINTER SCHEDULE

DURING THE winter months, November to February, the German short-wave station DJB, in Berlin, will be heard in the United States on 19.74 meters from 8 A.M. to 11:30 A.M., EST, Kurt G. Sell, Washington representative of the German Broadcasting Company advises. This is in addition to the evening broadcasts on 49.83 meters (DJC) which are being sent out from 5 P.M. to 10:45 P.M. EST.

## ◆ ALL-WAVE SETS APPROACH THE 5,000,000 MARK

BY THE END of 1935, according to a representative of one of the largest radio manufacturers in the country, there will be about 5,000,000 all-wave sets in the United States.

By years, this breaks down as—

Prior to 1933	Very few
1933	500,000
1934	1,500,000
1935	3,000,000

In the opinion of this authority, 80 percent of the receiving sets now being made for the home in the United States are all-wave receivers.

All-Wave Radio—long may it wave.

## ◆ PANAMA PROPOSES SHORT-WAVE RELAY SERVICE

A RELAY SERVICE for foreign short-wave programs has been proposed by the Republic of Panama, according to U. S. Consul James L. Park, of Colon.

"Short-wave reception is difficult and interference sufficiently great that set owners often find the necessary manipulation too great," he said, "and as radio interest appears to be more strictly for the programs than for DX accomplishment, the popular choice promises more following for relayed program than for direct reception."

## ◆ INDIA SOON TO ENTER SHORT-WAVE SPECTRUM

INDIA IS about to step into the short-wave spectrum as a part of a general improvement in radio broadcasting instituted by the Indian government.

One of the plans of an expert hired from the British Broadcasting Corporation is to make the short-wave services of Great Britain and Europe available to Indian listeners by relay. Another is to arrange for the transmission of Indian programs to listeners over the world via short-waves.



THE GERMANS are a funny race. Have you observed, for instance, that for all their love for Hitler, no sooner does he show face to microphone in these short-wave broadcasts, than the people rise as a body and shout, "Heel!—Heel!"

A TEA ROSE to a tot in Chicago for being much too clever for his age . . . he is collecting all manner of box tops, labels and bottle caps against the day when the companies will stage prize contests over the air.

TIMID, GENTLE and soft, the little Carpinchoe cautiously threads its way through the South American jungle, and bothers no one. No one suspected what its purpose might be on this earth of ours—certainly the Carpinchoe never knew, or cared.

But now, after the passing of centuries, during which periods our scientists have learned that bees were created for pollinating flowers and providing honey for our sweeties, it turns up that the sweet Carpinchoe, sister to the chamois, but more tender of hide, was put on this earth to provide cone supports for Stromberg-Carlson loudspeakers.

When you next listen to the 7500-cycle murmurs of a Stromberg, think of the shy Carpinchoe pushing its nose into the waters of the Amazon. And also think shame on the Stromberg scouts searching the wilds of the jungle for hides as pliable as a zepher.

IT IS our own opinion that the radio manufacturer is a melancholy fellow, and entirely devoid of imagination. Witness the names he gives to products.

For example, a low-frequency loudspeaker is known in the trade as a "whooper" and a small, high-frequency speaker as a "tweeter." You put a whooper and a tweeter together and you're supposed to get high-fidelity, but there is always the feeling that the big speaker will suddenly break out into animal sounds and the little speaker commence twittering like a canary.

What the industry needs is a professional namer—a Czar of synonyms—a man who would call a whooper a Belly-Buster, and a tweeter a Femme.

AND SPEAKING of names—why not name radio receivers like Pullman Cars? Star of the Wilderness, for example. Advertiser's Delight; Voice of America; All Points West; The Ionosphere Special. And how about Little Box, What Now?

WE WERE UP the night of the earthquake (California papers copy). Being ad-

## By BEAT NOTE

dicted to sudden bursts of the palsy, it was natural that we paid no attention to the phenomena . . . until we saw the lamps shaking like a Model T.

The last little shiver of the building found us standing in the middle of the floor with Moo-Moo (it's a cat, not a cow) in our arms, waiting to determine if we might resume our listening in the 75-meter phone band, or listen to backwash in another world.

Finally we returned to the set and, as might be expected, the first thing we heard was: "How's my modulation?"

We and Moo-Moo gave up and raided the ice box instead.

WE MUST admit that cw has a way with us; after the first few sentences we are sound asleep.

We experienced this very thing a few nights ago. When we awoke, we found the following in our mill:

A dashing young dotter at KIM  
Has a psychoneurotical whim:  
He speeds up the ditter  
Of KIM's code transmitter  
To work off a bit of his vim.

THE WAY TO get Moo-Moo going is to turn on the beat oscillator and tune in a carrier. A bit of dial rocking makes a beautiful cat noise. Moo-Moo thinks it's the Life-Of-The-Party and tries to jam her head through the speaker cone.

All good, clean fun for us, but hard on Moo-Moo.

WE HAD A very high regard for a certain radio engineer of considerable fame, until we visited his home recently.

We had found the subject of automatic bass compensation fraught with interest and were well on our way into the heart of the discussion when our ears were assailed by the vilest sounds we have heard since experimenting with early super-regenerative receivers.

No doubt we registered pain, for the engineer quickly explained that the receiver was there only temporarily while his own set was being repaired and adjusted.

Almost immediately following this weak explanation, the signal intensity

dropped to a whisper. This, we learned, was due to the fact that he was using an indoor aerial composed of a section of lamp cord run under the carpet, and every time someone closed a light circuit, the set went phooey.

Wishing to relieve the evident embarrassment, we quickly switched the subject to the set which was being repaired—evidently a beauty, as radios go. This, we learned, uses 26's in a tuned radio-frequency circuit and is, so the engineer said, the nuts.

We left for home wishing we had become a Monk in our youth.

VINCENT LOPEZ wants to know what *we* think—at least, he has written to the "What Do You Think Editor" of the *New York Sun*, and our assumption is that he is waiting with baited breath (incidentally, how does one bait one's breath?) for our opinion of a very moot subject—*very* moot.

Vincent wonders if radio isn't just a trifle too effette. He points to the theatre, the screen (the *silver* screen), and to literature, as professions supporting lusty, glamorous or colorful personalities.

But radio? What of radio? Where are the Drews, the Tully's and the Garbo's (that isn't *our* selection), Vincent asks. He believes that of the current crop of air entertainers, there are none whose exploits will live for any length of time.

We dare say there is something to this. As neat a trick as it will be, no doubt Kate Smith will eventually fade into obscurity as readily as yesterday's murder: Jack Benny will go down in a rush of Jello, and it will take a heap 'o somethin' if Eddie Guest is to hold his own along with Shelley and Lord Byron.

But what about Major Bowes, Vincent—what about Major Bowes?

We've got you there!

AS WE SAT listening to the ever-recurring call, LQE, being flung to the four corners of this cockeyed world, our thoughts turned to the history and development of communication: The call of the wild, the smoke signals, printing, the telegraph and telephone—and radio. All really marvelous.

But, as we sat there listening to LQE, we knew that in far-off Ethiopia the primitive drums were spreading the news of war like wildfire. We knew that in the space of the few hours we sat there listening to LQE that a whole nation had been mobilized by the beating of drums. Natives were collecting in the villages, ready to march against the foe; the

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# GLOBE GIRDLING

CONDUCTED BY J.B.L. HINDS

A STANDARD DICTIONARY defines a hobby as a subject or pursuit in which a person takes extravagant or persistent interest. A diversion is that which diverts one from care or labor and so affords recreation to mind and body. Walter B. Pitkin in his introduction to Earnest Elmo Calkin's little book on the "Care and Feeding of Hobby Horses" comments that "work comes and goes, for better or for worse. But the hobby well chosen and growing naturally out of your desires, needs and abilities, goes on forever. It is a natural and joyful part of your life when things go well, and something to which you can turn for wholesome solace when all the world seems against you." As Mr. Calkins puts it, "We all need an outlet, a pastime, an interest of some kind as different as possible from our daily tasks, which will give us a better balance, and develop at least two sides of our nature."

## Hobby of Hobbies

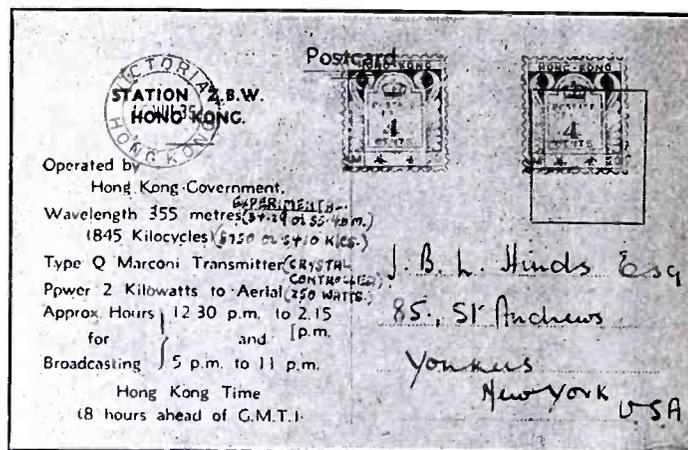
That diversion has been supplied to a great many people through the medium of the hobby of "DXing" for stations in all corners of the world. And until you come in contact with this pleasant pastime, you little realize how many are following the game. And each, though busily engrossed in his own enjoyment, is constantly endeavoring to be of service to those of similar desires.

It is to be admitted therefore, that no one could follow radio DX work as long as the writer has, and still have it be a pleasure to him, unless he really enjoyed it. I derive as much enjoyment, however, by contact and service to others as



Mr. Hinds in his receiving room, at Yonkers, N. Y.

A verification card received by Mr. Hinds from station ZBW, Hong Kong, China. Read the notations.



from the contacts with the stations. The hobby of radio does not confine itself alone to stalking down broadcasting stations, for there are many branches of radio. You will find some who follow the airplanes and airports, on voice; some who devote a greater share of their spare time to listening to the police bands; those who do likewise with the amateur bands and who have one desire to receive an amateur station in every country in the world. Then you will find those who listen to the ships talking with the coastal stations, some who secure verifications to code stations, and many who follow the long waves strictly. You will not, however, find many who derive pleasure in following all the branches mentioned. The point is that each to his following gains his objective according to his desires.

The writer confines his endeavors mostly to receiving short-wave broadcasting, phone and experimental stations. As you no doubt know, I followed long-wave receiving for some years and still

have my verifications for over 700 stations. The short waves appeal more to me on account of the distance involved, although I really enjoyed DX work on the long waves and have many pleasant memories of those days, and verifications from many, many stations now out of existence.

## Station Lists

The station lists and schedules have been revised in this issue and it is hoped that they will meet the needs. Your comments and assistance in making these lists as complete as possible will be appreciated. All time shown is Eastern Standard Time. It is our intention to make mention of new stations on the air and not take up too much space in comments of regular stations on the air in this section. In addition, it will be our endeavor to include information which it is thought will be of benefit and interest to the readers of ALL WAVE RADIO.

I am frequently asked as to when is the best time to tune for the Australian stations, how long they will continue to come in so well, or what season is the best in which to receive them. These stations are on the air regularly at stated times and their schedules are shown in the station lists in their order of frequency. The writer is of the opinion that VK2ME and VK3ME are as consistently received stations the year around as any on the air. They announce their call letters after each number. It might be interesting and helpful to know that notwithstanding the preceding comments that the seasons of Australia are as follows: Spring is September, October and November; Summer is December, January and February; Autumn is March,

April and May; Winter is June, July and August. Within the same latitude zones, and similar elevations and ground cover, there is only a small difference in the range of temperature in Australia and North America.

### Addis Ababa

The New York newspapers recently published information regarding the establishment of direct wireless service between New York and Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, which would end the present British control over radio communication between Ethiopia and the United States. The Federal Communications Commission states that Press Wireless, Inc., has been authorized to communicate with call letters WJS on the frequency of 15,700 kc from Hicksville, L. I., New York and the R.C.A. Communications, Inc., with call letters WQF, 17,920 kc, and WEC, 8930 kc. It is not known at this time who will control the station or stations at Addis Ababa.

The four Navy radio operators recently sent to Ethiopia have set up transmitters and communication has been established, with good results, with the U. S. station, NAA, at Arlington, Va.

With regard to the Addis Ababa frequencies, the Berne list shows the following—each with the call letters ETA; 18,270 kc (16.42 meters); 11,955 kc (25.01 meters); 7620 kc (39.37 meters) and 5880 kc (51.02 meters). Reports of reception have been cited on the first three mentioned frequencies. Information from reliable sources is that the frequencies 18,270 kc and 11,955 kc have been heard quite consistently in New York and that but two transmitters are at Addis Ababa, one directly to London and the other to Cairo, Egypt. It is understood, unofficially, that the power of these stations is only 500 watts, but because of the strength of the signals, it is believed that greater power is being employed. The Columbia Broadcasting System is rebroadcasting a program from Ethiopia on 11,955 kc each Wednesday at 5 P.M. and this frequency is being contacted before and after the broadcast mentioned.

Mr. James Waters, 4865 East 85th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, has a letter from the Columbia Broadcasting System, that he was listening to a program coming from Addis Ababa on 11,955 kc. Further information will be published in later issues of ALL WAVE RADIO as received.

### New Stations

Two new stations have recently opened up in Eritrea, Africa: IRG, 14,710 or 14,635 kc, located at Massawa, and IDU, 13,380 kc located at Asmara, an inland city. Massawa is a seaport. Both of these stations have been heard

From PMC, Java,  
February 1935 . . .

on voice talking with Italy and Japan and testing with musical recordings of operatic numbers.

Since making the station list we note from the Short Wave Reporter, the Quixotte Radio Club of Hendersonville, N. C., that HP5F, Colon, Panama, is now on the air testing on 4934 meters or 6080 kc.

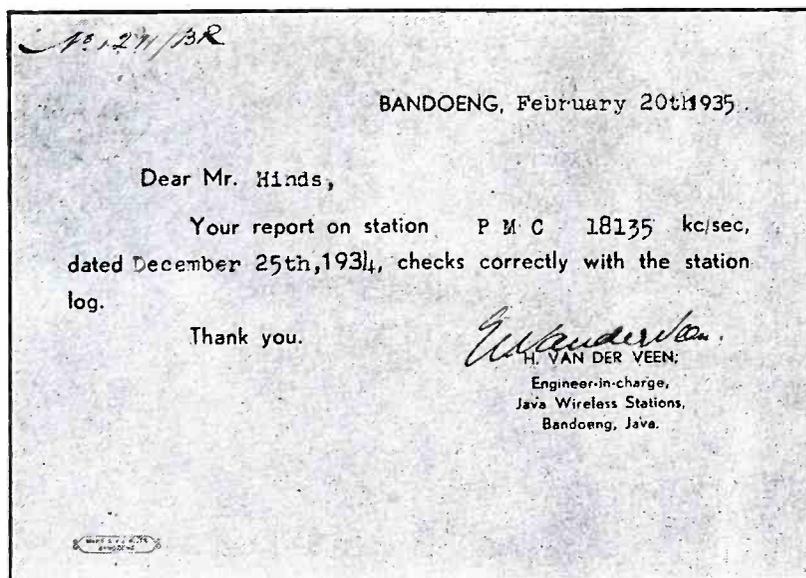
Some say HJ4ABB, Medellin, has moved to 5780 kc or 51.90 meters, but no verification has been as yet received. A new Colombian, HJ1ABK at Barranquilla is on the air at 7074 kc. HJ4ABJ, Ibagne, Colombia, is on the air each evening, except Sunday, on 6460 kc, or 46.44 meters.

It is said that CT1GO and CSL Lisbon are off the air, but verification has not been made as yet. Report has it that a new station, CTV, is testing from Lisbon on about 1150 kc or 26.91 meters, and the station is to be known as "Mansanto Radio."

### Changes

It will be noted that certain changes and additions have been made in frequencies of Canadian Marconi Co.'s transmitters at Drummondville, Quebec, as shown in the station lists. VE9DN and VE9DR are retained in the list.

. . . and one from  
PLP on August 6th  
of the same year.  
How are you doing?



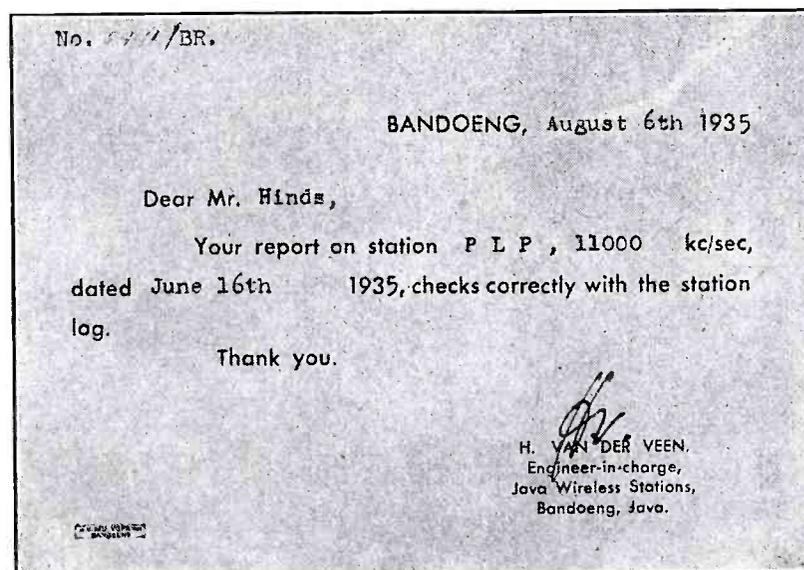
Both temporarily off the air but expected to resume transmission early this winter. Phone station CGA operates to Europe, CJA to Australia, and CFA to North American stations.

XBJQ Mexico City, 11,000 kc, or 27.26 meters, is being heard with good signal. They say they are operated by the National Capital Bank of Mexico, P. O. Box 2825. The writer in answer to report filed received one of the scenic post-cards of XEW but no mention of short-wave station XBJQ or any information regarding the station.

HCW, Quito, Ecuador is shown in list as 5900 kc. It is again reported on the air, although there seems to be quite a little discussion as to where it works. Mr. Clarence W. Jones, Director HCJB, Quito, informs me that it broadcasts on 5679 kc with 50 watts power each night except Sunday, from 8 to 10 P.M. Your report on this station would be appreciated.

A stranger can be heard 6 to 7 A.M. each morning close to VK3LR on the 31-meter band. It is thought to be a Java station, although the writer has not yet heard the call given.

PPQ, Rio de Janeiro, 11,660 kc, is being heard broadcasting musical programs in early evenings of late.



YUDA Managua, Nicaragua, a new station on 8590 kc, or 34.92 meters, is being heard between 8 and 10 p.m., although meeting with considerable interference and not regularly coming through clearly.

In a recent letter of verification from the Icelandic State Broadcasting Service, it is stated that TFJ is now broadcasting regularly each Sunday a program in English from 8:40 to 9 a.m., on 12,235 kc, or 24.52 meters.

### Verification of OPM

A letter of verification of the writer's reception of OPM, Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, of broadcasts in connection with their commercial fair has been received. A greater share of the music furnished on these broadcasts was rendered by musicians from their black soldiers and natives, with their native tools and musical instruments. Mr. Van Calk, the genial director of the station, advises that no more broadcasts of this nature will be transmitted for one year, and the station will only be heard on voice.

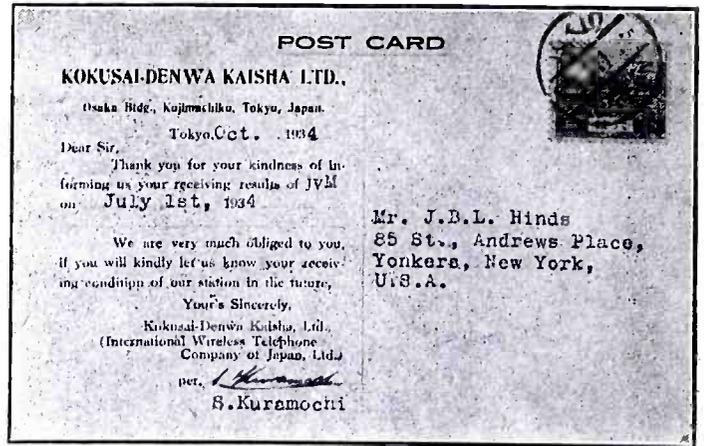
It will be noted the station list now shows CEC, Santiago, Chile, on a new frequency; 9545 kc, to which they are changing by the time this is printed. Advice from Santiago states that concession for broadcasting has been obtained and authority to change the frequency from 10,670 kc. They have also opened up a new telephone service on the same new frequency with Antofagasto, a city in the north of Chile. Their phone service is from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Santiago also advises that a new Chilean station has opened up on 9600 kc, or 31.25 meters, broadcasting musical programs. Here is a chance for a new one. Who will report the first?

Radiodifusora HIH, La Voz del Higuamo, San Pedro de Macoris, Dominica, on 6796 kc, is now sending out its new verification cards, done in white and black with the call letters HIH in large red letters.

### New Mexican

Verifications are being received from the new Mexican station XEFT, located at Vera Cruz and transmitting on 6120 kc. This station is known as La Voz de Vera Cruz, El Primer Puerto de Mex-

A choice verification card from the Japanese station, JVM. The reverse side of the card is shown below.



ico, and is getting out with fairly good signal with its 20 watts power.

TGX, Guatemala City, is broadcasting on 1630 kc, but at present is not on 5940 kc, or 50.50 meters. TG2X is on short wave as shown in list, but according to our understanding has no connection with the first mentioned station.

Much comment has been made about HC2AT and HC2CW on 8400 kc, 35.71 meters and some insisting that they heard HC2AT. Here are the facts as recently received from HC2AT: They inform the writer that HC2AT was sold to HC2CW and the latter is on the air. A new station, HC2AT, is to be installed but is not yet on the air.

HJ5ABE, 14,100 kc, Medellin, Columbia, is still being shown in the list, although it is not being heard regularly of late. Reports say that it has gone into long wave, but this has not as yet been verified.

The new station SPN (13,635 kc, or 22.00 meters), at Warsaw, Poland, is being reported quite frequently of late. It is said to have 10 kw power.

### Central and South American

The veri cards from VP3MR, the voice of Guiana (7080 kc), Georgetown, British Guiana, bear the coat of arms at top, have rounded corners and gilt edges.

OAX4D, Lima, Peru, on every Wednesday and Saturday 9-11:30 p.m., on 5780 kc. Verification cards show address as 2336 Casilla, Lima, Peru; operators—All America Cables, Inc. OAX4G at Lima, Peru on the air every night 7-10:00 p.m. Long-wave call, OAX4B. Verification shows station op-

erated by Roberto Grellaud, address Avda Abancay, 915-923 Lima, Peru. La Voz De La Victor, San Jose, Costa Rica, first gave call letters as TI2PG, but late verification cards call TIPG. Veri cards from HI3C and HI1J are neat and attractive cards in colors. HIZ, Santo Domingo, R. D. has a new card done in green, black and white.

### Readers' Comments

Don Gross, West Asheville, N. C., makes mention that Asheville's new police station is on the air on 2474 kc under call WPFS.

Walter Berger, Short Hills, N. J., advises as we are closing that Germany has a new transmitter on the air; DJJ, 10,042 kc, operating daily 8-10:00 p.m. C. S. Time. Mr. Berger also states VE9DN on air November 30th 11 p.m., 12 a.m. Saturday nights.

The following are understood to be the new rules of broadcasting in Colombia, South America.

1—On short waves can only broadcast with a power of 501 watts up.

2—Radio stations with less power than 501 watts, must broadcast on long waves.

3—No tests or interchange between stations after 12 midnight.

Radio stations classed as follows:

Class A—25 watts (L W)

Class B—26-500 (L W)

Class C—501-5000 (S W)

Class D—5001 up (S W)

### Stratosphere

From reports it is apparent that reception of the transmitter in gondola of Explorer II in recent stratosphere flight was heard by a number of people on November 11, 1935. The writer held a carrier on about 22.99 meters for some time on that date which was thought to be the carrier mentioned. It is not our policy to make claims of reception in advance of confirmation.

HJN, Bogota, is said to have moved to 5950 kc, 50.42 meters. This is one of the South Americans who do not make return of verifications promptly. HJ1ABJ, Santa Marta, and HKV, Bogota, are two other Colombia offenders.

Nasaka Station		Longitude 138° 51' 00" E.		Latitude 36° 10' 41" N		Transmitter	
JVT	7550 KC.	20 KW.	Vertical double-Antenna				
JVP	7510 "	20 "	"				
JVN	10680 "	20 "	"				
JVM	10740 "	20 "	"				
Daily service hour for relaying JOAK							
6:00-6:00 G.M.T.		Weather forecast, Market quotations					
6:20-6:25		Market quotations					
9:30-9:40		News, Market quotations					
9:50-10:00		Market quotations, News					
9:50-12:30		Children's Hour, News, Lectures, Entertainment, Music, Drama, etc.					
12:30-12:50		Time Signal, News, Weather forecast, etc.					
22:20-22:30		Physical Exercise					
Frequency for International Communication							
For Europe		For Manchukuo		For Formosa		For Japan	
JVP	7510 KC.	20 KW.	JVI	5791 KC.	10 KW.	JVI	1335 "
JVN	10680 "	"	JVI	13500 "	"	JVI	13500 "
JVA	19810 "	"	JVI	14900 "	10 KW.	JVI	14900 "
For U.S.A.		For Japan		For Japan		For Japan	
JVT	6780 KC.	20 KW.	JVI	5791 KC.	10 KW.	JVI	1335 "
JVM	10740 "	"	JVI	13500 "	"	JVI	13500 "
JVF	18070 "	"	JVI	14900 "	10 KW.	JVI	14900 "
For Java & Philippine		For Japan		For Japan		For Japan	
JVQ	7470 KC.	10 KW.	JVI	5791 KC.	10 KW.	JVI	1335 "
JVS	13400 "	"	JVI	13500 "	"	JVI	13500 "
JVB	18190 "	"	JVI	14900 "	10 KW.	JVI	14900 "

Reverse side of the card shown above. Note all the station listings.

# CHANNEL ECHOES

BY ZEH BOUCK

AMONG ALL classes of radio listeners, the American Housewife merits our supreme sympathy—not merely because her drudgeries run the gamut from diapers to vacuum cleaning, but because of the fact that radio fails in what should be a simple task of lightening her morning and afternoon labors with purely entertaining programs.

Just after she has washed the breakfast dishes, when the next meal is probably the last thing in the world she wants to think about, what does she hear over the radio? Talks on how to use left-overs by the *tour de force* of buying a lot of mushrooms and other things that cost more than a perfectly good beefsteak. Recipes for new combinations of foods—formulas would be the better word, being more descriptive of complexity. These formulas, expostulated by dulcet voices, the owners of which probably could not boil water without burning it, are first tried on the family, then on the dog, and finally on the cat. If the housewife would only test it on the cat first, both the dog and the family would be spared. There being an almost infinite variety of foodstuffs, the permutations and combinations afford a still closer approach to infinity. Thus the harangue can be kept up *ad infinitum*, recommending pistachio nuts served with Worcestershire sauce, tomato juice, lady fingers and a grated box top for antipasto; followed with lamb chops stewed in vinegar, essence of peppermint, henna leaves and a dash of facsimile. The result is that most housewives have forgotten how to fry ham and eggs. Husbands have developed the habit of 'phoning home just before leaving the office to find out what the menu is for dinner. If it is something the wife has just learned over the radio, his return route includes a restaurant—which is hardly fair to the wife. Before radio, we men delighted in left-overs. Now they're just hang-overs.

Interspersed between abortive salads and desserts—during the few minutes she has perhaps set aside for relaxation and recreation—Mrs. America will listen to programs sponsored by manufacturers of soaps and washing powders. Each manufacturer will assure her that his product is the only one that protects the hands, the only one that dissolves instantly, the only one that will not ruin her undies, the only one that will preserve her silk stockings and the only one the film stars use. No wonder she won't believe her husband when he has to sit



ZEH BOUCK

Radio's Severest Critic

up with a sick friend, or a conference detains him at the office.

◆  
TO THE HOUSEWIFE who would like to get away from all this—from box covers, labels, wrappers, reasonably exact facsimiles and recipes that insult the intelligence and do worse to the stomach—to such housewives who would emancipate themselves, we recommend the short-wave channels of a good all-wave receiver. While a large choice of stations is available, and a list will be found in another section of this magazine, we suggest the Holland transmitter in the morning, and the English and German stations in the afternoon. These broadcasters are all high-powered and are almost as easily located and tuned as any local on the standard broadcast band.

The police broadcasters are the next best bet. At least you won't find, Clara, Lou and Em there.

◆  
"FACSIMILE THEREOF . . ."

"Turn on the set, my love, tune in the fight."

"I won't! The mouth-wash contest's on tonight

For me." "Oh yeh' Who's master in this house?"

SOCKO! "Ouch! You've blacked my eye, you louse!"

"Tut tut. 'Tis nothing of the kind my love—

That's just a good facsimile thereof."

The prisoner stood before the bar and judge.

"Your honor, this jury simply bears a grudge.

The witness lied, and half the facts are hid—

No court can send me up for what I did!

I didn't forget that check; you must agree

That scrawl is just a good facsimile."

His honor listened gravely; then with a nod,

"Perhaps you're right. 'Tis not for me the rod—

Perhaps I cannot send you up to stir

As if a forging criminal you were— Instead of life, you'll get—thus speaks the law—

The best facsimile you ever saw!"

"Twas Christmas time, and Scotty asked his wife—

"What would you like, my love, my soul, my life?"

"A Rolls Royce, dear, would be so sweet of you—

A Cadillac perhaps would even do—"

The Scotchman groaned and frowned.

"Sweetheart," said he,

"Best hang your sock for a facsimile."

There're programs on the air that give me fits;

Some day I'm gonna blow them up to bits—

Announcers, sponsors, box tops, labels, all—

Nor give a damn where may the pieces fall.

And when I do, at least I guarantee

To dynamite—and no facsimile!

◆  
WE DIRECT THE attention of those who are partial to radio drama (or drama *per se*, and who may be doubtful as to the heights it can attain via radio presentation) to the dramatic broadcasts over the G-string (GSA-B-C-D-E-F-I and L). There are usually one or two of these every week, and by means of electrical recordings they are featured on almost every transmission one day out of the week. (There are six transmissions from Daventry daily, covering with minor gaps, from 3:00 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, to 11:00 P.M.) Daventry is best received in our location (central New York State) this time of year on the

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# Tuning The Antenna

## For More Volume

By McMURDO SILVER

NOISE-REDUCING antennae have found wide-spread use in the last several years, and quite recently an attempt has been made in their design to obtain physical sizes that would approximately resonate to short-wave broadcast bands. In these antennae, approximate tuning has been sought by cutting the antenna flat top to a physical length which causes it to resonate at say, 6,000 kc or 49 meters, and again at the second harmonic, or 12,000 kc, 25 meters. In some cases, two flat tops have been used together (double doublet) to effect resonance at several fundamental and their harmonic frequencies, or wave lengths.

Often variation in individual local and terrain conditions upset the resonance characteristics of the antenna, characteristics predicated upon its physical size, proximity to nearby objects, need of definite flat-top and lead-in length, and finally of terrain conditions, varying in a manner imperceptible to the naked eye.

### New Design

The writer has given this subject much thought, and been confronted not

with the difficulty of tuning an antenna so it would work at maximum efficiency in any location, but of coupling the tuned antenna to a standard all-wave receiver in such a manner that it would not upset the receiver, and still be coupled sufficiently tight to give a real gain. The problem finally boiled down to trying to find out how to tightly couple two tuned circuits (the antenna and the first tuned circuit of a receiver, for example) without the tuning of one circuit upsetting that of the other.

At this point, what started out to be antenna investigation had gone far afield, but it produced the desired result, plus the believed new discovery of how to relatively tightly couple two tunable circuits without one reacting on the other, and vice versa.

The result of the investigations is the R9+ antenna which consists of a doublet 50 feet long (25 feet per side), three special insulators, 131 feet of weather-proof twisted pair noise rejecting transmission line lead-in and the tuner and switch box, as illustrated herewith. It comes with all connections soldered and

all insulators in place. To erect it, it is merely necessary to tie a rope to each of the two insulators at the ends of the 50 foot flat top, uncoil the transmission line lead-in and hoist the antenna on its supports, which may be poles on a house, eaves of a house, house and garage, house and tree, or two trees. The higher up it is, the better, and the further away from electrical apparatus, such as motors, and auto roads, the better also. The lead-in is carried down to a window near the radio, the tuner box pulled in through the window, its leads fastened to the antenna binding posts of the set, and the job is done. If too much lead-in is left over, it can be coiled and placed out of the way, or exactly 78 feet—no more or no less—can be cut off. If a longer lead-in is needed, as many extra 78 foot lengths of twisted pair as are required may be spliced into the original 131 foot lead-in.

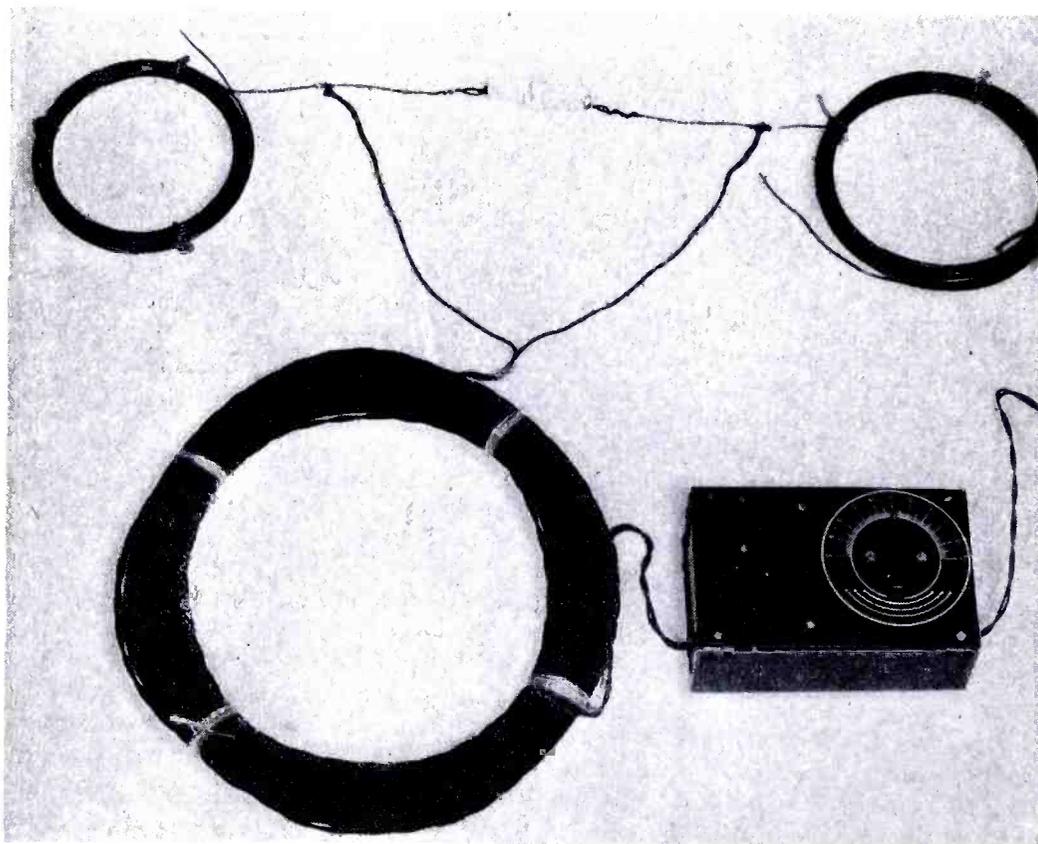
### Gain and Noise

The direct noise elimination benefit of the R9+ tuned antenna is initially equal to that of competitive noise reducing antennae. In practical use it is much greater, due to the longer lead-in of 131 feet, permitting antenna flat-top placement well outside local noise fields, to the selective noise rejection attendant upon its tuning, and finally to the 5 to 15 db signal volume increase, which effectively drops local noise 5 to 15 db.

### The Tuner

The tuner box contains three balanced non-reactive coupling transformers, the antenna tuning condenser, and the five position selector switch. Three positions of the switch select the three balanced coupling transformers for different wavelengths, the fourth feeds the doublet transmission line directly through the tuning condenser to the receiver, and the fifth position cuts off one-half of the antenna to connect it to the antenna for broadcast reception.

This switching arrangement provides any desired type of antenna for broadcast band or short-wave reception, from a fully tuned antenna to simply the usual noise-reducing doublet, and finally, a simple L antenna. It is not tuned for broadcast band reception simply because physical dimensions would be excessive, and high power, relatively strong stations and little local noise on the broadcast band do not justify such extra complication and bulk.

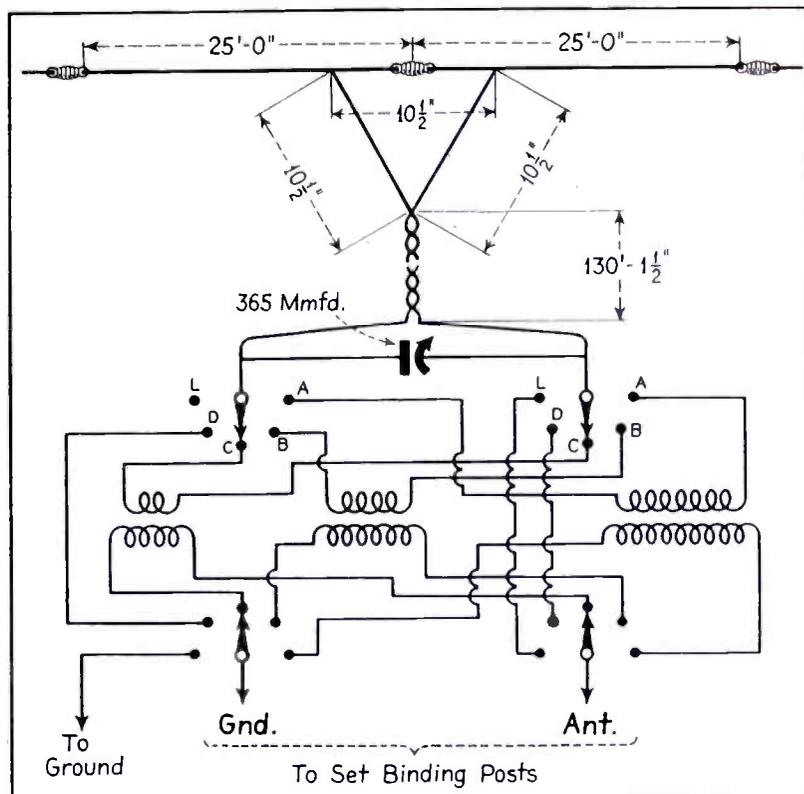


The complete tuned antenna system.

## Operation

In operation, once erected and tuner box leads connected to antenna binding posts of any all-wave receiver, short-wave operation consists only in initially selecting that dial setting, which in conjunction with one of the four switch positions, gives greatest volume on any short-wave band. Readings noted down, it is only necessary to reset for maximum results on this band, and similarly on all other short-wave bands after noting best switch knob and dial settings for each short-wave band. It is not necessary to reset the tuner dial for each different station but to only once set tuner and switch knobs for loudest signals or greatest R-Meter deflection, on the 16, 19, 25, 31 or 49 meter broadcast (or the amateur) bands. In extreme DX-ing, individual station tuning will improve volume a little, however, practically equal results are obtained by one initial setting for the desired band.

Schematic of the complete tuned antenna system for all-wave reception.



## BOOK REVIEW

*THE RADIO AMATEUR'S HANDBOOK, 1936 Edition, by the A.R.R.L. Headquarters Staff. 480 pages (including a 96-page catalog section), with approximately 500 diagrams, charts and photographic illustrations. 6½ by 9½ inches, double-column format. Published by The American Radio Relay League, West Hartford, Conn., U.S.A. Price, paper binding, \$1.00 postpaid in U.S.A. and possessions, elsewhere, \$1.15; buckram binding, \$2.50 in all countries.*

The present 1936 edition of *The Radio Amateur's Handbook*, published by The American Radio Relay League, is the completely revised and greatly enlarged successor to the previous series of 12 editions. In these nine years the Handbook has established itself the world over as the standard manual of amateur radio communication, and has been widely adopted as a practical reference by radio technicians and as a course book for radio study by many schools. The present edition actually constitutes an entirely new book, having a total of 21 chapters with an appendix of miscellaneous information and an exceptionally comprehensive topical index which makes quick reference easy.

The opening chapters on the history of amateur radio and getting started are up-to-the-minute, with new illustrations. The electrical and radio fundamentals chapters are completely new treatments serving as the foundation for the thirteen apparatus chapters which follow.

An entirely new 30-page chapter on vacuum tubes contains comprehensive tabulated tube data, including 10½ pages of rating and characteristic tables for all

types of metal and glass receiving tubes, as well as for transmitting and special-purpose tubes, supplemented by practical information on operating characteristic determinations and applications. The new receiver design chapter contains a wealth of circuit features described in concise, practical detail. Modern receiver construction is given a separate chapter, the how-to-make-it of a complete line of successful models from a simple two-tube to a Single-Signal Superheterodyne with 12 of the new metal tubes.

In the chapter devoted to transmitter design, the theoretical and practical considerations involved in transmitter circuits are given sectionalized treatment, while in the chapter on transmitter construction the very latest circuit developments of proven merit are exemplified. Only modern transmitters are described, including multi-band models with coil switching. An enlarged chapter on keying methods is followed by a chapter on the principles of modulation and fundamentals of radiotelephony circuits, from microphones to controlled-carrier systems. The constructional chapter on radiotelephone transmitters gives design and operating details of successful types ranging from low to high power.

Ultra-high-frequency communication has two chapters devoted to it, telling how super-regenerative receivers work, and how to build them, describing superhets and the new Super-infragenerator receiver. Construction of types with acorn, glass and metal tubes is included. The u.h.f. transmitter chapter is a practical treatment of proven circuits, from the simplest self-excited oscillator

through linear oscillators, and oscillator-amplifiers.

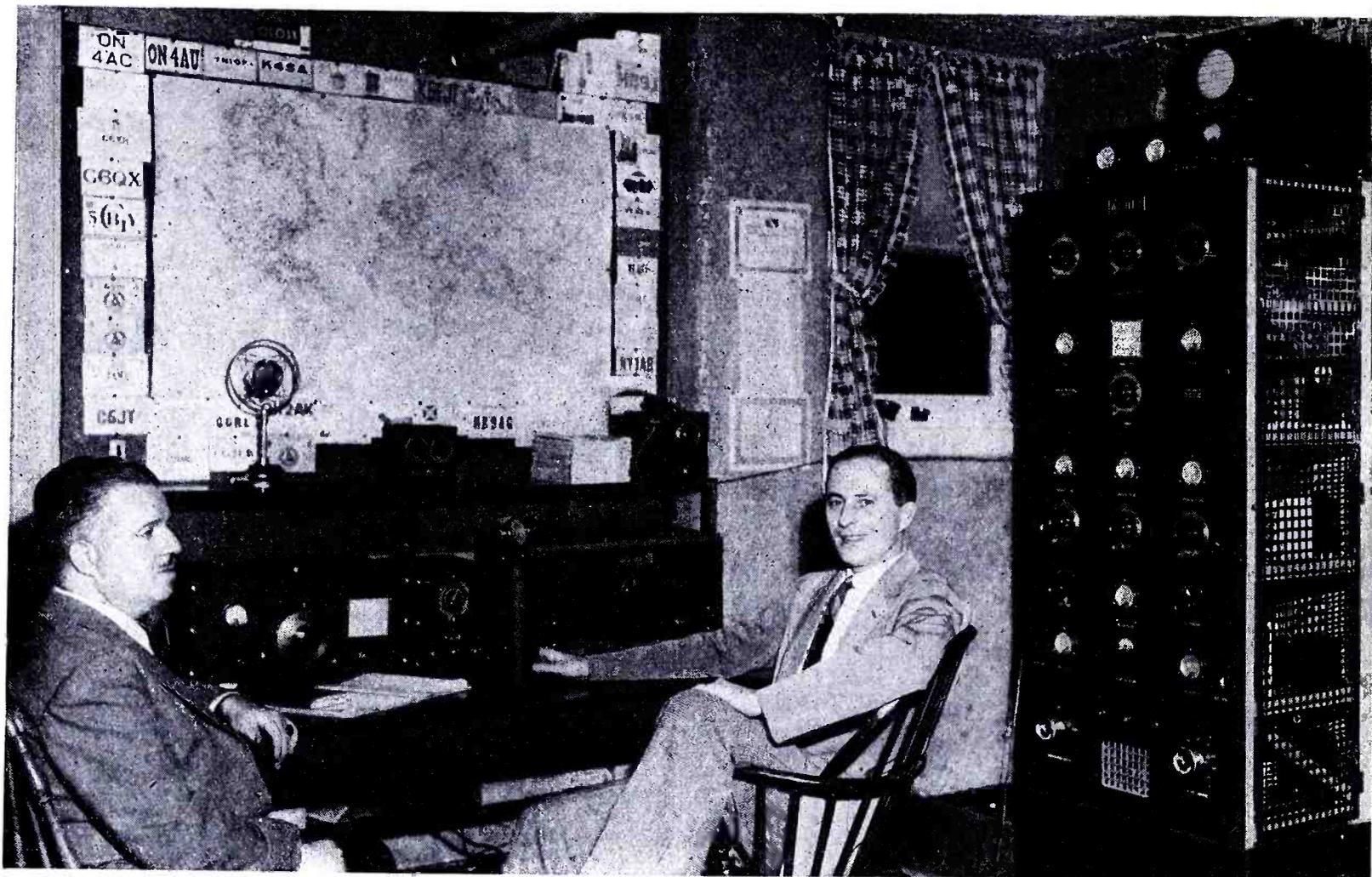
Power supplies are treated in greater detail than ever, covering receiver-packs, voltage dividers, and supplies for grid-bias, as well as all the standard rectifier-filter equipment.

Antenna design is especially complete. Numerous charts facilitate the planning, from simple single-wire antennas to complex directional arrays; transmission-line design being given particular attention. A new chapter is devoted to instruments and measurements, including the cathode-ray oscilloscope. The chapter on station assembly illustrates new arrangements which the new equipment has made possible. Communications Department chapters give complete information on good operating practices and field organization set-up. Following these 21 chapters is the appendix, with its wealth of general information, and a complete topical index.

The concluding catalog section, in which leading manufacturers of amateur radio equipment are represented, gives the specifications and prices of standard apparatus for the amateur.

### SWISS BROADCASTS

AN OFFICIAL announcement by the Swiss Short-Wave Association, (USKA), Bern, Switzerland, states that short-wave broadcasts are to be radiated the first Monday of each month from several Swiss stations for the benefit of Swiss countrymen abroad.



Amateur station W2HFS, Mount Vernon, N. Y. At the right; Mr. Lockwood, the owner. At the left; none other than Mr. Lawrence Cockaday, (W2JCY), Editor of Radio News!

## Amateur Station W2HFS--An Ocean Hopper

AMATEUR RADIO station W2HFS is owned and operated by Henry Lockwood, of Mount Vernon, N. Y. Both station and owner are well known in amateur circles throughout the world.

For that matter, Mr. Lockwood, or "Hank," is an amateur of the old school. He was pounding brass as early as 1913 along with E. H. Armstrong, Irving Vermilya, A. G. Runyon, Mort Stearns, H. A. Boeder and a few other local ether blasters. His call in those days was 2ANB.

Hank rode the ether with this call from 1919 to 1924, when he left the air. In 1933 he returned to the game, as many of the old timers have. Now it is "W2HFS" that cleaves the ether, not 2ANB, and Hank rides the waves, not with his fist, but with his voice.

And W2HFS gets places. There are 400 fighting watts in the transmitter, and fractional-microvolt sensitivity in the receiver. Hank figured on getting places when he designed the equipment in collaboration with W2CPA and W2AIF who undertook the actual construction. The QSL cards which may be seen on the wall in the accompanying illustration attest to this.

By C. F. MULLEN

Station W2HFS is established in the corner of a Rumpus Room in the basement of Mr. Lockwood's home in Mount Vernon. On the operating table are the receiver, the microphone, operating switch and speech amplifier. To the right of the table is the transmitter, on top of which is a cathode-ray oscilloscope used for checking modulation, etc.

### The Receiver

The receiver is a 9-tube superheterodyne comprising a regenerative tuned r-f stage, first detector, high-frequency oscillator, regenerative first i-f stage, straight second i-f stage, diode second detector and separate diode automatic volume control, and a triode a-f voltage amplifier feeding a triode-connected 59 tube operating Class A. The ninth tube is the beat-frequency oscillator.

Plug-in coils are used, and electrical band-spread is provided for each 'phone band. The regeneration in the r-f and

i-f stages is used principally for obtaining sharp resonance peaks when interference is particularly bad. It provides a degree of selectivity bordering that of a crystal filter.

The microphone is a Western Electric 394-W condenser head feeding a two-stage, resistance coupled amplifier using two 864-A tubes. This amplifier is battery-operated.

The mike amplifier feeds a transformer-coupled speech amplifier using a 56 in the first stage, and a pair of 56's in push-pull in the second stage which function as drivers for a pair of 2A3's operating Class A with fixed bias. The 2A3's in turn drive a pair of Class B 203A's through a 500-ohm line. The 203A modulators have carbon plates and are operated at 1000 volts.

### The Transmitter

The r-f section of the transmitter is composed of a 2A5 crystal oscillator, an 865 doubler, an RK-32 buffer and push-pull 203A's in the final stage, operating Class C, and coupled to the antenna feeder through a Collins network.

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# A Simple Five-Meter Directional Antenna

**A Beam Antenna of This Type Will Make Five Watts Sound Like Fifty—Or What Have You. Its Directional Characteristics Are Quite Pronounced**

By R. J. HAGERTY, W6JMI

FEW PERSONS realize the possibilities and desirability of a simple directional antenna. It is only as we approach the higher frequencies that it becomes physically possible to build such an array, and in the five-meter band they especially prove their worth.

## Provides Greater Gain

For instance, when pointed in the desired direction, this antenna system has raised the reports an average of two R's on the amateur R scale. This means the same as quadrupling the power input to the transmitter, and obviously this antenna is much cheaper and easier to construct.

And it works equally well on receiving. Many a signal that is only R3 on the ordinary antenna will become R5 on this antenna. It might be also mentioned that this is a simple way to eliminate QRM or interference. A case in point is a station that is R9 on an ordinary antenna that will drop to R4 on this antenna when it is pointed in the opposite direction.

## Field Pattern

Most people desire to work in one general direction and this antenna is ideal for this purpose as it is not too sharp so as to confine one's activities to

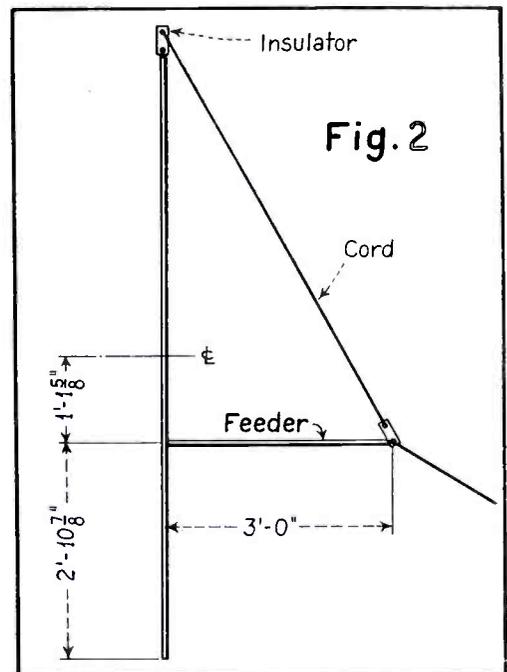
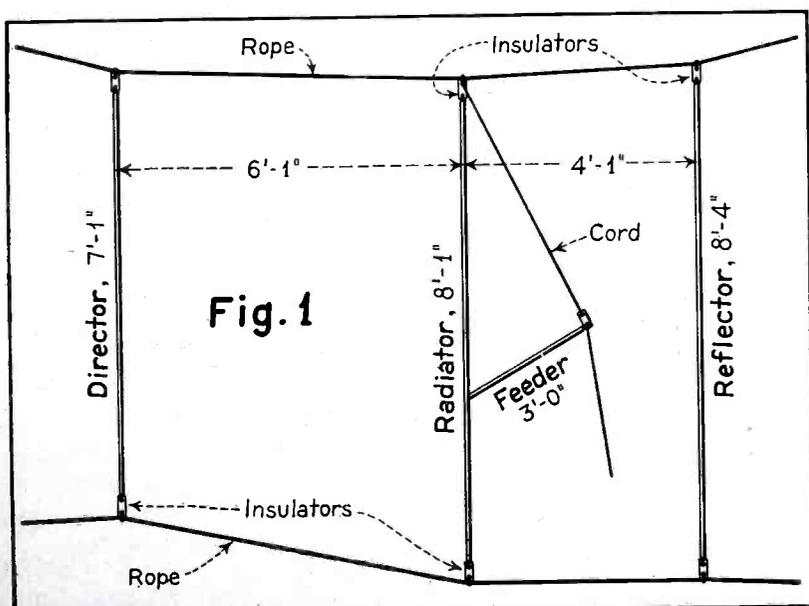
one particular direction. The field strength pattern is similar to Fig. 3. In other words, it has a decided gain in the direction in which it is pointed; it works equally as well as the ordinary antenna on stations that are on either side; and it has a nullifying effect on stations that are in the opposite direction.

## Constructional Details

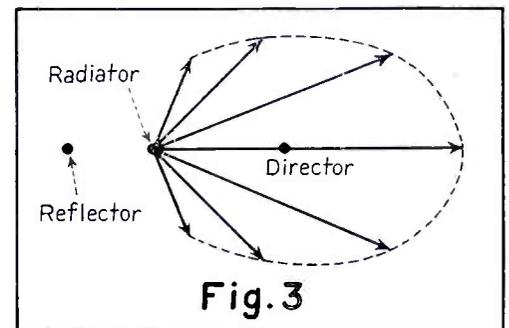
Full details are shown in Fig. 1. It is designed to resonate in the middle of the 5-meter band and the dimensions and the spacings are critical. The whole array is suspended on a heavy rope that has been boiled in linseed oil to prevent weathering. A similar rope is attached to the bottom ends of the rods in order to keep the structure taut. On account of rigidity it is desirable to make the rods of  $\frac{1}{4}$ " copper tubing or a similar material.

## The Feeder

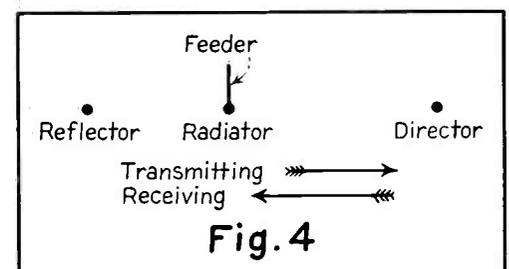
The single wire feeder can be of any length, and is attached at a point  $13\frac{5}{8}$ " from the center, or  $2'10\frac{7}{8}$ " from one end of the antenna rod. It should run at right angles from the rod for a distance of at least 3 feet, and a convenient way of supporting is shown in Fig. 2, where the 3-foot section is made of similar tubing



Showing how the feeder is connected to the radiator. The dimensions should be closely followed.



The approximate field pattern of the five-meter antenna.



Directions in which the antenna functions at maximum efficiency for transmitting and receiving.

as the antenna rods and supported at the far end by means of a cord.

In addition to running at right angles from the antenna rod, the feeder should also run at right angles to the plane of the antenna, as shown in Fig. 4. The bottom end can be attached in any of the conventional ways.

Real results can be expected from this simple directional antenna and it will well repay the time and effort expended.

Constructional details of the five-meter directional antenna. The feeder is at right angles with the radiator, as shown in Fig. 2.

# WHAT FREQUENCY?

## A NEW AND ORIGINAL METHOD FOR LOCATING THE FREQUENCY OF ANY RECEIVER BELOW 200 METERS

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THE QUESTION, "To what frequency is a receiver *actually* tuned?" is not an easy one to answer. Any operator who has set out to discover the answer by a "Tune and Guess" method has in all probability encountered many difficulties.

It is generally agreed that a calibrated oscillator, with its family of harmonics, is capable of rendering valuable assistance. However, the writer asks, "How many agree regarding *which harmonic* is *actually* being received, especially when the receiver is tuned to frequencies close to, or within, that band known as ultra-high?"

Of course, a satisfactory answer to that question can easily be obtained by using the formula:

$$F_x = \frac{F_1 F_2}{F_1 - F_2}$$

where  $F_x$  is the unknown frequency to which a receiver happens to be tuned and where  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are frequencies corresponding to the two adjacent settings of a calibrated oscillator, both of which settings give beat notes with the receiver at its particular setting.

(e.g.) Let  $F_1 = 25$  kc and let  $F_2 = 20$  kc, and let it be required to find  $F_x$ .

$$F_x = \frac{F_1 F_2}{F_1 - F_2} \\ = \frac{25 \times 20}{25 - 20} \\ = 100 \text{ kc.}$$

This example, while serving its purpose as an illustration, is hardly sufficient to indicate the complications which are likely to be encountered when substitutions are made with figures obtained in actual practice. Moreover, if it is desired to set a receiver to some particular frequency other than  $F_x$  but close to it, one must proceed to divide  $F_x$  by either  $F_1$  or  $F_2$  in order to determine

*which harmonic* is being used so that the necessary computations may be made.

The sum total of work involved when one attempts to solve this expression with pencil and paper is closely akin to manual labor. It is, therefore, at this point that further light on the subject is welcome.

### THE SLIDE RULE

*The slide rule*, that invaluable mathematical assistant, is capable of giving that light and, while it is true that the operations could be performed step by step as before by means of this instrument, there is still an inherent function of the rule which makes the calculation virtually *automatic!*

To start the explanation, let it be agreed that we are using an oscillator which has maximum dial spread for frequencies included between approximately 1200 kc and 2200 kc. This particular band is chosen for several reasons (viz.)

1. Such an oscillator possesses a fair degree of stability.
2. It is extremely easy to calibrate both by means of harmonics carried down from the broadcast band and from

its own harmonics which beat with other stations of known frequency.

3. An oscillator with this approximate fundamental range, together with its harmonics, will cover practically every frequency from 200 meters to below 5 meters (only 200 kc in the neighborhood of 2300 kc being "uncovered.")

4. The slide rule, being so constructed that at points corresponding to similar frequencies it has one division on its scale for 10 kc, lends itself very well to the idea of using a knob with a pointer for the oscillator control and marking a cardboard scale behind the pointer directly in kilocycles (10 kc per division), thus eliminating the use of a calibration curve in transferring readings from the oscillator to the slide rule.

Assuming that we have an oscillator of the type described and a rule, we may proceed to tune our receiver to any frequency below 200 meters. We then vary the oscillator tuning until a beat note from one of its harmonics is heard in the receiver, and the fundamental frequency of the oscillator, as read under the pointer, is noted.

Next, we slowly turn the oscillator condenser in either direction until the *next* beat note is heard and this fundamental frequency is noted. Let us assume that the two frequencies as indicated are 1520 kc and 1900 kc. These two values are then located on the "D" scale of our slide rule as in Fig. 1.

The next step consists in finding two *consecutive whole numbers* on the "C" scale which are separated by *exactly the same distance* as are 1520 and 1900. Re-

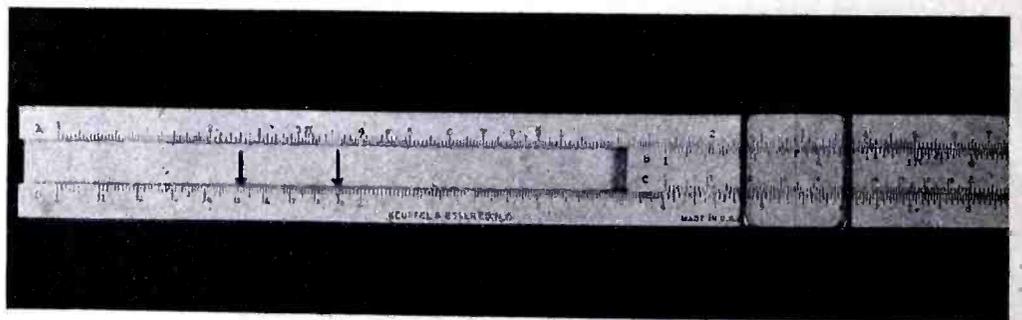


Fig. 1. On an oscillator calibrated to read directly from 1200 kc to 2200 kc, two readings, one of 1520 kc and one of 1900 kc, have been obtained. Note their location on the D-scale of an ordinary slide rule.

terring to Fig. 2 (a) we see that the spacing between 3 and 4 on the "C" scale is too great. By a similar observance we see that the spacing between 6 and 7 on the same scale is too small, Fig. 2 (b). But, upon further trial, it is determined that the spacing between 4 and 5 coincides *exactly*, Fig. 2 (c), and it is evident that these are the two *consecutive whole* numbers which we were seeking.

Having found them we know, without further calculation, that the receiver is tuned to the *fifth* harmonic of 1520 kc, and to the *fourth* harmonic of 1900 kc. *Multiplying the lower frequency by the higher harmonic, or vice versa*, we see that the rule indicates 7600 kc, which is the value for  $F_x$  in this particular case. See Fig. 3.

Let us further suppose that we desired to set our receiver at some particular frequency (e.g.) 7120 kc. Since 7120 kc is lower in frequency than 7600 kc there will be two points on our oscillator respectively lower in frequency than 1520 kc and 1900 kc, and which will have their fourth and fifth harmonics located at 7120 kc. Dividing 7120 kc on the slide rule by either 4 or 5, whichever we choose, we see that the answers are 1780 kc and 1424 kc. This means that we may slowly tune the oscillator either from 1900 kc to 1780 kc, or from 1520 kc to 1424 kc, at the same time following along with the receiver which will be tuned to 7120 kc when we have finished the operation. After some practice *this entire procedure should not occupy more than about one and one-half minutes!*

There are several other points which are worth mentioning. For example:

To avoid making mistakes it should be constantly borne in mind that, having found two harmonics on the "C" scale, it is *the lower frequency which is multiplied by the higher order of harmonic, or vice versa*.

It should also be understood that in practicing this method without an oscillator actually in use, one must *first* select an arbitrary value for  $F_x$  and then work the problem backwards to determine  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  as it is seldom that frequencies

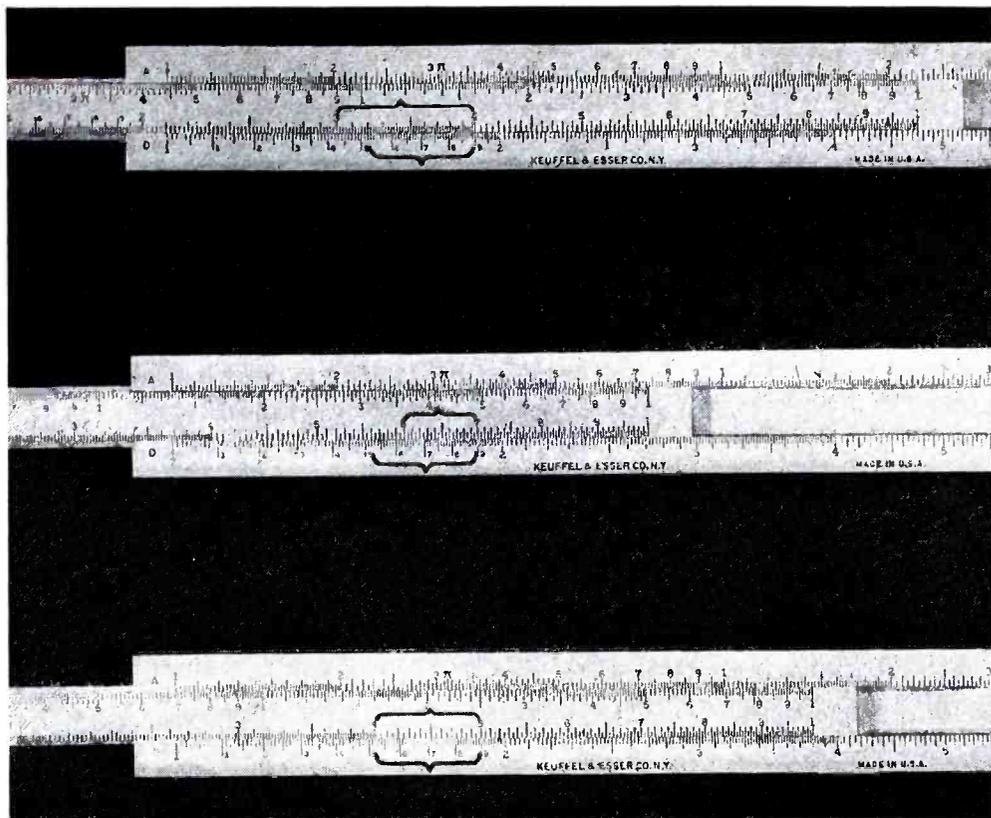


Fig. 2A (Top). The object being to find two consecutive whole numbers on the C-scale which coincide exactly with the two known frequencies shown in Fig. 1, it will be noted that 3 and 4 on the C-scale are too far apart. Fig. 2B (Center). Likewise it is noted that 6 and 7 on the C-scale are too close together. Fig. 2C (Bottom). This is correct. Observe that 4 and 5 on the C-scale correspond precisely with 1520 and 1900 on the D-scale. Thus we learn that our receiver is tuned to the 4th harmonic of the higher frequency (1900 kc) and the 5th harmonic of the lower frequency (1520 kc).

for these expressions can be picked at random on the "D" scale and the method made to work.

It will be noted that an idea of the location of the receiver setting in kilocycles may be had by counting the number of beats heard when the oscillator is swung over its complete range. That is, if there are from 2 to 4 beats the receiver is set somewhere between 3500 kc and 9000 kc. If the beats heard number between 6 and 10 the receiver is between 15,000 kc and 30,000 kc. At 56 mc the number of beats heard should be about 21.

Since there is only a very slight difference in the spacing of the whole numbers on the "C" scale which would correspond to the order of harmonics giving beat notes at or near 56 mc, it is suggested that an additional coil for the

oscillator be calibrated to cover about 3000 to 4000 kc, which will cut the order of harmonics in half, thereby increasing the spacing and allowing these values to be more accurately determined.

Any one of several varieties of oscillators will do provided the oscillator is calibrated as suggested.

Where a "super" is employed as the receiver, a beat oscillator must also be used or else a modulated type of oscillator for frequency locating.

For those not in possession of, or familiar with, the slide rule, it should be stated that they may be obtained together with a booklet of instructions concerning their manipulation at prices ranging upwards from 75 cents. The 10-inch size is recommended. Anyone who can multiply and divide with pencil and paper can learn to use the rule for this same purpose and in general it will be found to be a worth-while investment for its many additional functions.

The practicability of this system has, for several months, been in the process of demonstration at the homes of two short-wave experimenters, neither of whom had had previous experience with either an oscillator or a slide rule. Each of them after four hours of instruction and practice were able to determine the receiver setting to within from 7 kc to 20 kc. Also, they were able to set the receiver with the same precision, to any desired frequency below 200 meters.

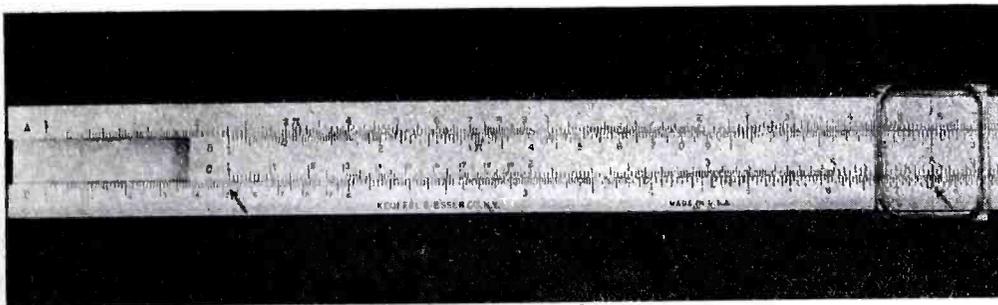


Fig. 3. Since the object is to multiply the lower frequency by the higher harmonic, we next place the left index (numeral 1) of the C-scale over the known lower frequency (1520). Then by moving the runner until its hairline is directly over 5 on the C-scale (which is the higher harmonic) the exact frequency to which the receiver is tuned is indicated directly beneath on the D-scale, 7600 kc. (A simple multiplication!)

# RADIO PROVING POST

## National HRO High-Frequency Receiver

THE CIRCUIT and an illustration of the National HRO High-Frequency Receiver accompany this report.

The HRO is a 9-tube set (10 tubes if the rectifier in the separate power supply is included). There are two r-f pre-amplifier stages, using 58s; a 57 first detector; a 57 high-frequency oscillator; two i-f stages using 58s, the first stage including a crystal filter; a 2B7, with one diode used as second detector and the other for avc, and the pentode section functioning as an a-f voltage amplifier. A 2A5 power pentode is employed in the output. This is arranged to feed a magnetic speaker, or a self-excited dynamic. A 57 tube is used in the circuit of the beat-frequency oscillator.

A glance at the illustration will show that straight-line construction is employed. That is, the tubes, coils, etc., are arranged in sequence, almost as they appear in the circuit if the circuit were folded back on itself.

The tuning dial occupies the center of the front panel. Directly below the dial is the high-frequency coil drawer. On the left side of the front panel are: the "S" Meter, which indicates signal strength, the manual volume control, the avc on-off switch and the beat-oscillator control. On the right side of the panel front are:

the crystal selectivity control, the crystal phasing control, the "standby" switch and the sensitivity control.

### Mechanical

The receiver is husky, yet has the mechanical precision of a watch. The tuning condensers are driven through a worm gearing, spring-loaded to take up backlash. The tuning dial is rotated ten times for 180° rotation of the condensers. The dial numbers appear through windows in the main dial shell and are changed automatically every revolution of the dial so that the calibration is numbered consecutively from 0 to 500. The actual useful length of the equivalent scale is twelve feet! The result is that stations are well spread out on the dial, which makes for easy tuning.

All controls are smooth in operation, with the result that it is an actual pleasure to operate the receiver.

### Electrical

The principal electrical features are dealt with under the heading "Listening Tests." But, let it be said here that the electrical band-spread system employed in the National HRO is really quite re-

markable. It is possible, for instance, to spread the 14-mc (20-meter) amateur band over 400 dial divisions! On first thought, it would seem that such a large spread would be a hindrance rather than an advantage. Such is not the case; stations are so well separated, and the dial may be twirled with such rapidity, that it is a simple matter to cover the entire 'phone or cw section of a band with as much, if not more, ease, as with a dial having considerably less spread.

The four coil units supplied with the receiver cover a continuous band from 1.7 to 30 mc. Each is so designed that there is an amateur band at 50 and 450 on the dial scale. When the coils are connected for band-spread, the spread band begins at 50 on the dial and ends at 450.

### Listening Tests

Listening tests on the National HRO were conducted on each of the amateur bands from the 28 megacycle band to and including the band at 1.7 megacycles.

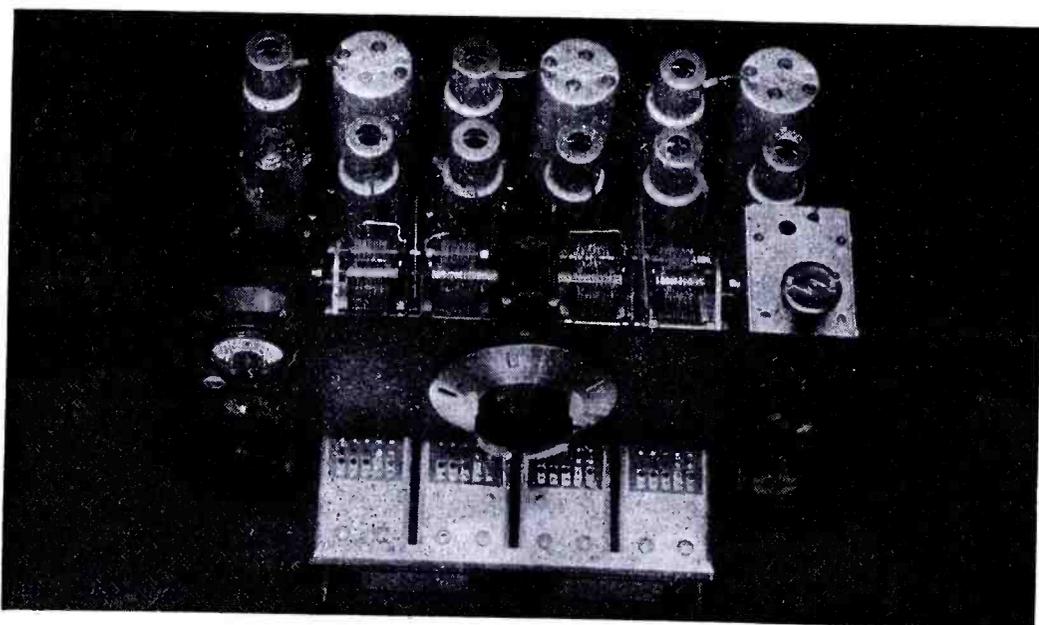
By comparison with older superheterodyne receivers of the communication type and with new all-wave superheterodyne receivers, the following outstanding improvements were noted:

1. Lower noise level with high signal-to-noise ratio on all of the frequency coverage from 1.7 mc to over 30 mc.

2. Selectivity on amateur phone and short-wave broadcast signals from a value which passes sidebands up to about 4000 or 5000 cycles to the extreme selectivity furnished by crystal i-f selection for cw signals.

3. Crystal filter action on cw signals without any loss in signal strength over values of audio signal strength with the filter out of the i-f circuit. This is the first receiver in which such excellent crystal filter performance has been observed.

4. Unusual band-spread action provided by the mechanical arrangement in the dial and condenser drive and also by the r-f grid circuit system in which the L/C ratio is improved when band-spread



Interior view of the National HRO. Note crystal filter system at the right.

is greatest, or rather when the coil tuning is connected for band-spread action.

5. Unusual stability. The stability of this receiver is such that the drift from a cold start with the receiver at a room temperature of approximately 60 degrees F. to a final stable operating temperature was only equal to a 9-kc shift at 14 megacycles. The signal was provided by a local oscillator using an AT-cut crystal working at 3.5 mc. The shift value does not take into account any change in crystal frequency during the warming period for the receiver. A complete laboratory check would probably indicate less receiver shift than was indicated here. Also, not less than 50% of the shift is due to the warming of the tubes in the receiver. Under the same test, an all-wave broadcast receiver of excellent design showed a shift over ten times as great, being tested under the same conditions.

### Amateur Signal Reception

The receiver was tested during a period when the transmitter in the station was operating on 14-megacycle phone. Therefore, more experience with receiver selectivity was had on this band than on any other. However, rebroadcast transmissions through W2HFS to the 75-meter phone band provided some action on the 75-meter band also. Amateur signals were logged on all bands from ten meters upward in wavelength.

**Ten Meters:** Listening tests on ten

meters show excellent performance in that band. In one listening period of exactly 33 minutes duration beginning at 10:20 A.M. Eastern Standard Time on November 9, the following stations were logged with the signal strength noted: G5BY-R9; G6LK-R9; PAOAZ-R6; G6ZV-R9; G5WP-R9; W7FLU-R9; G6RH-R9; G6CL-R6. The audibility readings in any report are arbitrary. In this case the signal at an R9 level was readable anywhere on the lower floor of the house with the loudspeaker in use and with the r-f gain control at 9.5 and the audio gain control at 2. These values represent 95% of the r-f gain control setting and 20% for the audio gain control.

**Twenty Meters:** The first twenty-meter phone QSO after the receiver was placed on test was four way with G5ML of Kenilworth, England, VE1DR of Glace Bay, Nova Scotia and W2HFS of Mount Vernon, New York. The signals from G5ML could be compared with peak results during the early part of the summer and it can be said that they were both stronger and steadier than at any time during the summer season. This can be used in forming an opinion of the receiver only to the extent that sensitivity and avc action are good in the HRO.

Reception of phone signals from LU6AP, VK2XU, K6KKP and excellent QSOs with W6GRI, W6JYH, and W6IZB show the good selectivity and sensitivity performance, too. The most

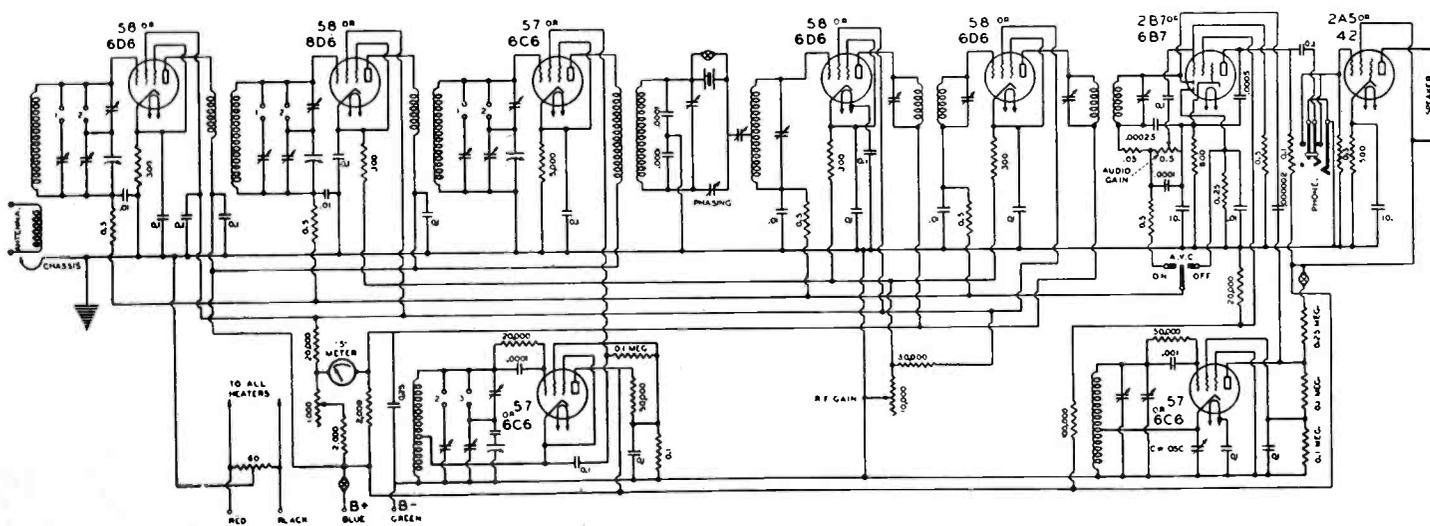
gratifying performance of all has been the maintenance of a daily schedule with W9HOI on phone. During QRM periods, use of the crystal filter Phasing Control permitted perfect copy of every word.

**Forty Meters:** The reception of 40-meter signals covered every United States district, all of the countries in Western Europe, Africa, South America and Australia and New Zealand. The only feature worthy of discussion on reception in this band was the excellent performance of the crystal filter in providing selectivity without cutting the audio signal response. The stability of the receiver has already been discussed. This, quite naturally is of importance in single-signal cw reception.

**Eighty Meters:** The preselection, all under single dial control, was found to be useful in the 75-meter phone band where a number of 20- to 75-meter QSOs were made through retransmission from W2HFS. These were with stations in the First, Second and Third Districts and offered no more than an opportunity to check selectivity.

The cw reception at 80 meters was good, as might be expected. Many single-signal receivers which have been tried in the past show a good ratio of signal strength with the filter and without it on 80 meters but drop off at 40 and 20 meters, whereas the HRO does not, probably because of stability as much as any other one factor. Consequently the HRO

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cw performance does not stand out particularly in this band.

**160 Meters:** This band brought in the expected results in both phone and cw reception. The selectivity of the receiver was found to be useful and the level avc action pleasing. No effort was made to log extreme DX. The sensitivity is such that DX might be taken for granted with any kind of antenna.

### Short-Wave Broadcasting

Comparison tests were made between the HRO and a good all-wave receiver using only one stage of preselection and the conventional friction drive vernier dial. To say that the operation of the HRO furnished a pleasing contrast would be stating the difference in the most conservative terms. The crowded 49-meter band furnished a total of 23 clearly defined, interference-free broadcast signals in one check at approximately 8 P.M. Similar checks with the HRO on the 16, 19, 25 and 31 meter bands showed good selectivity and ease of tuning not approached by the all-wave set. Without band-spread, which covers only the amateur bands in the HRO, the dial coverage for the 49-meter band is the equivalent of tuning the main pointer on the usual all-wave receiver through 315 degrees—almost a complete circle. Also, the signals were found to drift less and to hold at a more constant level, probably because of avc action applied to a greater number of amplifier circuits. The performance of the HRO on broadcast signals was impressive because an individual listening to broadcasts does not expect the music or speech signal to shift or fade—if these things do occur the listener is likely to be disappointed. Amateur signal reception with the operator constantly manipulating the receiver dial is commonplace and is generally accepted without comment.

### The HRO Dial

In testing the HRO, it was expected that the dial twirling would be a laborious job. Actually it was not. To compare the dial action with that of other type drives, one must think of the HRO dial as a vernier drive with mechanical action so perfected that the calibration can be inscribed directly on the vernier itself. Broadcast receiver tuning would be improved tremendously if a mechanism of the same type could be utilized to drive the tuning condenser gang.



*(An attempt was made to secure an HRO from the National Company for making these tests. None were available at the time. We were able, however, to borrow one from the stock of the Sun Radio Company, 227 Fulton St., New York, N. Y., to whom we wish to express our gratitude for this cooperation. Ed.)*

## The Lafayette Professional 9

THE TECHNICAL details and the circuit of this receiver were covered in the November issue. The following data deals with receiver tests only.

### Mechanical

The chassis is mounted in an exceptionally well-built metal cabinet. The top is hinged and has a latch lock.

All manual controls are easy to operate with the exception of the avc-beat oscillator switch and the band-selector switch. This is true of most all-wave sets and appears to be necessary in order that the switches may be positive in contact. It is fortunate that these switches are used only occasionally.

The tuning dial on this receiver is a charm. It is superior to the dials on many more expensive sets, and there is no apparent play or backlash. Even the second-hand pointer is free from idle movement. Accurate logging is possible right up to 30 megacycles. That's good.

Both dial and condenser gang are floated on rubber, eliminating the bad effects of vibration.

Speaker cone cannot handle much power without rattling, but is perfectly satisfactory for anything but more-than-room-volume. Tone is surprisingly good on moderate volume, considering the small size of the speaker.

### Electrical

The audio-frequency manual volume control is well graduated and quiet in operation. The same is true of the manual sensitivity control. The automatic volume control action is better than good.

Sensitivity is slightly greater with avc inoperative (it may be cut out in this receiver). Cutting the avc in and out provides a nice demonstration of its capabilities of reducing fading to an almost negligible degree.

Though the beat-frequency oscillator is quite stable in operation, frequency drift shows up between 20 and 30 megacycles. The drift may be eliminated by lifting the lid of the metal cabinet and letting it rest on the latch lock. This provides additional ventilation. This pre-

caution is not necessary on the lower frequency bands.

Dial calibration is accurate and there are no dead spots or circuit interference in any of the bands. No image interference apparent except on strong, local signals in the 20-meter amateur band: Nothing to worry about.

### Tests

Set shows surprising sensitivity and has fairly low noise background. Matched practically all signals intercepted on the "standard" receiver.

Consistent reception, with room volume, was had from W2XEN, Newark Police, on 31.5 mc, about 25 miles distant. The 10-meter amateur band brought in W6DOB, W6EWC, W5EHM, VE3QY, W2TP between 3:50 and 4:10 P. M., sufficient to establish the operation of the receiver at this wavelength.

The list of stations picked up on the 14-mc or 20-meter band is too long to print in its entirety. A few are: K4DDH, W7AOF (possibly the last transmission made by the operator . . . she was electrocuted by coming in contact with a high-voltage lead), W7CGR, CO2LL, CO6OM, CO2KC, CO2OZ, CO2HY, CO7HF, F8EO, F8DR, F8WB, K5AG, X1G, H17G, H12K, HK1Z, G5ML, and G5UF.

On 25 meters we had 2RO, Pontoise, KKQ, HJ4ABA steady and continuous R-9. The 31-meter band brought in a flock of Central American stations, as well as GSC, COCH, 2RO, EAQ, DJA and, as a sidelight, the code station LSD, in Argentina, loud enough to practically fold up the speaker cone. Fifteen stations were logged in the 49-meter band in one evening.



Fourteen stations were logged in the 1600-1700-kc police band in about as many minutes, including the inevitable VYR, and W1XAO. Twenty-four stations were picked up in the 2400-kc police band in slightly over a half hour.

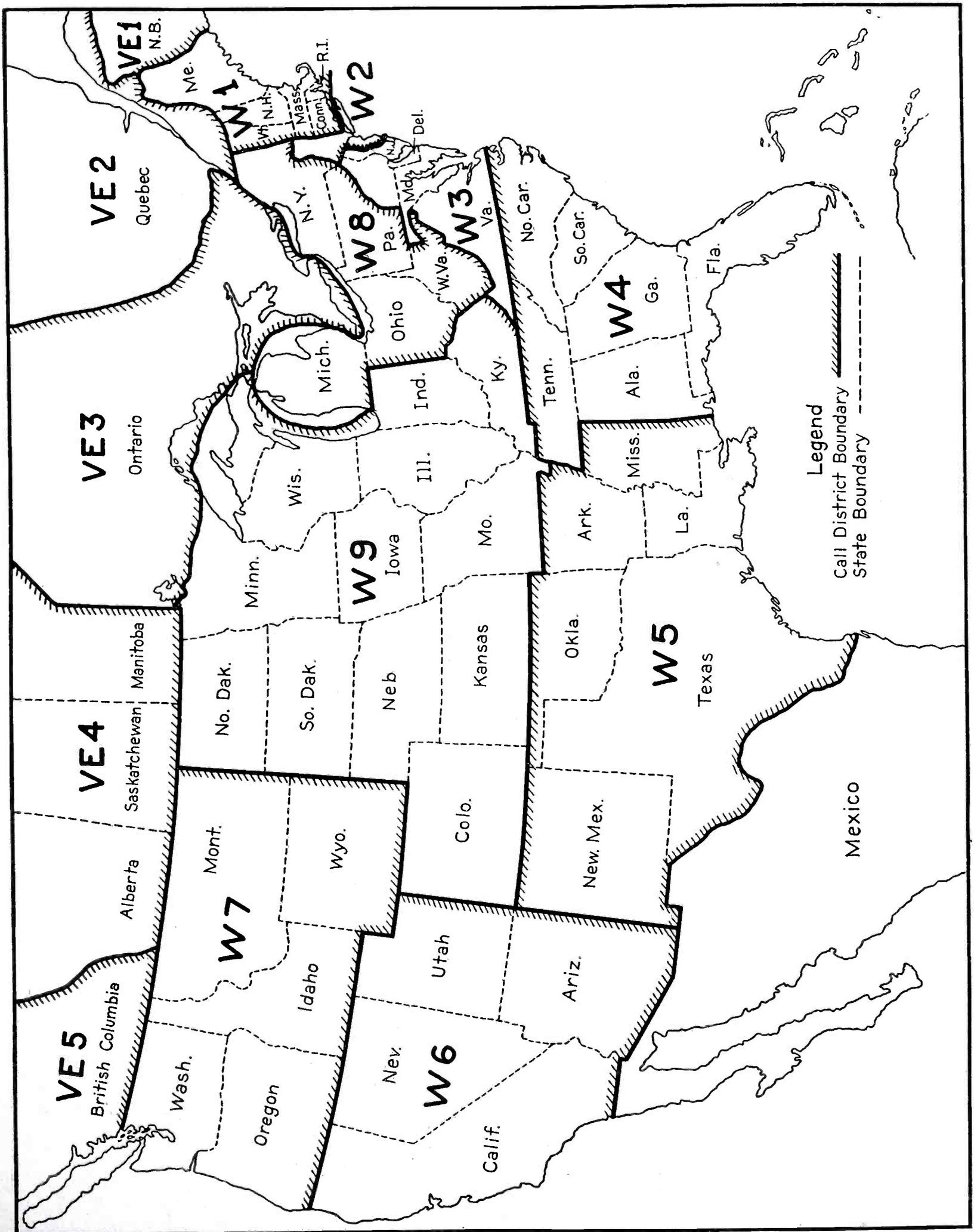
On the broadcast band, we picked up one station for each 1.5 scale divisions. Selectivity in this band is very good, and each station free of actual heterodyning was brought in without interference.

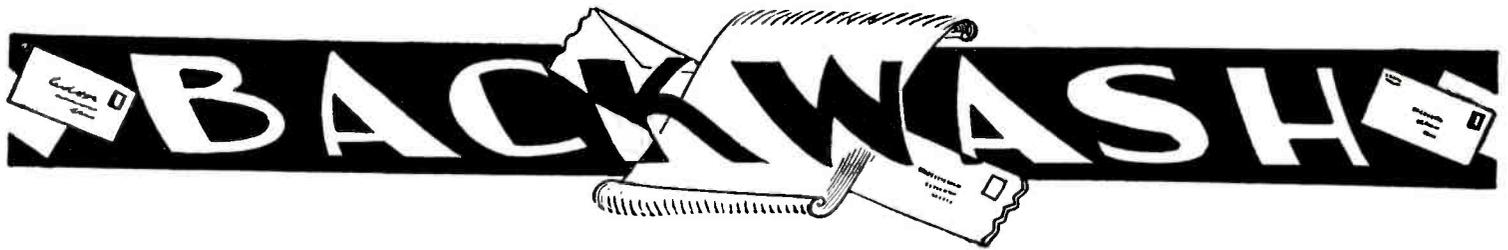
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ALL WAVE RADIO

# RADIO DATA SHEET NO. 1

A MAP DESIGNATING THE U. S. AND CANADIAN RADIO AMATEUR CALL AREAS.  
STATE BOUNDARIES ARE INCLUDED; NOTE LEGEND





## A PAGE GIVEN OVER TO THE EXPRESSIONS AND OPINIONS OF READERS

### ANENT BBC VERIES

THE FOLLOWING letter, from M. A. Frost, Empire Press Representative of The British Broadcasting Corporation, serves to explain why the BBC does not verify receptions:

Dear Sir:

"In view of certain criticisms which have appeared in the correspondence columns of the overseas press, we should like to take this opportunity of outlining the reasons why the BBC is unable to give specific verification of the reception of its programmes from the Empire Station in correspondence with overseas listeners. We would, first of all, like to assure our listeners that this policy is not dictated by any lack of courtesy to those who have shown their interest in our Empire Broadcasting Service by writing to us.

"In many parts of the world certain competitions have been inaugurated by newspapers, radio clubs, or other organisations in which a prize (often monetary) is offered to the listener who reports the reception of the greatest number of stations over long distances during a certain period. In order to qualify for these competitions it is necessary for each listener to write to the operators of each station, giving details of one programme, so that his reception can be verified.

"In the case of stations which do not publish their programmes in advance such verification may often be reliable, but the most that can be done by the broadcaster is to state that such and such a program was broadcast at such and such a time, leaving the listener in a position to confirm 'his own' verification of reception. In the case of the BBC transmitters, however, the Empire programmes are published in advance, not only in the columns of the overseas press, but also in a pamphlet which can be obtained by any listener direct from the BBC on payment of a small annual subscription. The fact, therefore, that a listener reports to us the items broadcast in an Empire programme does not enable us to verify definitely that he has heard this programme from one of our own transmitters. It is quite common, for instance, for listeners not necessarily taking part in one of these competitions, to write to the BBC and report reception of the Empire Station on a receiver which is not designed

for the reception of transmissions on short-waves. Upon investigation we usually find that he has heard our programme relayed from a local broadcasting station in his own vicinity.

"Again, our Empire programmes are broadcast simultaneously on two or more wavelengths, and it is quite impossible for us to confirm from which actual transmitter the listener has heard our programme.

"Furthermore, the Empire transmitters are now so widely received that our programmes are heard daily by many thousands of listeners in all parts of the world. In view of this fact we feel that the so-called "verification" of reception, apart from the other reasons which we have outlined above, would involve us in a great deal of labour and expense, which might better be directed towards other channels.

"The object of our Empire transmissions is mainly to provide a service of news and entertainment to listeners in all parts of the Empire, and we feel that the lasting success of our Empire Service will depend on the matter received, rather than the method of its reception. For this reason we are not in favour of such competitions as are outlined above, although we should welcome news of a competition which would provide constructive criticism of a technical or programme nature, and would make some positive contribution to the art of short-wave broadcasting. In order to avoid any misunderstanding we should say that we receive each year many thousands of letters from listeners in all parts of the world with regard to the reception of our Empire programmes. The contents of each communication are carefully analysed, and a reply addressed according to circumstances to every correspondent. Correspondence of a constructive nature relative to programmes, or of a technical nature, will, we can assure listeners, be always welcome to the officials of this Corporation who are responsible for the operation of our Empire Broadcasting Service."

### "THE RIGHT IDEA"

Editor, ALL-WAVE RADIO:

Just bought a copy of ALL-WAVE RADIO. Have been reading radio magazines for the past ten years. Most of them have lacked something.

A magazine for the Fan who is primarily interested in reception, but who also is more or less interested in the technical and experimental side, is the right idea.

F. L. P.

Keep on eye on us, and report again in the near future, if you will. Tell us what you like and don't like. Thanks.—Ed.

### A SINCERE HOPE EXPRESSED

Editor, ALL-WAVE RADIO:

It is indeed a pleasure to be one of the Charter subscribers to a magazine which is to have a policy such as yours is to have.

I sincerely believe you are hitting the right nail on the head, inasmuch as there are many of us who have done big things in Radio in the old days still with the spirit in our systems—but realizing the grief we went through would not attempt to start all over again, at least not in a commercial way. Perhaps we have other interests now, and can dispose of our cast-off radio parts to our High School sons, who were then too young to take an interest.

Nevertheless, we who have been through it, must still have our desire to experiment, satisfied. Likewise, we must have our "Radio."

Some of us who had enough work to employ so-called radio men, would not depend upon one of them to service our own radios. Of course, we want the very latest and best, so you come in the field now to help us. The old spirit is still within us. Now, thanks to you, our interests can be renewed . . . also, that indefinable something like a desire, can be satisfied. We can also retain our present interests without getting a lot of money tied up in junk that seldom, if ever, worked as we anticipated, and which, in order to dispose of, we went into the radio business.

In closing, may I add: there are others—lots of them—like myself. I shall gladly mention your new magazine to them.

H. J. PRICE,  
WEST ALLIS, WISC.

Thank you for the trust you place in us. We shall do our level best to live up to it. We will make mistakes . . . all humans do—but we shan't make the error of letting down the reader.—Ed.

# In Writing For Veries . . .

## ADDRESSES OF PRINCIPAL SHORT-WAVE STATIONS BY COUNTRY

AFRICA					
<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>
CNR	Director General des Postes, Rabat, Morocco.	ZBW	Station ZBW, Hong Kong Broadcasting Committee, P. O. Box 200, Hong Kong, China.	HI1J	Radiodifusora HI1J, Apartado 204, San Pedro de Macoris, R. D.
CR6AA	Estacao Radio Difusora, Caixa Postal 103, Lobito, Angola, Portugese West Africa.	ZGE	Radio ZGE, Kuala Lumpur, Malaya States.	HIZ	Radiodifusora HIZ, Calle Duarte No. 68, Santa Domingo, R. D.
OPL-OPM	Radio Leopoldville, Congo Belge, Africa.	ZHI	Radio Service Company, Broadcast House, 2 Orchard Road, Singapore, Malaya.	HP5B	Radio HP5B, P. O. Box 910, Panama City, Panama.
SUV-SUX	Post Office Box 795, Cairo, Egypt.	ZHJ	Radio Station ZHI, Radio Society of Penang, Penang, Malay Straits.	HP5J	La Voz de Panama, Apartado 867, Panama City, Panama.
VQ7LO	P. O. Box 777, Nairobi, Kenya Colony, Africa.	ZLT-ZLW ZLR	Supt. Post & Telegraph, GPO, Wellington, New Zealand.	TGX	Radiodifusora TGX, Director M. A. Mejicano Novales, 11 Avenue N. 45, Guatemala City, Guatemala.
ZSS	Overseas Communications, Kodak House, Shortmarket St., P. O. Box 962, Capetown, So. Africa.	<b>CANADA</b>		TGW	Radiodifusora Nacional TGW, Republic de Guatemala.
ZTJ	Radio ZTJ, P. O. Box 4559, Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa.	<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>	TIPG	Radio TIPG, Perry Girtton, Prop., Apartado 225, San Jose, Costa Rica, C. A.
<b>ASIA, OCEANIA AND FAR EAST</b>		CGA-CJA, et al. CJRX- CJRO	Marconi Station, Drummondville, Quebec, Canada. Royal Alexander Hotel, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.	TI8FF	Radio TI8FF, Ecos del Pacifico, Punta Arenas, Costa Rica.
<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>	VE9BJ	Capitol Theatre, St. Johns, N. B. Canada.	TIEP	"La Voz del Tropico," Apartado 257, San Jose, Costa Rica, C. A.
CQN	Government Broadcasting Station CQN, Postmaster General, Post Office Bldg., Macao, (Portugese), China.	VE9CS	743 Davie St., Vancouver, B. C. Canada.	TIGPH	Radiodifusora TIGPH "Alma Tica," Apartado 775, San Jose, Costa Rica.
FZS	Postale Boite 238, Saigon, Indo-China.	VE9DN	Canadian Marconi Co., Box 1690, Montreal, Quebec, Can.	TIRCC	Radioemisora Catolica Costaricense, Apartado 1064, San Jose, Costa Rica, C. A.
HSP	Government Post & Telegraph, Bangkok, Siam.	CRCX	Rural Route No. 4, Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada.	HRN	Radio HRN, La Voz de Honduras, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
Java Stations	H. Van der Veen, Engineer, Java Wireless Stations, Bandoeng, Java.	VE9HX	Post Office Box 998, Halifax, N. S., Canada.	VPN	Station VPN, Nassau, Bahama Island.
"JV" & "JZ" Stations	International Wireless Telephone Company of Japan, Osaka Bldg., Kojimachiku, Tokio, Japan.	<b>CUBA, MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA AND WEST INDIES</b>		WTDV	H. M. McKenzie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.
"JY" Stations	Radio JYR, Kemikawa-Cho-Chiba, Ken, Japan.	<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>	WTDW	S. I. Winde, Christiansted, Virgin Islands.
KAY et al.	Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co., Manila, P. I.	CO9GC	Laboratorio Radio-Electrico, Grau y Caminero, Apartado 137, Santiago, Cuba.	XAM	Director General de Correos, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
PMY	Radio Station PMY, Nillmy Bldg., Bandoeng, Java, Netherlands Indies.	CO9JQ	Estacion Experimental de Onda Corta-CO9JG, Calle del General Gomez, No. 4, Camaguey, Cuba.	XBJQ	Radiodifusora XBJQ, P. O. Box 2825, Mexico D. F., Mexico.
RV15	Far East Radio Station RV-15, Khabarovsk, U.S.R.R.	CO9WR	P. O. Box 85, Sancti-Spiritus, Santa Clara, Cuba.	XDA-XDC	Secretaria de Comunicaciones, Mexico, D. F.
VK2ME	Amalgamated Wireless Ltd., Wireless House, 47 York St., Sidney, N.S.W. Australia.	COCO	Post Office Box 98, Havana Cuba.	XEBT	El Buen Tono, S.A., Apartado 79-44, Mexico, D. F.
VK3LR	Australian Broadcasting Commission, Broadcast House, 264 Pitt St., Sidney, Australia.	COCD	"La Voz del Aire, S. A.", P. O. Box 2294, 25 y. g. Vedado, Havana, Cuba.	XECR	Estacion XECR Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores, Mexico, D. F.
VK3ME	Amalgamated Wireless Ltd., P. O. Box 1272-L, Melbourne, Australia.	COCH	Estacion COCH, Calle B No. 2 Vedado, Havana, Cuba.	XECW	Radio XECW, Del Caballero Santokan, Bajio 120, Mexico, D. F.
VPD	Amalgamated Wireless, Ltd., Suva, Fiji Islands.	HI1A	Radiodifusora HI1A "La Voz del Yaque," Santiago de los Caballeros, R. D.	XEFT	Radio XEFT, La Voz de Vera Cruz, Av. Independencia 28, Vera Cruz, Mexico.
VUC	Indian State Broadcasting Service, 1 Garstin Place, Calcutta, India.	HI3C	Radiodifusora HI3C, Sr. Roberto Bernado, Prop., La Ramona, R. D.	YNA	Tropical Radio Telegraph, Managua, Nicaragua, C. A.
VUY-VUB	Indian State Broadcasting Service, Irwin House, Sprott Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, India.	HI4D	Radiodifusora HI4D, "La Voz de Quisqueya," Dominican Republic.	YNIGG	La Voz de Los Lagos; Radiodifusora YNIGG, Managua, Nicaragua, C. A.
XGW	Radio Administration, Sassoon House, Shanghai, China.	HH2T HH2S	Societe Haitienne d'Automobile, Port-au-Prince, Haiti.	YNLF	Radiodifusora YNLF, c/o Ing. Moises Le Franc Calle 15 de Set No. 206, Managua, Nicaragua.
YBG	Radio Service, Serdangweg 2, Sumatra, Dutch East Indies.	HIH	Radio HIH, "Las Voz del Higuamo," San Pedro de Macoris, R. D.	YNDA	Radiodifusora YNDA, Managua, Nicaragua.
YDA	H. Van der Veen, Engineer, Java Wireless Stations, Bandoeng, Java.	HIL	Radio HIL, Apartado 623, Santo Domingo City, R. D.	<i>Call</i>	<i>Address</i>
		HIX	Radio HIX, J. R. Saladin, Director of Radio Communication, Santo Domingo, R. D.	2RO CSL	5 Via Montello, Rome, Italy Radio CSL, Emissora Nacional, Lisbon, Portugal.



# SHORT-WAVE STATION LIST

STAR BROADCASTERS INDICATED BY BOLD TYPE; PHONE (P); EXPERIMENTAL (E); TIME, E.S.T.

KC Meters Call	Location	Time	KC Meters Call	Location	Time
21540 13.92 W8XK	Pittsburgh, Pa.	7-9 A.M.	18270 16.42 ETA	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Daily 7 A.M. - 3 P.M.
21500 13.95 NAA	Washington, D. C.	(E) Time signals regularly	18250 16.43 FTO	St. Assise, France	Wednesdays 5 P.M.
21420 14.01 WKK	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones LSN-PSA daytime; HJY-OCQ irregular	18200 16.48 GAW	Rugby, England	(P) Phones LSM-LSY mornings
21160 14.19 LSL	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones GAA mornings; DFB-DHO PSE-EHY irregular	18190 16.49 JVB	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Relays and phones N. Y. irreg.
21140 14.19 KBQ	Manila, P. I.	(P) Tests and relays P. M. irregular	18180 16.51 CGA	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Java early mornings
21080 14.23 PSA	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	(P) Phones WKK-WLK daytime	18135 16.54 PMC	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones GBB mornings
21060 14.25 KWN	Dixon, Calif.	(P) Phones afternoon irregular	18115 16.56 LSY3	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones PCK-PCV early mornings
21020 14.29 LSN	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones WKK-WLK daily; EHY, FTM irregular	18040 16.63 GAB	Rugby, England	(E) Phones DFB-FTM-GAA-PPU A. M.; evening broadcasts occasionally
20860 14.38 EHY	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones LSM-PPU-LSY mornings	17980 16.69 KQZ	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones LSM noon
20860 14.38 EDM	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones LSM-PPU-LSY mornings	17940 16.72 WQB	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests and relays to LSY irreg.
20380 14.72 GAA	Rugby, England	(P) Phones LSL mornings; LSY-LSM-PPU irregular	17920 16.74 WQF	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests with LSY mornings
20040 14.97 OPL	Leopoldsville, Belgian Congo, Africa	(P) Tests with ORG mornings and noon	17900 16.76 WLL	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(P) Phones Ethiopia irregular
20020 14.99 DHO	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones PPU-LSM-PSA - LSL - YVR mornings	17850 16.81 LSN	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(E) Relays to Geneva and Germany mornings
19987 15.01 CFA	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones: No A. M.; irregular	17830 16.82 PCV	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Phones S. A. stations irreg.
19980 15.02 KAX	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones KWU evenings; DFC-JVE A. M.; early A. M.	17790 16.86 GSG	Daventry, England	(P) Phones PLE early mornings
19820 15.14 WKN	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GAU mornings	17780 16.87 W3XAL	Bound Brook, N. J.	6-8:45 A.M. 9:00 A.M.-12:00 noon
19720 15.21 EAQ	Madrid, Spain	(P) Relays and tests in A.M.	17760 16.89 DJE	Zeesen, Germany	9 A.M., 5 P.M. daily
19680 15.24 CEC	Santiago, Chile	(P) Phones OCI-HJY afternoons	17750 16.91 IAC	Piza, Italy	8:30-11:30 A.M.
19600 15.31 LSF	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones and tests irregularly	17740 16.91 HSP	Bankok, Siam	(P) Phones and Tests to ships A.M.
19530 15.36 EDR2	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones LSM-PPU-YVR mornings	17710 16.94 CJA-3	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones DFA-DGH-KAY early mornings
19530 15.36 EDX	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones LSM-PPU-YVR mornings	17699 16.95 IAC	Piza, Italy	(P) Phones Australia and Far East early A. M.
19520 15.37 IRW	Rome, Italy	(P) Phones LSM-PPU mornings	17545 17.10 VWY	Poona, India	(P) Phones and tests to ships A.M.
19500 15.40 LSQ	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones daytime irregularly	17520 17.12 DFB	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones GAU-GBC-GBU mornings
19355 15.50 FTM	St. Assise, France	(P) Phones LSM-PPU-YVR mornings	17480 17.16 VWY	Poona, India	(P) Phones PPU-YVR-KAY mornings
19345 15.52 PMA	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones PCK-PDK early mornings	17260 17.37 DAF	Nordenland, Germany	(P) Phones GAU-GBC-GBU daytime
19260 15.58 PPU	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	(P) Phones DFB-EHY-FTM mornings	17260 17.37 DAF	Ocean Gate, N. J.	(P) Phones ships mornings
19235 15.60 DFA	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones HSP-KAX early mornings	17120 17.52 WOO	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones ships daytime
19220 15.61 WKF	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GAS-GAU mornings	17120 17.52 WOY	Rugby, England	(P) Phones England irreg.
19200 15.62 ORG	Brussels, Belgium	(P) Phones OPL mornings	17080 17.56 GBC	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Phones ships daytime
19140 15.68 LSM	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones DFB-FTM-GAA-GAB mornings	16305 18.39 PCL	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Special relays and phones irreg.
18970 15.81 GAQ	Rugby, England	(P) Phones ZSS mornings	16300 18.44 WLK	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones England irreg.
18960 15.82 WQD	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests LSY irregularly	16240 18.47 KTO	Saigon, Indo-China	(P) Phones JVE-KWU evenings
18950 15.83 HBF	Geneva, Switzerland	(E) Phones So. America mornings	16214 18.50 FZR	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones FTA-FKT early A.M.
18910 15.86 JVA	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones and tests irregular	16050 18.69 JVC	Kankuku, Hawaii	(P) Phones Hong Kong early A. M.; JVF-KTO, PLE early A.M.
18890 15.88 ZSS	Klipkewvel, So. Africa	(P) Phones GAQ-GAU mornings	16030 18.71 KKP	Pontoise, France	(P) KWU afternoons and evenings
18860 15.91 WKM	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests and relays irregularly	15930 18.83 FYC	St. Assise, France	(P) Phones 9:00 A.M. and irreg.
18830 15.93 PLE	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones PCV mornings early	15880 18.89 FTK	Nazaki, Japan	(P) FZR-FZS-LSM-PPU-YVR mornings
18740 16.01 PCP	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) KWU evenings; music at times	15860 18.90 JVD	Santiago, Chile	(P) Phones Shanghai early A.M.
18680 16.06 OCI	Lima, Peru	(P) Relays and phones mornings irregular	15860 18.90 CEC	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones OCJ mornings
18620 16.11 GAU	Rugby, England	(P) Phones CEC-HJY days; WKK-WOP noon	15810 19.02 LSL	Kemikawa-Cho, Japan	(P) Phones GAA mornings; PSE-PSF afternoons
18480 16.23 HBH	Geneva, Switzerland	(P) Phones VWY-ZSS early A.M.; Lawrenceville, daytime	15760 19.04 JYT	Chureki, Japan	(E) Tests KKW-KWE-KWU evenings
18440 16.25 HJY	Bogota, Colombia	(E) Relays to N. Y. mornings irreg.	15740 19.06 JIA	Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.	(P) Phones Nazaki early A.M.
18405 16.30 PCK	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Phones CEC-OCI noon; music at times	15700 19.11 WJS	Brentwood, N. Y.	(P) Phones Ethiopia irregular
18350 16.35 FZS	Saigon, Indo-China	(P) Phones PLE-PMC early A.M.	15670 19.15 WAE	Nazaki, Japan	(E) Tests afternoons
18340 16.36 WLA	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones FTK early mornings	15660 19.16 JVE	Lima, Peru	(P) Phones PLE early A. M.; KTO evenings.
18310 16.38 GAS	Rugby, England	(P) Phones GAS mornings	15625 19.20 OCJ	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones CEC daytime
18295 16.39 YVR	Maracay, Venezuela	(P) Phones WLA-WMN mornings	15620 19.21 JVF	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones KWO-KWU after 4 P.M.
		(P) Phones DFB-EHY-FTM mornings	15595 19.24 DFR	Bolinas, Calif.	(E) Tests and relays mornings irreg.
			15430 19.44 KWE	Dixon, Calif.	(P) Tests JYK-JYT-PLE evenings
			15415 19.46 KWO	Riobamba, Ecuador	(P) Phones JVF evenings
			15410 19.47 Prado	Budapest, Hungary	5:00-7:00 P.M. Sunday
			15370 19.52 HAS3		Sunday 8-9 A.M.

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15355 19.54 KWU	Dixon, Calif.	(P) Phones Japan, Manila and Java evenings	13075 22.95 VPD	Suva, Fiji Islands	Mon. to Sat. 12:30-1:30 A.M.
15330 19.56 W2XAD	Schenectady, N. Y.	2-3 P.M. Weekdays-Sunday 10:30 A.M.-4 P.M.	13000 23.08 FYC	Paris, France	(P) Phones CNR mornings
15280 19.63 DJQ	Zeesen, Germany	12:30-2:15 A.M.	12985 23.11 DFC	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones KAY-SUV-SUZ early A. M.
15270 19.64 W2XE	Wayne, N. J.	11 A.M.-6 P.M.	12865 23.32 IAC	Piza, Italy	(P) Phones ships irregular
15260 19.66 GSI	Daventry, England	12:15 P.M.-4:30 P.M.	12840 23.36 WOO	Ocean Gate, N. J.	(P) Phones ships days
15252 19.67 RIM	Tashkent, U.S.S.R.	(P) Phones RKI early mornings	12830 23.37 HJC	Barranquilla, Colombia	(P) Phones HJB-HPF-WNC days
15243 19.68	Pontoise, France	7-11 A.M.	12830 23.38 HJA-3	Barranquilla, Colombia	(P) Phones HJB-HPF-WNC days
15220 19.71 PCJ	Eindhoven, Holland	Sunday 7:30-10:00 A.M. Tues. 3-6 A.M. Wed. 7-11 A.M.	12825 23.38 CNR	Rabat, Morocco	Sunday 7:30-9:00 A.M.
15220 19.71 W8XK	Pittsburgh, Pa.	9 A.M.-7 P.M.	12825 23.38 CNR	Rabat, Morocco	(P) Phones FYB-TYB-FTA irreg.
15200 19.74 DJB	Zeesen, Germany	3:45-7:15 A.M. 8:00-11:30 A.M.	12800 23.44 IAC	Piza, Italy	(P) Phones ships and tests Tripoli, irreg.
15140 19.82 GSF	Daventry, England	6-8:45 A.M. 9 A.M.-12 noon	12780 23.47 GBC	Rugby, England	(P) Phones VWY early A.M.
15121 19.84 HVJ	Vatican City, Vatican	10:30-10:45 A.M.	12396 24.20 CT1G0	Parede, Portugal	Sun. 11:30 A.M.-1 P.M.; 7:15-8:30 P.M. Tues. to Fri. 7:15-8:30 P.M.
15055 19.92 WNC	Hialeah, Fla.	(P) Phones daytime	12394 24.21 DAF	Nordenland, Germany	(P) Phones ships irreg. mornings
15040 19.95 RKI	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	(P) Phones RIM early A.M.	12300 24.39 PLM	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones 2ME near 6:30 A.M.
15040 19.95 HIR	Santo Domingo, R. D.	(P) Phones WNC daytime	12295 24.40 ZLU	Willmington, N. Z.	(P) Phones ZLJ early A.M.
14980 20.03 KAY	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones DFC-DFD-GCJ early A.M.; KWU evenings	12290 24.41 GBU	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Lawrenceville days
14940 20.06 HJB	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Phones WNC-PPU YVQ days	12280 24.43 KUV	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones early A.M.
14920 20.11 KOH	Kahuku, Hawaii	(P) Tests irregularly	12250 24.49 TYB	Paris, France	(P) Phones JVH-XGR and ships irreg.
14845 20.19 OCJ2	Lima, Peru	(P) Phones HJY and others daytime	12235 24.52 TFJ	Reykjavik, Iceland	(P) Phones England days English broadcast each Sunday, 8:40-9: A.M.
14800 20.27 WQV	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests Europe irreg.	12235 24.52 TFJ	Reykjavik, Iceland	(P) Phones England days English broadcast each Sunday, 8:40-9: A.M.
14732 20.51 IQA	Rome, Italy	(P) Phones Japan and Egypt; sends music at times	12220 24.55 FLJ	Paris, France	(P) Phones ships irreg.
14710 20.39 IRG	Massawa, Eritrea, Africa	(P) Phones and tests with JVH 5:00 to 7:00 A. M., and sends music	12215 24.56 TYA	Paris, France	(P) Algeria, days—"Inverted Speech"
14690 20.42 PSS	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	(P) Phones LSL-WLK-WOK daytime	12060 24.88 PDV	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) PLE - PLV - PMC early mornings
14653 20.47 GBL	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Nazaki, early A.M.	12035 24.93 HBO	Geneva, Switzerland	(E) Relays programs & phones irreg.
14620 20.52 EHY	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones LSM mornings irreg.	12020 24.95 VIY	Rockbank, Australia	(P) Tests CJA6 early A.M. and evenings
14620 20.52 EDM	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones PPU-PSA-PSE mornings	12100 24.79 CJA6	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Tests VIY early A.M. and evenings
14600 20.55 JVH	Nazaki, Japan	(E) Phones DFB-GTJ-PCJ-TYB early mornings and B.C. music	12000 25.00 RNE	Moscow, U.S.S.R	Sunday 6-7 A.M. 10-11 A.M. 4-6 P.M. Monday 4-6 P.M. Wednesday 6-7 A.M. 4-6 P.M. Friday 4-6 P.M.
14590 20.56 WMN	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones England daytime	11991 25.02 FZS	Saigon. Indo-China	(P) Phones FTA-FTK early A.M.
14550 20.60 HBJ	Geneva, Switzerland	(E) Relays to Riverhead daytime	11955 25.01 ETA	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	(P) Relays programs to Hawaii eve.
14530 20.65 LSN	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones PSF-WLK-WOK irreg.	11950 25.11 KKO	Bolinas Calif.	(P) Phones FZS-FZR early A.M.
14485 20.71 TIR	Cartago, Costa Rica	(P) Phones WNC daytime	11940 25.13 FTA	St. Assise, France	(P) Cent. and S. A. stations, days
14485 20.71 TIU	Cartago, Costa Rica	(P) Phones WNC daytime	11935 25.14 YNA	Managua Nicaragua	11:15 A.M.-2:15 P.M. 3-6 P.M.
14485 20.71 YNA	Managua, Nicaragua	Phones WNC daytime	11885 25.23	Pontoise, France	5-9 P.M.
14485 20.71 HPF	Panama City, Panama	(P) Phones Daytime	11870 25.26 W8XK	Pittsburgh, Pa.	9 A.M.-12 noon
14485 20.71 HRM	Tela, Hondura	(P) Phones WNC daytime	11860 25.29 GSE	Daventry, England	6-8 P.M.
14485 20.71 TGF	Guatemala City, Guatemala	(P) Phones WNC daytime	11830 25.36 W2XE	Wayne, N. J.	8:15-9 A.M. 9:15-10:15 A.M. 12 noon-1 P.M. 1:45-5 P.M.
14470 20.73 WMF	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones England daytime	11811 25.40 2RO	Rome, Italy	4-6 P.M. 9-11 P.M. Tues. and Thurs. 6-9 P.M. Sunday 5-7 P.M.
14440 20.78 GBW	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Lawrenceville daytime	11800 25.42 CO9WR	Sancti-Spiritus, Cuba	12 noon-4:30 P.M.
14410 20.80 DIP	Zeesen, Germany	(E) Experimental; 12-4:30 P. M.	11790 25.43 W1XAL	Boston, Mass.	3 A.M.-5:20 A.M. 12:15-4:30 P.M. 10-11.05 P.M.
14236 21.07 HB9B	Basle, Switzerland	Monday, Thursday, Friday 4-6 P.M.	11770 25.49 DJD	Zeesen, Germany	Sat. & Sun. 7:30-10 A.M.
14200 21.20 W10XFB	The Schooner "Morrisey"	(E) Irregular	11750 25.53 GSD	Daventry, England	Mon. Thurs. Fri. 7:30-9:30 A.M.
14100 21.25 HJ5ABE	Medillin, Colombia	11:00 A.M.-12 noon daily ex. Sun. 6:00-10:30 P.M.	11730 25.57 PHI	Huizen, Holland	Week days 8:00 P.M.-12 midnight; Sunday 3-10 P.M.
13900 21.58 WQP	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Test daytime	11720 25.60 CJRX	Winnipeg, Manitoba	7-10 P.M.-11 P.M.-1 A.M. 11:30 A.M.-1 P.M. 6:30-10:30 P.M.
13820 21.70 SUZ	Cairo, Egypt	(P) Phones DFC-DGU-GBB daytime	11713 25.62	Pontoise, France	(P) Phones Far-East early A.M.
13745 21.83 CGA-2	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Europe irregular	11710 25.63 HJ4ABA	Medillin, Colombia	(P) Phones WCG-WET-LSX evenings
13738 21.82 RIS	Tiflis, U.S.S.R.	(P) Tests with Moscow irregular	11680 25.68 KIO	Kaukuku, Hawaii	(P) Phones Taiwan evenings
13690 21.91 KKZ	Bolinas, Calif.	(F) Tests Japan and Java early A.M.; days Honolulu	11670 25.71 PPQ	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	(P) Evenings; irregular
13667 21.98 HJY	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Phones CEC afternoons	11660 25.73 JVL	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Tests irregularly
13635 22.00 S.P.W.	Warsaw, Poland	11:30 A.M.-12:15 P.M.	11570 25.93 HH2T	Port-au-Prince, Haiti	(P) Phones XDF-XDM-XDR irreg.
13610 22.04 JYK	Kemikawa-Cho, Japan	(E) Tests irregular A.M.	11538 26.00 XGR	Shanghai, China	(P) Tests CJA4 early A.M.
13585 22.08 GBB	Rugby, England	(P) Phones CGA3-SUV-SUZ daytime	11500 26.09 XAM	Merida, Mexico	(P) Phones VIZ3 early A.M.
13545 22.15 PFG	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Tests mornings irregular	11495 26.10 VIZ3	Rockbank, Australia	(E) Phones and relays irregular
13415 22.36 GCJ	Rugby, England	(P) Tests with JVH afternoons	11413 26.28 CJA4	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones XDR-XDM irregular
13390 22.40 WMA	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GAS-GBS-GBU-GBW daily	11385 26.35 HBO	Geneva, Switzerland	(P) Phones VLZ early mornings
13380 22.42 IDU	Asmara, Eritrea, Africa	(P) Phones Italy; early A. M. and sends music	11275 26.61 XAM	Merida, Mexico	(P) Phones early A.M.; broadcasts 6:30-10 A.M.
13345 22.48 YVQ	Maracay, Venezuela	(P) Phones WNC-HJB days	11000 27.27 ZLT	Wellington, N. Z.	8:15 P.M.-10:30 P.M.
13340 22.49 KBJ	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones nights and early A.M.	11000 27.27 PLP	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones CEC-HJY days
13285 22.58 CGA3	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones England days	11000 27.26 XBJQ	Mexico D. F., Mexico	(P) Phones HKB early evenings
13180 22.76 DGG	Nauen, Germany	(P) Relays to Riverhead days	10975 27.35 OCI	Lima, Peru	
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10910 27.50 KTR	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones DFC early A.M. irreg.	9870 30.40 WON	Lawrenceville, N. J.	Phones and tests; Eng-irregularly
10850 27.63 DFL	Nauen, Germany	(P) Relays programs afternoons irreg.	9870 30.40 JYS	Kenukawa-Cho, Japan	4-7 A.M. irregular
10840 27.68 KWV	Dixon, Calif.	(P) Phones Japan, Manila, Hawaii, mornings	9860 30.43 EAQ	Madrid, Spain	Saturday 12-2 P.M. Daily 5:15 to 9:30 P.M.
10790 27.80 YNA	Managua, Nicaragua	(P) Phones So. America days, irreg.	9840 30.47 JYS	Kenukawa-Cho, Japan	(E) Tests irregular
10770 27.86 GBP	Rugby, England	(P) JYS and XGR irreg.; Phones VLK early A.M. and eve.	9830 30.50 IRM	Rome, Italy	(P) Phones JVP-JZT-LSX-WEL mornings
10740 27.93 JVM	Nazaki, Japan	4-7:30 A.M. irregular 12-1 A.M. Daily Mon & Thurs. 4-5 P.M.	9810 30.58 DFE	Nauen, Germany	(P) Relays and tests afternoons irreg.
10675 28.10 WNB	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones ZFB daytime	9800 30.59 GCW	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Lawrenceville eve. and nights
10670 28.12 CEC	Santiago, Chile	(P) Phones HJY-OCI daytime	9800 30.59 LSI	Buenos Aires, Arg. Sydney, Australia	(P) Relays very irreg.
10670 28.12 CEC	Santiago, Chile	Daily 8-9 P.M.	9760 30.74 VLJ	Sydney, Australia	(P) Phones PLV-ZLT early A.M.
10660 28.14 JVN	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones JIB early A.M.; Relays JOAK irreg.	9760 30.74 VLZ	Lawrenceville, N. J. Rugby, England	(P) Phones PLV-ZLT early A.M.
10660 28.14 JVN	Nazaki, Japan	4-7:30 A.M. irregular	9750 30.77 WOF	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones GCU irreg.
10630 28.22 WED	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Relays program service irregularly	9710 30.88 GCA	Rome, Italy	(P) Phones LSL afternoons
10620 28.25 EHX	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones CEC and EHZ afternoons	9700 30.93 LQA	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Tests and relays early evening
10610 28.28 WEA	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests Europe irreg.	9635 31.13 2RO	Nauen, Germany	Mon. Wed. Fri. 6-9:00 P.M.
10550 28.44 WOK	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones LSN-PSF-PSH-PSK evenings	9630 31.15 CFA5	Geneva, Switzerland	(P) Phones: No A. M. days
10535 28.48 JIB	Tawian, Japan	(P) Phones JVL-JVN early mornings	9620 31.17 DGU	Philadelphia, Pa.	(P) Phones SUV A.M. Tests and relays irreg.
10520 28.52 VK2ME	Sydney, Australia	(P) Phones GBP-HVJ early A.M.	9620 31.17 FZR	Sydney, Australia	(P) Phones Paris early A.M.
10520 28.52 VLK	Sydney, Australia	(P) Phones GBP-HVJ early A.M.	9600 31.25 CT1AA	Lisbon, Portugal	Tues. Thurs. Sat. 4:30-7 P.M.
10520 28.52 CFA-4	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones: No A. M. days	9595 31.27 HBL	Geneva, Switzerland	Saturday 5:30-6:15 P.M. First Monday each month 4-6 P.M.
10440 28.74 DGH	Nauen, Germany	(P) Phones HSG-HSJ-HSP early A.M.	9590 31.28 W3XAU	Philadelphia, Pa.	1 A.M.-3 A.M. 5:00-9:00 A.M. 9:00-11:00 A.M.
10430 28.80 YBG	Medan, Sumatra	(P) Phones PLV-PLP early A.M.	9590 31.28 VK2ME	Sydney, Australia	11:30 A.M.-1 P.M. 7:30 10 P.M.
10420 28.79 XGR	Shanghai, China	(P) Tests GBP-KAY early A.M.	9590 31.28 HP5J	Panama City, Panama	4:00-5:45 P.M. 6:00-8:20 P.M. 10-11:05 P.M.
10420 28.79 PDK	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Phones PLV A.M. and special programs irreg.	9580 31.31 GSC	Daventry, England	Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. 3:15-7:30 A.M. Fri. 10:30 P.M.-2 A.M. Sat. 5-7:30 A.M.
10410 28.82 KES	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones S. A. and Far East irreg.	9580 31.31 VK3LR	Melbourne, Australia	5-8 A.M. 10 A.M.-6 P.M.
10400 28.85 KEZ	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones Hawaii and Far East irreg.	9570 31.34 LKJ1	Jeloy, Norway	Week days 7 A.M.-12 midnight
10390 28.87 KER	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones Far East; early evening	9570 31.33 WIXK	Boston, Mass.	Sunday 9 A.M.-12 midnight
10380 28.90 WCG	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Special program service irreg.	9565 31.36 VUY VUB	Bombay, India	11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Wed. & Sat. Sunday 7:30-8:30 A.M.
10375 28.92 JVO	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Manchu ria and Dairen early A.M.	9560 31.38 DJA	Zeesen, Germany	12:30-2:15 A.M. 8-11:30 A.M. 5:05-9:15 P.M.
10370 28.93 EHZ	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones EHX daytime	9545 31.43 CEC	Santiago, Chile	8-9 P.M. Daily
10350 28.98 LSX	Buenos Aires, Arg.	Near 10 P.M. irregular. 6-7:15 P.M. daily	9540 31.45 DJN	Zeesen, Germany	12:30-2:15 A.M. 3:45-7:15 A.M. 5:05-10:45 P.M.
10335 29.03 ZFD	Hamilton, Bermuda	(P) Phones afternoons	9530 31.48 W2XAF	Schenectady, N. Y.	Mon. to Fri. 4 P.M.-12 A.M. Sat. 1 P.M.-12 A.M. Sun. 4:15 P.M.-12 A.M.
10330 29.04 ORK	Brussels, Belgium	(P) Tests New York and Buenos Aires evenings.	9510 31.55 GSB	Daventry, England	3-5:20 A.M. 9 A.M.-12 noon 12:15-4:30 P.M. 4:45-5:45 P.M. 6-8:20 P.M.
10310 29.10 PPM	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	(P) Phones GCA-HJY-PSH afternoons	9510 31.55 VK3ME	Melbourne, Australia	Wed. to Sat. Inc. 5-7 A.M.
10300 29.13 LSQ	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones GCA-HJY-PSH afternoons	9501 31.56 PRF5	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	4:45-5:45 P.M. daily 9-10:45 P.M. irreg.
10300 29.13 LSL	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(E) Phone and pgm. service irreg.	9480 31.65 PLW	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones Australia early A.M.
10290 29.15 DIQ	Zeesen, Germany	Used irregularly.	9480 31.65 KET	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones WEL evenings & nights
10290 29.15 DIQ	Zeesen, Germany	(P) Phones C. A. and S. Am. daytime	9470 31.68 WET	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests LSX-PPM-ZFD evenings
10290 29.15 HPC	Panama City, Panama	(P) Tests VLJ early A.M.; broadcasts 6:30-10 A.M.	9460 31.71 ICK	Tripoli, Africa	(P) Phones Italy mornings
10260 29.24 PMN	Bandoeng, Java	(P) "Inverted Speech" afternoons	9430 31.80 YVR	Maracay, Venezuela	(P) Tests mornings
10250 29.27 LSK3	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones LSL-WOK evenings; special pgm. service irreg.	9428 31.81 COCH	Havana, Cuba	10 A.M.-12 noon. 4:00-6:30 P.M. 8:00-10:00 P.M.
10220 29.35 PSH	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	(P) Phones RIR-RNE early A.M.	9415 31.86 PLV	Bandoeng, Java	(P) Phones PCV-PCK-PDK-VLZ-KWX and KWV early mornings
10170 29.50 RIO	Bakou, U.S.S.R.	(P) Phones DGH early A.M. irreg.	9400 31.92 XDR	Mexico City, Mexico	(P) Phones XAM irreg. days
10169 29.50 HSG	Bankok, Siam	(P) Phones ORK afternoons	9330 32.15 CGA4	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones GCB-GDB-GBB afternoons
10140 29.59 OPM	Leopoldville, Belg-Congo	(P) Phones RIO-RNE early A.M.	9280 32.33 GCB	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Canada afternoons
10080 29.76 RIR	Tiflis, U.S.S.R.	(P) Phones YVR afternoons	9180 32.68 ZSR	Kliphewvel, S. Africa	((P) Phones Rugby afternoons seasonally
10070 29.79 EHY	Madrid, Spain	(P) Phones WNB daytime	9170 32.72 WNA	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GBS-GCU-GCS afternoons
10055 29.84 ZFB	Hamilton, Bermuda	(P) Phones DFC-DGU-GCA and GCB daytime	9147 32.79 YVR	Maracay, Venezuela	(P) Phones EHY afternoons
10055 29.84 SUV	Cairo, Egypt	(P) Tests early evenings irreg.	9120 32.88 HAT4	Budapest, Hungary	6:00-7:00 P.M. Sundays
10040 29.88 HJA3	Barranquilla, Colombia	(P) Phones JVO-KWX-PLV early A.M.	9110 32.93 KUW	Manila, P. I.	(P) Tests and phones early A.M.
9990 30.01 KAZ	Manila, P. I.	(P) Tests irregularly	9091 33.00 CGA-5	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Europe days
9966 30.08 IRS	Rome, Italy	(P) Phones WNA evenings	9020 33.26 GCS	Rugby, England	(P) Phones Lawrenceville afternoons
9950 30.13 GBU	Rugby, England	(P) Phones CEC-OCP-PSH-PSK afternoons	9010 33.30 KEJ	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Relays programs to Hawaii eve.
9930 30.21 HKB	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Phones LSQ afternoons			
9930 30.21 HJY	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Phones WOK-WLK; broadcasts evenings irregular			
9890 30.33 LSN3	Buenos Aires, Arg.				

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8975 33.42 CJA5	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Australia nights and early A.M.	7445 40.30 HBQ	Geneva, Switzerland	(E) Relays Special B.C evenings irreg.
8975 33.43 VVY	Poona, Ind.	(P) Phones GBC-GBU mornings	7430 40.38 ZLR	Wellington, N. Z.	(P) Phones VLJ early mornings
8950 33.52 WEL	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests with Europe irreg.	7400 40.54 WEM	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Special relays evenings.
8950 33.52 W2XBJ	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests irregularly	7400 40.50 HJ3ABD	Bogota, Colombia	12 noon-2 P.M. 8:00-11:00 P.M.
8930 33.59 WEC	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(P) Phones Ethiopia irregular	7385 40.62 OEK	Wein, Austria	(P) Tests early evenings very irreg.
8900 33.71 ZLS	Wellington, N. Z.	(P) Phones VLZ early mornings	7380 40.65 XEGR	Mexico City, Mexico	Sundays 6-7 P.M. Occasionally later
8830 33.98 LSD	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Relays to N. Y early evenings	7370 40.71 KEQ	Kankuku, Hawaii	(P) Relays programs evenings
8790 34.13 HKV	Bogota, Colombia	(E) Tests early evenings and nights	7282 41.20 HJ1ABD	Cartagena, Colombia	11:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M. Sunday. Weekdays 7:15-9:15 P.M.
8790 34.13 TIR	Cartago, Costa Rica	(P) Phones Central America daytime	7210 41.60 EA8AB	Santa Cruz, Canary Is.	5-7:30 P.M. irregular
8790 34.13 HKV	Bogota, Colombia	6:00-11:00 P.M. irregular	7177 41.80 CR6AA	Labito, Angola, Africa	2:30-4:30 P.M. Wed. & Sat.
8775 34.19 PNI	Makasser, D. E. I.	(P) Phones PLV early mornings	7118 42.13 HB9B	Basle, Switzerland	Mon., Thurs., Fri. 4-6 P.M.
8760 34.35 GCQ	Rugby, England	(P) Phones ZSR afternoons	7100 42.25 HKE	Bogota, Colombia	Monday 6-7 P.M. Tues. and Friday 8-9 P.M.
8750 34.29 ZBW	Hong Kong, China	Sun. Tues. Wed. Fri. Sat. 5:30-8:30 A.M. Mon. Thurs. 5:30-7:30 A.M. 8-9 P.M.	7080 42.37 PI1J	Dordrecht, Holland	Saturday 10:10-11:10 A.M.
8740 34.35 WXV	Fairbanks, Alaska	(P) Phones WXH nights	7080 42.37 VP3MR	Georgetown, Br. Guiana	Sun 7:45-10:15 A.M. Mon 3:45-4:45 P.M. 6:45-7:45 P.M. Wed. Thurs. Sat. 5-7:45 P.M.
8730 34.36 GCI	Rugby, England	(P) Phones VWY afternoons	7074 42.48 HJ1ABK	Barranquilla, Columbia	3-6 P.M. Sunday
8680 34.56 GBC	Rugby, England	(P) Phones ships and New York daily	6990 42.92 JVS	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones China mornings early
8665 34.62 CO9JQ	Camagney, Cuba	11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. 8:00-9:00 P.M.	6935 43.25 WEB	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Relays programs evenings
8650 34.68 WVD	Seattle, Wash.	(P) Tests irregularly	6905 43.45 GDS	Rugby, England	(P) Phones WOA-WNA-WCN evenings
8590 34.92 YNDA	Managua, Nicaragua	8-10 P.M. Daily	6900 43.48 HI3C	LaRomana, R. D.	Daily 12-2 P.M. 5-9 P.M. Sat. 12 Midnight-2 A.M.
8560 35.05 WOO	Ocean Gate, N. J.	(P) Phones ships daytime	6895 43.51 HCETC	Quito, Ecuador	8:15-10:30 P.M. ex Sunday
8470 35.39 DAF	Nordenland, Germany	(P) Phones ships irregularly	6880 43.60 CGA-7	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Europe days
8400 35.71 HC2AT	Guayaquil, Ecuador	8:00-11:00 P.M. ex. Sunday	6860 43.73 KEL	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Tests KAZ-PLV early A.M.
8400 35.71 HC2CW	Guayaquil, Ecuador	8-11 P.M. ex. Sunday	6840 43.86 KEN	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Used irregularly
8380 35.80 IAC	Piza, Italy	(P) Phones ships irregularly	6830 43.92 CFA	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones: No A. M. nights
8214 36.50 HCJB	Quito, Ecuador	12:30-2:15 P.M. 7:15-11:15 P.M. daily ex. Monday	6796 44.15 H1H	San Pedro de Macoris, R.D.	Sunday 3-4 A.M. 12:30-3 P.M. 4-5 P.M. Week days 12:15-2 P.M. 7-8:30 P.M.
8185 36.65 PSK	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	(P) Phones LSL-WOK evenings and special programs	6760 44.38 CJA-6	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Australia early A. M.
8140 36.86 LSC	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Tests evenings and nights irreg.	6755 44.41 WOA	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GDW-GDS-GCS evenings
8120 36.95 KTP	Manila, P. I.	(P) Phones KWX-KWV-PLV-JVQ mornings	6750 44.44 JVT	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones JOAK irregular; Phones Point Reyes at times
8110 37.00 ZP10	Ascunson, Paraguay	8:00-10:00 P.M.	6750 44.44 JVT	Nazaki, Japan	2:00-8:00 A.M. irregular
8035 37.33 CNR	Rabat, Morocco	Sunday 2:00-5:00 P.M.	6740 44.51 WEJ	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Commercial program service evenings
7970 37.64 XGL	Shanghai, China	(P) Tests early mornings	6733 44.53 WDA	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests evenings irreg.
7968 37.65 HSJ	Bankok, Siam	(P) Tests and phones early A.M.	6725 44.60 WQO	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(E) Tests evenings irreg
7960 37.69 VLZ	Sydney, Australia	(P) Phones ZLT early A.M.	6720 44.96 YVQ	Maracay, Venezuela	8:00-9:00 P.M. Saturdays
7920 37.88 GCP	Rugby, England	(P) Phones VLK irreg.	6701 44.71 TIEP	San Jose, Costa Rica	7:00-10:00 P.M. daily
7900 37.97 LSL	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Phones PSK-PSH evenings	6690 44.84 CGA-6	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Europe irregularly
7890 38.02 CJA-2	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Australia nights	6680 44.91 DGK	Nauen, Germany	(P) Relays to Riverhead evenings irreg.
7880 38.05 JYR	Kemikawa-Cho, Japan	(E) Tests and relays irregularly	6720 44.96 YVQ	Maracay, Venezuela	(P) Phones and relays N. Y. evenings
7860 38.17 SUX	Cairo, Egypt	(P) Phones GCB afternoons	6650 45.11 IAC	Piza, Italy	(P) Phones ships irregularly
7855 38.19 LQP	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Tests evening irreg.	6635 45.00 HC2RL	Guayaquil, Ecuador	5:45-7:45 P.M. Sunday, 9:15-11:15 P.M. Tuesday
7797 38.47 HBP	Geneva, Switzerland	5:30-6:15 P.M. Saturdays	6620 45.31 Prado	Riobamba, Ecuador	Thursday 9:00-11:15 P.M.
7790 38.49 YNA	Managna, Nicaragua	First Monday each month 6-7 P.M.	6610 45.38 REN	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	1:00-5:00 P.M. irregular
7790 38.49 HC2JSB	Guayaquil, Ecuador	(P) Phones Cent. & So. America daytime	6590 45.50 HI4D	Santo Domingo, R.D.	12:15-2:00 P.M. 5:00-8:00 P.M. except Sunday
7780 38.56 PSZ	Rio de Janerio, Brazil	9:15 A.M.-2:15 P.M. 7:15-11:15 P.M.	6550 45.81 TIRCC	San Jose, Costa Rica	Daily 11 A.M.-2 P.M. 6-7 P.M. Thursday 7-10 or 11 P.M. Sunday 11 A.M.-1 P.M. 8-10 P.M.
7765 38.63 PDM	Kootwijk, Holland	(P) Tests LSX early evenings	6520 46.01 YV6RV	Valencia, Venezuela	11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. 5:30-10:00 P.M. except Sunday
7715 38.89 KEE	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Special relays to Dutch Indies	6503 46.10 HIL	Santo Domingo, R.D.	Mon. to Sat. inc. 12:15-1:45 P.M. Sat. 7:45-9:45 P.M.
7669 39.11 TGF	Guatemala City, Guatemala	(P) Relays programs to Hawaii seasonally	6490 46.30 HJ5ABD	Calli, Colombia	7:00-10:00 P.M. ex. Sunday
7626 39.31 RIM	Tashkent, U.S.S.R.	(P) Phones TIU-HPF daytime	6460 46.44 HJ1ABB	Ibague, Colombia	7-10 P.M. ex. Sunday
7620 39.37 FTA	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	(P) Phones RKI early mornings	6447 46.51 HJ1ABB	Barranquilla, Colombia	11:45 A.M.-1:00 P.M. 5:30-10:00 P.M. ex. Sunday
7610 39.42 KWX	Dixon, Calif.	Irregular	6425 46.69 VE9AS	Fredericton, N.B.	Occasional broadcasts — not regular.
7590 39.53 TIRFF	Punta Arenas, Costa Rica	(P) Phones KKH nights; KAZ-KTP-PLV-JVT-JVM mornings	6425 46.69 W9XBS	Chicago, Ill.	Not regular. Usually Tuesday and Thursday 1:00-5:00 P.M.
7565 39.66 KWY	Punta Arenas, Costa Rica	9-10 P.M. ex. Sunday	6420 46.70 W3XL	Bound Brook, N. J.	No regular schedule maintained
7520 39.89 KKH	Kanhuku, Hawaii	(P) Phones Shanghai, early mornings	6415 46.77 HJA3	Barranquilla, Colombia	(P) Phones HJA2 evenings
7518 39.90 RKI	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	(P) Tests KEE evenings; Phones KWX-KWV nights	6400 46.88 YN1GG	Managua, Nicaragua	Daily 1:00-2:30 P.M. 7:00-10:00 P.M.
7510 39.95 JVP	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones RIM early mornings	6385 46.99 TIPG	San Jose, Costa Rica	8:30-11:00 P.M.
7500 40.00 CFA-6	Drummondville, Que.	Tests Point Reyes early A. M.; broadcasts Monday and Thursdays, 4-5 P. M.	6375 47.10 YV4RC	Caracas, Venezuela	4:30-10:30 P.M.
7470 40.16 JVQ	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones: no A. M. days	6350 47.39 JZG	Nazaki, Japan	5:00-7:00 A.M. irregular
7470 40.16 HJP	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Relays and phones early A.M.; broadcasts Monday and Thursday, 4-5 P.M.	6315 47.50 HIZ	Santo Domingo, R.D.	Daily 11:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M. 5:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.
		(P) Phones HJA3-YVQ early evenings	6235 48.10 OCM	Lima, Peru	(P) Phones afternoons

## IMPROVED S. W. SET

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The ganged tuning condenser, C-1, C-2, is mounted on an aluminum panel, as shown. This measures 4" high by 3" wide and is bent from a piece 4½" by 3" leaving a ½" by 3" mounting area at the bottom. The mounting hole for the condenser is centrally located at a height of 3¼", which, of course, is determined by the height of the dial. This panel should be rigidly mounted if backlash effects are to be eliminated. In this design three screws were employed and backlash effects were barely noticeable at the highest frequencies. Consequently, it is recommended that at least five screws be employed, and if possible bracing angles as well. Obviously the aluminum should not be lighter than 14 gauge.

### The Wiring

The location and mounting of the remaining parts are entirely as indicated and require no further comment. In wiring the receiver, the resistors and fixed condensers are mounted directly by their pigtailed. When wiring the dry electrolytic condenser, C-II, it is necessary to observe the polarity. The proper procedure is to connect the positive terminal to the cathode.

In order to minimize hum, the grid condenser and leak, C-7, R-3, are mounted inside of the detector tube shield. For this reason they should be of small size and the sides and top of the cap lined with light cardboard to prevent unintentional grounds. Also in the interests of a low hum level it will be found advisable to ground one of the heater lines, preferably at the detector tube.

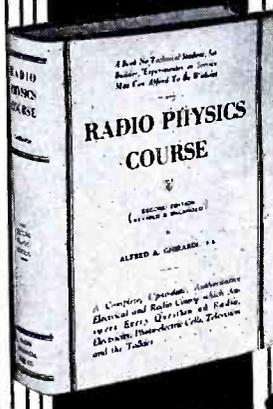
### Operation

To put the receiver in operation, insert the tubes and one set of coils and make the various external connections to the power supply, antenna, and phones. If a doublet type of antenna is available, connect it as indicated in the schematic diagram; if one is not available forget about it and connect the lead-in to one of the antenna posts and ground the other by connecting it to the ground binding post.

As stated before, the condenser C-3 should be all-in or nearly so and the regeneration control advanced until the detector tube goes into oscillation as evidenced by a gentle hiss.

When employing the two smallest sets of coils the dial should be alive with signals and no difficulty should be experienced in finding a broadcast carrier. When receiving modulated signals, the regeneration control should, of course, be backed down slightly until the circuit is just on the verge of oscillation.

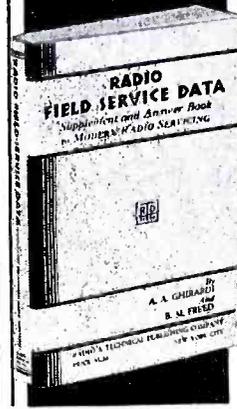
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6150 48.78 CSL	Lisbon, Portugal	7:30-8:30 A.M. 2:30-7:00 P.M.	5960 50.30 YNLF	Managua, Nicaragua	Mon. to Sat. 11:10 A.M.-12:40 P.M. 4:40-5:40 P.M. Tues. & Fri. also 8:10-10:10 P.M. Sunday 7:40-9:40 A.M.
6140 48.86 W8XK	Pittsburgh, Pa.	9:00 P.M.-1:00 AM. daily	5940 50.65 TG2X	Guatemala City, Guatemala	4-4:45 P.M. 10-12 M.
6130 48.92 ZGE	Kuala Lumpur, S.S.	Sun. Tues. Fri. 6:40-8:40 A.M.	5930 50.60 HJ4ABE	Medillin, Colombia	2-2:15 P.M. Sunday 5-5:30 A.M.
6130 48.92 COCD	Havana, Cuba	Sunday 11 A.M.-2:00 P.M. 7:00-10 P.M. Weekdays 11:30 A.M. to 11 P.M.	5900 50.85 HJ2ABC	Cucuta, Colombia	6-11 P.M. 9-11 P.M.
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6120 49.02 XEFT	Vera Cruz, Mexico	Mon. to Fri. 11 A.M.-4 P.M. 7:30 P.M.-12 Midnight. Sat. 11 A.M.-4 P.M. 6:30 P.M.-12 Midnight. Sun. 11 A.M.-4 P.M. 9 P.M.-Midnight	5880 51.02 YV8RB	Barquisimeto, Venezuela	8:00-11:30 P.M.
6120 49.02 W2XE	Wayne, N. J.	7:00-10:00 P.M. daily	5875 51.11 HRN	Tegucigalpa, Honduras	6-11 P.M.
6120 49.02 YDA	Bandoeng, Java	5:30-11:00 P.M. 5:45-6:45 P.M. 10:30 P.M.-1 A.M.	5865 51.15 HI1J	San Pedro de Macoris RD	6:30-8 P.M. 8:30-10 P.M. Daily 12:30-2 P.M. 6:30-9:00 P.M.
6115 49.06 HJ1ABE	Cartagena, Colombia	Daily 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M. 4-5 P.M. Monday 7-9:30 P.M. 10:30-11:30 P.M. Tues. to Fri. 7-9:30 P.M. Sat. 6-8 P.M. Sunday 9 A.M.-2 P.M.	5853 51.20 WOB	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones ZFA P.M.
6110 49.10 HJ4ABB	Manizales, Colombia	11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. 5:00-8:00 P.M.	5850 51.28 YV5RMO	Maracaibo, Venezuela	11:30 A.M.-1 P.M. 5:30 to 10 P.M.
6110 49.10 VUC	Calcutta, India	Mon. 8-9 A.M. Wed. 10:30-11:30 A.M.	5845 51.30 KRO	Kaukuku, Hawaii	(P) Tests early mornings
6110 49.10 VE9HX	Halifax, Nova Scotia	11:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M.-1 A.M.	5825 51.50 HJA2	Bogota, Colombia	(P) Phones HJA3 afternoons irreg.
6110 49.10 GSL	Daventry, England	12:15-4:30 P.M. 6-8:20 P.M. 10-11:05 P.M.	5820 51.50 TICPH	San Jose, Costa Rica	7-10 P.M.
6100 49.18 W9XF	Chicago, Illinois	Daily 12:00 M-1:00 A.M. Tues. Thurs. Fri. Sun. 8:00-9:00 P.M.	5800 51.72 KZGF	Manila, P. I.	(P) Tests mornings irregularly
6100 49.18 W3XAL	Bound Brook, N. J.	Mon. Wed. Sat. 4:00 P.M. 12:00 A.M.	5800 51.72 YV2RC	Caracas, Venezuela	10:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M. 4-10 P.M. Daily
6095 49.22 CRCX	Bowmansville, Ont.	Sun. 12 noon-12 A.M. Mon. to Sat. 6 P.M.-12 A.M.	5790 51.81 JVV	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones JZC early mornings
6090 49.26 VE9BJ	St. John, N.B.	5:00-11:00 P.M.	5780 51.90 OAX4D	Lima, Peru	9-11:30 P.M. Wed. Sat.
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6080 49.34 W9XAA	Chicago, Ill.	Daily 11 A.M.-9 P.M.	5730 52.36 JVV	Nazaki, Japan	(P) Phones JZC early A.M.
6080 49.34 ZHIJ	Penang, S.S.	6:40-8:40 A.M.	5720 52.45 YV1ORCS	Santo Cristobal, Venezuela	8:00-11:00 P.M.
6080 49.34 HJ4ABC	Pereira, Colombia	9:30-11 A.M. 7-9 P.M. ex. Sun.	5712 52.54 CFU	Rossland, Canada	(P) Phones CFO and CFN evenings
6080 49.34 CP5	LaPaz, Bolivia	8:00-9:00 P.M. daily	5670 52.91 DAN	Nordenland, Germany	(P) Phones ships irreg.
6070 49.42 VE9CS	Vancouver, B.C.	6:00-7:00 P.M. Sunday. 1:45 P.M.-1:00 A.M.	5445 55.10 CJA7	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones Australia early A.M.
6070 49.42 HH2S	Port-Au-Prince, Haiti	Evenings—irregular	5435 55.20 LSH	Buenos Aires, Arg.	(P) Relays LR4 and tests evenings
6070 49.42 OER2	Vienna, Austria	9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. Saturdays until 6:00 P.M.	5400 55.56 HJA7	Cucuta, Colombia	Phones irregularly; broadcasts music in evening at times
6070 49.42 HJN	Bogota, Colombia	8:00-10:45 P.M.	5400 55.56 HJA7	Cucuta, Colombia	Monday 4-8 P.M.
6065 49.45 HJ4ABL	Manizales, Colombia	11:00 A.M.-12 noon Sat. to 5:30. 7:30 P.M.-10:30 P.M.	5395 55.61 CFA7	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones: No Am.; irregular
6060 49.50 W8XAL	Cincinnati, Ohio	Sun. 7 A.M.-8 P.M. 11 P.M.-1:30 A.M. Week days 6:30 A.M.-8 P.M. 11 P.M.-2:00 A.M.	5265 57.00 KEC	Bolinas, Calif.	(P) Phones Honolulu irregularly
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6060 49.50 VQ7LO	Nairobi, Kenya Colony, Africa	5:45-6:15 A.M. 11 A.M.-2 P.M.	5080 59.08 WCN	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones GDW evenings seasonally
6060 49.50 OXY	Skamleback, Denmark	1-6:30 P.M. Sunday 11 A.M.-6:30 P.M.	5025 59.76 ZFA	Hamilton, Bermuda	(P) Phones WOB evenings
6050 49.59 CSA	Daventry, England	4-5:45 P.M. 6-8:20 P.M.	4975 60.30 GBC	Rugby, England	(P) Phones ships afternoon and nights
6043 49.65 HJ1ABC	Barranquilla, Colombia	12 noon-1 P.M. 6-10 P.M.	4905 61.16 CGA8	Drummondville, Que.	(P) Phones GDB-GCB afternoons
6040 49.67 PRA8	Pernambuco, Brazil	9:30-11:30 A.M. 2:30-8:30 P.M.	4820 62.20 GDW	Rugby, England	(P) Phones WCN-WOA evenings
6040 49.67 W4XB	Miami, Florida	Weekdays 12-2 P.M. 5:30 P.M.-12 A.M. Sunday 11:30 A.M.-3 P.M. 5 P.M.-12 A.M.	4752 63.13 WOY	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Tests very irregular
6040 49.67 W1XAL	Boston, Mass.	Tuesday & Thurs. 6-9:00 P.M. Sundays 5-7:00 P.M.	4752 63.13 WOO	Ocean Gate, N. J.	(P) Phones ships irreg.
6030 49.75 HP5B	Panama City, Panama	12 noon-1 P.M. 8-10:30 P.M.	4752 63.13 WOG	Lawrenceville, N. J.	(P) Phones Rugby irregular
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6020 49.83 CQN	Macao, China	Monday & Friday 3-5:00 A.M.	4555 65.95 WDN	Rocky Point, N. Y.	(P) Tests Rome and Berlin evenings
6020 49.83 XEUW	Vera Cruz, Mexico	10 P.M.-1 A.M. Daily	4510 66.52 ZFS	Nassau, Bahamas	(P) Phones WND daily: Tests GYD-ZSV irregular
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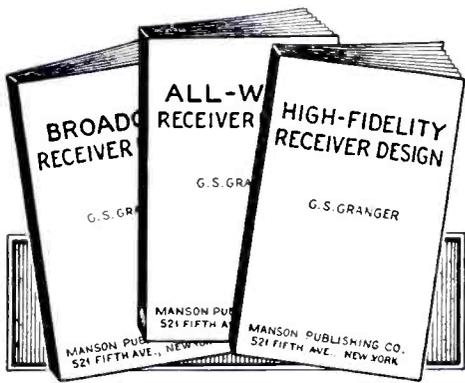
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## "THE TOWER"

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by the roar of two 700-horsepower motors, circles the field until it is heading into the wind. Suddenly, two lances of light break from the nose of the plane and reach for the landing lane, which is outlined in red lights. The plane appears to be descending a slide composed of light beams. It settles to the ground, the lights go out, and another trip of 700 or 1000 miles has been made. Happy landing!

William R. Hynes

## BROADCAST— SHORT-WAVE

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more noise in the short-wave bands than in the broadcast band because the electrical waves created by dial telephones, vacuum cleaners, auto ignition systems, etc., have frequencies the same as short-wave stations. Fortunately, much of this sort of noise can be reduced to very low values by the use of the proper type of antenna system.

There is one more contributing factor to the apparent discrepancy in the functioning of an all-wave receiver in the broadcast band and in the short-wave bands. This is amplification.

### Amplification

More gain or amplification is obtained from a vacuum tube at long wavelengths than at short wavelengths. In a superheterodyne receiver, the main or intermediate-frequency amplifier functions at a fixed wavelength quite a good deal above the wavelengths comprising the broadcast band. However, pre-amplification of the signal, as well as frequency conversion, must take place before the signal may be fed into the main or intermediate-frequency amplifier. It is in the pre-amplifier and the frequency-conversion circuit where the gain is lost. These circuits *must* be tuned to the wavelength of the signal to be received and as a result as we tune further and further down the scale of wavelengths the amplification in these circuits becomes less and less.

This shortcoming has nothing to do with poor receiver design, though it is true that some manufacturers get more gain from their receivers at the shorter wavelengths than do other manufacturers. Strictly speaking, the shortcoming is due to a natural condition over which we have no control. To sum it up briefly, and in non-technical parlance, the shorter the wavelength (which is the same as saying the higher the frequency) the greater the "leaks" or losses in the

pre-amplifier and frequency-conversion circuits. Low-frequency signals will stay pretty well where they are, but high-frequency signals will skip right across the elements of a vacuum tube and find their way to ground through adjacent circuits. They also lead through coils and condensers, across insulation and into the chassis instead of following the normal circuits provided for amplification. The leakage is not so severe that none of the signal is amplified, but it is sufficient to reduce the amount of amplification that could be obtained were the signal of a lower frequency or higher wavelength. Such leakage is so pronounced at wavelengths in the vicinity of 5 and 7.5 meters, that special tubes and circuits must be used to obtain any amplification to speak of.

### Conclusion

For all of these difficulties, remarkable results can be obtained on the shorter wavelengths. This is due in part to the excellent design of modern receivers and tubes and to the freak conditions that are almost a rule in the short-wave bands.

## AMATEUR STATION W2HFS

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The other morning when I dropped in to see Hank, he was working on a Code of Ethics for The Ear Benders. The Code will no doubt be filed away—which was Hank's idea to begin with—and The Ear Benders will continue with their fun—which will be a good thing.

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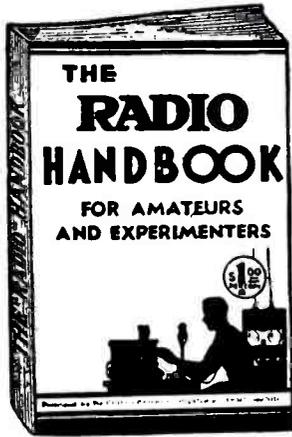
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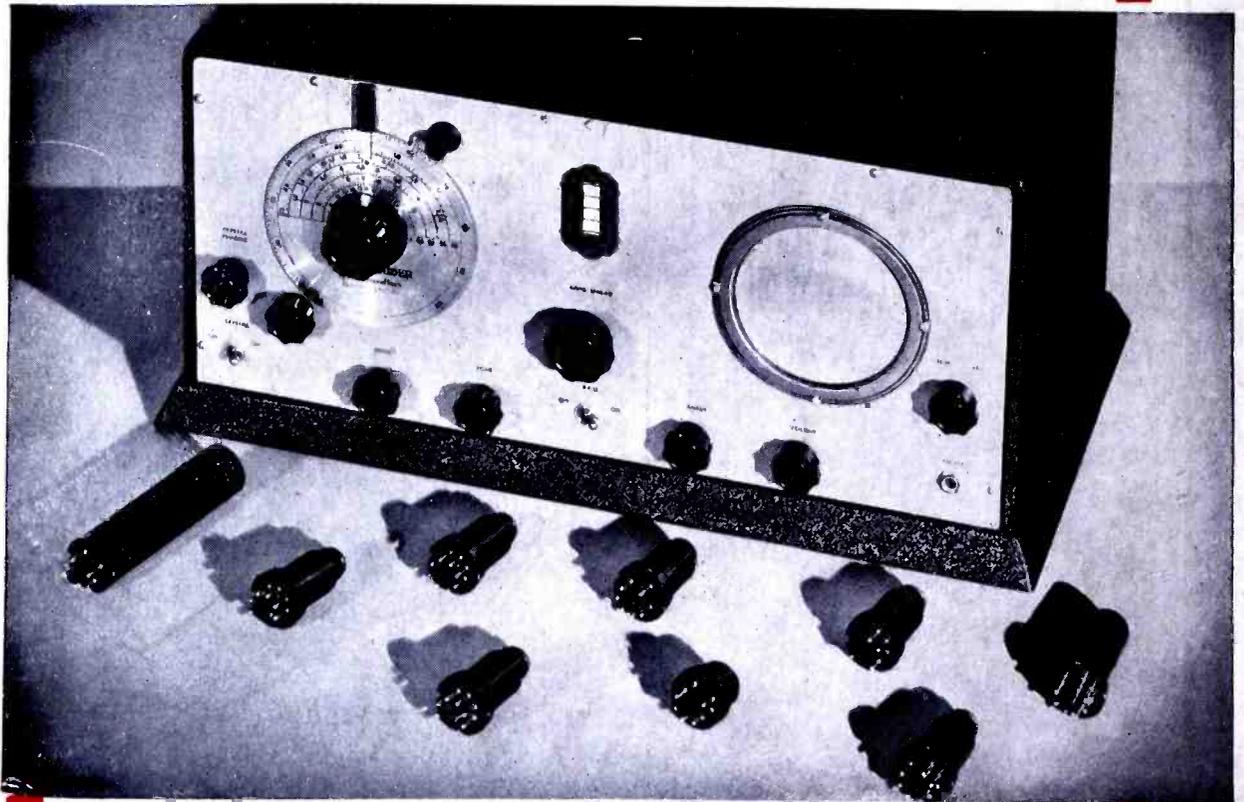
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