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THIS MONTH'S COVER

FM has proved to be the longmissing key which has opened the door to successful facsimile. Newspapers operating or planning FM broadcast stations, police departments, airlines, and railroads are already at work on facsimile applications. The old concept of broadcasting newspapers during early morning hours has given way to simultaneous reception of sound and facsimile pictures, news, and advertising during regular listening hours. This month's cover is a photograph of Milton Alden, one of the facsimile pioneers, taken in the laboratory where revision of wartime models for peacetime service is being pushed with all possible speed.

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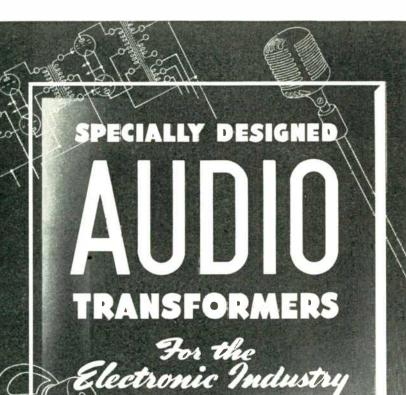
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STRATO-STATIONS

THE Westinghouse strato-station plan for FM and television, announced at a New York City press luncheon on August 8th, has many elements that stir the imagination. Undoubtedly, 1-kw. transmitters at 30,000 ft. could cover areas 400 miles in diameter, and 14 such installations could scrve 78% of U.S. listeners.

But have Westinghouse and Glenn Martin engineers proved, even to their own satisfaction, that this is the *right* way? Or have they taken too much for granted as did the originator of this plan when he gave the press to understand that color television is an accomplished fact?

Glenn Martin's enthusiasm for anything that uses airplanes is understandable, but wouldn't it be better to demonstrate that television in the upper band can be opcrated on the ground before announcing a nation-wide strato-station network?

This plan combines a communications system, in the form of relays, with the operation of broadcast stations. Will the FCC permit it? AT & T gave up its broadcasting operations. Will the present networks make use of the strato-stations? It would mean abandoning their affiliates and the operation of their own stations, and re-establishing their audiences.

The strato-net plan, according to its sponsors, would have to carry four television and five FM coast-to-coast network programs in order to pay expenses. Certainly there is not an existing volume of radio advertising, or the listener demand, to justify such a block of added facilities. Again, strato-stations would be no substitute for existing ground stations which serve listeners by combining network originations with programs of stricly local character.

Finally, as was shown in the map of existing Bell System lines now carrying 15,000 cycles or more (published as a supplement to the February, 1945 issue of FM AND TELEVISION) wire facilities for FM nets will be available as soon as stations can be erected to use them. Perhaps television may require such a system to reduce the number of relays needed for transcontinental nets. Only time can tell about that.

As for FM, the sponsors of the stratoplan have proposed possibilities that are intriguing to conjure with, but none, so far, that is competitive with ground facilities now in use or to be available presently, either from the point of view of public service or operating cost. -M.B.Sleeper.



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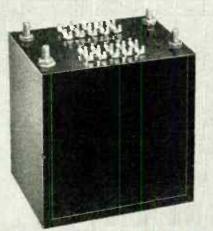
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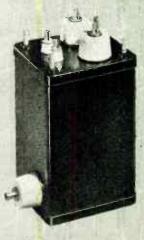
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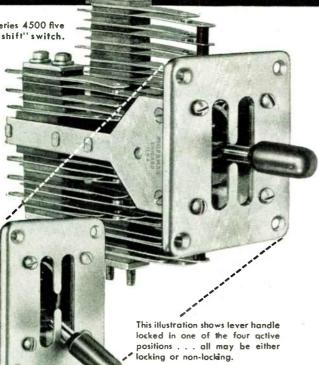


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Meck Sales: Henry Hutchins, formerly head of the sales department of the National Union Radio Corporation, has been elected president of John Meck Industries Sales Corporation. He will

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RCA: David J. Finn, formerly RCA Victor regional sales manager at Chicago, has been named manager of the renewal sales department of the tube division. In this new capacity, he will be in charge of the sale of tubes, components, and replacement parts handled through jobbers and dealers. Harold C. Vance, formerly manager of broadcast and police transmitter sales in the middle west, has been named manager of the direct sales department of the tube division. He will supervise tube sales to broadcast and police stations, air lines, schools, and industrial users.

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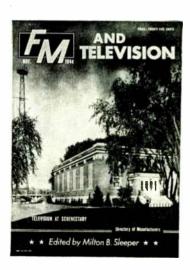
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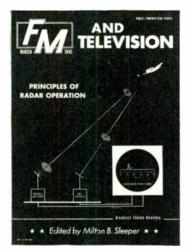
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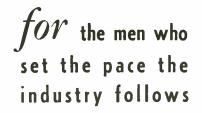
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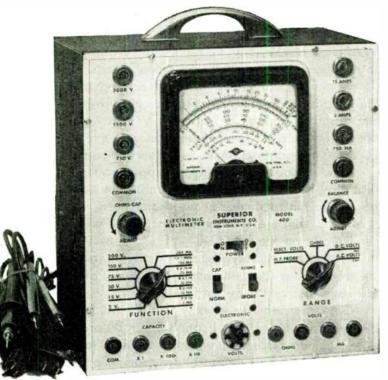
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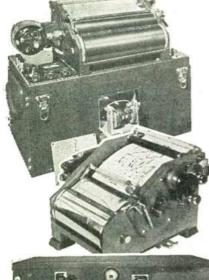
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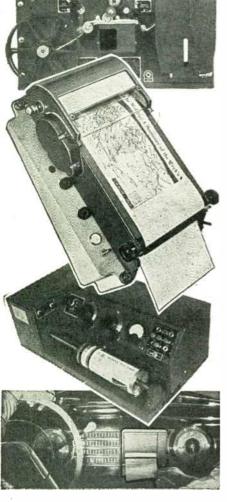
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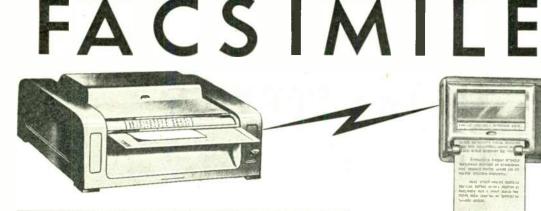
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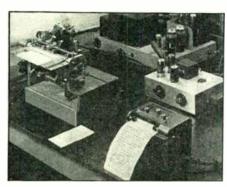
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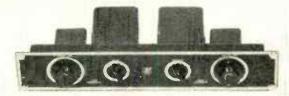














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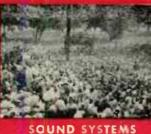
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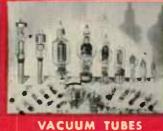


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WHAT'S BEHIND THE AM VS. FM BATTLE?

An Examination of the Single Market FM Plan Which, as Proposed, Would Make FM Stations Play the Pauper Rôle to Princely Multi-Market, Clear Channel AM Stations

TO THOSE who have had an active and continuous part in the progress of Frequency Modulation since the inception of FM broadcasting and communications. the misstatements and the misrepresentations of fact contained in the records of the RTPB meetings and FCC hearings are, to say the least, appalling. What is still more serious, such testimony was, in most cases, presented in such a plausible manner that it was much easier for the Commissioners to believe it than simple statements of truth from those whose only purpose was to make the superior service of FM broadcasting available to the greatest number of radio listeners in the shortest possible time.

"But." comes the impatient rejoinder. "if the Commissioners want to know the truth, they are smart enough to see through smoke-screen testimony that is intended to hide selfish interests."

It might seem so. until it is remembered that the Commissioners are not former engineers or executives experienced in broadcasting or equipment manufacture. They are political appointees and, with the exception of Commissioner Jett, men with only legalpolitical experience, who may not have heard of megacycles or means for modulation before they took office in the FCC!

And if it seems shocking that radio engineers and executives should be so unethical as to plan and present testimony intended to mislead the Com-

BY MILTON B. SLEEPER

missioners just because the best interests of their companies would be served by wrecking the expansion of FM broadcasting, it must be remembered that history is just repeating itself.

The Battle of the Currents \star Go back just 60 years, and you'll find a parallel situation. In 1885, rival electrical companies were engaged in what was called the Battle of the Currents. Leader in the fight waged by vested interests against the progress of electrical transmission was Thomas A. Edison.

He was then the largest producer of direct current dynamos and lighting systems. His use of DC limited his lines to a distance of about 3 miles because of the heavy copper conductors required to deliver any substantial amount of current at low voltage. Nevertheless. Edison's opposition to the use of alternating current (and long-distance power transmission) was said to have been an obsession, for he was determined to hold the position of his company against the competition of AC at any cost, and by any means.

Indeed. Edison and George Westinghouse, who was the leading contender for alternating current, used the daily papers as the AC vs DC battleground for what was a veritable mud-slinging contest. No holds were barred, and distortion of facts and downright falsehoods were the order

of the day in this colorful scrap.



An example comparable to some of the statements published currently by anti-FM interests was a searlet-bound booklet entitled A Warning from the Edison Electric Light Company, a fantastic effort to build up a case against AC high-voltage distribution, declaring: "It is clear that high pressure, particularly if accompanied by rapid alternations, is not destined to assume any permanent position. It would be legislated out of existence in a very brief period even if it did not die a natural death."

Edison's propaganda threw the whole electric power business into complete confusion. Indeed, when Elihu Thomson introduced the "grounded secondary" method of AC distribution, required today in every AC installation, the Insurance Underwriters actually prohibited its use, and it was only 24 years ago that Thomson was officially recognized as The Father of Protective Grounding.

In 1886, while the AC vs DC fight was still on, the first commercial AC line, and the longest ever attempted up to that time, was installed by William Stanley, a Massachusetts inventor, to supply electric lights for the town of Great Barrington, Mass., at a distance of one mile. (The offices of FM AND TELEVISION are located in Great Barrington on a street once lighted by Stanley's installation.)

Not long after this system was completed, Michael Pupin, a young professor of physics from Columbia University, delivered a brilliant defense of alternating current at a Boston meeting of the Institute of Electrical Engineers. Professor Pupin's paper caused a wide split among the members, and he was openly damned for having uttered "electrical heresy."

Today, history is repeated as radio broadcasters form ranks for the battle of AM vs FM, in which the central figure is Professor Pupin's outstanding pupil, Edwin Howard Armstrong.

The Battle of AM vs FM * If Edison were to conduct his historic fight today, he would benefit from the technique which Plausible Paul Kesten, CBS vice president, has used against FM. He would not have raved and ranted against the use of AC. Instead, he would have come out strongly in favor of high-voltage AC as the democratic way of making electricity available to every citizen. Moreover, he would have demanded that, in the interests of national economy, all AC power distribution be required to operate on a minimum of 50,000 volts. Finally, he would have induced Congress to pass a law against the use of insulators more than 5 ins. long, clinching his argument by demonstrating that longer insulators of any available material were too weak to support the lines.

Then he might have stood on the steps of New York's Sub-Treasury Building and thumbed his nose at George Westinghouse.

Whatever tactics Edison employed, he could not have won any permanent victory for, as time has proved, both technically and economically, DC power distribution cannot provide the public service that is made possible by AC.

Similarly, public interest, convenience, and necessity will be served, in the end, by the replacement of AM with FM broadcast transmission. In the meantime, AM broadcast interests are fighting a battle against FM in such a succinct and subtle manner that frontman Kesten has succeeded in creating the impression that he and CBS are among FM's most enthusiastic proponents. Not that Mr. Kesten or any of the others fail to realize that FM will win eventually, any more than Edison thought that he would win out against AC. Why fight, then? The answer is clear. Edison's company was growing in wealth and power through the sale of DC equipment. The longer he could stave off the shift to AC, the stronger his company would become. Meanwhile, the AC group might become weakened by discouragement, and there was always the possibility of some unexpected, favorable development.

FM Group Lacks Showmanship \star The same reasoning lies behind the fight against FM. However, the opposition is smart enough to know that an open, direct attack would hasten the ultimate victory of FM, and the complete replacement of AM by FM broadcasting. Why? Because the most exhaustive research into the possible weakness of FM has only revealed new possibilities for improving radio service to the listening public by shifting rural as well as regional and local broadcasting to FM.

That is why those most anxious to delay FM have consistently prefaced their remarks with enthusiastic praise of its possibilities, and then proposed some plan or other, obviously unsound from the technical point of view, that would degrade or limit FM broadcast service. Such instances appear repeatedly in the record of the Allocations Hearings.

But the only actual weakness found in FM was not in its theory, practice, or performance. It was in the utter indifference of FM's most loyal supporters to that vital factor on which the business of broadcasting has been built in this country, namely, showmanship.

Both individual FM station operators and the FMBI officers gave generously to the time and cost of presenting arguments before the FCC, but there is more conviction in a 30-minute demonstration of highfidelity FM than in reams of testimony. There is reason to doubt that, within the last three years, any of the Commissioners or members of the FCC staff has heard a live-talent program, planned to show the full capabilities of FM, from a high-quality receiver. This may well be true of broadcast executives and engineers whose purpose in testifying at FCC hearings was antagonistic toward FM.

Nor do these men have the knowledge of FM's ability to eliminate interference conditions in many different locations. An indication of this is the conflicting statements to the effect that FM is valuable to listeners in rural areas, but it is little if any better than AM in cities served by nearby, powerful AM stations, and then other statements that FM is most useful in cities where there are many sources of manmade interference which are not found in rural areas. Neither opinion reflects knowledge of true conditions, for the facts are that FM reception from a well-designed receiver is decidedly superior to AM in *both* urban and rural areas, but not for the reasons quoted above.

While FM has had almost continuous publicity from the press, particularly in the last year, actual FM broadcasting has certainly not done credit to its capabilities. With negligible exceptions, the moment the FCC relaxed its requirement of an hour of high-fidelity programs during the day and at night, the FM stations fell back on transmitting AM network programs and recordings — many of them very bad indeed.

The excuse was lack of equipment or manpower. Yet some of the FM station operators have, at the same time, expanded their television activities. As a result, when inquiries are addressed to FM AND TELEVISION Magazine from broadcast engineers and executives and prospective FM station operators asking, "Where can I hear high-fidelity FM transmission?" it is only possible to say: "As far as we know, there is no such transmission on the air."

Information Please! * For more than a year, television stations have made their studio and transmitting facilities available to advertisers and agencies so that they could experiment with visual programs, and develop television techniques against the time when the number of television receivers will support the use of this medium for commercial purposes. In this manner they have developed an understanding of television and enthusiastic support for its potential usefulness to sponsors.

During that time, practically nothing has been done by FM broadcasters to encourage producers and directors to study the possibilities of FM broadcasting. The truth of the matter is that unlimited opportunities for dramatic effects and for enhancing the impact of advertisers' messages are opened up by the realism of FM. But this opportunity is being lost to both producers and sponsors by lack of salesmanship and showmanship on the part of FM station management. Consequently, no widespread support, based on knowledge of its commercial possibilities, has been developed.

Last year, the Radio Executives Club in New York City sponsored a television seminar which drew an initial attendance far beyond expectations. It fell rather flat because there was much talk, but nothing demonstrated. An FM seminar would draw a still greater attendance, and could be made the most interesting and valuable contribution to the radio broadcast art if it included demonstrations of the program

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VIBRATING-REED FREQUENCY METERS

Information for Design Engineers on the Operation, Calibration, and Use of Reed-Type Instruments

BY DONALD E. ANDERSEN*

WHILE some engineers have thought that vibrating reed frequency meters went out of date years ago, their accuracy and ruggedness have made them useful for military equipment in all of the familiar applications and many others which are entirely new. The accuracy of vibrating reed frequency meters can be held to about .25%. This requires accurate calibrating equipment and reliable frequency standards. In addition, these instruments are now capable of withstanding rough use and jungle conditions.

Prior to 1941, the most familiar vibrating reed frequency meter design was that invented by Frahm, in Germany, In May, 1941 a new design ¹ was developed by F. J. Lingel of the Triplett Electrical Instrument Company of Bluffton, Ohio. The basic parts are an exciting coil, a reed, and a permanent magnet. These are shown in Fig. 1. The coil A surrounding the reed B is connected to the source of frequency to be measured. The reed is held firmly in the mount C attached to the framework of the instrument. D is a permanent magnet.

Briefly stated, a field from the exciting coil will, by induction, make a magnet out of the reed which then reacts with the field from the permanent magnet. If the resonant frequency of the reed is the same as that of the frequency of the current in the coil, vibration will occur. If the incoming frequency is not correct, there will be little or no vibration. Tuning or calibration of the reed is accomplished by:

- (1) Varying the length of the reed.
- (2) Varying the thickness of the reed.
- (3) By adding or subtracting weight at E, the free end of the reed.

The design shown at Fig. 1 is used in the majority of J-B-T frequency meters at the present time. Another design was developed in 1942 which is used in special applications, particularly where extremely low power consumption and a greater consecutive number of reeds are required than can be accommodated within the present exciting coil winding.

The basic parts are shown in Fig. 2. Part of laminations F extend through the coil A. Magnet D rests against the laminations with the free end of the reed B

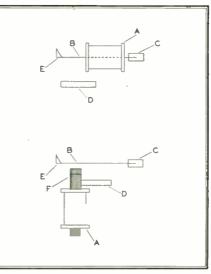


FIG. 1, ABOVE, ELEMENTS OF STANDARD METER. FIG. 2, BELOW, SPECIAL DESIGN FOR MORE REEDS, LESS POWER

located above. The laminations, due to the permanent magnet, exert a steady pull on the reed which is varied by the action of the current through the coil. As with the first design, a frequency in tune with the reed produces vibration.

The heart of the meter is the reed. The most commonly used material is a highgrade spring steel. This must be cut to length, the flag bent up, and the piece soldered firmly into the mount. One of the most important factors insuring stability of calibration is the firmness and permanence of this junction. Other factors include operation well below the elastic limit of the material, and the permanence

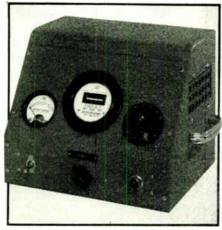


FIG. 3. VACUUM TUBE FREQUENCY METER

of the weighting material used for calibration. The 60-cycle reed has a safety factor of 7, assuring reliable operation for years of continuous service.

In addition, protection against rusting of the reed material is important for obvious reasons. This requires the use of special lacquers and paint for the flags. Some materials which afford protection against exposure for months along the Connecticut shore will not last over a week in jungle conditions. Formulas have been found which prevent rusting and do not discolor although exposed for several weeks in an atmosphere of about 95% humidity with temperature cycled between normal room temperature and 120° Fahrenheit. All coils and resistors are baked to remove moisture and are then coated with fungus resistant lacquer. All soldered connections are also covered.

Jungle tests are made with the use of a standard dessicator such as found in all chemical laboratories. The bottom section is filled with water to within an inch of the supporting plate. With parts to be tested inside and the cover in place, the unit is put in a temperature-controlled oven. The dessicator is made practically air-tight to reach maximum humidity. For fungus tests, the culture, Aspergillus Niger, is placed on several points of the components being tested. Several untreated parts of material known to support the fungus growth are included in one part of the dessicator to make sure that proper conditions are maintained.

Since springs, pivots, jewels, and other delicate parts are not used, vibrating reed instruments are quite rugged. Sustained shock tests on a tester built according to Signal Corps Specification No. 71-515-B indicate a ruggedness capable of withstanding this treatment much longer than the one hour required. Briefly this tester permits the meter to be mounted in various positions 15 ins. from the hinged end of a plywood board with a rotating square cam supporting the board directly under the meter.

In aircraft service, temperatures vary from $+ 140^{\circ}$ F. on the ground to $- 65^{\circ}$ in flight. Tests of the spring steel reed material we use show that it has a temperature coefficient of approximately 75 parts per million per degree Fahrenheit. This agrees closely with the prior art in vibrating reed frequency meters on the market.

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Chapel Street, New Haven 8, Conn. ¹ "Design of a Vibrating Reed Frequency Meter" by Fred J. Lingel, *The Instrument Maker*, Vol. 12, No. 3, p. 18-22, March-April, 1944.

For the temperature span mentioned above, a 60-cycle reed would vary approximately plus or minus 0.45 cycle.

A new material for vibrating reeds has been found which has the extremely low temperature coefficient of 8 parts per million per degree Fahrenheit. A change in temperature of 200 degrees would produce a change in calibration scarcely detectable. It is a special grade of nickel steel with other characteristics combining to make it an ideal reed material. While the elastic limit is slightly less than the spring steel normally used, reeds under test in the laboratory for the past 17 months have withstood about 2,750,000,000 vibrations without sign of fatigue or change in calibration. The material is almost corrosion proof. No sign of rust has been found after weeks of exposure in an atmosphere of 95% humidity. This new material, now being introduced commercially, is known as the J-B-T Neutro-Temp Reed.

We have produced many special types of vibrating reed frequency meters, to meet the needs of the Armed Forces, and the wide range of voltages and frequencies now available is being constantly extended. A few examples will indicate the types available.

At the present writing, the lowest frequency being calibrated is 15 cycles. Experimentally, lower values have been produced, but due to the pressure of standard production, none is being manufactured now.

For frequencies between 15 and 30 cycles, the most sensitive meter in production operates at 4 volts, with a power consumption of approximately 0.007

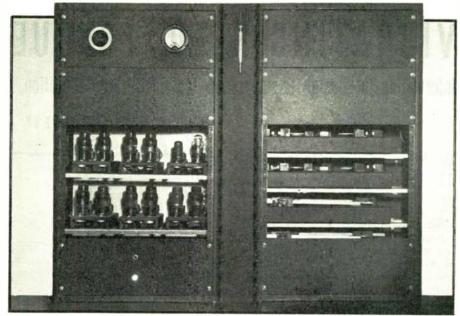
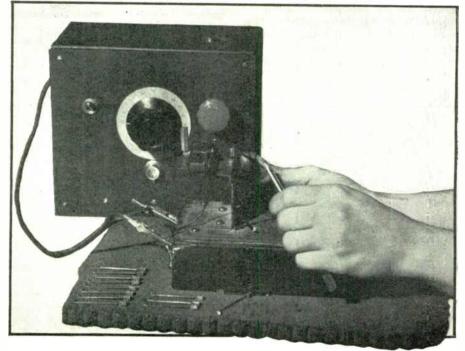


FIG. 4. TUNING FORK FREQUENCY STANDARDS, CHECKED AGAINST STANDARD FRE-QUENCY RADIO SIGNALS, ARE KEPT IN A TEMPERATURE-CONTROLLED CABINET

watts. Its impedance is about 2,500 ohms. This particular model accommodates 13 reeds. As the frequency increases, more power is required. A standard 400-cycle, 9- or 11-reed meter can be operated on 75 volts at a power consumption of approximately 0.5 watt, having an impedance of about 7,500 ohms. Also, 400cycle meters are built with lower impedance for 24-volt operation with the same power consumption. The above examples illustrate the ease with which these meters may be adapted to electronic circuits.

The same meters are easily adapted to higher voltages. At 120 volts, power con-

FIG. 5. OPERATOR IS TUNING A REED DIRECTLY AGAINST A STANDARD TUNING FORK FREQUENCY. NOTE THE ROW OF REEDS IN THE FOREGROUND



sumption is 0.5 watts at 60 cycles, and 1.3 watts at 400 cycles.

The upper practical limit for vibrating reed frequency meters is about 550 cycles where substantial visibility is required. Due to the necessity of shortening the reed or increasing its thickness to attain the higher frequencies, the elastic limit is soon reached unless the flag size is radically reduced.

The well-known ability of the multivibrator to divide incoming frequencies was investigated with regards to extending the range of this frequency meter. While the usual circuits tried were not satisfactory, development was continued until a final design made possible the use of a 400-cycle meter to measure frequencies of 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 9 times the basic range of 380 to 420 cycles.

This instrument, known as the J-B-T Vacuum Tube Frequency Meter, is shown in Fig. 3. Accuracy of .25% is easily attained. Calibration at the factory is permanent, and the instrument is always ready for use without further standardization. Power consumption of the multivibrator is approximately 25 watts at 115 volts, 60 cycles. The input impedance is 500,000 ohms. Six tubes are used, with the entire instrument housed in a slopingfront metal eabinet 8 by 10 by 8 ins.

While this model derives its power for heaters and plate supply from the 60-cycle power line, another model is available which operates directly from the source of frequency being measured. The total power consumption for a standard model covering 2 or 3 ranges is 20 watts. Three tubes are used and overall dimensions of the electronic unit are 45% by 51% by 6 ins. high. This unit can be mounted wherever desired, with the indicating in-

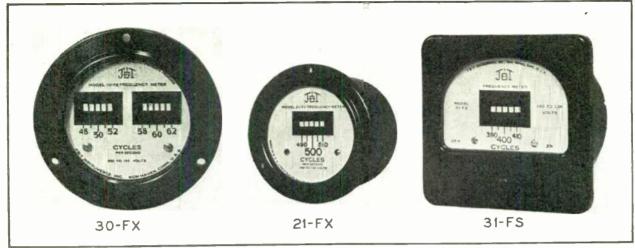


FIG. 7. THREE STANDARD METER TYPES. CENTER METER HAS 2-11/16-IN. FLANGE, 1-3/8-IN. DEPTH BEHIND PANEL

strument on the panel. The latter meets JAN-I-6 specifications for mounting.

Specifying frequency meter ranges requires care regarding several details. The range of a given frequency band and corresponding increments between reeds depends upon several factors. If continuous coverage is desired without so-called dead spots, the response curves of the individual reeds must overlap. If it is desired to set frequencies to definite values, individual reeds can have almost any calibration desired within the limits of present design. Two typical examples illustrate the basis for determining the band desired. With the J-B-T 34-FX 60-cycle frequency meter, it is possible to accommodate 11 reeds. With increments of 1 cycle, a range of 55 to 65 cycles can be covered. With one reed vibrating at full amplitude, practically no vibration occurs on adjacent reeds. Nevertheless, a frequency midway between two reeds will produce about 1/4 of full amplitude vibration of each reed. With one-half cycle increments, the range is cut in half, but broader response is attained. It makes possible, however, closer reading of frequencies between reeds. If the meter is to be used to set frequencies at some definite point, the full-cycle increment is recommended

It should be understood that for frequencies other than 60 cycles, increments must be kept proportional. Thus at 120 cycles, 2 cycles per reed gives performance comparable to single-cycle increments at 60.

All calibration of J-B-T frequency meters is done against tuning fork standards which in turn are checked by use of the Bureau of Standard's time signals.² Accuracy can be maintained within 0.05 per cent. Each fork is electrically coupled to a two-tube oscillator circuit, the out-

² "Tuning Fork Standards for Meter Calibration" by Donald E. Andersen, *Bleetrical World*, Vol. 121, No. 2, p. 92, January 8, 1944. put of which is wired throughout the plant. With provisions for 15 standard frequencies available to each operator, calibration of any frequency meter as low as 5 cycles or up to 1,000 cycles can be accomplished easily. The system thus provides a source of standard frequencies available to all operators alike. It is used for calibration, final testing, inspection, and by the laboratory for various research projects. The frequency standard racks are shown in Fig. 4.

At each test position is a small booster amplifier which converts the voltage from the relatively high impedance cable circuits into sufficient power to operate a fre- $\frac{1}{2}$ "Frequency Channels for Meter Calibration" by

Donald E. Andersen, *Electrical World*, Vol. 120, No. 22, p. 72, Nov. 27, 1943.

quency meter.⁴ The meter contains reeds tuned to the various standard frequencies being used. With the selection of the frequency to be used, the corresponding reed vibrates at the same rate as the fork. A stroboscopic light, controlled by the oscillator to be standardized, is directed at the fork-controlled reed and the oscillator controls are adjusted until the vibration of the reed is "stopped". With the oscillator dial standardized at one or more points in the range to be used, the operator can then tune to any frequency desired.

All oscillators, as well as other calibrating equipment, have been designed and built by our own engineers and techni-

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FIG. 6. TYPICAL INSPECTION SETUP FOR CHECKING ADJUSTMENTS OF THE REEDS





A NEW FACSIMILE DISPATCH AND REPORT SYSTEM

Prototype Equipment of New Facsimile System about to be Released for "Use Tests"

A PERSON'S given name may be an asset or a liability. I once knew a girl named "Mamie," and although it is a good name, it always seemed to me that it was a handicap to her. How could she help but become plain and a little pudgy?

Here at Alden Products Company, we are about to christen a new facsimile

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FIG. 3. CLOSEUP OF RECORDER SHOWN IN FIG. 1

AND SUBSEQUENT ILLUSTRATIONS

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system. We are afraid to dub it the wrong name and handicap its usefulness. For the purpose of this article, we are calling it a Facsimile Dispatch and Report System.

May I tell you its purpose, what it will do, and its special features? Then, perhaps, you can suggest further applications and a more appropriate name. But first, let me tell you some of the reasons for its design: Its original consideration was pre-war,

when tanks were still something of a curiosity. The laboratories thought it would be a swell idea to equip tanks with tape recorders, and in the absence of compact small page recorders, tape had its possibilities. But, in considering the tank recorder, visualize yourself in a tank driving over rough terrain, being kuocked about, temperature over a hundred, visibility poor inside and out - and now you are supposed to pick up and read a ticker tape. And when you succeed in reading it, what are you to do with it? Imagine trying to thread a new tape under these conditions, and

having the large roll of tape and bulky mechanism taking up the valuable restricted space in which you are operating!

Dispatch System Versus Tape \star In contrast, visnalize a recorder flat against the wall, printing out a recording with clear, distinct letters on paper 4 inches wide that is indirectly lighted, without glare. You have one place to look when the message starts automatically and the message comes out at a rate you can easily read, even if you are able to give it only part of your attention. The recorder paper rolls up on a spring take-up roll so that you may pull the recording back to refresh your memory on any message received.

Operating the recorder is simplicity itself. To insert a new roll of paper, you lift the cover, take the paper from a small screw top can, insert it on a hinged shaft that is pushed up to a convenient angle by a spring, slip the paper roll in place, close the cover, and the recorder is back in operation. It takes less time to complete the operation, as a matter of fact, than we have taken to describe it. And furthermore, there is not the usual delicate



FIG. 2. SCANNING INSTRUMENT FOR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION FROM A RAILROAD SIGNAL TOWER

printer mechanism of the tape recorder requiring adjustment from time to time to worry about.

Now at the transmitting end of a tape system, there is a practical if not serious problem. Tape transmitting and recording systems have often been chosen before our dispatch system was known, because they were considered simple and would operate over the poorer wire circuits or over narrow radio bands. In any tape system there was always the problem of getting the message onto the transmitter tape in uniform weight and bold enough to produce a good record at the receiving end. Typewriter companies have been approached to make special typewriters, with letters larger than the usual type, to print directly on the tape. Varitypers were used, and some manufacturers made typewriterscanner combinations. However, the rate of typing and transmission never match. and such arrangements on busy circuits are very wasteful of either the circuit or the operator's time.

One service that wanted to use tape facsimile went so far as to use Teletype machines to print messages on the tape for scanning. For relaying, this is all right, but if you are to use a Teletype to produce your scanning type, you might as well use the complete Teletype system, the Hellschreiber, or the tape perforator code systems.

Then there is the problem of fading or interference. Teletype sends five to seven impulses in combination to make a letter. If static or fading varies any of these impulses, you may get the wrong letter, or, more particularly, static in the no signal space will print a letter. (In multiplexing and special transmitting circuits, this can be overcome by having no interval without a signal.) With page facsimile, you would lose only a portion of each letter in a line during an interval of fading long enough to wipe out a complete word in the tape recorder system, as shown in Fig. 11. Similarly, a static impulse of sufficient duration to render an entire word illegible in the tape recorder will simply cause a thin line of dots to appear across the copy in the page facsimile system, as shown in Fig. 12. In either case, misinterpretation will be impossible.

There is no way, for example, for atmospheric conditions to make facsimile record an A instead of an E, or a 2 for an 8. Yet this is quite possible when a typewriter is used as a recorder.

Another weakness of the typewriter system is that an inexperienced or unskilled operator

must look at the keys of the transmitting machine. Thus he may, unknowingly, transmit the wrong letter. If he does not check his own tape after the message has been sent, he may not know that he made an error. On the other hand, customary practice with facsimile is to type the message completely, and then to read it to check mistakes, before it is fed into the transmitting scanner.

The new Alden system by-passes a lot of problems. To get an insight into how it works, let's take a specific application. Suppose the facsimile units are used for railroad dispatching. Figs. 1 and 2 show the recorder mounted in a locomotive cab, with the transmitting scanner in a signal tower. Detailed views of the two units are shown in Figs. 3 and 4, respectively.

In the signal tower, the message is first typed out on any typewriter. Even a portable typewriter would do, and in emergencies handwriting might be used. Good clear typing is preferred, of course, because the typewritten message takes less space and can, therefore, be transmitted in less time.

The paper on which the message is typed might be a standard form, or it could be ordinary $2\frac{1}{4}$ -in. adding machine paper. This will accommodate five words to the line. Usual practice is to use all capital letters. At the end of the message, whether it is 5 or 50 lines long, the paper tape is torn off. Then the operator simply puts the starting edge of the paper on the table of the scanner, Fig. 4. and presses the lever at the right.

The scanner takes over from there. It pulls in the copy, scans it until it sees the end of the message, then stops, resets, and ejects the original copy.

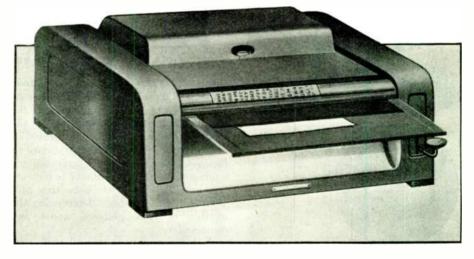
Simultaneously, pressing the starting lever on the scanner flashes a radio signal to the recorder. As you will see from Fig. 10, the size of the original typing, shown at the left is enlarged $1\frac{1}{2}$ times when it appears at the recorder, as shown at the right. This illustration is an actual-size reproduction of original copy and its reproduction at the receiving end. When the message has been transmitted, the recorder motor stops. Certainly nothing could be easier than this.

Summarizing this 4-in. dispatch system, as compared to the tape system:

We have done away with the need for a Varityper or special typewriter by taking the letter of standard typewriter size and recording it enlarged $1\frac{1}{2}$ times.

The width of the lines that make up the letters of typewriter type are about 20 thousandths of an inch wide. When they are enlarged $1\frac{1}{2}$ times, they measure about 30 thousandths. Thus, the automatic enlargement produces, in effect, bold face type which can be read at a distance of 4 to 6 ft. by a locomotive engineer of bifocal age (over 50) without his bifocals, by a policeman in his prowl car, or by a doughboy in his tank at distances from 4 to 6 ft.

FIG. 4. DETAILED VIEW OF THE SCANNER USED FOR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION



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FIG. 5. LEFT, FACSIMILE MESSAGES CAN BE LEFT FOR PATROLS ON REMOTE OPERATIONS AND, FIG. 6, FOR TAXICAB DRIVERS

Incidentally, automatic facsimile enlargement can be 4 or more times, so that our 18-in. recorder makes an excellent automatic remote bulletin board.

This is but one of the varied requirements that may be missed if we christen this new baby a "Facsimile Dispatch and Report System." It was initiated to fill a variety of requirements, upon which we will elaborate and your imagination undoubtedly suggest many more.

The system is not limited to a typewritten message. It transmits, with equal

FIG. 7. FACSIMILE IS IDEAL FOR AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS



facility, handwritten messages, sketches, drawings, maps, or whatever will best communicate your idea to the person at the other end.

Being able to sketch directions would be a distinct advantage, for example, to a tank commander who wishes to communimilitary problems will soon occupy little of our thinking except that our country be well prepared with the best equipment. Nearly all war dispatch problems, however, have their civilian counterpart. Thus owners of trucks, tugboats, police cars, and taxis can benefit by not having their

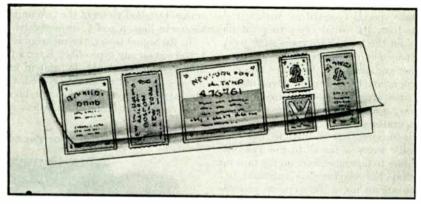


FIG. 8. SEVERAL TICKETS CAN BE SCANNED IN A TRANSPARENT FOLDER

cate with his platoon leader. The platoon leader would presumably use voice to contact his own tanks, his commander, or the infantry with whom he is working, but the replies of the commanding officer could be at the latter's option, either by voice or facsimile. Facsimile would have the advantages of secrecy and ability to indicate terrain, etc., while at the same time preventing the enemy from determining the number of tank platoons under any commander.

With the war over, we all hope that

message received readily by competitors or criminals. Facsimile is more secret than voice systems. Moreover directions accompanied by sketches and names increase the efficiency of any kind of dispatching.

Applications of Facsimile \star The accompanying illustrations indicate some of the great number of uses for this equipment. Plans are being worked out right now by municipal and state police officials for the testing of prototype facsimile in conjunction with their present FM communications

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FIG. 9. ABOVE, RAILROAD STATIONS CAN BE TIED INTO RADIO FACSIMILE SYSTEMS. FIG. 11. RIGHT, THE RECORDER IS SMALL ENOUGH TO FIT ON TRUCK OR PATROL CAR DASHBOARDS

systems. The method of using facsimile will vary in accordance with local requirements.

In some cases, recorders will be installed in police cars, so that messages from headquarters will be recorded, thus eliminating the chance of mistakes under conditions of noise which compete with aural reception.

Electric light and street car companies are using 2-way FM to route their emergency repair trucks. This has proved so successful that this service has been extended greatly, even during the war. It has one disadvantage, however. If the men have to work at some distance from the truck, they may fail to hear an emergency call. With a facsimile recorder mounted on the truck, it will be necessary only to glance at the tape at frequent in-

tervals. Then messages can not be missed and there is no need of repeated calls.

Similarly, facsimile will be valuable to fire departments. The one serious difficulty encountered in using 2-way FM for communications with fire trucks is the ambient noise both enroute and at the scene of a fire. Moreover, facsimile overcomes the objection to radio voice communication that has been voiced by fire chiefs, namely, that it does not provide a record for subsequent reference.

Prototype equipment has been so designed that it can be readily tested with existing sets.

This facsimile equipment can be readily installed by railroads and airlines. Recorders can be designed to provide duplicate copies of all messages received, with the duplicate rolling off into a locked com-

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partment. It will not have the clarity of the original, but the messages will be sufficiently legible to prove that the original was received.

Because the recorder is so small in size, it can be mounted in a locomotive where the engineer can see it, or on an airplane instrument board between the pilot and co-pilot. On very large planes, messages can be received simultaneously on two or more recorders at different locations and, with scanners added, the facsimile equipment can be used for recorded intercommunication.

At remote points on Central or South American plantations or mining properties, or at forestry and pipe line stations visited only at irregular intervals, FM receivers could be left in continuous operation so that messages could be received at

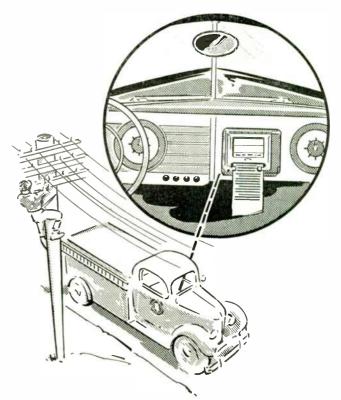
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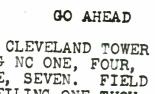
CLEVELAND TOWER

ANSWERING NC ONE, FOUR, ONE, FIVE, SEVEN. FIELD ZERO. CEILING ONE THOU_ SAND FEET. VISIBILITY FOUR MILES. ALTIMETER

FIG. 10. AN ORIGINAL TYPEWRITTEN MESSAGE, ACTUAL SIZE, IS SHOWN ABOVE. AT THE RIGHT, THE FACSIMILE RECEPTION, 50% ENLARGED, IS REPRODUCED TO SHOW HOW EASILY MESSAGES CAN BE READ

ANSWERING NC ONE, FOUR, ONE, FIVE, SEVEN. FIELD ELEVATION SEVEN EIGHT ZERO. CEILING ONE THOU-SAND FEET. VISIBILITY FOUR MILES. ALTIMETER





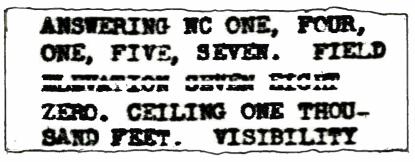


FIG. 11. FADING WHICH WOULD DROP OUT AN ENTIRE WORD ON TAPE RECORDING RE-MOVED ONLY A THIN SLICE FROM EACH LETTER OF THE MESSAGE ABOVE

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FIG. 12. STATIC THAT WOULD OBLITERATE AN ENTIRE WORD ON TAPE RECORDING MERELY CAUSED A THIN BLACK LINE TO APPEAR ACROSS THE MESSAGE ABOVE

any time, to be read upon arrival of the next patrol.

Similarly, messages can be sent to dispatch points for taxis, trucks and buses. A taxidriver, for example, returning to his stand, might find instructions for two calls. He would tear off the first address and go for his fare, leaving the second for the next car.

This recorder, arranged to reproduce in 1 to 1 ratio of size, is admirably adapted to becoming the basic part of a chair-side facsimile broadcast receiver in the home. The design is such that conventional types of cabinets, if modified slightly, can accommodate recorders, or the recorder can be mounted separately and connected to the radio set by a light cable.

In addition, there are many uses for these instruments for business services. Here is just one example: In railroad and airport ticket offices, stubs of tickets can be placed in a scanner and, almost instantly, at a clearing center, the stub and the information it contains will be reproduced. The ticket agent is then free to serve the next customer. He loses no time making a record of the ticket sold, or in reporting the sale. The clearing center would then have a voucher record with complete information necessary for keeping reservations up to date and for clearing the accounting for each road over which transportation is sold.

From this review of the applications for simplified scanning and recording units, you will see that we need a comprehensive name that will indicate the scope of possible uses, rather than the conventional name "facsimile". Suggestions on this point will be very welcome.

Part 2, to appear in our September issue, will disclose the mechanical features of the Alden units, with both drawings and detailed photographs.

In addition to the use of facsimile for various communications services, great impetus has been given to plans for providing transmission for home reception by the favorable attitude of the FCC. It should be noted that a 2-mc. band, 106 to 108 mc., has been assigned to home facsimile. This is adjacent to FM broadcasting, and is within the range of new FM receivers. If, as is expected, experimental tests on duplex FM and facsimile prove successful in practice, any FM station will be permitted to transmit sound and facsimile simultaneously from the same transmitter and on the same frequency. Then, in all probability, the 2-mc. facsimile band will be given over to FM broadcasting.

VIBRATING-REED METERS

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cians. One important reason for this was the necessity of band spread in the frequency ranges being used. A frequency range such as 360 to 430 cycles covers an arc of 4 ins. on the scale, while 48 to 62 cycles is spread over 8 ins. A special oscillator built for low-frequency work covers the range of 15 to 62 cycles in 5 ranges, with the arc used between 15 and 19 cycles being 14 ins. long.

Where frequencies of reeds are to be the same as available standard frequencies, oscillators are not needed. The reed is placed in a calibrating jig operating from the booster amplifier and the reed tuned until full amplitude is attained. The photograph in Fig. 5 illustrates the simplicity of the method. With frequencies outside the range of the tuning forks, the special oscillators are used and no matter what the frequency, the stroboscopic light provides the means of standardizing. Fig. 6 shows a typical setup for checking meters in the inspection department. The special oscillator is located next to the rack which contains other equipment for operating the meter under test; and the booster amplifier operates the frequency meters for standardizing.

Many different models of frequency meters have been developed by J-B-T during the past few years. Some are shown in Fig. 7. The original models, and as yet the most widely used, are the round $3\frac{1}{2}$ -in. flush panel mounting type, known as the 30-F and 30-FX series. These are furnished in metal and bakelite cases respectively, the latter meeting JAN-I-6 specifications for mounting and stud size of electrical indicating instruments. A truly miniature frequency meter is found in the $2\frac{1}{2}$ -in. flush-panel mounting 21-FX, which meets the same specification for depth as well as other dimensions.

Other special meters include squarecase models, known as the 30-FS series. These were developed to accommodate those wishing to match other square-case panel instruments. A different type of indication from any obtained with the above models is found in the 32-F type. In this model, the reeds are arranged vertically one above the other and vibrate horizontally. With the highest frequency on top, the level of indication is proportional to the frequency, and easier reading results. A larger meter is found in the 50-FX series, built in a round bakelite case for front-of-panel mounting, with diameter of 434 ins. and extending outward 134 ins.

Some of the applications of vibratingreed frequency meters which will illustrate their wide use at this time, and perhaps serve to stimulate ideas for other applications are:

Aircraft inverter systems, both for planes and test units; motor generator sets used by the Armed Forces for communications and anti-aircraft systems; emergency standby power units for transmitters at aircraft landing fields, public utility stations, etc.; Weather Bureau equipment vibrator testing; geophysical applications, such as well-drilling; astronomical observatories; film speed in frames per second; broadcast deviation meters; oscillator standardization; and checking and tuning filters.



ON HILL 609, WHERE GERMANS MADE THEIR LAST MAJOR STAND BEFORE TUNIS, AN FM RELAY STATION WAS SET UP A FEW DAYS AFTER THE FIGHTING ENDED

FM RELAY EXPERIENCE IN NORTH AFRICA Lessons Learned in Africa Were Applied to Improving Equipment for European Invasion

HE introduction of the tank, truck, armored car and other relatively high speed cargo and combat vehicles during the current war has forced new developments in many branches of military science. One of the outstanding innovations in signal work has been the introduction of ultra-high frequency radio in rear echelon communications, that is, between the headquarters of divisions and higher units. Many of these, heretofore slow moving organizations, now travel at the unprecedented speeds of 25 miles a day. These groups need, because of their rapid changes on location, several telephone and teletype circuits to each unit on either flank and to the units next higher and next lower in command. In some situations, these circuits are 450 miles long. One method found particularly effective in this type of work has been the use of FM communications equipment, with FM relay stations where long distances could not be covered by direct transmission.

Ultra-high frequency FM relays have been found capable of providing systems of considerable length with signal-to-noise ratios equal to or better than wire lines furnishing similar facilities. AM equipment on 2 to 18 mc. cannot provide circuits of comparable quality and reliability.

In fast moving military situations, radio *138 Lexington Ave., Fair Haven, N. J.

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systems can be installed almost as quickly as a modern army can travel. In the postwar commercial field such installations may have application in opening new country, in new systems in undeveloped country, and for connecting large construction jobs in isolated areas to the nearest installed wire lines. Also, there will be a large field of application in emergencies when wire lines are down due to floods or hurricanes.

Radio has several advantages over wire lines which are particularly important in military applications. The conservative range of UHF radio stations with 40-ft. antennas is 25 miles over most terrain. The weight and volume of FM radio equipment is about 1/10 that of wire equipment which provides the same facilities when the wire is laid on the ground. Pole construction, which is far more satisfactory, is much slower to install and heavier. In hilly or mountainous terrain, the range of the FM stations can be increased, so that in this kind of country the advantage of radio goes up while the difficulty of wire installation generally increases. Radio can be used across water, gorges, and swamps where the employment of wire is difficult or impossible.

From a guarding and protection standpoint, radio stations, by their very nature, observe the fundamental military princi-

ple of concentration of forces, whereas the personnel guarding wire circuits must be strung over the whole of the wire system. On radio installations, the trouble shooting and maintenance personnel are always at the terminal and relay stations where the failures occur. The time of installation of a radio relay system is the time required to carry the equipment to the site plus the antenna installation time. A 500-mile radio circuit, for example, can be installed in 2 days in country where good roads exist. Facilities, however, must be available to feed personnel and supply gasoline for engine-driven generators. The main disadvantage of radio is the lack of security from interception by the enemy. Also wire circuits are not completely secure.

One of the first radio relay systems installed by the U. S. Army was in North Africa, during the fighting in Tunisia, near Hill 609. This system was improvised from commercial 250-watt police radio transmitters and receivers, modified in a number of ways so that, with tone equipment and other accessories, either one voice or one simplex teletype circuit was available. This system furnished a circuit between the forces fighting for Tunis and headquarters in Algiers. While it provided only one channel, less than the minimum necessary, it furnished communications at a time when every circuit counted. In basic principles of operation, this relay system followed the relaying part of the Pennsylvania Turnpike system.

The Turnpike setup, however, provided communications all along the length of the system. The system in Africa was only for end-to-end transmission. No traffic, except messages relating to the operation of the system, were handled between relay stations and the terminals, or other relay stations.

The particular way in which the relay transmitters and receivers at the relay stations were employed, however, was identical in principle to their employment in the Turnpike installation. Each relay station receiver in the system was equipped with a carrier-operated relay which was activated by the receiver squelch system when a carrier was received. Each of these relays performed two functions. It disabled the other receiver at the relay station by disconnecting the plate voltage and it started time delay circuits which, after about two seconds delay, turned on the transmitter plate voltage. The reason for the time delay is discussed below.

The audio outputs of the receivers were connected in parallel and to the input of the transmitter. It was found desirable to operate the terminal station receivers continuously, employing the carrier-operated relays in them to send "marking" signals to teletype machines.

Referring to Fig. 1. in transmitting from A to H, A sent to B, C to D, E to F, G to H, and receivers L, J and K were disabled. When the direction of transmission was reversed, I sent to J, G to K, E to L, and C to M and receivers B, D and F were disabled. Thus the transmitters sent in both directions but the respective relay receivers operated only in one direction. This arrangement, with all its relays and other features, was not as simple as a duplex set up, which uses a line of transmitters and receivers in each direction. However, lack of transmitters and other considerations dictated the simplex arrangement in N. Africa.

A number of difficulties were experienced with this circuit arrangement. Only four frequencies were supplied in the original shipment. When the circuit length required more than four stations, some of the frequencies had to be repeated. Occasionally, when the ionosphere conditions provided paths 200 to 300 miles. the 30This led to "singing." In the African installation, the time delay was incorporated in the transmitters. The same effect would have been obtained whether the delay was in the transmitters or receivers. For example, in transmitting from A to I, when A was shut down, B lost its signal. The carrier-operated relay in B was then released, turning off C's plate voltage and making L capable of receiving signals.

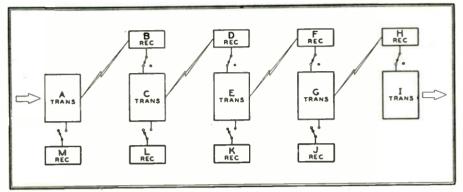


FIG. 1. THE OPERATING CIRCUIT FOR TRANSMISSION FROM TERMINAL "A" TO "H"

to 45-mc. signals would jump over two stations to the third and cause the system to jam.

To illustrate, assume that A and I were on the same frequency. I transmitted to B; this started C transmitting back toward D and E. Meanwhile, G would start because signals would be received by J. I, F and K would be disabled and the circuit would jam. It is probable that the higher frequencies (110 to 117 mc.) employed on the Pennsylvania Turnpike eliminate this difficulty. In addition, time delay circuits which were mentioned in the previous paragraph must be incorporated in each relay station transmitter or receiver so that, when communications were stopped to reverse the direction of transmission, the receivers which were disabled would not start up before the next transmitter in the circuit stopped.

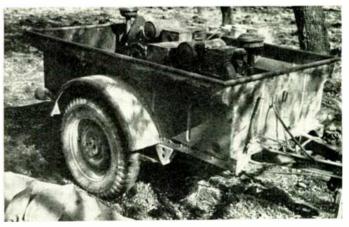
Receiver L picked up E. If there were no time delay, this would turn C's plate voltage on again and a "singing" loop around C, D, E, L and C would be established.

This was avoided by making each transmitter slow in starting to transmit after the carrier-operated relay of the receiver was activated by the incoming signal. C actually began to start, but C did not get on the air before E went off. When E went off. C's time delay was reset.

A third difficulty was encountered when harmonics of some high-powered, lowfrequency transmitter were picked up by one of the receivers in the middle of the system, such as at K. This would start transmitter E which would be picked up by F; this would in turn start G. Signals from G would be quite strong and they would capture K from the offending har-



MOBILE FM TERMINAL STATION IN TRUCK COULD MOVE QUICKLY TO NEW LOCATION AS BATTLE LINES CHANGED



POWER SUPPLY FOR A MOBILE FM STATION WAS CARRIED IN A LIGHT TRAILER, AND HAULED BEHIND RADIO TRUCK

monic. This would establish a singing loop around K, E, F, G and back to K. Also, since D and J were disabled, no communications could go through. The first and third difficulty were inherent, and caused a number of system outages. The second was cleared by the installation of the time delays.

N. Africa is fairly mountainous with snow-covered, inaccessible Djebel Ta

the stations were in thunder storm clouds. Apparently, the clouds discharged continuously to the earth through the sharpest point, namely, the antenna. Under these conditions the noise rose to such high levels that communications were impossible. A distinction must be made between that type of interference and lightning from local thunder storms, because the latter did not bother operation. Only

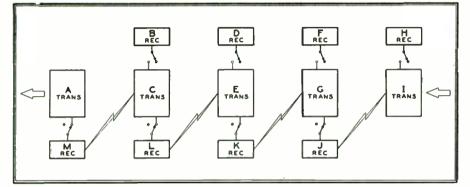


FIG. 2. THE SECOND SET OF RECEIVERS WAS USED FOR TRANSMISSION FROM "I" TO "M"

Babor, the highest peak, about 6,500 ft. The stations were located on various accessible peaks at heights of approximately: 600, 4,900, 3,600, 3,900 and 2,000 ft. respectively. This does not include the Tunis Terminal which was in a truck, and moved with the headquarters. Later, several trucks at different headquarters shared time on the circuit. No trouble was experienced in communicating up to 50 miles to the trucks. With these elevations, the longest path was about 115 miles. It was possible to receive useable signals over this path with the final amplifier plate voltage turned off during neutralizing adjustments. Needless to say, communications with the 250-watt amplifier were solid, with the exception noted below.

The only climatic difficulty which affected propagation was experienced when actual contact between the antenna and the storm clouds caused interruptions.

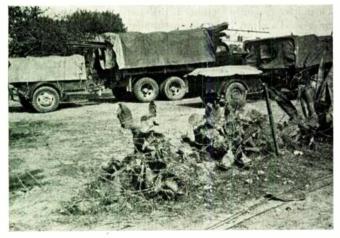
This was probably the precipitation static phenomenon described by H. M. Hucke.¹ Except for this type of interruption, no outages were experienced which were the results of climatic propagation conditions. A parallel wire system experienced outages in these storms also. In general, however, it was found that the atmospheric conditions in the Mediterranean area were extremely stable and there was no perceptible fading due to refraction or tropospheric changes.

Because relay systems, particularly carrier-operated types such as are described in this article, may be interfered

¹ Proceedings of the I.R.E., May, 1939, "Precipitation-Static Interference on Aircraft and at Ground Stations" with by other services, and because these systems generally employ unusually strong signals, the squelch adjustments should be designed to have more range than is common in other types of FM equipment. In most police sets, the squelch adjustment, when set for minimum sensitivity, will not stay closed on signals higher than 10 microvolts. Sets for relay services should have squelchs adjustable over a range of at least from minimum useable signals to 100 microvolts.

The abuse experienced by the equipment in the Tunisian campaign was severe. The popular conception of Africa is jungle and desert, hot and either extremely huinid or extremely dry. Actually, this is not true of the northern part of French Northwest Africa. Northern parts of Algeria and Tunisia are in the same latitude as Virginia. In the mountains, the weather is quite severe. At one site, the transmitter stood in 6 ins. of water when a thunder squall came up before the site was fully developed! During preliminary tests, shut-downs occurred when snow caused the high voltage rectifiers to flash over. There were heavy mists and the stations were in the clouds large parts of the day and night. During shipment from the U.S.A., the frames of most of the receivers were broken, and two of the transmitter racks were bent out of shape quite badly. In spite of such rough treatment, this equipment, which was designed to sit in attics of the city halls where it would be the pride and joy of the city fathers, nevertheless provided many hours of service. Replacements were made on the brute force method, namely, by putting in resistors of the next larger size until they didn't burn out.

The personnel who were in charge of this installation were basically radio engineers, with no experience on teletype machine techniques, or tone equipment. (CONCLUDED ON PAGE 87)



COMPLETE FM RELAY STATION, READY TO DEPART FOR A NEW POINT OF INSTALLATION NEAR THE AFRICAN FRONT



TYPICAL SEMI-FIXED FM TERMINAL STATION, SHOWING THE TELETYPE EQUIPMENT. MOBILITY WAS A GREAT ADVANTAGE

SPOT NEWS NOTES

A Great Opportunity: As the first Chairman of the FCC during the New Era of Peace, Paul A. Porter has an opportunity to implement the application of wartime radio developments to new public services that will win for him the respect, admiration, and support of the entire industry.

2-Band FM: John Meck Industries has announced that they will equip their FM. AM receivers with 2 FM bands, as recommended last month by the FM licensees. Stromberg-Carlson has withdrawn their objection to providing 2 FM bands in their new models. Only other expression of disapproval came from Motorola.

Commissioner William H. Wills: FCC Commissioner Norman S. Case, whose term expired June 30th, has been succeeded by William H. Wills, ex-governor of Vermont, sworn into office on July 23rd. Coming from Bennington, Vt., a section where FM is delivering acceptable radio service for the first time since the inception of broadcasting, he may prove to be one of the staunchest supporters of FM for rural service. Miss "Min" Sparks, who served Mr. Case during his term as Commissioner, will be administrative assistant to Commissioner Wills.

New Dry Cells: RCA is now producing a line of dry batteries for distribution through their tube and parts jobbers and radio dealers. The "preferred type" plan will be applied to keeping the variety of shapes and sizes at a minimum.

Merger: Utah Radio Products Company and Universal Cooler Corporation have been merged into the International Detrola Corporation, of which C. Russell Feldmann is president and board chairman. Among Utah's subsidiaries is the Caswell-Runyan Company, manufacturer of radio cabinets. Detrola headquarters are in Detroit.

Norman Wunderlich: The former sales manager of Motorola's emergency and communications equipment division has joined Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation as executive sales director of radio equipment. In this capacity, he will be responsible for the sale of all Federal radio equipment and associated products.

Indianapolis: Electronic Laboratories, Inc. has announced the election of Norman R. Kevers, former president, to board chairmanship; William W. Garstang, former vice president and general manager, has been elected president. Salesmanager Walter E. Peak, chief engineer Paul H. Frye, and works production manager Harry C. May have been elected vice presidents.

Conway Peyton Coe: Has been elected vice president in charge of RCA Laboratories patent department. He was U. S. Commissioner of Patents from 1933 until his resignation on June 15th of this year.

Radio Relay: A GE-IBM radio relay is planned for service between Los Angeles and San Francisco, to carry FM and television programs, facsimile, and radiotype circuits in both directions.

Star Witness: At the FCC FM regulations hearing was former chairman James Lawrence Fly, whose testimony, and manner of presenting it, kept leading broadcasting executives in Washington for an extra day. Concerning FCC and CBS plans limiting FM to single-market coverage, he said: "Now, the public interest, I would submit, is that of the listeners, and they are the forgotten men and women in the various presentations that were made to the Commission yesterday. . . . In other words, it (single-market plan) is devoted to pay dirt territory, and none of the brochures and none of the testimony on this plan gave one moment's attention to the Country's greatest need, and at no point do I find the public needs discussed. . . . Here the Commission recognizes a need for rural service, but it has seemingly failed to authorize the means which would make that service possible. Indeed, it suggests adding plant investment for the purpose of avoiding service. . . . I am warning merely against CBS, or the Commission's own staff, or anyone coming in with a map and saying, 'This is how it is going to be,' because we all know, as a matter of fact it ain't going to be that way! . . . I am not happy with the single-market plan in any area, Mr. Chairman. . . . I think the idea of having a large number of whistlestop stations is a very good one. I do think, though, that it might be well to consider giving them a little greater coverage, let them cover a county, let them put it in the county seat and let them cover a county."

Promotion Needed: Another survey of postwar purchase plans, this one by the Office of Civilian Requirements and the Bureau of the Census, shows the effect of saturation in the market for AM radios. Published figures show that planned purchases of refrigerators exceed annual pre-

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war production by 170%; of washing machines by 60%; of electric irons by 4%. But planned purchases of radio sets are 64% below annual prewar production! These figures, which check closely with other surveys made in the past year, indicate clearly that the radio industry must offset the lack of interest in buying new AM radios by capitalizing on the superior service of FM. This is the only feature which, by demonstrable performance, can earmark prewar sets as definitely obsolete.

Frank W. Walker: Radio engineer for the Michigan State Police and president of Associated Police Communications Officers, has resigned both posts to become chief communications engineer of the Greyhound Corporation. This announcement is of special significance, for it indicates the extent to which the largest bus transportation company plans to make use of highway radio. Frank Walker will be succeeded as APCO president by Ray Groenier, police radio supervisor at Madison, Wisc.

Westbrook Pegler: "Radio apparatus of the more elaborate sets is no more efficient than the same device in the cheap editions, which is a manner of saying that most of them, whatever the price, are capricious and not dependable. After all these years they still crackle with static, and crosstalk blurs reception." Lots of others still think the same way. If FMBI should undertake to bring Columnist Pegler up to date, and to acquaint like-minded people in and out of the radio industry with the service that can be rendered by FM, it would be doing a highly useful and constructive job.

RTPB: Officers elected for the term from October 1, 1945 to September 30, 1946 are: chairman, Haraden Pratt, Mackay Radio & Tel Co., 67 Broad Street, N. Y. C.; vice chairman, Howard S. Frazier, NAB, 1760 N Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.; treasurer, Will Baltin, TBA, 500 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. C.; secretary, Dr. W. H. Crew, IRE, 330 W. 42 Street, N. Y. C.

Daniel E. Noble: Director of research for Galvin Mfg. Corporation, has been given added responsibility as general manager of the communications and electronics division. In this new capacity, he will have direct authority over engineering, sales, and engineering production of the division.

W.G.H.Finch: Has been advanced from the (CONTINUED ON PAGE 79) UNIQUE AMONG RADIO INSTALLA-TIONS IS THAT AT THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING WHERE, 1,250 FT. ABOVE THE STREET, THE TOWER NOW CAR-RIES ANTENNAS FOR ONE FM AND TWO TELEVISION TRANSMITTERS

NEWS PICTURE

A NEW television antenna and a 5-kw. transmitter, designed to operate on 288 mc., are being installed at New York's Empire State Building. The transmitter, first of its kind ever put in operation, was built at the RCA Princeton laboratories. New Jersey.

Tests to be conducted by RCA, in conjunction with NBC, will show what problems lie ahead in the use of the higher channels assigned to television recently by the FCC. During the construction work, FM broadcasting has been continued on regular schedule. After the building was struck by an Army bomber on July 28th, RCA engineers reported that no damage was done to their equipment.

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Chapter 7: Continuation of FM Receivers — FM Detectors, Audio Systems, and Special Receiver Circuits

N THE preceding chapter, it was shown that a conventional triode AM detector can be made to respond to FM signals by detuning the tuned input circuit slightly, so that operation occurs on the steep and nearly linear portion of the selectivity curve of the input circuit, either above or below the resonant frequency. The principle involved is that as the frequency of the FM signal swings toward the resonant frequency of the tuned circuit, the current in the tuned circuit and the voltage across the tuning condenser increases, and as the frequency of the FM signal swings away from the resonant frequency of the tuned circuit, the current in the tuned circuit and the voltage across the tuning condenser decreases. In this way the selectivity characteristic of the tuned circuit serves to translate the *frequency* variations of the FM signal into amplitude variations of the voltage across the tuning condenser, so that the detector responds to the FM signal.

It was pointed out, however, that the detuned AM triode detector would not be suitable for use in a high fidelity FM receiver because 1) it is incapable of handling strong signal voltages without introducing distortion, 2) the detuning adjustment, for operation at the mid-point of the most nearly linear portion of the selectivity characteristic, is guite critical. and 3) even at the optimum detuning adjustment, there is some departure from true linearity in the detector output, causing harmonic distortion. This distortion would be particularly severe on strongly modulated FM signals, where the frequency swings over a wide range.

The problem of overloading encountered with triode detectors can be obviated by using a diode detector. In so doing, the advantage of obtaining amplification in the detector is lost, but the amplification can be readily made up in the stages preceding and following the detector. By using a detector which has the property of rectification only, a much higher order of signal voltages can be handled without introducing distortion. Practically all modern FM broadcast receivers employ diode detectors.

The problem of critical detuning adjustment, and the problem of distortion resulting from operation at the curved portions of the characteristic arise from the fact that the characteristic is practi-

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cally linear over only a narrow range of frequencies. The solution to these problems would seem to lie either in 1) using a system of coupled tuned circuits in the detector that will give an overall characteristic that is approximately linear over a much wider frequency range, or 2) devising a system of FM detection which does not depend in any way upon the selectivity characteristics of tuned circuits.

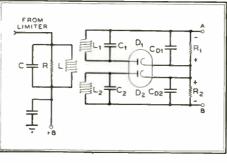


FIG. 59. DETUNED-CIRCUIT TYPE OF DIS-CRIMINATOR CIRCUIT

The solution which lends itself more readily to FM receiver design is that in which tuned circuits are coupled in such a way as to give a straight-line characteristic over a wide frequency range. Detectors of this type usually employ two diodes arranged to deliver an output voltage whose polarity depends upon whether the applied frequency is higher or lower than the mean frequency of the input tuned circuits, and whose amplitude depends on the extent by which the applied frequency differs from the mean frequency. Since these detectors are able to discriminate between frequencies above and below the mean frequency of the coupled tuned circuits, they are called *discriminators*.

Two types of discriminator circuits have been employed in receiver design, namely the detuned-circuit discriminator and the center-tuned discriminator. Both of these types were employed originally in AM receivers for automatic frequency control, but since they can be adjusted to give an overall characteristic having a uniform slope over a relatively wide frequency range, they are especially suited for use as FM detectors.

De-tuned Circuit Discriminator * The circuit diagram of the detuncd-circuit discriminator, or amplitude discriminator, is shown

in Fig. 59. The limiter output circuit LC is tuned to the intermediate frequency F_C of the superheterodyne receiver. The input circuit L_1C_1 for diode detector D_1 is inductively coupled to LC but is resonant to a frequency F_{RI} , somewhat lower than the intermediate frequency F_C of the FM receiver. The input circuit L₂C₂ for diode detector D₂ is also inductively coupled to LC but is resonant to a frequency F_{R2} . somewhat higher than the intermediate frequency F_C of the FM receiver. The coefficients of coupling of circuits L₁C₁ and L₂C₂ to circuit LC are equal, and each circuit is detuned from the resonant frequency of LC by the same amount.

If a signal current, modulated or unmodulated, flows in the tuned circuit LC, the expanding and contracting field about L induces equal voltages in coils L_1 and L_2 , because of the equal degree of coupling.

When the signal is unmodulated and has a frequency equal to the resonant frequency of circuit LC, then the amplitude of the RF currents in the detuned circuits L_1C_1 and L_2C_2 , set up by the induced voltages, will be essentially equal and the RF voltages established across the tuning condensers C1 and C2 will also be equal. Thus, the DC voltages produced across R_1C_{D1} and R_2C_{D2} by the diodes, which are very nearly equal to the respective amplitudes of the RF voltages across C₁ and C2, will be essentially equal to each other. As shown in Fig. 59, the diode connections are such as to place the two DC output voltages of the diodes in opposite polarity between the discriminator output terminals A, B. Thus, zero net voltage is produced across terminals A, B of the discriminator when it is excited by an unmodulated signal at the resonant frequency of the tuned circuit LC, that is, at a frequency mid-way between the resonant frequencies of tuned circuits L₁C₁ and L₂C₂.

When the signal is frequency-modulated, its frequency is alternately increased and decreased with respect to the average or center frequency. If the center frequency of the FM signal is equal to the resonant frequency of LC, then, during the period when the instantaneous frequency of the FM signal is greater than its center frequency, the RF voltage established across the tuning condenser C_1 is decreased because the frequency of the voltage induced in L_1C_1 circuit is farther

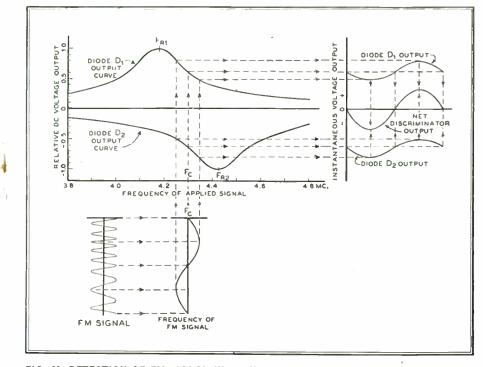


FIG. 60. DETECTION OF FM SIGNAL IN DETUNED-CIRCUIT DISCRIMINATOR. THE INDI-VIDUAL DIODE OUTPUT VOLTAGES COMBINE TO PRODUCE AN AUDIO VOLTAGE HAVING THE SAME WAVE FORM AS THE MODULATING VOLTAGE AT THE TRANSMITTER

from the resonant frequency of that circuit. Conversely, when the instantaneous frequency is less than the center frequency, the RF voltage across C_1 is increased, because the applied frequency is nearer to the resonant frequency of L_1C_1 .

This action is illustrated in Fig. 60. Here the FM signal is shown at the lower left and its frequency is shown as a function of time to the right of the signal. The frequency curve is projected upwards against the characteristic curve for the RF voltage across condenser C_1 . Since the DC voltage established across R₁C_{D1} is very nearly equal to the amplitude of the RF voltage across C1, this curve also represents the output voltage of diode D_1 as a function of the input frequency. It is observed that as the frequency of the input signal is increased during the first alternation of modulation, the frequency of the voltage induced in L_1 is farther from resonance and the DC output voltage across R_1C_{D1} is decreased. In the second alternation of the modulation, where the instantaneous frequency of the voltage induced in coil L_1 is nearer to the resonant frequency of L_1C_1 than the center frequency, the DC output voltage across R_1C_{D1} is increased. The wave form of the output voltage variation of diode D₁ is shown at the upper right in Fig. 60.

Since the tuned circuit L_2C_2 of diode D_2 is resonant to a frequency F_{R2} that is higher than the center frequency F_C of the input signal, the selectivity curve for the tuned circuit L_2C_2 would occupy a position to the right of the curve for tuned circuit L_1C_1 in Fig. 60. However, since the characteristic being plotted is that of the in the negative direction from the horizontal axis to take into account the opposite polarity of the DC output voltage of diode D_2 .

It is observed in Fig. 60 that in the case of diode D_2 , an increase in the instantaneous frequency during modulation produces an increase in the magnitude of the negative voltage developed across R_2C_{D2} . A decrease in the instantaneous frequency during modulation produces a decrease in the magnitude of the negative voltage across R_2C_{D2} . The variation of the output voltage of diode D_2 during modulation is shown at the right of the negative characteristic curve for diode detector D_2 .

The output voltage of the discriminator is the algebraic sum of the positive and negative output voltages, respectively, of diodes D_1 and D_2 from instant to instant. The curve of the net discriminator output voltage is shown in Fig. 60 between the curves for the individual diode output voltages. It is observed that the DC components of the individual diode voltages have been balanced out and that an audio voltage is delivered by the discriminator which has an amplitude roughly twice that of the audio components of the individual diode output voltages.

The marked improvement in the quality of FM detection, obtained by combining the outputs of two detuned detectors in pushpull in the manner described above,

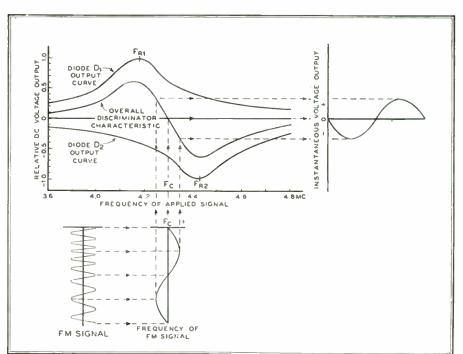


FIG. 61. THE OVERALL CHARACTERISTIC OF THE DISCRIMINATOR IS PLOTTED BY ADDING THE DIODE OUTPUTS ALGEBRAICALLY AT EACH FREQUENCY. THE COMPOSITE CHAR-ACTERISTIC IS ESSENTIALLY LINEAR OVER A WIDE FREQUENCY RANGE

DC output voltage of diode D_2 rather than the amplitude of the RF voltage across tuning condenser C_2 , the curve is plotted

is made evident by comparing the overall characteristic of the discriminator with the curves of the individual diode detec-

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Studio of FM Station WLOU, Detroit, Michigan, RCA 17-B Microphones are used in this studio and RCA 88-A Microphones in the aanounce booth.

The RCA 76-B Consolette in the control room of WLOU. Also shown in the picture are the RCA 70-B Transcription Turntables.





WLOU, the FM Station of John L. Booth, Inc., Detroit, Michigan, uses RCA equipment throughout. In the studios are RCA 77-C Microphones; in the control room are a 76-B Consolette and 70-B Turntables; in the transmitter room are an RCA FM-10-B Transmitter and RCA frequency and modulation monitors. The antenna is an RCA Type MI-7823-A assembly.

WLOU is a sister station of WJLB, the AM station

operated by John L. Booth, Inc. It is interesting to note that WJLB, like hundreds of other AM stations, is also completely RCA equipped. Operators of both AM and FM stations—and station applicants—can make reservations right now for early delivery of RCA postwar broadcast equipment. For information on our Broadcast Equipment Priority Plan, write to Broadcast Equipment Section, Radio Corporation of America, Camden, N. J.



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Antenna of WLOU is an RCA Type MI-7823-A, mounted on the top of the Eaton Tower in downtown Detroit.

The transmitter of WLOU is an RCA Type FM-10-B (10 kw) Transmitter. Other RCA equipment includes frequency and modulation monitors.



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tors, as shown in Fig. 61. Here the curves for the individual detectors are the same as those shown in Fig. 60, but the composite characteristic has been plotted by taking the algebraic sum of the positive and negative diode voltages at each frequency.

It is observed that the composite characteristic for the discriminator is essentially linear over a much wider frequency range than either of the individual diode detector characteristics. Thus the discriminator can be made to deliver essentially distortionless audio voltage on strongly modulated FM signals and requires only moderate care in tuning the receiver.

As shown in Fig. 59, the primary circuit LC should be loaded by means of shunt resistance R so that the effective ratio of reactance to resistance, or Q, of the primary is about one-third of the ratio of the resonant frequency of the primary circuit to the maximum frequency deviation of the signal to be detected. The Q of the secondary circuits L_1C_1 and L_2C_2 should be twice that of the primary circuits. The diodes serve to load the secondary circuits. The secondary coils L_1L_2 are so placed that each has a coupling to the primary coupling to each other.

It is evident from Fig. 61 that the linearity of the discriminator depends not only upon the sharpness of the selectivity curves of the tuned circuits, as determined by their respective Q's, but upon the separation of the resonant frequencies of the circuits as well.

The condition for best linearity is that at which the resonant frequencies of the tuned circuits L_1C_1 and L_2C_2 are separated by 1.225 times the band width between the half-power points (or 70.7%-voltage points) on the curves of the tuned circuits. The band width between half-power points, in turn, is equal to the resonant frequency of each circuit divided by its Q. Fig. 61 illustrates the condition for best linearity.

Center-Tuned Discriminator * The circuit of the center-tuned or phase discriminator is shown in Fig. 62. In this circuit only two tuned circuits are employed and both are resonant to the intermediate frequency of the receiver. As will be explained presently, the signal voltage is conveyed from the limiter output circuit to the discriminator circuit by direct and inductive coupling. The diode detectors are connected in pushpull across the center-tapped secondary coil. By careful adjustment of the tuning and coupling it is possible to obtain the same overall characteristic as is shown for the detunedcircuit discriminator in Fig. 61.

The operation of the center-tuned dis-

criminator depends upon the change that occurs in the phase relations of the voltages in the tuned circuits as the applied signal frequency varies from the resonant frequency of the tuned circuits during modulation. It is first necessary, therefore, to consider the phase relations of the voltages and currents in coupled tuned circuits for conditions of resonance and nonresonance.

Consider the coupled tuned circuits L_1C_1 and L_2C_2 at the upper left in Fig. 63. If an RF voltage E_1 is present across L_1C_1 , the resulting current I_1 that flows in the turns of coil L_1 will lag voltage E_1 by nearly 90°, since the reactance of coil L_1 very greatly exceeds its resistance.

This relationship is shown in the top row of three vector diagrams in Fig. 63,

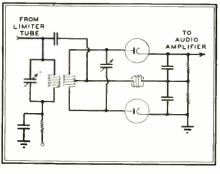


FIG. 62. CENTER-TUNED TYPE OF DISCRIM-INATOR CIRCUIT

representing, from left to right, the conditions of operation at resonance, above resonance, and below resonance. The vector for voltage E_1 serves as a reference, and is assigned the position representing 0° in each of the three diagrams. The vector representing current I_1 is 90° clockwise from, or lagging, the applied voltage vector E_1 .

The current I_1 in the turns of coil L_1 creates a magnetic field about L_1 that expands, collapses, and changes polarity in phase with the increase, decrease, and reversal of the RF current in coil L_1 . The vector for current I_1 can, therefore, also be regarded as representing the field about coil L_1 .

The expanding and collapsing field about L_1 sweeps the turns of L_2 and induces therein a voltage E_2 proportional at every instant to the *rate* at which the lines of force of the field above L_1 are cutting the turns of coil L_2 . When the field about L_1 is changing most rapidly, that is, when the current in coil L_1 is falling through zero, the voltage E_2 induced in coil L_2 is at a peak. On the other hand, at the instant when the field about L_1 has reached a condition of maximum expansion and is about to contract, its *rate of change* is zero and zero voltage is induced in coil L_2 . Thus the voltage *induced* in coil L_2 is 90° out of phase with the inducing field and inducing current I_2 . This is shown in the top row of vector diagrams in Fig. 63, where the vector for the induced voltage E_2 appears at a position 90° clockwise from, or lagging, the vector for the inducing current I_1 .

It is very important to note that the voltage E_{AB} which appears across the tuning condenser C₂ is not the induced voltage E₂. As shown in the diagram of the equivalent circuit, the induced voltage E2 simply acts as a generator in series with coil L2 and tuning condenser C2, causing a current I2 to flow in circuit L2C2 which establishes a reactive voltage drop EAB across the tuning condenser C₂. Since the condenser C2 offers a practically pure capacitive reactance, the voltage EAB across condenser C2 will lag the current I2 by very nearly 90°, regardless of whether the circuit is resonant or non-resonant to the applied frequency.

At resonance, the reactances of L_2 and C_2 cancel each other and the current I_2 in the secondary circuit is in phase with the induced voltage E2. This is shown in the vector diagram for the resonant condition which appears just to the right of the tuned circuits at the top of Fig. 63. It should be observed that the vector for current I₂ coincides with that for induced voltage E2. The reactive voltage EAB across tuning condenser C2 is 90° lagging the current I_2 . As shown in the vector diagram, at resonance the voltage EAB across tuning condenser C₂ differs in phase by 90° with respect to the reference voltage E₁ applied across circuit L₁C₁.

Consider next the phase relations which exist when the applied frequency FA exceeds the resonant frequency F_R of the tuned circuits. At the higher frequency, the inductive reactance of L₂ exceeds the capacitive reactance of C₂, thereby causing the current I₂ in circuit L₂C₂ to lag the induced voltage E2. This is shown in the center vector diagram at the top of Fig. 63. The vector for current I_2 lags the vector for the induced voltage E_z by an acute angle. The reactive voltage EAB across tuning condenser C2 lags eurrent I2 by the fixed angle of 90°. As a result, the voltage E_{AB} differs in phase from the reference applied voltage E_1 by less than 90°.

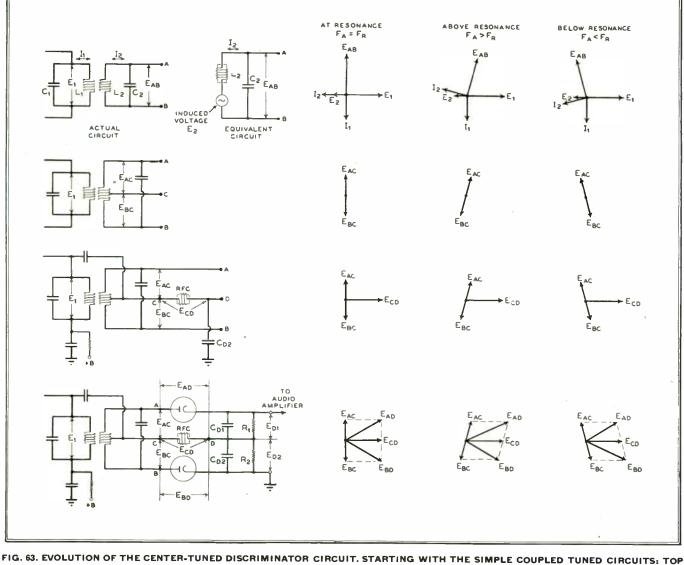
Conversely, when the applied frequency F_A of voltage E_1 is less than the resonant frequency F_R of circuits L_1C_1 and L_2C_2 , current I_2 in circuit $L_2C_2^*$ leads the induced voltage E_2 , as shown in the vector diagram at the top right of Fig. 63. This causes the voltage E_{AB} across condenser C_2 to differ in phase with respect to the reference input voltage E_1 by more than 90°.

Consider next the voltages that will be obtained when a center tap is placed on coil L₂, as shown in Fig. 63. Since the voltage at terminal A with respect to terminal B of the tuned circuit L_2C_2 is shown by vector E_{AB} in the top row of vector diagrams, then the voltage at terminal A with respect to the center-tap terminal C is shown by vector E of half the length in the second row of vector diagrams. The angular position of vector E_{AC} in the second

vector E_{AC_3} as shown in the second row of vector diagrams.

As the next step, a condenser C_C is connected between the high potential terminal of circuit L_1C_1 and the center-tap terminal C of tuned circuit L_2C_2 , as shown at the left of the third row of vector diagrams in Fig. 63. At the same time, an RF choke RFC is connected between in the third row of vector diagrams is drawn in the same position as vector E_1 in the first row.

The final step in the evolution of the discriminator circuit is the connection of two diode detectors at terminals Λ , D, B. The output circuits of the detectors are connected in a pushpull as shown at the lower left on Fig. 63.



LEFT: CIRCUIT ELEMENTS ARE PROGRESSIVELY ADDED UNTIL THE COMPLETE DISCRIMINATOR CIRCUIT IS OBTAINED. PHASE RELA-TIONS OF VOLTAGES AND CURRENTS ARE SHOWN IN THE VECTOR DIAGRAMS TO THE RIGHT OF EACH CIRCUIT

row of vector diagrams is the same as that of vector E_{AB} in the top row.

The voltage of the center-tap terminal C with respect to the lower terminal B or voltage E_{CB} could also be represented by a vector in the position of vector E_{AC} . However, the voltage of lower terminal B with respect to center-tap terminal C, or voltage E_{BC} , is a voltage taken in the opposite direction and must be represented by a vector having the opposite polarity from center-tap terminal C and terminal D. Terminal D is held at ground RF potential by condenser C_{D2} . The reactance of RFC at the applied frequency is too high to affect appreciably the tuning of circuit L_4C_1 across which it is shunted. The reactances of C_C and C_{D2} are quite low at the applied frequency. Thus the voltage E_1 across L_1 also appears across RF choke RFC, with practically no change in magnitude or phase. Hence, the vector E_{CD} Diode D_1 is connected to terminals A and D so that the voltage applied to the diode D_1 is the sum of voltages E_{AC} and E_{CD} . The voltage applied to the lower diode D_2 is the sum of voltages E_{BC} and E_{CD} , since this diode is connected to terminals B and D.

The sums of these respective pairs of voltages are obtained vectorally by completing the parallellograms and drawing in the diagonal resultants, as shown in the bottom row of vector diagrams in Fig. 63.

At resonance, where a 90° difference of phase exists between the directly coupled voltage E_{CD} and the reactive voltages E_{AC} and E_{BC} , the resultant or sum vectors E_{AD} and E_{BD} are of equal magnitude. At resonance, therefore, the individual diode output voltages E_{D1} and E_{D2} are equal, and since they are added in opposite polarity the net output voltage of the discriminator is zero.

When the applied frequency F_A exceeds the resonant frequency F_R , the vector representing E_{AC} lies closer to the vector for E_{CD} than the vector for E_{BC} . As a result, the sum vector E_{AD} has a greater magnitude than the sum vector E_{BD} . Therefore diode D_1 delivers a greater DC voltage than diode D_2 . With the diode DC output voltages adding in opposite polarity, the net voltage delivered by the discriminator is positive when the applied frequency exceeds the resonant frequency.

Conversely, when the applied frequency is less than the resonant frequency, the voltage E_{AC} differs in phase from voltage E_{CD} by more than 90°, while voltage E_{BD} differs in phase from voltage E_{CD} by less than 90°. As a result, the sum voltage E_{BD} has a greater magnitude than the sum voltage E_{AD} , as shown in the vector diagram at the lower right of Fig. 63. Diode D_2 delivers a greater DC voltage than diode D_1 and the net output voltage of the discriminator is negative.

If the frequency of the applied signal is alternately greater and less than the resonant frequency of the discriminator, the discriminator output voltage is alternately positive and negative. This is the case when an FM signal is tuned in, so that the discriminator produces an audio voltage having the same wave form as the audio modulating voltage at the FM transmitter.

Readers unfamiliar with vector diagrams will understand the operation of the discriminator by reference to the wave diagrams shown in Fig. 64. The left hand column of wave diagrams applies to the condition of resonance. The voltage Ecp at the center of the left hand column is the limiter output voltage which is transferred to terminals C and D of choke RFC in the discriminator circuit of Fig. 63.

Since the tuned circuit L_2C_2 , Fig. 63, is operating at resonance, the reactive voltages E_{AC} and E_{BC} established across coil L_2 will respectively lead and lag the limiter output voltage E_{CD} by 90°. The voltage waves of E_{AC} and E_{BC} are shown immediately above and below the wave of E_{CD} in Fig. 64. It is noted that the three waves have the same frequency but there are 90° phase displacements between them. When the wave of E_{AC} is added to that of E_{CD} from instant to instant, the resultant is a wave E_{AD} of

greater amplitude than EAC, shown at the top left in Fig. 64. Similarly, EBC added to ECD yields a wave EBD of greater amplitude than E_{BC} , shown at the bottom left in Fig. 64. Since the two waves Enc. and E_{CD} added to E_{CD} are equally displaced in phase from E_{CD}, equal reinforcements of E_{CD} are obtained from the addition. The amplitude of the sum resultant voltage EAD equals that of the sum resultant voltage EBD. When these voltages are applied to diodes D₁ and D₂. equal DC output voltages E_{D1} and E_{D2} are obtained. Since these diode output voltages of equal magnitude are added in opposite polarity, the discriminator outamplitude than E_{BD} , diode D_1 delivers a greater output voltage than diode D_2 and the net discriminator output voltage is positive.

Conversely, when the applied frequency F_A is less than the resonant frequency F_R , the phase displacement between E_{AC} and E_{CD} is greater than 90°, while that between E_{BC} and E_{CD} is less than 90°. This condition is shown in the right hand column of waves in Fig. 64. E_{BC} offers a greater reinforcement of E_{CD} than E_{AC} , so that E_{BD} exceeds E_{AD} . As a result, diode D_2 delivers a greater DC voltage than diode D_1 and the discriminator output voltage is negative.

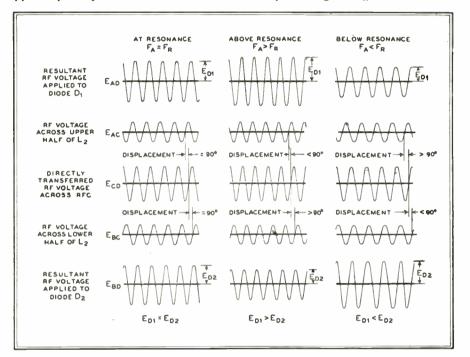


FIG. 64. WAVE DIAGRAMS OF VOLTAGES IN THE CENTER-TUNED DISCRIMINATOR CIR-CUIT. THE VOLTAGES ARE TAKEN AT THE POSITIONS SHOWN IN THE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM: BOTTOM LEFT, FIG. 63

put is zero when the applied frequency \mathbf{F}_{A} equals the resonant frequency \mathbf{F}_{R} .

The voltages for the condition of applied frequency F_A exceeding the resonant frequency F_B of the tuned circuits is shown in the center column of waves in Fig. 64. In this case, the voltage E_{AC} across the upper half of the tuned circuit L_2C_2 leads the directly coupled voltage E_{CD} by less than 90°, while the voltage E_{BC} across the lower half of the tuned circuit L_2C_2 lags the directly coupled voltage E_{BC} as the lower half of the tuned circuit L_2C_2 lags the directly coupled voltage E_{BC} by more than 90°.

When E_{AC} is added to E_{CD} , the amplitude of the sum voltage E_{AD} is found to be greater than the amplitude of the sum voltage E_{BD} , obtained when E_{BC} is added to E_{CD} . This is to be expected, since E_{AC} is more nearly in phase with E_{CD} than E_{BC} and, therefore, affords greater reinforcement of E_{CD} than E_{BC} . Since the voltage E_{AD} has a greater

During the reception of an FM signal whose center frequency equals the resonant frequency of the tuned circuits, the discriminator output voltage changes polarity as the frequency alternately exceeds or is less than the center frequency. The magnitude of the discriminator output voltage should be proportional at every instant to the frequency deviation of the signal being received. By careful circuit design and coupling adjustments. the characteristic of the tuned-circuit discriminator can be made linear over a wide frequency range, similar to the characteristic of the detuned-circuit discriminator shown in Fig. 61.

Counter-Circuit FM Detector \star While the use of discriminator circuits, as described above, presents a convenient and practical means for detecting FM signals of relatively large frequency deviation with minimum distortion, there are a number of other methods for detecting FM signals.

For example, it has been suggested previously in this chapter that a solution to the problem of overcoming the inherent non-linearity of tuned-circuit detectors might lie in the use of a detection system whose operation does not depend in any way upon tuned circuits. The countercircuit shown in Fig. 65 is an FM detector of this type. Because of its very low distortion, it has been employed in precision FM monitors for checking FM modulation systems.

The first tube in the circuit shown in Fig. 65 is a beam pentode, operating with a low value of load resistance, RL, adjusted to give plate-current saturation when the excitation voltage is not quite sufficient to draw grid current. The excitation voltage has a center frequency in the order of 100 to 300 kc. and its peakto-peak value is at least 20% greater than the cut-off bias of the beam pentode. The plate current of the pentode swings between cut-off and saturation level, as determined by the pentode characteristic. The pentode therefore squares off the positive and negative peaks of the plate current variation, and delivers a square wave pulse of practically uniform amplitude at the frequency of the excitation signal, regardless of any amplitude fluctuations that are present in the excitation signal.

The peak value of the output voltage pulse of the pentode is equal to the plate supply voltage, because there is zero drop in resistor R_L during the interval when the plate current is cut off. During the interval when the voltage pulse is maximum positive, condenser C therefore charges through the low cathode-to-plate resistance of diode D_1 to a voltage very nearly equal to the plate supply voltage. During the interval when the pentode output voltage is minimum positive, the charged condenser C cannot discharge through diode D_1 because the cold plate of diode D₁ does not emit electrons. Condenser C will discharge through the cathode-to-plate path of diode D₂ and R₀ to ground. The capacity of the condenser C and the resistances of the charge and discharge paths are so small that the condenser acquires a voltage of at least 99.9% of the plate supply voltage by the end of the charge interval and discharges to within 0.1% of the minimum voltage at the pentode plate by the end of the discharge interval. Since the condenser voltage varies over a fixed range, the number of electrons moved through resistor Ro during each discharge period is fixed. The number of electrons passed through Ro per second is directly proportional to the number of discharge periods per second, that is, to the frequency of the excitation voltage at the grid of the

pentode. Thus, it is said that this type of detector circuit counts the pulses and produces an average voltage across R_0 directly proportional to the input frequency.

If the input frequency increases and decreases at an audio rate, then the voltage across R_0 will increase and decrease at the same audio rate. The low-pass audio filter smooths out the RF fluctuations in the voltage across R_0 and allows only the DC and audio components of the voltage across R_0 to appear across the filter ter-

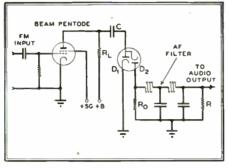


FIG. 65. COUNTER CIRCUIT TYPE OF FM DETECTOR

minating resistor R. It is important that the filter be of the choke input type, so that no residual voltage will be maintained across R_0 . Such a voltage would bias diode D_2 and prevent condenser C from discharging completely on each cycle. The linearity of this detector, when properly adjusted, is said to be excellent.

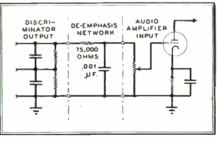


FIG. 66. POSITION OF DE-EMPHASIS NET-WORK IN FM RECEIVER

It will be noted that the input frequencies at which this detector operates are of a low order. This permits the detector to deliver a larger audio voltage, since the frequency deviation is then a larger percentage of the center frequency. Moreover, a relatively low order of input frequencies is mandatory, since condenser C must very nearly acquire its full charge and must discharge to its residual voltage level, each within the half-cycle periods of the input voltage. The internal resistances of the diodes limit the extent to which the time constants of charge and discharge can be shortened. In view of the low input frequencies required, and other practical considerations, the use of the counter type of FM detector has been limited to

special applications, such as checking the performance of FM signal generators, monitoring frequency-modulation systems in transmitters, and studying the distortion produced by the tuned stages in FM receivers.

De-emphasis Network \star As explained in Chapter 5, pre-emphasis can be introduced in the modulation at the FM transmitter in order to increase the amplitude of the high-frequency components of the audio modulating voltage. Such pre-emphasis will cause the high-frequency components of the audio voltage at the discriminator output to be considerably stronger with respect to high-frequency noise than if pre-emphasis were not employed.

With pre-emphasis at the transmitter, it is necessary to have de-emphasis at the receiver for the purpose of bringing the high frequencies down to the same proportion with respect to the low frequencies that exists at the studio microphone. At the same time, the de-emphasis network will reduce the high frequency noise picked up by the receiver antenna or from thermal agitation and shot effect to inaudibility.

The circuit constants for the de-emphasis network at the receiver will depend upon those of the pre-emphasis network at the transmitter. Where a 75-microsecond pre-emphasis characteristic is introduced at the transmitter, as in FM broadcasting, a 75-microsecond de-emphasis network should be connected between the discriminator and the audio amplifier of the FM receiver, as shown in Fig. 66.

The Audio System \star The theory of operation of the audio amplifier and loudspeaker system of an FM broadcast receiver does not differ from that of an AM receiver. However, in view of the wider range of audio frequencies to be handled, greater care is required in the design of the amplifier. Not only should the amplifier give a flat response over a range of 50 to 15,000 cycles but the distortion in the amplifier must be of a very low order over the entire frequency range.

If appreciable distortion is present, cross-modulation will occur when two or more audio frequencies are simultaneously present at the input, creating additional components at the sum and difference frequencies in the output. Harmonics of the input frequencies will also be generated. In view of the wider range of audio frequencies reproduced in the FM system, it is especially important that such undesirable distortion be held to a minimum.

In view of the marked reduction of noise obtained in the FM system, the noise and hum level of the audio amplifier must be very low. This permits the receiver to deliver the dynamic range of the program at the studio and thereby to contribute to the realism of the reproduction.

No audio system is better than its loudspeaker. The wide frequency range to be reproduced by the loudspeaker system of an FM receiver creates a difficult problem in loudspeaker design. Unfortunately, the requirements of a loudspeaker for reproducing the high-frequency range most efficiently are opposed to the requirements of an efficient low-frequency speaker.

In general, low-frequency speakers demand a large diaphragm and comparatively heavy driving coil system to handle the large amplitudes of the audio currents, whereas high-frequency speakers should have a light cone and coil system capable of vibrating rapidly in response to high-frequency currents of much smaller amplitude.

In order to obtain efficient reproduction of both the high and the low frequencies, dual speaker systems are usually employed. The output of the audio amplifier is divided by means of an electrical net-

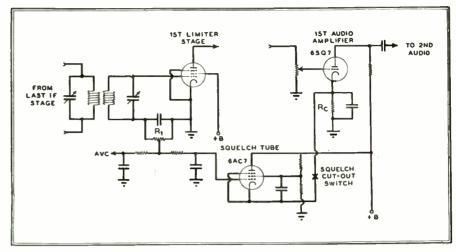


FIG. 67. CIRCUIT OF AN AUTOMATIC SQUELCH SYSTEM FOR SUPPRESSING INTERSTATION AND STANDBY NOISE IN FM RECEIVER

installation of the speaker system in the receiver cabinet.

Squelch Circuits \star FM receiver circuits inherently have a high noise level when no

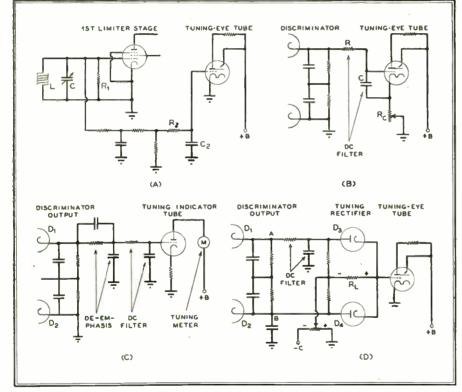


FIG. 68. FOUR TYPES OF TUNING INDICATOR CIRCUITS USED IN FM RECEIVERS

work so that the low-frequency components are routed to a speaker designed for low frequencies, and the high-frequency components, say those above 1,500 or 2,000 cycles, are delivered to a high-frequency speaker.

The small high-frequency speaker, or tweeter, is usually mounted coaxially with and directly in front of the low-frequency speaker, or woofer. This simplifies the signal is tuned in. In the FM communications services, where a receiver is tuned to a specific frequency for long stand-by periods in anticipation of signals that may appear at any time, the continuous roar of noise is highly objectionable to the listener on watch. In a communications receiver, therefore, it is desirable that a squelch system be incorporated for the purpose of silencing the audio system during those periods when no signal is being received.

Similarly, in broadcast receivers, it is undesirable to have a large noise output when tuning from one station to another. A squelch system eliminates this undesirable interstation noise.

Most squelch circuits operate on the principle of applying a large negative bias on the grid of the first audio amplifier tube whenever the signal voltage is very low or entirely absent at the limiter input. The squelch bias must be sufficiently in excess of cut-off to prevent the noise output of the discriminator from causing a plate current to flow in the first audio amplifier tube, even momentarily on the noise peaks.

Figure 67 shows a typical squelch circuit. During the reception of signals, the first amplifier tube obtains its normal operating bias from cathode resistor R_c . The squelch tube is biased beyond cut-off by the negative voltage taken from the first limiter resistor R_i .

When the signal voltage at the limiter is removed, either through shutting down the transmitter or detuning the receiver, the rectified voltage across resistor R_1 of the first limiter falls to a very low value. The squelch tube bias is, therefore, almost entirely removed and the tube draws a heavy plate current by way of cathode resistor R_C . The increased voltage drop across R_C biases the first audio amplifier tube beyond cut-off, until a signal is applied again at the first limiter grid.

In this typical case, the first audioamplifier tube is a 6SQ7 which draws 0.9 milliamperes through the cathode resistor R_C of 2,200 ohms, and operates with a normal bias of 2 volts. The squelch tube is a 6AC7 which is operated without a plate load resistor and draws 36 milliamperes at zero grid voltage. Thus, in the absence of signal, the voltage across the cathode resistor R_C is about 36/2 or 18 times the normal bias of the first audio amplifier. A negative bias of only -5 volts is necessary to bring about complete cut-off of plate current in the 6AC7 squelch tube, restoring the normal bias of -2 volts on the first audio amplifier tube. This voltage appears across the first limiter resistor \mathbf{R}_1 at relatively low signal level.

In locations where the noise level is very low, the squelch system may shut off weak signals from which reasonably satisfactory reception could be obtained. It is desirable, therefore, that a switch be provided for stopping the squelch action. In the circuit shown in Fig. 67, this switch serves to disconnect the cathode of the squelch tube, and thus opens the circuit through which the squelch current is drawn.

Tuning Indicators \star To avoid distortion in the discriminator, the center frequency of

voltage at the transmitter and 3) harmonics of the AF component representing distortion resulting from operation on the curved portions of the discriminator characteristic.

In order to minimize such distortion, a device is needed to enable listeners to tune their receivers more accurately than is possible when depending upon the ear alone.

One solution of the tuning problem lies in the use of an AFC system actuated by the DC component of the discriminator output, which would automatically correct the oscillator frequency by means of a reactance tube whenever the receiver is slightly mis-tuned or the oscillator drifts. The theory of operation of the reactance tube has been already explained.

The other solution involves the use of a visual tuning indicator, such as a meter or tuning-eye.

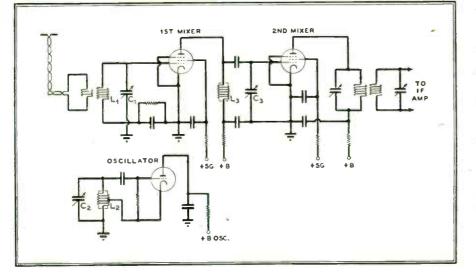


FIG. 69. FUNDAMENTAL CIRCUIT OF DOUBLE SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER, WHICH PROVIDES LARGE RF GAIN WITH GOOD STABILITY

the voltage at the limiter output should equal the resonant frequency of the discriminator tuned input circuit. The discriminator will then be operated at the mid-point of its linear characteristic and will deliver an audio voltage having the same wave form as the audio modulating voltage at the transmitter.

When the center frequency of the signal applied to the discriminator approaches but does not equal the resonant frequency of the discriminator tuned circuit, operation occurs about a point off the center of the linear portion of the discriminator characteristic. Under such conditions the discriminator output contains 1) a DC component having a magnitude and polarity depending upon the extent and direction by which the applied frequency differs from the resonant frequency, 2) an AF component of the same frequency as that of the audio modulating

Fig. 68 (A) shows a tuning-eye indicator circuit controlled by DC voltage taken from the grid leak of the first limiter stage. As the receiver dial is tuned toward the setting for the station, the beat frequency created by the signal and oscillator frequencies approaches the intermediate frequency of the receiver, to which the IF amplifier, limiter, and discriminator circuits are resonant. This causes the RF voltage across the limiter tuned circuit condenser C to rise, creating a large DC voltage across grid leak R₁. This DC voltage is applied by way of DC filter R_2C_2 to the grid of the tuning-eye tube in negative polarity, and causes the shadow angle to diminish.

If the receiver dial is tuned beyond the setting for the station, the beat frequency created by the signal and oscillator frequencies draws away from the intermediate frequency of the receiver to which the tuned circuits are resonant. The RF voltage across the limiter tuning condenser C decreases, thereby reducing the negative bias applied by grid leak R_1 to the limiter tube, and causing the shadow angle to increase.

At the correct tuning adjustment, the maximum negative voltage is developed in the limiter grid leak and applied to the grid of the tuning eye, so that the *least* shadow angle is obtained.

As stated previously, the condition to be satisfied for correct tuning adjustment is that the applied frequency at the discriminator be equal to the resonant frequency of the discriminator input circuit. The above method of tuning assumes that the alignment of the limiter, IF amplifier, and discriminator tuned circuits will be maintained exactly at the intermediate frequency of the receiver.

Actually, in view of the high order of the intermediate frequency involved, it can be expected that the circuits may be slightly out of alignment at times. Some set designers prefer to obtain the control voltage of the tuning eye from the discriminator, since this is the receiver stage in which exact tuning is important.

Fig. 68 (B) and 68 (C) show two tuning indicator circuits actuated by the DC component of the discriminator output, which appears whenever the center frequency of the signal applied at the discriminator differs from the resonant frequency of the discriminator tuned circuit.

In Fig. 68 (B), the DC component of the discriminator output voltage is isolated by means of a DC filter RC, and is applied to the grid of a tuning-eye tube. The tuning-eye is adjusted by means of a variable cathode resistor Rc, so that the eye just closes when there is zero voltage at the discriminator output. A convenient way to make this preliminary adjustment is to remove the last limiter tube temporarily, while adjusting Rc to make the eye close.

In the case of the circuit shown in Fig. 67 (B) it will be found that when no signal is tuned in, the eye is closed. When the dial is tuned past the setting at which a station is heard, the eye first opens and then closes and overlaps, or vice-versa, depending upon the direction in which the dial is turned. The correct tuning adjustment is at the transition point between an opening and an overlap, where the eye is just closed.

Fig. 68 (C) shows a circuit operating on the same principle as that of Fig. 68 (B), except that a tuning meter is employed instead of a tuning-eye. Tuning is accomplished by bringing the meter indicator to a reference mark on the meter scale.

While the indicator circuit in Fig. 68 (B) has the advantage of being operated from the discriminator stage, an objection may be raised because, during tuning, the shadow angle of the eye varies in a manner that may puzzle the uninformed operator who has been accustomed to seeing the eye open *above and below* resonance in his AM receiver. Thus the use of a tuning rectifier, as shown in Fig. 64 (D), is favored by some set designers.

In this circuit, when the applied frequency exceeds the resonant frequency and the voltage at the discriminator output terminal A is, say, positive with respect to ground, the current drawn through tuning rectifier diode D_3 produces a voltage drop in the rectifier level resistor R_L of such polarity as to reduce stages in the factory production of receivers without running serious risk of encountering instability in the IF amplifier because of regenerative coupling between stages. This condition demands a large gain in the first RF amplifier stage; in fact, a larger gain than can be obtained easily at FM frequencies.

One solution to this problem of obtaining large overall gain without requiring excessive gain at one intermediate frequency lies in the use of a special circuit arrangement called the *double superheterodyne* or *triple-detector superheterodyne*. Here, two intermediate frequencies are employed, thus reducing the amount

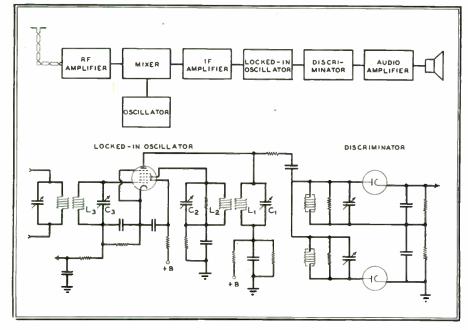


FIG. 70. BLOCK DIAGRAM OF BEERS FM RECEIVER WITH CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF LOCKED-IN OSCILLATOR AND DISCRIMINATOR

the negative voltage on the grid of the tuning-eye, thereby opening the eye. When the applied frequency is less than the resonant frequency and terminal A is negative with respect to ground, then current is drawn in the *same* direction through R_L as before, but by way of diode D₄. Again a voltage is applied to grid of the tuning eye in such polarity as to open the eye. Therefore, the eye closes at the correct dial setting of the receiver and opens above or below the correct setting, similarly to tuning eyes in AM receivers.

Double Superheterodyne FM Receivers \star In the preceding chapter, stress was laid upon the need for high RF and IF gain in FM receivers, in order that weak signal voltages can be brought up to a level sufficient to saturate the limiter. Moreover, it was stated that a gain of 15,000 represented about the maximum that could be obtained safely from the mixer and IF

of gain that is required at each frequency.

The logical circuit arrangement for a double superheterodyne would appear at first thought to include a variable-frequency oscillator to reduce the signal frequency to the first intermediate frequency in the first mixer, and another oscillator, of the fixed-frequency type, to lower the frequency to the second intermediate frequency in the second mixer. Actually, such an arrangement causes serious difficulty because of spurious signals produced by beating together the fundamentals and harmonies of the oscillator.

A practical circuit arrangement employed in FM receivers designed to tune over a range of frequencies is shown in Fig. 68. Here the oscillator frequency at any particular dial setting is half the difference between the signal frequency for that dial setting and the second IF.

For example, in Fig. 69, assume that the second intermediate frequency is 4.3 mc. and the signal frequency is 45.5 mc. The input tuned circuit of the first mixer is resonant at 45.5 mc. and the oscillator tuning circuit constants L_2C_2 are such as to give an oscillator frequency of (45.5 - 4.3)/2, or 20.6 mc.

The oscillator is coupled inductively or capacitively to the first mixer and causes a beat component to appear in the output at the difference frequency of 45.5-20.6 or 24.9 mc. The tuned parallel circuit L_3C_3 is resonant at this difference frequency, causing a voltage of the difference frequency to be established across L_3C_3 .

The plate current of the first mixer also contains a strong component at the oscillator frequency. The impedance offered by L₃C₃ to the oscillator frequency of 20.6 mc. is less than that offered to the first intermediate frequency of 24.9 mc. However, the strong component at the oscillator frequency of 20.6 mc. is able to build up an appreciable voltage across the small impedance of L₃C₃, and this voltage is applied to the grid together with the voltage at the first intermediate frequency of 24.9 mc. This, a difference frequency component at 24.9-20.6 or 4.3 mc. appears in the plate circuit of the second mixer, and serves to excite the IF amplifier.

Since the output circuit of each mixer tube is tuned to a frequency other than that of its input circuit, high-gain tubes can be employed in both mixer stages without risking oscillation. Since the conversion transconductance of a tube used as a mixer is from one-third to one-half of the mutual conductance of the same tube used as an amplifier, reasonably good gain can be obtained in the two mixer stages. The use of a single oscillator for both mixer stages overcomes the difficulty with spurious responses that is encountered when two oscillators at different frequencies are employed.

Where still greater receiver gain is desired, as in FM mobile communications services, an additional stage of amplification at the first intermediate frequency may be employed. The selectivity of the IF amplifier between the first and second mixers would be too great to permit a component of voltage at the oscillator frequency to reach the second converter grid by way of the first converter as in Fig. 69. However, where reception at only one frequency is desired, the circuit can be designed so that only one crystal oscillator is employed. The fundamental of the oscillator is applied to the second mixer and a higher harmonic is coupled to the first mixer.

The Beers Receiver ★ Fig. 70 shows a block diagram of a special receiver circuit ar-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 76)

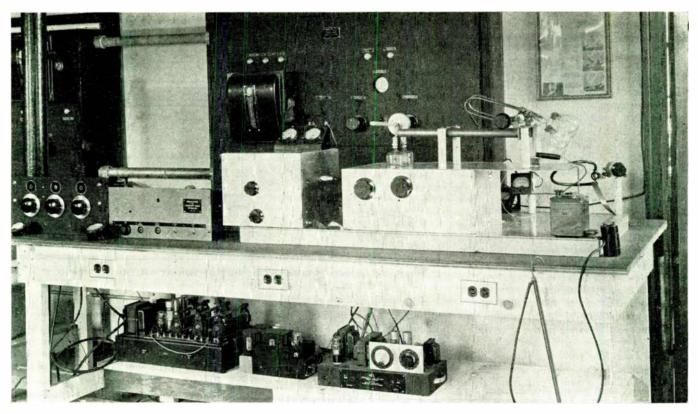


FIG. 1. FREQUENCY CONVERTER AT FINAL STAGE OF LABORATORY DEVELOPMENT

POWER FREQUENCY CONVERTER FOR FM

Interim FM Operation on Old and New Bands at Minimum Investment

THE FCC decision of June 27th, whereby FM broadcasting will move to the 88- to 108-mc. band, confronts the FM broadcast station owner with the serious practical problem of transmitting on both his old and new frequencies during the transition period.

How can operation on the new band be inaugurated at the earliest possible moment while maintaining service to the present audience on the old band? Is it necessary to install a second, completely new transmitter, or can auxiliary equipment be added to the present transmitter for dual-frequency operation? If auxiliary apparatus can be used, what are the economic factors involved? For example, will it be necessary to write off the cost of the additional equipment as a complete loss at the end of the transition period, when the FCC finally orders transmission exclusively in the new band?

Anticipating the possibility that the

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FCC would decide to move FM upstairs, REL set about finding the best answers to these questions several months ago. The result, as announced by Major Armstrong in a public statement immediately following the FCC decision, is the development of an efficient power frequency converter for FM broadcast transmitters which permits simultaneous operation on the old and the new bands.

The power frequency converter is a selfcontained unit that can be installed adjacent to, or at any convenient distance from, the present transmitter. The converter may be used with an FM transmitter of any power and any type of manufacture. There is but one simple connection between the converter and the present transmitter, whereby a small amount of power is drawn from the transmitter output stage for the excitation of the converter. Other than this, the converter circuit is independent of the main transmitter. The converter operates from its own power supply and is designed to deliver 1 kw. or 3 kw. to its own antenna at the desired frequency in the 88- to 108-mc. range.

Operational Advantages \star Dual operation on the old and new FM bands is highly desirable, of course, because it will obviate another chicken-or-the-egg dilemma in shifting to the new band. Stations now operating in the lower band will be able to serve their established FM andiences, while the new audiences on the higher frequency band are being developed.

In this connection, the power frequency converter has something special to offer. Since it is a relatively simple device, it can be manufactured quickly and installed with a minimum of delay or inconvenience. This means that stations now in operation will be able to begin transmission in the upper band much sooner than would be possible if they wait for the production of complete high-power transmitters for the new band.

Since it is axiomatic that receivers can be sold only in areas where FM signals are on the air, it follows that the shift of re-

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ception to the new band will be expedited by the early establishment of transmission in this portion of the spectrum provided, of course, that reception and coverage on the new band will prove to be as good as that obtained on the 42 to 50-mc. band.

Spot authorizations for the construction of a limited number of power frequency. converters for FM broadcast stations have already been applied for, and while the WPB has not indicated its action at the time this is being written, it is reasonable to expect that a number of converter installations will be in operation well before the appearance of the first post-war FM receivers on the civilian market. Quite possibly, the use of converters will permit regular transmissions in the 88 to 108-mc. band soon enough for extensive field testing of new receiver models prior to the resumption of civilian production. It is expected that a definite statement regarding the availability of power frequency converters can be made in the very near future.

Aside from the considerations of the time element, the use of converters offers a number of other practical advantages.

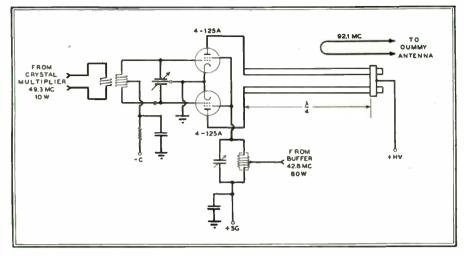


FIG. 2. CIRCUIT OF CONVERTER UNIT SHOWN AT THE RIGHT IN FIG. 1.

ical with that of the output of the present transmitter. The same monitoring equipment already in use at the station can be used to check both transmissions. The frequency stability of the output of the converter is excellent, being well within the requirements of the FCC.

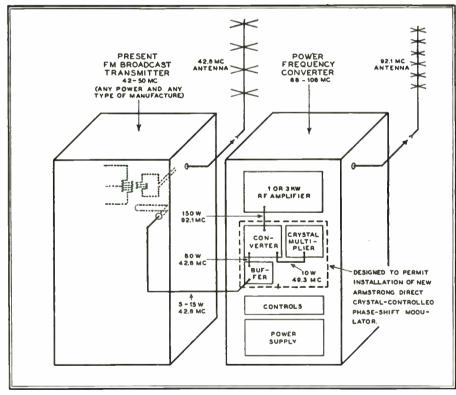


FIG. 3. ONE CONNECTION SERVES TO LINK CONVERTER AND TRANSMITTER

For example, it will be unnecessary to acquire additional real estate for the housing of a new transmitter at the present time. The same operating staff can attend the additional unit.

No new monitoring problems are introduced, since the frequency deviation of the converter output on the new band is identAn important consideration to the station owner contemplating the use of the power frequency converter is the matter of obsolescence. Will the entire cost of the converter have to be written off as a loss when the interim period of dual operation is ended and transmission solely on the 88- to 108-me. band is initiated?

The physical layout of the REL converter is such that the elements actually involved in frequency conversion (as distinguished from those involved in power amplification) are mounted in a removable section of the converter unit. At some future date, when operation on the lower frequency band is discontinued, these elements can be removed easily and a new Armstrong direct crystal-controlled phaseshift type of modulator substituted. The use of the 1-kw. or 3-kw. final power amplifier of the converter, together with its power supply and power control systems. will be retained for the new transmitter. Thus the major part of the present investment in the frequency converter can be saved. While exact cost figures are not available, it is estimated that only about 15% of the cost of the converter will be lost when the frequency-converting elements are removed.

Principle of Operation \star The power frequency converter operates on the same general principles as the other converter stages employed in FM transmitters. The main points of difference lie in the higher order of frequencies and the higher level of power at which the frequency conversion takes place, plus the fact that the converter output circuit is tuned to the sum rather than to the difference of the converter input frequencies.

The converter in its final stage of development on the laboratory bench is shown in Fig. 1. The unit at the extreme left is a crystal multiplier, delivering a constant-amplitude output at a frequency equal to the difference between the assigned frequencies in the new and the old FM bands.

For example, in a power frequency converter for Alpine, which is now operating on 42.8 mc. and plans to transmit simultaneously on 92.1 mc., the crystal multi-

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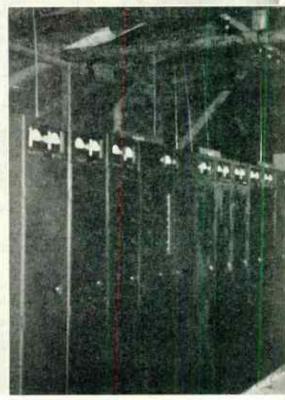
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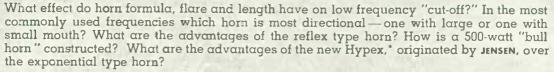
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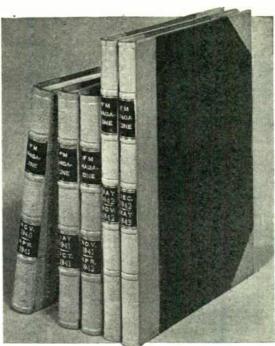
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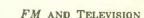
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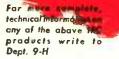
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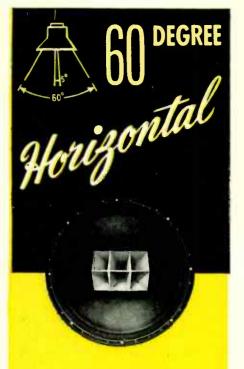
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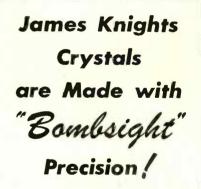
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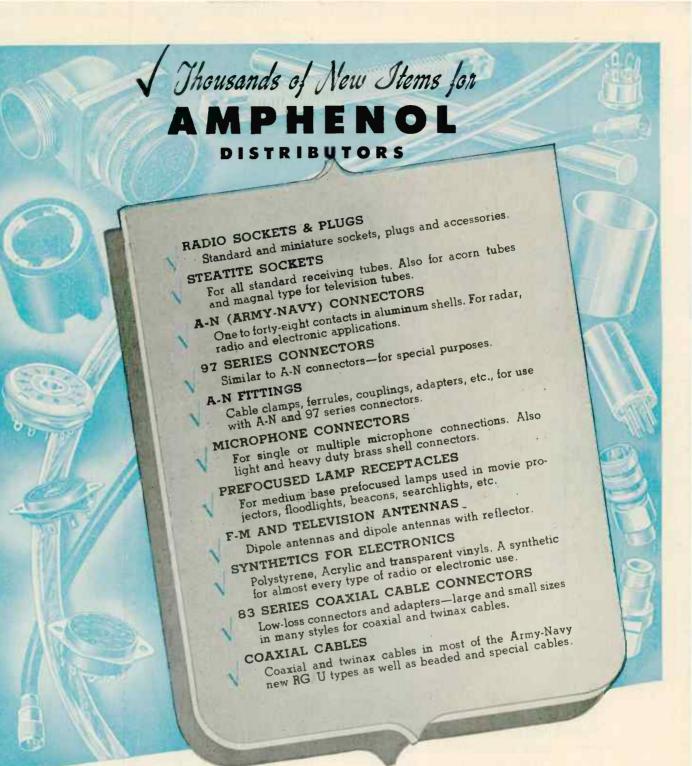
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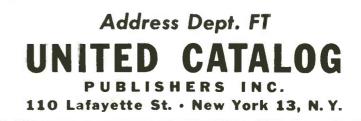
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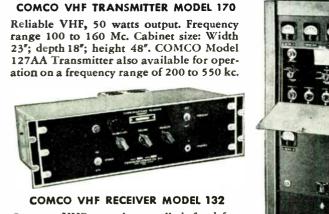


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rangement devised by G. L. Beers of RCA, in which the conventional limiter and discriminator are respectively replaced by a locked-in oscillator and a reduced-range discriminator. The circuit of the oscillator and discriminator are shown beneath the block diagram.

The locked-in oscillator employs a pentagrid-converter type of tube. The plate circuit L_1C_1 of the oscillator is tuned to a frequency that is one-fifth of the nominal intermediate frequency of the receiver. For example, if the intermediate frequency is 4.3 mc., circuit L_1C_1 will be tuned to 4.3/5 or .86 mc.

Energy is transferred by inductive feedback from the oscillator plate circuit L_1C_1 to circuit L_2C_2 , which is connected to grid No. 3. In order to accentuate the even harmonic content in the oscillator output, grid circuit L_2C_2 is tuned to the second harmonic, 1.72 mc., instead of the oscillator fundamental, .86 mc.

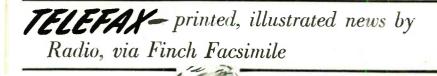
The FM signal is applied to grid No. 1 by way of tuned circuit L_4C_4 , which is coupled to the IF amplifier. Grids Nos. 2 and 4 are held at RF ground potential and serve to minimize electrostatic coupling between the signal input and oscillator circuits.

When no signal is being received, the oscillator operates at the frequency of its tank circuit, 860 kc. Under this condition the discriminator output voltage is zero.

If a signal voltage having a frequency near the intermediate frequency of 4.3 mc. is applied to grid No. 1 of the oscillator tube, it will modulate the electron stream and will combine with the fourth harmonic of the oscillator frequency, 3.44 mc., to give a component of oscillator plate current having the difference frequency of nearly 4.3 - 3.44 mc., or .86 mc. Such a component of plate current can produce a voltage across the tank circuit L₁C₁ resonant to 860 kc. that is appreciable compared to the voltage set up across this circuit by the oscillator alone. The result is that the oscillator will lock-in at one-fifth of the signal frequency and will follow any small variations in the signal frequency that may occur. For example, if the FM signal at the oscillator input is 4.3 mc. \pm 75 kc., the signal at the oscillator output will be .86 mc. \pm 15 kc. The oscillator output signal is demodulated in the discriminator, which is designed to have a linear characteristic over a range somewhat in excess of 2×15 or 30 kc.

The sixth harmonic of the oscillator frequency may also combine with the signal frequency to produce a component in the plate current having a frequency nearly equal to the natural frequency of the oscillator. Whether the fourth or the sixth harmonic will be the one which causes the locking-in effect will depend

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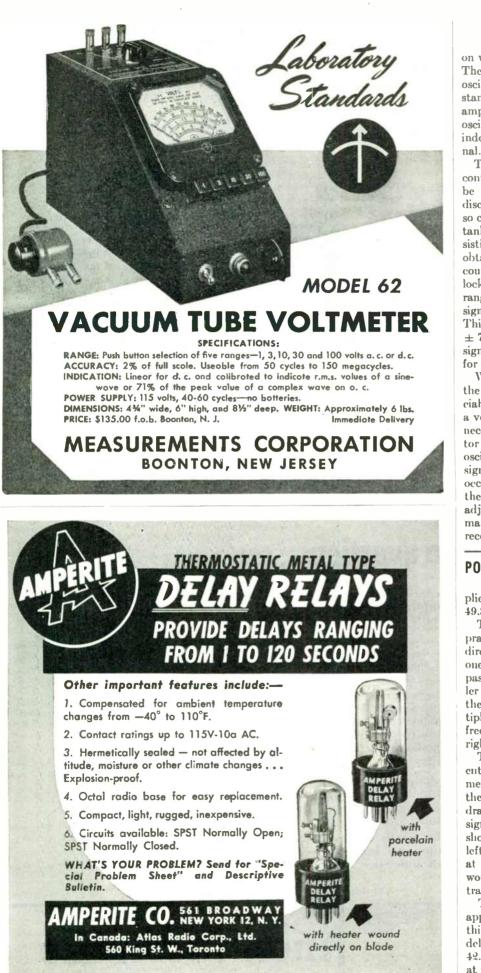


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on which of the harmonics predominates. The end result is essentially the same. The oscillator operates at one-fifth of the instantaneous signal frequency at the IF amplifier output, and the amplitude of the oscillator output voltage is substantially independent of the amplitude of the signal.

The frequency range over which lock-in control of the oscillation frequency will be maintained is limited. In fact, the discriminator input circuit constants are so chosen as to tend to keep the oscillator tank circuit impedance essentially resistive over a wider range than would be obtained if the discriminator were not coupled to the oscillator. In this manner, lock-in operation can be obtained over a range of about ± 110 kc. with a 1-volt signal on the No. 1 grid of the oscillator. This is sufficiently in excess of the \pm 75-kc. deviation of an FM broadcast signal to allow for slight mis-tuning and for oscillator drift.

When the applied frequency differs from the intermediate frequency by appreciably more than 110 kc., say by 200 kc., a voltage very much in excess of 1 volt is necessary on the No. 1 grid of the oscillator to obtain lock-in operation. Thus the oscillator is prevented from responding to signals on channels adjacent to the one occupied by the desired signal. In fact, the improvement in the suppression of adjacent channel interference is the primary advantage claimed for the Beers receiver arrangement.

POWER FREQUENCY CONVERTER (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 54)

plier output frequency is 92.1 - 42.8 or 49.3 mc.

This is a higher frequency than it is practical to generate in a crystal oscillator directly. Hence the crystal operates at one-twelfth of 49.3 mc. and its output is passed through two doubler and one tripler stages. The tuning controls appear on the front panel in Fig. 1. The crystal multiplier delivers 10 watts at 49.3 mc. to the frequency converter unit at the extreme right.

The only connection between the present FM transmitter and the new equipment is a small sampling link, coupled to the final stage of the transmitter, which draws off 5 to 15 watts to excite the buffer signal amplifier. In the laboratory set-up shown in Fig. 1, the second unit from the left is a signal generator delivering 5 watts at 42.8 mc., representing the power that would be sampled from Alpine's present transmitter.

The output of the signal generator is applied to the buffer signal amplifier, third unit from the left in Fig. 1, which delivers 80 watts at the same frequency of 42.8 mc. to the frequency converter unit at the extreme right.

The circuit diagram of the frequency converter unit is shown in Fig. 2. The 10watt output of the crystal multiplier at 49.3 mc. is used to excite the grids of two Eimac 4-195A tetrodes in pushpull. The screens of these tetrodes are excited in parallel at 42.8 mc. by the 80-watt output of the buffer signal amplifier. The output at the sum frequency of 92.1 mc. is segregated in the quarter-wave shorted line connected in pushpull to the plates. The line is mounted on the top of the frequency converter as shown in Fig. 1. With 1,500 volts on the tetrode plates, 150 watts of output at 92.1 mc. were readily obtained in the dummy antenna shown coupled to the line. This is adequate power for the excitation of a 1-kw. final amplifier.

The front-panel arrangement of the factory-built power frequency converter is indicated in Fig. 3. The power supplies for the 1- or 3-kw. final amplifier are installed in the bottom compartment. The power supply controls are located on the front panel just above. The buffer signal amplifier, crystal multiplier and frequency converter units are mounted on a removable platform within a shielded cabinet so that they can be easily replaced with a new Armstrong direct crystal-controlled phase-shift type of modulator at some future date when transmission on the 42- to 50-mc. band is discontinued. Thus, about 85% of the first cost of the power frequency converter is to be saved toward the construction of the transmitter for permanent service on the new band.

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rank of Commander to Captain, U.S.N.R. In civilian life, he is the president of Finch Telecommunications, Inc., manufacturers of facsimile equipment.

New Construction: Hoffman Radio Corp., Los Angeles, has started construction on a new plant annex which will be used as an office and engineering building. This, with four other buildings now occupied, brings the factory space up to 150,000 square feet.

Realistic Thinking: The end of the war will probably bring more realistic thinking to bear on matters related to the radio industry. For example, the FCC explained its failure to settle FM and television frequencies when other allocations were made above 25 mc. by saying that WPB did not anticipate civilian radio production in 1945 or even in the first part of 1946 unless Japan capitulates, and that "The War Production Board has advised the Commission that in the event there is any change in its prediction, it will give 90 days advance notice." Characterized as "cockeyed" in the June issue of this Magazine, that statement was issued less than 90 days before the official offer of peace from Japan set in motion the machinery for wholesale cancellations of inilitary contracts!

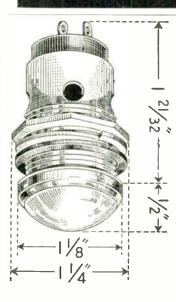
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possibilities of FM, and of the special microphone techniques required. In short, its true worth has been kept a secret from those upon whom it must depend for its ultimate success.

Here is a public relations job that would be a logical undertaking for FMBI, and a far more useful service to everyone connected with the broadcasting industry than anything the organization has done so far for its members. Myles Loucks, FMBI manager, has proved to be a most capable organizer and could handle such a project admirably, but his usefulness has been limited by the inclination of the directors to be satisfied with doing nothing constructive since the ODT put a stop to conventions. However, there is nothing to prevent FMBI from holding seminars successively in New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles.

The Single Market FM Plan \star While the FM group has coasted along on its lethargic way, AM broadcasters have been doing some fast thinking that goes like this: lowpower FM stations in a number of cities are delivering greater coverage than local or regional AM stations. High-power FM stations are delivering far greater coverage than the primary areas of 50-kw. AM station. However, the secondary coverage of clear channel AM stations, uncertain as it may be, is greater than can be obtained with FM.

Since time sales on 50-kw. AM stations represent the lion's share of the total AM volume, if FM transmitters can be limited as to power and antenna height, they can then compete only with local and regional AM stations. Further, the AM position will be strengthened if local and regional AM transmitters are shifted to FM, because that will leave the whole AM band for clear channel AM stations of 50 kw. or more.

Because there is not space to examine all the testimony of AM station operators. let us review the CBS contribution to the record. Acting director of engineering William B. Lodge fired the first shot in an article in *Broadcasting*, August 14, 1944 when he raised the question of long-distance interference on the 42- to 50-mc. band, and proposed that FM broadcasting be put up to 100 mc. He had no experience which indicated that interference at 50 me. would actually require such a shift, or that there would be any net gain to listeners. His information on interference related to sunspots was completely inaccurate.

However, in proposing such a change of FM frequencies, he could be reasonably certain that 1) the expansion of FM broadcasting would be embarrassed by shifting the band to frequencies for which neither home receivers nor broadcast transmitters had ever been built, and 2) the transmit-

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ting range of high-power FM stations would be less than on the lower band. In addition to advocating this shift to the FM Panel of RTPB and at the FCC hearings, he proposed other limitations on FM service, chief of which was the reduction of the FM channel width. Examined on this point on October 12, 1944 by Mr. Denny, Mr. Lodge stated that a change from 200 kc. to 100 kc. "would result in an approximate reduction in half of the (transmitting) radius."

On October 11, 1944, Plausible Paul Kesten testified before the FCC concerning the CBS single market plan for FM broadcasting. This plan, which will be described briefly, has certain admirable features, in that it would put all FM in any given area on an equal and competitive basis as to coverage. However, the CBS plan, as it has been presented, is a vicious device which leaves high-power AM stations free to sell multiple-market coverage. while limiting FM stations to the sale of single market coverage only. This is what Mr. Kesten said: "We want FM broadcasting to be wholly democratic . . . that what we have called the prince-and-pauper status of big and little (AM) stations be avoided as the end result of (FM) licensing," and "That FM licensees be limited. by Commission policy, to coverage of the single market area within which they are broadcasting rather than covering several separate markets by placing a high, and high-powered transmitter somewhere between them." Mr. Kesten further testified: "There are no jokers in this, there are no aces up this sleeve."

Mr. Kesten must have said that with his tongue in his cheek, for the one hope of protecting the 50-kw. AM stations owned by CBS and its 50-kw. AM affiliates, who are the chief CBS customers, is to assure those stations of multi-market coverage on clear channels and limiting FM "to coverage of the single market area within which they are broadcasting rather than covering several markets."

No Democracy in This * In other words, consider the position of such an AM station as WTAG, a CBS affiliate in Worcester, Mass. This station can sell time to advertiser's that buy the CBS net because it can deliver a better AM signal to the Worcester audience than any 50-kw. CBS station.

But suppose WTAG. along with other local and regional AM stations, shifts to FM, and its AM frequency is given to a clear channel 50-kw. transmitter affiliated with CBS. That, or some other clear channel station, supposedly operating to provide rural coverage, may well put an AM signal into Worcester as good as or better than WTAG now provides.

Obviously, if WTAG-FM is limited to local market coverage and forced to com-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 82)







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pete with 50-kw. clear channel AM affiliates of CBS, the management will find itself set down firmly behind the 8-ball of what Mr. Kesten calls a "democratic" setup for FM, in which the prince-andpauper situation will continue, with FM stations playing the pauper rôle.

This is a situation which WTAG could only view with alarm — unless the management has reason to expect that, when local and regional AM stations are shifted to FM, it will be able to get a clear channel and 50 kw. on AM.

Let us see how Mr. Edward E. Hill, managing director of WTAG and WTAG-FM thinks about the position of his station:

First of all, Mr. Hill sent out a letter on July 14th, presumably addressed to all broadcast stations, endorsing the CBS single market plan in these words: "The Single Market Plan hurts no one but the fellow who wants to hog his own market and the other fellow's market too. It places no limit on the power required to do a specific, worthwhile job. It means that no one else can come into your market and get more power or coverage than is available to you.

to you. "... I'm not plugging the Single Market Plan because it was proposed by the Columbia Broadcasting System. Far from it. I would get behind such a plan regardless of the source. It's just that CBS has come up with a plan which helps to insure my being in the broadcasting business ten years from now, regardless of my network affiliation. If it does this for me, it will do the same for you."

Mr. Hill also sent the writer a copy of a statement prepared for delivery as testimony before the FCC hearing on FM allocations. First, concerning program duplication, the statement sets forth that:

"During the past five years we have been operating WTAG-FM, we have had occasion to duplicate our entire AM schedule, more recently to broadcast a more limited schedule of hours — still duplicating our AM schedule — and, for a time, to broadcast a completely *different* schedule of programs.

"Listener reactions indicated conclusively that the public preferred the duplication of our AM programs. In fact, listeners seemed to resent any curtailment in the programs customarily available on AM receivers. I feel that this is a natural reaction for several reasons. In our area, a number of programs are continuously available, including the programs of all four national networks. I don't think the public wants more programs, and I'm very sure the public isn't even remotely interested in high-fidelity 1 as such. What it does want - and all it wants - is to hear its favorite programs clearly and with complete freedom from interference of any kind.

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"... Idealistically, it is intriguing to think that the public will buy FM receivers because, thereby, it will hear new and different programs; but, practically, listeners want to hear their favorite programs and will hear them if they have to turn from FM to AM to do so.

In other words, Mr. Hill thinks that if he is required to give up his AM frequency and operate only on FM, and to find a new source of high-fidelity programs, he could not compete against a 50-kw. AM clear channel station affiliated with CBS.

Yet Mr. Hill wants FM stations limited to single market coverage, for his statement continues: "At this point, I would like to commend the Columbia network for proposing a plan which, at first reading, seems to be contrary to their own network interest; but which, with study, develops into a well-defined, far-sighted allocations plan, designed to protect the future of radio and of network radio through the encouragement of free but legitimate competition.

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"Since one national network enjoyed such exceptional FM facilities in New England, it was only natural that other networks should follow suit. Consequently. CBS filed an application for a 50-kw. station in Paxton. If this were granted, I don't need to tell you that, in time to come, our network affiliation (with CBS) would be terminated. This would indeed be ironical after what is already 21 years of broadcasting effort.

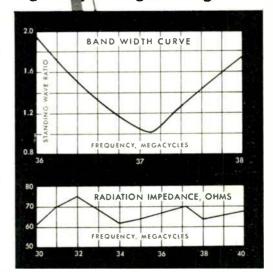
"Nor do I need to tell you that, since a 50-kw. station in Paxton is capable of covering Boston, Providence, Springfield, Manchester, and other important markets, network affiliates in those cities would suffer a similar fate. Then it would naturally follow that other networks should do the same thing, with the end result that a few network-owned stations would completely dominate the New Eng-

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¹ Apparently Mr. Hill, in common with most broadcasters, pays more attention to listener surveys than listeners' reception. The truth is that, even on AM network programs transmitted by FM, while listeners attribute their enjoyment of FM to the elimination of static, their enjoyment is enhanced by 1) the use of receivers of far greater audio capability than the average straight AM set, and 2) because, since it is not necessary on FM to cut the higher frequencies in order to reduce background noise, they can at least hear all the frequencies transmitted over circuits intended for AM stations. — Editor's Note.



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land area, to the competitive disadvantage of all other stations."

Here's the Joker \star What Mr. Hill said is very convincing until it is recalled that, in advocating the single market FM plan, he, like Mr. Kesten, made no reference to the fact that if the AM band is ultimately used to give more clear channels to 50-kw. AM stations, they will be able to sell multi-market primary coverage, plus substantial secondary coverage.

Why, right now, AM stations are advertising that they deliver multiple-market coverage. For example, WOW, Omaha, advertises to deliver a signal of 2.5 millivolts at 100 miles. This radius includes Lincoln and Sioux City, both of which are listed by Mr. Kesten as metropolitan districts. Therefore, under the single market plan, separate FM stations in Omaha, Lincoln, and Sioux City would have to compete with WOW's AM coverage of the three metropolitan districts. More than that, WOW advertises that its .5 millivolt contour "reaches out nearly 200 miles!"

A careful study of the CBS plan and the testimony of Messrs. Kesten and Lodge does not reveal a single reference to putting limitations on AM stations so that they, too, will have a "wholly democratic" part in the competition for the program sponsors' dollars.

To be perfectly fair to Mr. Hill of WTAG, when the writer asked him by letter if he endorsed the CBS plan because he failed to realize that his FM station would be at a competitive disadvantage with respect to multiple market AM stations, or if he endorsed the plan for FM because he hoped to get 50-kw. on AM with a clear channel, he replied: "I was not sufficiently aware of the Commission's plan to establish high-power AM stations in the present AM band." Then he explained: "Again, my recommendations were based upon the theory that FM was to entirely replace the AM system, although I realize that for some indefinite period of time AM stations might be used in the far west to cover wide but thinly populated areas. As I see it, and as you point out, any other use to which such stations might be put would defeat the whole purpose of either the Single Market plan or the allocations plan contained in the FCC proposal."

Now, that is a definite qualification of Mr. Hill's testimony. But he made no such statement in his testimony prepared for the FCC hearing. Why didn't Mr. Kesten write that limitation on AM into the CBS plan to limit FM stations? Was it purely an oversight, or was it something that he meant to keep quietly up his sleeve? Why didn't the FCC bring out this point in its proposal on frequency allocations and coverage for FM stations?

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No plan is honest or "wholly demoeratic" that puts FM stations on a common competitive basis if, by so doing, it prevents them from competing with AM stations. Considering the background of testimony by Messrs. Kesten and Lodge, and the manner in which the FCC hearings on FM frequencies were conducted, it is logical to conclude that the purpose was to protect the operators of high-power, clear channel AM stations. Therefore, there is every reason to look upon the CBS plan and the FCC proposal with doubt, distrust, and suspicion unless and until they, like Mr. Hill, add the qualification that, within some reasonable and specified period of time, all AM broadcasters must shift to FM transmission.

That Dead Mackerel \star To this observer, the apparent determination of the Commissioners to use the Allocations Hearings to find support for shifting FM frequencies, and its proposal to set up rules which, in effect, limit FM stations to single market coverage indicates 1) that they had decided to protect the 50-kw. stations against FM competition or 2) Mr. Kesten had sold them a bright idea without their knowing it would have that end result.

The strenuous objection registered by the FCC to the postwar manufacture of FM-AM sets capable of tuning both the old and new FM frequencies indicates that they are deliberately trying to protect themselves against the consequences of their actions because:

First, if the new FM band does not provide reception equal to that on the lower band, it will be immediately apparent to the public and to the industry, for listeners would be able to tune in the same programs on both bands while the present stations are operating old and new transmitters simultaneously.

Second, if new sets can tune both FM bands, the FCC will have no excuse for not giving the 44- to 50-mc. band back to FM for rural or multi-market stations or for other needs.

Under the single market plan, there is a threat of congestion already in some sections of the country, and the FCC may be forced to keep the old FM band in use.

Now, the attempt of the FCC to tell the radio manufacturers how many tuning bands they shall have on new receivers seems to confirm the growing suspicion that there is something other than consideration of public interest, convenience, and necessity behind the actions of the Commissioners.

Ultimately, FM will win on its merits as surely as AC won over DC, sixty years ago. Meanwhile, there is something very fishy about what's going on that has the odor of ex-chairman Fly's dead mackerelwhich shone and stank in the moonlight.



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is Wabash 2550. E. H. Aberdeen is in charge.

Zenith: A. V. Duke has been appointed assistant to H. C. Bonfig, vice president in charge of household radios. Duke has been with Zenith since 1928.

Slewart Warner: New radio distributors are: Bright Distributing Company, Knoxville, for eastern Tennessee - owner, H. C. Bright; Minnesota Electric Supply Company, Willmar, for the Willmar and Minneapolis areas - owners. M. R. Oman and H. W. Linder; William's Wholesale Distributors, 35 S. 4th Street, Newark, O., for 23 central Ohio counties - owner, William S. Moore; Southern Minnesota Supply Company, Mankato, Minn. (branches at Rochester and Eau Claire), for the Mankato and Rochester, Minn., and Eau Claire, Wis., areas - general manager, C. E. Lytle; Appliance Distributors, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., for Westchester and Rockland counties --- president, Jack Klarman.

St. Paul: G. W. Bauman of Electronic Distributing Company, 1937 University Avenue, St. Paul 4, Minn., is interested in distributing a line of household electrical appliances.



G.E.: E. A. Leach has been appointed sales manager of emergency radio equipment. A native of Boston and a graduate of M.I.T., he joined the G.E. engineering department in 1928 at

Schenectady. In 1938 he was made assistant superintendent of the transmitter manufacturing division of Syracuse. Thus he brings to sales work an unusual background of engineering experience.

Magnovox: Has announced the appointment of Del Wakeman as advertising manager. He is former vice president of Keeling & Company, Indianapolis advertising agency.

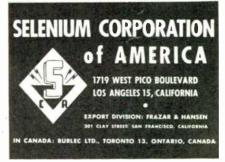
Newcomb: Los Angeles manufacturer of sound systems has appointed the following representatives: C. E. Anderson, 231 Rockefeller Bldg., Cleveland; Harry Halinton, 612 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago; H. M. Linter & Son, 50 Warren Street, New York City; and Richard A. Hyde, 4253 Quitman Street, Denver.

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FM RELAY IN N. AFRICA (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 39)

A number of tricks for employing radio and teletype apparatus in an integrated system were thrust upon them. When no signals are received by teletype machines, they "run open," unless a "marking signal" prevents this. While the circuit was being reversed in direction and during shut downs or circuit failures, no signals were received and, in consequence, the machines ran open. On wire circuits, this is a sign of trouble which caused considerable consternation to the operators. The carrier-operated relays of the terminal receivers were, therefore, arranged to send marking signals to their respective teletype machines when no signal was received.

Another trick, which can be used with simplex radio arrangements, checks the teletype machine, the tone equipment, the terminal station, and the first relay station. Ordinarily, in simplex teletype circuits, the sending contacts of the machine are connected in series with the receiving magnets, so that whatever is sent will also be printed. For the radio circuits, a slightly different set up was used. The sending contacts were connected through the tone equipment to the terminal transmitter, and the receiving magnets were connected through the tone equipment to the terminal receiver. When signals were transmitted from A, they were relayed from C. These could be received at M as well as continuing on down the circuit through D. The signals at M were used to operate the receiving part of the machine. While the operator had a local copy, as is usual with simplexing, he received it through his tone, terminal, and relay station apparatus, thus continuously checking all those parts of his circuit.

Where it is necessary to pick up signals anywhere along a system, as on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, the simplex arrangement seems necessary. Also, it has the advantage of using fewer transmitters than the duplex scheme. The kind of system described here cannot be used for multichannel communications. Duplex circuits, on the other hand, avoid the difficulties inherent in the simplex system.

Nevertheless, this particular system served the very important function of demonstrating to the Army the possibilities of radio relaying, provided a badly needed circuit, and led to increased interest in the development of really military radio relay² equipment for field application which had an important use subsequently in Northern France. The equipment described in this article was used in Sicily and Malta during the Sicilian campaign and in Southern Italy, Anzio, and in Corsica while the development and the initial of production of military radio relay sets was going on in the U.S.A.

¹See "How FM Links Army Wire Systems" by Lieut. Robert W. Ehrlich, FM AND TELEVIERON, April, 1945, and "FM Carrier Equipment" by Fred-erick T. Budelman, FM AND TELEVISION, Jan., 1945.



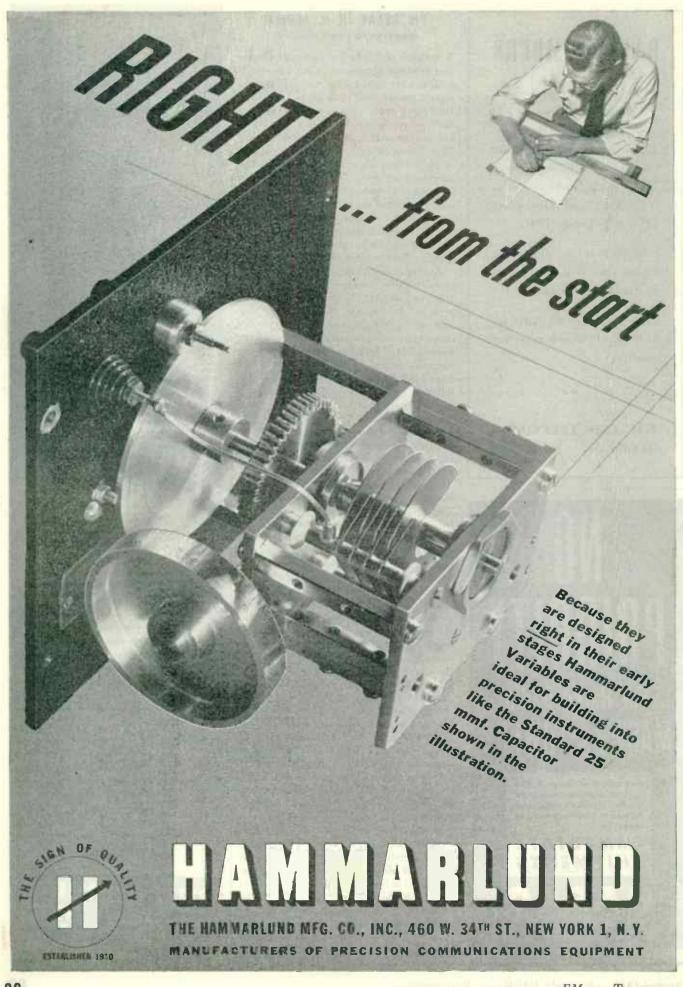
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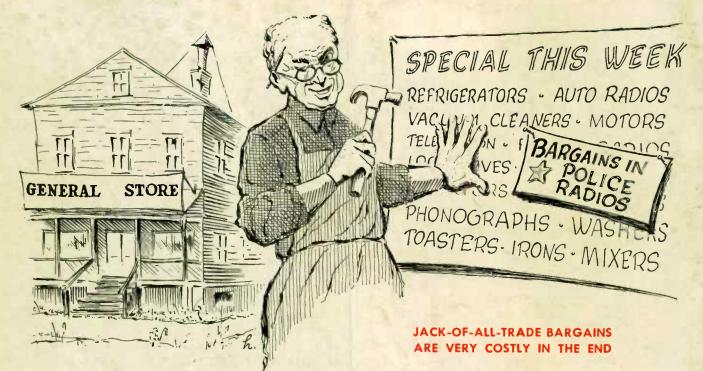
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